

# Town of Franklin Vermont

and the

Franklin School District

2013 Annual Report

For the  
Town Year Ending December 31, 2013  
School Year Ending June 30, 2013



# AUDITORS' ANNUAL REPORT

for the

TOWN OF FRANKLIN  
VERMONT

For the Year Ending  
December 31, 2013

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\*\*\* ABSTRACT OF MARCH 5, 2013 TOWN MEETING \*\*\*

Town Clerk, Lisa A. Larivee, declared the polls open for the Australian Ballots of the MVU High School #7 budget and school directors and Tri-town recreation facility bond vote. Moderator Timothy Magnant called the Franklin School District meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The Moderator asked permission for Pastor Jason McConnell to speak; Pastor McConnell spoke to the group about his time in Franklin and a thank you to residents for being united and civil. The Moderator reviewed the Roberts Rules of order with those present.

- ARTICLE 1** Elected Timothy Magnant as moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 2** Accepted reports of school directors.
- ARTICLE 3** Appropriated \$1,609,782 for the FY2014 school budget.
- ARTICLE 4** Approval of a Capital Reserve fund for future capital improvements to the school building and grounds with remaining roof account funds.
- ARTICLE 5** Elected Robert Berger Franklin School Director for three years.
- ARTICLE 6** Authorized school directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
- ARTICLE 7** Tim thanked Jon Gates for his 13 years of service on the board.

**CLOSED TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND ENTER REGULAR TOWN MEETING**

- ARTICLE 8** Elected Timothy Magnant as moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 9** Elected Lisa A Larivee as Town Clerk for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE 10** Accepted the reports of the town officers.
- ARTICLE 11** Appropriated \$682,982 for the Municipal Budget.
- ARTICLE 12** Appropriated \$5,000 to the Watershed Committee.
- ARTICLE 13** Appropriated \$4,000 for Franklin County Sheriff coverage.
- ARTICLE 14** Authorized the Town to borrow not more than \$110,000 for term not to exceed five years to construct a sand shed.
- ARTICLE 15** Approved the change in fiscal year to July through June effective July 2014
- ARTICLE 16** Elected the following town officers:
  - A. Peter Magnant selectperson for three-year term.
  - B. Yvon Dandurand selectperson for two-year term.
  - C. Andrew Godin selectperson for unexpired term of three years.
  - D. Gilbert Dewing lister for three-year term.
  - E. Carole Richard auditor for three-year term.
  - F. Susan Clark trustee of public money for one year.
  - G. Kimberly Gates Maynard trustee of Haston Library Fund for one year.
  - H. Haston Library Trustees; Carole Richard and Jennifer Bright for three year terms; Susan Clark for unexpired one year term; Linda Hartman for unexpired two year term.
  - I. Johanna Crane-Godin delinquent tax collector for one year.
  - J. Burt Maynard constable for one year.
  - K. George Godin town agent for one year.
  - L. Aaron Porter and Doug Clark for grand jurors for one year.
  - M. Kay Papazoni Franklin Homestead Board of Director for three years.
- ARTICLE 17** Authorized the Select Board to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
- ARTICLE 18** Elected Howard Vansette, Nancy Wilson and Jennifer Dewing as cemetery commissioners for one year.
- ARTICLE 19** Authorized the payment of taxes to be paid to the treasurer by October 15, 2013 before 3:30 p.m.
- ARTICLE 20** Voted to publish December 31, 2013 delinquent property taxpayers' names.
- ARTICLE 21** No business.
- ARTICLE 22** Kim Gates Maynard reminded everyone that the vote is going on for the Tri-Town Arena facility. Marilyn Hackett commented that she was glad to see that the prayer was not held on government property and liked Mr. McConnell's statement of gracious good will; however she questions his use of religious language in those statements. Tim thanked the students that did the microphones. Diane Gates talked about the Home Energy Challenge that Franklin has enrolled in through Efficiency Vermont. Bryant Reynolds thanked everyone for donating food and supplies and supporting the Library for the luncheon. Hugh Gates informed everyone that Dick & Kelly Wright donated \$100,000 to the Homestead for rental assistance years ago; FFD, FRS, Haston Library and Franklin United Church received funds from the Wright's trusts recently.

## **WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

The legal voters of the Town of Franklin and the School District are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Franklin Central School on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to transact the following business:

### **TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To act upon the reports of the school directors.
3. Will the voters of the Franklin Town School District appropriate \$1,683,860 necessary for the support of the Franklin Elementary School for the school year beginning July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015?
4. Will the voters of the Franklin Town School District appropriate an amount up to \$30,000, less any applicable grants and/or rebates from Efficiency VT, for the purpose of upgrading lighting both in the school building and parking lot; including replacement of the broken light pole, to enhance energy efficiency and savings?
5. To elect one Franklin School Director for a term of three (3) years.
6. Will the voters of the Franklin Town School District authorize the school directors to borrow money to pay the current expenditures in anticipation of taxes and to sign notes for that purpose?
7. To transact any other business legally authorized to be transacted; considered appropriate and necessary when met.

### **CLOSE TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND ENTER REGULAR TOWN MEETING**

8. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
9. To elect a Town Treasurer for a three-year term.
10. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.
11. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin approve Franklin County Sheriff coverage in the amount of \$5,500?
12. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate \$10,000 for work at the Town Hall to include but not limited to electrical upgrade, entry roof, entryway as a 50% grant match?
13. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin approve the sum of \$30,000 toward the completion of the Dewing Road outlet project?
14. To see if the voters will vote an adequate sum of money to meet current expenses, deficit, and debt payment of the town as indicated in the proposed municipal budget?
15. To elect the following town officers:
  - A. One selectboard member for a term of three years. (by ballot)
  - B. One selectboard member for a term of two years. (by ballot)
  - C. One lister for a term of three years. (by ballot)
  - D. One auditor for a term of three years. (by ballot)
  - E. A trustee of public money for a term of one year.
  - F. A trustee of the Haston Library Fund for a term of one year.

- G. Haston Library trustees; two for three year terms, one for an unexpired term with one year remaining.
  - H. A collector of delinquent taxes for a term of one year.
  - I. A constable for a term of one year.
  - J. A town agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the town is interested.
  - K. One or more grand jurors.
  - L. One representative to serve on the Franklin Homestead, Inc. Board of Directors for a term of three years.
16. To see if the town will authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the needs of the town.
  17. To elect a person, or persons, to act as cemetery commissioner(s) to care for the cemeteries in town where there is no one responsible to act in such a capacity.
  18. To see if the voters will set the date of payment of property taxes paid to the treasurer to be October 15, 2014 before 3:30 p.m.
  19. To see if the town will vote to publish the names of all delinquent property taxpayers and amounts due and owed to the town as of December 31, 2014.
  20. To elect any town officers to fill any town office that may be vacant at this time.
  21. To transact any other non-binding business thought proper when met.

**Franklin Selectboard**

*Peter Magnant  
Yvon Dandurand  
Kyle Lothian  
Wayne Laroche  
Andrew Godin*

**Franklin School Directors**

*Timothy Magnant  
David Rood  
Robert Berger*

Read for record on January 23, 2014 at the Franklin School Library and is duly recorded.

**ATTEST:**

*Lisa A. Larivee, Town Clerk*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Special accommodations will be made for all handicapped persons requesting an accommodation at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting. Please call 285-2101 for more information.

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

Moderator.....Timothy Magnant.....Elected Annually  
Town Clerk.....Lisa A. Larivee.....Term Expires 2016  
Town Treasurer.....Lisa A. Larivee.....Term Expires 2014

**SELECTBOARD**

Kyle Lothian.....Term Expires 2014  
Wayne Laroche.....Term Expires 2014  
Andrew Godin.....Term Expires 2015  
Yvon Dandurand.....Term Expires 2015  
Peter Magnant.....Term Expires 2016

**LISTERS**

Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2014  
Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2015  
Gilbert Dewing.....Term Expires 2016

**AUDITORS**

Michelle Guilmette.....Term Expires 2014  
Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2015  
Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2016

**TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY**

Susan E. Clark.....Term Expires 2014

**TRUSTEE OF HASTON LIBRARY FUND**

Kimberly Gates Maynard.....Term Expires 2014

**HASTON LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Susan Clark.....Term Expires 2014  
Bryant Reynolds.....Term Expires 2014  
Linda Hartman.....Term Expires 2015  
Marcy Stefaniak (resigned).....Term Expires 2015  
Art Leduc (appointed until 2014).....Term Expires 2015  
Karen Gates.....Term Expires 2015  
Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2016  
Jennifer Bright.....Term Expires 2016



**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS**

**ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK & TREASURER**

Sara Rainville.....Term Expires 2014

**PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 Year Term**

Peter Kittell.....Term Expires 2015  
Brooks Sturtevant.....Term Expires 2015  
Daniel Larivee.....Term Expires 2015  
Clark Hubbard \*4 year Term.....Term Expires 2016  
Greg Bouchard.....Term Expires 2016  
Howard Deuso.....Term Expires 2016  
John Ho.....Term Expires 2016

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 3 Year Term**

Carolyn Kittell.....Term Expires 2014  
Chris Bolton.....Term Expires 2014  
Lyle Richard.....Term Expires 2015  
Dennis Young.....Term Expires 2015  
Chris O'Shea.....Term Expires 2016  
James Pivrotto (alternate).....Term Expires 2016  
Jill Pigeon.....Term Expires 2016

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2014

**OTHER OFFICERS**

Town Service Officer.....Pauline Gadbois  
Health Officer.....Pauline Gadbois  
Road Commissioner.....Kyle Lothian, resigned  
.....Andrew Godin, appointed  
Road Foreman.....Howard Vansette  
Animal Control Officer.....Dennis Demar  
Tree & Fire Warden.....Burt Maynard  
Keeper of Street Lights.....Donald Gates  
Keeper of Town Clock.....Eric Gerrard  
Emergency Management Coordinator.....Justin Rainville  
Regional Planning.....Clark Hubbard  
.....Yvon Dandurand  
E911 Coordinator.....Sara Rainville  
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).....Peter Magnant  
Energy Committee.....Gerald Gates

**AUDITORS' REPORT**

We, the undersigned and duly elected auditors of the Town of Franklin, report that we have reviewed and approved in accordance with Title 24, §1681et seq, V.S.A., the accounts relating to the town and these findings are contained in the reports herein. We review all Selectboard orders and reconcile town bank statements.

The school accounts are audited by Angolano & Company, Certified Public Accountants. Angolano & Company's complete audit report is available for review at the Town Clerk's office. As part of the segregation of duties, town auditors reconcile the school bank statements.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jean Richard  
Carole Richard  
Michelle Guilmette*

## SELECTBOARD REPORT

The Franklin Selectboard has contracted ambulance service with the Enosburgh Ambulance Service (EAS) for the next 3.5 years until the end of fiscal year 2017; June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The rate will be the same amount as the town paid last year (\$28 per capita) for the length of the contract. The Board would like to thank Polly Gadbois for working on behalf of the town to help negotiate this contract with EAS.

The town is currently working with Vermont Electric Coop and Efficiency Vermont to replace the street lights in the village and East Franklin with LED lights. The cost of the conversion is estimated to be \$5,075. Efficiency Vermont will pay \$2,900 towards the conversion with the town paying the difference of \$2,175. The yearly anticipated savings is \$813 which would be a payback of approximately 2.5 years.

The replacement of the Lake Carmi outlet culvert on the Dewing Road with a larger precast bridge was not completed in 2013. The money expected from the VTrans grant was not granted in 2013 due to other priorities in the State. We are still in line to receive the grant in 2014. The project was sent out for bid last summer and the town received four bids. Unfortunately all of the bids came in over what we had budgeted. The Selectboard decided to re-bid the project with the town providing some of the materials such as stone, gravel and trucking. We received two bids that were re-bid to include the towns support on the project. The Selectboard accepted a bid of \$211,540 with the town supplying material and trucking. As this bid was still over budget it was accepted with the stipulation that the town would have to appropriate more funds to complete the project. The Selectboard has warned an article in the Town Report for an additional \$30,000 to complete the Dewing Road bridge project.

The Franklin Fire District #1, which is an independent municipality that owns and operates the village water system has, voted to dissolve/merge with the town municipality due to increased state regulations and the inability to find people to serve on the Prudential Board from within the district. In order for the fire district municipality to merge with the Town of Franklin municipality we would need to take over the assets and business of the Fire District. Two public hearings on the merger will be required prior to a vote by Australian ballot to approve the merger. These public hearings will be scheduled for this spring. If the merger is approved the transition date is anticipated to be July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014; the start of fiscal year 2015.

The town continues to receive many dog complaints which demand a lot of time from the Town Clerk, the Selectboard and the Animal Control Officer. The town received 16 dog complaints in 2013. From these 16: complaints 11 judicial tickets were issued for the amount of \$725. The town has received back \$656.64 of that amount. We understand that the majority of dog owners do a good job controlling their dogs and respect others property. The Selectboard would like to ask everyone to control their animals and respect other people's property so that the town does not have to be involved in this type of issue. Your help in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately the town was named in a lawsuit in 2013. James Phelps sued the Town of Franklin for injuries allegedly sustained in a motorcycle accident that occurred on the corner of Beaver Meadow Road and Browns Corner Road on May 10th, 2011. The lawsuit alleges that the accident was caused by a chloride spill on the Browns Corner Road. Court ordered mediation is scheduled to occur prior to May 1, 2014.

Again the Selectboard would like to thank all those who give their time to serve the Town of Franklin and make this a wonderful town to live in.

Respectfully submitted,

*Peter Magnant, Chair  
Yvon Dandurand, Kyle Lothian,  
Wayne Laroche, Andrew Godin*

## ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORT

By now I'm sure most residents have noticed the new sand shed has been erected. Although the project is not yet complete, the road crew has indicated it is working well. There has still been some freezing of the sand, attributed mostly to the late fall completion and moving of the existing sand pile, which in turn didn't allow time for the sand to dry. The project is expected to be completed this coming spring with more grading of the yard and landscaping for aesthetics.

In an effort to further reduce our salt requirements, we are working with the Northwest Regional Planning Commission to obtain a grant that would aid in the purchase of equipment required for the application of brine. We have been in contact with St. Albans Town, which is currently using and making brine. They are very happy with the results, and have indicated they would be interested in supplying our town with the product. Using this product would nearly eliminate the use of salt on our roads and further decrease our sand needs, in turn reducing salt and phosphorus runoff and saving the town money.

We have consulted a DOT engineer about the intersection on the north end of the village where Route 120, Middle Road, and Route 235 (Morses Line Road) meet. This intersection has been a hazard for years, and I have received multiple complaints in my short time on the Selectboard. It was recommended that the intersection be changed in such a way that Route 235 not flow as easily onto the south bound lane of Route 120 heading into the village. We are planning to make the recommended changes that would necessitate vehicles coming to a complete stop. This would require part of the pavement to be cut out, and replaced with green space. A specific date for this project has not yet been determined.

I encourage the public to contact the Road Commissioner or any Selectboard member about concerns regarding the roads instead of going directly to the road crew. By doing this you will help keep your board informed of issues in need of attention, and will hopefully result in less miscommunication between the residents, members of the Selectboard and the road crew. In situations of immediate threat to public safety, it would be proper to stop a road crew member to inform them of the issue.

As we all have experienced, it has been a challenging winter for our road crew. The ice storm we experienced in the last few days of 2013 was an unusual and extreme situation. I would like to thank the many volunteers known or unknown who took the time to clear brush and down trees in our roadways, as our road crew was extremely busy trying to keep the roads safe. Finally, many residents approached me praising the performance of our crew in the weeks of rough and icy roads following the storm. I would like to thank our road crew for their hard work, and good decision making throughout the ordeal.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Andrew Godin*  
Road Commissioner

## PAVING PROGRESS REPORT/PLAN

### 2009:

- Hanna Road 821.84 tons @ \$65.19/ton = \$53,575; 1 mile with 1" overlay.
- Gallup Road 594 tons @ \$65.19/ton = \$38,723; .6 mile with ½" shim with 1" overlay.

### 2010:

- Stanley Road 755.59 tons @ \$71.41/ton = \$53,957; 3.85 miles
- Swamp Road 2,592.99 tons @ \$71.41/ton = \$185,165; 1.9 miles with ½" shim with 1 ½" overlay (state funds of \$157,500)

### 2011:

- Square Road 112.8 tons @ \$73.34/ton = \$8,273; .3 miles
- Morses Line Road approx. 1.5 miles of shim; 1239.45 tons @ \$73.34 = \$90,901

### 2012:

- Morses Line Road top layer resurface 740.73 tons @ \$76.48 = \$56,651.03
- Fire Station lot 67.49 tons @ \$76.48 = \$5,161.63
- Hanna Rd 493.39 tons @ \$76.48 = \$37,734.47

### 2013:

- Riley Road (hill) resurface 725.15 tons @ \$77.99 = \$56,554.45
- Hanna Road resurface 433.60 tons @ \$77.99 = \$33,816.46
- Strip in front of Dick Wright's and Franklin Telephone Company 50 tons @ \$77.99 = \$3,899.50
- Fire Station resurface of lot 53 tons @ \$77.99 = \$4,133.47

### 2014:

- Morses Line Rd
- Others as needed

*This plan is subject to change if transportation grants are received or if there is a road condition that requires immediate attention.*

## 2013 ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT

**Barnum Rd:** graded 4 times; 681 ton stone; 1250 gal chloride; road side mowing

**Beaver Meadow Rd:** graded 2 times; 55.56 tons stone; 140 yds gravel; 850 gal chloride; ditched and replaced culvert

**Bouchard Rd:** graded once; 35 tons stone

**Browns Corner Rd:** road side mowing/guard rail brush cutting; ditched; crack sealed

**Colton Rd:** graded 3 times; 28 yds. gravel; 157.5 tons stone; 900 gal chloride

**Dandurand Rd:** graded 3 times; 139 tons stone; 800 gal chloride; road side mowing

**Dewing Shore Rd:** graded 3 times; 154 yds. blue rock; 38 tons stone; 900 gal chloride

**Durkee Rd:** graded 3 times; 77 tons stone; 98 yds gravel; 900 gal chloride; road side mowing

**Gallup Rd:** graded 3 times; 96 tons stone; 84 tons blue rock; 280 yds. gravel; new culvert; 3100 gal chloride

**Hanna Rd:** ½ mile of ditching; road side mowing; crack sealing/patched pavement.

**Kendall Rd:** graded 2 times; 28 yds gravel; 850 gal chloride;

**Middle Rd:** graded 4 times; 378 yds. blue rock; 56 yds. gravel; 115 tons stone; 4150 gal chloride

**Messier Rd:** graded 2 times; 77 tons stone; 70 yds gravel; 500 gal chloride; road side mowing

**Morses Line Rd:** cut brush around guardrails; road side mowing

**Pidgeon Hill Rd:** graded 3 times; 224 yds. gravel; 800 gal chloride; road side mowing

**Rice Hill Rd:** graded 3 times; 224 yds. blue rock; 14 yds. rock fines; 41 ton stone; 1250 gal chloride

**Richard Rd:** graded 2 times; 84 yds blue rock; 1000 gal chloride

**Riley Rd:** graded 2 times; 234 yds. blue rock; 1200 gal chloride; paving of hill; road side mowing

**Scott Rd:** graded 2 times; 59 tons stone; 56 yds gravel; 950 gal chloride

**Skunk's Misery Rd:** 242 yds. gravel; road side mowing

**Towle Neighborhood Rd:** graded 3 times; 324 yds blue rock; 3500 gal chloride

**Webster Rd:** 20 tons stone; road side mowing

## **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

This year has been a fairly quiet year for the Franklin Planning Commission. We reviewed a few subdivisions and answered some questions for the public. With all of the work we did in the previous year we were saved from doing any updates to the Town Plan or Development Regulations.

