

Town of Franklin Vermont

and the

Franklin School District

FY2015 Annual Report

Town and School
Fiscal Year End
June 30th, 2015

**TOWN MEETING
WILL BEGIN
AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESIDENTIAL
PRIMARY &
MVU BALLOTING
WILL BEGIN
AT 7:00 AM**

AUDITORS'

ANNUAL REPORT

for the

TOWN OF FRANKLIN
VERMONT

For the Fiscal Year Ending
June 30th, 2015

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Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

The Haston Library will be serving lunch
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***** ABSTRACT OF MARCH 3, 2015 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 at 10:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Moderator Timothy Magnant called the Franklin School District meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. 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 the reports of the school directors.
- ARTICLE 3** Appropriated \$1,716,922 for the FY2016 Franklin School District budget.
- ARTICLE 4** Approved, not to exceed \$20,000, to purchase lawn mowing equipment.
- ARTICLE 5** Elected Thomas Thompson as Franklin School Director for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE 6** Tim Magnant thanked David Rood for his years of service on the board.

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING CLOSED AND ENTERED REGULAR TOWN MEETING

- ARTICLE 7** Elected Timothy Magnant as moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 8** Accepted the reports of the town officers.
- ARTICLE 9** Approved \$5,000 for Franklin Watershed Committee.
- ARTICLE 10** Approved \$209,000 for the purchase of a new fire truck less any applicable grants, if received.
- ARTICLE 11** Approved \$4,000 in support of the Highgate Arena Renovation project.
- ARTICLE 12** Appropriated \$719,527 for the Municipal Budget.
- ARTICLE 13** Elected the following town officers:
 - A. Yvon Dandurand selectperson for a three-year term.
 - B. Andrew Godin selectperson for a two-year term.
 - C. Robert Irish lister for a three-year term.
 - D. Jean Richard auditor for three-year term.
 - E. Susan Clark trustee of public money for one year.
 - F. Kimberly Gates Maynard trustee of Haston Library Fund for one year
 - G. Haston Library Trustees; Nancy Magnant, Nancy Jewett, and Deborah Grennon for three-year terms.
 - H. Johanna Crane-Godin delinquent tax collector for one year.
 - I. Burt Maynard constable for one year.
 - J. George Godin town agent for one year.
 - K. Eric Gerrard and Doug Clark grand jurors for one year.
 - L. Jean Richard Franklin Homestead Board of Director for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE 14** Elected Howard Vansette, Nancy Wilson and Jennifer Dewing as cemetery commissioners for one year.
- ARTICLE 15** Authorized the payment of taxes to be paid to the treasurer by October 15, 2015 before 6:00 p.m.
- ARTICLE 16** Voted to publish names of delinquent property taxpayers as of December 31, 2015.
- ARTICLE 17** Elected the Town Treasurer as current tax collector.
Elected Susan Clark to fill an unexpired Library trustee term for 2 years.
- ARTICLE 18** Haston Library collecting recipes for a cookbook. Discussed the North Beach Fish & Wildlife docks. Inquiry about the recreation committee. Thank you to past Haston Library Trustees; Karen Gates, Art Leduc, and Linda Hartman for their service. Discussion about old weed harvester and grants available for a new machine. Vacant seat on NWSWD board. Cell phone coverage in town was mentioned.

WARNING FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Franklin School District and Town of Franklin are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Franklin Central School on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at **nine 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. Shall the voters of the Franklin Town School District approve the school board to expend \$1,782,001, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in Education Spending of \$11,683.80 per Equalized Pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 3.74% higher than spending for the current year.
4. To elect one Franklin School Director for an unexpired term of two (2) years.
5. To elect one Franklin School Director for a term of three (3) years.
6. 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

7. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
8. To elect a Town Clerk for a term of three-years.
9. To receive and discuss the reports of the several town officers.
10. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin authorize the Selectboard to borrow a sum; not to exceed \$89,600 including interest, to be repaid over a term of not more than twenty (20) years, for the purpose of State mandated upgrades to the village water system; to be repaid by the Village water system users?
11. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate a sum of \$5,000 for the Franklin Watershed Committee?
12. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate a sum of \$14,715 for the purchase and installation of ends for the sand shed?
13. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin authorize the Selectboard to borrow a sum, not to exceed \$67,150 to be repaid over a term of not more than five (5) years, for the purpose of purchasing a new highway truck with plow?
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. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin vote to rescind the amendment to the Town Traffic Ordinance dated November 4, 2015: "Article 6: Speed Regulations following road added-TH#1 Morses Line Road 40 mph from west of Dandurand Rd for .9 miles", pursuant to a petition submitted in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1973?

16. 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. Two Haston Library trustees for three year terms.
 - 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.
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 17, 2016 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, 2016.
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
Andrew Godin
Edmund Rainville
Brooks Sturtevant*

Franklin School Directors

*Timothy Magnant
Robert Berger
Thomas Gates*

Read for record on January 20, 2016 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 2017

SELECTBOARD

Peter Magnant.....Term Expires 2016
Edmund Rainville.....Term Expires 2016
Brooks Sturtevant.....Term Expires 2017
Andrew Godin.....Term Expires 2017
Yvon Dandurand.....Term Expires 2018

LISTERS

Gilbert Dewing.....Term Expires 2016
Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2017
Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2018

AUDITORS

Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2016
Michelle Guilmette.....Term Expires 2017
Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2018

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY

Susan E. Clark.....Term Expires 2016

TRUSTEE OF HASTON LIBRARY FUND

Kimberly Gates Maynard.....Term Expires 2016

HASTON LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2016
Jennifer Bright.....Term Expires 2016
Bryant Reynolds.....Term Expires 2017
Susan Clark.....Term Expires 2017
Nancy Magnant.....Term Expires 2018
Nancy Jewett.....Term Expires 2018
Deborah Grennon.....Term Expires 2018

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

Johanna Crane-Godin.....Term Expires 2016

CONSTABLE

Burt Maynard.....Term Expires 2016

TOWN AGENT

George Godin.....Term Expires 2016

TOWN GRAND JURORS

Douglas Clark.....Term Expires 2016

Eric Gerrard.....Term Expires 2016

FRANKLIN HOMESTEAD, INC

Kay Papazoni.....Term Expires 2016

Elizabeth Rainville.....Term Expires 2017

Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2018

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Nancy Wilson.....Term Expires 2016

Jennifer Dewing.....Term Expires 2016

Howard Vanselette.....Term Expires 2016

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Robert Berger.....Term Expires 2016

Timothy Magnant.....Term Expires 2017

Thomas Thompson elected at town meeting; resigned

Thomas Gates, appointed.....Term Expires 2018

MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION #7 DIRECTORS

John Ho.....Term Expires 2016

Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2017

Vicki Gratton.....Term Expires 2018

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

	Daniel Clark	Gilbert Dewing
George Godin	Pauline Gadbois	Kimberly Gates Maynard

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK & TREASURER

Sara Rainville.....Term Expires 2016

WATER COMMISSION

Brooks Sturtevant (2 year term).....Term Expires 2016
Marshall Ploof (1 year term).....Term Expires 2016
Jes Alexant (3 year term).....Term Expires 2017

PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 Year Term

Clark Hubbard *4 year Term.....Term Expires 2016
Greg Bouchard (resigned & vacant).....Term Expires 2016
Rolland RainvilleTerm Expires 2016
Dave BennionTerm Expires 2016
Peter Kittell.....Term Expires 2017
Judith McLaughlinTerm Expires 2018
Daniel Larivee.....Term Expires 2018

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 3 Year Term

Chris O'Shea.....Term Expires 2016
James Pivrotto.....Term Expires 2016
Jill Pigeon.....Term Expires 2016
Carolyn Kittell.....Term Expires 2017
Chris Bolton.....Term Expires 2017
Dennis Young.....Term Expires 2018
Vacant.....Term Expires 2018

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2016

OTHER OFFICERS

Service Officer.....Pauline Gadbois
Health Officer.....Chris Ferland
Road Commissioner.....Andrew Godin
Road Foreman.....Howard Vanslette
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.....Mark Toof
Regional Planning.....vacant
.....Yvon Dandurand
E911 Coordinator.....Sara Rainville
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).....Peter Magnant
Energy Committee.....vacant
Northwestern Solid Waste ManagementDave Bennion

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 monthly.

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 Selectboard addressed several issues this year. The big issues included work on the town hall, park-and-ride, weed harvesting and the control of the level of Lake Carmi.

Improvements to the town hall were done in 2015 with the help of a Historic Preservation Grant through Department of Housing and Community Development for \$14,512 with 50/50 matching funds that were approved at town meeting the previous two years. A new standing seam roof replaced the old roof on the side entrance and the back of the building. Seamless gutters were installed on the north facing side of the building to help protect the building from water damage. Drainage work was also completed to move the surface and ground water away from the building. The front of the building and north facing walls also were scraped and received a fresh coat of paint.

Tim Hopkins was our town handyman and professional painter. We were all very saddened by Tim's sudden death. Tim took great pride in his work and in Franklin which showed in his finished product. The Hopkins family has a long history in the town of Franklin and has contributed in making it a better place to live. The Selectboard would also like to thank Marc Vinci for completing the painting on the town hall after Tim's passing. Additional work for the town hall in 2016, includes finishing to paint the other two sides of the building. More work is also planned on the Haston Library to repair the brick work around the chimney which needs work.

The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) did a municipal park-and-ride survey last spring and questioned us as to why the park-and-ride was still closed. Apparently there was a misunderstanding between the Selectboard and VTrans when the park-and-ride was first closed. The Selectboard has communicated to VTrans that with a court order closing the park-and-ride it cannot be reopened. We received a letter from VTrans dated July 28, 2015 that stated in part, "reopen the park-and-ride or reimburse VTrans for \$41,250 plus interest" which the town had received from the state to build the park-and-ride. The Selectboard is currently negotiating with VTrans to come up with a resolution.

The Town received a VT Aquatic Nuisance Control grant through the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). With this grant and the money received from the Rescue Service for water quality improvements, the Town was able to purchase a new weed harvester. With the constant repairs on the old weed harvester it was difficult to keep it operational. Unfortunately the new weed harvester did not prove to be an improvement on removing milfoil. The operators experienced engine problems from the very beginning of the harvesters use. The engine continually overheated after less than an hour of work. Yvon Dandurand put in many hours working relentlessly with Aquamarine, the manufacturer, and Subaru who is the supplier of the engine, to resolve the problem. After going back and forth for months, Aquamarine finally agreed to replace the engine, unfortunately after the season was over. We will have to wait until summer to see if the new engine is the correct solution.

The Selectboard sent a letter to the DEC concerning the operation of the Mill Pond dam. We inquired as to whom is in charge of making the decision of when to raise or lower the dam. We also asked that the Selectboard be notified when any changes are made to the dam including adding or removing boards to change the level of the lake. They have communicated that they are processing our concerns and will get back to us. Hopefully we can have a better understanding and control of the dam's operation in the future.

The Selectboard has decided to move up Town Meeting one hour earlier this year to start at 9 am. We have seen more participation in the morning hours so we are hoping this will help get more people involved in a larger portion of the meeting. As always the Selectboard would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time and energy to the town in the past and encourage more citizens to participate in filling some of our vacant positions. Volunteers are what make this town a great place to live.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Magnant
Yvon Dandurand
Andrew Godin
Edmund Rainville
Brooks Sturtevant

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Last spring our long time employee, Roland Lontine's employment ended with the Town of Franklin. The timing was so, as to put us at a disadvantage during our transition from winter road maintenance to spring clean-up and road repair. We were a little behind schedule grading and spreading gravel. It is very time consuming to dump and spread gravel, and deal with breakdowns with one person on the job. At the beginning of May, the Selectboard hired Jeremy Barnum to fill the vacancy, after which we began to catch up. I would like to thank Ron for his twenty plus years of service to the Town of Franklin, and welcome Jeremy to the crew.

We had a large, unexpected culvert project on Pidgeon Hill Road last fall. The culvert had begun to compress and split at the top. After having officials from the state inspect the situation, it was deemed an emergency, as the road is a dead end and a complete failure of the culvert could have resulted in a dangerous situation for residents living beyond it. We were able to obtain an emergency grant through VTrans with a ten percent match. Munson Earth Moving was awarded the project through a bidding process, and Roger Wright was hired to construct a temporary road. The project took about 3 weeks, and we are very pleased with the outcome.

I would like the residents to have an understanding of the state of our equipment:

- Truck No. 2 is showing its age; the model year is 2006, which we began using in the winter of 2005. Although we have had no major mechanical problems with it, it is limping back to the garage on a regular basis for minor repairs and is also being sent to Vaillancourt's for more technical issues we can't handle ourselves with greater frequency.
- Truck No. 1 is a model year 2010 which we began using in the winter of 2009. We do not have any regular problems with this truck, but it should be noted it is already in its seventh winter of service.
- Loader is 28 years old with over 9000 hours was built in 1988, and then rebuilt after it was burned in the garage fire in 2006. It does have the occasional break down, and has significant rust from the salt it handles.
- Grader is a model year 1982. We are unsure of the hours as its on its third hour meter. It has regular repairs, is a little undersized for our needs, but does the job.
- Road side mower rarely mows a full day without significant repairs. I am concerned we will get to a point we will need to replace multiple pieces of equipment in a short period of time, and would like to be proactive as to not end up in that situation.

Therefore, if approved by the voters, we will be looking to trade in truck No.2 towards a replacement this year. In addition, the board plans to focus on laying out a replacement schedule for other equipment so the tax payers will know what to expect in the future.

I would like to conclude by thanking anyone who has volunteered their time to the town, no matter how little, and those who have helped us to keep our roads in good shape by letting us know the problem spots. Most importantly, I would like to thank the road crew for their hard work throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew Godin

PAVING PROGRESS REPORT/PLAN

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 Road from Richard Rd west to Messier Rd; 1068.79 tons @ \$74.76 = \$79,902.74

2015

- Homestead Drive was resurfaced with 125 tons @ \$72.93 = \$9,116.25 (cost shared by three parties; Town, Franklin Telephone and Homestead)
- Morses Line Road from Messier Rd west to D. Rainville's approx. 1.2 miles with 1360.2 ton @ \$72.93 = \$99,199.39

2016

- Riley Road - resurfacing
- Dewing Road - resurfacing
- Stanley Road - resurfacing

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

2015 ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT

Barnum Rd: graded 3 times; 112 yds gravel; 500 gal chloride; road side mowing.

Beaver Meadow Rd: graded 1 time

Browns Corner Rd: ditched 100 yds of driveway/reset culvert; road side mowing/guard rail trimming.

Colton Rd: graded 2 times; 84 yds. gravel; 800 gal chloride

Dandurand Rd: graded 2 times; 42 yds gravel; 98 yds blue rock; 750 gal chloride; road side mowing

Dewing Shore Rd: graded 3 times; 42 yds. blue rock; 1050 gal chloride

Durkee Rd: graded 4 times; 329 yds stone; 650 gal chloride; road side mowing

Gallup Rd: graded 3 times; 70 yds stone; 292 yds. gravel; 1500 gal chloride

Kendall Rd: graded 3 times; 56 yds gravel; 200 gal chloride;

Middle Rd: graded 3 times; 42 yds. blue rock; 210 yds. gravel; 500 gal chloride

Messier Rd: graded 3 times; 28 yds stone; 112 yds gravel; 8 hrs of ditching; road side mowing

Morses Line Rd: repaired soft spot and replaced with 322 yds of gravel

Pidgeon Hill Rd: graded 2 times; 96 yds. gravel; 150 yds of ditching on hill; road side mowing

Rice Hill Rd: graded 2 times; 56 yds. blue rock;

Richard Rd: graded 3 times; 42 yds gravel; 42 yds stone;

Riley Rd: graded 2 times; 42 yds gravel; 68 yds blue rock; 700 gal chloride; road side mowing

Scott Rd: graded 2 times; 126 yds gravel; 28 yds 5" stone/wash-out repair

Skunk's Misery Rd: 28 yds. gravel; road side mowing

Towle Neighborhood Rd: graded 3 times; 112 yds blue rock; 84 yds gravel; 2500 gal chloride; new 18" culvert; road side mowing.

Webster Rd: road side mowing

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

This year the Planning Commission has had a quiet year. We have had to do a few reviews of plans that have been for renewable power. Also, we have been going over our Town Plan, Development Regulations and the Shoreline Protection Act. With the help of our Zoning Administrator, we have made updates to the definitions and wording in our Town Plan and Zoning Bylaws for making amendments and proposing to the Selectboard.

I would like to thank Dan Larivee, Judith McLaughlin, Dave Bennion, Rolland Rainville, Peter Kittell and Maureen Sodaro for their service, this year, on the Commission. I, myself, appreciate the sacrifice of your time for all that you do.

We do have one open space for someone on the board and if anyone is interested in volunteering please contact the Selectboard.

*Respectfully submitted,
Clark E. Hubbard, Chairman*

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) held two hearings during the last year that involved one application that was approved in the Rural Residential District:

- Change of use for a barn to be used as a commercial/recreational indoor facility

Volunteers serving on this board are: Chris O'Shea, Carolyn Kittell, Chris Bolton, Dennis Young, Jill Pigeon, Jim Pivorotto, one vacant seat as this time.

*Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk*

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

In 2015, zoning activity in the Town of Franklin showed a decline from 2014. Applications for building permits and agricultural notifications dropped from 34 in 2014, to 22 in 2015. Permits for single family homes and mobile homes were down. Twenty-two permits were filed; 21 were approved, one was referred to the ZBA and was later approved by the ZBA. Six certificates of compliance were issued; five for subdivisions and one for a boundary line adjustment. The number of certificates of compliance rose from 12 in 2014 to 14 in 2015, reflecting an increase in property sales.

Permits processed in 2015:

2 Apt/Additions	3 Porches	3 Decks	1 Change of Use
2 New Homes	2 Mobil Homes	1 Garage	8 Sheds

In 2016, I will be placing greater emphasis on enforcement; following up on the Shoreline Protection Act violations and individuals who have built without a permit. The permit fee for building without a permit will be doubled.

The Zoning Administrator is in the Town Office on Mondays from 10:00 till 12:00.

*Respectfully submitted,
Robert B Irish
Zoning Administrator*

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

In 2015, the following reports were received by the Health Officer:

- Two dog bite reports were submitted by the Selectboard and Urgent Care Physicians; one to a dog and one to a person
- One rodent/mold infestation that was unfounded.
- One notice of a possible septic violation that turned out to be a permitted state accepted solution
- One septic violation that was forwarded to Agency of Natural Resources; however the complaint is anonymous and the property is posted; a resolution cannot be reached.

Unfortunately, there was also a beach closure due to the blue green algae blooms.

Remember the solutions to these problems are up to all residents; both part-time and full-time.

To report any and all concerns and violations please call the Franklin Town Clerk's Office at 285-2101.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Christopher Ferland*

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

The season began with the usual April cleanup at the Briggs, Willard, Willey, Prouty and Marsh cemeteries. Fallen trees and branches were removed along with trimming out over grown areas, especially at the Willard and Marsh. The wet spring again caused many of the stones at the Willard and Marsh to fall over and these had to be put back up and reinforced. Once cleanup was finished, flowers were placed at the cemeteries in time for Memorial Day. Weekly mowing and trimming were performed during the season. A car struck a tree and destroyed a bench at the Prouty at the end of the summer, so a new bench will be purchased at the beginning of the season. A new fence was also purchased for the Prouty, but will not be installed until the spring. The committee felt, before the fence could be put up, dead limbs should be trimmed from the surrounding tree. In October, cemeteries were picked up and closed for the season.

