

**ANNUAL REPORT
TOWN of BOLTON, VERMONT**

for the year July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

**Please take this report to Town Meeting on Monday, March 4, 2013
at Smilie Memorial School, 7:00 p.m.**

VOTING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013

TOWN MEETINGS -- OFFICE HOURS -- CALENDAR

Selectboard Meetings

First and Third Mondays, 5:45 pm

Town Office

Clerk, Deborah LaRiviere

Planning Commission

Second Tuesday, 6:00 pm

Town Office

Clerk, Amy Grover

Conservation Commission

Second Monday, 6:00pm

Town Office

Clerk, Lexi Haselton

Bolton School Board

First Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Smilie Memorial School

Clerk, Paula Gervia

Mt. Mansfield Union Board

Fourth Thursdays, 7:00 pm

The locations alternate between BRMS, CHMS, and MMU

Clerk, Stephanie Colburn

Development Review Board

Special Selectmen Meetings

Public Hearings

All scheduled as needed and warned in *The Burlington Free Press*

Clerk, Amy Grover

As a courtesy, please call the clerks of each board in advance to schedule your appointment.

Town Office Hours:

Mondays - Thursdays..... 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Fridays..... closed

Town Office Phone: 434-3064 and 434-5075

Town Office Fax: 434-6404

Planning and Zoning Hours:

Zoning Administrator, Miron Malbeouf

Tuesdays..... 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Saturdays..... by appointment

Planning and Zoning Phone: 434-5075

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POT LUCK DINNER

The Town will be serving a pot luck dinner prior to the commencement of Town Meeting on Monday March 04, 2013.

We ask that everyone bring their favorite dish to share (to serve 8-10 people).
Please identify your fare so diners are aware of the contents for allergies.

Serving will begin at 5:45 pm and continue until the meeting opens.
(However, you may continue eating during the meeting.)

As in the past, Representatives Rebecca Ellis and Tom Stevens as well as local board members, will be on hand to chat and answer questions.

Please make a note to join in and start a new custom.

The Town will provide all eating utensils, rolls, milk and coffee.

FOR THOSE PARENTS WHO WISH...

There will be supervised babysitting services available at Smilie School, separate from the meeting area, for Town Meeting night from 6:30 pm until all business is finished.

Local teens will be on hand to entertain any children who come. Snacks and games will be provided, but please feel free to bring anything special if you wish.

Contact Deborah LaRivière at 434-5075 if you have any questions

DEDICATION



Cemetery Caretakers Lee Wheelock and Dick Streeter, Sr.

Most of us never think about the afterlife. Especially those of us under forty! But, the inevitable happens. And when the inevitable does happen it's nice to know that the spot you pick for your eternal home is maintained with love and care.

Bolton has two cemeteries; one at the end of Cemetery Road, off Stage Road and one right on Route 2. There are ninety grave sites in the Route 2 spot and around 137 in the Cemetery Road spot. Some of the earliest dates go back to the early 1800's, with recent dates in the 2000's.

Cheryl Ann Mendocino, Penny Tinker and chair Betty Wheelock serve as the Cemetery Commissioners. However, Dick Streeter Sr. and Lee Wheelock are the cemetery caretakers.

Dick and Lee mow and trim the grass in both locations as well as repair damaged stones, clean old stones and tend to the individual grave sites. Dick, who was born in Bolton, has been the caretaker for more than thirty years. Lee, who moved to Bolton in 1956 when he married Betty Streeter Wheelock, joined the 'staff' about ten years ago. These two gentlemen are dedicated to their seasonal task and many visitors and genealogists comment on the beautiful condition of our cemeteries grounds and head stones.

Dick and Lee take great pride in their work as caretakers and the Town of Bolton takes great pride in Dick and Lee.

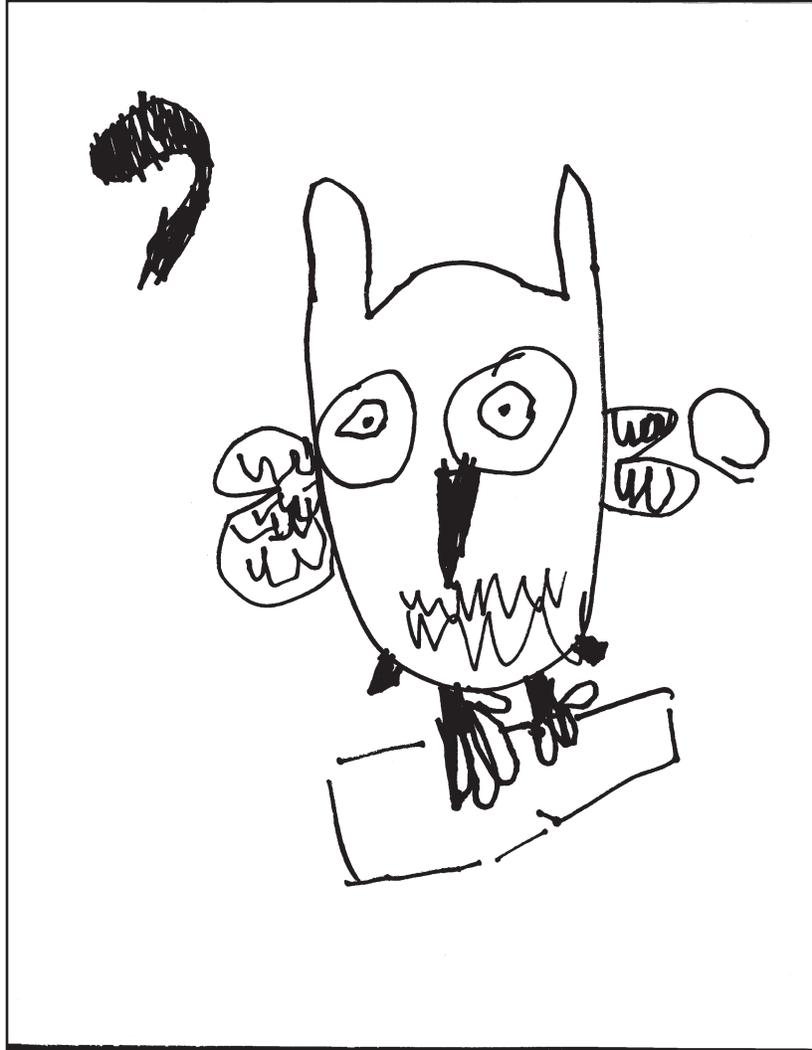
ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

POSITION	OFFICER	YEAR ELECTED	TERM	TERM EXPIRES
Town Moderator	Joss Besse	2012	1 year	2013
Town Clerk	Deborah La Rivière	2011	3 years	2014
Town Treasurer	Deborah La Rivière	2011	3 years	2014
Select Board	Gene Armstrong	2011	3 years	2014
	Daniel Champney	2012	2 years	2014
	Ronald Lafreniere, Chair	2010	3 years	2013
	David Parot	2011	2 years	2013
	Roderick Wheelock	2012	2 years	2014
Board of Civil Authority	Gene Armstrong ¹	2012	2 years	2014
	Daniel Champney ²	2012	2 years	2014
	John Devine, Justice	2012	2 years	2014
	Paula Gervia, Justice	2012	2 years	2014
	Amy Grover, Justice	2012	2 years	2014
	Brenda McKeown, Justice	2012	2 years	2014
	David Parot ³	2012	2 years	2014
	Richard Reid, Justice	2012	2 years	2014
	Deborah La Rivière ⁴			
Board of Listers	Linde Emerson	2011	3 years	2014
	Laurie Farnsworth	2011	3 years	2014
	Jeremy King	2011	3 years	2014
Delinquent Tax Collector	Joan Pecor	2012	1 year	2013
Town Constable	Eric Andrews	2012	1 year	2013
Town Agent	Deborah LaRivière	2012	1 year	2013
Grand Juror	Deborah LaRivière	2012	1 year	2013
Cemetery Commissioners	Cheryl Ann Sumner	2011	3 years	2014
	Penny J. Tinker	2011	3 years	2014
	Betty Wheelock	2011	3 years	2014
School Moderator	Joss Besse	2011	1 year	2012
Bolton Board of School Directors	Alain Cohen	2012	3 years	2015
	Paula Gervia	2010	3 years	2013
	Mary Ellen Seaver-Reid ⁵			2013
	Andrew Pond	2011	3 years	2014
Mt. Mansfield Rep	Ken Remsen	2012	3 years	2015

¹BCA member, not Justice of the Peace²BCA member, not Justice of the Peace³BCA Member, not Justice of the Peace⁴BCA member, not Justice of the Peace⁵Appointed to Miller's seat 11/2011

HIRED AND APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

POSITION	OFFICIAL	DATE OF HIRE OR APPOINTMENT
Ass't Clerk/Treasurer Planning Commission	Tina Atwood	Hired 1988
	Jenifer Andrews	Appointed 2004
Conservation Committee	Linda Baker, Chair	Appointed 1988
	Steve Barner	Appointed 1990
	Jim Bralich	Appointed 1999
	Rodney Pingree	Appointed 2003
	Tony Barbagallo	Appointed 2005
	Lexi Haselton	Appointed 2008
	Sharon Murray	Appointed 2003
	Zach Schwartz	Appointed 2012
	Quinn Keating	Appointed 2012
	Development Review Board	Michael Hauser
Sharon Murray, Chair		Appointed 2005
Margot Pender		Appointed 2004
Mike Rainville, Chair		Appointed 2003
Susan Vita		Appointed 2009
Charmaine Godin, Alternate		Appointed 2010
Jerry Chabot		Appointed 2005
David Punia, Clerk		Hired 2012
Jen Andrews		Appointed 2012
Zoning Administrator		Miron Malbeouf
Health Officer	Miron Malbeouf	Appointed 2008
PC Clerk	Amy Grover	Hired 2001
Fire Chief/Warden	Mike Gervia	
Pound Keeper	Gene Armstrong	
Representative to CCRPC Alternate	Leslie Pelch	Appointed 2004
	Margot Pender	Appointed 2004
Cemetery Caretaker	Richard K. Streeter, Sr. Lee Wheelock	
Highway Department	Eric Andrews, Foreman	Hired 1999 FT
	Glenn Armstrong	Hired 2011 FT
Area Principals		
Smilie	Mary Woodruff	
Camels Hump	Mark Carbone	
Mt. Mansfield	Michael Weston	
School Superintendent	John Alberghini	



Municipal Section
Tax Rate Information
Delinquent Tax Collector's Report
Proposed Budget 2013-14
Auditor's Letter

TAX RATE INFORMATION

FY July 01, 2011 – June 30, 2012

FY	Non-Resident Education Rate	Resident Education Rate	Municipal	MMU Accrual	Conservation	Total
04-05	\$2.044	\$1.9300	.79	.02	.01	\$2.864 (non) \$2.750 (resident)
05-06	\$2.0558	\$2.0025	.79		.01	\$2.8558 (non) \$2.8025 (resident)
06-07 ¹	\$1.15	\$1.14	.45		.01	\$1.61 (non) \$1.60 (resident)
07-08	\$1.2738	\$1.2200	.48		.0025	\$1.7025 (resident) \$1.7563 (non)
08-09	\$1.3325	\$1.2454	.5382		.0025	\$1.7861 (resident) \$1.8732 (non)
09-10	\$1.4345	\$1.3571	.5262			\$1.8833 (resident) \$1.9607 (non)
10-11	\$1.4873	\$1.4758	.5200			\$1.9958 (resident) \$2.0073 (non)
11-12 ¹	\$1.3674	\$1.3487	.45			\$1.7987 (resident) \$1.8174 (non)

¹Previous Reappraisal completion year

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Taxes Due as of July 01, 2011	\$76,216.46
Taxes turned over to Delinquent Tax Collector on May 16, 2012	+\$64,151.76
Taxes Collected by the Delinquent Tax Collector between July 01, 2011 and June 30, 2012	-\$61,793.10
Adjustments, Errors and Omissions and Abatements	-\$6,235.91
Delinquent Tax List as of June 30, 2012	\$72,339.21
As of February 01, 2013 the balance owed on delinquent taxes was \$32,425.43	