We are going to review the Town Plan and Development Regulations and keep a log of any concerns that arise to help us in the future.

I would like to say a special thanks to all members past and present for all the work that they have done and all the time they have given.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Clark Hubbard, Chairman*  
*Peter Kittell, Daniel Larivee,*  
*Greg Bouchard, Brooks Sturtevant,*  
*John Ho & Howard Deuso*

## **HEALTH OFFICER REPORT**

As in previous years, there were several reports of dog or cat bites and I received both verbal and written incident notifications from Northwestern Medical Center. If you are bitten and the bite punctures the skin, you should be seen by a doctor and the animal's owner must produce a copy of a current rabies vaccination. The Town of Franklin has a Dog Ordinance which can be viewed on the town's website.

Although Lake Carmi has a serious milfoil infestation, there was no confirmed algae bloom this year. The water at the Lake Carmi State Park is tested weekly during the summer months by the State of Vermont and the Town is notified if algae is present.

To report an incident or concern, please contact the Town Clerk's office at 285-2101.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Pauline W. Gadbois*

## **CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Yearly spring cleanup was performed at Briggs, Prouty, Willard, Willey and Marsh cemeteries in April to prepare for mowing and trimming. Flowers were placed at cemeteries in time for Memorial Day. The Briggs cemetery fence was replaced and a stone fixed along with the front being leveled off and stones added. Crushed stones were also added to the front of Prouty cemetery. At different times during the summer trees were removed which had fallen due to high winds. The usual weekly mowing and trimming were performed during the season.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jennifer Dewing,*  
*Nancy Wilson*  
*and Howard Vansette*

## ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

In 2013 zoning activity in the Town of Franklin remained very flat, until the last quarter when there was a sharp increase in activity and home sales within the Town. During the year, 41 building permits and agricultural notifications were received; 40 building permits were issued and one is pending action waiting on fees. Eight were referred to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) for action and all were approved. There were three Certificates of Compliance (subdivisions) received. Most permits were for improvements to existing structures in town.

The permits processed in 2013 were for:

3 additions	3 porches	5 camps	2 mobile homes
1 deck	5 garages	16 sheds	
1 sugar house	2 others	3 homes	

This year only four Certificates of Occupancy were issued. This is a 50% drop from last year. It is indicative of the continued slowdown in the housing market.

The Zoning Administrator is in the Town Office on Monday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Robert B Irish,*  
*Zoning Administrator*

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The ZBA held seven hearings during the last year involving nine applications.

Approved in the Shoreland Recreational District:

- two camp replacements
- one camp reconstruction
- one camp addition
- year-round use conversion of a home

Approved in the Village and Rural Residential District:

- Town sand shed with conditions
- private garage needing a set-back variance
- home addition needing a set-back variance

Volunteers serving on this board are Carolyn Kittell, Chris Bolton, Dennis Young, Lyle Richard, Chris O'Shea, Jim Pivorotto and Jill Pigeon.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Chris O'Shea*

## **ENHANCED 911 COORDINATOR**

In 2013, two new private drives were named, two addresses were removed due to buildings being torn down, five new addresses were added and 14 existing addresses were updated to reflect more accurate locations to the Enhanced 911 (E-911) System. It was a busy year learning more about the system and working with the State to correct past addressing errors in Town.

Any new structure requiring an E-911 address must have a completed, approved driveway permit for a town or state road. Requests for a new E-911 address can be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office.

Please take note of landmarks and road names around you when calling 911, this information will help dispatchers pinpoint your location in addition to the information that the E-911 system provides. Marking your driveway, residence or camp with a reflective address sign or clearly visible numbers will further ensure that emergency services can find you during an emergency.

Damage and disappearance of street signs throughout the Town continues to be a problem and to replace an entire unit (pole, sign and hardware) is very costly. Please report any missing street signs to the highway department at 285-2180 or the Town Clerk at 285-2101 so that we may replace them quickly to ensure that emergency response is not delayed.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Sara Rainville*

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**

Franklin Central School is the Town's emergency shelter in the event of a community wide disaster.

During the December ice storm an emergency shelter was opened in the Town of Highgate and Franklin residents were invited to use it as well.

The Franklin Fire Department also participated in an Incident Command System (ICS) class.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Justin D. Rainville*

## **FRANKLIN HOMESTEAD, INC.**

Franklin Homestead Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing affordable housing options to seniors in our community. We also prepare and deliver Meals on Wheels, offer 500 Card Parties open to the community on Saturday nights and provide a community gathering place in the FELCO room.

Franklin Homestead offers 23 apartments for seniors 55 and over. Franklin Carriage House offers 18 apartments with supportive services such as meals, cleaning, laundry and staff on site 24 hours a day.

We want to thank all those who have contributed their time and effort including our wonderful Meals on Wheels drivers, the many gardeners who donate fresh vegetables and fruits, our Card Party Volunteers, Bingo callers, and the many community members who help to make the Homestead and Carriage House special.

The FELCO Room has stayed busy as a resident and community meeting place and has been used for flu shot clinics, senior dinners, craft and education groups and many gatherings both public and private.

This spring, repairs were made to the Homestead sand filter system. AmeriCorps volunteers, Homestead residents and other volunteers from the community worked on pruning and weeding the landscaping through the season.

For more information on housing, employment, volunteering, use of the FELCO Room or donations, please contact Stacy Silloway at 285-2944. Copies of the financial statements as audited by McSoley and McCoy are available for review at the Franklin Homestead.

Please take the time to visit our website at [www.franklincarriagehouse.webs.com](http://www.franklincarriagehouse.webs.com)

Respectfully submitted,  
*Bob Mays, President*  
*Franklin Homestead, Inc.*

## **VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK (VCDB) GRANT**

In 1998, the Town of Franklin received a \$396,000 VCDB Grant of which \$391,000 was turned over to Franklin Homestead, Inc., to build the Franklin Carriage House and \$5,000 was retained to cover administrative and audit costs.

The first loan for \$130,000 at 0% interest for a term of thirty years with payments deferred for four years will be due when the Franklin Carriage House income generates a cash reserve of \$50,000.

The second loan in the amount of \$261,000 at 0% interest for a term of thirty years with payments deferred for each year the requirements of the VHCB affordability covenant is maintained and 1/30 of the principal is forgiven each year in which compliance is maintained provided there is no change in use or ownership.

As of December 31, 2013, the Town of Franklin did not receive any payments from the Franklin Carriage House. Copies of the Ottis & Atwell audit are available at the Town Clerk's Office.

## LAKE CARMİ CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT

The Lake Carmi Campers' Association (LCCA) is dedicated to conserving our unique natural resources, improving and enhancing the quality of life and the environment, for all Lake Carmi residents and visitors. In cooperation with local and state authorities, the association strives to provide educational, cultural and recreational activities, water quality management and safety education initiatives. Further, the association provides a medium through which information and educational programs and materials can be distributed throughout the community.

The LCCA is a vibrant force for all lake and town residents. The 2013 "Celebrate Lake Carmi," conducted during the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday week, was a highlight of the summer in Franklin. Fireworks, a Pontoon Boat Race, a Lighted Boat Parade and a Parade of Champions provided a week of activities and a whole lot of happiness at the lake. Plans are underway for the 2014 edition including new kayak and sailing events.

The operation of the mechanical weed harvester is currently the sole means used to manage the nuisance weed; *Eurasian Water Milfoil* in Lake Carmi. Due to a lack of state funding, the costs of maintaining and operating the harvester in 2013 were paid by the town with assistance from the LCCA. We look to expand its coverage, operation and effectiveness in 2014. In 2012, after research and review of possible options for control of this weed, we sought approval for the use of an herbicide to control milfoil; it was rejected. During this past summer, the LCCA began experimentation with the use of a biological control. In cooperation with the VT Department of Environmental Conservation, LCCA volunteers raised weevils that feed on milfoil. The weevils were placed in the lake last August.

Town Selectboard members toured the lake with LCCA Directors last July to observe the milfoil problem. The board is committed to working with the town and state to find a solution for the control of milfoil and algae in the lake. The LCCA will establish the Lake Carmi Foundation in the near future to help fund protection of the lake from harmful pollution, sediment and erosion. All methods to improve the water quality of Lake Carmi will continue to be researched and evaluated.

Protection and improvement of the Lake Carmi watershed is paramount. The association remains a strong supporter and partner with the Franklin Watershed Committee to improve the water quality in Lake Carmi. The LCCA strongly advocates lake shore owners to participate in the septic pump out program, water conservation efforts and the VT DEC Lake Wise Program.

In 2013, LCCA became a member of the Federation of Vermont Lakes & Ponds (FOVLAP), participating in their training programs and their "Buffer for Blue Lakes Program." The LCCA also attended the initial public hearing on the proposed VT Lake Shore Protection legislation.

Security of lake property is of primary concern during the winter months. The LCCA contracts with the Franklin County Sheriff to patrol the lake area from October through April, providing a necessary law enforcement presence. Membership window cards provide officers with camp owner contact information.

The town's maintenance of camp roads, for over three decades, was abruptly halted without notice this past summer. This has resulted in major safety issues and property value concerns. The LCCA will continue to work with the town to resolve the matter.

This year a premier fund raising event was the Lake Carmi Cottage Tour, celebrating life and culture at the lake. The annual Ice-Out Contest and Pontoon Boat Race Raffle also raised money for association projects. Researching the means to control Eurasian Milfoil and to reduce algae is paid from our Water Quality Fund. A donation to the Franklin Watershed Committee Inc. was made from this fund. Donations to the Franklin Fire Department, Haston Library and the Franklin Homestead were made from LCCA general funds.

The LCCA is a focal point for the dissemination of information to the lake and town communities. Our monthly newsletters are published and distributed widely by the association to keep residents and friends informed about life at Lake Carmi and the Town of Franklin. Safety posters and resident directories are published annually. In addition, this year a Summer Calendar of Events was published in cooperation with the Franklin Historical Society. In 2014, the LCCA will have a new website, also including town activities. All LCCA Newsletters are available on the website [[www.lakecarmi.org](http://www.lakecarmi.org)]; it is free and open to all.

Our Board of Directors work throughout the year for the lake and town communities, all are non-paid volunteers. The LCCA Directors for 2013 to 2014 are: Robert Baran; Peter Benevento; Debra Bushey; Ernie Englehardt; Polly Gadbois; Hilda Hendrickson; Ruth Ann Krayesky; Diane Larose; Robert Lumnah; Larry Myott; Susan Prasch; Carolyn Rhodes; Jay Sheperd and Derick White. All Board of Director Meetings are open to the public, meeting dates are publically posted.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Peter Benevento,*  
*President LCCA*

## FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Franklin Historical Society (FHS) had another extraordinary year as we worked hard to bring Franklin's history alive for our residents in 2013. Our dedicated Board worked hard to increase interest in Franklin's history. Our current FHS Board members are Bryant J. Reynolds, President; Kimberly Gates Maynard, Vice President; Carole Richard, Treasurer; Susan Clark, Secretary; Nancy Magnant, Documents Curator; and Kent Degoosh, Artifacts Curator. We are sad to announce that Brian Rainville, our former curator, has had to step down after twenty plus years of outstanding service to FHS due to his busy work schedule. His dedication to FHS will always be greatly appreciated! Other dedicated history buffs who contributed to our success are Colette Ploof, Marshall Ploof, Curtis Ploof, Lucille Lothian, Burt Maynard, Carolyn Kittell, and David Samson.

In 2013, we joined with the Lake Carmi Campers' Association to publish the Franklin Summer Events Schedule which gave everyone a reminder of upcoming events in our area.

Our three major projects for this past year were reinterpreting the cabin, school historical presentations to our Franklin Central School, and participation in the Franklin/Grand Isle Counties Historical Exposition. First, FHS re-staged our log cabin. Using the Franklin History Book, we tried to give the cabin the appearance of how it might have looked when folks actually lived there. Linda Kelly of Swanton generously donated a wood burning cook stove and the Franklin Fire Department generously went to Swanton to pick up the stove for FHS. Of course, FHS will continue with the never-ending job of chinking and daubing the log walls.

Our second project was working with the staff of the Franklin Central School. Nancy Magnant was our group leader for this project. We presented four projects. The two in the classroom were entitled Life In Franklin Before Electricity and School Days in One-And-Two Room School Houses. At the cabin, our presentations consisted of Life In A Franklin Log Cabin In 1878. The children in first, second and third grades learned cider-making, chinking-and-daubing, household chores, and a tour of the cabin. As the kids departed to return to school, one student yelled out, "You're the best old people I know!"

Our third project was participation in the Franklin/Grand Isle Historical Exposition in Enosburg Falls. FHS's presentation was the Franklin Quilting Bee. We displayed a number of beautiful quilts and Nancy Magnant brought a quilting frame with an unfinished quilt to be worked on by anyone who wanted to learn quilting. Susan Clark wrote a detailed history of Franklin Quilting Bees.

Finally, FHS would like to thank everyone who helped us keep Franklin history alive in 2013. We are looking for more volunteers so come and join us!

Respectfully submitted,  
*Bryant Reynolds*



**Franklin Watershed Committee**

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East Fairfield, VT 05448

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802.752.7247

**The FWC is a not-for-profit organization working to improve water quality in Lake Carmi and other bodies of water in the town of Franklin. Our main goal is to reduce the amount of nutrients and sediment that enter Lake Carmi through streams and other run off. This run off contains phosphorus, and excess phosphorus is the main ingredient causing algae blooms, fish die-offs, and excessive growth of underwater vegetation.**

**These are the Action Items highlighted in the 2008 TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load – phosphorus) developed for Lake Carmi by the State of Vermont:**

**Shoreline Management-** In 2013 we received a \$55,000 grant through the new Vermont Lake Wise Program to help shoreline property owners install lake-friendly landscaping, evaluate septic systems, and prevent erosion from driveways, ditches, and pathways. The State has extended the deadline for this grant and we will continue this work throughout 2014.

**Septic Outreach-** We fund a septic Pump-Out Program providing a \$75 rebate for septic pumping and a \$25 contribution toward the rental of port-o-lets for large parties. We also fund the replacement of older toilets and faucets with modern, water conservation fixtures. All these programs help reduce the load on the smaller, older septic systems often found at lakeshore camps, and help prevent leaching of phosphorus and bacteria into the lake.

**Stream Monitoring and Repairs-** FWC volunteers collect bi-weekly samples from area streams, helping us to identify sources of phosphorus and sediment. We work with landowners and the Town to stabilize eroding ditches, banks, and culverts.

**Working with Community Members, Farmers, and Landowners-** In the past we have assisted with small construction projects, stream bank stabilization and fencing. We have also offered incentives for conservation practices such as cover crops, aerations, and nutrient management plans. This support allows farms to bring water quality projects to fruition much sooner than would otherwise be possible. We host an annual Farmer Day gathering each February at the Homestead. We look forward to the many local events and festivities in order to participate, learn more about the community, meet more community members, and continue to spread awareness about water quality issues.

**We meet the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Homestead FELCO Room.**

**Board Members for 2014:** Jim Cameron (President), Jeff Teitelbaum (Vice President), Martine Gates (Treasurer), Peter Benevento (Secretary), Pat Hayes, Wayne Fiske, Bruce Bushey, Ron Paradis and George Robson,

Respectfully submitted,  
*Alisha Sawyer,*  
FWC Coordinator

**FRANKLIN WATERSHED COMMITTEE, INC.**

**Beginning Balance – January 1, 2013**

Checking	\$10,643.70	
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>		<b>\$10,643.70</b>

**INCOME**

2012 Vermont 319 Grant	\$10,865.86	
2013 Lake Wise Grant (Shoreline Restoration)	7,500.00	
Town of Franklin Art #12	5,000.00	
Donations: Lake Carmi Campers' Assoc.	5,000.00	
Individuals	<u>730.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b><u>\$29,095.86</u></b>

**TOTAL INCOME/CASH** **\$39,739.56**

**EXPENSES**

2012 Vermont 319 Projects	\$ 3,578.81	
2012 ERP Projects	8,464.89	
2013 Lake Wise Projects	1,716.30	
Local Watershed Projects	6,247.23	
Personnel	<u>13,167.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$33,174.23</b>

**Ending Balance - December 31, 2013**

Checking	\$ 6,565.33	
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**TOTAL CASH** **\$ 6,565.33**

**TOTAL EXPENSES/CASH** **\$39,739.56**

*Respectfully submitted,  
Martine Gates*

## HASTON LIBRARY REPORT

In 2013, 6,407 materials were borrowed from the Haston Library and a total of over 4,000 patrons used our town library. 1,032 people used the computers and wireless services.

There were 66 programs offered to the Franklin community including monthly adult book discussions, the Crossroads After School Program, the Red Cross Babysitting Certification Course, Rockin' Ron - The Friendly Pirate, Tractor Day, Photographing the Night Sky, to an Evening of Poetry with David Budbill, local poets, and poetry readers. Daily passes for the State Parks, Echo, Shelburne Museum, Shelburne Farms, and State Historic Sites were available.

The Haston Library received several grants and donations in 2013. An \$800 seed grant from the New England Grassroots Environment Fund was used for a preschool raised bed garden planted in June. The garden provided vegetables for taste-testing during Story Hours throughout the summer. We also received a \$500 grant from the Vermont Department of Libraries for our new Early Literacy Computer for children. A NOFA Vermont grant for Tractor Day brought some 41 folks to the library to view and climb on the tractors generously brought by our Franklin farmers. Visitors made Tractor Day T-shirts, sipped cider, and munched doughnuts. The Libri Matching Grant allowed the library to purchase 60 new juvenile books. The Building Brighter Futures Grant of \$350 helped cover the purchase of craft supplies and presenter fees for Story Hour. A generous donation from the Franklin Telephone Company supported our children's programming and our new mixed media backpacks.

A bequest from the Estate of Dick and Kelly Wright enabled the library to purchase five new computers. The Franklin United Church, the Franklin Fire & Rescue Department, and the Haston Library have all contributed to a memorial bench which will be placed in front of the library in recognition of the Wrights.

The 2013, the Haston Library Volunteer Recognition Award was given to Mr. John Gratton for his many years of outstanding service in the area of technology. In other words, John kept our old computers working!

The library Trustees, Staff, and Volunteers held four fundraisers: Town Meeting Lunch, Variety Show, Barn Dance, and desserts for the Firemen's Barbeque.