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

ENHANCED 911 REPORT

In 2015, six new addresses were added, one private road was named and one existing address was updated to reflect more accurate locations to the Enhanced 911 (E-911) System. We are continually working with the State to correct past addressing errors in the Town.

Requests for new E-911 addresses 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 Enhanced 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.

Disappearance of street signs throughout the Town frequently is 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 285-2181 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

The current Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) names the Franklin Central School as the primary shelter for the community of Franklin in the event of a disaster. The Franklin Fire Station would serve as the Emergency Operations Center. In an effort to increase reliability for the Emergency Operations Center, an application for a Federal Grant (FEMA) was submitted to obtain a "standby" generator for the building. Although this request was not granted in 2015, I will continue to seek Federal and/or State assistance to upgrade our facility.

The ongoing process of plan review and training for Franklin Fire and Rescue personnel will promote safety and emergency response efficiency in the event of a disaster.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mark Toof
Emergency Management Coordinator, Town of Franklin
Lieutenant, Franklin Fire Dept.
Emergency Medical Technician, Franklin Rescue and Enosburgh Ambulance*

FRANKLIN HOMESTEAD, INC.

Franklin Homestead Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing affordable housing options to seniors in our community. Through Franklin Carriage House, we also provide Community Senior Meals to residents of Franklin Homestead, and Meals on Wheels to the community. The FELCO Room, located at Franklin Homestead, is a gathering place for both residents and community members.

Franklin Homestead offers 23 apartments and Franklin Carriage House offers 18 efficiency apartments with supportive services including meals, cleaning, laundry and staff on-site 24 hours, both for seniors 55 and over.

The FELCO Room has hosted 500 Card Parties, Senior Dinners, Exercise Groups, Flu Shot Clinics, meetings for several groups and committees as well as several resident and private parties.

This year, work was done on drainage around the building, the gazebo and other areas of the exterior were painted, sidewalks and concrete steps were replaced, extensive work on the gardens was completed and the front doors to the Carriage House were repaired. The coming year is expected to continue to be busy with building projects.

Franklin Homestead is excited to announce that we expect to complete the purchase of Franklin Carriage House early in 2016. Approval has been granted by the Town of Franklin, Vermont Housing Conservation Board, Vermont Housing Finance Agency and Housing Vermont.

We would like to thank the many community members who have given donations and volunteered their time to help enrich the lives of our residents.

If you would like more information on housing, employment, volunteering, use of the FELCO Room or making a donation, please contact Stacy Silloway at 285-2944.

Copies of the financial statements as audited by McSoley and McCoy are available for review at Franklin Homestead.

Please visit our website at www.franklincarriagehouse.webs.org.

Respectfully
Jay Hartman, Board President
Franklin Homestead Inc.

VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK (VCDB) GRANT

In 1998, the Town of Franklin received a \$396,000 grant from VCDB 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 was in the amount of \$130,000 at a rate of 0% for a term of thirty (30) years. Payments are to be made per the grant/mortgage requirements.

The second loan was in the amount of \$261,000 at a rate of 0% for a term of thirty (30) years with payments deferred for each year the requirements of the VHCB affordability covenant is maintained; and, 1/30 of the principal forgiven for each year it had previously maintained compliance with the covenant, providing there has been no change in use or ownership of the property. Remaining balance on this loan is \$130,500 with maturity on December 31, 2030

As of December 31, 2015, the Town of Franklin did not receive any payments from the Franklin Carriage House. A copy of the Franklin Carriage House Ltd. audit is available at the Town Clerk's Office.

FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Franklin Historical Society (FHS) had another interesting year in 2015. Our Board of dedicated Franklin Historians continues to work to keep our town's history alive. Our current FHS Board members are Bryant J. Reynolds, President; Kimberly Gates Maynard, Vice President; Carole Richard, Treasurer; Susan Clark, Secretary; and Nancy Magnant, Documents Curator. Other dedicated FHS workers are Colette and Marshall Ploof, Curtis Ploof, Lucille Lothian, Burt Maynard, Carolyn Kittell, Ruth Ann Krayesky, David Samson, and Guy Roberge.

Our major projects for 2015 were to open the log cabin, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War, and to computerize the FHS collection.

First as usual, FHS members opened and cleaned the log cabin in April. This year, Robert Messier, the great grandson of the builder of the cabin, sent FHS a black and white photograph of Sophia Burnor Messier who was the wife of the cabin's builder which FHS mounted in an antique frame and placed in the cabin for all to see along with a Messier family tree.

Second, we decided to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War by first entering a float in the Memorial Day parade with Nat and Nini Worman dressed as Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln along with other costumed participants on FHS's Band Wagon. FHS also created a window display across from the Town Clerk's Office using artifacts from our collection to give a year-long FHS commemoration. The Franklin residents must not forget our small town population of 1800 in 1861, sent 130 soldiers to the Civil War battlefields. Their names are posted on plaques in the Franklin Town Hall.

Third, we started at the log cabin computerizing our history collection. The next big job will be to work on the storage room in the town hall.

Once again, the FHS Board on behalf of Franklin, would like to thank the Grennon family for keeping the log cabin's lawn neat and tidy.

Finally, FHS would like to thank everyone who helped keep Franklin history alive and moving forward in 2015. Volunteers are always welcomed to join in these historical efforts. FHS usually meets the fourth Saturday of each month during April to October, at the Franklin Telephone Office at 9:00AM.

*Respectfully submitted,
Bryant J. Reynolds*

FRANKLIN WATER DISTRICT

2015 was an eventful year for the Town relating to the drinking water system serving the village. The Vermont Legislature approved the transfer of the water system from the Fire District to the recently-created Town Water Department, to be managed by the Town Water Commission. The Water Commission hired a new part-time licensed water operator, Mark Brouillette. Sara Rainville was assigned to provide part-time secretarial duties for the Water Department. The State Department of Environmental Conservation issued a new operating permit to the Town for the drinking water system, containing a number of requirements for action.

To respond to State requirements, the Town authorized a preliminary engineering study of upgrades at the Webster Spring Reservoir Facility. The preliminary study, undertaken by Phelps Engineering, Inc., evaluated several alternatives for addressing State requirements to measure total system water use and provide contingency disinfection on a temporary basis, when needed. Planning was initiated to undertake final engineering design for the proposed upgrades in 2016, along with the related mechanical and electrical construction.

Localized sparse snow cover and late cold weather of spring 2015, caused an unusual number of freeze-ups and leaks in the water system; similar to what other Vermont communities experienced. This required repair work into the summer, and incurred additional costs.

The Water Commission developed and submitted an updated Source Protection Plan to the State, and initiated meeting communication with the Town Planning Commission regarding potential future measures for consideration of long-term source protection. The State conducted a sanitary survey of the water system.

The water system experienced several low-level detections of bacteria through the ongoing sample collection and testing program, which required temporary disinfection through the addition of chlorine for a short period. Subsequent repeat sampling showed no further bacteria. Water quality details are provided in the annual Consumer Confidence Report. Based on the results of testing for corrosiveness of the water, the State graduated the Town to a lower intensity of related testing.

The Water Commission meets on a monthly basis, normally on the second Monday, at 6:00 pm at the Town Office. Water Commissioners include Brooks Sturtevant, Member, Jes Alexant, Chairman and Marshall Ploof, former Operator.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mr. J. E. Alexant
Chairman, Water Commission*

FRANKLIN WATER DISTRICT

	FY2015	FY2016	FY2016	FY2017
	Actuals	Budget	Anticipated	Budget
Bank Balance July 1, 2014	\$ 49,115.99	\$ 43,441.56	\$ 43,441.56	\$ 35,386.29
INCOME				
Water rents	\$ 22,311.00	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 28,635.00	\$ 34,490.00
Late Charges	15.00	90.00	40.00	40.00
Bank Adj/refunds/voided check	20.00			
Interest Earned on accounts		57.83	70.00	50.00
Miscellaneous			423.00	
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan			7,544.00	
Upgrade Project Loan				89,600.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 22,346.00	\$ 22,647.83	\$ 36,712.00	\$ 124,180.00
	\$ 71,461.99	\$ 66,089.39	\$ 80,153.56	\$ 159,566.29
EXPENSES				
Contracted Operator	\$ 600.00	\$ 14,140.00	\$ 4,200.00	4,200.00
Treasurer / Secretary (includes p/r taxes)	545.33	4,000.00	1,000.00	1,120.00
Spring Rental		20.00	21.25	
Repair & Maintenance	6,289.63	550.00	13,612.00	5,000.00
Electricity/utilities	231.89	250.00	240.00	1,320.00
Insurance	1,066.00	1,460.00	1,780.00	750.00
Mowing Expense/Plowing	500.00	360.00	360.00	900.00
Office Expense	194.67	200.00	275.00	100.00
Water sample laboratory	1,045.00	1,100.00	700.00	1,000.00
Permit to Operate	743.38	680.00	680.00	700.00
Training/Mileage		200.00	-	200.00
Long Term Debt-FmHA/Peoples Loan	14,347.30	14,347.00	14,355.02	14,109.74
System Upgrade debt repayment				6,000.00
SYSTEM UPGRADE COSTS:	2,457.23			
Preliminary Engineering Base Scope Study		6,980.00	7,544.00	
Develop Hydraulic Engineering Assessment of Distribution System		1,160.00		
Application for SWRF Planning Loan and Construction Loan		1,200.00		
Interim equipment upgrades - chlorinator chemical feed pump/chemicals		2,000.00		200.00
Interim equipment upgrades - tank level / flow recording		3,500.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 28,020.43	\$ 52,147.00	\$ 44,767.27	\$ 35,599.74
Bank Balance June 30, 2015	\$ 43,441.56	\$ 52,147.00	\$ 35,386.29	\$ 123,966.55
	\$ 71,461.99			

Franklin Watershed Committee, Inc.
P.O. Box 82
Franklin, VT 05457
franklinwatershed@gmail.com
802-393-0775 or 518-297-0775



Board Meetings:
7 pm, 3rd Thursday of every month
@ FELCO room at the Homestead
Meeting Call In Info Available Upon Request

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 phosphorous and sediment that enters Lake Carmi through streams and other run off. Excess phosphorus is the main ingredient causing algal blooms, fish kills, and excessive growth of underwater vegetation. In bold, are the Action Items highlighted in the 2008 TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load – phosphorus) developed for Lake Carmi by the State of Vermont:

- 1. Shoreline Management-** In 2015, we continued work with a grant through the Vermont Lake Wise Program (Eco-System Retoration Program) to help shoreline property owners install lake-friendly land management projects. The highlight of 2015 projects were culvert inlet/outlet stabilization and filtration projects completed in August by an Americorps NCCC group from Maryland. If you would like help managing your shoreland, feel free to contact us.
- 2. Septic Outreach-** In August, the FWC held a Septic Social at 75 Dewing Rd. The camp owners have an exemplary septic system for shoreland. The septic social included a presentation from the State of Vermont on septic systems and health, followed by a presentation of the camp owners' system by a local septic specialist. We have septic system information that can be provided by request.
- 3. Stream Monitoring and Repairs-** FWC volunteers collect bi-weekly samples from area streams, helping us to identify critical source areas of phosphorus. We work to stabilize eroding ditches, banks, and culverts. The State of Vermont acquired the assistance of a sample data analyst who did a full analysis of all water samples taken in 2015 and before. His results can be provided by request.
- 4. Working with Community Members, Farmers, and Landowners-** We are willing to work with all landowners and offer assistance, when financially possible, with any project that can aide in increasing water quality. We have many resources and connections that we love to share with anyone in need. We intend to spread awareness about water quality issues through education and outreach events. We also have a program in place where our Americorps member does educational workshops at Franklin Central School in the spring, covering watershed related topics.

NEW: Now that town-wide water quality studies have been completed, FWC has officially expanded its reach to encompass ALL water quality issues in the Town of Franklin. This was met with a positive response and support from the Selectboard. Funds requested from the town will be used along with grant funding to support this effort.

Update from 2015 Town Meeting Requests: It has been the goal of FWC to meet the requests that were expressed last year. We have made changes to our website, updated a new facebook page, implemented a quarterly newsletter, and will be sending out new informational publications including a land management manual and a sponsor member form for those who would like to be more involved. We have recently updated our email list, so if you would like to receive email updates from FWC, please contact us!

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica E. Draper

FRANKLIN WATERSHED COMMITTEE, INC.

Beginning Balance – January 1, 2015	\$ <u>21,747.70</u>	
TOTAL CASH		\$ 21,747.70
<u>INCOME</u>		
2013 ERP Lake Wise Grant	\$ 4,500.00	
2014 AmeriCorps Grant	750.00	
2014 ERP Ag Grant	6,000.00	
2015 ERP Lake Wise Grant	3,000.00	
2015 LCBP AIS – Boat Wash Grant	3,740.00	
2015 LCBP ORG Grant	8,000.00	
Donations: Lake Carmi Campers Association	2,000.00	
Town Of Franklin	5,000.00	
Ben & Jerry's Support	2,000.00	
Individuals	<u>4,974.87</u>	
TOTAL INCOME		<u>\$ 39,964.87</u>
TOTAL CASH/INCOME		<u>\$ 61,712.57</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
2013 ERP Lake Wise Projects	\$ 14,479.30	
2014 ERP Ag Grant Projects	3,600.25	
2015 ERP Lake Wise Projects	19,496.31	
2015 LCBP AIS Boat Wash Expense	6,533.18	
2015 LCBP ORG Expense	2,929.92	
2016 LCBP ORG Expense	4,568.00	
2015 Local Watershed Expense	<u>7,459.23</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 59,066.19
Ending Balance – December 31, 2015		
Checking	\$ 2,646.38	
TOTAL CASH		<u>\$ 2,646.38</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES/CASH		<u>\$ 61,712.57</u>

Respectfully Submitted,
Martine Gates
FWC Coordinator

LAKE CARMİ CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. REPORT

The Lake Carmi Camper's Association 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 2015 "***Celebrate Lake Carmi***," conducted during the July 4th holiday week, was a highlight of the summer in Franklin. Fireworks, a Pontoon Boat Race, a Pirate Raid Adventure, a Sailfest and a Parade of Champions provided a week of activities and a whole lot of happiness at the lake. New to the week's activities was a "Light Up Lake Carmi" event that truly illuminated the beauty and strong community spirit at the lake.

Protection and improvement of the Lake Carmi watershed is paramount. The summer of 2015 rendered nuisance blue-green algae blooms well into November. A video of green water spewing into a cottage sink went viral and received TV and newspaper coverage. Such negative publicity for the Town of Franklin must stop. The LCCA is very active and vocal in petitioning elected representatives and State officials to stop the pollution. The newly formed LCCA *Policy Committee* monitors legislative and state activity advocating clean water initiatives. The Association remains committed to working with landowners to improve the watershed. The LCCA is adamant that this change must occur now. Lake Carmi cannot tolerate any more pollution nor can the Town of Franklin sustain a diminished tax base or loss of economic activity due to pollution.

The operation of the mechanical weed harvester is currently the sole means used to manage the nuisance weed, *Eurasian Water Milfoil* in Lake Carmi. The purchase of a new weed harvester was a welcomed addition. The *LCCA Clean Water Committee* will renew efforts in 2016 to expand the coverage, operation and effectiveness of the harvester. The *Clean Water Committee* is dedicated to researching all means to manage milfoil and improve water quality. The committee was responsible for the removal of the invasive water chestnut weed from the Mill Pond this summer.

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 Lake Carmi Foundation will be a reality this summer and will facilitate fund raising activities that will benefit Lake Carmi and the entire Franklin community. All methods to improve the water quality of Lake Carmi will continue to be researched and evaluated.

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.

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. The sheriff's presence at the lake is a benefit to the entire town.

Researching the means to control Eurasian Water 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 during the season.

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. All LCCA Newsletters are available on the website [www.lakecarmi.org]; it is free and open to all. A new website is being built for unveiling next summer.

Our Board of Directors work throughout the year for the lake and town communities, all are un-paid volunteers. The LCCA Directors for 2015 to 2016 are: Robert Baran; Peter Benevento; Ernie Englehardt; Rob Evans; Polly Gadbois; Hilda Hendrickson; Ruth Ann Kravesky; Diane Larose; Robert Lumnah; John McHugh; Judith McLaughlin; Larry Myott; 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

HASTON LIBRARY & EBEN RACINE MEMORIAL FUNDS

Beginning Balances - January 1, 2015

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	4,000.00	
Share Account		5,887.58	
Haston Library Fund - CD		9,000.00	
Edward Jones Account		30,102.92	
TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE			\$ 48,990.50

INCOME

Interest	\$	691.22	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 691.22
TOTAL INCOME/BEGINNING BALANCE			<u>\$ 49,681.72</u>

EXPENSES

Interest transferred to Library Account	\$	1,329.82	
Children Bookcase pd by the Eben Racine Memorial Fund		700.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 2,029.82

Ending Balances - December 31, 2015

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	3,300.00	
Share Account		5,351.90	
Haston Library Fund - CD		9,000.00	
Edward Jones Investments		30,000.00	
TOTAL ENDING BALANCES			\$ 47,651.90 *
TOTAL EXPENSES/ENDING BALANCE			<u>\$ 49,681.72</u>

* \$200.91 interest payable to Haston Library, Eben Racine Fund balance \$3,300.00
Haston Library Fund balance \$44,150.99 (Market Value \$44,891.31)

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Gates Maynard

HASTON LIBRARY WINDOW REFURBISHMENT

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2015	\$	298.01	
Tim Hopkins - window painting		298.01	
Ending Balance - December 31, 2015			<u>\$ -</u>

HASTON LIBRARY REPORT

In the July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 fiscal year, the Haston Library circulated 7,055 materials, an increase of 487 items, and 4,525 patron visits were recorded, an increase of 417 visits. The computers and wireless services were used approximately 1,146 times.

One thousand sixty-three Franklin community members attended a diverse offering of 112 programs including Tractor Day, Story Hour, Lego Thursdays, the Crossroads Future Librarian After School Program, the Juvenile Maker Programs - Squishy Circuits and Cardboard Robots, Planting and Harvesting the Children's Garden, Putting the Garden to Bed, Red Wiggler Worms, Fantastic Physicists, Knitting Tuesdays, the art display of photographer, David Griggs, and monthly adult book discussions.

The Haston Library received a \$1,000 seed grant from the New England Grassroots Environment Fund that will be used for the Haston Library Children's Garden programs, in partnership with the preschool and kindergarten classes.

The Building Bright Futures Grant of \$350 helped to cover the purchase of craft supplies for the library's Story Hours and sponsoring programs with Tumble Time at the Franklin Central School.

A new bookcase in the children's room was made possible through the Eben Racine Memorial Fund proceeds and our essential new book drop was purchased and installed in memory of Ora Ploof from donations that were received.

The library trustees, staff, and volunteers held four fundraisers; the Town Meeting Lunch, the Franklin Harvest Hoe-Down, desserts for the Firemen's Barbecue, and the Haston Library Cookbook sales.

The Haston Library Strategic Plan is completed and now available for viewing on the Haston Library web site.

The library's nontraditional collection includes an Orion Starblast Telescope that was purchased through the Vermont Astronomical Society, along with seven pairs of snowshoes donated by RiseVT, and are now available for patron circulation.

Our popular daily passes for the State Parks, Echo, Shelburne Museum, Shelburne Farms, Birds of Vermont Museum, and State Historic Sites continue to be available.

Finally, the Haston Library is your FREE public library and warmly welcomes everyone to use its resources and services to the fullest extent.