Tina Atwood, Assistant Town Clerk

TOWN OF BOLTON EXPENDITURE REPORT							
Full Acct #	Account Description	Budget 2011-12	Budget 2012-2013	Expenditures YTD 2012-13	Proposed Budget 2013-14	% Change from 12-13 to 13-14	Dollar Change from 12-13 to 13-14
100-3000-10.00	Wages/FT	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 26,251.08	\$ 72,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-10.01	Wages F/T O/T	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 2,895.57	\$ 13,500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-11.00	Wages/PT	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 13,383.75	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-11.01	Wages P T/O T			\$ 1,198.17			0.00
100-3000-15.00	Social Security	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 4,167.32	\$ 6,500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-16.00	Retirement	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 897.75	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-17.00	Health Insurance	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 5,473.05	\$ 28,400.00	5.19%	1,400.00
100-3000-18.00	Dental Coverage	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 386.17	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3000-20.20	Vehicle Payment/Principal	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	5.88%	1,000.00
100-3000-20.25	Vehicle Payment/Interest	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 795.82	\$ 7,000.00	4.48%	300.00
100-3000-20.31	New Vehicle Purchase						0.00
100-3010-74.00	Garage Operating Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,881.59	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-74.01	PW/Telephone	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 273.66	\$ 1,600.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-74.02	PW/Heating	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-74.04	PW/Uniforms	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-74.05	PW/Trash	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-74.06	PW/Electricity	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 336.34	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-78.00	Gravel	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 14,891.25	\$ 25,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-80.00	Sand	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3010-95.00	Tree Removal	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-60.00	Equip Rentals	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-65.00	Outside Contractors	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 6,130.00	\$ 15,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-80.00	Equip Repair	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,379.74	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-85.00	Small Equip Purchase	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 486.77	\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-88.00	Culverts	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,767.92	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3020-90.00	Resurfacing	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 72,540.14	\$ 56,000.00	55.56%	20,000.00
100-3020-95.00	Cold Patch	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 704.90	\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3030-20.00	Chloride	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00		\$ 2,800.00	-26.32%	(1,000.00)
100-3030-30.00	Salt	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 35,000.00		\$ 35,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3030-40.00	Fuel	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 7,717.38	\$ 17,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3030-50.00	Oil/Lube	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 134.08	\$ 1,200.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3040-30.00	2005 International	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,566.76	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3040-4500	2008 International	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 428.94	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00

TOWN OF BOLTON EXPENDITURE REPORT

Full Acct #	Account Description	Budget 2011-12	Budget 2012-2013	Expenditures YTD 2012-13	Proposed Budget 2013-14	% Change from 12-13 to 13-14	Dollar Change from 12-13 to 13-14
100-3040-40.00	2000 Loader	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 485.68	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3040-50.00	1999 Grader	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,443.33	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3040-65.00	2003 One Ton	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 830.20	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3040-80.00	2001 International	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,307.82		-100.00%	(5,000.00)
100-3050-30.00	Tires	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,900.85	\$ 4,500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3050-40.00	Cutting Edges	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 143.31	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3050-50.00	Guardrails	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3050-60.00	Road Signs	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 506.10	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3050-60.10	Safety Equip	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3050-70.00	Tools	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 183.72	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-3060-30.00	Road Re-Construction			\$ 11,130.43			0.00
100-4000-20.00	Building Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
100-6000-20.00	Capital Expense/PW	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00	0.00%	0.00
	Highway Sub-Total	\$ 380,400.00	\$ 379,900.00	\$ 239,869.59	\$ 396,600.00	4.40%	16,700.00
200-3000-30.00	Debt Service/Town Office	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	0.00%	0.00
200-3000-30.10	Town Office-Interest	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,560.36	\$ 6,000.00	0.00%	0.00
	Debt Service/Bond Principal	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	0.00%	0.00
	Debt Service/Bond Interest	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 3,706.52	\$ 7,200.00	0.00%	0.00
200-3000-30.77	Construction Note/Principal		\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00		0.00
200-3000-30.78	Construction Note/Interest		\$ 6,000.00		\$ 6,000.00		0.00
200-4000-10.00	Wages	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 30,088.80	\$ 75,300.00	10.74%	7,300.00
200-4000-15.00	Social Security	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 2,301.74	\$ 5,400.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4000-16.00	Retirement	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 1,746.68	\$ 2,700.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4000-17.00	Health Insurance	\$ 18,900.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 3,159.14	\$ 22,000.00	10.00%	2,000.00
200-4000-18.00	Dental Coverage	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 376.69	\$ 1,200.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.01	GG/Heating	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.02	GG/Electric	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 646.36	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.03	GG/Trash Removal	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 176.64	\$ 300.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.04	GG/Building Maint/Minor	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 797.70	\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.05	GG/Office Supplies	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,292.82	\$ 3,000.00	-25.00%	(1,000.00)
200-4010-20.06	GG/Telephone-Fax Service	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,599.72	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%	0.00
200-4010-20.07	GG/Copier Charges	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 2,144.48	\$ 3,000.00	-9.09%	(300.00)

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200-4010-20.08	GG/Fees to SOV	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 649.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4010-20.09	GG/Meeting Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4010-20.10	GG/Gazette Costs	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 421.23	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4010-20.11	GG/Postage	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 576.46	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4010-22.00	Printing/Advertising	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
100-3000-16.00	Legal/General Services	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,084.98	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4010-32.00	Property Mainenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 840.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4020-32.00	Constable	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4020-34.00	Election Costs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,661.27	\$ 1,500.00	-50.00%	(1,500.00)		
200-4020-35.00	CUSI	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00		\$ 600.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4020-38.00	Auditing Services	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,169.00	\$ 7,500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4020-42.00	NEMRC	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,091.55	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4030-50.00	Conservation Commission	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00		\$ 500.00	-68.75%	(1,100.00)		
200-4030-51.00	Cemetery Care	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,605.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4030-52.00	County Tax	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,618.16	\$ 5,700.00	14.00%	700.00		
200-4030-54.00	Membership Fees	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,571.23	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4030-58.00	Planning/Zoning	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,958.55	\$ 12,000.00	200.00%	8,000.00		
200-4030-60.00	Richmond Rescue	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 15,000.00	32.74%	3,700.00		
200-4030-62.00	Maps	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,766.25	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4030-64.00	Visiting Nurse Assc	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 700.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4030-68.00	Web Page Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4040-70.01	Workers Comp	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4040-70.02	Unemployment Comp			\$ 144.00					
200-4040-70.03	Liability	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 194.00	\$ 20,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4050-80.10	Assessors Expenses	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 7,381.88	\$ 16,000.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4050-80.11	Assessors/Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 861.41	\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00		
200-4050-80.12	Assessors/Mileage								
200-4050-80.13	Assessors/ Trn'g/Seminars								
200-4050-80.14	Assessors/ Postage			\$ 821.21					
200-4050-80.15	Assessors/ Software								
200-4050-80.16	Assessors/Support								
200-4050-80.17	Listers/ Wages	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 545.00	\$ 2,000.00	-50.00%	(2,000.00)		
200-4500-2500	Library Card Reimbursement			\$ 315.00					

TOWN OF BOLTON EXPENDITURE REPORT							
Full Acct #	Account Description	Budget 2011-12	Budget 2012-2013	Expenditures YTD 2012-13	Proposed Budget 2013-14	% Change from 12-13 to 13-14	Dollar Change from 12-13 to 13-14
200-5000-30.55	Capital Reserve	\$ 282,000.00	\$ 310,600.00	\$ 162,102.83	\$ 326,400.00	5.09%	15,800.00
	SUB-TOTAL GENERAL FUND						
300-4500-90.00	FD/General Operations	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 5,361.98	\$ 6,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.01	FD/Heating	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 35.51	\$ 6,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.02	FD/Electricity	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 785.20	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.03	FD/Trash removal						0.00
300-4500-90.04	FD/Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 16.14	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.05	FD/Insurance	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 9,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.06	Telephone	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,203.62	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.10	FD/Mutual Aid Dues	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.11	FD/Training/Education	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00		\$ 8,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.13	FD/Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.51	FD/Radio Repair	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,387.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.52	FD/Dispatch	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,313.93	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.61	FD/Equip Replacement	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 1,739.63	\$ 6,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.62	FD/Equip Repair	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 471.83	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.63	FD/Vehicle Repair	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,057.47	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-4500-90.64	FD/Vehicle Op/fuel etc	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 677.17	\$ 800.00	0.00%	0.00
300-5000-10.00	FD/Reserve Bld/Capital	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,843.75	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%	0.00
300-5000-10.01	FD/Reserve Fund/Equipment	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-6000-30.00	Vehicles Payment/Principle	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00	0.00%	0.00
300-6000-30.50	Vehicle Payments/Interest	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	0.00%	0.00
	SUB-TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 82,300.00	\$ 82,000.00	\$ 17,893.23	\$ 82,000.00	0.00%	0.00
	TOTAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET	\$ 744,700.00	\$ 772,500.00	\$ 839,731.30	\$ 805,000.00	4.21%	32,500.00

TOWN OF BOLTON, VERMONT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2012
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS

The full Auditor's Report is available at www.boltonvt.com

Mudgett
Jennett &
Krogh-Wisner, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants #435

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Selectmen
Town of Bolton, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bolton, Vermont (the Town) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in note 1 to the financial statements, the Town prepares its financial statements on the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position - modified cash basis of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bolton, Vermont as of June 30, 2012 and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 20, 2012 on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

*Mudgett, Jennett &
Krogh-Wisner, P.C.*

Montpelier, Vermont
August 20, 2012





Tina Atwood, Assistant Town Clerk and Deb LaRiviere, Town Clerk & Treasurer

Town Section

Minutes of March 5, 2012 Town Meeting

Letter from Clerk and Treasurer

Letter from Select Board

Letter from Zoning Administrator

Road Foreman's Report

Winter Operations Plan

Tax Payment Policy

MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 05, 2012 TOWN MEETING

Prior to the meeting coming to order, Town Clerk Deborah La Riviere spoke about re-districting. Representatives Bill Frank and George Till and Tom Stevens spoke briefly. Moderator Besse reminded voters that the Doyle survey was available. Boy Scout Casey Lavallee explained his project and resident Mica Cassara told about ReBuild Waterbury. Deb La Riviere presented the Good Citizen of the Year Award to Fire Chief Mike Gervia. About one hundred residents were in attendance.

Article 1: *To hear and act on the reports of the school directors.*

Motion by Jerry Mullen and second by Phil Graff. Andrew Pond introduced the board which includes Paula Gervia, Keith Fitzpatrick and Mary Ellen Seaver-Reid. He also introduced MMU Rep Ken Remsen, Joanne Russell from central office and Principal Mary Woodruff. Pond indicated that enrollment was steady and the increases in the budget are due to salaries and health insurance. He reminded that last year's merger proposal did not pass.

Jerry Mullen: In the future might it be possible to make the graphs and text a bit larger for the older eyes? And what did the graphs mean?

Pond asked that Principal Woodruff answer these questions. Moderator Besse asked that the assembly approve Woodruff speaking since she is not a voter in town. All agreed.

Mary Woodruff: These are NECAP scores in math, reading and writing. Smilie made gains in math, maintained in reading however, the writing scores are poor all across New England.

Pond then made correction on page 61. The question was called. All in favor, motion passed.

Article 2: *Shall the voters of the Bolton School District authorize the school board under 16 VSA 562 (9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year.*

Motion by Ken Remsen and second by Don Whitman. All in favor. Motion passed.

Article 3. *Shall the voters of the Bolton Town School District approve the payment of a \$10 stipend per board meeting to School Board Directors.*

Motion by Ken Remsen and second by Sharon Murray. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Article 4. *To vote a budget of \$1,362,001 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Bolton School District.*

Motioned by Jerry Mullen and second by Ken Remsen.

Andrew Stevens: Is the cost per pupil really \$21 thousand?

Pond: Small schools have many fixed costs. The student numbers do not include pre-school. We also have two teachers who are teaching three grades.

Stevens: Last year seemed much lower; like maybe about 19K per student.

Pond: Our enrollment is stable; it's salary and fuel costs.

Mullen: Last year was about the same.

Phil Graff: What's the per pupil cost that is too high and the school needs to close? Does the Board have a

figure in mind? What's too much?

Pond: The state is at about 12K per pupil. What would we do with the building and where would we send the kids? The consideration last year was the merger. Over all it was favorable but it didn't pass district wide. It's difficult to judge but our enrollment is stable. But at some point we do need to look at this but not immediately.

Susan Bralich: Is there any part of the budget that figures in for pre-school only?

Pond: Next year pre-school cost is \$101,205. The pre-school goal is to identify the most needy students. Teachers in the higher grades feel pre-schoolers fair better. Even though the pre-school is expensive it addresses actual needs.

Mike Mumley: If we send kids to another school, how does that affect the budget. If we send them elsewhere, what would it cost us?

Pond: Transportation is an issue and that could be costly. Most costs are fixed because of running a building. It's hard to say if it would be cheaper. Some costs are shared within the districts. Our costs are high because we have so few children.

Mumley: How many families do the 64 kids represent?

Woodruff: 34

Mumley: Less than 50 families are using Smilie. Could we save money by sending them elsewhere?

Pond: Unknown.

Keith Fitzpatrick: We don't know what the savings would be.

Mumley: I know it's quaint to have a local school but for \$21 thousand a kid could go to college on that kind of money.

Mark Andrews: It's more than the bottom line. I'd like to acknowledge that the educators and school board directors are doing a good job. Education is a great resource. It's important to think about sponsoring a study to see if it would be feasible to continue to keep Smilie open.

Pond: The per student costs state wide average is about \$12,287 for last year. Our student cost last year was \$15,387.

Amy Ludwin: I'd like to second Mark Andrews' thoughts. My children received a great education at Smilie but there should be a study to look in to school choice maybe we could boost our numbers.