Our librarian, Kathleen Engstrom, has completed her coursework and in May will be given her library certification. The Haston Library can proudly say we now have two Vermont certified librarians!

Finally, the Haston Library is your FREE public library and warmly welcomes everyone to use its resources and services to the fullest extent. We are currently working on our Strategic Plan for the next three years and would welcome your suggestions of how your library can better serve our community.

Respectfully submitted,  
*The Haston Library Board of Trustees,  
Staff and Volunteers*

**HASTON LIBRARY COMBINED REPORT**

	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>Jan-June 2014 Budget</u>	<u>June-July 2014-2015 Budget</u>
<b>Beginning Balances - January 1, 2013</b>				
Checking Account	\$ 1,531.80	\$ 1,531.80	\$ 1,428.29	\$ -
Money Market Account	17,266.49	17,266.49	4,290.30	-
Petty Cash	42.69	42.69	75.00	-
<b>Beginning Cash:</b>	<b><u>\$ 18,840.98</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 18,840.98</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,793.59</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>
<b><u>INCOME:</u></b>				
Town Funds	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 40,300.00
Fundraising	2,000.00	1,274.21	1,000.00	1,000.00
Donations	-	9,352.00	-	-
Interest Earned	-	1,050.30	-	-
Grant Income	-	850.00	-	-
Summer Reading	-	400.00	-	-
Juvenile Programs	-	-	-	-
Petty Cash Receipts	-	239.04	-	-
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b><u>\$ 25,000.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 36,165.55</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 13,200.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 41,300.00</u></b>
<b>Total Income/Beginning Cash:</b>	<b><u>\$ 43,840.98</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 55,006.53</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 18,993.59</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 41,300.00</u></b>

**EXPENSES:**

Salaries	\$ 22,113.00	\$ 22,163.50	\$ 11,435.50	\$ 22,771.00
Cleaning Contract	1,500.00	1,530.00	750.00	1,500.00
Payroll Taxes	1,692.00	1,827.59	860.00	1,719.00
Books/Subscriptions	5,850.00	6,907.89	2,730.00	6,735.00
Processing/Shipping	300.00	399.75	200.00	400.00
Automation (Migration)	900.00	633.07	-	-
Capital Expenses	1,000.00	787.91	700.00	-
Programs	1,800.00	3,427.69	-	1,800.00
Supplies	1,000.00	1,144.59	400.00	1,150.00
Technology & Support	1,000.00	6,643.22	300.00	700.00
Telephone Expense	900.00	862.15	430.00	900.00
Postage Expense	150.00	60.28	50.00	100.00
Interlibrary Loan Costs	625.00	668.58	200.00	700.00
Professional Development	400.00	275.00	100.00	400.00
Professional Resources	300.00	298.49	-	300.00
Mileage	750.00	1,115.00	300.00	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	250.00	363.65	200.00	400.00
Telephone Book Expenses	-	-	20.00	-
Shipping & Handling	75.00	104.49	70.00	100.00
Advertising	50.00	-	50.00	50.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b><u>\$ 40,655.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 49,212.85</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 18,795.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 40,725.00</u></b>

**Ending Balances - December 31, 2013**

Checking Account	\$ 1,428.38
Money Market Balance	4,290.30
Petty Cash	75.00
<b>Total Ending Cash:</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,793.68</u></b>
<b>Total Expenses/Ending Cash:</b>	<b><u>\$ 55,006.53</u></b>

**HASTON LIBRARY & EBEN RACINE MEMORIAL FUNDS**

**Beginning Balances - January 1, 2013**

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	4,000.00	
Share Account		806.12	
Haston Library Fund - CD		9,000.00	
Edward Jones Account		<u>5,106.25</u>	

**TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE** **\$ 18,912.37**

**INCOME**

Interest	\$	624.61	
Donations of Dick & Kelly Wright		<u>36,711.99</u>	

**TOTAL INCOME** **\$ 37,336.60**

**TOTAL INCOME/BEGINNING BALANCE** **\$ 56,248.97**

**EXPENSES**

Interest transferred to Library Account	\$	1,024.87	
Transferred to library - computer purchases		<u>5,992.00</u>	

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$ 7,016.87**

**Ending Balances - December 31, 2013**

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	4,000.00	
Share Account		1,209.49	
Haston Library Fund - CD		39,022.61	
Edward Jones Investments		<u>5,000.00</u>	

**TOTAL ENDING BALANCES** **\$ 49,232.10 \***

**TOTAL EXPENSES/ENDING BALANCE** **\$ 56,248.97**

\* \$48,819.99 Fund Investments; \$412.11 interest payable to Haston Library

Respectfully submitted,  
*Kim Gates Maynard*

**HASTON LIBRARY WINDOW REFURBISHMENT**

<b>Beginning Balance - January 1, 2013</b>	1,940.77
Interest Earned	2.24
Weed Sash & Door-window work	<u>(575.00)</u>
<b>Ending Balance - December 31, 2013</b>	<b><u>1,368.01</u></b>

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer*

**TOWN OF FRANKLIN**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

<b><u>ASSETS - Cash/Cash Equivalent</u></b>	<b><u>12/31/2012</u></b>	<b><u>12/31/2013</u></b>
Municipal	\$ 9,612.14	\$ 115,982.63
Equipment	41,616.23	46,487.17
Library Window Refurbishing	1,940.77	1,368.01
Haston Library	18,840.98	5,793.68
Accounts Receivable - Delinquent Taxes	<u>25,547.53</u>	<u>40,779.31</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 97,557.65</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 210,410.80</u></b>

**LIABILITIES/RESERVES:**

**Reserves:**

St. of Vt. Act 60 Reappraisal	-	\$ 8,245.00
Surcharge Restoration	\$ 15,344.24	19,314.97
State Listers Education	1,722.48	1,722.48
SWIP Grant	645.79	615.39
Computerization Funds	8,920.00	10,324.00
Accrued to Tax Collector	561.40	-
Clock Repair	-	125.00
Franklin Rescue Service-donation	-	44,196.41
Dewing Bridge Project	-	15,000.00

<b>Total Liabilities/Reserves</b>	<b>\$ 27,193.91</b>	<b>\$ 99,543.25</b>
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Fund Balance	<u>70,363.74</u>	<u>110,867.55</u>
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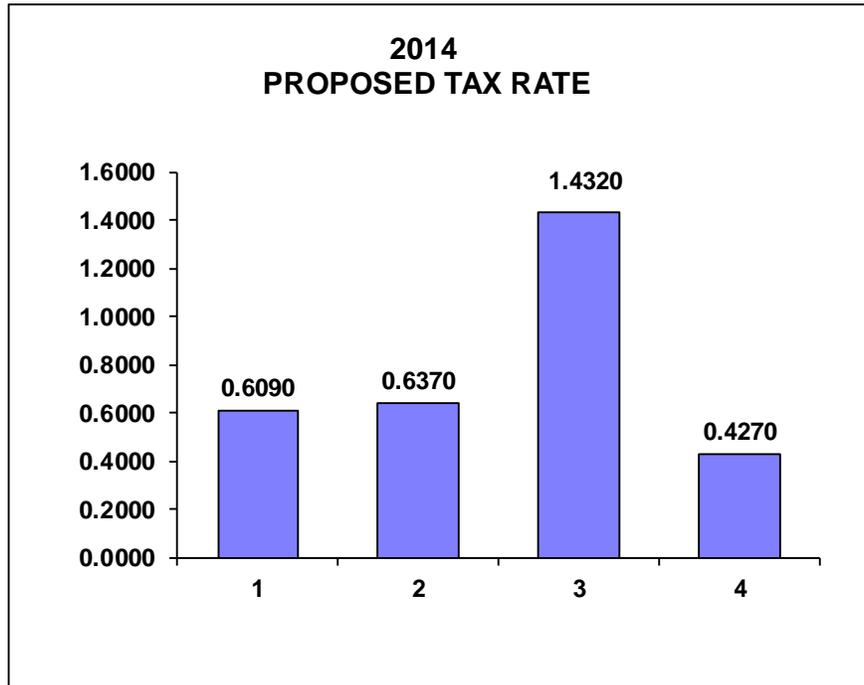
<b>Total Liabilities/Reserves/Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ 97,557.65</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 210,410.80</u></b>
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This Balance Sheet represents all town accounts. For town school district accounts, see school section of this report.

## COMPARISON OF TAX RATES

	ACTUALS						PROPOSED	
	2011	2011	2012	2012	2013	2013	2014-15	2014-15
	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident
Homest. Ed Tax-local	0.6400		0.5711		0.5666		0.6090	
Homest. Ed Tax-H.S.	0.7258		0.5866		0.6172		0.6370	
Non-Res Ed. Tax		1.8090		1.5247		1.4737		1.4320
Municipal	0.2900	0.2900	0.2860	0.2860	0.3350	0.3350	0.4270	0.4270
Veterans Exemption	0.0027	0.0027	0.0019	0.0019	0.0020	0.0020	0.0020	0.0020
Art 10-Tri-Town Study			0.0019	0.0019				
Art 12-Watershed					0.0034	0.0034		
Art 14-Sand Shed					0.0157	0.0157		
FkIn County Sheriff					0.0027	0.0027	0.0037	0.0037
Art 12-Town Hall							0.0067	0.0067
Art 13-Dewing Bridge							0.0200	0.0200
<b>TAX RATE</b>	<b>1.6585</b>	<b>2.1017</b>	<b>1.4475</b>	<b>1.8145</b>	<b>1.5426</b>	<b>1.8325</b>	<b>1.7054</b>	<b>1.8914</b>

Grand List Totals      \$ 739,677      \$465,309      \$865,035      \$626,683      \$828,293      \$670,029      \$848,507      \$651,170



- 1 - Homestead Education Tax - Local School
- 2 - Homestead Education Tax - High School
- 3 - Non-Residential Education Tax
- 4 - Municipal

**2013 STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED**

<b>GRAND LIST:</b>	<b>Grand List Values</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>2013 Assessed</b>
Homestead Tax Ed - Local	828,293.26	0.5666	\$ 469,310.95
Homestead Tax - MVU	828,293.26	0.6172	511,222.59
Non-Residential Ed Tax	670,028.50	1.4737	987,421.02
Municipal	1,499,335.86	0.3350	502,277.31
Veteran's Exemption	1,499,335.86	0.0020	2,998.65
Art 12-Watershed	1,499,335.86	0.0034	5,097.88
Art 14-Sand Shed	1,499,335.86	0.0157	23,539.55
Franklin County Sheriff	1,499,335.86	0.0027	4,048.36
Late Homestead Penalty			497.18
<b>Original to be Billed</b>			<b>\$ 2,506,413.49</b>
Net changes - HS-131, E&O & BCA			(6,238.48)
<b>Adjusted Total to be Billed</b>			<b>\$ 2,500,175.01</b>

<b>Tax Area</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>Actual 2013 Billed</b>	<b>Adjustments</b>	<b>Adjusted amount billed</b>
Homestead Ed Tax-Local	0.5666	\$ 469,310.95	\$ 10,263.37	\$ 479,574.32
Homestead Ed Tax-MVU	0.6172	511,222.59	11,179.97	522,402.56
Non-Residential Ed Tax	1.4737	987,421.02	(28,100.53)	959,320.49
Municipal Tax	0.3350	502,277.31	(319.58)	501,957.73
Veteran's Exemption	0.0020	2,998.65	(1.92)	2,996.73
Art 12-Watershed	0.0034	5,097.88	(3.24)	5,094.64
Art 14-Sand Shed	0.0157	23,539.55	(14.98)	23,524.57
Franklin County Sheriff	0.0027	4,048.36	(2.57)	4,045.79
Penalty assessed		497.18	761.00	1,258.18
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 2,506,413.49</b>	<b>\$ (6,238.48)</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,175.01</b>

**TAXES COLLECTED/PAID BY TREASURER:**

Homestead Education Tax-Local	\$ 360,943.13
Homestead Education Tax-MVU	344,713.03
Non-Residential Education Tax	985,950.00
Municipal	389,010.07
Veteran's Exemptions	2,996.73
Art 12-Watershed	5,000.00
Art 14-Sand Shed	23,500.00
Franklin County Sheriff	4,000.00
<b>Total Taxes Collected</b>	<b>\$ 2,116,112.96</b>
State Education Portion of Tax Credit Direct to School	275,416.53
Unreconciled State Education Portion Tax Credit	22,776.00
To Tax Collector 2013	87,864.10
Property tax exempt adjustment	(1,994.58)
<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,175.01</b>

**DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>2013</u></b>	<b><u>2012</u></b>	<b><u>2011-10</u></b>
Ashline, Jean	\$ 179.58	\$ 179.58		
Bailey, Howard	1,812.34	1,812.34		
Blass, Belinda	1,242.44	1,242.44		
Cooper, Donald & Patricia	1,557.25	1,557.25		
Corey-Harrison, Amy	2,938.65	2,938.65		
Dipaolo, Nick	25.65	25.65		
Elwood, Kim & Randy	18.33	18.33		
Elwood, Walter	737.69	737.69		
Forbes, Cynthia	1,473.33	1,473.33		
Garrow, Stephanie	1,777.10	1,777.10		
Gazaille, Luke	854.66	854.66		
Goss, Jerome	2,466.54	2,466.54		
Gratton, Isaiah	1,838.37	1,838.37		
Jenne, Lorraine	1,174.89	1,174.89		
Juran, Brian	593.55	437.72	\$ 155.83	
Kittell, Robert	1,467.83	1,467.83		
Knowles, Scott & Penny	1,685.90	1,685.90		
Lambert, Marlene	29.18	14.66	14.52	
Langlois, Mark & Cheryl	860.89	860.89		
Laurie, Anne Sheldon	1,389.03	1,389.03		
Lyman, Geraldine	762.32	762.32		
McLaughlin, Diane	173.06	173.06		
Meunier, James & Belinda Blass	1,922.35	1,922.35		
Ostapovitch, Peter	558.91	558.91		
Pothier, Benoit & Rita	2,975.98	2,975.98		
Rebello, Michael	478.41	478.41		
Riley, Chad & Amy	65.65	32.99	32.66	
Robtoy, AJ	265.43	65.97	54.43	\$ 145.03
Rood, David & Elsa	2,701.10	2,701.10		
Russin, Cecile	2,174.85	2,174.85		
St. Amour, Rick	121.57	-	121.57	
St. Francis, Debora	1.65	1.65		
Tully, Patrick	768.21	768.21		
Valigorsky, Francis	2,690.11	2,690.11		
Ward, Pheobe	996.51	996.51		
<b>TOTAL DELINQUENT</b>	<b>\$ 40,779.31</b>	<b>\$ 40,255.27</b>	<b>\$ 379.01</b>	<b>\$ 145.03</b>
Delinquent 12/31/2012	\$ 25,547.53	\$ -	\$ 24,980.29	\$ 567.24
To Tax Collector 10/15/2013	87,864.10	87,864.10	-	-
Collected by Tax Collector	(70,616.65)	(45,614.25)	(24,580.19)	(422.21)
Exempt property adjustment	(1,994.58)	(1,994.58)	-	-
Delinq. amt abated/adjusted 2013	(21.09)	-	(21.09)	-
<b>TOTAL DELINQUENT 12/31/13</b>	<b>\$ 40,779.31</b>	<b>\$ 40,255.27</b>	<b>\$ 379.01</b>	<b>\$ 145.03</b>
<b>INTEREST PD-GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 2,796.39</b>	<b>\$ 921.93</b>	<b>\$ 1,773.18</b>	<b>\$ 101.28</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Johanna Crane-Godin

**EQUIPMENT FUND**

**January 1, 2013**

Beginning Balance - MM Acct \$41,616.23

**INCOME**

Interest	\$ 24.53	
Town voted funds - 2013	<u>4,846.41</u>	
Total income		\$ <u>4,870.94</u>
<b>TOTAL CASH/INCOME</b>		<b><u>\$46,487.17</u></b>

**EXPENSES**

**December 31, 2013**

Ending Balance - MM Acct \$46,487.17

**TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES** **\$46,487.17**

**DOG LICENSES**

Sex	#	Rate	Fees	State	Kennel	Late Fees	Total
Spayed	110	\$ 8.00	\$ 880.00	\$ 440.00	-	\$ 44.00	\$ 1,364.00
Neutered	127	8.00	1,016.00	508.00	-	72.00	1,596.00
Male	37	12.00	444.00	148.00	-	44.00	636.00
Female	29	12.00	348.00	116.00	-	40.00	504.00
Female - Kennel	12	-	-	-	\$ 90.00	-	90.00
Male - Kennel	13	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$2,688.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,212.00</b>	<b>\$ 90.00</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,190.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

**2014 Dog License Rates**

Town	State	<u>Total</u>	
\$8.00	\$4.00	\$12.00	Neutered/Spayed
\$12.00	\$4.00	\$16.00	Unaltered

The Animal Control Officer spent 20 plus hours in support of the dog ordinance and responding to violations. Eleven tickets were issued; four of which were warnings and seven were with fines submitted to the judicial courts in the sum of \$725.00. Funds returned to the town from paid court fines amounted to \$656.64.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**MUNICIPAL FUND**

<b><u>January 1, 2013</u></b>	<b><u>General</u></b>	<b><u>Highway</u></b>	<b><u>Weed Harvester</u></b>	<b><u>Combined</u></b>
<b><u>CASH</u></b>				
Checking Account	\$ 737.86	\$ 799.00	\$ 2,363.34	\$ 3,900.20
Cash on Hand	5,711.94	-	-	5,711.94
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>\$ 6,449.80</b>	<b>\$ 799.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,363.34</b>	<b>\$ 9,612.14</b>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>				
2013 Property Taxes	\$ 102,949.99	\$ 295,720.15	\$ 2,336.66	\$ 401,006.80
Art #14 Sand Shed	-	23,500.00	-	23,500.00
2012 Ed Reconciliation	12,961.68	-	-	12,961.68
Delinquent Taxes	70,616.65	-	-	70,616.65
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	2,796.39	-	-	2,796.39
8% Penalty	5,659.75	-	-	5,659.75
Borrowed Funds - Tax Anticipation	140,000.00	-	-	140,000.00
State of Vermont:				
Hold Harmless	12,696.00	23,578.00	-	36,274.00
PILOT	1,623.00	-	-	1,623.00
Parks and Recreation	13,061.00	-	-	13,061.00
Reappraisal	8,245.00	-	-	8,245.00
Parcel Maintenance	951.00	-	-	951.00
Aid to Highways	-	103,160.61	-	103,160.61
SWIP Grant	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00
Vtrans Structure Grant/Bridge	-	6,180.59	-	6,180.59
Better Back Roads/Dewing Shore	-	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
Computerization Fees	1,404.00	-	-	1,404.00
Permits	2,695.00	445.00	-	3,140.00
Fees	12,278.00	-	-	12,278.00
Surcharge Restoration	4,212.00	-	-	4,212.00
Dog Licenses	2,978.00	-	-	2,978.00
Liquor Licenses	100.00	-	-	100.00
Interest Income	1,056.08	-	-	1,056.08
Town Hall Rental	1,935.00	-	-	1,935.00
Other Income/Clock funds	7,789.86	13,075.77	665.10	21,530.73
Art #14 Sand Shed Note	-	86,500.00	-	86,500.00
Franklin Rescue Service-Reserved	44,196.41	-	-	44,196.41
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 452,204.81</b>	<b>\$ 562,160.12</b>	<b>\$ 3,001.76</b>	<b>\$ 1,017,366.69</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH/INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 458,654.61</b>	<b>\$ 562,959.12</b>	<b>\$ 5,365.10</b>	<b>\$ 1,026,978.83</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>				
2013 Selectboard Orders Paid	\$ 377,512.33	\$ 530,072.51	\$ 3,411.36	\$ 910,996.20
<b><u>December 31, 2013</u></b>				
<b>TOTAL CASH - Checking Account</b>	<b>81,142.28</b>	<b>32,886.61</b>	<b>1,953.74</b>	<b>115,982.63</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 458,654.61</b>	<b>\$ 562,959.12</b>	<b>\$ 5,365.10</b>	<b>\$ 1,026,978.83</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

## BUDGET NARRATIVE – JANUARY 2014- JUNE 2015 (18 MONTHS)

### GENERAL:

**Salaries:** Reflects salary increase of 3% for Clerk/Treasurer; 3% for Assistant Clerk/Treasurer starting January 1, 2014; plus salaries for Auditors, Listers, Selectboard, Animal Control Officer, Constable, Health Officer, Janitor, and Zoning Administrator.