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

Website: <https://hastonlibrary.wordpress.com/>

Email: librarian@hastonlibraryvt.org

Phone: 285-6505

Library Hours

Monday 10-2

Tuesday 2-7

Thursday 9-6

Friday 2-6

Saturday 9-1

HASTON LIBRARY COMBINED REPORT

	<u>FY15 Budget</u>	<u>FY15 Actual</u>	<u>FY16 Budget</u>	<u>FY16 Anticipated</u>	<u>FY17 Budget</u>
Beginning Balances - July 1, 2014					
Checking Account	\$ 895.68	\$ 895.68	\$ 7,017.13	\$ 7,017.13	\$ 6,707.99
Petty Cash	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Beginning Cash:	\$ 970.68	\$ 970.68	\$ 7,092.13	\$ 7,092.13	\$ 6,782.99
INCOME:					
Town Funds	\$ 40,300.00	\$ 40,300.00	\$ 40,300.00	\$ 40,300.00	\$ 38,000.00
Fundraising	1,000.00	3,048.96	1,000.00	1,600.00	1,000.00
Donations/Designated		2,660.18		1,400.00	500.00
Interest Earned		995.21		200.00	800.00
Grant Income		1,700.00		350.00	
Petty Cash Receipts		385.66		220.00	250.00
Total Income:	\$ 41,300.00	\$ 49,090.01	\$ 41,300.00	\$ 44,070.00	\$ 40,550.00
Total Income/Beginning Cash:	\$ 42,270.68	\$ 50,060.69	\$ 48,392.13	\$ 51,162.13	\$ 47,332.99

EXPENSES:

Salaries	\$ 22,771.00	\$ 23,638.50	\$ 23,550.00	\$ 24,440.00	\$ 25,000.00
Cleaning Contract	1,500.00	1,450.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Payroll Taxes	1,719.00	1,958.68	1,800.00	1,984.00	2,027.00
Books/Subscriptions	6,735.00	5,533.61	5,985.00	5,985.00	6,285.00
Operating Memberships		669.60	900.00	900.00	900.00
Processing/Shipping	400.00	359.85	480.00	480.00	400.00
Capital Expenses		2,092.00			600.00
Programs	1,800.00	1,652.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Supplies	1,150.00	1,055.71	1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00
Technology & Support	700.00	481.66	500.00	500.00	500.00
Telephone Expense	900.00	882.01	900.00	900.00	900.00
Postage Expense	100.00	49.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Interlibrary Loan Costs	700.00	944.37	950.00	950.00	950.00
Professional Development	400.00	614.85	600.00	600.00	720.00
Professional Resources	300.00	196.50	300.00	310.00	300.00
Mileage	1,000.00	195.48	700.00	400.00	300.00
Miscellaneous	400.00	326.95	300.00	300.00	300.00
Fundraisers/Cook book				930.14	200.00
Shipping & Handling	100.00	55.71	100.00	100.00	100.00
Seed Grant Expense		812.08		1,000.00	
Advertising	50.00	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 40,725.00	\$ 42,968.56	\$ 41,665.00	\$ 44,379.14	\$ 44,082.00

Ending Balances - June 30, 2015

Checking Account	\$ 7,017.13
Petty Cash	75.00
Total Ending Cash:	\$ 7,092.13
Total Expenses/Ending Cash:	\$ 7,092.13

TOWN OF FRANKLIN
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

<u>ASSETS - Cash/Cash Equivalent</u>	<u>6/30/2014</u>	<u>6/30/2015</u>
Municipal	\$ 47,978.82	\$ 230,987.31
Equipment	1,516.40	51,420.97
Library Window Refurbishing	1,368.01	-
Haston Library	970.68	7,092.13
Recreational Funds	1,839.12	1,839.12
Health Reimbursement Account	520.72	951.41
Accounts Receivable - Delinquent Taxes	<u>10,193.93</u>	<u>15,907.17</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 64,387.68</u>	<u>\$ 308,198.11</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES/RESERVES:</u>		
<u>Reserves:</u>		
St. of Vt. Act 60 Reappraisal	\$ 16,456.00	\$ 24,658.50
Surcharge Restoration	20,865.97	23,580.18
State Listers Education	1,865.16	1,615.16
SWIP Grant	615.39	-
Computerization Funds	10,841.00	11,929.00
Clock Repair	125.00	-
Franklin Rescue Service-donation	44,196.41	34,196.41
Dog licenses-State	116.00	-
Sand Shed Loan Balance	86,500.00	65,332.58
Borrowed Funds	45,000.00	-
FY15 Art 12 Town Hall	-	10,000.00
Total Liabilities/Reserves	<u>\$ 226,580.93</u>	<u>\$ 171,311.83</u>
Fund Balance	<u>(162,193.25)</u>	<u>136,886.28</u>
Total Liabilities/Reserves/Fund Balance	<u>\$ 64,387.68</u>	<u>\$ 308,198.11</u>

This Balance Sheet represents all town accounts. For town school district accounts, see school section of this report.

EQUIPMENT FUND

July 1, 2014

Beginning Balance - Money Market \$ 1,516.40

INCOME

Interest 58.57

Equipment Fund Assessment 4,846.00

Borrowed Funds 45,000.00

TOTAL CASH/INCOME **\$51,420.97**

EXPENSES

June 30, 2015

Ending Balance - Money Market 51,420.97

TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES **\$51,420.97**

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

July 1, 2014

Beginning Balance \$ 1,839.12

INCOME

TOTAL CASH/INCOME **\$ 1,839.12**

EXPENSES

Total Expenses -

June 30, 2015

Ending Balance \$ 1,839.12

TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES **\$ 1,839.12**

DOG LICENSES

Sex	#	Rate	Fees	State	Kennel	Late Fees	Total
Spayed	109	\$ 8.00	\$ 872.00	\$ 436.00		\$ 72.00	\$1,380.00
Neutered	119	8.00	952.00	476.00		98.00	1,526.00
Male	43	12.00	516.00	172.00		52.00	740.00
Female	33	12.00	396.00	132.00		52.00	580.00
Kennel	1			4.00	8.00	-	12.00
Totals	305		\$ 2,736.00	\$ 1,220.00	\$8.00	\$274.00	\$4,238.00

2016 Dog License Rates

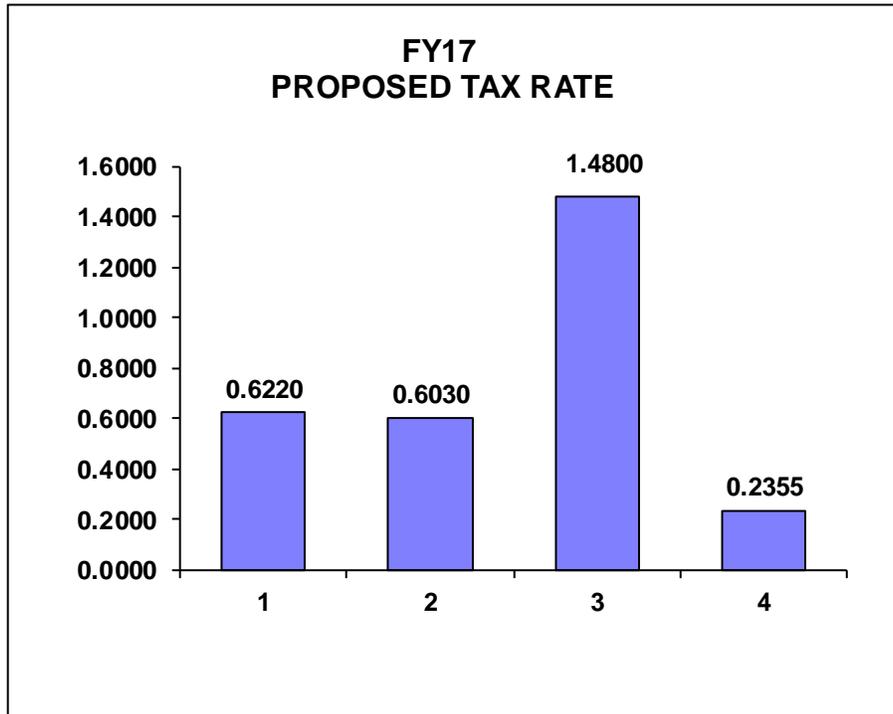
Town	State	<u>Total</u>	
\$8.00	\$5.00	\$13.00	Neutered/Spayed
\$12.00	\$5.00	\$17.00	Unaltered

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

COMPARISON OF TAX RATES

	ACTUALS						PROPOSED	
	2013	2013	2014-15	2014-15	FY16	FY16	FY17	FY17
	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident
Homest. Ed Tax-local	0.5666		0.5876		0.6215		0.6220	
Homest. Ed Tax-H.S.	0.6172		0.6057		0.6023		0.6030	
Non-Res Ed. Tax		1.4737		1.4368		1.4709		1.4800
Municipal	0.3350	0.3350	0.4240	0.4240	0.2464	0.2464	0.2355	0.2355
Veterans Exemption	0.0020	0.0020	0.0023	0.0023	0.0030	0.0030	0.0030	0.0030
Art 9 & 11-Watershed	0.0034	0.0034			0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033
Art 12-Sand Shed Ends							0.0097	0.0097
Art 13-Plow Truck							0.0092	0.0092
Articles Fkln Cty Sheriff	0.0027	0.0027	0.0037	0.0037				
Art 10-Fire Truck					0.0263	0.0263		
Art 11-Highgate Arena					0.0027	0.0027		
Art 13-Dewing Bridge			0.0199	0.0199				
Art 12-Town Hall			0.0067	0.0067				
2013 Art 14-Sand Shed	0.0157	0.0157						
TAX RATE	1.5426	1.8325	1.6499	1.8934	1.5055	1.7526	1.4857	1.7407

Grand List Totals \$ 828,293 \$670,029 \$856,406 \$666,457 \$840,322 \$681,837 \$852,742 \$664,843



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

FY16 STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

GRAND LIST:	Grand List Values	Rate	FY16 Assessed
Homestead Ed Tax - Local	840,321.96	0.6215	\$ 522,260.05
Homestead Ed Tax - MVU	840,321.96	0.6023	506,125.91
Non-Residential Ed Tax	681,836.70	1.4709	1,002,913.55
Municipal	1,523,172.76	0.2464	375,309.11
Veteran's Exemption	1,523,172.76	0.0030	4,569.96
Article 9-Franklin Watershed	1,523,172.76	0.0033	5,026.51
Article 10-Fire Truck	1,523,172.76	0.0263	40,059.61
Article 11-Highgate Renovation	1,523,172.76	0.0027	4,112.67
Original to be Billed			\$ 2,460,377.37
Net changes - HS-131, E&O & BCA			(11,084.60)
Adjusted Total to be Billed			\$ 2,449,292.77

Tax Area	Tax Rate	Actual FY16 Billed	Adjustments	Adjusted amount billed
Homestead Ed Tax-Local	0.6215	\$ 522,260.05	\$ 7,719.36	\$ 529,979.41
Homestead Ed Tax-MVU	0.6023	506,125.91	7,480.87	513,606.78
Non-Residential Ed Tax	1.4709	1,002,913.55	(24,996.45)	977,917.10
Municipal Tax	0.2464	375,309.11	(1,126.91)	374,182.20
Veteran's Exemption	0.0030	4,569.96	(13.72)	4,556.24
Article 9-Franklin Watershed	0.0033	5,026.51	(15.10)	5,011.41
Article 10-Fire Truck	0.0263	40,059.61	(120.28)	39,939.33
Article 11-Highgate Renovation	0.0027	4,112.67	(12.37)	4,100.30
Total		\$ 2,460,377.37	\$ (11,084.60)	\$ 2,449,292.77

TAXES COLLECTED/PAID BY TREASURER:

Homestead Education Tax-Local	\$ 428,314.40
Homestead Education Tax-MVU	350,155.97
Non-Residential Education Tax	1,021,914.00
Municipal	267,122.39
Veteran's Exemptions	4,556.24
Article 9-Franklin Watershed Committee	5,000.00
Article 10-Fire Truck	40,000.00
Article 11-Highgate Arena Renovation	4,000.00
Total Taxes Collected	\$ 2,121,063.00
State Education Portion of Tax Credit Direct to School	\$ 234,829.12
Unreconciled State Education Portion Tax Credit	19,169.75
School Administrative funds to town	9,706.47
To Tax Collector 2015	64,673.53
Tax overpayment to be refunded	(149.10)
Total Taxes	\$ 2,449,292.77

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013-10</u>
Blass, Belinda	\$ 1,188.26	\$ 1,188.26	\$ -	\$ -
Corey-Harrison, Amy	3,251.07	3,251.07		
Donaldson, Allan	57.84	57.84		
Elwood, Walter	911.05	911.05		
Garrow, Stephanie	958.95	958.95		
Goss, Jerome	7,374.05	2,359.00	2,548.51	2,466.54
Gratton, Isaiah	1,595.89	1,595.89		
Greenia, Matthew & Dee	2,389.11	2,389.11		
Hopkins, Wendy	1,604.68	1,604.68		
Jerry, Robert & Kennethea	1,242.74	1,242.74		
Kittell, Robert	1,403.83	1,403.83		
Langlois, Mark & Cheryl	1,558.65	1,558.65		
Larose, Bruce	208.56	208.56		
Laurie, Jay	149.49	71.86	77.63	
Lyman, Geraldine	729.08	729.08		
Meunier, James & Belinda Blass	2,237.46	2,237.46		
Rebello, Michael	540.82	540.82		
Rees, Nicole	1,204.35	1,204.35		
Riley, Chad & Amy	72.64	38.56	34.08	
Robtoy, AJ	389.39	59.59	64.37	265.43
Tremblay, Keith	744.85	744.85		
Ulfik, Edward	1,541.87	1,541.87		
Valigorsky, Francis	5,352.33	2,572.82	2,779.51	
Ward, Pheobe	1,132.18	1,132.18		
Wedge, Pat	36.81	36.81		
Wright, Lorraine	600.42	600.42	-	-
TOTAL DELINQUENT	<u>\$ 38,476.37</u>	<u>\$ 30,240.30</u>	<u>\$ 5,504.10</u>	<u>\$ 2,731.97</u>
Delinquent 12/31/2014	\$ 45,632.71		\$ 41,214.84	\$ 4,417.87
To Tax Collector 10/15/2015	64,673.53	64,673.53		
Collected by Tax Collector	(71,727.90)	(34,433.23)	(35,608.77)	(1,685.90)
Abated 12/16/2015	(101.97)		(101.97)	
TOTAL DELINQUENT 12/31/15	<u>\$ 38,476.37</u>	<u>\$ 30,240.30</u>	<u>\$ 5,504.10</u>	<u>\$ 2,731.97</u>
INTEREST PD-GENERAL FUND	<u>\$ 3,344.92</u>	<u>\$ 858.06</u>	<u>\$ 2,166.52</u>	<u>\$ 320.34</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Johanna Crane-Godin

TREASURER'S REPORT

MUNICIPAL FUND

<u>July 1, 2014</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Highway</u>	<u>Weed Harvester</u>	<u>Combined</u>
<u>CASH</u>				
Checking Account	\$ 41,024.92	\$ 5,257.98	\$ 1,695.92	\$ 47,978.82
TOTAL CASH	\$ 41,024.92	\$ 5,257.98	\$ 1,695.92	\$ 47,978.82
<u>INCOME</u>				
2014 Property Taxes	\$ 122,390.75	\$ 437,807.01	\$ 5,504.08	\$ 565,701.84
2014 Ed Reconciliation	19,340.80			19,340.80
FY16 Property Taxes	4,670.84			4,670.84
Delinquent Taxes	98,956.08			98,956.08
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	4,133.76			4,133.76
8% Penalty	7,916.48			7,916.48
State of Vermont:				
Hold Harmless/Current Use	15,310.00	28,434.00		43,744.00
PILOT	2,379.00			2,379.00
Parks and Recreation	13,322.22			13,322.22
Reappraisal	8,202.50			8,202.50
Parcel Maintenance	965.00			965.00
Aid to Highways		102,957.43		102,957.43
VTrans Structure Grant/Dewing Rd		175,000.00		175,000.00
Better Back Roads Grant		4,108.00		4,108.00
Aquatic Nuisance Grant			4,690.00	4,690.00
Computerization Fees	1,088.00			1,088.00
Permits	2,230.00	460.00		2,690.00
Fees	10,582.15			10,582.15
Surcharge Restoration	3,264.00			3,264.00
Clock Maintenance fund	42.96			42.96
Dog Licenses	3,112.00			3,112.00
Liquor Licenses	140.00			140.00
Interest Income	1,010.98			1,010.98
Town Hall Rental	1,660.00			1,660.00
Other Income	11,959.95	13,607.51	1,638.90	27,206.36
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 332,677.47	\$ 762,373.95	\$ 11,832.98	\$ 1,106,884.40
TOTAL CASH/INCOME	\$ 373,702.39	\$ 767,631.93	\$ 13,528.90	\$ 1,154,863.22
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
FY15 Selectboard Orders Paid	\$ 286,301.35	\$ 616,082.33	\$ 21,492.23	\$ 923,875.91
<u>June 30, 2015</u>				
TOTAL CASH - Checking Account	87,401.04	151,549.60	(7,963.33)	230,987.31
TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES	\$ 373,702.39	\$ 767,631.93	\$ 13,528.90	\$ 1,154,863.22

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

BUDGET NARRATIVE – FY17

GENERAL:

Salaries: Reflects salary increase of 2% for Clerk/Treasurer; 7% for Assistant Clerk/Treasurer. Stipends for Selectboard, Animal Control Officer, Constable, Health Officer, Janitor and Zoning Administrator; minimum wage increase to \$9.60 for Auditors and Listers.

Health Insurance: Reflects increase in premium rates of 4%, (mostly paid by school for fiscal services).

Ambulance: Contract with Enosburgh Ambulance for emergency services on a per capita basis of \$39,340 (\$28 x 1,405 residents).

Office/Library Building: external monitoring of fire alarm system, heat, electricity, water, septic pump plus other general expenses.

Haston Library: funding reduced due to carry-over of revenue funds from FY16.

Miscellaneous: Generator maintenance/inspection \$300, tax map updates \$300, listers software fees, advertising postings, plus other miscellaneous expenses.

Tax Assessments: Includes \$12,940 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 \$1,000; Franklin Alumni Association \$500; Northwest Counseling \$2,300; Foster Grandparent Program \$200; C.V. Agency on Aging \$1,600. Plus a petition from Franklin County Animal Rescue \$200. These assessments total \$24,074 and are included in this year's budget.

Town Hall: Utilities and operating expenses.

Building Maintenance: \$7,500 for office/library brick work, \$6,550 town hall painting 2 sides, \$1,500 town hall floor refinish, \$2,000 water line at town hall, \$1,000 library floor refinish,

HIGHWAY:

Salaries: Increase of 2% for highway crew.

Health Insurance: Reflects increase in premium rates of 4%.

New Blacktop/Resurfacing: Riley Road, Stanley Road, and Dewing Road, may be offset by any VTTrans paving grants that may be awarded.

Gravel: Reduction in budget - road bases are in good shape and will continue to be maintained

Chloride: \$4,600 per 4,500 gallon load for 3 loads

Equipment Fund: \$10,000 to fund for future purchases.

Repair & Maintenance: Regular repairs and maintenance, as needed, \$2,000 grader tires

Shop and Tools: Electric, heating, telephone, septic pumps, supplies, miscellaneous tools.