Pond: Making fewer districts might work. The merger would have helped that. We're an island right now. To change we need the state. If we tuition out we still have the building. It's a relatively small amount of money.

Besse: Should a motion be made to direct the board to do a study? Andrew are you hearing enough? Do you want a motion?

Pond: We will look into it and have a report for next year.

Mullen: When you divide dollars by kids it's 19 thousand a year. It doesn't all come from the town, does

it?

Pond: Some comes from the state.

Joanne Russell: Some grants as well. The actual tax dollar figure is \$1,085,018. We get transportation money, special education and other funds. It's about \$15,650 per student.

Mullen: Even though it's only about 30 or 40 families it benefits everyone in town. If they get good educations, they will get good jobs.

Carol Devlin: One thing to keep in mind, are other elementary schools able to absorb our kids?

Pond: A contract with another town can always fall through because of space.

Andrews: I'd like to amend the budget motion to include \$5,000 additional to do a study.

Tom Haviland seconded. The question was called on the amendment to the motion. All were in favor of the amendment to the budget. The question on the budget was called, all were in favor. The Budget with the \$5,000 increase was passed.

Article 5. *This time shall serve as a public informational hearing for the purpose of explaining and discussing Article 12.*

Richard Deane from Truax/Collins spoke about the proposed improvements to Smilie. The original building was constructed in 1959 with renovations in 1989 and 1999. There is good insulation in the roof but it is not up to code. The roof now leaks and was not built to carry an excessive snow load. The existing pvc membrane is failing. The new roof will have a 20 year warranty but should last 25.

Don Whitman: Will any energy cost savings be included?

Deane: There will be new insulation and thermal bridging. Yes, we will see some, but it's not that significant, about \$3600 per year.

Jen Botzjoorns: Will we have a written warranty?

Deane: We may be able to get a 30 year warranty.

Chris Bernadine: The floor tiles in the gym are coming unglued. Was there a warranty on those?

Pond: No, no sealant when done. The other piece will be new control system to control heat ourselves without a HVAC person coming in.

Article 6. *To transact other school business thought proper when met.*

Articles 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to be voted by Australian Ballot on Tuesday March 06, 2012.

Article 7. *To elect a Moderator for one year.*

Article 8. *To elect a school board director for three years.*

Article 9. *To elect a school director for two years.*

Article 10. *To elect a school director for a period of 1 year to complete an unexpired 2 year term.*

Article 11. *To elect a school director for a period of three years for Mt Mansfield Union school District #17, term to begin election day.*

Article 12. *Shall general obligation bonds of Bolton School District in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred and Sixty Thousand dollars (\$260,000), subject to reduction for available grants-in-aid, be issued for the purpose of financing certain public improvements, viz: replacement and structural improvements of the 1959 roof section, repair gym floor and upgrade to digital HVAC system at Smilie School in the Town of Bolton, Vermont. State funding may not be available at the time this project is otherwise eligible to receive state school construction aid, and in connection with temporary bond construction funding. The district is responsible for all costs incurred in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of state school construction aid.*

Jerry motion to end the school portion of Town Meeting and Duncan Galbraith seconded. The school portion adjourned.

There was a brief break and the Town portion began.

Articles 1, 2 and 3 to be voted on by Australian ballot on Tuesday March 06, 2012. Not article 4 which will be voted on tonight.

Article 1. *To elect all officers as required by law: a Moderator for one year, a Select Board member for two years, a Select Board member for two years, a Delinquent Tax Collector for one year, a Town Constable for one year, a Town agent for one year and a Grand Juror for one year.*

Article 2 *To approve a ¼ cent on the tax rate for conservation land.*

Article 3. *To approve a 1/8 cent on the tax rate for reimbursement of library cards for residents.*

Article 4. *To see if the voters will accept the town report.*

Motion by Ken Remsen and seconded by Jerry Mullen.

Ron Lafreniere: Mike Gervia will answer questions on the fire station.

Mike Gervia: The remodel started in October and there is still some outside work that we're waiting for spring to complete. For the first time in a long time, we meet all codes and all the mold is gone. The department will be hosting the Green-Up Day for lunch again this year. The Moderator called the question to accept the report. All in favor, motion passed.

Article 5. *To vote a budget of \$772,500 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town and to authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate to provide the same.*

Motion by Ken Remsen and seconded by Jerry Mullen.

Mike Rainville: As a member of Richmond Rescue I'd like to thank the town for the support last year for the paramed service. The other towns did not pass this last year, so Richmond Rescue decided to not take the money from Bolton. Now Richmond Rescue is still in the same boat. Ron Lafreniere met with the Rescue board and they have been talking. I'd like Ron Lafreniere to bring us up to date.

Lafreniere: I was the Bolton rep on the committee after the voting last year with reps from all the towns included. We went over the Rescue budget and looked at expenses and projected revenues. Ron Mack provided whatever was asked: number of calls, billing, revenues, where they were going and what they needed. Bolton did not add any

additional money in the proposed budget because we didn't have the figures we needed at the time we set the budget. Since then the Rescue Committee met again. We believe there is a need and they do need the money if we are going to continue using them. I'd like to ask Ron Mack to give us an over view of what they need. (The Moderator asked the voters for permission to allow a non-voter the opportunity to speak and all agreed)

Ron Mack: I'd like to thank you all for allowing me to speak. With the 3 towns, Bolton is the hardest to communicate with. I hadn't realized that a lot of people didn't get the flyer we recently sent out. After town meeting last year, it was evident that towns didn't understand how the Rescue operated. We are asking for an additional \$9,700 this year. We are also hoping communication between Rescue and the towns has improved. We will be sending out a quarterly report. This additional money will go into the capital expense fund.

Besse: We have \$11,300 in the budget now.

Mullen: I'd motion to add \$9,700 to the budget figure presented, bringing the budget to \$782,200.

Ernest Levesque seconded the amendment.

Susan Bralisch: Can we have a clause that if the other towns don't agree our motion to include the funds is void? Can the motion be stated differently?

Mullen: I would move to amend my amendment to include the clause. Levesque agreed.

Paula Gervia: These numbers don't seem to work? We have \$11,300 in the budget and with the addition of \$9,700 it goes to \$21,000 which is even more than the letter indicated that Richmond Rescue wanted.

Mack: Those are the committee's numbers.

David Parot: One of the challenges we have was first the increase was for paramedicene, now it's capital funding. When you don't meet your budget every year how do we know what the money will be used for?

Mack: We will not be back for the next three years, this increase will be all we ask for over the next three years. We need to get our regular budget and capital funding organized. When we get enough money for paramed-icien it will have to support itself.

Parot: How many calls are at the resort or on the interstate?

Mack: 33 out of 88 were at Bolton Valley.

Besse: We need to vote on the amendment to the amendment; which is to tie the other towns into the increase payment.

Jason Roberts: Not in favor of the amendment. It's a small amount. Do not tie it in to the other towns. In favor of the \$9,700.

Besse: We are voting on the amendment to tie the additional funding to the other towns.

Rita Kelly: Does the \$9,700 have anything to do with parameds?

Mack: No, it will be part of the capital fund.

Kelly: If \$9,700 has nothing to do with parameds why is that coming up again?

Duncan Galbraith: Calling for the question. Ken Remsen seconded the call. The Amendment to the amendment is to tie our additional funding to the other towns; all towns or no towns. Nays have it. Amendment to the amendment failed.

Now back to discussion on the \$9,700 increase.

Steve Barner: I do support Richmond Rescue but this is a kind of hail mary play that should be in the budget. I would feel comfortable if the select board had the increase in the budget. I've heard a lot of confusion tonight. It doesn't speak of good leadership on Richmond Rescue's part.

Remsen: He said he wouldn't come back again and ask, but will he be asking for \$21,000 next year? And the next year?

Mack: We will expect that amount next year and on and on. That's the number we need from Bolton to make Richmond Rescue work. We are confident that that is the figure.

Amy Ludwin: Has the select board discussed the \$9,700?

Lafreniere: We haven't had a meeting since the letter went out. We haven't made a formal decision.

Jason Williams: I am frustrated with Richmond Rescue's means of communication. Last year it was more money for paramediciene or no Rescue. I do not approve this increase.

Rainville: As a member of Richmond Rescue, it is unprofessional and it has major growth pains. It is frustrating for Rescue as well. The Richmond Rescue board needs financial people to help it out. It is egg on our faces. Please support us.

John Tsrchenko: I appreciate Richmond Rescue but it's 2 years in a row asking for a big increase at the last minute. Get it next year.

Chris LaBerge: If we have to make an informed decision, where did that \$9,700 come from? When was the last audit?

Mack: I appreciate the time Ron spent, but I find these comments about leadership of Richmond Rescue insulting. The Rescue board has discussed how much we need. We have been speaking to the advisory board. It was the advisory board who requested that it be brought back to the townspeople. A lot of effort went in. I am a volunteer. We worked very hard on the budget. One of the things generated from the advisory board was a list of capital items, which we did generate. That's where the \$9,700 came from. We are trying to close the communication gap. It's not perfect.

Jen Dudley: There appears to be a communication breakdown. It was apparent last year and is still that way. I am in favor of the \$9,700.

Andy Stevens: There are too many numbers too quickly. I need to think more about it.

Leslie Pelch: It's more than a breakdown in communication. I'm not comfortable giving more.

Jen Andrews asked for the question to be called and Leslie Pelch seconded. All were in favor of calling the question for the additional \$9,700.

Besse: All in favor of adding \$9,700 increase to the budget for Richmond Rescue. It was unclear by voice vote what the outcome was. All agreed on a show of hands: by show of hands it was determined that 51 were in favor

and 24 opposed. The budget is now, 782,200 Ayes have it, budget with additional passed.

Article 6. *To see if the town will vote to pay its real and personal property taxes to the town treasurer in four installments with due dates of September 17, 2012, November 15, 2012, February 15, 2013 and May 15, 2013.*

Motion by Jerry Mullen and second by Tom Haviland. All in favor, motion passed.

Article 7. *To see if the town will authorize interest charges on all delinquent taxes of real and personal property of one percent per month. Interest accrues as soon as a payment is late.*

Motion by Rod Wheelock and second by Sharon Murray. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Article 8. *To authorize the Select Board to borrow money for the necessary needs of the town as they arise.*

Motion by Ken Remsen and second by Jerry Mullen. All were in favor, motion passed.

Article 9. *To establish expenses for the members of the Select Board.*

Andy Stevens motioned to pay board members \$10 per meeting, seconded by Jerry Mullen. All in favor, motion passed.

Article 10. *To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift or purchase, land, in collaboration with the Town's Conservation Commission, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forest practices or for open land for animal habitats, recreational use and to preserve important ecological areas.*

Motion by Jerry Mullen and second by Andy Stevens.

Steve Macleod: Can you clarify the question?

Besse: This authorizes the town to acquire or purchase land for conservation purposes.

Macleod: Who has the power? The Select Board?

Ron: We would hold a public hearing before we purchased a piece of land.

Besse: Are you ready for the question? All were in favor, motion passed.

Article 11. *To transact any other business thought proper when met.*

Jen Andrews: A recent petition was circulated to pass a resolution stating: "In light of the United States Supreme Court's Citizens United decision which equated money with speech and gave corporations rights constitutionally intended for natural persons, we the voters of Bolton, Vermont Town Meeting, urge the General Assembly of the State of Vermont to pass a resolution, and urge the Vermont Congressional Delegation and the U.S. Congress and Senate to propose a Constitutional amendment for the States' consideration, which provides that money is not speech, and that corporations are not persons under the U.S. Constitution." the question..." Jerry Mullenseconded the motion to pass this resolution. We have circulated and got 70 signatures from people who feel this was important for the town to address. This motion will send a message to congress that money should not be impacting how decisions are made.

Sally Ashworth: Totally approve of this. We just spend the last 2 ½ hours trying to find money to support the town. There's too much money being used for campaigning.

Mullen: Very much in favor of this. The town should vote in favor of this.

Will Peery: There are many trans-national corporations that have bigger budgets than people.

Steve Peery: Corporations are made up of people and they all have the ability to vote and use their personal money to help get elected .We should vote in favor.

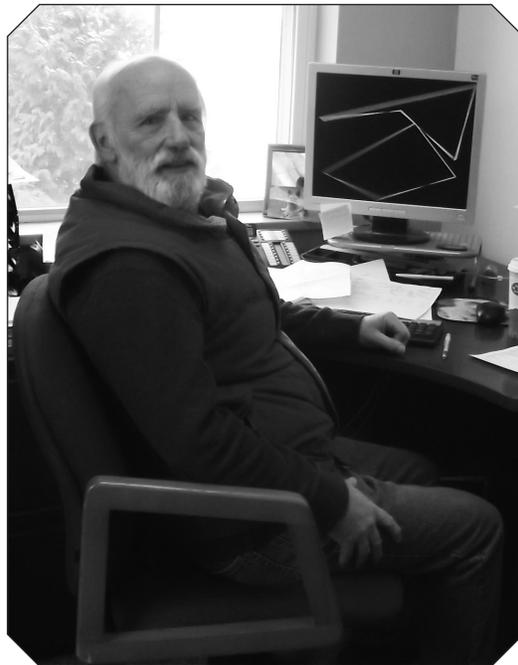
Amy Ludwin: There are twenty-seven amendments to the constitution-it is a living document and can be amendment.