**Health Insurance:** Reflects change in premium rates, carriers and Health Reimbursement Account plan.

**Ambulance:** Contract with Enosburgh Ambulance for emergency services on a per capita basis of \$59,010 (\$28 x 1,405 residents) reduced by \$13,750 (the 4th of four payments from the ambulance sale of 55,000).

**Office/Library Building:** \$2,500 Repair town clock, \$250 for external monitoring of fire alarm system, plus other general expenses and heating cost.

**Haston Library:** increase due to the library's depletion of carried forward funds.

**Miscellaneous:** Generator maintenance/repairs \$1,233, tax map updates \$600, Humane Society contract \$1,000 (2 yrs), plus other miscellaneous expenses.

**Street Lights:** conversion to LED street lights expense of \$2,175 included in Jan-June budget.

**Tax Assessments:** Includes \$11,769 estimated for the Franklin County Court Assessment plus the following items which have been approved by the voters in each of the past 3 years: Franklin County Industrial Development Corp \$300; Franklin County Home Health \$3,234; The Family Center of NW Vermont \$800; NW Unit for Special Investigations \$1,000; Voices Against Violence \$1,500; Franklin Alumni Association \$500; Northwest Counseling \$2,300; Foster Grandparents Programs \$200; C.V. Agency on Aging \$1,600. Additional requests as petitioned. These assessments total \$23,203 and are included in this year's budget.

**Town Hall:** \$300 to pump septic plus regular utilities and expenses.

**Other Income:** Includes town share of Sheriff tickets issued in the amount of \$1,467 for 2013.

### HIGHWAY:

**Salaries:** 3% wage increase for the highway crew starting July 1, 2014.

**Health Insurance:** Reflects change in premium rates, carrier and Health Reimbursement Account plan.

**New Blacktop/Resurfacing:** Morses Line Road and other areas as needed

**Gravel:** To continue improvement of the road base with crushed stone and gravel as was done last year.

**Equipment Fund/Lease/Own:** Final 2010 Intl. truck payment \$20,153.59 and monies to Equipment fund \$4,846.41.

**Repair & Maintenance:** Tires for truck #2, and regular repairs and maintenance as needed.

**Signs:** Continuing to comply with 2009 changes to the Federal and State MUTCD regulations for signage, in addition to replacing and repairing street signs.

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<b><u>CASH/INCOME</u></b>	<b><u>2013 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>2013 Actual</u></b>	<b><u>Variance</u></b>	<b><u>Jan-June 2014 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>July-June 2014-15 Budget</u></b>
<b><u>GENERAL</u></b>					
Checking A/C & cash on hand	\$ 6,449.80	\$ 6,449.80	\$ -	\$ 81,142.28	-
2013 Voted Taxes	211,875.11	102,949.99	(108,925.12)	-	-
2012 Ed Reconciliation	10,000.00	12,961.68	2,961.68	-	-
2013 Anticipated Ed. Reconciliation			-	20,000.00	-
Delinquent Taxes	-	70,616.65	70,616.65	-	-
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,300.00	2,796.39	1,496.39	500.00	1,300.00
Delinquent Tax Collector 8% fee	6,200.00	5,659.75	(540.25)	1,500.00	6,200.00
St. of VT-35% Hold Harmless	10,000.00	12,696.00	2,696.00	-	10,000.00
St. of Vermont - Various	15,000.00	25,880.00	10,880.00	-	18,000.00
Permits	1,500.00	2,695.00	1,195.00	600.00	1,500.00
Other Income	500.00	7,789.86	7,289.86	200.00	1,200.00
Town Hall rental	2,000.00	1,935.00	(65.00)	600.00	1,600.00
Dog/Liquor Licenses	2,500.00	3,078.00	578.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Fees	10,500.00	12,278.00	1,778.00	5,300.00	10,500.00
Interest Income	300.00	1,056.08	756.08	100.00	500.00
Computerization	1,200.00	1,404.00	204.00	600.00	1,200.00
Surcharge Restoration	3,000.00	4,212.00	1,212.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
Franklin Rescue Service	-	44,196.41	44,196.41	-	-
<b><u>HIGHWAY</u></b>					
Checking Account	\$ 799.00	\$ 799.00	\$ -	\$ 32,886.61	-
Voted Taxes	295,720.15	295,720.15	-	-	-
Art #14 Sand Shed	110,000.00	110,000.00	-	-	-
State Aid to Highways	95,000.00	103,160.61	8,160.61	48,000.00	96,000.00
St. of VT-65% of Hold Harmless	22,000.00	23,578.00	1,578.00	-	22,000.00
Dewing Bridge Structure Grant	5,131.85	6,180.59	1,048.74	-	-
Better Back Roads Grant	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	-
Other Income	500.00	13,520.77	13,020.77	500.00	1,000.00
<b><u>WEED HARVESTER</u></b>					
Checking Account	\$ 2,363.34	\$ 2,363.34	\$ -	\$ 1,953.74	-
Voted Taxes	2,336.66	2,336.66	-	-	-
State of Vermont	2,000.00	-	(2,000.00)	-	-
Other Income	1,000.00	665.10	(334.90)	-	500.00
<b>TOTAL CASH/INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 829,175.91</b>	<b>\$ 886,978.83</b>	<b>\$ 57,802.92</b>	<b>\$ 197,882.63</b>	<b>\$ 177,000.00</b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES/RESERVES</u></b>					
St. of Vt. Act 60 Reappraisal	-	-	-	8,245.00	-
Surcharge Restoration	15,344.24	241.27	15,102.97	19,314.97	-
State Listers Education	1,722.48	-	1,722.48	1,722.48	-
SWIP Grant	645.79	2,030.40	(1,384.61)	615.39	-
Computerization funds	8,920.00	-	8,920.00	10,324.00	-
Accrued to Tax Collector	561.40	561.40	-	-	-
Clock Repair fund	-	-	-	125.00	-
Franklin Rescue Service	-	-	-	44,196.41	-
Dewing Bridge Project	-	-	-	15,000.00	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES/RESERVES</b>	<b>\$ 27,193.91</b>	<b>\$ 2,833.07</b>	<b>\$ 24,360.84</b>	<b>\$ 99,543.25</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>NET CASH-INC-LIAB-RES</b>	<b>\$ 801,982.00</b>	<b>\$ 884,145.76</b>	<b>\$ 82,163.76</b>	<b>\$ 98,339.38</b>	<b>\$ 177,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL 18 MONTH REVENUE TO OFFSET BUDGET</b>					<b>\$ 275,339.38</b>

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<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>2013 Budget</b>	<b>2013 Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Jan-June 2014 Budget</b>	<b>July-June 2014-15 Budget</b>
<b>GENERAL</b>					
Salaries	\$ 55,950.00	\$ 51,717.66	\$ 4,232.34	\$ 26,673.00	\$ 58,056.00
FICA/Medicare/Pension	6,752.00	6,468.28	283.72	3,363.00	7,038.00
Health Insurance	6,140.00	4,666.38	1,473.62	3,175.00	14,121.00
Ambulance Services	27,022.00	27,327.36	(305.36)	12,795.00	32,465.00
Delinquent Tax Collector 8% fee	6,200.00	5,659.75	540.25	1,500.00	6,200.00
Emergency Dispatch	11,577.00	11,577.20	(0.20)	-	12,153.00
Fire Department	16,000.00	16,000.00	-	-	16,000.00
Haston Library	23,000.00	23,000.00	-	12,200.00	40,300.00
Insurance	14,800.00	14,926.00	(126.00)	7,366.00	15,101.00
Legal Fees	15,000.00	3,297.88	11,702.12	2,000.00	6,000.00
Meetings	2,000.00	1,321.96	678.04	600.00	2,000.00
Mileage Reimbursement	600.00	192.96	407.04	100.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	2,200.00	1,750.32	449.68	700.00	3,400.00
Office Expense	13,000.00	9,265.02	3,734.98	4,040.00	11,600.00
Office/Library Building	8,100.00	9,587.48	(1,487.48)	6,000.00	8,000.00
Planning Commission	2,100.00	1,496.65	603.35	360.00	1,925.00
Solid Waste	300.00	469.45	(169.45)	150.00	400.00
Street Lights - LED	5,775.00	5,320.25	454.75	4,310.00	4,400.00
Tax Assessments	24,915.00	24,915.46	(0.46)	-	23,203.00
Town Hall	4,200.00	6,576.40	(2,376.40)	3,500.00	5,500.00
Art #12 Watershed Comm.	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	-	1,000.00
Property Tax Refunds	-	25.11	(25.11)	-	-
Art #13 Sherrif Patrol	4,000.00	3,440.00	560.00	-	-
Borrowed Funds expense	500.00	677.69	(177.69)	-	500.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL</b>	<b>\$ 255,131.00</b>	<b>\$ 234,679.26</b>	<b>20,451.74</b>	<b>\$ 88,832.00</b>	<b>\$ 269,862.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY</b>					
Salaries	\$ 82,973.00	\$ 81,931.66	\$ 1,041.34	\$ 41,147.00	\$ 86,013.00
FICA/Medicare/Pension	10,471.00	10,333.17	137.83	5,205.00	10,856.00
Health Insurance	31,330.00	32,638.00	(1,308.00)	16,596.00	33,473.00
Uniforms	2,000.00	1,925.99	74.01	1,000.00	2,000.00
Chloride	12,000.00	17,175.05	(5,175.05)	5,000.00	15,000.00
Culverts	2,000.00	1,944.93	55.07	-	2,000.00
Dewing Road Bridge-Vtrans Grant	15,000.00	2,330.58	12,669.42	-	-
Equipment Fund	4,846.41	4,846.41	-	-	4,846.00
Equipment Rental	11,000.00	4,122.50	6,877.50	-	11,000.00
Gas & Fuel	25,000.00	23,886.09	1,113.91	13,500.00	25,000.00
Gravel	45,000.00	42,688.23	2,311.77	10,000.00	45,000.00
Insurance	16,677.00	16,588.25	88.75	7,090.00	14,535.00
Lease/Own - 2010 Intl. Truck	20,153.59	20,153.59	-	20,153.59	-
Mileage Reimbursement	1,200.00	1,359.37	(159.37)	600.00	1,300.00
Miscellaneous	3,000.00	914.27	2,085.73	750.00	2,000.00
New Blacktop/Resurfacing	100,000.00	103,703.88	(3,703.88)	-	100,000.00
Repair & Maintenance	20,000.00	15,589.68	4,410.32	10,000.00	15,000.00
Sand/Salt	14,000.00	16,228.88	(2,228.88)	3,000.00	9,500.00
Shop & Tools	10,000.00	14,948.84	(4,948.84)	4,000.00	8,000.00
Road Sign Maintenance	2,500.00	1,484.87	1,015.13	-	2,500.00
Art #14 Sand Shed	110,000.00	113,033.00	(3,033.00)	-	22,721.46
Highway Dept Engineering Study	-	2,245.27	(2,245.27)	-	-
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY</b>	<b>\$ 539,151.00</b>	<b>\$ 530,072.51</b>	<b>\$ 9,078.49</b>	<b>\$ 138,041.59</b>	<b>\$ 410,744.46</b>
<b>WEED HARVESTER</b>					
<b>TOTAL WEED HARVESTER</b>	<b>\$ 7,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,411.36</b>	<b>\$ 4,288.64</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,700.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 801,982.00</b>	<b>\$ 768,163.13</b>	<b>\$ 33,818.87</b>	<b>\$ 227,473.59</b>	<b>\$ 688,306.46</b>
<b>TOTAL 18 MONTH BUDGET</b>					<b>\$ 915,780.05</b>

**TO BE RAISED BY TAXES: \$ 640,440.67**  
**SUGGESTED TAX RATE: \$ 0.427**

**SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS**

**GENERAL FUND**

**SALARIES:**

**Selectboard:**

Peter Magnant	\$	1,500.00
Yvon Dandurand		1,000.00
Kyle Lothian		1,000.00
Wayne Laroche		1,000.00
Andrew Godin		1,000.00

**Town Clerk/Treasurer:**

Lisa A Larivee		27,150.00
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**Assistant:**

Sara J. Rainville		11,979.46
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**Auditors:**

Carole Richard		667.25
Michelle Guilmette		335.75
Jean Richard		539.75

**Listers:**

Gilbert A. Dewing		834.20
Robert Irish		713.80
Jean Richard		928.80

**Zoning Officer:**

Robert Irish		1,695.00
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**Animal Control Officer:**

Dennis Demar		500.00
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**Health Officer:**

Pauline Gadbois		100.00
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**Janitorial:**

Sara J. Rainville		530.65
Maureen Sodaro		243.00

<b>Total Salaries</b>			\$	51,717.66
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**FICA/MEDICARE:**

Community National-EFTPS			\$	4,511.70
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**EMPLOYEE PENSION:**

Orchard Trust Co.			\$	1,956.58
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**HEALTH INSURANCE:**

MVP Health Care	\$	921.60
Lisa Larivee - vision reimbursment		50.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield		1,194.78
Health Reimbursement Acct.		2,500.00

<b>Total Health Insurance</b>			\$	4,666.38
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**EMERGENCY DISPATCH :**

St. Albans City Police Department			\$	11,577.20
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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:**

Enosburgh Ambulance			\$	27,327.36
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**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Franklin Fire Department \$ 16,000.00

**HASTON LIBRARY:**

Haston Library \$ 23,000.00

**INSURANCE:**

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty \$ 14,926.00

**LEGAL FEES:**

Stitzel, Page & Fletcher \$ 2,797.88  
Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty 500.00  
**Total Legal Fees \$ 3,297.88**

**MEETINGS/ELECTIONS:**

Dorothy G. Lothian \$ 50.00  
Shirley Barnum 50.00  
Nancy Magnant 50.00  
June Morgan - Selectboard Secretary 56.25  
Lisa Larivee - Selectboard Secretary 667.50  
FIA Card Services 31.48  
Vermont League of Cities & Towns 361.73  
VMCTA-Continuing Education 55.00  
**Total Meetings/Elections \$ 1,321.96**

**MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:**

Dennis Demar \$ 43.23  
Gilbert Dewing 69.50  
Jean Richard 10.17  
Lisa A Larivee 70.06  
**Total Mileage Reimbursement \$ 192.96**

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Apex - listers software \$ 195.00  
Cartographic Technology 113.00  
County Courier 16.80  
Community National- Interest on Borrowed Funds 677.69  
Franklin County Humane Society 500.00  
Green's Ace Hardware 75.52  
H.G. Berger & Sons Inc 95.16  
Dog bite incident reimbursement 383.84  
Peter Magnant - reimbursement 150.00  
St. Albans Messenger 221.00  
**Total Miscellaneous \$ 2,428.01**

**OFFICE EXPENSE:**

FIA Card Services	\$	268.20	
J P Cooke - dog tags		110.50	
NEMRC - computer services		1,500.88	
Lisa A Larivee - reimbursement		18.99	
Schwaab Inc		116.72	
St. Albans Messenger		122.00	
SymQuest Group Inc.		1,206.20	
U.S. Postal Service		950.01	
Vermont Department of Health		9.00	
Vermont League of Cities & Towns		2,201.00	
Vermont Offender Work Program - Town Report		806.00	
W. B. Mason		477.54	
<b>Total Office Expense</b>			\$ 7,787.04

**TELEPHONE:**

Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.	\$		1,477.98
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**OFFICE/LIBRARY BUILDING:**

All Seasons Janitorial	\$	217.00	
B & G Pest Control		75.00	
Bertrand Electric		1,312.88	
D & M Fire & Safety Equipment		130.00	
Edge Woodworks		450.00	
Franklin Fire District #1		195.00	
FIA Card Services		408.35	
Green's Ace Hardware		64.79	
H. G. Berger & Son Inc		3,733.83	
Life Safety Systems		252.00	
Lisa A Larivee - reimburse supplies		28.00	
O.C. McCuins & Sons		5.98	
Sara Rainville- reimburse supplies		16.37	
Summit Fire & Security		285.00	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		2,148.66	
Vermont Elevator Inspection Services, Inc		150.00	
W. B. Mason		114.62	
<b>Total Office/Library Building</b>			\$ 9,587.48

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Northwest Regional Planning Commission	\$	1,279.00	
Maureen Sodaro - Secretary		70.00	
Sara Rainville - Secretary		105.00	
St. Albans Messenger		42.65	
<b>Total Planning Commission</b>			\$ 1,496.65

**SHERIFF PATROL:**

Franklin County Sheriff Department	\$	3,440.00
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**SOLID WASTE:**

Casella Waste Management	\$	469.45
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**SWIP GRANT**

FIA Card Services	47.40
Sara Rainville - Salary HHW	96.00
Sara Rainville - Mileage	16.96
U.S. Postal Service	287.26
Town of Highgate	1,334.00
County Courier	79.80
O. C. McCuins & Sons	5.23
Vermont Offender Work Program	149.00
W.B. Mason	14.75

<b>Total Solid Waste</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,499.85</b>
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**STREET LIGHTS:**

Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$	5,320.25
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**SURCHARGE RECORD RESTORATION:**

Affiliated Computer Services	\$	241.27
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**TAX ASSESSMENTS:**

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$	1,600.00
Foster Grandparents	200.00	
Franklin Alumni Association	500.00	
Franklin County Home Health	3,234.00	
Franklin County Humane Society	500.00	
Franklin County Industrial Development	300.00	
Franklin County Treasurer-County Court Assess.	12,981.46	
Northwestern Counseling & Support Service	2,300.00	
Northwest Unit for Special Investigation	1,000.00	
The Family Center	800.00	
Voices Against Violence	1,500.00	