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<u>CASH/INCOME</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY17</u>
<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Checking A/C & cash on hand	\$ (88,127.03)	\$ 41,024.92	\$ 87,401.04	\$ 87,401.04	\$ -	\$ 182,644.33
FY15 Art #11-Sheriff	4,972.00	5,500.00	-	-	-	-
FY15 Art #12-Town Hall	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	-	-
FY15 Voted Taxes	184,049.97	106,890.75	-	-	-	-
FY16 Voted Articles	-	-	49,000.00	49,000.00	-	-
FY16 Voted Taxes	-	4,670.84	112,816.80	112,816.80	-	-
FY17 Voted Taxes	-	-	-	1,260.00	1,260.00	-
Anticipated Ed Reconciliation	-	19,340.80	-	32,879.00	32,879.00	-
Delinquent Taxes	-	98,956.08	-	60,000.00	60,000.00	-
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,300.00	4,133.76	2,200.00	1,500.00	(700.00)	1,500.00
Delinquent Tax Collector 8% fee	6,200.00	7,916.48	6,200.00	4,800.00	(1,400.00)	5,000.00
St. of VT-35% Hold Harmless	10,000.00	15,310.00	12,000.00	19,518.80	7,518.80	15,000.00
St. of Vermont - Various	18,000.00	24,868.72	20,000.00	33,706.47	13,706.47	25,000.00
Permits	1,500.00	2,230.00	2,000.00	1,200.00	(800.00)	1,800.00
Other Income	1,200.00	11,959.95	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Town Hall rental	1,600.00	1,660.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00
Dog/Liquor Licenses	2,500.00	3,252.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	-	2,500.00
Fees	10,500.00	10,582.15	9,200.00	9,200.00	-	9,200.00
Interest Income	500.00	1,010.98	500.00	900.00	400.00	500.00
Historic Preservation Grant	-	-	-	12,000.00	12,000.00	-
Computerization	1,200.00	1,088.00	800.00	1,000.00	200.00	800.00
Surcharge Restoration	3,000.00	3,264.00	2,400.00	2,500.00	100.00	2,400.00
Clock Funds	-	42.96	-	-	-	-
Overpaid Property Taxes	-	-	-	12,194.53	12,194.53	-
A/R Water District	-	-	-	3,643.81	3,643.81	-

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<u>HIGHWAY</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY17</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Checking Account	\$ (50,257.98)	\$ 5,257.98	\$ 151,549.60	\$ 151,549.60	\$ 76,256.96
Voted Taxes	321,752.41	407,807.01	149,149.40	149,149.40	-
FY15 Art #13-Dewing Bridge	30,000.00	30,000.00	-	-	-
State Aid to Highways	96,000.00	102,957.43	98,000.00	102,874.00	4,874.00
St. of VT-65% of Hold Harmless	22,000.00	28,434.00	25,000.00	36,249.00	11,249.00
Watershed Grant-Drainage Study	-	-	-	3,500.00	3,500.00
Better Back Roads Grant	-	4,108.00	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
Dewing Rd Structure VTrans Grant	-	175,000.00	-	-	-
Pidgeon Hill Rd Structure VTrans Gr	-	-	-	168,313.00	168,313.00
Other Income	1,000.00	14,067.51	6,000.00	9,000.00	3,000.00
<u>WEED HARVESTER</u>					
Checking Account	\$ 1,695.92	\$ 1,695.92	\$ (7,963.33)	\$ (7,963.33)	\$ 6,441.00
Voted Taxes	5,504.08	5,504.08	9,563.33	9,563.33	-
State of Vermont	-	4,690.00	4,600.00	27,990.00	23,390.00
Other Income	500.00	1,638.90	1,500.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
TOTAL CASH/INCOME	\$ 596,589.37	\$ 1,154,863.22	\$ 747,216.84	\$ 1,114,045.45	\$ 470,042.29
<u>LIABILITIES/RESERVES</u>					
St. of Vt. Act 60 Reappraisal	\$ 16,456.00	-	\$ 24,658.50	-	\$ 32,858.50
Surcharge Restoration	20,865.97	549.79	23,580.18	-	26,080.18
State Listers Education	1,865.16	250.00	1,615.16	-	1,615.16
SWIP Grant	615.39	-	-	-	-
Computerization funds	10,841.00	-	11,929.00	5,681.70	7,247.30
Clock Repair fund	125.00	167.96	-	-	-
Franklin Rescue Service	44,196.41	10,000.00	34,196.41	34,196.41	-
Borrowed funds	45,000.00	45,000.00	-	-	-
Dog licenses-State	116.00	116.00	-	-	-
FY15 Art #12-Town Hall	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES/RESERVES	\$ 140,080.93	\$ 56,083.75	\$ 105,979.25	\$ 49,878.11	\$ 67,801.14
NET CASH-INC-LIAB-RES	\$ 456,508.44	\$ 1,098,779.47	\$ 641,237.59	\$ 1,064,167.34	\$ 402,241.15

Due to the 18 month budget split for change to fiscal year, the June 30, 2014 reserve of \$140,080.93 was \$92,102.11 greater than the actual check book balance of \$47,978.82, resulting in budgeted negative balances to hold liabilities/reserves.

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<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY15</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY16</u>	<u>FY17</u>
<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Salaries	\$ 58,056.00	\$ 59,023.47	\$ 59,702.00	\$ 60,352.00	\$ (650.00)	\$ 62,623.00
FICA/Medicare/Pension	7,038.00	7,407.68	7,212.00	7,180.00	32.00	7,519.00
Health Insurance	14,121.00	5,384.51	7,586.00	3,998.00	3,588.00	7,821.00
Ambulance Services	32,465.00	31,596.30	39,340.00	30,144.00	9,196.00	39,340.00
Delinquent Tax Collector 8% fee	6,200.00	7,916.48	6,200.00	4,800.00	1,400.00	6,200.00
Emergency Dispatch	12,153.00	12,153.25	12,336.00	12,336.00	-	12,954.00
Fire Department	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	-	16,000.00
Haston Library	40,300.00	40,300.00	40,300.00	40,300.00	-	38,000.00
Insurance	15,101.00	16,308.50	13,676.00	14,940.00	(1,264.00)	17,000.00
Legal Fees	6,000.00	3,089.86	3,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
Meetings	2,000.00	2,419.44	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	2,800.00
Mileage Reimbursement	500.00	215.61	400.00	300.00	100.00	300.00
Miscellaneous	3,400.00	11,744.62	3,400.00	3,400.00	-	2,500.00
Office Expense	11,600.00	11,172.79	12,300.00	12,300.00	-	11,300.00
Office/Library Building	8,000.00	13,897.97	7,200.00	7,200.00	-	7,400.00
Planning Commission	1,925.00	1,734.00	2,035.00	2,035.00	-	2,050.00
Solid Waste	400.00	974.67	2,119.00	2,118.50	0.50	2,119.00
Street Lights - LED	4,400.00	6,430.40	4,500.00	4,500.00	-	4,500.00
Tax Assessments	23,203.00	23,203.37	24,272.00	24,140.84	131.16	24,074.00
Town Hall	5,500.00	5,934.12	5,550.00	5,550.00	-	5,550.00
Building Maintenance	-	-	7,000.00	21,838.55	(14,838.55)	18,550.00
Water District	-	2,602.56	-	-	-	-
Borrowed Funds Expense	500.00	-	500.00	200.00	300.00	200.00
Property Tax Refunds	-	-	-	12,194.53	(12,194.53)	-
Watershed Committee/FY16 Art #9	1,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	-
FY15 Art #11-Sheriff/FY16 Budget	4,972.00	4,708.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	-	5,500.00
FY16 Art #10-Fire Truck	-	-	40,000.00	40,000.00	-	40,000.00
FY16 Art #11-Highgate Arena	-	-	4,000.00	4,000.00	-	-
TOTAL GENERAL	\$ 274,834.00	\$ 285,217.60	\$ 331,128.00	\$ 344,327.42	\$ (13,199.42)	\$ 337,300.00

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<u>EXPENSES</u>	FY15	FY15	FY16	FY16	FY17
<u>HIGHWAY</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Salaries	\$ 86,013.00	\$ 80,568.05	\$ 85,777.00	\$ 85,777.00	\$ 91,534.00
FICA/Medicare/Pension	10,856.00	10,022.60	10,801.00	10,801.00	11,474.00
Health Insurance	33,473.00	24,464.43	35,977.00	25,000.00	28,505.00
Uniforms	2,000.00	2,290.91	2,566.00	2,566.00	2,600.00
Chloride	15,000.00	16,948.00	18,000.00	13,000.00	15,000.00
Culverts	2,000.00	2,076.00	2,000.00	3,450.00	2,000.00
Equipment Fund	4,846.00	4,846.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Equipment Rental	11,000.00	1,396.00	5,000.00	6,278.00	5,000.00
Gas & Fuel	25,000.00	22,744.46	22,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Gravel	45,000.00	20,421.35	30,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Insurance	14,535.00	16,156.50	17,857.00	18,942.50	21,500.00
Mileage Reimbursement	1,300.00	1,459.22	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	2,999.56	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
New Blacktop/Resurfacing	100,000.00	81,184.74	125,000.00	109,480.64	125,000.00
Repair & Maintenance	15,000.00	20,503.78	15,000.00	15,000.00	16,000.00
Sand/Salt	9,500.00	16,428.72	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00
Shop & Tools	8,000.00	12,393.96	8,000.00	8,000.00	9,000.00
Road Sign Maintenance	2,500.00	1,426.52	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Better Back Roads Grant	-	4,335.25	-	12,500.00	-
2013 Art #14-Sand Shed	22,721.46	22,721.46	22,721.00	22,721.46	22,721.00
Dewing Rd Structure-VTrans Grant	-	175,694.82	-	-	-
FY15 Art #13-Dewing Rd Structure	30,000.00	30,000.00	-	-	-
Pigeon Hill Rd Structure VTrans Gr	-	-	-	152,861.44	-
Watershed Grant-Drainage Study	-	-	-	3,500.00	-
TOTAL HIGHWAY	\$ 440,744.46	\$ 571,082.33	\$ 429,699.00	\$ 554,378.04	\$ 414,834.00
<u>WEED HARVESTER</u>					
TOTAL WEED HARVESTER	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 11,492.23	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 26,149.00	\$ 7,700.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 723,278.46	\$ 867,921.16	\$ 768,527.00	\$ 924,854.46	\$ 759,834.00
TO BE RAISED BY TAXES:		\$ 357,593.00			
SUGGESTED TAX RATE:		0.2355			
<u>Proposed FY17 Articles:</u>					
Art #11-Watershed Committee					5,000.00
Art #12-Sand Shed ends					14,715.00
Art #13-Highway Plow truck - 5 yrs					15,200.00
TOTAL ARTICLES:					\$ 34,915.00

SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS

GENERAL FUND

July - June FY15 Actuals

SALARIES:

Selectboard:

Peter Magnant	\$ 1,500.00
Yvon Dandurand	1,000.00
Andrew Godin	1,000.00
Brooks Sturtevant	1,000.00
Edmund Rainville	1,000.00

Town Clerk/Treasurer:

Lisa A Larivee-town	33,646.00
Lisa A Larivee-school reimbursed	(5,500.00)

Assistant:

Sara J. Rainville	14,135.68
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Auditors:

Carole Richard	809.78
Michelle Guilmette	638.21
Jean Richard	732.00

Listers:

Jean Richard	1,867.27
Robert Irish	1,469.69
Gilbert Dewing	1,673.84

Animal Control Officer:

Dennis Demar	500.00
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Zoning Officer:

Robert Irish	2,265.00
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Health Officer:

Christopher Ferland	250.00
Pauline Gadbois	100.00

Janitorial:

Maureen Sodaro	909.00
Lisa Larivee	27.00

Total Salaries		\$ 59,023.47
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FICA/MEDICARE:

Community National-EFTPS	\$ 5,293.52
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EMPLOYEE PENSION:

Orchard Trust Co.	\$ 2,114.16
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HEALTH INSURANCE:

Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$	15,160.84	
Blue Cross Blue Shield *Reimbursed by School		(9,776.33)	
Health Reimbursement Acct.		4,000.00	
Health Reimbursement Acct. *Reimbursed by School		(4,000.00)	
Total Health Insurance			\$ 5,384.51

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

Enosburgh Ambulance			\$ 31,596.30
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FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Franklin Fire Department			\$ 16,000.00
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EMERGENCY DISPATCH:

St. Albans City Police			\$ 12,153.25
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HASTON LIBRARY:

Haston Library			\$ 40,300.00
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INSURANCE:

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty			\$ 16,308.50
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LEGAL FEES:

Stitzel, Page & Fletcher			\$ 3,089.86
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MEETINGS/ELECTIONS:

Dorothy G. Lothian	\$	250.00	
Monique Rainville		250.00	
Kathy Rouleau		50.00	
Alice Machia		50.00	
Susan Clark		100.00	
Jennifer Choiniere		50.00	
Sara Rainville- Selectboard Secretary		328.94	
Lisa Larivee - Selectboard Secretary		1,043.75	
Franklin Hot Lunch Program		8.50	
St. Albans Messenger		13.25	
Vermont League of Cities & Towns		220.00	
Vermont Municipal Clerk & Treasurers Assoc.		55.00	
Total Meetings/Elections			\$ 2,419.44

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Gilbert Dewing	\$	113.13	
Robert Irish		45.55	
Jean Richard		56.93	
Total Mileage Reimbursement			\$ 215.61

MISCELLANEOUS:

VT Department of Taxes- listers software	\$	477.62	
Apex Listers Software		195.00	
Bonds Auto Parts-generator		100.70	
Cartographic Technology-mapping		2,384.00	
Dana Stetson-school generator		1,040.00	
Franklin Fire Dept-grant reimbursement		283.88	
Franklin County Humane Society		50.00	
Franklin County Sheriff Dept-dog warrant		74.63	
Milton Cat-generator		1,116.25	
Peter Magnant-reimbursement		109.90	
Robert Irish-reimbursement		5.09	
St. Albans Messenger		464.75	
Vermont Offender Work Program		64.80	
Vermont League of Cities & Towns-FFD Ins		5,378.00	
Total Miscellaneous			\$ 11,744.62

OFFICE EXPENSE:

AVG-virus software	\$	65.66	
Dollar General		3.50	
NEMRC - computer services		2,067.05	
J.P. Cooke Co		105.50	
Lisa Larivee-carpet cleaning		60.00	
St. Albans Messenger		69.75	
Schwaab Inc		25.75	
Staples		144.78	
SymQuest Group Inc.		1,508.80	
USPS-envelopes		302.65	
U.S. Postal Service		1,322.66	
Vermont Department of Health		15.00	
Vermont Offender Work Program - Town Report		864.70	
Vermont League of Cities & Towns		2,411.00	
W. B. Mason		609.76	
Total Office Expense			\$ 9,576.56

TELEPHONE:

Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.	\$	1,596.23	
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OFFICE/LIBRARY BUILDING:

Bates Farm & Home	\$	86.76	
D & M Fire & Safety Equipment		45.00	
Dollar General		91.95	
Franklin Fire District #1		200.00	
Global Industries-dehumidifier		178.95	
Green's Ace Hardware		82.54	
H. G. Berger & Son Inc		2,008.40	
Ken Whitehead		98.97	
Mercy Heating Service		500.25	
Rodem Inc		220.00	
Summit Fire & Security		4,394.95	
Susan Clark-Reimbursement		11.98	
The Clock Shop-town clock		3,577.04	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		2,161.22	
Vermont Elevator-inspection		150.00	
W.B. Mason		89.96	
Total Office/Library Building			\$ 13,897.97

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Maureen Sodaro - Secretary	\$	385.00	
Northwest Regional Planning Commission		1,349.00	
Total Planning Commission			\$ 1,734.00

SHERIFF PATROL:

Franklin County Sheriff Department	\$		4,708.00
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SOLID WASTE:

Casella Waste Management	\$	38.00	
Northwest Solid Waste District		936.67	
Total Solid Waste			\$ 974.67

STREET LIGHTS:

Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$		6,430.40
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SURCHARGE RECORD RESTORATION:

Xerox Business	\$	414.71	
Kofile Business		135.08	
Total Surcharge Record Restoration			\$ 549.79

CLOCK MAINTENANCE:

The Clock Shop	\$		167.96
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TAX ASSESSMENTS:

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$	1,600.00	
Foster Grandparent Program		200.00	
Franklin Alumni Association		500.00	
Franklin County Treasurer		11,769.37	
Franklin County Industrial Dev.		300.00	
Franklin County Home Health		3,234.00	
Northwestern Counseling Services		2,300.00	
Northwest Unit For Special Investigation		1,000.00	
The Family Center		800.00	
Voices Against Violence		1,500.00	
Total Tax Assessments			\$ 23,203.37

TOWN HALL:

Dollar General	\$	30.75	
Franklin Fire District #1		200.00	
Green's Ace Hardware		14.39	
H. G. Berger & Sons Inc		3,085.42	
Mercy Heating Service		185.75	
Rainville Electric		705.00	
Rodem Inc		600.00	
St. Albans Messenger		267.00	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		819.82	
W.B. Mason		25.99	
Total Town Hall			\$ 5,934.12

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:

Johanna Crane-Godin			\$ 7,916.48
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WATERSHED COMMISSION:

			\$ 1,000.00
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WATER DISTRICT:

Jeremy Barnum-salary	\$	135.00	
FICA/MEDI		10.33	
Phelps Engineering		2,457.23	
Total Water District			\$ 2,602.56

LISTERS EDUCATION:

NEMRC			\$ 250.00
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FY 14 LIABILITY TO STATE/DOG LICENSES

			\$ 116.00
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TOTAL ORDERS - General Fund

\$ 286,301.35

SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND ORDERS

Salaries	\$ 59,023.47
FICA/Medicare	5,293.52
Employee Pension	2,114.16
Health Insurance	5,384.51
Emergency Dispatch	12,153.25
Ambulance Service	31,596.30
Fire Department	16,000.00
Haston Library	40,300.00
Insurance	16,308.50
Legal Fees	3,089.86
Meetings	2,419.44
Mileage Reimbursement	215.61
Miscellaneous	11,744.62
Office Expense	9,576.56
Telephone	1,596.23
Office/Library Building	13,897.97
Planning Commission	1,734.00
Sheriff Patrol	4,708.00
Solid Waste	974.67
Street Lights	6,430.40
Surcharge Record Restoration	549.79
Clock Maintenance	167.96
Tax Assessments	23,203.37
Town Hall	5,934.12
Delinquent Tax Collector	7,916.48
Watershed Commission	1,000.00
Water District	2,602.56
Listers Education	250.00
FY14 Liability to State/Dog Licenses	116.00
Total Selectboard Orders-General Fund	<u>\$ 286,301.35</u>

SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS

HIGHWAY FUND

July - June FY15 Actuals

SALARIES:

Howard Vanselette, Road Foreman	\$ 44,781.94	
Roland Lontine	28,915.11	
Jeremy Barnum	6,143.50	
Wayne Stanley	227.50	
Andrew Godin, Road Commissioner	500.00	
Total Salaries		\$ 80,568.05

FICA/MEDICARE:

Community National/EFTPS		\$ 6,125.13
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EMPLOYEE PENSION:

Orchard Trust Bank		\$ 3,897.47
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HEALTH INSURANCE:

Health Reimbursement Acct.	\$ 5,000.00	
Howard Vanselette - vision reimbursement	220.00	
Blue Cross Blue Shield	19,244.43	
Total Health Insurance		\$ 24,464.43

UNIFORMS:

G & K Services	\$ 1,932.04	
St. Albans Coop Store	358.87	
Total Uniforms		\$ 2,290.91

CHLORIDE:

Gorman Brothers, Inc.		\$ 16,948.00
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CULVERTS:

Bates Farm & Home		\$ 2,076.00
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EQUIPMENT RENTAL:

Rene J Fournier	\$ 700.00	
Gabree & Son's Tree Service	300.00	
Green's Ace Hardware	16.00	
Wright's Excavating Inc.	380.00	
Total Equipment Rental		\$ 1,396.00

GAS & FUEL:

H.G. Berger & Sons Inc.	\$ 22,632.66	
FIA Card Services-gas chain saws/pump	111.80	
Total Gas & Fuel		\$ 22,744.46

GRAVEL:

Leach Family, Inc.	\$ 14,630.00	
Shelburne Limestone Corporation	3,635.35	
Northeast Aggregate Co	2,156.00	
Total Gravel		\$ 20,421.35

INSURANCE:

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty		\$ 16,156.50
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MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Howard Vanselette	\$ 963.76	
Jeremy Barnum	74.75	
Roland Lontine	420.71	
Total Mileage Reimbursement		\$ 1,459.22

MISCELLANEOUS:

Amazon-bouys	\$ 57.93	
Andrew Godin-reimbursement	67.14	
Bond Auto Parts	39.28	
Dicke Tool Co	913.90	
Mercy Heating Service	584.00	
Milton Cat	250.46	
O.C. McCuin & Sons	1.98	
Peter Magnant-reimbursement	109.90	
Rodem	420.00	
St. Albans Messenger	226.00	
Tractor Supply Co	228.97	
Yvon Dandurand	100.00	
Total Miscellaneous		\$ 2,999.56

BLACKTOPPING:

Pike Industries Inc	\$ 80,034.74	
Demag's Seal Coating	1,150.00	
Total Blacktopping		\$ 81,184.74

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE:

Andy Bonneau Machinery	\$ 584.27	
Bond Auto Parts	716.56	
Champlain Valley Equipment	572.93	
Charlebois Truck Parts	4,146.51	
Clark's Truck Center	222.48	
D & H Housing	140.00	
Dana Stetson	2,145.00	
George S. Woods	439.00	
Green's Ace Hardware	141.76	
H.P. Fairfield	38.15	

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE CONT:

Hodgdon Brothers	\$	300.00	
JB International		492.35	
NAPA Auto Parts		178.42	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		24.94	
Polsinello Fuels		1,437.27	
Rene J Fournier		1,185.30	
Rouse Tire Sales		1,933.44	
Sheldon Trucks		115.86	
Tenco Industries		1,254.95	
Vaillancourt Repair LLC		2,822.42	
Viking-Cives		1,605.17	
VT Dept of Motor Vehicles		7.00	
Total Repair & Maintenance			\$ 20,503.78

SHOP & TOOLS:

Atco International	\$	284.50	
B & N Sales & Service		14.90	
Bertrand Electric LLC		645.00	
Bond Auto Parts		341.46	
Bruce Wetherby Waste & Trash Removal		192.00	
Central Vermont Communications		132.00	
Dollar General		59.24	
D & M Fire & Safety Equipment		71.00	
Fastenal		67.61	
Franklin Fire District #1		200.00	
Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.		469.62	
Green's Ace Hardware		348.44	
H.G. Berger & Sons Inc.		4,936.91	
Haun Welding Supplies		197.05	
Hull's Auto & Power Equipment		172.73	
Mercy Heating Service		531.00	
NAPA Auto Parts		142.28	
Needham Electric Supply		122.95	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		80.97	
Rodem		1,077.50	
Staples		8.82	
Tenco Industries Inc		89.28	
Tools Plus Industries		124.30	
Vaillancourt Repair LLC		257.37	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		1,827.03	
Total Shop & Tools			\$ 12,393.96

SAND/SALT:

Cargill, Inc. Salt Division	\$ 11,206.72	
Leach Family Inc	5,222.00	
Total Sand/Salt		\$ 16,428.72

ROAD SIGN MAINTENANCE:

Vermont Offender Work Program		\$ 1,426.52
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SAND SHED:

Community National Bank		\$ 22,721.46
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BETTER BACK ROADS GRANT:

Bates Farm & Home	\$ 410.00	
Leach Family Inc	1,540.00	
St. Albans Messenger	22.75	
Wright's Excavating Inc	2,362.50	
Total Better Back Roads Grant		\$ 4,335.25

DEWING ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT:

Bates Farm & Home	\$ 113.97	
Leach Family Inc	11,090.00	
Knight's Consulting Engineers	180.00	
Munson Earth Moving Co	189,702.40	
Mike's Boring & Coring	1,825.50	
Ruggiano Engineering Inc	1,820.00	
Shelburne Limestone Corporation	344.87	
St. Albans Messenger	4.10	
Sticks & Stuff	90.78	
Stitzel, Page & Fletcher	271.50	
Timothy Hammond	40.00	
Vermont Offender Work Program	211.70	
Total Dewing Road Bridge Project		\$ 205,694.82

EQUIPMENT FUND:

\$ 4,846.00

BORROWED FUNDS:

\$ 45,000.00

TOTAL ORDERS - Highway Fund

\$ 616,082.33

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY FUND

Salaries	\$ 80,568.05
FICA/Medicare	6,125.13
Employee Pension	3,897.47
Health Insurance	24,464.43
Uniforms	2,290.91
Chloride	16,948.00
Culverts	2,076.00
Equipment Fund	4,846.00
Equipment Rental	1,396.00
Gas & Fuel	22,744.46
Gravel	20,421.35
Insurance	16,156.50
Mileage Reimbursement	1,459.22
Miscellaneous	2,999.56
Blacktopping	81,184.74
Repair & Maintenance	20,503.78
Sand/Salt	16,428.72
Shop & Tools	12,393.96
Road Sign Maintenance	1,426.52
Sand Shed	22,721.46
Dewing Road Bridge Project	205,694.82
Better Back Roads Grant	4,335.25
Borrowed Funds	45,000.00
Total Selectboard Orders-Highway	<u>\$ 616,082.33</u>

SUMMARY OF WEED HARVESTER FUND

Delbert Cook, Operator	\$ 2,060.50
Brooks Sturtevant, Operator	676.00
FICA/Medicare	209.34
Aquamarine-New Machine	17,235.90
Andy Bonneau Machinery	36.70
Bond Auto Parts	19.63
Champlain Valley Equipment	183.24
Community National Bank-wire fee	64.00
Green's Ace Hardware	31.92
Mullen Lakeshore-slip lease	750.00
Yvon Dandurand-storage	225.00
Total Selectboard Orders-Weed Harvester	<u>\$ 21,492.23</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin Selectboard
Peter Magnant, Chair
Yvon Dandurand
Andrew Godin
Edmund Rainville
Brooks Sturtevant



Franklin Volunteer Fire Department

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

The Franklin Fire Department would like to thank all the taxpayers for their support of the purchase of our new fire truck. As stated in last year's town report, we submitted grants for \$280,000 in equipment and the purchase of a new truck; unfortunately we were unsuccessful in receiving any grant funding. This year we are planning to purchase five sets of new gear which totals approximately \$11,000; we are hoping to apply for a grant through the VLCT, which if awarded will reduce that price by \$2,500.00.

During 2015, the department decided to actively start pursuing a cadet/junior fire fighter program for young adults of 16-18 years of age. We are currently in the early stages of looking at our insurance restrictions and establishing guidelines for this program, if your young adult falls into that age group and would be interested in participating please reach out to me. As this is a cadet/junior program, the parents need to play a role in this as well, as grades and behavior will be a big factor, we want this to be a fun & safe experience for those who participate, but also will be a learning experience.

The fire department created an internal committee to explore possibilities to use the Wright Family Trust money. We are looking to do something permanent with the money and not use it on day to day activities or on equipment that would be replaced one day.

This year the department brought in \$10,933.81 from the pancake breakfast and \$5,444.00 from the barbeque after all expenses were paid, this money goes directly into the general fund for day to day expenses.

The Franklin Fire Department continues to be an active group in the community and we appreciate all your support.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Rainville, Chief

Incident Type	Count of Incident Type	Number of Member Responses
Structure Fire	7	58
False Alarm - Investigate only	4	18
Grass Fire	4	22
Medical Assist	3	13
Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries	3	18
Smoke in Building	2	6
Public Assistance Call	2	5
Propane Leak	1	6
Motor Vehicle Fire	1	10
Grand Total	27	156



Franklin Volunteer Fire Department

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

Member	Years
Patrick Allain	19
Brian Barnum, Deputy Chief	46
Philip Bouchard	46
Greg Bouchard	6
Scott Choiniere	23
Howard Deuso, Deputy Chief	19
Hugh Gates, Honorary Member	38
Eric Gerrard	3
Clark Hubbard	13
Keesey Jaring <i>new member</i>	1
Adam Kane	5
Mike Lawyer, Assistant Chief	12

Member	Years
Kyle Lothian, Deputy Chief	32
Timothy Magnant, Deputy Chief	37
Burt Maynard	26
Janet Norcross	12
Marshall Ploof, Deputy Chief	46
Mark Racine	26
Justin Rainville, Chief	17
Sara Rainville, Secretary/Treasurer	12
Jeremy Ratta- <i>new member</i>	
Brian Sartwell, Captain	22
Justin Sartwell	8
Mark Toof, Lieutenant/EMTB	3

Dates to remember:

March 6th, 2016 – Pancake Breakfast
July 2th, 2016 – Chicken BBQ

FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 2015	<u>2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 Actual</u>	<u>2016 Budget</u>
Checking Account		\$ 34,249.54	
Equipment Reserve Fund		13,500.00	
Wright Trust-Money Market		18,408.05	
Cash Balance - January 1, 2015		<u>\$ 66,157.59</u>	
<u>INCOME</u>			
Interest Income		\$ 57.89	
Miscellaneous Income		1,060.00	
Donation Income		300.00	
Memorial Income		290.00	
Town Appropriated Funds		16,000.00	
BBQ Income-FFD		10,910.66	
Pancake Breakfast		17,590.01	
Total Income		<u>\$ 46,208.56</u>	
Total Cash/Income		<u>\$ 112,366.15</u>	
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Truck	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,706.92	\$ 6,500.00
Equipment Reserve Fund-New Trucl	-	-	13,500.00
Fuel - equipment/trucks	200.00	405.85	100.00
Training	750.00	352.15	750.00
Fire Prevention/Education	250.00	182.50	100.00
Insurance	5,300.00	5,291.00	5,600.00
Office	1,500.00	698.47	500.00
Radio	2,500.00	2,019.81	2,500.00
Postage	50.00	14.00	50.00
Utilities	1,400.00	1,425.26	1,500.00
Uniform/Gear	5,000.00	572.50	11,000.00
Equipment/tool Purchases	3,000.00	1,922.26	3,000.00
Equipment Repairs	1,500.00	3,216.43	3,000.00
Memberships/Dues	600.00	515.00	600.00
Water Rent	200.00	250.00	300.00
Donation	500.00	50.00	100.00
Fuel-Heating	3,500.00	1,834.47	2,500.00
Furnace Repairs	-	12.18	-
Reimbursements	-	791.16	-
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	1,812.11	2,000.00
Pancake Breakfast	-	6,656.20	-
BBQ	-	5,466.66	-
Building Maintainance	100.00	493.35	100.00
Vending Machine	100.00	128.08	150.00
County Meeting	100.00	-	100.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 31,050.00</u>	<u>\$ 36,816.36</u>	<u>\$ 53,950.00</u>
Checking Account		43,614.37	
Equipment Reserve Fund		13,500.00	
Wright Trust-Money Market		18,435.42	
Cash Balance December 31, 2015		<u>\$ 75,549.79</u>	
Total Cash/Expenses		<u>\$ 112,366.15</u>	

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Rainville

2015 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

Baxter Carl Sturtevant to Brooks & Brenna Sturtevant
Charlotte Renee Godin to Andrew & Stacie Kittell Godin
Graham Kittell Godin to Andrew & Stacie Kittell Godin

Unlisted: 4 Female; 7 Male

Deaths

Conant Harvey Chamberlain
Elizabeth Anne Colburn
Barbara Helen Lagrow
Cecil St. Clair King III
Audrey E Brouillette
George Lawrence Hopkins, Jr
Emmanuel Daniel Dandurand

Unlisted: 12

Marriages

Patricia Ann Labor to Paul Henry Mason
Dianna Lynn Benoit to Seth Thomas Kittell
Jennifer Lynn Carey to Jason J Bessette

Unlisted: 8



Speed Limit Study
Traffic Engineering Report

The following summary documents the traffic engineering investigation required by Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 23 § 1007 for a Legislative Body to determine a safe and reasonable speed.

Municipality:	Town of Franklin
Road Name:	Morses Line Road (TH#1)
Location:	Just west of the intersection with Dandurand Road.
Recommended Speed Limit:	To Be Determined by Franklin Select Board
Current Speed Limit:	50 mph
Evaluation By:	Bethany Remmers, Assistant Director
Date(s) of Speed Study:	7/22/2015-8/30/2015

1. 85th Percentile Speed (mph): 51 MPH
2. 10 MPH Pace (mph): 41-50 MPH, 35.3% of vehicles traveling in pace
3. Safe speed at curves and intersections: not calculated
4. Accident History: 2 crashes were reported on entire road from 2010-2014. *This data only includes crashes that were reported.*
4. Average Annual Daily Traffic (vehicles per day): 450
5. Road Class: Local Road- Class 2 Town Highway
6. (a) Road Surface: asphalt (b) Road Width: 11 ft travel lanes
7. (a) Shoulder Surface: gravel (b) Shoulder Width: varies
8. Parking: none
- 9: Pedestrians\Bicycles: No pedestrian activity observed during study but there was moderate on-road bicycle traffic.
- 10: Adjacent Land Use: Rural

General Remarks:

- The 85th percentile speed and the 10 MPH pace speed both suggest that 50 MPH is an appropriate speed for this roadway though the Selectboard has the authority to consider mitigating factors such as accident history and adjacent land use.
- Instead of lower the speed limit of this roadway, the Town may consider adding advisory speed at some of the curves.

ANNUAL REPORT

for the

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

2015 Fiscal Year
July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

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

I am pleased to serve as superintendent of schools for the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union (FNWSU), which is required by Vermont law to provide support and management resources for the Franklin, Highgate, Missisquoi Valley Union, Sheldon, and Swanton Schools. Education services are delivered to 2,200 students by 550 teachers, administrators, and support staff. The FNWSU is governed by 25 school board members, who serve on six school boards.

FNWSU Roles:

- Establish and follow a supervisory union-wide curriculum,
- Receive and disburse federal and state funds,
- Provide/arrange professional development programs for teachers, administrators, and staff,
- Manage special education services on behalf of its member districts,
- Provide efficient financial, human resources, construction, transportation, and student data management services,
- Negotiate teacher and staff contracts,
- Support school boards to develop and adopt school budgets,
- Establish a policy development process for the SU and all schools,
- Oversee Indian Education, Early Education, After-School, and Bookmobile programs,
- Work with other supervisory unions to efficiently manage services or perform duties.

FNWSU Goals:

1. *Educational Programing*: Encourage a learning environment where students are engaged in their learning activities and work toward excellence and are supported to reach their greatest potential.
2. *School Board Productivity*: School Board members will avail themselves of trainings provided by the Vermont School Board Association to ensure effective school board practices and procedures.
3. *Communication Practices*: Increase interactions and partnerships between schools, families, and the greater community.
4. *School Environment*: Ensure safe and healthy learning environments where all parties are expected to demonstrate self-discipline, responsibility, compassion, and mutual respect.
5. *Collaborative Relationships*: Work as collaborative partners to hire, evaluate, and facilitate the work of the superintendent.
6. *Strategic Planning*: Develop a strategic plan that provides funding for District programs that support high level student achievement.

FNWSU Priority:

The top SU priority this year is responding to the Act 46 governance merger legislation. The legislative premise of Act 46 is that a single PK-12 school board, overseeing multiple schools, will increase efficiency of school management, improve education quality, and reduce costs.

Over the past decade, law makers have been discussing school governance changes. Conversations have been influenced by unsustainable property tax increases and education costs that are driven by declining student enrollment and low student/staff ratios.

Act 46, using a system of “honey and hammers,” induces school leaders and communities to study the challenges and benefits of merging school boards. The “honey” is the allure of reduced homestead tax rates for either four or five years, depending on the current governance structure within each SU. The “hammers” are state-levied options that include an annual 5% tax rate increase for SUs that don’t comply with centralization of special education or transportation management functions. Sanctions also may include State Board mandated mergers of local school boards in SUs that don’t meet Education Quality Standards and demonstrate low-cost-benefit management efficiency.

Another Act 46 “hammer” is a cap on the cost per pupil increase between the 2015-16 school year and the 2016-2017 budget. If the arbitrary percentage cap is exceeded, taxpayers will then be billed two dollars for every dollar over the “Allowable Growth Percentage” (AGP). The AGPs cost per pupil increase for FNWSU schools ranged from 2.4% to 4.1%.

Here's the FNWSU paradox. If the governance study that will be completed by Town Meeting Day identifies possible benefits for creating a single PK-12 school board, then a more comprehensive study may be undertaken. That study would be completed sometime next fall. If the Study Committee and the State Board of Education decide that some school district unification is warranted, then voters at the 2017 Town Meeting would have the opportunity to make the final school merger decision. Tax payers in merger towns would receive a collective 20 cent reduction on homestead property taxes over the next four years.

Sheldon would continue to operate its PK-8 school and pay tuition to area high schools. Sheldon taxpayers would see no reduction in property tax rates, unless the school board, study committee, State Board, and voters agreed to pay tuition to a single high school or merge with one or more area schools that operate a similar PK-8 school.

Local school leaders are currently weighing the merits of providing substantial property tax savings with giving up local authority over schools. State bureaucrats maintain that increased efficiency of school management will reduce costs and improve quality.

FNWSU Programs and Work Domains:

The reports that follow will provide taxpayers with a deeper understanding about the type and quality of work that is underway at the Franklin Northwest SU.

Curriculum

FNWSU students and staff have experienced our first year using a common curriculum, Kindergarten-Grade 6, based on the Common Core State Standards. Teaching teams work within professional learning communities, Kindergarten-Grade 12 to define common expectations within each unit of study, design common formative assessments, and look at student results collaboratively. We are nearing our goal of having a common, viable, and guaranteed curriculum for all students at FNWSU. The curriculum leaders from each building are now working on identifying our priority standards, developing proficiency scales for each standard, and creating an assessment bank for each priority standard. This will be in place for the 2016-2017 school year.

In addition to our curriculum work, we are embarking on learning about a common instructional framework with the Marzano Research Labs. This instructional framework will be our basis for developing our professionals into the best teachers possible for the children of FNWSU. Leadership teams are currently working with a consultant to learn about the instructional framework and action plan for how to move framework forward with all school faculties.

In 2014, the Vermont Agency of Education passed the [Educational Quality Standards](#) (EQS) in which all schools are required to abide. In light of this, MVU is leading the way in creating a system where students graduate based upon their proficiency in skills rather than seat time. In particular, MVU is focusing on defining transferrable skills for each student to demonstrate proficiencies.

FNWSU has taken on a considerable amount of change this school year, and we are up for the challenge. 2015-2016 is a significant learning year. We look forward to putting our plans into action soon.

Students in grades 3 through 8 and one year in high school completed the new SBAC online assessment in English-Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics this year. In each subject area, students received a four-digit score that ranged from 2,000 to 3,000 points. This score will be used to measure student achievement gains over time.