Pelch: I'd like to read a quote by Justice Stevens: "In the context of election to public office, the distinction between corporate and human speakers is significant. Although they make enormous contributions to our society, corporations are not actually members of it. They cannot vote or run for office. Because they may be managed and controlled by nonresidents, their interest may conflict in fundamental respects with the interests of the eligible voters."

Jerry Mullen called for the question and Andy Stevens seconded. All were in favor and the motion to ask for a constitutional amendment passed.

Jerry Mullen motioned to end the meeting, seconded by Ken Remsen. Town Meeting 2012 ended at 9:30 pm.

Attest:
Deborah La Riviere
Town Clerk



Kermit Blaisdell, Assessor

LETTER FROM THE TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

“Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success.” Henry Ford

Finances

It always amazes me how quickly time moves and 2012 flew by in a blur. The Town received funds from FEMA early in 2012 for incomplete projects from Tropical Storm Irene. The highway crew worked diligently to repair Duxbury Road in several places, and Honey Hollow Road. Time constraints prohibited completion of work on Bolton Valley Road and Notch Road, but the required engineering study is finished and work will commence this spring. The costs of the two roads with projects that weren't started when the FEMA crew left the state will be covered as they are completed.

The annual audit, conducted by Mudgett-Jenet and Krogh-Wisner, was completed in the fall and received a positive conclusion.

Debt Service for the Town remains at about 16% of the annual municipal budget. While compiling the proposed 2013-14 budget, the Select Board increased the amount allocated for highway loan repayment. Since I took this position, I have seen the cost of full-equipped highway vehicles go from \$45,000 to over \$160,000. Payments of ten and fifteen thousand dollars no longer can get a heavy equipment note paid off in the five year span I like. The Board increased the payment figure from \$17 to \$18 thousand and the interest amount from \$6,700 to \$7,000. Even though interest rates have seen a substantial drop recently, I always use any excess money in the interest line item, after making the regular payment, to pay down the principal. This can knock off a year in the life of the note.

The Reserve Fund account is added to each year through line item allocations. Currently this account holds about forty-one thousand dollars for a down payment of a highway vehicle and just under \$22,000 for land conservation as well as several other small accounts. The \$87 thousand dollars received from FEMA was held in the Reserve Fund until work was actually completed and then was transferred into the General Fund.

A motion was made, seconded and passed at Town Meeting March 2012 to increase the annual allocation by \$9,700 for Richmond Rescue. This year Board Members met with representatives of the squad while working on the 2013-14 proposed budget. The squad requested \$18,000 for 2013-14, an increase from the regularly budgeted 2012-13 amount of \$11,300 but less than the actual amount of \$21,000 (after the Town Meeting voice vote increase). The Board settled on a \$15,000 contribution for the 2013-14 budget.

Town News

The August Primary was poorly attended with only about one hundred participants. The November General Election experienced a much better turnout with over 600 voters.

The 2012 Reapportionment assignment concluded with the Town of Bolton being bundled with Waterbury, Huntington and Buel's Gore. Bolton is now part of the Washington-Chittenden District with two representatives, Rebecca Ellis and Tom Stevens. Tom and Rebecca will be on hand at town meeting to give a brief update on what's going on in Montpelier and to answer your questions.

The Board held several public meetings during 2012 in conjunction with the Vermont Land Trust and the state of Vermont Forests and Parks Department. The discussions at these hearings centered on the sale of a tract of Bolton Valley land containing the Nordic Ski Trails, the sub-division of a parcel of land on Duxbury Road and the proposed sale of that land and the proposed construction of a bridge across the Winooski for re-location of the Long Trail. A provision will be included in the sales agreement for the Nordic Trail land that will give the town of Bolton an easement



for future use of 'Broadway' as an emergency access to the top of the mountain. The process for the sub-division and sale of the land on Duxbury Road as well as the proposed bridge construction are both still in progress.

The 'Potholes' swimming area brought a slew of issues to the town this summer including guardrails, delineator signs, no parking signs and general chaos. The Vermont River Conservancy became involved with an offer to draft some type of management plan, but in the end the Select Board contracted with a local towing company to remove any vehicles illegally parked; somewhat alleviating the public safety issue.

Monday March 04, 2013 is Town Meeting Day. Bolton holds its meeting in the evening beginning at 7pm, at Smilie School. The actual meeting is preceded by a pot luck dinner starting at 5:45. Bring a dish to share and get a chance to chat with Board members, Representatives to the Vermont House and your neighbors.

Tuesday March 05, 2013 is the day for Australian ballot voting. Ballots this year will include electing school and municipal officials, a ¼ cent contribution for the Land Conservation Fund, and the Mount Mansfield Union District budget. There is no library contribution question this year since there is still money left from the positive vote last year.

I am meeting with the Goodway Document Service Company in January to discuss putting land records on disc. When my assistant Tina needed a new computer, rather than tossing the old one, we had it overhauled and have set up a kiosk in the office that will be used by attorneys and paralegals doing title search work. They will be able to access deeds and other land records without pulling out the actual books, taking them apart and running the copier lights over the archival pages. This will help preserve the archival pages.

This report always serves as my 'thank you note' to residents and boards who help the town and who help me. I couldn't run an election without the help of Brenda McKeown and Paula Gervia. It usually takes a federal election year to make me remember that they are always there to prop me up at the end of the night, to call off numbers that I am too cross-eyed to see and to help me close up shop and form the caravan home. My assistant Tina Atwood and Planning Clerk Amy Grover are also my essential personnel. Thanks to these ladies.

Our Fire Chief and his department and our Highway Crew are essential town personnel and our hats are off to them all. Doris Wheelock and Steve Barner who organize the monthly Senior Dinners and the webpage, respectively, provide invaluable assistance to all residents.

Mary Woodruff, Sherry Mahoney and Phil Baker at Smilie School share their space with me when I need it and always make me feel at home.

Chuck and Sue Rooney who have always been the best of neighbors, are always looking out for us at the office.

The Boards that serve you, the residents of Bolton, work to make life in town better for all. The Planning Commission, the Development Review Board, the Conservation Commission, the Board of Civil Authority, the local School Board and our Representative to the MMU Board work tirelessly to improve life in Bolton.

Dick Streeter Sr. and Lee Wheelock, who serve as Cemetery Caretakers, and as noted in this year's Dedication, keep life in the afterlife perfect.

I have held the office of Town Treasurer for twenty-five years and the office of Town Clerk for twenty-three years. It is my pleasure and my honor to serve the town of Bolton. I will close with the same quote that began my letter; *"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success."* That's what we are in Bolton; a group of diverse people who were born here or moved here, who work together to move forward and make Bolton successful. Thank you for letting me have a job that never falls in the mundane category, never fails to keep me interested and always makes me a smile!

Respectfully,
Deborah La Rivière, Town Clerk and Treasurer

2012 SELECTBOARD REPORT

The Selectboard has spent a lot of extra time this year sitting in and holding meetings on a number of issues that will affect the town. We live in a town that has a unique place in the county as well as the state. It seems that we are the place to go for recreation of all types. There is a large portion of the acreage in town that is owned by local, state or federal government.

There are moves currently happening to purchase a large tract in Bolton Valley which holds the back country ski trails. This purchase is expected to be turned over to the State of Vermont to be added to the Mt. Mansfield State Forest. The Selectboard has kept a close watch on this transaction, especially since it involves the trail commonly called 'Broadway'. This trail was used to access the mountain by vehicle during the flood a number of years ago when water washed out the culvert on the mountain road. We want to make sure that the town will still have access when the transaction is complete in the event of another disaster.

The 'Potholes' swimming area behind Smilie School has continued to be an issue. We were not popular with some who came here and continued to park on traveled portions of the Access Road when, after concluding their swim, they found their cars gone. The town had a number of meetings with the Vermont River Conservancy to see if there was a way to better manage the area and if the town was interested in taking over ownership of the adjacent property. The Board didn't feel this would be appropriate at this time.

We are very pleased with the results of the fire station reconstruction project. Everything has been completed at this point and the entire job came in slightly under budget.

Nearly all the road reconstruction issues that arose in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Irene were concluded using local contractors. Work on Bolton Valley Road will be done this spring.

The overall town budget as proposed will see about a four percent increase. We have included a small pay increase to the town employees after staying level for the last four years. There are also additional funds allocated to the paving line item to keep current roads in good repair.

One residence on Route 2 was completely destroyed by Tropical Storm Irene. FEMA offered a buy-out program that involved a tremendous amount of paper and leg work. The selectboard would like to thank Cara Labounty for her help with finding and completing the paperwork and helping a resident through a difficult time.

The selectboard would like to also commend our employees for the hard work that they performed this year.

We also thank all those who volunteer by serving on committees in town.

Respectfully submitted:

The Bolton Select Board
Gene Armstrong
Dan Champney
Ronald Lafreniere, Chair
David Parot
Roderick Wheelock



Selectboard Members: Dan Champney, Gene Armstrong, David Parot, Rod Wheelock, Ron Lafreniere, Chair

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Permits issued from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012

Number of Permits	Type of Permit	Construction Cost
3	Single Family Dwelling(2 Renewal)	480,000
7	Residential Alterations & Additions	241,600
3	Garages, Barns & Sheds	122,800
2	Mobile Home Replacement	60,000
3	Commercial	66,000
	Municipal	
	Boundary Line Adjustment	
	Signs	
1	Denied	
19	Total	\$ 970,400

Certificates of Zoning Compliance Issued 17

Certificates of Occupancy: none

Permit fees amounting to \$5,440 were collected and deposited to the General Fund

Permits applied for under the Emergency Flood Hazard Area Regulations - Town of Bolton, Vermont: 3; 1 for repair, Program, 2 Referred to the DRB

Respectfully Submitted,
Miron C. Malboeuf
Zoning Administrator



Miron C. Malboeuf, Zoning Administrator

ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT

During 2012 normal summer maintenance was handled which included hauling gravel, ditching on all town roads and culvert replacement.

There were several FEMA and AOT funded projects to be completed; including replacing and upgrading three culverts on Duxbury Road, repairing a road bed, upgrading an existing culvert and ditching on Honey Hollow Road. On Notch Road we repaired a culvert near the former Oxbow Ski Area. There are still projects related to Tropical Storm Irene and other severe weather incidents that will be completed this year.

The town purchased a used roadside mower this summer which has enabled us to do our own mowing on our own schedule.

Additionally, a mile and half of Duxbury Road was repaved. A large portion of that expense was covered by a State of Vermont paving grant.

All three of the bodies of the larger dump trucks were painted. Crusher run and sand were stockpiled for the year and new guardrails were installed on Bolton Valley Road.

A new state requirement will force the town to upgrade all the 911 street signs. The new larger more reflective signs will make it easier for emergency vehicles to locate addresses. The plan is to change out 1/3 of the signs each year for the next three years so no additional funds will be needed to be added to any budget. Hopefully, no other signs get stolen during this process!

Please be advised that there is no parking on the travelled portion of any town road. Cars will be towed if parked in this manner. There is also a statutory rule, which carries a \$1,500 fine, for plowing snow into and across any town road.

Glenn Armstrong has been hired as a full-time permanent employee and he's fit in just fine. The town also employs Wayne Ring as an emergency road crew member when needed.

Please feel free to call me any time at the town garage if you have questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Andrews
Road Foreman



Eric Andrews, Road Foreman and Glenn Armstrong, Crew

WINTER OPERATIONS PLAN

1. Plow routes are set up to open the major traffic routes and bus routes first. After all bus routes are done, we will plow the roads which we feel cause the most problems for the public (traffic volume, steepness and curves) and continue until all roads are open.
2. The Town will enforce NO PARKING at all times on the traveled portion of all highways within the town's right-of-way and in any school bus turnarounds. Vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.
3. The Town of Bolton has two and a half (two full time and one part time) highway personnel to do winter maintenance on 22 miles of road. Each road crew member has a specific route to complete. We vary these routes only in an emergency situation. Also, Bolton is different from other towns in that the mileage is not concentrated in a small area. Driving time to get to the section of road a road crew driver may need to plow effects the completion time of the job.
4. The Town does not plow any private roads or class 4 highways.
5. The Town crew usually starts their day between 3 and 4 am during a snow storm to have major routes and bus routes cleared at 7am.
6. After 16 hours on the job, we are required to stop operations and allow the road crew to get a minimum of 6 hours off.
7. Salt will be applied to most paved roads with a minimum of sand added as necessary. Salt is not effective when the road temp is below 20 degrees.
8. Sand will be applied on all gravel roads.
9. In most cases, there will be no maintenance between 10pm and 3am.
10. According to VSA 23, Section 1126, it is illegal to plow snow from a private road or drive onto or across a town highway.