<b>Total Tax Assessments</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>24,915.46</b>
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**TOWN HALL:**

D & M Fire & Safety Equipment	\$	101.00
FIA Card Services	4.50	
Franklin Fire District #1	195.00	
Green's Ace Hardware	224.88	
H. G. Berger & Sons Inc	4,436.12	
Larose's Texico	125.00	
Rodem Inc - pump septic tank	516.00	
Vermont Electric Cooperative	737.90	
W.B. Mason	236.00	

<b>Total Town Hall</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,576.40</b>
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**WATERSHED COMMITTEE:**

Franklin Watershed Committee-Art #12 \$ 5,000.00

**DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:**

Johanna Crane-Godin \$ 6,221.15

**BORROWED FUNDS**

Community National \$ 110,000.00  
Equipment Fund 30,000.00  
**Total Borrowed Funds \$ 140,000.00**

**PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS:**

Brian Marchessault \$ 9.39  
John & Stephanie Ho 6.00  
Richard & Polly Gadbois 9.72  
**Total Property Tax Refunds \$ 25.11**

**TOTAL ORDERS - General Fund \$ 377,512.33**

**SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND ORDERS**

Salaries \$ 51,717.66  
FICA/Medicare 4,511.70  
Employee Pension 1,956.58  
Health Insurance 4,666.38  
Emergency Dispatch 11,577.20  
Ambulance Service 27,327.36  
Fire Department 16,000.00  
Haston Library 23,000.00  
Insurance 14,926.00  
Legal Fees 3,297.88  
Meetings 1,321.96  
Mileage Reimbursement 192.96  
Miscellaneous 2,428.01  
Office Expense 7,787.04  
Telephone 1,477.98  
Office/Library Building 9,587.48  
Planning Commission 1,496.65  
Sheriff Patrol 3,440.00  
Solid Waste 2,499.85  
Street Lights 5,320.25  
Surcharge Record Restoration 241.27  
Tax Assessments 24,915.46  
Town Hall 6,576.40  
Watershed Committee 5,000.00  
Delinquent Tax Collector 6,221.15  
Borrowed Funds 140,000.00  
Property Tax Refunds 25.11  
  
**Total Selectboard Orders-General Fund \$ 377,512.33**

**SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS**  
**HIGHWAY FUND**

**SALARIES:**

Howard Vanslette, Road Foreman	\$	43,063.72	
Roland Lontine		38,345.68	
Kyle Lothain, Road Commissioner		458.30	
Andrew Godin, Road Commissioner		41.70	
VT Dept of Unemployment-Brendan Johnson		22.26	
<b>Total Salaries</b>			\$ 81,909.40

**FICA/MEDICARE:**

Community National/EFTPS			\$ 6,262.66
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**EMPLOYEE PENSION:**

Orchard Trust Bank			\$ 4,070.51
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**HEALTH INSURANCE:**

MVP Health Care	\$	20,892.00	
Health Reimbursement Acct.		10,000.00	
Roland Lontine - vision reimbursement		75.00	
Blue Cross Blue Shield		1,671.00	
<b>Total Health Insurance</b>			\$ 32,638.00

**UNIFORMS:**

G & K Services	\$	1,707.56	
St. Albans Coop Store		218.43	
<b>Total Uniforms</b>			\$ 1,925.99

**CHLORIDE:**

Gorman Brothers, Inc.			\$ 17,175.05
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**CULVERTS:**

O.C. McCuins & Sons			\$ 1,944.93
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**EQUIPMENT FUND:**

Kansas State Bank - lease payment	\$	20,153.59	
Voted Funds - 2013		4,846.41	
<b>Total Equipment Fund</b>			\$ 25,000.00

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL:**

Donald Domina	\$	575.00	
Rene J Fournier		250.00	
Seth Larivee		1,147.50	
Wright's Excavating Inc.		2,150.00	
<b>Total Equipment Rental</b>			\$ 4,122.50

**GAS & FUEL:**

H.G. Berger & Sons Inc.	\$	23,778.16	
FIA Card Services		107.93	
<b>Total Gas &amp; Fuel</b>			\$ 23,886.09

**GRAVEL:**

Leach Family, Inc.	\$	29,104.00	
Northeast Aggregate		280.00	
Shelburne Limestone Corporation		12,674.23	
Wright's Excavating Inc.		630.00	
<b>Total Gravel</b>			\$ 42,688.23

**INSURANCE:**

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty			\$ 16,588.25
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**MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:**

Howard Vansette	\$	1,219.25	
Roland Lontine		140.12	
<b>Total Mileage Reimbursement</b>			\$ 1,359.37

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Casella Waste	\$	45.00	
Creative Muse		57.00	
Clark's Truck Center		2.65	
Dandurand Farms - storage		100.00	
Green's Ace Hardware		232.19	
Timothy Hammond		132.00	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		94.43	
Rene J Fournier		1.00	
Peter Magnant - Gift Cert - Highway crew		100.00	
VT Local Roads		150.00	
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>			\$ 914.27

**NEW BLACKTOP/RESURFACING:**

Demag's Seal Coating	\$	5,300.00	
Pike Industries, Inc		98,403.88	
<b>Total New Blacktop/Resurfacing</b>			\$ 103,703.88

**REPAIR & MAINTENANCE:**

A. Bonneau	\$	18.15	
B & N Sales & Service		14.00	
Battery Plus		374.85	
Bond Auto Parts		307.96	
Champlain Valley Equipment		132.22	
Charlebois Truck Parts		1,552.97	
Clark's Truck Center		3,438.26	
D & H Housing		200.00	
George S. Wood, Inc.		3,020.39	
Green's Ace Hardware		286.95	
McDermott's		130.13	
NAPA Auto Parts		287.81	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		20.44	
Polsinello Fuels		861.19	
Rene J Fournier		673.12	
Vaillancourt Repair		4,271.24	
<b>Total Repair &amp; Maintenance</b>			\$ 15,589.68

**SHOP & TOOLS:**

Atco International	\$	293.15	
B & N Sales		751.45	
Bates Farm Supply		98.45	
Bonds Auto Supply		186.87	
Bruce Wetherby Waste & Trash Removal		384.00	
Central Vermont Communications		108.00	
Clark's Truck Center		25.98	
D & M Fire & Safety Equipment		242.00	
FIA Card Services		60.35	
Franklin Fire District #1		195.00	
Franklin General Store		5.29	
Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.		475.42	
Green's Ace Hardware		315.24	
H.G. Berger & Sons Inc.		7,743.92	
Haun Welding Supplies		257.85	
Learned's Sales		340.50	
NAPA Auto Parts		40.17	
NYTech		88.07	
O.C. McCuins & Sons		42.48	
Rodem Inc. - Pumped tank x3 at Town Garage		1,230.00	
Tifco Industries		427.21	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		1,637.44	
<b>Total Shop &amp; Tools</b>			\$ 14,948.84

**SAND/SALT:**

Cargill, Inc. Salt Division	\$	14,219.88	
Leach Family, Inc.		2,009.00	
<b>Total Sand/Salt</b>			\$ 16,228.88

**ROAD SIGN MAINTENANCE:**

Econo Signs	\$	104.31	
Vermont Offender Work Program		1,380.56	
<b>Total Road Sign Maintenance</b>			\$ 1,484.87

**ENGINEERING STUDY:**

Cross Consulting			\$ 2,245.27
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**DEWING ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT:**

Ruggiano Engineering	\$	2,182.77	
St. Albans Messenger		147.81	
<b>Total Dewing Road Bridge Project</b>			\$ 2,330.58

**SAND SHED:**

Department of Public Safety-permit	\$	550.00	
Greg Lussier Barn Builders		39,915.60	
Harrison Concrete		36,300.00	
Heath Wright-excavation		16,650.00	
Northern Vermont Pressure Seal		634.84	
Sartwell Concrete		17,481.00	
Shelburne Limestone Corporation		1,501.56	
<b>Total Sand Shed</b>			\$ 113,033.00

**TOTAL ORDERS - Highway Fund** **\$ 530,050.25**

**SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY FUND**

Salaries	\$ 81,931.66
FICA/Medicare	6,262.66
Employee Pension	4,070.51
Health Insurance	32,638.00
Uniforms	1,925.99
Chloride	17,175.05
Culverts	1,944.93
Equipment Fund	25,000.00
Equipment Rental	4,122.50
Gas & Fuel	23,886.09
Gravel	42,688.23
Insurance	16,588.25
Mileage Reimbursement	1,359.37
Miscellaneous	914.27
New Blacktop/Resurfacing	103,703.88
Repair & Maintenance	15,589.68
Sand/Salt	16,228.88
Shop & Tools	14,948.84
Road Sign Maintenance	1,484.87
Engineering Study	2,245.27
Dewing Road Bridge Project	2,330.58
Sand Shed	113,033.00
<b>Total Selectboard Orders-Highway</b>	<b><u>\$ 530,072.51</u></b>

**SUMMARY OF WEED HARVESTER FUND**

Delbert Cook, Operator	\$ 1,900.00
Andrew Cook, Operator	450.00
FICA/Medicare	179.78
Bonds Auto Parts	103.69
Aquamarine	534.92
Green's Ace Hardware	17.97
Yvon Dandurand-storage	225.00
<b>Total Selectboard Orders-Weed Harvester</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,411.36</u></b>

Respectfully submitted,  
**Franklin Selectboard**  
*Peter Magnant, Chair*  
*Yvon Dandurand*  
*Kyle Lothian*  
*Wayne Laroche*  
*Andrew Godin*

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**January 1, 2013**

Beginning Balance \$ 250.00

**INCOME**

Recreation funds 2,123.52

**TOTAL CASH/INCOME** **\$ 2,373.52**

**EXPENSES**

Director Stipend \$ 475.63

Snacks/Supplies 58.77

Total Expenses \$ 534.40

**December 31, 2013**

Ending Balance 1,839.12

**TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES** **\$ 2,373.52**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lisa A Larivee*

History: these funds had been operated by an independent group. In 2013 funds were turned over to the town and programs are run by the school personnel.



**Franklin Volunteer Fire Department**

**P.O. Box 172  
Franklin, VT 05457**

Franklin Fire Department responded to numerous calls in 2013; structure fires, chimney fires and numerous car accidents kept everyone busy. We also had mutual aid calls with surrounding towns that included wild land fires and car accidents.

Thank you to everyone who supports our yearly fundraising events. A special “Thank you” to all the members and their families for the many hours they donate each year for these events; you are all part of the fire department family. Also, thank you to Clark Hubbard for securing another grant through IBM for communication upgrades & equipment in the amount of \$2,000.00.

In 2014, we will again be applying to the Safer Grant Program that is offered through our insurance company, Vermont League of Cities & Towns; grant recipients are eligible for up to 50% reimbursement on purchases up to \$10,000.00.

Our current tanker is almost 20 years old and is starting to give us problems, which are proving to be difficult to repair due to its age. In 2015, we will be seeking the Town’s support as we ask for funding to replace this truck.

As the department looks forward into 2014 we continue to try and keep our budget level funded with our fundraising events which put \$14,000+ into our general fund this year.

This year we received an \$18,356 donation from the Dick and Kelly Wright Estate that has been put into a separate account until we decide what the best use of the money will be.

We always welcome more members as many hands make light work. Anyone interested in joining should stop by the station on any Monday night or call 285-2050. Our monthly business meeting is the first Monday of every month.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Justin Rainville, Chief*

<b>Member</b>	<b>Years</b>
Patrick Allain	17
Brian Barnum, Deputy Chief	44
Eddie Bouchard	17
Philip Bouchard	43
Scott Choiniere	21
Bill Davis	4
Elizabeth Davis	2
Howard Deuso, Deputy Chief	17
Jordan Foltz, new member	
Hugh Gates, Honorary Member	36
Eric Gerrard	1
Clark Hubbard	11
Adam Kane	3

<b>Member</b>	<b>Years</b>
Mike Lawyer, Asst. Chief	10
Kyle Lothian, Deputy Chief	30
Timothy Magnant, Deputy Chief	35
Burt Maynard	24
Janet Norcross	10
Marshall Ploof, Deputy Chief	44
Mark Racine	24
Justin Rainville, Chief	15
Sara Rainville, Sec/Treas.	10
David Rood	9
Brian Sartwell, Captain	20
Justin Sartwell	6
Mark Toof, Lieutenant	1

**Dates to remember:**

**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Pancake Breakfast**  
**July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Chicken BBQ**

**FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>January 1, 2013</b>	<b><u>2013 Actual</u></b>	<b><u>2013 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>2014 Budget</u></b>
Checking account	\$ 36,370.23		
Tanker Fund	<u>10,000.00</u>		
<b>Cash Balance - January 1, 2013</b>	<b>\$ 46,370.23</b>		
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>			
Sale of Equipment	\$ 150.00		
Interest Income	57.55		
Miscellaneous Income	1,960.56		
IBM Grant	2,100.00		
VLCT PACIF Equipment	4,454.54		
Donation Income	6,227.80		
Memorial Income	45.00		
Town Appropriated Funds	16,000.00		
Wright Trust	18,356.00		
BBQ Income-FFD	9,775.44		
Pancake Breakfast	<u>17,934.14</u>		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 77,061.03</b>		
<b>Total Cash/Income</b>	<b>\$ <u>123,431.26</u></b>		
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>			
Truck Expense	\$ 3,029.26	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Fuel - equipment	183.58	200.00	200.00
Training	465.00	250.00	750.00
Fire Prevention/Education	151.50	100.00	250.00
Insurance	4,428.50	5,000.00	5,000.00
Office Expense	860.43	1,000.00	1,000.00
Radio expense	5,396.11	2,500.00	2,500.00
Postage Expense	96.40	100.00	100.00
Utilities	1,378.72	1,300.00	1,500.00
Uniform/Gear Expense	11,829.92	12,500.00	5,000.00
Equipment Purchases	16,071.32	15,500.00	5,000.00
Equipment Repairs	3,506.65	1,500.00	1,500.00
Memberships/Dues	575.00	550.00	600.00
Water Rent	195.00	190.00	200.00
Donation	450.00	500.00	500.00
Heating Fuel	2,970.61	2,500.00	3,000.00
Furnace Repairs	-	100.00	100.00
Reimb. expenses	529.88	-	-
Miscellaneous	1,972.63	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pancake Breakfast	8,311.26	-	-
BBQ Expense	5,153.72	-	-
Building Maintainance	256.70	250.00	250.00
Vending machine	53.13	200.00	200.00
County Meeting	-	100.00	100.00
Vehicle Registration	-	<u>25.00</u>	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 67,865.32</b>	<b>\$ 48,365.00</b>	<b>\$ 31,750.00</b>
Checking Account	27,190.53		
Equipment Reserve Fund	10,000.00		
Wright Trust-Money Market	<u>18,375.41</u>		
<b>Cash Balance December 31,2013</b>	<b>\$ 55,565.94</b>		
<b>Total Cash/Expenses</b>	<b>\$ <u>123,431.26</u></b>		

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sara Rainville

## FRANKLIN RESCUE SERVICE

Enosburgh Ambulance, Franklin's contracted transport service, responded to 97 calls in 2013. Please don't hesitate to call 911 if you have a medical emergency as definitive emergent care can be the difference between life and death. Enosburgh Ambulance offers a subscription service; if you've not paid your 2014 Enosburgh Ambulance subscription, we'd urge you to do so. If you need a copy of their subscription letter or have questions, please contact Dean Scott, EAS Director at 933-2118.

In March, 2013, the Richard Wright and Kelly Wright Trusts donated a total of \$18,356.00 to Franklin Rescue Service. We would like to take this opportunity to publically acknowledge this most generous donation.

On December 31, 2012, we had a balance of \$38,977.07 in our accounts. That balance, coupled with the Wright donation, certainly would have allowed Franklin Rescue to maintain a transport service for several more years, **if** we'd had the volunteers. Such was not the case so at the end of 2013 the current members and several of our long serving "retired" members, discussed how the remaining funds could best serve the Franklin community. It was decided that the following donations would be made: To **Franklin Fire Department:** \$5,000.00 for equipment; **Lake Carmi Campers' Association:** \$1,000.00 for water quality improvement and to the **Town of Franklin:** the sum of \$44,196.41. We requested the Selectboard to disburse these funds in the following manner: \$25,000.00 toward improvement of water quality at Lake Carmi; \$10,000.00 to the Franklin Fire Department for their tanker fund or equipment, but not used as part of their annual operating budget; and the balance of \$9,196.41 to be used to offset the cost of contracted ambulance service. As you can see from our Balance Sheet, we currently have \$6,500.59 remaining in our accounts. These funds will be used for continuing education, insurance, utilities, equipment maintenance, medical supplies and miscellaneous expenses. We believe this amount should be sufficient to provide these essentials for as long as the two remaining members serve Franklin as First Responders. The concept of a regional ambulance service lost steam in 2013 but the members of the committee are hopeful that we can resume discussions in 2014 and move forward with this concept.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Members of Franklin Rescue*  
(certifications as 12/31/13)  
Polly Gadbois, IO3 (25)  
John Burley, EMT B (9)

## FRANKLIN RESCUE SERVICE TREASURER'S REPORT

### INCOME

	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>
Donation Income	\$ -	\$ 18,356.00
Interest Income	60.05	132.07
Exp Reimb./Refunds	3,148.00	-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,208.05</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 18,488.07</u></b>

### EXPENSES

Donations	\$ -	\$ 50,375.40
Insurance Expense	919.58	1,219.50
Medical Supplies/Equipment	285.94	507.24
Radio Maintenance/Equipment	225.00	2,083.23
Utilities	316.61	385.28
Miscellaneous (Dues, Prof fees, other)	2,569.04	1,393.89
Other Expenses	583.33	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,899.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 55,964.54</u></b>

**NET INCOME/LOSS** **\$ (1,691.45)** **\$ (37,476.47)**

### BALANCE SHEET

<b>Cash Balance-January 1, 2013</b>	<b><u>\$ 38,977.07</u></b>	
Equity, January 1, 2013		\$ 43,977.07
Change in Equity at December 31, 2013		<u>(37,476.48)</u>
 <b>Cash Balance-December 31, 2013</b>		 <b><u>\$ 6,500.59</u></b>

Respectfully submitted,  
*Polly Gadbois, Treasurer*

## **2013 VITAL STATISTICS**

As a recommendation by the Department of Health, vital statistics are no longer automatically published in the Town Report. The following list is provided as a result of a release form signed authorizing the Town Clerk's Office to publish such records. If you would like vital statistic information published in the town report next year, you must come to the Town Clerk's Office to sign the necessary request/release form.