These four standards are used to assess learning for students throughout the supervisory union:

- 4 = Exceeded Standard
- 3 = Met Standard
- 2 = Nearly Met Standard
- 1 = Not Met Standard

The SBAC assessment results, combined with other local assessments, help teachers and staff chart progress and make decisions about what additional support each student needs to be successful.

Special Education

The provision of special education programs, resources and support has been mandated by federal and state law since the mid-1970's. The FNWSU works with 384 students who receive additional learning accommodations, directed by their Individualized Education Plan or IEP. An IEP Team, comprised of teachers, administrators, parents, and often outside agency staff, craft a customized learning plan that enables each student with disabilities to overcome barriers for receiving education services.

After a student is evaluated and found eligible for special education services, support can begin as early as three years of age, and continue through the student's 21st birthday.

Every effort is made for students to learn while remaining in the general educational environment with their same-age peers. FNWSU maintains one of the highest classroom inclusion rates in Vermont, an exemplary 87%. This means that 87% of IEP students receive their education services in the regular classroom.

Beginning this school year, the FNWSU now employs all special education professionals, with the goal to deliver the services and supports as required by IEPs. Currently these professionals include: psychologists, occupational therapists, and teachers. Three additional staff members complete the Central Office Team: Heidi Mosher-Adaptive Curriculum, Emily Weaver-Technology Integration, and Julie Rivers-Medicaid Clerk.

Special education services often are considerably more expensive than regular education programs. The state and federal governments provide additional financial support to help school districts offset some of these additional costs.

Early Education

The Franklin County Early Childhood Program is a public school early education program serving children from birth to school age and their families in the Franklin Central and Franklin Northwest Supervisory Unions. The program's target population in Franklin Northwest Supervision is three to five year old children in the towns of Franklin, Highgate, Sheldon and Swanton. Beginning in the 2016/2017 school year we will be offering a 10 hour a week preschool opportunity for children in the 2 years prior to their kindergarten year. We are currently serving 188 children.

The Early Childhood Program received a four-year federal grant this year that expands the program offering from 10 hours to 30 hours per week for four year old children in the towns of Highgate and Swanton, who meet specific financial eligibility requirements.

The program is operated with funds from a variety of federal, state, and local sources. The federal government directs funds to the State of Vermont, which provides the federal money to the local school district in the form of block and incentive grants. The State Legislature appropriates an additional amount of money for the public schools each year, and parts of these funds are designated for early childhood education services. The Supervisory Union combines the block grant and local share for early childhood education from each participating school district.

Carol Reed is the office manager who anchors Early Childhood Programs and staff support at the SU.

Business Office

The business manager and assistant business manager work directly with school boards and administrators to develop and manage the school and SU budgets. Business staff members collectively manage over 35 million dollars in public, state, and federal grant funds. The elementary schools and MVU budgets, and the required state forms that compare our cost and staffing ratios to other similar schools, are included in this report.

As mandated by state law, all Special Education professional staff salaries and benefits have been transferred from all local schools to the FNWSU. Costs are budgeted at the SU level using the same assumptions previously used at the local schools; however instead of appearing in separate budget line items, salaries and benefits are now reflected within the FNWSU assessments that are billed back to schools. Next year's budgets assume that special education program expenses will also be moved to the SU and then proportionally assessed to each school. Support staff members continue to be employed by local school boards.

The SU Business Office is supported with bookkeeping, accounts payable and payroll functions by both onsite and offsite financial staff.

All FNWSU financial funds and management operations at the SU and local school districts have their fund activity audited annually.

Indian Education

The FNWSU Title VII Indian Education Program is committed to assuring equity for all students through direct intervention, systemic change, and increased parent involvement goals include:

- Increasing the achievement level of Abenaki students, Grades PK-12,
- Reducing the dropout rate of high school students,
- Providing cultural enrichment activities,
- Promoting active parent participation through the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).

In order to focus on all learners – both Abenaki and non-Abenaki – Indian Education delivers a continuum of supports for students ranging from remediation to enrichment. As the FNWSU is a confluence of many cultures, Indian Education promotes cultural competencies that every child can learn about and take pride in.

Human Resources

The Franklin Northwest SU Office provides Human Resource services for 550 employees who work in five schools and at the SU office. Some of the services provided include:

- Provide criminal background checks for all employees and school volunteers,
- Administer benefits including: health, dental, and long term disability insurances, Section 125, 403-B plans, and Family Medical Leave, to name a few,
- Advertise, prepare, and distribute employment ads,
- Review licensing and highly qualified eligibility for professional employees and highly qualified paraprofessional status,
- Prepare and help interpret employment contracts for administrators, professional, and support staff,
- Continuing to update the human resource software to improve efficiency and streamline information, and
- Support the work of six school boards and administrators by warning board meetings, creating board minutes, and developing meeting materials.

Information Technology

In 2016, FNWSU Technology Coordinators, Technicians and Technology Integrationists continue to support and improve access to technology-rich 21st century learning, by providing staff and students with online tools for creating, communicating and collaborating in a safe and secure environment. The goal is to provide every student in grades 3 through 12 with access to their own school computer every day. Technology staff also continues to improve the reliability and security of our technology networks and data systems, all to support teaching, learning and the efficient administration of our schools. This year we completed the SU-wide implementation of the Tyler iVisions accounting and human resources software system, including new employee information portals. The IT staff also successfully provided essential support, management, and direction for the administration of the SBAC online student assessments in the spring of 2015 and continue to provide technology readiness, staff training, and test administration for the 2015-2016 school year.

After-School Program

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union After School & Summer Programs operate in all schools; we had 830 students attending programs last year, which is approximately 45% of all the students attending the schools in Highgate, Franklin, Sheldon and Swanton. This is an increase from 743 students participating the prior year, an all-time high enrollment. Students have choice from the homework support, science, technology, math, arts and literacy enrichment programs as well as recreational opportunities and fitness challenges. In all our programming, we work to incorporate social emotional learning, daily fitness opportunities and positive attitudes in trying new things. With the partial funding received from the Vermont Agency of Education 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program Grant, school budgets, other grants and fundraising, 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.

FNWSU After School & Summer Programs are geared to provide fun, inspirational, educational, experiential activities, opportunities and academic support. Keeping youth safe and providing supportive adult relationships are cornerstones of our programming.

Franklin/Grand Isle Bookmobile

Franklin Grand Isle Bookmobile services to Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union (FNWSU) have increased compared to last year, despite an overall funding reduction. The truck welcomed more than 4742 visitors and delivered over 815 story time programs in our region. Story time programs facilitate the Early Childhood Program's early literacy goals and growing through play. Children have fun learning about the world by engaging in the extensive book collection and library rituals. The Bookmobile gave away more than three new books per young patron, exceeding this year's goal. In addition to library outreach services, FNWSU childcare providers gleaned resources and training via the Bookmobile. Nine providers have increased their credentials in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS) by at least one star with Bookmobile programs. Furthermore the Bookmobile brought 75+ FNWSU school-aged students many advantages including author visits and Vermont Jeopardy games. The road to literacy is exciting indeed. The 2016 Bookmobile now has a certified teacher on board and a new generator, increasing cozy literacy experiences for patrons of all ages. We look forward to serving FNWSU, especially those unable to access the public library.

Thank you in advance of Town Meeting for your ongoing support of the most important community development asset, the provision of education for the next generation of parents and civic leaders.

Respectfully submitted,
Winton I. Goodrich
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

“The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.” – Thomas Edison

2014-15 was a busy and rewarding year as we continued to challenge our students and ourselves to “always do our best.” Our staff continues to be very dedicated and committed to furthering their own knowledge. They are wonderful role models for our students of life-long learning. Brye Trainer, our first grade teacher, became our Reading Recovery and Title I teacher, and we welcomed Erin Coon as our new first grade teacher. Year-long work and work this past summer included the implementation of the new Franklin Northwest Reading, Writing, and Math curricula; Independent Reading Assessment training and pilot; Governor’s Safety Conference; Dimensions of Teaching; Technology; Leadership and Organization; Professional Learning Communities (PLC); Next Generation Science Standards; Music Education; Assessment; VT Reads Institute; Reading Recovery training; and Franklin is well represented on supervisory union committee work for curriculum and evaluation. Teachers continue to be excited about their work in our PLCs collaboratively working on student achievement.

Last spring, we were very excited the school received a Farm to School planning grant, thanks to Annie Wagner. It has included many activities; preparing an area to be used for a school garden, planting and harvesting it, a field trip to the Wagner farm, using garden foods in the cafeteria, taste testing classroom creations, cider pressing presentation, and beginning several classroom worm bins. Other highlights from last year included an increase in students’ independent reading time; reading fluency increased; Kindergarten (K) presentation of Hershey, PA for walking program; K wrote and illustrated “How To” books; more implementation of reading workshop; multi-generational project with the book Wonder; spelling team; speech contest; Reading is an Investment “winners”; composting presentations at the Haston Library; Dairy in the Classroom; Four Winds in all grades, 2nd grade Thanksgiving Feast in classroom; classroom “Word walls”; Senior Dinner with “Tall Tales” theme; anti-drug/alcohol week; Penny War for charity; performing folk dance at Spring concert; chorus consistently singing two-part ensemble music; a grant to get multiple copies of books for Grades 2 & 3; and the drama production of “Snow White.”

Over the past couple of years we have been transitioning to the new state standards. Last spring, we had the new statewide assessment called the SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment) which was administered on computer to grades 3-6 in our school. The State Board of Education said that the results should not be used the first year for any judgments about students or evaluating if a school is making adequate yearly progress for a number of reasons. The reasons included: Vermont is still transitioning to the new standards and yet the students are being tested as if they had been taught for all of their school career on these standards which is not the case; performance tasks in language arts and math that assess a student’s ability to problem solve in an applied context which is a big change; students experiencing this type of format for the first time; time to make sure the test is measuring knowledge of reading and math and not computer skills; and that the tests need to be validated over time as to how well they are measuring college and career readiness. We were very pleased that, even with higher standards and on a much harder test, each of our grades and in each content area our school scored above the supervisory union average and the state average. Overall, in Language Arts, we had 74% of our students proficient or above; the SU was 52% and the state was 53%. In math, we had 54% of students scoring proficient or above; the SU was 33% and the state was 44%.

Thanks to everyone for their support of the Meadow Farms school fundraiser and the PTO cookie dough fundraiser. Thank you to Vickie Gratton and the PTO, Jen Ploof and RIF volunteers, Kathy Rouleau and Four Winds volunteers, Annie Wagner and Farm to School volunteers, Debbie Berger and drama volunteers, Franklin Fire & Rescue, Town Road Crew, Haston Library, Franklin Historical Society, all of the businesses in town, and to all of the other volunteers who coach, referee, help with the ski program, chaperone field trips, act as room mothers, help with holiday activities, etc., and just help out with whatever needs to be done!

Your support, caring, and commitment are appreciated and make a difference for everyone at Franklin Central School! Thank you so very much!

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Hakey

SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The 2015-2016 school year has been another busy and successful year for the Franklin School. The administration and staff continue to do a fine job in challenging our students, and themselves, and continue to deliver a great education. We appreciate the quality work provided by our staff and their dedication to our students.

This year we had an unexpected School Board vacancy and Tom Gates was appointed to serve in March 2015, joining Bob Berger and Tim Magnant on the board.

The board itself has been busy this year with more meetings. New Act 46 legislation has required school boards across the state to look at possible options to merge school districts. An Act 46 study committee was formed at the Supervisory Union level and Bob Berger has taken the lead representing Franklin on the committee. The board has taken this process very seriously and is trying to proceed with thought and caution. The forum held in January 2016 was very well attended and we are proud of our community's continued support of our school and input into this process.

The school board has been working diligently to develop the 2016-2017 school budget over the last couple of months, and we are presenting what we feel is a conservative budget proposal for consideration on Town Meeting Day.

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin School Board
Tim Magnant
Bob Berger
Tom Gates

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
EXPLORERS



January 2016

Greetings Franklin Residents,

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union After School & Summer Programs is celebrating its 10th year anniversary THIS YEAR! We are excited to have reached such a milestone. Please contact us if you have ideas and would like to help us create a memorable celebration for the students and community!

FNWSU After School and Summer Programs had over 818 students registered this past 2014-2015 school year. This is 51% of all students in the FNWSU schools attending the after school and summer programs, in our target grades of 2 through 12. Up from 743 the prior year, this is an all time high enrollment. Kudos goes to our After School Site Coordinators and Staff for making this all happen!

The Crossroads After School Programs and extensions in the Crossroads Explorers and high school AfterHours programs, make available wonderful opportunities and offer academic support. Crossroads After School Programs are free after school programs with meals/snacks and transportation provided. Our programming is geared to provide fun, inspirational, educational, experiential activities, opportunities and academic support. Keeping youth safe and providing supportive adult relationships are cornerstones to our programming.



Our 2014-2019 Crossroads program goals are:

- Improve school day performance
- Improve school day attendance
- Improve overall health and physical well being
- Improve the level of self-esteem and social well-being
- Encourage participants to learn new skills & gain confidence, to problem solve, to try new things, and to become a responsible citizen of the local and global community
- Increase student access to, experience of and inquiry into STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) activities and opportunities

At the Franklin Elementary School, the Franklin Crossroads After School Programs are offered to students in grades 4 through 6. Franklin Crossroads provides free after school programming 24 weeks during the school year Monday through Thursday, and summer mornings Monday through Friday during 4 weeks of July, with bus transportation and meals provided. **Last school year our after school programs had an average of 40 students attending daily, with a total of 51 students participating during the year.** That is 82% of the school population attending our programs last year, for our program target grades 4 through 6.

In our Franklin Crossroads end of year reports sent to the Agency of Education (AOE) for last school year, we reported that for our Franklin student regular attendees (those who attended 30 days or more) there was a 53% decrease in the number school days absent, when compared to the prior school year. We are pleased with this impact, as improving school attendance is one of our program goals.

Our after school programs are supported by the Vermont Agency of Education 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21C) Program Grant. We are in the second year of a five year grant which goes through 2019. With the recent legislative action creating the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), our 21C after school funding has been secured to continue into the future.

Our Franklin Crossroads programming is also supported through the Vermont Agency of Education Child Nutrition Programs, other grants that become available, agency/business partnerships like our partnership with the FGI Bookmobile for our summer programming, community partnerships like our partnership with the Franklin Haston Public Library, business and community donations (a big thank you to those Franklin residents who have generously been sending in donations) and various fundraising events we organize. If you would like to contribute, donate your time or help us organize a fundraising event, please contact the school's after school program site coordinator.

All our Crossroads After School 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

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

If you would like more information on

- Franklin Crossroads After School Program, please contact Elsa Rood, our Franklin Crossroads Coordinator at the school (285-2100 or erood@fnwsu.org)
- MVU Crossroads or MVU AfterHours After School Programs, please contact Tessa Massett, our MVU Crossroads Coordinator at the school (868-0507 or tmassett@fnwsu.org).

You can also find more information on our FNWSU website 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 continued support,

Carol Lizotte

FNWSU After School & Summer Programs Director
868-4967 ext 21 or clizotte@fnwsu.org

**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET SUMMARY - FY2017**

	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Anticipated	FY2017 Budget	Franklin Share
Expenses:						
Administration Salaries	\$393,420	\$405,452	\$416,084	\$417,253	\$437,205	\$26,975
Support Staff Salaries	\$154,650	\$166,853	\$152,366	\$162,178	\$171,788	\$10,599
Insurance Benefits	\$123,836	\$97,173	\$118,947	\$101,663	\$125,314	\$7,732
Other Benefits	\$29,592	\$33,219	\$33,395	\$32,880	\$36,592	\$2,258
Payroll Expense	\$48,275	\$44,892	\$53,723	\$48,699	\$51,507	\$3,178
Purchased Prof. Services	\$41,250	\$41,028	\$37,600	\$35,683	\$36,100	\$2,227
Repair&Maintenance & Equip. Lease	\$5,500	\$4,687	\$7,250	\$6,882	\$7,400	\$457
Other Property Services	\$35,150	\$36,676	\$41,456	\$40,831	\$42,565	\$2,626
Office Expenses	\$11,000	\$9,280	\$11,000	\$11,464	\$11,000	\$679
Travel & Professional Development	\$10,250	\$12,788	\$10,250	\$11,527	\$12,000	\$740
Supplies & Acct'g/H.R. Software	\$28,750	\$46,990	\$43,750	\$42,643	\$44,250	\$2,730
Equipment	\$5,000	\$2,528	\$9,000	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$617
Dues & Fees	\$4,500	\$4,634	\$4,500	\$4,237	\$4,500	\$278
Total Expense:	\$891,173	\$906,200	\$939,321	\$923,440	\$990,221	\$61,096

Revenues:						
Title I and II funding	\$87,270	\$98,830	\$85,390	\$89,031	\$91,664	\$5,656
Other Grant receipts	\$17,450	\$8,169	\$10,250	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$463
Miscellaneous / Other	\$5,250	\$20,105	\$10,250	\$22,408	\$28,750	\$1,774
Total Revenues:	\$109,970	\$127,104	\$105,890	\$118,939	\$127,914	\$7,892

FY2017 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$781,203</u>	<u>\$801,203</u>	<u>\$833,431</u>		<u>\$862,307</u>	<u>\$53,204</u>
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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET FY2017**

	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Anticipated	FY2017 Budget	Franklin Share
Expenses:						
Special Education Administration	\$180,167	\$176,492	\$181,795	\$182,678	\$188,160	\$8,025
Medicaid Clerk / Clerical Support	\$39,481	\$38,178	\$40,228	\$40,192	\$41,465	\$4,976
School Psychologists	\$184,493	\$184,494	\$190,029	\$190,952	\$196,685	\$23,602
Adapted Curriculum	\$66,422	\$66,422	\$67,418	\$68,747	\$70,810	\$8,497
Occupational Therapy	\$55,761	\$62,301	\$56,597	\$57,713	\$59,445	\$7,133
Insurance & Other Benefits	\$146,233	\$139,605	\$147,987	\$148,526	\$155,917	\$15,571
Payroll Expense	\$44,550	\$41,651	\$45,413	\$44,573	\$45,917	\$4,309
Purchased Professional Services	\$6,000	\$7,544	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$900
Office Expenses	\$1,500	\$748	\$2,250	\$1,112	\$1,500	\$180
Travel / Conference	\$750	\$21	\$750	\$500	\$500	\$60
Supplies & Equipment	\$2,250	\$479	\$2,250	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$150
Dues & Fees	\$1,150	\$2,100	\$1,150	\$1,759	\$1,850	\$222
Subtotal:	\$728,757	\$720,035	\$743,367	\$745,502	\$770,999	\$73,625
Revenues:						
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$28,357	\$26,477	\$27,193	\$27,192	\$28,569	\$3,428
IDEA-B Grant Reimbursement	\$273,754	\$277,944	\$277,211	\$277,211	\$290,300	\$34,836
Other [Carry Forward from Previous Year]	\$0	\$5,657	\$5,000	\$14,854	\$7,500	\$900
Total Revenues:	\$302,111	\$310,078	\$309,404	\$319,257	\$326,369	\$39,164
FY2017 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$426,646</u>	\$424,810	<u>\$433,963</u>		<u>\$444,630</u>	<u>\$34,461</u>