This policy was adopted by the Bolton Select Board on November 25, 2002.



Linde Emerson, Board of Listers

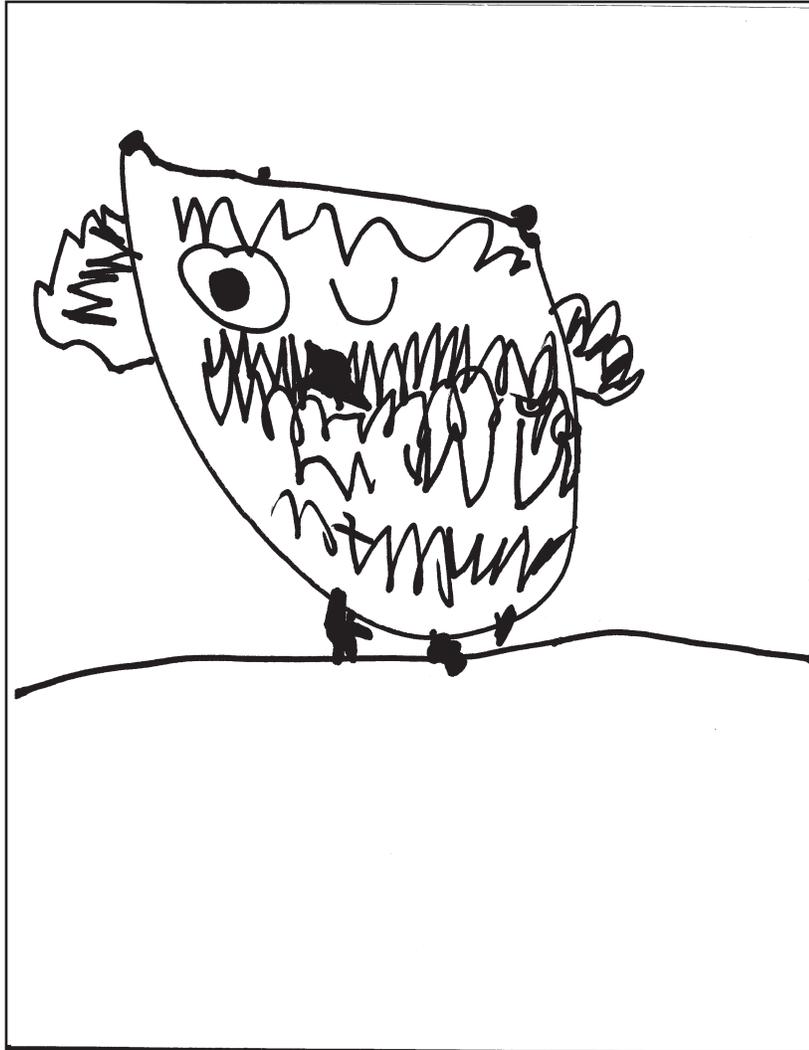
VERMONT/TAX PAYMENT POLICY

1. **METHOD OF PAYMENT:** Currently dated checks should be made payable to: Town of Bolton (3045 Theodore Roosevelt Highway, Bolton, VT 05676). Payments mailed from foreign countries may either be paid by check or International Money Order but must be payable in US dollars and drawn on a US bank. Checks not meeting these requirements will be immediately returned to the sender, penalties will be attached if applicable. Checks returned by the bank, for any reason, will cause the payment to be cancelled, any receipt issued for that payment to be void, and penalties added where applicable. Receipts will be mailed if stamp is supplied.
2. **TAXES/SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:** The tax bill covers taxes and special assessments, if any, for the Town's operational year.
3. **INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS/DELINQUENT DATES:** Taxes are payable by multi-installment payments which are voted by the taxpayers at town meeting. Consult your tax bill for due dates for each year. Tax installment payments are due on the voted due dates. However, the Town will accept postmarks of the due date. Any unpaid taxes will be payable to the Delinquent Tax Collector together with an 8% penalty and 1% interest per month. If due dates fall on a weekend or holiday, delinquency is 3 PM on the next business day. The 1st installment is due within 30 days of the mailing of bills. Out of state/country owners, mortgage/escrow companies have the same 30 days. There are no extensions on due dates.
4. **PROPERTY OWNERSHIP/STATEMENTS:** Taxes are levied on both real and personal property as it exists in the owner of record on the lien date 12:01 A.M. the April 1st prior to the operational year start date.
5. **PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY:** By law, tax bills are mailed to the April 1st owner of record at the address on file with the Assessor's Office approximately 30 days before the first due date. **FAILURE TO RECEIVE A BILL DOES NOT RELIEVE THE TAXPAYER OF RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY THE TAXES WHEN THEY BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE NOR DOES IT RELIEVE THE ADDITION OF PENALTIES AND INTEREST, AS REQUIRED BY LAW.** The Assessor's Office must be notified in writing of any address changes.
6. **TRANSFER OF PROPERTY:** If all or a part of the taxed property is sold, it is the Seller's responsibility to forward the tax bill to the new owner, and the new owner's responsibility to take note as to when the tax installments are due and payable.
7. **MULTI-PAYMENTS:** Once taxes become delinquent, multi-payment arrangements may be made with the Delinquent Tax Collector with a signed, recorded agreement. Failure to keep the payment schedule agreed to will result in the property being placed on the Town of Bolton's tax sale list. No payment arrangements which do not pay the bill in full before the due date of the next year's tax bill will be accepted.
8. **PARTIAL PAYMENTS:** Partial payments will be applied first to the interest portion, then to the penalty amount. The remainder will go toward the principal amount of the taxes due.
9. **NOTICE TO LIEN HOLDERS:** Mortgage and lien holders will be notified of the delinquent taxes 30 days after the first delinquent notice has been sent.
10. **ESCROW ACCOUNT:** The Town of Bolton does not mail tax bills to banks or mortgage companies for escrow accounts. The responsibility for forwarding tax bills lies with the property owner.

Adopted by the Bolton Board of Selectmen this 5th day of January, 1994.
 Donald Carr, Board Member
 Gerard A. Mullen, Chairman
 M. Peter Siegel, Board Member
 Richard P. Streeter, Board Member
 Denis Turpin, Board Member

Received for record the 6th day of January, 1994.
 Attest: Deborah LaRiviere/Town Clerk

please see original document for signatures



Reports Section

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- Letters from State Representatives
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PLANNING COMMISSION 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

Greetings from the Bolton Planning Commission; Linda Baker, Chair, Steve Barner, Jim Bralich, Rodney Pingree, and Jenifer Andrews, who also serves as an alternate to the Development Review Board.

The Planning Commission (PC) is comprised of 5 volunteer members, who are appointed by the Select Board, and are principally responsible for drafting and amending the Bolton Town Plan and our town's land use bylaws; The Bolton Land Use and Development Regulations (BLUDR). The PC also participates in the regional planning process, undertakes comprehensive planning, and functions solely as a planning body with no authority over development review projects. The PC does not review development proposals or issue permits; these fall under the jurisdiction of the Development Review Board and the Zoning Administrator.



Planning Commission: Steve Barner, Rodney Pingree, Jen Andrews, and Linda Baker - Jim Bralich missing from photo

Meetings are held monthly and interested citizens are always encouraged to attend. Check the town of Bolton website at <http://www.boltonvt.com> for upcoming meeting dates, agendas and accepted meeting minutes.

Continuing the work began in 2011, and with technical assistance from Front Porch Community Planning & Design, the PC focused its efforts during 2012 on the Town Plan update. This update will ensure consistency with state planning goals (24 V.S.A. § 4382), conformance with the local and regional plans required for regional approval and funding, and will encompass a 10 - 20 year planning horizon. In addition, the update will incorporate a new economic development element, new community data, specific community standards/policy statements that can be referenced in Act 250 and Act 248, and address varied current and emerging issues in the town and county such as climate change, resources, energy, condemnation, development, projected major capital improvements and community health.

Due to the timeframe needed for a Town Plan hearing process, and the expiration of the 2007 Town Plan in July 2012, the PC readopted the Town Plan in April 2012, with no changes, to allow sufficient time for careful reconsideration and drafting of amendments. This also provided the added benefit of a formal staff review of the plan by the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission, which provides an opportunity for their update and amendment suggestions to be addressed during the drafting process.

In addition to focusing on the Town Plan rewrite in 2012, the PC also:

- Met with Green Mountain Club staff regarding their planned relocation of the Long Trail in Bolton, and explored working together to secure grant funding to create a multi-use hiker/commuter parking lot. This project was not approved by the Select Board. Any associated parking lot will remain small and targeted for hiker use.
- Monitored and participated in the local meetings regarding the subdivision and sale of the Bolton Valley "Nordic Lands" to the VT Land Trust.
- Monitored and participated in local meetings with the Conservation Commission and VT River Conservancy regarding present and future management of the Bolton Potholes.
- Monitored local and ACT 250 reviews of the 4 x 4 Center and Bolton Valley Resort applications.

- Participated in the regional planning process and the ECOS (Environment, Community, Sustainability, Opportunity) Project.
- Requested an additional 5K in the FY 2013 Town Municipal budget to address the costs associated with Town Plan and BLUDR amendments/rewrites.
- Researched potential grant funding.
- Reviewed amendments to our neighboring towns' zoning regulations and town plans.

Amy Grover, PC Clerk



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

The Bolton Development Review Board is a five-member board appointed by the Select Board to administer the town's adopted zoning, subdivision and flood hazard regulations. The DRB is a "quasi-judicial" board – we hold warned public hearings, conduct site visits, and issue written decisions on subdivision and development applications, zoning appeals, and variance and waiver requests. Our regular monthly meetings and hearings are open to the public. We also meet in deliberative sessions to review application materials and information submitted at public hearings, and to draft decisions which by law must include written findings under the standards included in the town's regulations. Given our work load over the past several years, we have asked the Select Board for additional staff support in 2013 to help review applications and draft decisions, and to adopt a policy for the independent technical evaluation of larger developments.



Development Review Board: Michael Hauser, Sharon Murray (Chair), Susan Vita, Jen Andrews, Mike Rainville

The DRB met twelve times in 2012, and held ten public hearings, several of which have been continued into 2013. We also met with prospective applicants in pre-application (sketch plan) meetings to discuss:

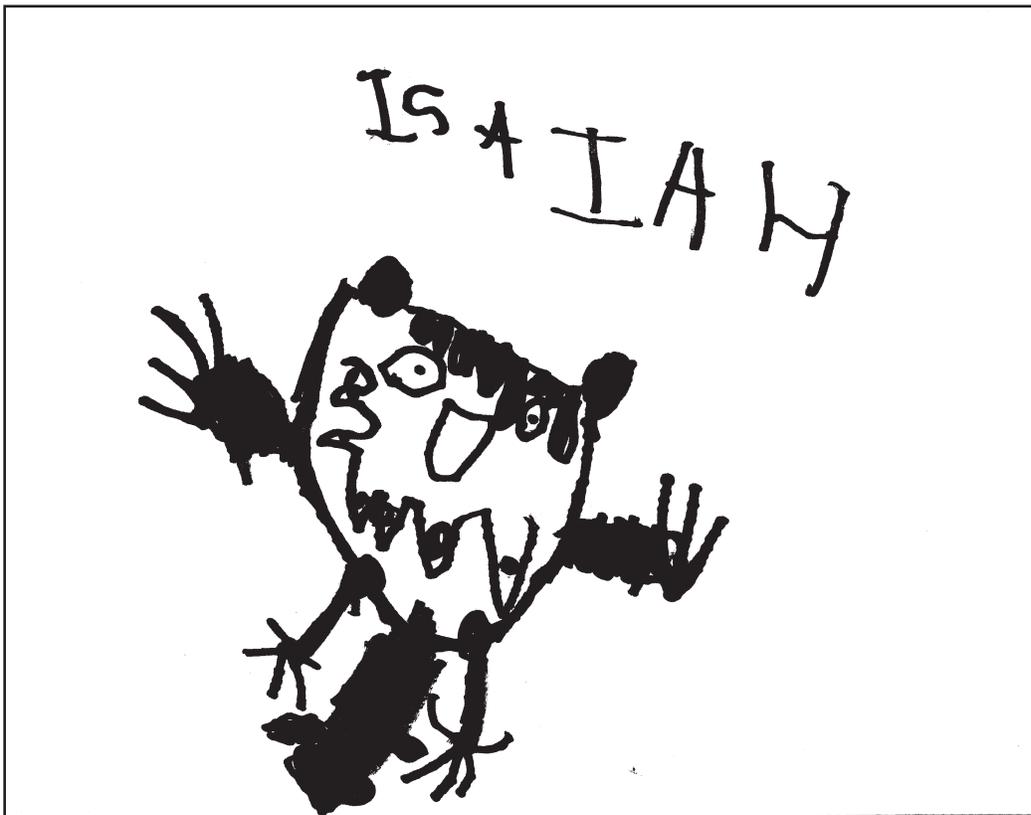
- The proposed Green Mountain Club bridge over the Winooski River (application submitted and under review).
- The subdivision of land at Bolton Valley, to include Nordic trails and two former GMC lodges, for conveyance to the Vermont Land Trust and the state (application submitted and under review).
- The proposed state subdivision and sale of the Preston–Lafreniere Farm, which is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places (application pending).