### **Births**

Lyric Amor Sartwell to Justin Sartwell & Nichelle Laughlin  
Emrey Thomas Gagne to Eric & Chelsey Gagne

8 Additional unlisted

### **Deaths**

Theresa Marie McLaughlin  
Gerard Joseph Tremblay Sr  
Susan Ethel Demetrules  
Donald F Marn

5 Additional unlisted

### **Marriages**

Scott Daniel Choiniere to Jennifer Leigh Root  
Justin Brian Sartwell to Nichelle Alexandra Laughlin  
William Richard Deuso & Amber Lee Bishop

4 Additional unlisted

## **VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWALS**

The Town Clerk's Office will process preprinted computer generated "Vehicle Registration Renewals". Only current and up to two month's expiration date renewals will be accepted. There will be a separate \$3.00 processing fee.

## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY**

The Town of Franklin sponsors two Household Hazardous Waste Collection days each year. These events are open to all **Franklin** residents. Collection days will be determined at a later date.

**For information from the Highgate Transfer Station about recycling for Franklin residents, please refer to the telephone book yellow pages.**

# ANNUAL REPORT

for the

## FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

2013 Fiscal Year  
July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

### Franklin Central School's Mission Statement

*The mission of the Franklin Central School is to educate our children to become self-reliant and socially responsible individuals. They will respect themselves, their community, and the world around them. Ultimately, they will develop the skills and confidence to become life-long learners.*

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

This has been another productive and exciting year for the Franklin Central School. Under the leadership of our Principal, Joyce Hakey, the Franklin Central School staff, students, parents, and Board of Directors are working collaboratively to make our school the best it can be and to create a positive and effective culture for learning and teaching.

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union (FNWSU) Central Office continues to work closely with all five of our schools especially in the areas of curriculum, fiscal management, grant oversight, and supervision.

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union provides an array of positive programs for our youth throughout the supervisory union utilizing partnerships. We are most thankful to have the various programs and organizations such as Early Education, after school initiatives, Indian Education, libraries, municipalities, the Faith Community, local businesses, parent groups, Boys and Girls Scouts and many other positive programs for the youth we serve.

The FNWSU Central Office administers federal and state grants that support programs such as supplemental reading, student and program assessment, and curriculum development in science, language arts, foreign language, social studies and math. Additionally, grants help support after school programs in each school. Other federal and state funds are used to support library resources, mini-grants, and staff development. The Indian Education Program has assisted in funding cultural programs, curriculum development, mentoring, the learning center and programs in collaboration with institutions of higher education.

The total enrollment at Franklin Central School as of October 1, 2013 was 129 and is broken down as follows: Kindergarten, 18; Grade 1, 20; Grade 2, 15; Grade 3, 17; Grade 4, 19; Grade 5, 21; and Grade 6, 19.

The Franklin Central School Board of Directors and the administration have developed a budget for the 2014-2015 school year. I urge you to attend the annual informational meeting and vote on this budget on Town Meeting Day.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Dr. John J. McCarthy*  
*Superintendent of Schools*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### **“Perseverance: we conquer every challenge by taking it one step at a time”- unknown**

Last school year, we began the transition to the Common Core State Standards. The Common Core State Standards are the standards for the knowledge and skills students will need to be college and career ready (replacing the Grade Expectations) which will be the basis for our new statewide assessment beginning in the spring of 2015. In literacy, additions include more emphasis on the reading and comprehension of more complex texts, students will need to demonstrate they can listen and speak effectively, and there are criteria for literacy in the content areas. In Math, it will be equally important for students to know procedures fluently, have a deep conceptual understanding, and to be able to apply their knowledge to solve problems. In all areas, students will be expected to do even more higher level thinking. To begin this transition, we had five days of Common Core summer work; we became familiar with the language and content of the Common Core; reviewed what we already teach and assess and what gaps there might be; compared the “anchor standards” of the Core to our Power Standards; reviewed differences between grade level standards; matched resources with standards and what would be taught each trimester, and created monthly curriculum maps. We also began teaching and practicing more Close Reading techniques; increased opinion writing; increased work with solving word problems; used more mentor texts during writing time; and continued full implementation of writing workshop.

Another of our goals last year was to work on Digital Literacy to support the development of 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills in all of our students. Technology is embedded in the Common Core Standards (the new statewide assessment will be on-line) and we are increasingly incorporating more technology into our classes to improve our digital reading, writing, and math skills. This goal is continuing this year and was greatly aided by the addition of laptops in our grades 3-6 classrooms that was supported in last year's budget.

Student work to recognize: our school spelling team won the regional competition and went to the state competition; students won in the Franklin Grand Isle United Way Drawing/Coloring Contest as well as student winners in the Reading is an Investment program (in the poster contest and reading participation); speech contest; sports teams; Girls on the Run; concerts and parade performances; over 30 students participated in the production of “Charlotte's Web; five students participated in District Music Festival; and two of our music students were chosen for Vermont Youth Orchestra ensembles—one for chorus and one for clarinet. Other highlights included the “Into the Woods-Fairy Tales” Senior Dinner, Fire Safety presentations and truck rides, Penny War supporting local charity, PTO RIF (Reading is Fundamental Days) and Safety Fun Party, Four Winds Nature Program workshops, presentation by the Franklin Historical Society, and the completion of the sidewalk project which looks great, is safer to walk on, and has a much better design!

Last year also included continued high achievement on statewide testing of the NECAP, (New England Common Assessment Program): in math, Franklin students were 79% proficient/proficient with distinction, FNWSU 50%, state 65%; reading, Franklin 80% proficient/proficient with distinction, FNWSU 60%, state 73%; in writing, only tested in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Franklin was 61% proficient/proficient with distinction, FNWSU 37%, state 51%; and science, tested at 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Franklin 64% proficient/proficient with distinction, FNWSU 28%, and state 48%.

The success that our school has is a tribute to the entire town of Franklin. Thank you for all of the support you give in so many ways!

Respectfully submitted,  
*Joyce Hakey, Principal*

## **SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

It is with pleasure that the Franklin School Board reports to you on the past year's accomplishments and the upcoming challenges regarding Franklin Central School. The school's dedicated staff and principal continue to help their students succeed in the classroom, in the community, and at county and statewide events.

The students at Franklin Central School continue to do well on statewide testing. Our students tested higher than the state or supervisory union averages for every subject. Well done, Franklin!! These results are from the hard work of Joyce Hakey and our professional staff. They use the results of the previous year's testing to make improvements in the school's Action Plan, which they use to guide them in improving the academic program for our children. A major accomplishment at the county and statewide level was by the school's spelling team where they won their local competition and went on to represent themselves very well at the regional competition. Congrats, spelling team!

The School Board has been working with John Ho of Efficiency Vermont on upgrading the lights in the parking lot and the school itself. The Board feels this is a worthwhile and highly needed project.

We would like your support in talking with our representatives and senators about keeping control LOCAL. We are currently doing our bussing and teachers contracts REGIONALLY. We can no longer negotiate these contracts at our school here in Franklin, further losing control of our small school.

We rebuilt the sidewalks in front of the school this summer and made them more handicapped accessible, thanks to the help of Brenda Wright of Wright's Excavating Inc. This greatly improved the entrance to the building.

Finally, the budget for FY2015 has been finalized. Our health insurance cost is rising 4.5% this year.

We encourage all Franklin residents to attend our informational meeting in February, and the annual Town Meeting in March to discuss and vote on the issues regarding your wonderful school.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Franklin School Board of Directors*  
*Timothy Magnant,*  
*David Rood and*  
*Robert Berger*

# FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMS

*Committed to enriching the lives of  
Franklin, Highgate, Sheldon and Swanton students,  
by providing fun, inspirational, educational, experiential  
activities, opportunities and academic support.*



Crossroads  
After School

CROSSROAD  
&  
EXPLORERS



January 2014

Greetings Franklin Residents,

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union After School & Summer Programs administration is pleased to report for all schools, we had 717 students attending programs last year, which is approximately 40% of all students attending the schools in Highgate, Franklin, Sheldon and Swanton (of students in grades with after school programming). That is more than one third (up from 34.7% the prior year) of all FNWSU students attending the after school programs; students benefiting from the homework support, science, technology, math, arts and literacy enrichment programs as well as recreational opportunities and fitness challenges. With the partial funding of the Vermont Agency of Education 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Program Grant, these programs continue under the guidance and oversight of the Vermont Agency of Education which requires the elements of high-quality programming to be met and reported annually, which include:

- linkages to the school day
- high quality staff
- safe & appropriate environment
- high interest programming
- school leadership support
- regular attendees
- instructional leadership
- flexible structures & student choice
- program leadership
- community partnerships

In Franklin, there is the Franklin Crossroads after school program for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, meeting 4 days per week for 21 weeks during the school year. On an average there were 27 students attending the Franklin Crossroads program daily, with a total of 52 students registered over the year, making it 91% of the school's 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade population participating. In the end of year reports sent to the Agency of Education (AOE) for last school year, it was reported that for our regular attendees (those who attend 30 days or more):

- 74% math NECAP scores improved or were maintained at upper proficiency level scores
- 61% reading NECAP scores improved or were maintained at upper proficiency level scores
- 27% had a decrease in the number of school days absent when compared to prior year

With our program goals of improving academic achievement and school day attendance, we are pleased that our Franklin student participants are showing these gains.

Check out the video highlighting our Franklin Crossroads “Claymation” after school class, which won an award in a Vermont state wide competition, at <http://youtu.be/9XZ-5hUmLvg>, or you can easily search YouTube.com for “FNWSU” to find this award winning video.

There is a growing body of research evidence indicating that high quality after school programs can reduce risk-taking behaviors, provide positive developmental opportunities, and improve the academic performance of students, particularly those at risk of academic failure. Research supports that:

- After school programs help keep children safe.
- After school programs can reduce obesity.
- After school programs improve children’s personal development, social skills, and self esteem.
- Students in after school programs are more likely to go to school, attend regularly, enjoy school and behave better in the classroom.
- After school programs Improve test scores and grades.
- After school programs can lower juvenile crime rates which are typically highest between 3-5pm



After school and summer programs are an investment in our communities now and for our future.

If you would like more information on the Franklin Crossroads After School Program, please contact me or Elsa Rood, our Franklin Crossroads Coordinator at the school (285-2100 ext 208 or [erood@fnwsu.org](mailto:erood@fnwsu.org)). You can also find more information on our FNWSU website [www.afterschoolprograms.fnwsu.org](http://www.afterschoolprograms.fnwsu.org).

At the Franklin Central School, the after school program does not receive funding support from the local school budget.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

*Carol Lizotte*

FNWSU After School & Summer Programs Director 868-4967 ext 21 or [clizotte@fnwsu.org](mailto:clizotte@fnwsu.org)

**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET FY2015**

	<b>FY2013</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>	<b>Franklin</b>
	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Share</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>					
Administration Salaries	\$432,849	\$446,743	\$448,445	\$461,570	\$28,433
Support Staff Salaries	\$56,467	\$64,388	\$64,002	\$86,500	\$5,328
Insurance Benefits	\$73,613	\$85,630	\$95,722	\$123,836	\$7,628
Other Benefits	\$24,961	\$25,993	\$26,261	\$29,592	\$1,823
Payroll Expense	\$39,303	\$44,545	\$44,462	\$48,275	\$2,974
Purchased Prof. Services	\$13,064	\$39,600	\$39,800	\$41,250	\$2,541
Repair&Maintenance / Equipment Lease	\$4,499	\$5,250	\$6,472	\$5,500	\$339
Other Property Services	\$33,926	\$33,850	\$34,034	\$35,150	\$2,165
Office Expenses	\$13,681	\$11,000	\$12,054	\$11,000	\$678
Travel / Conference	\$11,106	\$10,250	\$10,250	\$10,250	\$631
Supplies	\$7,801	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$28,750	\$1,771
Equipment	\$1,733	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$308
Dues & Fees	\$4,110	\$4,000	\$4,110	\$4,500	\$277
<b>Total Expense:</b>	<b>\$717,113</b>	<b>\$789,999</b>	<b>\$804,362</b>	<b>\$891,173</b>	<b>\$54,896</b>

<b>Revenues:</b>					
Title I, II, IV, and V Funding	\$99,055	\$88,311	\$88,205	\$96,121	\$5,921
Other Grant receipts	\$12,501	\$17,450	\$8,650	\$8,650	\$533
Other/Miscellaneous	\$63,693	\$32,750	\$46,077	\$5,200	\$320
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>\$175,249</b>	<b>\$138,511</b>	<b>\$142,932</b>	<b>\$109,971</b>	<b>\$6,774</b>

<b>FY2015 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT</b>	<u>\$587,739</u>	<u>\$651,488</u>	\$666,487	<u>\$781,202</u>	<u>\$48,122</u>
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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET FY2015**

	<b>FY2013 Actuals</b>	<b>FY2014 Budget</b>	<b>FY2014 Anticipated</b>	<b>FY2015 Budget</b>	<b>Franklin Share</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>					
Special Education Administration	\$174,968	\$175,837	\$174,919	\$180,167	\$7,238
Medicaid Clerk / Clerical Support	\$35,437	\$38,233	\$38,233	\$39,481	\$4,738
School Psychologists	\$173,902	\$179,119	\$179,119	\$184,493	\$22,139
Insurance Benefits	\$84,322	\$95,733	\$88,780	\$103,618	\$10,162
Payroll Expense	\$29,448	\$33,325	\$33,255	\$34,291	\$2,893
Other Benefits	\$3,697	\$5,388	\$5,485	\$5,564	\$668
Purchased Professional Services	\$7,119	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$6,000	\$720
Office Expenses	\$515	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$180
Travel / Conference	\$0	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$90
Supplies	\$836	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$150
Equipment	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$120
Dues & Fees	\$1,076	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,150	\$138
<b>Total Expense:</b>	<b>\$511,320</b>	<b>\$538,385</b>	<b>\$530,541</b>	<b>\$559,264</b>	<b>\$49,236</b>

<b>Revenues:</b>					
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$28,511	\$27,540	\$27,540	\$28,357	\$3,403
IDEA-B Grant Reimbursement	\$105,149	\$101,502	\$99,502	\$104,263	\$12,512
Other	\$2,535	\$0	-\$5,678	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>\$136,195</b>	<b>\$129,042</b>	<b>\$121,364</b>	<b>\$132,620</b>	<b>\$15,915</b>

<b>FY2015 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$369,447</u></b>	<b><u>\$409,343</u></b>		<b><u>\$426,644</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,321</u></b>
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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM BUDGET FY2015**

	<b>FY2013</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>	<b>Franklin</b>
	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Share</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>					
ECP Administration	\$36,964	\$40,000	\$39,600	\$40,788	\$4,079
Teachers' Salaries	\$208,879	\$214,204	\$233,736	\$222,266	\$22,226
Support Staff	\$73,163	\$79,164	\$87,205	\$90,204	\$9,020
Speech Pathologist Salary	\$89,213	\$93,560	\$91,889	\$94,646	\$9,465
ECP Secretary Salary	\$21,707	\$25,116	\$25,284	\$26,292	\$2,629
Insurance Benefits	\$98,160	\$119,740	\$103,394	\$140,999	\$14,100
Payroll Expense	\$33,948	\$38,837	\$40,664	\$40,718	\$4,072
Other Benefits	\$6,478	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,052	\$605
OT/PT & Psychological Services	\$14,353	\$12,750	\$12,750	\$12,750	\$1,275
Purchased Prof. Services	\$13,350	\$10,800	\$10,800	\$12,300	\$1,230
Repair&Maintenance	\$848	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$210
Office Expenses	\$21,037	\$33,655	\$33,655	\$38,655	\$3,866
Student Tuition & Transportation	\$0	\$750	\$500	\$750	\$75
Travel / Conference	\$12,383	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$750
Supplies & Equipment	\$6,537	\$9,725	\$9,725	\$8,250	\$825
<b>Total Expense:</b>	<b>\$637,020</b>	<b>\$692,901</b>	<b>\$703,802</b>	<b>\$744,270</b>	<b>\$74,427</b>

<b>Revenues:</b>					
Preschool Tuition Receipts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Grant Funding	\$57,152	\$31,500	\$60,010	\$54,000	\$5,400
Carryover from Prior Year	\$53,972	\$45,000	\$67,399	\$40,000	\$4,000
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>\$111,124</b>	<b>\$76,500</b>	<b>\$127,409</b>	<b>\$94,000</b>	<b>\$9,400</b>

<b>FY2015 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$593,296</u></b>	<b><u>\$616,403</u></b>		<b><u>\$650,270</u></b>	<b><u>\$65,027</u></b>
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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUMMARY  
TREASURER's REPORT  
July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

	Beginning Balance	FY2013		Ending Balance
		Receipts	Expenditures	
Title I Grant	\$6,301	\$881,617	\$921,397	-\$33,479
School Improvement - Green Mtn Star Coaching	\$0	\$32,000	\$27,643	\$4,357
Title IIA Grant - Teacher Quality	-\$607	\$271,718	\$265,414	\$5,697
IDEA-B Grant	-\$63,455	\$740,593	\$686,821	-\$9,683
IDEA-B Preschool Grant	\$838	\$14,817	\$15,305	\$350
Early Education Initiative Grant	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
Best Grant	\$10,701	\$20,148	\$27,879	\$2,970
FNW Crossroads Program	-\$56,689	\$309,809	\$210,787	\$42,333
Crossroads non-grant revenues	\$0	\$164,750	\$136,816	\$27,934
Sheldon Fundraising	\$500	\$1,087	\$0	\$1,587
Saturday AM Grant	\$21,339	\$0	\$21,339	\$0
Tobacco Grant	\$1,874	\$18,250	\$18,212	\$1,912
VT Kids Against Tobacco	\$1,754	\$0	\$271	\$1,483
Standards Board	\$521	\$1,180	\$1,476	\$225
Medicaid Reimbursements (school-based)	\$450,686	\$293,979	\$305,293	\$439,372
Medicaid Reimbursements (FNWSU)	\$29,451	\$32,664	\$33,123	\$28,992
EPSDT Reimbursements	\$103,216	\$41,888	\$44,859	\$100,245
Central Office	\$63,492	\$699,497	\$717,112	\$45,877
Special Education	\$1,835	\$398,658	\$406,171	-\$5,678
Early Childhood Program	\$53,972	\$593,294	\$579,867	\$67,399
<b><u>Fiduciary/Fiscal Agent Funds:</u></b>				
Franklin/Grand Isle County ECP Advisory Council	\$173,833	\$8,069	\$8,498	\$173,404
Success by Six Grant	-\$73,168	\$156,085	\$82,917	\$0
Franklin/Grand Isle County Bookmobile	\$0	\$89,962	\$109,805	-\$19,843
VEHI Pathpoints Wellness Program	\$21,383	\$7,000	\$14,496	\$13,887
Indian Education Grant	\$1	\$229,263	\$229,263	\$1
Mentoring Program	\$34,416	\$0	\$4,675	\$29,741
Technical Educ Equipment Grant (MVU)	\$0	\$9,969	\$9,969	\$0
SPARK Grant (Sheldon)	\$0	\$400	\$391	\$9
Team Nutrition Grant (Swanton)	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	-\$1,000
Carnegie Grant (MVUHS)	\$2,852	\$0	\$0	\$2,852

A copy of the Independent Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, performed by Angolano & Co., may be obtained from the Superintendent of Schools' Office.

**FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**AGENCY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2012</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2013</u>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>				
Cash - Library Fund	\$ 227	\$ 3,512	\$ 2,981	\$ 758
Cash - Childrens Fund	37,863	27,877	21,760	43,980
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 38,090</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,389</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 24,741</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 44,738</u></b>
 <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>				
Amount Held for Agency Funds	<b><u>\$ 38,090</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,389</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 24,741</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 44,738</u></b>

**FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<u>June 30, 2012</u>	<u>June 30, 2013</u>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Cash - General Fund	\$ 52,160	\$ 21,482
Cash - Capital Project Fund	16,965	15,833
Cash - Enterprise Fund	158	112
Cash - Agency Fund	38,090	44,738
Accounts Receivable - General Fund	4,660	-
Accounts Receivable - Enterprise Fund	1,334	1,361
Inventory	250	-
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	70,000	70,000
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 183,617</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 153,526</u></b>
 <b><u>LIABILITIES/FUND EQUITY</u></b>		
Accounts Payable - General Fund	\$ 10,653	\$ 10,291
Amount Held for Agency Funds	38,090	44,738
Bond Payable	70,000	70,000
Fund Balances, Reserved - Roof Project (Capital Project Fund)	16,965	15,833
Fund Balances, Reserved - FY 12	24,472	-
Fund Balances, Unreserved	21,695	11,191
Retained Earnings	1,742	1,473
<b>Total Liabilities/Fund Equity</b>	<b><u>\$ 183,617</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 153,526</u></b>

A copy of the annual outside audit of the Franklin Town School District's financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, performed by Angolano & Co., Shelburne, VT, is available at the Town Clerk's Office and/or the Superintendent of School's Office.

**FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

**Beginning Balance-July 1, 2012** \$ 41,506.62

**RECEIPTS**

State of VT Education Taxes	\$ 856,453.16
State of VT All Aid to Education	682,416.54
State of VT Hot Lunch	1,333.88
Interest Income	174.54
All other	<u>125,519.57</u>

**Total Receipts** 1,665,897.69

**TOTAL BEGINNING BAL/RECEIPTS** **\$ 1,707,404.31**

**EXPENDITURES**

Regular Orders Paid	\$ 1,694,879.13
Hot Lunch Reimb.	1,333.88
Liabilities as of June 30, 2013	<u>-</u>

**Total Expenditures** \$ 1,696,213.01

**Ending Balance-June 30, 2013** 11,191.30

**TOTAL ENDING BAL/EXPENDITURES** **\$ 1,707,404.31**

**ROOF RENOVATION PROJECT**

**July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

**Beginning Balance-July 1, 2012** \$ 17,008.09

**RECEIPTS**

Interest Earnings	\$ 25.30
Roof Bond income	<u>481,017.87</u>

481,043.17

**TOTAL BEGINNING BAL/RECEIPTS** **\$ 498,051.26**

**EXPENDITURES**

\$ 482,217.87

**Ending balance -June 30, 2013** 15,833.39

**TOTAL ENDING BAL/EXPENDITURES** **\$ 498,051.26**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer*

**FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**2012 - 2013**  
**Salary Schedule & Index**

Step	BA/BS		BA/BS+15		BA/BS+30		BA+45		MA		MA+15		MA+30	
1	1.00	\$33,271	1.05	\$34,935	1.10	\$36,598	1.15	\$38,262	1.20	\$39,925	1.25	\$41,589	1.30	\$43,252
2	1.04	\$34,602	1.09	\$36,265	1.14	\$37,929	1.19	\$39,592	1.24	\$41,256	1.29	\$42,920	1.34	\$44,583
3	1.08	\$35,933	1.13	\$37,596	1.18	\$39,260	1.23	\$40,923	1.28	\$42,587	1.33	\$44,250	1.38	\$45,914
4	1.12	\$37,264	1.17	\$38,927	1.22	\$40,591	1.27	\$42,254	1.32	\$43,918	1.37	\$45,581	1.42	\$47,245
5	1.16	\$38,594	1.21	\$40,258	1.26	\$41,921	1.31	\$43,585	1.36	\$45,249	1.41	\$46,912	1.46	\$48,576
6	1.20	\$39,925	1.25	\$41,589	1.30	\$43,252	1.35	\$44,916	1.40	\$46,579	1.45	\$48,243	1.50	\$49,907
7	1.24	\$41,256	1.29	\$42,920	1.34	\$44,583	1.39	\$46,247	1.44	\$47,910	1.49	\$49,574	1.54	\$51,237
8	1.28	\$42,587	1.33	\$44,250	1.38	\$45,914	1.43	\$47,578	1.48	\$49,241	1.53	\$50,905	1.58	\$52,568
9	1.32	\$43,918	1.37	\$45,581	1.42	\$47,245	1.47	\$48,908	1.52	\$50,572	1.57	\$52,235	1.62	\$53,899
10			1.41	\$46,912	1.46	\$48,576	1.51	\$50,239	1.56	\$51,903	1.61	\$53,566	1.66	\$55,230
11			1.45	\$48,243	1.50	\$49,907	1.55	\$51,570	1.60	\$53,234	1.65	\$54,897	1.70	\$56,561
12			1.49	\$49,574	1.54	\$51,237	1.59	\$52,901	1.64	\$54,564	1.69	\$56,228	1.74	\$57,892
13							1.63	\$54,232	1.68	\$55,895	1.73	\$57,559	1.78	\$59,222
14									1.72	\$57,226	1.77	\$58,890	1.82	\$60,553
15														
16														

**Reading the salary schedule**

1. Locate the step on the left column (in the example, step 8)
2. Locate the level at the top (in the example, MA+15)
3. The point where the two intersect in the 2012-2013 salary (in the example, \$50,905)

**Salary Ranges For Employees Not Subject To The Salary Scale**

Administration/Treasurer	to \$82,888
Paraprofessionals/Librarian	to \$26,544
Custodian	to \$52,585
Food Service	to \$21,609

**NOTE: Individual salary information is available, by request, at the Franklin Town Clerk's Office.**

# FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL STAFF

FY 13 - July 1, 2012 thru June 30, 2013

Department	Employee	FTE	Level	Step	Licensure	Years of Service at Franklin
<b>Teacher/Guidance/Nurse:</b>						
Kindergarten	Sturgeon, Theresa	50	MA+30	14	Level II	25
Grade 1	Trainer, Brye	100	MA+15	6	Level II	12
Grade 2	Toof, Carrie	100	MA	4	Level I	7
Grade 3	Bachelor, Ashley	100	BS+30	2	Level I	5
Grade 4	Shepard, Valerie	100	BA+45	13	Level II	31
Grade 5&6	Birkheimer, Krista	100	MA+15	7	Level II	7
Grade 5&6	Bourbeau, Jessica	100	BS+30	2	Level I	5
Special Ed.	Babinski, Jessica	100	MA	6	Level II	10
Physical Ed.	Young, Douglas	40	BS	6	Level II	9
Guidance	Leavitt, Katelyn	60	MA	1	Level P	1
Compensatory Ed.	Boucher, Deborah	25	MA+30	8	Level II	15
Music	McConnell, Jennifer	60	BS	4	Level I	8
Nurse .5	Potts, Alita	50			n/a	9
Early Childhood	Dewing, Jennifer	50	BA+15	5	Level I & II	7
<b>Administration:</b>						
Principal	Hakey, Joyce					
Admin. Assistant	Sartwell, Susan					
Treasurer	Larivee, Lisa A					
<b>Paraprofessional/Library:</b>						
Librarian	Wilson, Nancy					
Instructional Assistant	Russell, Connie					
Instructional Assistant	Renaudette, Lana					
Instructional Assistant	Jerry, Kennethea					
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Domina, Theresa					
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Ashton, Constance					
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Rood, Elsa					
Math Literacy/Planning Room	Larivee, Nancy					
Spec. Ed./Autism Behavior	Dandurand, Manon					
Sp.Ed./Technology Para.	Ovitt, Kathy					
Early Ed Assistant	Racine, Alyson					
<b>Custodial:</b>						
Head Custodian	Ballard, Steven					
Part Time Custodian	Colman, Richard					
<b>Food Services:</b>						
Head Cook/Co-Agent	Bushey, Carolyn					
Cook/Co-Agent	Sartwell, Donna					

District: **Franklin**  
 County: **Franklin**

**T078**  
**Franklin Northwest**

Statutory calculation. See note at bottom of page.  
 Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner. See note at bottom of page.  
**9,382**      **1.01**

**Expenditures**

	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
<b>Budget</b> (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,526,970	\$1,557,014	\$1,609,782	\$1,683,860
plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	\$23,300
minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-
<b>Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget</b>	<b>\$1,526,970</b>	<b>\$1,557,014</b>	<b>\$1,609,782</b>	<b>\$1,707,160</b>
plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
<b>Gross Act 68 Budget</b>	<b>\$1,526,970</b>	<b>\$1,557,014</b>	<b>\$1,609,782</b>	<b>\$1,707,160</b>
S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	\$106,424	\$119,859	\$130,387	\$146,470
Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-

**Revenues**

Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$263,394	\$248,999	\$227,150	\$200,569
plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
plus <b>Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)</b>	-	not allowed	not allowed	not allowed
minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-
<b>Total local revenues</b>	<b>\$263,394</b>	<b>\$248,999</b>	<b>\$227,150</b>	<b>\$200,569</b>

**Education Spending**

Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	131.61	132.71	131.22	132.40
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**Education Spending per Equalized Pupil**

	\$9,600.91	\$9,856.19	\$10,536.75	\$11,379
minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$584.20	\$563.18	\$360.52	-
minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	\$9.89	-
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	-	-	-	-
minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-
minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	NA	-	-
minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-
plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any) Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	threshold = \$14,733 \$9.601	threshold = \$14,841 \$9.856	threshold = \$15,456 \$10.537	threshold = \$16,168 \$11.379
<b>District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$11,379 / \$9,382)</b>	<b>112.370%</b> based on \$8,544	<b>112.991%</b> based on \$8,723	<b>115.143%</b> based on \$9,151	<b>121.286%</b> based on \$9,382

**Prorating the local tax rate**

Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (121.286% x \$1.010)	\$0.9776 based on \$0.87	\$1.0056 based on \$0.89	\$1.0823 based on \$0.94	\$1.2250 based on \$1.010
Percent of Franklin equalized pupils not in a union school district	49.190%	51.400%	51.150%	52.40%
Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (52.400% x \$1.23)	\$0.4809	\$0.5169	\$0.5536	\$0.6419
<b>Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)</b>	<b>75.18%</b>	<b>90.51%</b>	<b>97.71%</b>	<b>105.44%</b>
Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.642 / 105.44%)	\$0.6397 based on \$0.860	\$0.5711 based on \$0.87	\$0.5666 based on \$0.94	\$0.6088 based on \$1.01

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.

Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (121.286% x 1.80%)	2.02% based on 1.80%	2.03% based on 1.80%	2.07% based on 1.80%	2.18% based on 1.80%
Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (52.400% x 2.18%)	0.99% based on 1.80%	1.04% based on 1.80%	1.06% based on 1.80%	1.14% based on 1.80%
Percent of equalized pupils at Missisquoi Valley UHSD	50.81%	48.60%	48.85%	47.60%
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- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,109. The tax commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$0.99 and \$1.49. 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 1.80%.

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

**School:** Franklin Central School  
**S.U.:** Franklin Northwest S.U.

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

**FY2012 School Level Data**

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

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

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Newbury Elementary School	K - 6	119	14.47	1.00	8.22	119.00	14.47
	Wolcott Elementary School	K - 6	119	9.90	1.00	12.02	119.00	9.90
	North Bennington Graded School	K - 6	121	10.70	1.00	11.31	121.00	10.70
	<b>Franklin Central School</b>	<b>K - 6</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>9.25</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>13.19</b>	<b>122.00</b>	<b>9.25</b>
← Larger	Ludlow Elementary School	PK - 6	126	13.35	1.01	9.44	124.75	13.22
	Fletcher Elementary School	PK - 6	130	12.25	1.00	10.61	130.00	12.25
	Oak Grove School	K - 6	131	14.70	1.00	8.91	131.00	14.70
<b>Averaged SCHOOL cohort data</b>			<b>140.38</b>	<b>13.01</b>	<b>0.96</b>	<b>10.79</b>	<b>145.65</b>	<b>13.50</b>

**School District:** Franklin  
**LEA ID:** T078

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. Doing so makes districts more comparable to each other.

**FY2011 School District Data**

**Cohort Description:** Elementary school district, FY2011 FTE ≥ 100 but < 200  
 (31 school districts in cohort)

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

**Cohort Rank by FTE**  
 (1 is largest)  
 23 out of 31

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

Smaller →	Newbury	PK-6	111.87	\$13,407
	Fletcher	PK-6	112.52	\$11,852
	Underhill ID	K-4	118.14	\$9,651
	<b>Franklin</b>	<b>K-6</b>	<b>119.52</b>	<b>\$9,673</b>
← Larger	Wallingford	K-6	120.85	\$15,591
	Moretown	PK-6	120.99	\$12,150
	Ludlow	K-6	122.18	\$17,497
<b>Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data</b>			<b>139.37</b>	<b>\$12,350</b>

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.

**FY2013 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		
			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 →	T136 Newbury	PK-6	126.22	13,135.04	1.3402	1.3373	98.59%	1.3564
	T141 North Bennington ID	K-6	126.62	14,013.90	1.4298	1.3402	88.02%	2.8497
	T217 Waitsfield	PK-6	131.33	13,172.48	1.3440	1.3249	104.42%	1.2688
	<b>T078 Franklin</b>	<b>K-6</b>	<b>132.71</b>	<b>9,856.19</b>	<b>1.0056</b>	<b>1.0478</b>	<b>90.51%</b>	<b>1.1577</b>
← Larger	T222 Warren	PK-6	147.04	11,454.09	1.1687	1.2291	97.54%	1.2601
	T212 Underhill Town	K-4	153.99	11,823.78	1.2064	1.2286	98.32%	1.2496
	T124 Middlesex	PK-6	155.66	12,846.62	1.3107	1.3773	96.86%	1.4220

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.

**FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**FY2013 Expenditures, FY2014 Estimated Expenditures, and FY2015 Proposed School Budget**

<b>Funct/ Object</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>FY2013 Budget</b>	<b>FY2013 Actuals</b>	<b>FY2014 Budget</b>	<b>FY2014 Estimated</b>	<b>FY2015 Proposed</b>	<b>Budget Change</b>
<b>1100</b>	<b>INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:</b>						
110	Teachers' Salaries	\$388,513	\$411,641	\$417,338	\$425,728	\$442,018	\$24,680
119	Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$18,488	\$17,301	\$19,094	\$19,094	\$19,700	\$606
120	Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$4,000	\$31,349	\$4,000	\$13,706	\$4,000	\$0
210	Health Insurance	\$81,627	\$110,494	\$92,085	\$92,957	\$97,140	\$5,055
210A	Cafeteria Plan	\$500	\$416	\$480	\$450	\$480	\$0
210B	Dental Insurance	\$5,931	\$8,249	\$7,138	\$6,753	\$7,319	\$181
220	Social Security	\$31,442	\$33,981	\$33,693	\$35,077	\$35,627	\$1,934
250	Workers Compensation	\$2,877	\$2,277	\$3,083	\$2,474	\$2,794	(\$289)
260	Unemployment Compensation	\$0	\$552	\$0	\$434	\$0	\$0
300	Purchased Services	\$0	\$750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$2,500	\$346	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
440	Copier Equipment Lease	\$0	\$2,722	\$2,725	\$2,725	\$2,725	\$0
565	Tuition	\$0	\$2,690	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$8,561	\$7,694	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$8,625	\$225
610.1	Testing Supplies	\$500	\$140	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
610.2	PE Supplies	\$330	\$333	\$310	\$310	\$310	\$0
640	Books	\$645	\$291	\$699	\$699	\$900	\$201
640.1	Books - reference/periodicals	\$536	\$507	\$280	\$306	\$495	\$215
640.2	Books - consumable	\$775	\$959	\$803	\$803	\$468	(\$335)
650	Audiovisuals	\$180	\$61	\$60	\$259	\$0	(\$60)
660	Manipulatives	\$355	\$192	\$382	\$382	\$50	(\$332)
670	Computer Software	\$284	\$276	\$0	\$75	\$0	\$0
730	Equipment	\$2,767	\$1,564	\$460	\$150	\$400	(\$60)
	<b>Subtotal - Instructional Prog.</b>	<b>\$550,811</b>	<b>\$634,785</b>	<b>\$594,030</b>	<b>\$613,782</b>	<b>\$626,051</b>	<b>\$32,021</b>
<b>1210</b>	<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION:</b>						
110	Teachers' Salaries	\$46,515	\$47,669	\$47,910	\$47,910	\$49,347	\$1,437
115	Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$138,183	\$135,458	\$140,212	\$128,841	\$140,006	(\$206)
119	Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$5,000	\$5,936	\$5,000	\$12,000	\$5,000	\$0

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2013 Budget	FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Budget	FY2014 Estimated	FY2015 Proposed	Budget Change
<b>1210</b>	<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION:</b>						
210	Health Insurance	\$27,356	\$21,577	\$23,916	\$32,524	\$37,732	\$13,816
210B	Dental Insurance	\$1,169	\$984	\$1,217	\$1,218	\$1,120	(\$97)
220	Social Security	\$14,512	\$14,057	\$14,774	\$14,669	\$14,868	\$94
250	Workers Compensation	\$1,328	\$1,051	\$1,352	\$1,085	\$1,166	(\$186)
300	Purchased Prof. Services	\$750	\$1,864	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
561	Tuition / Alternative Educational Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
580	Travel	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$2,450	\$2,064	\$2,450	\$2,450	\$2,850	\$400
670	Computer Software	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0	(\$500)
730	Equipment	\$300	\$348	\$400	\$440	\$1,000	\$600
	<b>Subtotal - Spec. Education</b>	<b>\$238,513</b>	<b>\$231,008</b>	<b>\$238,931</b>	<b>\$242,837</b>	<b>\$254,289</b>	<b>\$15,356</b>
<b>1214</b>	<b>EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM:</b>						
331	Assessment	\$57,727	\$57,727	\$59,975	\$59,975	\$65,027	\$5,052
	<b>Subtotal - Early Childhood Prog.</b>	<b>\$57,727</b>	<b>\$57,727</b>	<b>\$59,975</b>	<b>\$59,975</b>	<b>\$65,027</b>	<b>\$5,052</b>
<b>2120</b>	<b>GUIDANCE PROGRAM</b>						
110	Salary, Counselor	\$24,808	\$23,258	\$24,953	\$23,955	\$24,674	(\$279)
210	Health Insurance	\$3,466	\$598	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
210.1	Dental Insurance	\$240	\$65	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
220	Social Security	\$1,898	\$1,779	\$1,909	\$1,833	\$1,888	(\$21)
250	Workers Compensation	\$174	\$137	\$175	\$140	\$154	(\$21)
610	Supplies	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$135	(\$15)
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Guidance</b>	<b>\$30,736</b>	<b>\$25,837</b>	<b>\$27,187</b>	<b>\$26,078</b>	<b>\$26,851</b>	<b>(\$336)</b>
<b>2130</b>	<b>HEALTH SERVICES:</b>						
110	Salary, Nurse	\$21,843	\$21,853	\$22,509	\$22,509	\$23,184	\$675
210	Health Insurance	\$7,611	\$5,640	\$6,402	\$3,143	\$3,284	(\$3,118)
210.1	Dental Insurance	\$584	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
220	Social Security	\$1,671	\$1,360	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0
250	Workers Compensation	\$153	\$121	\$158	\$126	\$145	(\$13)
300	Purchased Services	\$0	\$338	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$130	\$106	\$150	\$150	\$200	\$50
610	Supplies	\$623	\$335	\$680	\$680	\$680	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Health Serv.</b>	<b>\$32,615</b>	<b>\$29,753</b>	<b>\$30,999</b>	<b>\$27,708</b>	<b>\$28,593</b>	<b>(\$2,406)</b>