FRANKLIN NORTHWEST - SPECIAL EDUCATION STAFF & EXPENSE TRANSFER BUDGET

	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Anticipated	FY2017 Budget	Franklin Share
Transfer of District Spec Education Expenses to SU:						
SpEd Instructional Salaries			\$1,595,922	\$1,595,922	\$1,754,483	\$55,888
SpEd Instructional Benefits			\$550,742	\$550,742	\$632,188	\$26,056
Speech Services			\$513,832	\$513,832	\$569,094	\$33,328
Psychological Services			\$44,795	\$44,795	\$56,561	\$0
Tuition Expense					\$1,162,080	\$0
Transportation Expense					\$247,428	\$0
All Other Expenses (supplies/equipment, etc)			\$7,750	\$7,750	\$294,028	\$4,650
Total Expense:			\$2,713,041	\$2,713,041	\$4,715,862	\$119,922

**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM BUDGET FY2017**

	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Anticipated	FY2017 Budget	Franklin Share
Expenses:						
ECP Administration	\$40,788	\$40,650	\$41,870	\$41,870	\$42,905	\$4,376
Teachers' Salaries	\$222,266	\$228,429	\$232,234	\$235,585	\$241,809	\$24,665
Support Staff	\$90,204	\$76,176	\$91,722	\$87,309	\$98,005	\$9,996
Speech Pathologist Salary	\$94,646	\$96,578	\$98,909	\$104,634	\$109,520	\$11,172
ECP Secretary Salary	\$26,292	\$23,584	\$27,300	\$30,872	\$31,962	\$3,260
Insurance Benefits	\$140,999	\$112,192	\$154,286	\$114,737	\$126,136	\$12,866
Payroll Expense	\$40,718	\$36,046	\$42,262	\$42,584	\$43,060	\$4,392
Other Benefits	\$6,052	\$2,679	\$6,092	\$6,561	\$4,737	\$483
OT/PT & Psychological Services	\$12,750	\$12,497	\$12,750	\$10,250	\$10,250	\$1,046
Purchased Prof. Services	\$12,300	\$18,405	\$14,550	\$11,072	\$13,050	\$1,331
Repair&Maintenance	\$2,100	\$1,271	\$2,100	\$1,793	\$2,106	\$215
Office Expenses	\$38,655	\$34,811	\$38,905	\$37,061	\$38,014	\$3,877
Student Tuition & Transportation	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$250	\$77,550	\$7,910
Travel / Conference	\$7,500	\$10,088	\$7,500	\$8,500	\$9,000	\$918
Supplies & Equipment	\$8,250	\$5,475	\$8,250	\$7,250	\$8,250	\$842
Total Expense:	\$744,271	\$698,881	\$779,480	\$740,328	\$856,354	\$87,349
Revenues:						
Preschool Tuition Receipts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Grant Funding	\$54,000	\$56,173	\$57,500	\$37,500	\$36,500	\$3,723
Carryover from Prior Year	\$40,000	\$40,128	\$40,000	\$47,695	\$26,800	\$2,734
Total Revenues:	\$94,000	\$96,301	\$97,500	\$85,195	\$63,300	\$6,457
FY2017 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$650,271</u>		<u>\$681,980</u>		<u>\$793,054</u>	<u>\$80,892</u>

FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUMMARY
TREASURER's REPORT
July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

	Beginning Balance	FY2015		Ending Balance
		Receipts	Expenditures	
Title I Grant	\$53,821	\$795,492	\$835,879	\$13,434
School Improvement Grant	\$9,940	\$0	\$9,940	\$0
School Effectiveness Grant	\$0	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$0
Title IIA Grant - Teacher Quality	\$29,052	\$254,783	\$245,017	\$38,818
IDEA-B Grant	\$120,189	\$566,015	\$552,660	\$133,544
IDEA-B Preschool Grant	-\$7,940	\$22,300	\$11,173	\$3,187
Early Education Initiative Grant	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0
Best Grant / Act 230 Grant	\$7,432	\$24,930	\$26,528	\$5,834
FNW Crossroads Program	\$30,612	\$385,803	\$385,148	\$31,267
Crossroads non-grant revenues	\$597	\$178,467	\$132,059	\$47,005
Program Fundraising	\$5,332	\$3,695	\$1,078	\$7,949
SWIFT Program	\$7,126	\$20,000	\$26,957	\$169
Homeless Grant	\$0	\$7,935	\$5,126	\$2,809
Tobacco Grant	\$3,338	\$13,506	\$16,757	\$87
VT Kids Against Tobacco	\$1,483	\$0	\$0	\$1,483
Standards Board	\$814	\$3,157	\$2,509	\$1,462
Medicaid Reimbursements (school-based)	\$482,617	\$303,101	\$338,932	\$446,786
Medicaid Reimbursements (FNWSU)	\$37,358	\$72,908	\$31,567	\$78,699
EPSDT Reimbursements	\$92,427	\$38,455	\$48,088	\$82,794
Central Office	\$19,984	\$908,323	\$906,199	\$22,108
Special Education	\$5,657	\$451,287	\$442,090	\$14,854
Early Childhood Program	\$40,128	\$695,271	\$687,704	\$47,695
<u>Fiduciary/Fiscal Agent Funds:</u>				
Franklin/Grand Isle County ECP Advisory Council	\$157,768	\$2,830	\$11,529	\$149,069
Franklin/Grand Isle County Bookmobile	\$7,905	\$105,595	\$88,436	\$25,064
Team FNW Tutoring Program	\$2,811	\$58,930	\$58,930	\$2,811
VEHI Pathpoints Wellness Program	\$13,035	\$3,900	\$3,732	\$13,203
Indian Education Grant	\$1	\$216,730	\$216,730	\$1
Mentoring Program	\$23,726	\$0	\$14,002	\$9,724
Technical Educ Equipment Grant (MVU)	\$0	\$9,521	\$9,521	\$0
School Improvement Grant (MVU)	\$0	\$6,345	\$34,726	-\$28,381
VDH Disease Prevention Grant (Highgate)	\$0	\$590	\$3,931	-\$3,341
Farm to School Grant (Franklin)	\$0	\$880	\$210	\$670

A copy of the Independent Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, 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, 2015

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2015</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash - Library Fund	\$ 1,138	\$ 2,948	\$ 2,642	\$ 1,444
Cash - Childrens Fund	43,332	21,078	18,216	46,194
Total Assets	<u>\$ 44,470</u>	<u>\$ 24,026</u>	<u>\$ 20,858</u>	<u>\$ 47,638</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Amount Held for Agency Funds	<u>\$ 44,470</u>	<u>\$ 24,026</u>	<u>\$ 20,858</u>	<u>\$ 47,638</u>

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash - General Fund	\$ 56,018	96,550
Cash - Enterprise Fund	3,203	1,741
Cash - Agency Fund	44,470	47,638
Accounts Receivable - Enterprise Fund	1,769	6,161
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	335,000	295,000
Total Assets	<u>\$ 440,460</u>	<u>447,090</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES/FUND EQUITY</u>		
Accounts Payable - General Fund	\$ 13,470	39,563
Amount Held for Agency Funds	44,470	47,638
Bond Payable	335,000	295,000
Fund Balances, Reserved (General Fund)	12,548	4,385
Fund Balances, Assigned (General Fund)	30,000	-
Fund Balances, Unreserved	-	52,602
Retained Earnings	4,972	7,902
Total Liabilities/Fund Equity	<u>\$ 440,460</u>	<u>\$ 447,090</u>

A copy of the annual outside audit of the Franklin Town School District's financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, 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, 2014 - June 30, 2015

Beginning Fund Balance-July 1, 2014		\$ 42,547.11
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
State of VT Education Taxes	\$ 878,545.79	
State of VT All Aid to Education	808,999.41	
Interest Income	207.88	
All other	<u>81,104.38</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>\$ 1,768,857.46</u>
TOTAL BEGINNING BAL/RECEIPTS		<u>\$ 1,811,404.57</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		
Regular Orders Paid	\$ 1,754,440.40	
Liabilities as of June 30, 2015	<u>-</u>	
Total Expenditures		\$ 1,754,440.40
Ending Fund Balance-June 30, 2015		<u>56,964.17</u>
TOTAL ENDING BAL/EXPENDITURES		<u>\$ 1,811,404.57</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2014 - 2015
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 \$53,234	1.66 \$54,897	1.70 \$56,561
11	1.45 \$48,243	1.50 \$49,907	1.55 \$51,570	1.60 \$52,901	1.64 \$54,564	1.69 \$56,228	1.74 \$57,892
12	1.49 \$49,574	1.54 \$51,237	1.59 \$52,901	1.63 \$54,232	1.68 \$55,895	1.73 \$57,559	1.78 \$59,222
13							
14							
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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 2014-2015 salary (in the example, \$50,905)

Salary Ranges For Employees Not Subject To The Salary Scale

Administration/Treasurer	to \$85,375
Paraprofessionals/Librarian	to \$25,102
Custodian	to \$53,923
Food Service	to \$18,339

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

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL STAFF

FY 15 - July 1, 2014 thru June 30, 2015

Department	Employee	FTE	Level	Step	Licensure	Years of Service at Franklin
Teacher/Guidance/Nurse:						
Kindergarten	Sturgeon, Theresa	50	MA+30	15 off-step	Level II	27
Grade 1	Coon, Erin	100	BA	1	Level P	0
Grade 2	Toof, Carrie	100	MA	6	Level II	9
Grade 3	Bachelder, Ashley	100	MA	4	Level II	7
Grade 4	Shepard, Valerie	100	MA+30	14 off-step	Level II	33
Grade 5&6	Birkheimer, Krista	100	MA+30	9	Level II	9
Grade 5&6	Bourbeau, Jessica	100	MA	4	Level II	7
Special Ed.	Babinski, Jessica	100	MA	8	Level II	12
Physical Ed.	Young, Douglas	40	BS	8	Level II	11
Guidance	Leavitt, Katelyn	60	MA	2	Level I	3
Compensatory Ed.	Trainer, Brye	25	MA+15	8	Level II	14
Music	McConnell, Jennifer	60	BS	6	Level II	10
Nurse .5	Potts, Alita	50			Level II	11
Early Childhood	Dewing, Jennifer	50	BA+15	7	Level II	9
Administration:						
Principal	Hakey, Joyce					
Admin. Assistant	Sartwell, Susan					
Treasurer	Larivee, Lisa A.					
Paraprofessional/Library:						
Librarian	Wilson, Nancy					
Instructional Assistant	Russell, Connie					
Instructional Assistant	Renaudette, Lana	Jerry, Kennethea				
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Domina, Theresa	Elsa Rood				
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Ashton, Constance					
Math Literacy/Planning Rm	Larivee, Nancy					
Spec. Ed./Autism Behavior	Dandurand, Manon					
Sp.Ed./Technology Para.	Ovitt, Kathy					
Early Ed Assistant	Racine, Alyson					
Custodial:						
Head Custodian	Ballard, Steven					
Part Time Custodian	Colman, Richard					
Food Services:						
Head Cook/Co-Agent	Bushey, Carolyn					
Cook/Co-Agent	Benoit, Donna					

# of Classes Taught by HQ Teachers/Total Classes	# of Classes Taught by Non-HQ Teachers/Total Classes	% of Core Academic Classes Taught by HQ Teachers	% of Core Academic Classes Taught by Non-HQ Teachers	% of Teachers Teaching With Emergency Credentials	# of Emergency Credentialed Teachers/Total Teachers
10/10	0/10	100%	0%	0%	0/13

District: Franklin County: Franklin		T078 Franklin Northwest		Property dollar equivalent yield 9,870	Homestead tax rate per \$9,870 of spending per equalized pupil 1.00	Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income 11,065
Expenditures		FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,609,782	\$1,707,161	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	1.
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,609,782	\$1,707,161	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	4.
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Total Budget	\$1,609,782	\$1,707,161	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	\$130,387	\$146,470	\$231,338	\$288,479	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.
Revenues						
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$227,150	\$224,013	\$208,092	\$254,695	10.
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	12.
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$227,150	\$224,013	\$208,092	\$254,695	13.
14.	Education Spending	\$1,382,632	\$1,483,148	\$1,515,497	\$1,527,306	14.
15.	Equalized Pupils	131.22	132.39	134.56	130.72	15.
16.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$10,536.75	\$11,202.87	\$11,262.61	\$11,683.80	16.
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$360.52	\$353.77	\$343.98	NA	17.
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per eqpup)	\$9.89	-	-	NA	18.
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	19.
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	20.
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	21.
22.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	22.
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	23.
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per eqpup)	NA	NA	-	NA	24.
25.	Allowable growth per pupil spending threshold (secs. 37 & 38, Act 46, 2015)	threshold = \$15,456 NA	threshold = \$16,166 NA	threshold = \$17,103 NA	District Threshold \$11,717.92	25.
26.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-	26.
27.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$10,537	\$11,203	\$11,263	\$11,683.80	27.
28.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	115.143% based on \$9,151	120.656% based on \$9,285	119.068% based on \$9,459	NA	28.
Prorating the local tax rate						
29.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$11,683.80 + (\$9,870.00 / \$1,000))	\$1.0823 based on \$0.94	\$1.1824 based on \$0.99	\$1.1788 based on \$0.99	\$1.1838 based on \$1.00	29.
30.	Percent of Franklin equalized pupils not in a union school district	51.15%	52.40%	55.02%	54.61%	30.
31.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (54.61% x \$1.18)	\$0.5536	\$0.6196	\$0.6486	\$0.6465	31.
32.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	97.71%	105.44%	104.36%	103.94%	32.
33.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.6465 / 103.94%)	\$0.5666 based on \$0.94	\$0.5876 based on \$0.99	\$0.6215 based on \$0.99	\$0.6220 based on \$1.00	33.
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>						
34.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$11,683.80 + \$11,065) x 2.00%]	2.07% based on 1.80%	2.17% based on 1.80%	2.14% based on 1.80%	2.11% based on 2.00%	34.
35.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (54.61% x 2.11%)	1.06% based on 1.80%	1.14% based on 1.94%	1.18% based on 1.94%	1.15% based on 2.00%	35.
36.	Percent of equalized pupils at Missisquoi Valley UHSD	48.85%	47.60%	44.98%	45.39%	36.
37.		-	-	-	-	37.

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,955 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,157 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of 1.538. New and updated data have changed the proposed property yield to \$9,870 and the income yield to \$11,065.
 - Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
 - The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2017 Report 16 V.S.A. 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Franklin Elementary 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/>

FY2015 School Level Data

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

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 13 out of 37

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total		Stu / Tchrr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
				Teachers	Administrators			
Smaller ->	Underhill Central Elementary School	PK - 4	148	8.00	1.00	18.50	148.00	8.00
	Lincoln Community School	PK - 6	149	10.40	1.00	14.33	149.00	10.40
	Monument Elementary School	PK - 5	155	9.40	1.00	16.49	155.00	9.40
	Franklin Elementary School	PK - 6	157	9.65	1.00	16.27	157.00	9.65
-> Larger	Sharon Elementary School	PK - 6	161	12.10	1.00	13.31	161.00	12.10
	Samuel Morey Elementary School	PK - 6	169	15.42	0.75	10.96	225.33	20.56
	Robinson School	PK - 6	170	14.60	1.00	11.64	170.00	14.60
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			144.78	12.37	1.06	11.71	136.14	11.63

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. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to each other.

FY2014 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2013 FTE ≥ 100 but < 200
 (29 school districts in cohort)

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

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

Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest)
 19 out of 29

Smaller ->	Eden	PK-6	122.81	\$17,049
	Lincoln	PK-6	126.12	\$11,583
	Calais	PK-6	127.12	\$12,705
	Franklin	PK-6	129.52	\$9,836
-> Larger	Wallingford	PK-6	132.41	\$15,570
	Newbrook Joint Contract School	PK-6	135.37	\$12,531
	Newbury	PK-6	138.15	\$11,942
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data				142.22 \$13,544

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.

FY2016 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchlDist	SchlDist	SchlDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
			Equalized Pupils	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller ->	T112 Lincoln	PK-6	121.32	14,904.21	1.5599	1.5856	103.32%	1.5346
	T136 Newbury	PK-6	125.04	13,353.02	1.3976	1.4896	107.34%	1.3877
	T219 Wallingford	PK-6	126.14	16,138.14	1.6890	1.5745	110.18%	1.4290
	T078 Franklin	PK-6	134.56	11,262.61	1.1788	1.2772	104.36%	1.2238
-> Larger	T217 Waitsfield	PK-6	135.99	15,075.02	1.5778	1.6560	107.40%	1.5419
	T099 Huntington	PK-4	136.01	13,898.86	1.4547	1.4473	100.19%	1.4446
	T222 Warren	PK-6	145.16	13,607.13	1.4242	1.5554	102.06%	1.5240

The Legislature has required the Agency 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 TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROJECTED REVENUES & ESTIMATED TAX RATES**

	FY2016	FY2017
<u>PROPOSED EXPENSES</u>		
Franklin School District Budget Proposal	\$1,716,922	\$1,782,001
Franklin Special Article(s)	\$6,667	\$0
Total Proposed Expenses:	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001

<u>PROJECTED REVENUES</u>		
Interest Earnings	\$1,000	\$500
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance	\$4,385	\$38,613
Municipal Bond Bank Refinance Savings	\$2,526	\$3,726
FNW Title I Funding	\$19,248	\$18,500
Projected Special Education Aid:		
Mainstream Block Grant	\$48,769	\$46,823
Special Education Expenditure Reimbursement	\$85,494	\$99,169
Extraordinary Expenditure Reimbursement	\$0	\$0
EEE Grant	\$18,216	\$16,996
Care & Custody	\$0	\$0
Transportation Reimbursement	<u>\$28,454</u>	<u>\$30,368</u>
Total Projected Revenues:	\$208,092	\$254,695

LOCAL EDUCATION SPENDING **\$1,515,497** **\$1,527,306**

PROJECTED TAX RATES BEFORE COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT

Equalized Pupils	134.56	130.72
Spending per Equalized Pupil [net ed spending ÷ eq.pupils]	\$11,263	\$11,684
Property Yield [previously Base Spending Amount]	\$9,459	\$9,870
District Spending Adjustment	119.068%	n/a
Base Homestead Tax Rate	\$0.99	\$1.184
Franklin Elem Student Ratio [% of total resident students]	55.02%	54.61%
Local School Equalized Tax Rate	\$0.649	\$0.646

PROJECTED TAX RATES AFTER COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT

based on current Common Level of Appraisal [decreased to 103.94% of State value, from 104.36% in FY16 & 105.44% in FY15]		
<u>Projected Homestead Tax Rate</u>	\$0.621	\$0.622
<u>Projected Non-Homestead Tax Rate</u>	\$0.809	\$0.808

Projected homestead tax rates for the 2016-17 school year are based on the estimated Property Yield provided by VT Agency of Education - actual Yield figure still to be set by Legislature

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

FY2015 Expenditures, FY2016 Estimated Expenditures, and FY2017 Proposed School Budget