The following decisions were issued in 2012 which are available for review at the town office:

- Automotive Services International (4x4 Off Road Driving School), Bolton Valley Resort/Appeal – Upheld, on appeal, a determination by the Zoning Administrator that the master plan submitted under the terms of the stipulation agreement with the town was administratively incomplete.
- Automotive Services International, Bolton Valley Resort/Conditional Use – Approved, with conditions, additional trails and a winter hospitality trailer in the vicinity of the Timberline Base Lodge for 4x4 school use.
- Bean's Mobile Homes/Appeal – Reversed, on appeal, a Zoning Administrator determination that re-establishment of mobile home storage and sales on RT 2 within the flood hazard district required conditional use approval from the DRB under interim (post-Irene) flood hazard area regulations.
- Beckman/Subdivision Approval – Approved, with conditions, the subdivision of a 32-acre residential lot from an existing 316-acre gravel pit parcel located on the Notch Road, and associated building envelope.
- Blais/Waiver – Approved, with conditions a reduction in the minimum district side setback requirement to allow the construction of an attached garage on an existing, nonconforming lot.
- Cornett/ Subdivision Approval – Approved, with conditions, the subdivision of a 256-acre parcel from an existing 285-acre single family lot located on the Bolton Valley Access Road for conveyance to an adjoining landowner, to be conserved under the terms of a Nature Conservancy easement.

- Koshiba, Ingram/Conditional Use – Approved, with conditions, the construction of a single family dwelling on an existing lot with steep slopes on the Notch Road, within a designated building envelop and the use of a temporary dwelling (yurt) while the house was under construction.

Current DRB members include Sharon Murray, Chair, Michael Houser, Vice Chair, Margot Pender, Secretary, Michael Rainville and Susan Vita. Charmaine Godin and Jen Andrews serve as alternates. We also received much appreciated staff support this year from former DRB Clerk, Amy Grover, current DRB Clerk David Punia and Zoning Administrator Miron Malboeuf.



BOLTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2012, the Fire Department responded to 70 calls. These calls included structure fires, chimney fires, brush fires, forest fires, car fires, hazardous materials calls, power line obstruction calls, car accidents, fire and carbon monoxide alarms, Richmond Rescue assists and responses for mutual aid.

The station remodel was completed and at this point, the heat and electrical usage are down. For the first time in 34 years, we have had no ice on the front of the building. Many thanks go out to everyone who was involved in the project. The station now has a back-up generator that auto-starts when there is a power outage.

Even though our call volume was down this year, we responded to some tough calls. We responded to a triple fatal car crash on the interstate and two fatal tractor roll-overs as well as rescued a swimmer from the pot holes, who was near drowning.

The fire department has fifteen firefighters who spend 150 hours each year training and 200+ hours responding to emergency calls. We are always looking for new members. There are many different jobs that we do as firefighters. If you are interested in joining please stop in and see us on Tuesday nights.

Thank you to everyone who supports the fire department and its members. Thank you also to the members who volunteer their time for training and responding to emergencies. The department meets at the fire station every Tuesday night.

Respectfully submitted
Mike Gervia
Fire Chief

LETTER FROM THE FIRE WARDEN

For burning permits, please contact me directly on my cell phone at 399-1412. Messages left at the fire station may not be checked or returned in time. A separate permit is needed for each burn. Any burning without a permit is subject to being put out by the fire department.

Respectfully submitted
Mike Gervia
Fire Warden

Representative Rebcca Ellis

Washington - Chittenden 1
839-0515 (cell)
ellisvermont@yahoo.com

Representative Tom Stevens

Washington-Chittenden 1
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Waterbury, VT 05676
244-4164 (home)
tom@stevensvermont.com
tstevens@leg.state.vt.us

It is with great pleasure that we sit down to write this letter of introduction. As it is our first report to you, and the session has just started, we are taking this opportunity to simply say that we thank you for your faith and support, and that we look forward to getting to know your community as well as we know our others, Waterbury and Huntington (and Buels Gore!)

We appreciate the warm welcome we have been given by those who have shared their stories and given us the “low down” on Bolton. We can only get to know the community by listening to you, and by meeting you, and to those who have been generous with their time, we thank you. The issues facing Bolton are new to us, and while there are overarching issues that affect Vermonters equally, there are plenty of specific issues where we need to get up to speed. This is a process we have enjoyed in Huntington, and while it is not necessarily an organic one, it is important as we begin to build a relationship with you in order to represent your interests as best we can in Montpelier.

The reapportionment process in the legislature was very interesting, especially after learning that our district would change and that Bolton would be our new town. The letters, phone calls and conversations on the street were all over the map, literally and figuratively. Huntingtonians wanted to be in a district that was more Chittenden county specific, and if that didn't work out, they wanted to stay with their current district. Duxbury wanted to stay connected to Waterbury, period, and Waterbury felt comfortable with their relationship with Duxbury, didn't want to be split into two districts, and felt they had nothing in common with any of the Chittenden county towns, while others were excited about the prospect of being tied in with Bolton. Listening to the their concerns was a true test in representation, in that each community had different wants and needs, and we needed to be able to represent those equally and without prejudice, leaving it to the committees of jurisdiction to sort out the information and make the right decision.

With that experience in mind, that is how we will approach our relationship with you. Your wants, needs and interests will be different than those of Huntington, Buels Gore, and Waterbury. We hope you will share them with us, whether it is about small school grants, district consolidation, state paving money, fire districts or personal constituent needs. We are here to serve as a liaison between you and your state government, and we are here to help you have a voice in Montpelier. While we continue to get to know you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Tom Stevens
Rep. Rebecca Ellis

RICHMOND RESCUE

Richmond Rescue Inc. has provided ambulance services to the Town of Bolton since 1971. The ongoing support of the Town and its citizens has fostered a partnership that has allowed us to grow and improve to serve you better.

The staff of Richmond Rescue is comprised of three full time employees and thirty-nine volunteers who donated over 25,000 hours of their time and energy. In 2012 the size of the squad increased by nine new members. A major policy change this year, supported fully by members, was the requirement that all shifts be fully staffed from the station. This means that a complete crew is available 24/7 and 365 days a year with a goal to have a truck rolling toward an emergency in less than two minutes.

Bolton accounted for 125 of the total 539 calls in 2012. The nature of these calls ranged from trauma (motor vehicle accidents, residential and workplace injuries), to medical emergencies (heart attacks, strokes, diabetic complications), to calls for assistance when an extra pair of hands was need to lift a patient, to assessing a health related situation or to provide reassurance that immediate care was not indicated. Only 63% of our calls resulted in transport to the hospital with consequent reimbursement for our services. The remaining 37% of our “business” requires funding by participating towns, membership fees and donations.

Along with providing emergency and pre-hospital care, Richmond Rescue sponsors a community outreach program focused on health maintenance and accident prevention. In addition to CPR classes, flu shots and blood pressure screenings, a grant from IBM allowed us to fit and give away 130 children’s bicycle helmets. A nationally certified staff member inspects and adjusts infant and children’s car seats, 80% of which were found to have been installed incorrectly or were outdated. Thanks to this program, 43 area families are transporting their children more safely.

Constant training and up-to-date equipment are hallmarks of excellent Emergency Medical Services. Our members are required by Federal, State, District and organizational policy to train regularly, to maintain certification and to advance their knowledge and skills. This year a generous donor provided funds for the purchase of sophisticated manikins for life-like simulations. The conversion of a recently acquired HumVee into a rough terrain rescue vehicle will facilitate backcountry calls in Bolton.

Funding, fiscal responsibility and enhanced administrative oversight have contributed to making 2012 successful. Bolton’s support has enabled Richmond Rescue to begin a capital fund for the replacement of large equipment and facility repair. Refinement of spending practices, improved energy efficiency, and a concerted effort toward conservation of resources has allowed us to save over \$20,000 that would previously have been spent.

Our goals in 2013 are to enhance patient care by employing evidence based practices, and by utilizing continuous quality improvement methodologies. We look forward to sufficient internal growth to be able to share the benefits of a fulltime second crew, and to continued collaboration with the Bolton Fire Department. We also anticipate making by-law changes that will invite citizens of Bolton to become members of our Board of Directors.

BOLTON'S OWN LITTLE LIBRARIES

2012 was a banner year for Bolton libraries. In fact, the town now has five of them. If you have driven on the Access Road, you have driven by one, and maybe two. If you have been on Stage Road, you may have stopped at one. There's one on the Notch Road, and one at Fernwood Manor. They're just the right size, and they always have something worth reading in them. With great volunteer help and a commitment to helping one another develop and maintain strong readers and a community of learners, residents and friends of Bolton have built, placed, and maintained these five little libraries in the town of Bolton. For those of you who may have questions, here are answers to some FAQs:



Why Little Libraries?

Since 2005, Steve Madden, librarian at Camels Hump Middle School, had run a bookmobile in Bolton once a week in the summer months. Because students in Bolton have no easy access to a library, he started the bookmobile to help give kids the opportunity to get great books throughout the summer. Over the next 6 years, Bolton students checked out over 1000 books! Still, kids had to meet the bookmobile when it came, or they would not get the chance to check out books. That's why this past winter, a small group met at Smilie Memorial School to investigate building little libraries for Bolton. These little libraries are small, permanent structures, and people may take a book out from a little library at their convenience.

Who Can Use the Little Libraries?

Anyone in Bolton who likes to read is welcome to use the little libraries!

How Do I Check Out a Book From a Little Library?

It's simple -- 1. Open the door. 2. Pull the book out. 3. Close the door.

When Can I Check Out a Book From a Little Library?

You may check out a book at any reasonable time. Remember -- each little library sits on someone's property, so please be respectful.

How Do I Return a Book to the Little Library?

You may return the book you borrowed, or you may donate another book of good quality and condition to the little library in its place. That way, each little library becomes a reflection of what people in its neighborhood cherish and share.

Who Takes Care of the Little Libraries?

Little library gnomes. Really. Ok, maybe they have a little help from the people on whose property the little library sits. Special thanks to the following people for assisting those gnomes: the Woods family on Stage Rd.; Lexie Haselton on the Notch Rd.; Dave Punia on the Access Rd.; the Drinkwater family at the Black Bear Inn; and the Schindler family at Fernwood Manor.

Can Bolton Afford This?

Yes. This endeavor has been funded entirely through donations and grants. Thanks to the Vermont Department of Libraries, Macy's, the Children's Literacy Foundation, Richmond Home Supply, and Camels Hump Middle School for their support.

Is There Room in Bolton for More Little Libraries?

You tell us. If you're interested in having a little library for your neighborhood, please contact Steve Madden at steven.madden@cesvut.org, or call 434-2188.



OUR COMMUNITY CARES CAMP, INC. TOWN MEETING REPORT

Our Community Cares Camp, Inc. (OCCC) is a summer day camp and food service program for children from Bolton, Huntington and Richmond. OCCC offers a variety of enrichment activities as well as two nutritious meals a day during the month of July. The camp is offered free to children aged 5 – 11. In addition, OCCC sponsors internships and job training to teens from 14 – 16 and employment to 18 teens and adults from the community. OCCC also provides meals to all of the children who attend summer programs offered by Chittenden East Supervisory Union (CESU). OCCC addresses two basic needs of the community – access to food in the summer when school is out and enriching activities that stimulate critical thinking and creativity to children who might not otherwise attend a summer camp. OCCC is supported through donations from the community and grants from the USDA and other foundations.

OCCC has been a non-profit corporation since 2009. Over the past 4 years, OCCC has hosted 240 children at summer camp and serves over 4,000 meals each summer. In 4 years, OCCC has offered internships to 48 local teens and provided 50 summer jobs. OCCC is recognized as an exemplary program by Hunger-Free Vermont and the Vermont Department of Education, due to the quality of our programming and food and the numerous partnerships we have developed and nurtured within the community.

Community support has been instrumental to the success of OCCC. Requests for donations of money and materials are always answered. Many residents donate art and sports supplies as well as games, toys and other items needed to stock a summer camp. This spring, residents answered the call for paper tubes of all sizes. The campers used these tubes and cardboard boxes to create arcade style games. OCCC is very grateful for the support of the community for helping us host a fun, lively camp where children feel safe and nurtured.

Much of the camp's success is due to the exceptional talents of two key personnel – Liz Russell of Richmond, program director for the camp, and Karyl Kent of Huntington, OCCC official nutrition magician, and food and kitchen staff director. Both bring years of experience and immeasurable talent to the program that results in a great summer camp experience.

In 2013, OCCC plans to expand its program to include 12 and 13 year olds. The new program will be called the OCCC Leadership Adventure Camp and will offer tweens a variety of activities that will engage their minds and tap their creative talents.