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2013		FY2014		FY2015		Budget Change
		Budget	Actuals	Budget	Estimated	Proposed		
<b>2150 SPEECH PATH. &amp; AUDIOLOGY:</b>								
300	Purchased Professional Services	\$27,765	\$45,673	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Speech Pathology</b>	<b>\$28,265</b>	<b>\$45,673</b>	<b>\$30,500</b>	<b>\$30,500</b>	<b>\$30,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>2213 INSTR. STAFF TRAINING:</b>								
270	Course Reimbursement	\$7,500	\$8,752	\$8,100	\$7,832	\$8,100	\$0	\$0
270.1	Staff Development	\$500	\$405	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Staff Training</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$9,157</b>	<b>\$8,600</b>	<b>\$8,332</b>	<b>\$8,600</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>2222 LIBRARY SERVICES:</b>								
110	Salary, Library Aide	\$25,659	\$25,304	\$26,309	\$26,309	\$26,958	\$649	\$649
220	Social Security	\$1,963	\$1,936	\$2,013	\$2,013	\$2,062	\$49	\$49
250	Workers Compensation	\$180	\$142	\$184	\$147	\$168	(\$16)	(\$16)
300	Purchased Services	\$600	\$589	\$600	\$1,020	\$1,200	\$600	\$600
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$34	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$250	\$613	\$250	\$250	\$150	(\$100)	(\$100)
640	Books & Periodicals	\$1,800	\$1,836	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,900	\$100	\$100
650	Audiovisuals	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Library</b>	<b>\$31,202</b>	<b>\$30,454</b>	<b>\$31,906</b>	<b>\$32,289</b>	<b>\$33,188</b>	<b>\$1,282</b>	<b>\$1,282</b>
<b>2225 SCHOOL-WIDE TECHNOLOGY</b>								
110	Paraprofessional Salary	\$10,397	\$9,723	\$10,696	\$10,696	\$10,996	\$300	\$300
220	Social Security	\$795	\$744	\$818	\$818	\$841	\$23	\$23
250	Workers Compensation	\$73	\$58	\$75	\$61	\$69	(\$6)	(\$6)
300	Contracted Services	\$3,250	\$2,994	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$140	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0
530	Telephone	\$600	\$551	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$500	\$103	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0
670	Computer Software	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0	\$0
910	Equipment	\$1,600	\$1,705	\$11,000	\$10,452	\$11,000	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - School-Wide Technology</b>	<b>\$17,915</b>	<b>\$16,018</b>	<b>\$25,889</b>	<b>\$25,327</b>	<b>\$26,206</b>	<b>\$317</b>	<b>\$317</b>

<b>Funct/ Object</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>FY2013 Budget</b>	<b>FY2013 Actuals</b>	<b>FY2014 Budget</b>	<b>FY2014 Estimated</b>	<b>FY2015 Proposed</b>	<b>Budget Change</b>
<b>2310</b>	<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION:</b>						
111	Board Salaries	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$0
220	Salary, Board Secretary	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
260	Social Security	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$0
330	Audit	\$3,100	\$3,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
360	Legal Services	\$500	\$0	\$1,500	\$500	\$1,500	\$0
540	Advertising/Printing	\$500	\$350	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
810	Dues [VSBA]	\$1,050	\$824	\$1,050	\$946	\$1,050	\$0
890	Miscellaneous	\$50	\$103	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Board of Educ.</b>	<b>\$7,461</b>	<b>\$6,838</b>	<b>\$5,361</b>	<b>\$4,257</b>	<b>\$5,361</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>2321</b>	<b>OFFICE OF THE SUPT:</b>						
331	S. U. Assessment (Central Office)	\$34,265	\$34,265	\$37,981	\$38,855	\$48,122	\$10,141
	<b>Subtotal - Supt's Office</b>	<b>\$34,265</b>	<b>\$34,265</b>	<b>\$37,981</b>	<b>\$38,855</b>	<b>\$48,122</b>	<b>\$10,141</b>
<b>2410</b>	<b>PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:</b>						
110	Salary, Principal	\$82,476	\$82,888	\$85,075	\$85,375	\$87,936	\$2,861
111	Salary, Secretary	\$26,806	\$25,696	\$27,506	\$27,506	\$28,207	\$701
210	Health Insurance / Benefits	\$28,728	\$28,444	\$31,946	\$30,916	\$27,671	(\$4,275)
210B	Dental Insurance	\$729	\$738	\$790	\$790	\$727	(\$63)
220	Social Security	\$8,360	\$7,927	\$8,635	\$8,635	\$8,885	\$250
250	Workers Compensation	\$765	\$605	\$790	\$634	\$697	(\$93)
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$36	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
530	Telephone	\$1,500	\$1,862	\$1,500	\$1,650	\$1,500	\$0
531	Postage	\$650	\$664	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
580	Conference/Travel	\$250	\$135	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$1,100	\$927	\$1,050	\$1,050	\$1,050	\$0
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
810	Dues & Memberships	\$200	\$195	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Principal's Office</b>	<b>\$151,764</b>	<b>\$150,117</b>	<b>\$158,692</b>	<b>\$157,956</b>	<b>\$158,073</b>	<b>(\$619)</b>
<b>2420</b>	<b>OFFICE OF THE SUPT:</b>						
331	S. U. Assessment (Special Educ.)	\$27,867	\$27,867	\$32,431	\$32,431	\$33,321	\$890
	<b>Subtotal - Supt's Office</b>	<b>\$27,867</b>	<b>\$27,867</b>	<b>\$32,431</b>	<b>\$32,431</b>	<b>\$33,321</b>	<b>\$890</b>

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2013 Budget	FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Budget	FY2014 Anticipated	FY2015 Proposed	Budget Change
<b>2520</b>	<b>FISCAL SERVICES:</b>						
	Treasurer/Bookkeeper Salary & Benefits	\$17,975	\$17,975	\$17,250	\$17,250	\$20,496	\$3,246
300	Contracted Services	\$1,100	\$907	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0
420	Repair & Maintenance	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
531	Postage	\$200	\$180	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$500	\$341	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
830	Interest on Current Loan	\$550	\$429	\$550	\$420	\$550	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Fiscal Services</b>	<b>\$20,475</b>	<b>\$19,832</b>	<b>\$19,800</b>	<b>\$19,670</b>	<b>\$23,046</b>	<b>\$3,246</b>
<b>2540</b>	<b>PLANT OPERATIONS:</b>						
110	Custodians' & Subs' Salaries	\$62,456	\$62,919	\$65,147	\$64,968	\$67,698	\$2,551
210	Insurance / Benefits	\$9,769	\$9,769	\$9,823	\$10,117	\$10,178	\$355
220	Social Security	\$5,389	\$5,518	\$5,595	\$5,581	\$5,790	\$195
250	Workers Compensation	\$4,931	\$4,931	\$5,119	\$4,108	\$4,730	(\$389)
400	Purchased Property Services	\$3,185	\$4,255	\$3,185	\$3,971	\$3,185	\$0
411	Water & Sewer	\$1,250	\$1,495	\$1,250	\$1,295	\$1,250	\$0
421	Disposal Service	\$2,200	\$2,928	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$0
430	Repair/Maintenance	\$12,200	\$10,771	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$0
431	Heating & Ventilation	\$5,200	\$5,039	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$0
433	Grounds	\$2,500	\$2,094	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
520	Property Insurance	\$5,130	\$4,886	\$5,375	\$4,815	\$5,300	(\$75)
580	Travel / Mileage	\$50	\$0	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
610	Supplies	\$15,000	\$11,272	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
622	Electricity	\$31,500	\$34,924	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$0
624	Fuel	\$21,000	\$26,029	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$0
624.1	Gasoline (for snowblower & tractor)	\$350	\$387	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$0
700	Equipment	\$750	\$13	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Plant Operation</b>	<b>\$182,860</b>	<b>\$187,230</b>	<b>\$187,244</b>	<b>\$186,605</b>	<b>\$189,881</b>	<b>\$2,637</b>
<b>2550</b>	<b>PUPIL TRANSPORTATION</b>						
513	Contracted Service	\$55,778	\$57,680	\$60,688	\$61,187	\$66,300	\$5,612
513.01	ExtraCurricular Transportation	\$0	\$35	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
515	Special Education Transportation	\$0	\$196	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
518	StatePlaced Transportation	\$0	\$1,705	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Pupil Transportation</b>	<b>\$55,778</b>	<b>\$59,616</b>	<b>\$60,688</b>	<b>\$61,187</b>	<b>\$66,300</b>	<b>\$5,612</b>

<b>Funct/ Object</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>FY2013 Budget</b>	<b>FY2013 Actuals</b>	<b>FY2014 Budget</b>	<b>FY2014 Anticipated</b>	<b>FY2015 Proposed</b>	<b>Budget Change</b>
<b>2600</b>	<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>						
200	Hot Lunch Program	\$6,021	\$9,878	\$12,260	\$13,030	\$13,616	\$1,356
300	Food Service Support	\$0	\$3,400	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Food Service</b>	<b>\$6,021</b>	<b>\$13,278</b>	<b>\$12,260</b>	<b>\$13,130</b>	<b>\$13,616</b>	<b>\$1,356</b>
<b>5100</b>	<b>DEBT SERVICE (School Construction)</b>						
830	Interest	\$2,296	\$2,296	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
910	Principal	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Debt Service</b>	<b>\$72,296</b>	<b>\$72,296</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>5101</b>	<b>DEBT SERVICE (Roof Replacement)</b>						
830	Interest	\$2,443	\$4,675	\$7,308	\$7,308	\$6,835	(\$473)
910	Principal	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
	<b>Subtotal - Debt Service</b>	<b>\$2,443</b>	<b>\$4,675</b>	<b>\$47,308</b>	<b>\$47,308</b>	<b>\$46,835</b>	<b>(\$473)</b>
	<b>BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,557,014</b>	<b>\$1,656,426</b>	<b>\$1,609,782</b>	<b>\$1,628,227</b>	<b>\$1,683,860</b>	<b>\$74,078</b>

**FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PROJECTED REVENUES & ESTIMATED TAX RATES**

	FY2014	FY2015
<b>PROPOSED EXPENSES:</b>		
Franklin School District Budget Proposal	\$1,609,782	\$1,683,860
Franklin Special Article(s)	\$0	\$23,300
	<b>\$1,609,782</b>	<b>\$1,707,160</b>
<b>PROJECTED REVENUES:</b>		
Interest Earnings	\$1,000	\$1,000
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance	\$21,695	\$11,191
plus any adjustments to prior year revenues	-\$23,123	-\$22,034
Remaining funds from Roof bond proceeds	\$35,850	\$0
Municipal Bond Bank Refinance Savings	\$0	\$4,458
FNW Title I Funding	\$0	\$19,671
Projected Special Education Aid:		
Mainstream Block Grant	\$44,473	\$45,713
Special Education Expenditure Reimbursement	\$88,422	\$96,878
Extraordinary Expenditure Reimbursement	\$0	\$0
EEE Grant	\$18,992	\$17,781
Care & Custody	\$0	\$0
Small Schools Grant	\$16,113	\$0
Transportation Reimbursement	<u>\$23,728</u>	<u>\$25,911</u>
	<b>\$227,150</b>	<b>\$200,569</b>
<b>LOCAL EDUCATION SPENDING</b>	<b>\$1,382,632</b>	<b>\$1,506,591</b>

**PROJECTED TAX RATES BEFORE COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT**

Equalized Pupils	131.22	132.40
Spending per Equalized Pupil [local ed spending ÷ eq.pupils]	\$10,537	\$11,379
<i>base spending amount</i>	\$9,151	\$9,382
District Spending Adjustment	115.143%	121.286%
<i>Base Homestead Tax Rate</i>	\$0.94	\$1.01
Equalized Tax Rate [base rate x district's spending adj]		
Local School Equalized Tax Rate	<b>\$0.554</b>	<b>\$0.642</b>

**PROJECTED TAX RATES AFTER COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT**

based on current Common Level of Appraisal [increased to 105.44% of State value, from 97.71% in FY14 & 90.51% in FY13]		
<b>Homestead Tax Rate:</b>		
<u>Projected</u> Homestead Tax Rate - local	<b>\$0.567</b>	<b>\$0.609</b>
<b>Non-Homestead Tax Rate:</b>		
<u>Projected</u> Non-Homestead Tax Rate - local	<b>\$0.754</b>	<b>\$0.750</b>

These figures are based on an *estimated* statewide base education amount of \$9,382 and *estimated* statewide homestead base tax rate of \$1.01 and non-homestead base rate of \$1.51. These statewide figures are set annually by the VT

Legislature and are still to be determined.

**NOTES OF INTEREST**

**TOWN CLERK’S OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday & Friday.....8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
Wednesday.....8:30 am - Noon  
Thursday.....8:30 am - 6:00 pm

The office is open during the lunch hour. As always, if necessary, the clerk is available by appointment. Please call 285-2101 to schedule an appointment.

**HASTON LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday.....10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Tuesday.....2:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Wednesday.....CLOSED  
Thursday.....9:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Friday.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Saturday.....9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Trustee Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm

Visit our website: [hastonlibrary.wordpress.com](http://hastonlibrary.wordpress.com)

**SELECTBOARD MEETING**

Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Franklin Town Office.  
Contact the Town Clerk at 285-2101 if you wish to be on the agenda.

**LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

Monthly at the Franklin Elementary School.  
Contact the Principal, Joyce Hakey at 285-2100 if you wish to be on the agenda.

**MVUHS DIRECTOR’S MEETING**

First and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at MVUHS.

**DOG LICENSES**

**Due by April 1, 2014**

Any dog six months of age and over must be licensed at the Town Clerk’s Office and must show proof of current rabies vaccination at that time.  
The Town of Franklin has a contract with the Franklin County Humane Society to board stray dogs. This contract **does not** include kittens or cats.

## **PROPERTY TAXES**

Proposed property tax due date; as warned – October 15, 2014 by 3:30 p.m.

**NOTICE: Current policy states – All tax payments must be received by close of business at 3:30 on the due date or they will be considered delinquent. Postmarked envelopes received after the due date will be considered delinquent and assessed an 8% fee plus interest.**

## **BUILDING PERMITS & SEPTIC DESIGN**

Building applications and permits are necessary if you are doing construction of more than fifty square feet **or if you are changing the use.** Forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office or the Town's website. Permits for septic systems and potable water systems are obtained through the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. For more information contact the District Office in Essex Junction at 1-802-879-5656 or log on to [www.anr.state.vt.us/dec](http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec).

## **PERMISSION TO BURN (REQUIRED)**

Contact Burt Maynard, Town Fire Warden at 285-2220 for a permit.

## **GREEN MOUNTAIN PASSPORTS**

Available for all residents over 62 (\$2.00 lifetime fee) - Forms at Town Clerk's Office.  
Gives free day-use entry to all State Parks and most State sponsored events.

## **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

Posted on the Town Website and  
Published in County Courier or St. Albans Messenger

## **MISCELLANEOUS FOR THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN AND THE HASTON LIBRARY**

Website – [www.franklinvermont.com](http://www.franklinvermont.com)

Email: [townoff@franklinvt.net](mailto:townoff@franklinvt.net)

Email: [librarian@hastonlibraryvt.org](mailto:librarian@hastonlibraryvt.org)

## **FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**The Franklin Historical Society has “A History of Franklin” book available for sale for \$20. Please contact the Town Clerk or Haston Library to purchase your copy.** The Historical Society is working to expand hours and visibility at the log cabin location on Hanna Road. They are also looking for volunteers; if you are interested please contact Bryant Reynolds at 802-285-6774.

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Franklin Fire Department-Emergency.....	911
Franklin Rescue Service-Emergency.....	911
Franklin Fire and Rescue- <b>Non-Emergency</b> .....	285-2050
Vermont State Police.....	524-5993
Franklin County Sheriff's Department.....	524-2121
Northwestern Medical Center.....	524-5911
Poison Control Center.....	658-3456
Vermont Game Warden.....	524-5993
U.S. Border Patrol.....	868-3229

**TOWN OFFICES**

Town Clerk & Treasurer.....	285-2101
Haston Library.....	285-6505
Selectboard Chair.....	285-2101
School Board Chair.....	285-2092
Zoning Administrator.....	285-2101
Planning Commission Chair.....	285-6542
Board of Adjustment Chair.....	285-2206
Health Officer.....	933-2022
Animal Control Officer.....	285-2101
Town Garage.....	285-2180
Road Commissioner.....	285-2101

**SCHOOLS**

Franklin Elementary School.....	285-2100
Missisquoi Valley Union (MVU) HS.....	868-7311
Northwest Supervisory Union.....	868-4967

**FRANKLIN DISTRICT 6 REPRESENTATIVES**

Albert Pearce.....	848-7813
Steve Beyor.....	868-4348
Representatives Number in Montpelier.....	800-322-5616

**LAKE CARMİ CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION**

Peter Benevento, President.....	285-6744
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## IMPORTANT DATES 2014

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- ❑ March 4, 2014- *Town Meeting*- Beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Franklin School Gym \*Polls open at 10:00 a.m. for MVU \*
- ❑ March 15, 2014 – Rabies Clinic at the Town Hall from 10 – noon. Dogs and cats welcome.
- ❑ April 1, 2014- *Dog Licenses*- Dogs are due to be registered by this date; proof of rabies and spayed/neutered certificates need to be provided for new dogs 6 months of age and older at the time of registration.  
**\*\*\$12 spayed/neutered & \$16 full dog\*\***
- ❑ *Household Hazardous Waste Day* events are undetermined at this time. Information will be sent at a later date.
- ❑ May & September 2014- *Metal Dumpster* is at the Town Garage for use by all Franklin residents
- ❑ October 15, 2014- *Property Taxes* are **due** by 3:30 p.m.

The Franklin Selectboard holds its monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Clerk's Office

The Franklin Planning Commission holds its monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Franklin Homestead Dining Room

For questions on any of the above events, please call the Town Clerk's Office at (802)285-2101 or email the office, [townoff@franklinvt.net](mailto:townoff@franklinvt.net)