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Estimated	FY2017 Proposed	Budget Change
1100	INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:						
110	Teachers' Salaries	\$442,018	\$422,075	\$455,666	\$437,537	\$464,818	\$9,152
119	Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$19,700	\$14,908	\$20,154	\$20,305	\$20,911	\$757
120	Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$4,000	\$4,222	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
210	Health Insurance	\$97,140	\$76,934	\$90,289	\$74,735	\$84,792	(\$5,497)
210A	Cafeteria Plan	\$480	\$135	\$480	\$250	\$250	(\$230)
220	Social Security	\$35,627	\$32,466	\$36,706	\$35,331	\$37,464	\$758
240	Municipal Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$606	\$0	\$0	(\$606)
250	Workers Compensation	\$2,794	\$2,558	\$2,879	\$1,572	\$1,836	(\$1,043)
260	Unemployment Compensation	\$0	\$813	\$0	\$625	\$0	\$0
280	Dental Insurance	\$7,319	\$8,248	\$6,610	\$5,731	\$5,569	(\$1,041)
300	Purchased Services	\$0	\$450	\$0	\$512	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$2,500	\$2,033	\$2,500	\$2,668	\$2,500	\$0
440	Copier Equipment Lease	\$2,725	\$2,722	\$2,725	\$2,722	\$2,725	\$0
565	Tuition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$8,625	\$8,530	\$8,625	\$8,625	\$8,884	\$259
610.1	Testing Supplies	\$500	\$714	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
610.2	PE Supplies	\$310	\$337	\$310	\$448	\$326	\$16
640	Books	\$900	\$886	\$900	\$900	\$870	(\$30)
640.1	Books - reference/periodicals	\$495	\$484	\$400	\$400	\$492	\$92
640.2	Books - consumable	\$468	\$348	\$468	\$514	\$632	\$164
650	Audiovisuals	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
660	Manipulatives	\$50	\$13	\$135	\$456	\$392	\$257
670	Computer Software	\$0	\$0	\$255	\$255	\$210	(\$45)
730	Equipment	\$400	\$1,592	\$390	\$413	\$200	(\$190)
	Subtotal - Instructional Prog.	\$626,051	\$580,468	\$634,598	\$598,499	\$637,371	\$2,773

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2015		FY2016		FY2017	
		Budget	Actuals	Budget	Estimated	Proposed	Budget Change
1210	SPECIAL EDUCATION:						
110	Teachers' Salaries	\$49,347	\$50,288	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
115	Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$140,006	\$126,998	\$139,278	\$152,096	\$156,805	\$17,527
119	Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$5,000	\$4,312	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	(\$1,000)
210	Health Insurance	\$37,732	\$32,955	\$21,344	\$20,158	\$30,346	\$9,002
220	Social Security	\$14,868	\$13,382	\$11,037	\$11,941	\$12,302	\$1,265
240	Municipal Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$5,571	\$6,084	\$6,272	\$701
250	Workers Compensation	\$1,166	\$1,067	\$866	\$538	\$603	(\$263)
280	Dental Insurance	\$1,120	\$1,078	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
300	Purchased Prof. Services	\$750	\$264	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$0	(\$1,250)
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$0	(\$200)
561	Tuition / Alternative Educational Services	\$0	\$53,354	\$0	\$1,193	\$0	\$0
580	Travel	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$2,850	\$1,883	\$2,500	\$2,645	\$0	(\$2,500)
670	Computer Software	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
730	Equipment	\$1,000	\$806	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	(\$1,000)
	Subtotal - Spec. Education	\$254,289	\$286,387	\$188,046	\$201,105	\$210,328	\$22,282
1214	EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM:						
331	Assessment	\$65,027	\$65,027	\$69,562	\$69,562	\$80,892	\$11,330
	Subtotal - Early Childhood Prog.	\$65,027	\$65,027	\$69,562	\$69,562	\$80,892	\$11,330
2120	GUIDANCE PROGRAM						
110	Salary, Counselor	\$24,674	\$24,876	\$25,785	\$25,865	\$27,104	\$1,319
210	Health Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
220	Social Security	\$1,888	\$1,903	\$1,973	\$1,979	\$2,073	\$100
250	Workers Compensation	\$154	\$141	\$161	\$89	\$102	(\$59)
280	Dental Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
610	Supplies	\$135	\$16	\$135	\$135	\$156	\$21
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal - Guidance	\$26,851	\$26,936	\$28,054	\$28,068	\$29,435	\$1,381

Func/ Object	Description	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Estimated	FY2017 Proposed	Budget Change
2130	HEALTH SERVICES:						
110	Salary, Nurse	\$23,184	\$22,509	\$24,228	\$24,340	\$25,241	\$1,013
210	Health Insurance	\$3,284	\$2,814	\$3,432	\$3,432	\$3,680	\$248
220	Social Security	\$1,100	\$1,354	\$1,503	\$1,512	\$1,581	\$78
250	Workers Compensation	\$145	\$133	\$151	\$83	\$95	(\$56)
280	Dental Insurance	\$0	\$263	\$191	\$191	\$180	(\$11)
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$153	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
610	Supplies	\$680	\$284	\$680	\$680	\$710	\$30
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal - Health Serv.	\$28,593	\$27,510	\$30,385	\$30,438	\$31,687	\$1,302
2150	SPEECH PATH. & AUDIOLOGY:						
300	Purchased Professional Services	\$30,000	\$46,886	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	(\$30,000)
610	Supplies	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0	(\$500)
	Subtotal - Speech Pathology	\$30,500	\$46,886	\$30,500	\$30,500	\$0	(\$30,500)
2213	INSTR. STAFF TRAINING:						
270	Course Reimbursement	\$8,100	\$4,640	\$8,100	\$6,653	\$6,000	(\$2,100)
270.1	Staff Development	\$500	\$175	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
	Subtotal - Staff Training	\$8,600	\$4,815	\$8,600	\$7,153	\$6,500	(\$2,100)
2222	LIBRARY SERVICES:						
110	Salary, Library Aide	\$26,958	\$25,780	\$27,446	\$27,608	\$28,258	\$812
220	Social Security	\$2,062	\$1,972	\$2,100	\$2,112	\$2,162	\$62
250	Workers Compensation	\$168	\$154	\$172	\$94	\$106	(\$66)
300	Purchased Services	\$1,200	\$1,020	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
610	Supplies	\$150	\$127	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
640	Books & Periodicals	\$1,900	\$1,407	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$0
650	Audiovisuals	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
	Subtotal - Library	\$33,188	\$30,460	\$33,718	\$33,814	\$34,526	\$808

Funct/ Object Description		FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Budget	FY2016 Estimated	FY2017 Proposed	Budget Change
2225 SCHOOL-WIDE TECHNOLOGY							
110	Paraprofessional Salary	\$10,996	\$10,336	\$11,220	\$11,295	\$11,594	\$374
220	Social Security	\$841	\$791	\$858	\$864	\$887	\$29
240	Municipal Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$452	\$464	\$464
250	Workers Compensation	\$69	\$63	\$70	\$39	\$43	(\$27)
300	Contracted Services	\$1,500	\$1,391	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$28	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
530	Telephone	\$600	\$414	\$600	\$600	\$840	\$240
610	Supplies	\$500	\$320	\$500	\$739	\$500	\$0
670	Computer Software	\$200	\$197	\$200	\$236	\$200	\$0
910	Equipment	\$11,000	\$12,193	\$11,000	\$10,452	\$11,000	\$0
Subtotal - School-Wide Technology		\$26,206	\$25,733	\$26,448	\$26,677	\$27,528	\$1,080
2310 BOARD OF EDUCATION:							
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
360	Legal Services	\$1,500	\$905	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
540	Advertising/Printing	\$500	\$200	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
810	Dues [VSBA]	\$1,050	\$1,094	\$1,050	\$984	\$1,050	\$0
890	Miscellaneous	\$50	\$35	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
Subtotal - Board of Educ.		\$5,361	\$4,495	\$5,361	\$5,295	\$5,361	\$0
2321 OFFICE OF THE SUPT:							
331	S. U. Assessment (Central Office)	\$48,122	\$49,354	\$51,421	\$51,421	\$53,204	\$1,783
Subtotal - Supt's Office		\$48,122	\$49,354	\$51,421	\$51,421	\$53,204	\$1,783

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2015		FY2016		FY2017	
		Budget	Actuals	Budget	Estimated	Proposed	Budget Change
2410	PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:						
110	Salary, Principal	\$87,936	\$87,936	\$89,920	\$90,574	\$91,910	\$1,990
111	Salary, Secretary	\$28,207	\$30,999	\$29,798	\$29,968	\$30,650	\$852
210	Health Insurance	\$27,671	\$27,305	\$28,919	\$28,970	\$30,857	\$1,938
220	Social Security	\$8,885	\$8,701	\$9,158	\$9,221	\$9,376	\$218
250	Workers Compensation	\$697	\$638	\$688	\$388	\$414	(\$274)
280	Dental Insurance	\$727	\$817	\$723	\$723	\$681	(\$42)
300	Purchased Services	\$0	\$185	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$52	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
530	Telephone	\$1,500	\$2,102	\$1,500	\$2,238	\$1,500	\$0
531	Postage	\$750	\$512	\$750	\$750	\$650	(\$100)
580	Conference/Travel	\$250	\$50	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$1,050	\$906	\$900	\$900	\$900	\$0
730	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
810	Dues & Memberships	\$200	\$225	\$200	\$225	\$200	\$0
	Subtotal - Principal's Office	\$158,073	\$160,428	\$163,006	\$164,407	\$167,588	\$4,582
2420	SU SPECIAL EDUCATION:						
331	S. U. Assessment (Special Educ.)	\$33,321	\$33,321	\$33,850	\$33,850	\$34,461	\$611
	Transfer of SpecEduc ProfStaff to SU			\$76,503	\$76,503	\$81,944	\$5,441
	Transfer SpecEduc Services & Supplies					\$4,650	\$4,650
	Transfer SpecEduc Tuition Costs					\$0	\$0
	Transfer of Speech Services to SU			\$0	\$0	\$33,328	\$33,328
	Subtotal - SU Special Education	\$33,321	\$33,321	\$110,353	\$110,353	\$154,383	\$44,030

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2015		FY2016		FY2017	
		Budget	Actuals	Budget	Anticipated	Proposed	Budget Change
2520	FISCAL SERVICES:						
	Bookkeeping Services	\$20,496	\$19,972	\$21,545	\$21,545	\$22,105	\$560
300	Contracted Services	\$1,100	\$1,257	\$500	\$0	\$0	(\$500)
420	Repair & Maintenance	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
531	Postage	\$250	\$216	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$500	\$351	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
830	Interest on Current Loan	\$550	\$552	\$550	\$581	\$600	\$50
	Subtotal - Fiscal Services	\$23,046	\$22,348	\$23,495	\$23,026	\$23,605	\$110
2540	PLANT OPERATIONS:						
110	Custodians' & Subs' Salaries	\$67,698	\$67,017	\$69,679	\$69,489	\$71,346	\$1,667
210	Insurance / Benefits	\$10,178	\$10,119	\$10,184	\$10,147	\$10,225	\$41
220	Social Security	\$5,790	\$5,834	\$5,941	\$5,927	\$6,069	\$128
250	Workers Compensation	\$4,730	\$4,330	\$4,854	\$2,737	\$3,173	(\$1,681)
400	Purchased Property Services	\$3,185	\$9,641	\$3,535	\$4,371	\$3,535	\$0
411	Water & Sewer	\$1,250	\$3,298	\$1,850	\$2,794	\$2,750	\$900
421	Disposal Service	\$2,200	\$3,335	\$2,200	\$3,302	\$3,300	\$1,100
430	Repair/Maintenance	\$12,200	\$6,804	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$0
431	Heating & Ventilation	\$5,200	\$5,589	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$0
433	Grounds	\$3,500	\$3,256	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
520	Property Insurance	\$5,300	\$4,815	\$5,297	\$7,801	\$7,850	\$2,553
580	Travel / Mileage	\$50	\$195	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
610	Supplies	\$15,000	\$14,848	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
622	Electricity	\$31,500	\$32,503	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$0
624	Fuel	\$21,000	\$20,888	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$0
624.1	Gasoline (for snowblower & tractor)	\$350	\$388	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$0
700	Equipment	\$750	\$4,002	\$750	\$822	\$750	\$0
	Subtotal - Plant Operation	\$189,881	\$196,862	\$193,090	\$196,190	\$197,798	\$4,708

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2015		FY2016		FY2017	
		Budget	Actuals	Budget	Anticipated	Proposed	Budget Change
2550	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION						
513	Contracted Service	\$66,300	\$66,500	\$59,670	\$59,670	\$60,858	\$1,188
513.01	ExtraCurricular Transportation	\$0	\$94	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0
515	Special Education Transportation	\$0	\$10,381	\$0	\$853	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal - Pupil Transportation	\$66,300	\$76,975	\$59,770	\$60,623	\$60,958	\$1,188
2600	FOOD SERVICE						
200	Hot Lunch Program	\$13,616	\$14,383	\$14,229	\$14,229	\$15,173	\$944
300	Food Service Support	\$0	\$1,770	\$0	\$370	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal - Food Service	\$13,616	\$16,153	\$14,229	\$14,599	\$15,173	\$944
5101	DEBT SERVICE (Roof Replacement)						
830	Interest	\$6,835	\$6,835	\$6,286	\$6,286	\$5,664	(\$622)
910	Principal	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
	Subtotal - Debt Service	\$46,835	\$46,835	\$46,286	\$46,286	\$45,664	(\$622)
BUDGET TOTAL		\$1,683,860	\$1,700,993	\$1,716,922	\$1,698,016	\$1,782,001	\$65,079

MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016 – 2017 BUDGET

The Missisquoi Valley Union School District Budget proposal for the 2016-2017 school year totals \$15,477,560. This amount represents a 1.23% increase over the current budget approved in March 2015.

The school administration and school board have worked diligently to reduce costs wherever possible. Department budgets have been level funded as much as possible. The implementation of busing services to Alburgh and Sheldon has brought more tuition student revenue to MVU. The anticipated tuition revenue reflects an estimated forty-one (41) students from tuitioning towns.

MVU continues to improve academic opportunities for students. The use of Data Teams and Data Team Coaches has, without additional cost, made gains in all content areas.

MVU is a leader in Vermont with student grading practices. Students must master Essential Learning Outcomes (ELO) before completing each course. Failure to do so results in an “Incomplete” instead of a failing grade. Students can’t “just get by” without doing the work. Students are given more time and additional support to achieve expected learning standards.

As mandated by state law, all Special Education professional staff salaries and benefits were transferred from all local schools to FNWSU in the current 2015-16 school year. In 2016-17, all special education expenses, except the support staff salary and benefits, will move to the SU level. Costs at the SU level continue to be budgeted in the same manner as they were in the local Special Education budget; however instead of appearing in separate budget line items, costs are now reflected within the FNWSU assessments.

MVU’s football program has been very successful, competing over the past two years as a junior varsity team. The program has grown and will transition to the varsity level next fall. Private funding has maintained the program without any tax payer support. This year, in a separate ballot article, voters will be asked to contribute \$10,000 to fund the football program. The article is independent of the continuation of football, but if passed, will allow the team and families to dedicate their full energies toward supporting program goals rather than dividing allegiance with fundraising.

The School Board will be holding an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Missisquoi Valley Union School Library. The budget will be voted by Australian ballot on Town Meeting Day, March 1st. Polling places are: Franklin Central School, Highgate Elementary School and Swanton Village Complex, and new this year, polls in all three towns will open at 7:00am and close at 7:00pm.

MVUHS School Board

Denis Boucher, Chair	868-4828	Earl Fournier, V. Chair	868-7494
Robert Irish	285-2288	John Ho	285-6676
Don Collins	868-7975	Gregg Gervais	868-9120
Lisa Letourneau	868-4391	Vickie Gratton	285-2083
Lisa Wells	868-6659		

**MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016 - 2017 SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL - SUMMARY by CATEGORY**

AREA / DEPARTMENT	FY2015 Approved	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Approved	FY2017 Proposed	Variance
Regular Programs	\$6,148,350	\$5,891,379	\$6,075,183	\$6,134,327	\$59,144
Department Budgets	\$308,041	\$239,939	\$307,991	\$293,803	(\$14,188)
Interscholastics	\$418,135	\$416,300	\$421,951	\$445,924	\$23,973
CoCurriculars	\$52,569	\$55,148	\$52,569	\$54,184	\$1,615
Registrar	\$28,809	\$26,636	\$41,844	\$52,930	\$11,086
Guidance Services	\$470,564	\$471,106	\$490,175	\$474,391	(\$15,784)
Student Assistance Program	\$73,219	\$76,353	\$75,540	\$78,456	\$2,916
Health Services	\$102,262	\$103,976	\$106,178	\$109,486	\$3,308
Psychological Services	\$23,610	\$16,354	\$22,418	\$19,709	(\$2,709)
Library Services	\$150,310	\$147,447	\$154,162	\$154,151	(\$11)
School-wide Technology	\$351,270	\$303,073	\$356,113	\$337,250	(\$18,863)
Board of Education	\$38,227	\$42,029	\$38,227	\$34,939	(\$3,288)
Principals' Office	\$662,133	\$640,852	\$682,895	\$676,185	(\$6,710)
Receptionist	\$47,740	\$47,382	\$49,490	\$51,750	\$2,260
Study Hall Monitor	\$25,490	\$28,323	\$0	\$0	\$0
Student Management	\$328,464	\$317,867	\$292,983	\$300,443	\$7,460
Fiscal Services	\$130,742	\$128,996	\$133,920	\$140,941	\$7,021
Plant Operation & Maintenance	\$1,345,079	\$1,348,729	\$1,420,410	\$1,405,501	(\$14,909)
Safety & Security	\$12,478	\$9,949	\$12,478	\$12,466	(\$12)
Transportation Services	\$734,697	\$676,282	\$789,248	\$821,885	\$32,637
Debt Service	\$143,985	\$136,513	\$136,412	\$128,808	(\$7,604)
Wood Chip Boiler	\$1,750	\$1,601	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Education Programs	\$2,875,193	\$2,416,689	\$1,854,301	\$1,194,417	(\$659,884)
Special Educ Operations Manager	\$76,011	\$73,193	\$78,341	\$81,136	\$2,795
Psychological Services (special educ)	\$70,830	\$49,061	\$22,500	\$0	(\$22,500)
Speech Services (special education)	\$128,177	\$118,413	\$7,500	\$0	(\$7,500)
FNWSU	\$483,015	\$489,732	\$1,666,449	\$2,474,478	\$808,029
BUDGET TOTAL	\$15,231,150	\$14,273,322	\$15,289,278	\$15,477,560	\$188,282

Increase: 1.23%

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

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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, 2016

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.

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.

PROPERTY TAXES

Proposed property tax due date; as warned – October 17, 2016 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.

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.

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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- Non-Emergency	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, Peter Magnant.....	285-6243
School Board Chair, Tim Magnant.....	285-2092
Zoning Administrator, Robert Irish.....	285-2288
Health Officer, Chris Ferland.....	285-2103
Animal Control Officer, Dennis Demar.....	285-6556
Town Garage.....	285-2180
Road Commissioner, Andrew Godin.....	285-6335

SCHOOLS

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

FRANKLIN DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVES

Albert Pearce.....	848-7813
Steve Beyor.....	868-3456
Representatives Number in Montpelier.....	800-322-5616

FRANKLIN DISTRICT SENATORS

Dustin Degree.....	782-4507
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LAKE CARMi CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION

Peter Benevento, President.....	285-6744
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IMPORTANT DATES 2016



- ❑ March 1, 2016- *Town Meeting*- Beginning at **9:00 a.m.** in the Franklin School Gym
*Polls open at **7:00 a.m.** for MVU and Presidential Primary*
- ❑ March 12, 2016 – Rabies Clinic at the Town Hall from 10–noon.
Dogs AND cats welcome; dogs MUST be leashed and cats MUST be in a crate.
- ❑ April 1, 2016- *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.
****\$13 spayed/neutered & \$17 unaltered dog****
- ❑ May & September 2016- *Metal Dumpster* is at the Town Garage for use by all Franklin residents/taxpayers
- ❑ June 25, 2016- *Community Yard Sale* at the Town Hall from 8:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
- ❑ October 17, 2016- *Property Taxes* are **due** by 3:30 p.m.

The Franklin Selectboard holds its monthly meetings on the first and third Wednesday 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.

The Franklin Water Commission holds its monthly meetings on the second Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Clerk's Office.

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.

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