Donations are tax-deductible and may be sent to OCCC P.O. Box 503, Richmond, VT 05477-0503. Thank you for your continued support.

OCCC Board of Directors

Marie Thomas, Linda Parent, Mary O'Neil, Mike Dooling, Karen Clark & Mark Carbone

**WOMEN HELPING
BATTERED WOMEN**



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The mission of WHBW is to assist in the transition to a safe, independent life for all those who have been affected physically, sexually, emotionally, or economically by domestic abuse in Chittenden County, VT

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January 16, 2013

Town of Bolton
3045 Theodore Roosevelt Highway
Bolton, Vermont 05676

To the Town of Bolton,



What an incredible year we have had at Women Helping Battered Women! With help, we provided needed services to 2,052 adults and 2,727 children whose lives have been affected by domestic abuse. WHBW served 2 adults and 8 children from the Town of Bolton in fiscal year 2012, for a total of 21 hours of advocacy. These individuals and families were able to access all of our programs at no cost to themselves. From Shelter to Relief from Abuse orders, our advocates are working side by side with victims and survivors to help them move toward safe, healthy and empowered lives free from coercion, threats, and violence.

Women Helping Battered Women (WHBW) is now in its 38th year serving Chittenden County. We have evolved into the largest service provider for domestic abuse victims in Vermont. We believe that all adults and children have the right to live without fear of abuse – sexual, physical, emotional, or financial. We advocate for victims and survivors of domestic abuse, and work to raise awareness in our community through outreach and education. We also identify where resources are needed in the community and collaborate with a wide network of community partners to plan and implement necessary initiatives to meet those needs. One amazing example is our new Safe at Work Network initiative. Domestic violence affects every aspect of a victim’s life, including his or her workplace. The Safe at Work Network is a new workplace initiative that will engage the business community in a proactive approach to addressing domestic violence. WHBW helps companies and organizations strengthen their knowledge of and response to domestic violence in the workplace, in turn helping businesses create a safer, healthier workplace and improve their bottom line.

We have the equivalent of 21 full time paid staff, over 160 volunteers, and up to 15 supervised interns per semester. Last year, WHBW provided outreach and workshops to over 2,500 individuals in schools, hospitals, correctional facilities, and to business and community groups. We received more than 3,500 calls on our 24-hour crisis and information hotline. Approximately 50 new people called our hotline every month; up 67% from last year. It is clear that we are getting the word out that domestic abuse affects all of us and people are accessing the support and resources available at Women Helping Battered Women. Thank you for supporting WHBW, together we will build a world without domestic abuse!

Kind Regards,

Michelle Hough

Michelle Hough
Development Coordinator
(802) 658-5151, ext. 1077 :: michelleh@whbw.org

TOWN OF BOLTON VNA REQUEST FOR FUNDING FY 2014

The VNA cared for 8 people in BOLTON during our past fiscal year (July 2011 - June 2012) with the following services:

VNA PROGRAM OR SERVICE	VISITS
Nursing	23
Physical Therapy	57
Speech Therapy	
Occupational Therapy	14
Social Work, Social Service	42
Family Educator	
Licensed Nursing Assistant	
Homemaker	
Waiver Attendant	
Personal Care Attendant	
Continuous Care	
Hospice and Palliative Care	
Total	136 Visits

Cost of Providing Care	Amount
Total cost of VNA Services provided in BOLTON	\$32,766
Amount reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, contracts and patient fees	\$32,834
Remaining care expense	\$942

Thanks to the generous support of individual donations, private foundations, the United Way, and cities and towns across Chittenden and Grand Isle Counties, the VNA is able to provide care to all who need our service. Thank you for your fiscal year donation of \$750.

For the fiscal year 2014, the VNA is requesting a donation of \$758 to help us cover the cost of care for your neighbors in need.

Contact the VNA
802-658-1900
www.vnacares.org
info@vnacares.org

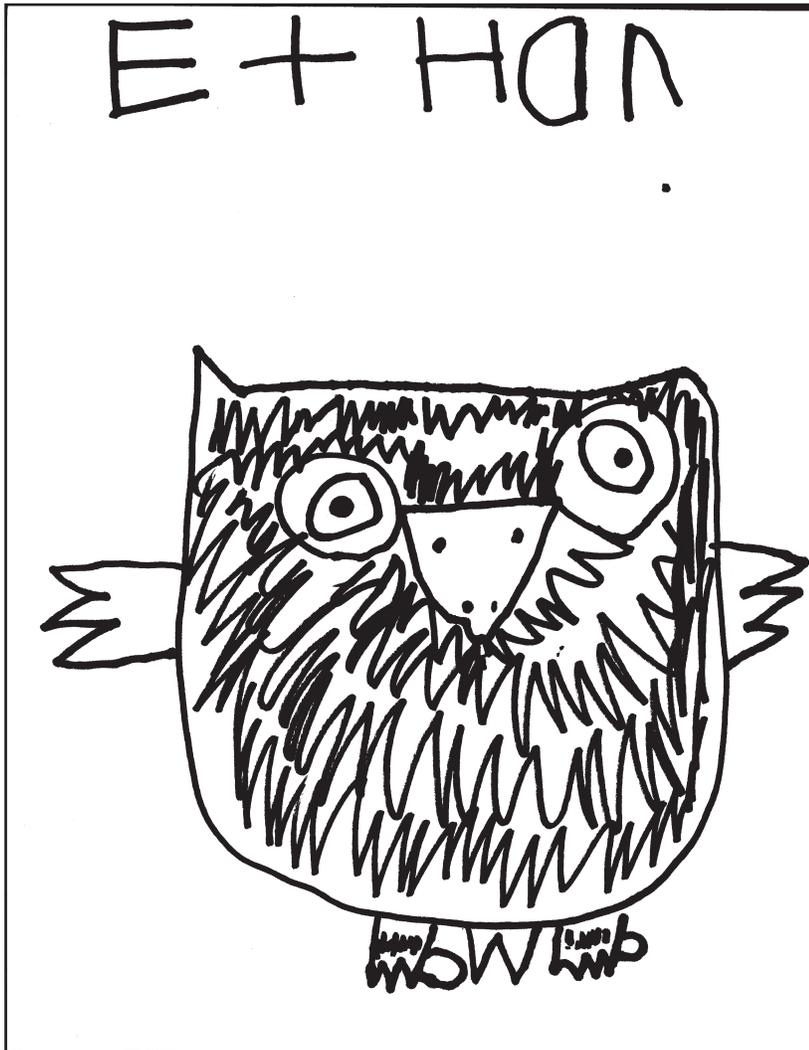
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VITAL RECORDS

Between January 01, 2012 and December 31, 2012 the town of Bolton recorded sixteen births. Of this sixteen, eleven were males and five were female.

In the same time period, nineteen Civil Marriages were performed.

Eleven deaths were recorded during the 2012 calendar year.





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BOLTON SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

The proposed Bolton School District budget for pre-kindergarten through grade 4 expenditures for 2013-2014 of \$1,458,290 reflects an increase of \$91,289 (6.68%) compared to our 2012-2013 budget of \$1,367,001. While recent budgets have had 2-3% increases, we anticipated a larger than normal rise this year with payment due on the \$260,000 bond passed last year.

Of the \$91,289 increase in this budget, \$29,708 can be attributed to wages and benefits and \$31,859 to increased debt service (bond payment). We continue to see declines in federal funding for Special Education and Title I. These reductions shift costs to property taxes. The Statewide Education Tax Rate is expected to rise by \$0.03 and insurances have sharp increases (14% health, 10% workers compensation, 5% dental).

The proposed budget will eliminate support of the CESU Food Service Director, and reduce Social Work, Title 1, Nurse, and Maintenance time. The Principal will take on additional responsibilities in these areas. Two Special Education Instructional Assistants will not be returning next year. They were able to provide some general assistance that will now be covered by a part-time General Assistant.

Based on the information received from the state at the time of preparing this report, the portion of the equalized homestead tax rate (tax rate prior to adjustment of the common level of appraisal) attributed to the Bolton School District will increase by 33.48% from \$1.6389 to \$2.1877. Bolton's Mount Mansfield Union School District equalized homestead tax rate will increase by 7.48% for a Composite increase of 17.63%. These changes in tax rates will result in an increase of \$236 in taxes per \$100,000 of property value for Bolton residents. A number of factors contribute to these estimates including spending per pupil, common level of appraisal, and the statewide tax rate (not yet set by the legislature).

At the 2012 Town Meeting, there were questions about how school property taxes are related to the school budget, the different ways of looking at the budget and cost per pupil, and concerns about the costs of operating a small school. The Smilie School Board commissioned Raymond J. Proulx, Ed. D. for a Feasibility Study to consider alternatives to continued operation of Smilie School. The entire study is available on the school website at <http://www.smilie.k12.vt.us>. At the time this report was written, a public meeting was planned for February 6, 2013.

Ray Proulx noted that there are eleven different ways of comparing school spending in Vermont. One view is to divide the total budget by the current number of pupils. For the purpose of computing school property taxes, Vermont uses a complicated formula that begins with Education Spending per Equalized Pupil (see the Town of Bolton Homestead Education Tax Rate Calculation from last year at the end of this report). The calculation for every district in the state is available online at <http://www.state.vt.us/tax/pyredtaxrates.shtml>.

The Feasibility Study revealed strong community support for keeping Smilie open. Virtually everyone interviewed as part of the study wanted the building to remain available for public use. Five options were considered and all would have significant downsides including lack of space in the Richmond and Jericho schools, increased transportation time for Bolton students, loss of community identity, and relatively small tax savings. Assuming the largest savings indicated in the Feasibility Study, homeowners in Bolton would have a reduction in school property tax of about 5% (see tax summary calculations at the end of this report). The study confirms Smilie School has provided quality education for Bolton elementary students without sacrificing equity. We will continue to seek efficiencies in the operation of the school, and explore the potential advantages of mergers, unions and other opportunities whenever prudent.

The school district is also seeking to borrow \$23,456 for lighting efficiency improvements. All of the interior lighting fixtures will be replaced. Efficiency Vermont will provide a \$4,275 incentive and estimates a savings of \$2,900/year at current energy rates. Over the five years of the loan, the improvement costs are expected to be entirely offset by reduced electrical consumption and have a minimal net effect on the budget. We will reduce our carbon footprint starting this summer, and see a net reduction in electrical expenses in five years.

Smilie School continues to be a wonderful school with fantastic teachers, staff, and community support. We invite you to visit our school, meet our teachers and principal and see first-hand why Smilie is and continues to be a vital and vibrant part of our community.

BOLTON REPRESENTATIVES IN CHITTENDEN EAST

<u>Bolton School Board</u>	Years Served	CESU Committee Assignment
Andrew Pond, Chair	5	Executive
Alain Cohen, Vice-Chair	4	Negotiations, Curriculum
Paula Gervia, Secretary	3	Transportation
Mary Ellen Seaver-Reid	1	Policy
Vacant position		
<u>MMUSD Board</u>		
Ken Remsen	4	Finance, Executive Committee Alternate

On the next two pages you will find the following:

1. The formula used to calculate Bolton's Homestead Education Tax Rate in FY 2013. This document can support community members in understanding how property tax rates are calculated.
2. A tax summary comparing FY 2013 Budget to a tuition option represented in the Bolton Feasibility Study. The summary presents a savings of approximately \$142.00 on a home valued at \$200,000.

Town of Bolton

Date Prepared: 6/28/2012

Homestead Education Tax Rate Calculation

Fiscal Year 2013

The Homestead Education Tax Rate is based in part on the education spending per equalized pupil of all the pupils residing in your town. Many town districts are also members of union school districts. Each town and union school district will have a tax rate based on its spending per pupil. For towns with multiple school districts, the tax rate is a combination of those rates as shown below.

Base homestead tax rate	\$0.89	
Base spending amount	\$8,723	
Excess spending threshold	\$14,841	
Average statewide education spending per equalized pupil	\$12,782	Actual Homestead Tax Rate
Common level of appraisal for Bolton	99.67%	



A. Equalized homestead tax rate for Bolton from town school district

1. Education spending per equalized pupil	\$16,042.45	
2. Net offsets for excess spending calculation	\$1,182.92	
3. Amount over excess spending threshold if any	\$18.53	
4. Education spending per equalized pupil plus any excess for tax rate		\$16,060.98
5. District spending as a percent of base spending amount	184.12%	
6. District equalized tax rate equals line 5 times base rate		\$1.6387
7. Percent of equalized pupils at town school district	36.30%	
8. Equalized tax rate from school district		\$0.5948
9. Actual tax rate attributable to district	(\$0.5948 / CLA: 99.67%)	\$0.5968

B. Equalized homestead tax rate for Bolton from Mt. Mansfield USD #17

10. Education spending per equalized pupil	\$12,173.33	
11. Net offsets for excess spending calculation	\$266.18	
12. Amount over excess spending threshold if any	\$0	
13. Education spending per equalized pupil plus any excess for tax rate		\$12,173.33
14. District spending as a percent of base spending amount	139.55%	
15. District equalized tax rate equals line 14 times base rate		\$1.2420
16. Percent of equalized pupils at union school district	63.70%	
17. Equalized tax rate from school district		\$0.7912
18. Actual tax rate attributable to district	(\$0.7912 / CLA: 99.67%)	\$0.7938

Sum of equalized tax rates from school districts **\$1.3860**

Sum of actual tax rates from school districts:

You should see this rate on your tax bill. ⇒

\$1.3906

Bolton FY 2013 Tax Summary Estimate

This tax summary estimate represents property tax rates if Smilie students were tuitioned to Richmond Elementary School (Option 1a) in FY13. FY 13 equalized pupil numbers, state-wide property tax rates and common level of appraisal data were used in calculating this estimate.

Line		FY 13 Budget	FY 13 RES Tuition Option	\$ Change	% Change
A	K-4 Expenditures	1,367,001	1,196,328	-170,673	-12.49%
B	Less Revenue (e.g. Categorical Grants, Special Ed)	279,483	237,362	-42,121	-15.07%
C	Education Spending (A - B)	1,087,518	958,966	-128,552	-11.82%
D	Equalized Pupils -- PreK-4	67.79	67.79	0.00	0.00%
	Equalized Pupils – MMUSD (Grades 5-12)	118.96	118.96	0.00	0.00%
E	Spending Per Eq Pupil (C / D)	16,042	14,146	-1,896	-11.82%
	Approved Capital Construction	80,053	80,053	0	0.00%
	Approved Capital Construction Per Eq Pupil	1,181	1,181	0	0.00%
	Ed Spending Less Cap Construction Per Eq Pupil	14,862	12,965	-1,896	-12.76%
	Excess Spending Threshold	14,841	14,841	0	0.00%
	Excess Spending	21	-1,876	-1,896	-9227.16%
F	Adjusted Education Spending Per Eq Pupil	16,063	14,146	-1,917	-11.93%
G	Base Education Payment	8,723	8,723	0	0.00%
H	Spending Adjustment (F / G)	184.15%	162.17%	-21.98%	-11.93%
I	Statewide Education Tax Rate	\$0.890	\$0.890	\$0.00	0.00%
J	Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (H x I)				
	PreK-4	\$1.6389	\$1.4433	-\$0.20	-11.93%
	MMU	\$1.2420	\$1.2420	\$0.00	0.00%
K	Composite Tax Rate	\$1.3861	\$1.3151	-\$0.07	-5.12%
L	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	99.67%	99.67%	\$0.00	0.00%
M	Estimated Homestead Tax Rate (K / L)	\$1.3907	\$1.3194	-\$0.071	-5.12%
	Actual Homestead Tax Rate				
N	Statewide Non-Residential Tax Rate	\$1.380	\$1.380	\$0.00	0.00%
O	Estimated Non-Residential Tax Rate (N / L)	\$1.3846	\$1.3846	\$0.00	0.00%
	Income Sensitivity Bolton	3.31%	2.92%		
	Income Sensitivity MMU	2.55%	2.55%		
	Combined Income Sensitivity	2.83%	2.68%		
	Impact on \$200,000 home	\$2,781	\$2,639	-\$142	-5.12%

SMILIE MEMORIAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I continue to greatly enjoy my work at Smilie Memorial School where there is a dedicated and caring staff who nurture Bolton's children through their early years of learning. We are very pleased to let Bolton's residents know that because of improvements in our NECAP scores, Smilie School met AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) this year in both reading and math. Twenty-eight of twenty-nine students were tested. You can be proud of your school and the hard working staff who teach this community's children.

Our school is supported by an energetic group of parents who form the Smilie Community Association. They fundraise, offer afterschool enrichment activities, and teach Four Winds Science Projects, among other activities. Each year they arrange for Smilie students, staff and parents to have three free days use of Bolton Valley Resort to ski or snowshoe. They organize events like the Fall Harvest Festival and the Spring Plant Sale. They are a positive force that will go to great lengths to support Bolton's children.

Smilie School received two grants during the 2011-2012 school year from the Subaru Healthy Sprouts Grants awarded by the National Gardeners Association and the Fletcher Allen Health Care's Community Needs Grants. With these dollars, we built and planted a large garden out back. Students enjoyed the produce from the garden all fall long. There is a photo story of the building, planting and harvesting of our garden on our website (www.smilie.k12.vt.us) and on our Facebook page (search for Smilie Memorial School).

In this 2012-2013 school year, we continue to focus on our use of technology with students in order to prepare them for 21st Century learning. Take a look at our teachers' pages on www.smilie.k12.vt.us to see how students are integrating technology into math, science, social studies and literacy. Additionally, we are studying the Common Core of State Standards in order to effectively implement these standards in the coming years. This year we are focusing on students making claims and supporting their claims with evidence from text across all curricula. We are assessing text complexity and reading more informational text than in the past. We are encouraging students to write more informational pieces as well.

At Smilie Memorial School all of our teachers have met highly qualified status (HQT) in the grade and content area in which they teach. You will see from the chart below our results on the New England Common Assessment (NECAP). This data represents all of the students at Smilie Memorial, and the percentage of students who performed in each category. If you are interested in seeing the data disaggregated further by grades, please visit our website at www.smilie.k12.vt.us. Please note that one student was not tested. You will also see another set of data which represents the State of Vermont results on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) which compares Vermont to other states and nations. For the 2011-12 school year, Smilie Memorial School met Adequately Yearly Progress in all content areas as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act.



Mary Woodruff, Principal

At this time, our enrollment projections are static. We estimate a Kindergarten of 14 students next year. This current year we have 57 K-4 students and 16 preschool 3 and 4 year olds. Next year we project 25 preschool 3 and 4 year olds and 61 K-4 students.

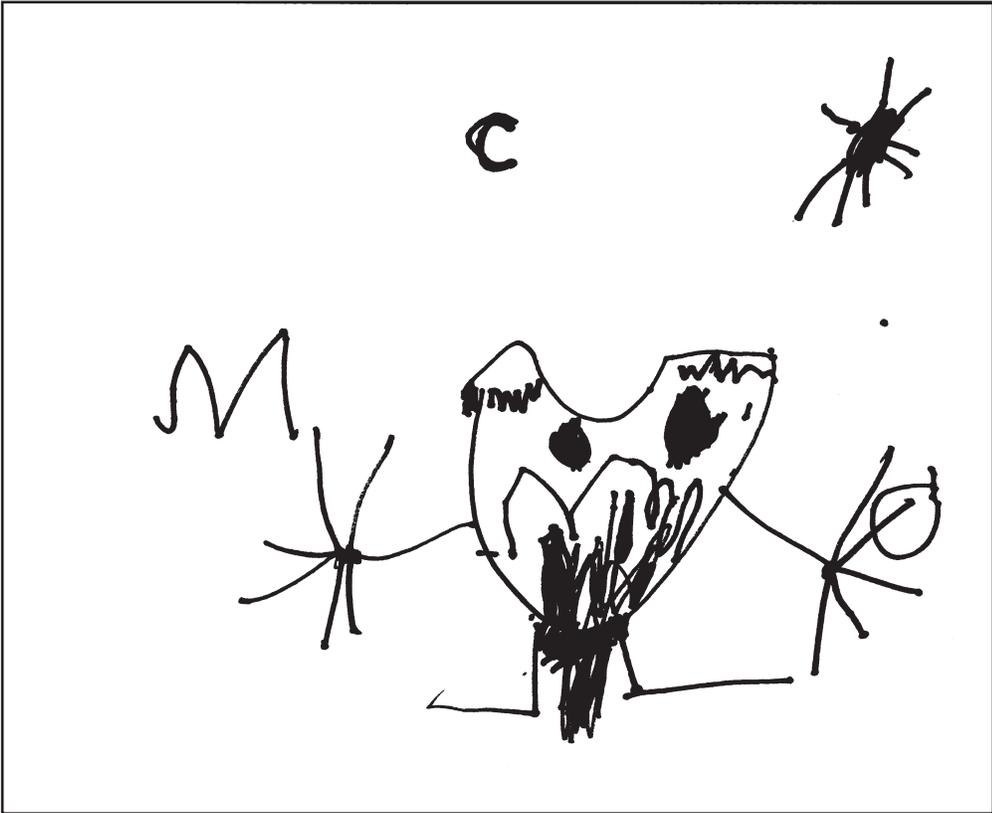
2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
83	81	70	79	74	75	77	81	67	68	62	57	*61

*projected

I look forward to the successful completion of this school year. We encourage you to visit. You are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Woodruff



Smilie Memorial School
New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) Results for 2011 - 2012 School Year*

2011 - 2012 NECAP	Math		Reading		Science	
	SMS	VT	SMS	VT	SMS	VT
Whole School	19%	22%	33%	22%	0%	2%
Proficient With Distinction	41%	43%	42%	52%	54%	51%
Proficient	30%	17%	11%	17%	46%	36%
Partially Proficient	11%	17%	14%	10%	0%	11%
Substantially Below Proficient						

* Test results represent students in grades three and four who took the NECAP.

2011 - 2012 NECAP Disaggregated by Sub-Groups	Math				Reading				Science				
	Whole School	Female	Male	Disability Status	Whole School	Female	Male	Disability Status	Whole School	Female	Male	Disability Status	Economically Disadvantaged
Proficient With Distinction	19%	16%	25%	0%	33%	36%	27%	++	8%	0%	++	++	++
Proficient	41%	44%	33%	18%	42%	40%	45%	++	31%	54%	++	++	++
Partially Proficient	30%	28%	33%	55%	11%	12%	9%	++	23%	46%	++	++	++
Substantially Below Proficient	11%	12%	8%	27%	14%	12%	18%	++	38%	0%	++	++	++

++ too few students tested to report

NECAP Results - % student who met or exceeded the standard over time	2009 - 2010	2010-2011	2011-2012
Math	57%	60%	60%
Reading	68%	68%	75%
Science	42%	64%	54%

NAEP Results - % of Vermont students who met or exceeded the standard over	2005	2007	2009
Math	43%	49%	50%
Reading	38%	41%	42%

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is administered in grades four and eight in Reading and Mathematics biennially to a representative sample of Vermont students. No scores for individual students or schools are generated and no accountability measures are tied to performance.

**BOLTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET REPORT
BUDGET SUMMARY & COMPARISON**

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>						
Instructional Programs	508,412	489,613	517,935	541,399	23,464	4.530%
Special Education	286,112	275,852	273,372	282,517	9,145	3.35%
Student Activities	1,040	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Health Services	44,646	43,667	45,942	39,872	-6,070	-13.21%
Professional Development	5,873	9,210	11,396	10,670	-726	-6.37%
Education Media Services	25,314	33,173	39,652	47,446	7,794	19.66%
Board of Education	4,163	3,800	8,800	8,800	0	0.00%
Chittenden East Office	29,520	29,518	31,326	31,257	-69	-0.22%
School Administration	97,374	96,928	101,872	105,855	3,983	3.91%
Secretarial Services	45,243	43,030	47,271	50,291	3,020	6.39%
Fiscal Services	12,737	13,100	13,661	13,861	200	1.46%
Operation/Maint of Plant	191,091	148,360	146,312	166,029	19,717	13.48%
Transportation Services	33,600	33,601	31,157	31,336	179	0.57%
Food Services	11,474	11,747	13,707	12,500	-1,207	-8.81%
Other Support Services	177	3,245	3,245	3,245	0	0.00%
Debt Service	86,870	86,870	80,053	111,912	31,859	39.80%
TOTAL PreK-4 EXPENDITURES	1,383,646	1,323,014	1,367,001	1,458,290	91,289	6.68%
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>						
Surplus(Deficit) - Beginning	12,845	-616	12,229	-12,384	-24,613	-201.27%
Education Spending Revenue	1,083,008	1,064,934	1,087,518	1,204,185	116,667	10.73%
Small Schools Grant	34,749	34,136	42,121	42,910	789	1.87%
Transportation Aid	11,192	10,160	12,413	14,287	1,874	15.10%
Special Education - State	120,527	116,442	123,349	125,216	1,867	1.51%
Special Education - Federal	98,941	94,158	87,121	81,276	-5,845	-6.71%
Interest Earned	2,811	3,500	2,000	2,500	500	25.00%
Rentals	150	200	200	200	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous	849	100	50	0	-50	-100.00%
Grants	19,037	0	0	100	100	0.00%
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	1,384,109	1,323,014	1,367,001	1,458,290	91,289	6.68%

An independent audit of the accounts and financial statements of the Bolton School District, for the period ending June 30, 2012, was conducted by Fothergill Segale & Valley, CPAs. Copies of the audit report are available at the Town Clerk's Office, the Chittenden East Supervisory Union Central Office in Richmond, VT, and can be viewed on the CESU website www.cesu.k12.vt.us.

Bolton School District Budget Report

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
1100 INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS						
This section of the budget contains all of the line items for instructional programs including teacher salaries, insurances and benefits. Classroom supplies, equipment and books are also in this section.						
Salaries						
Teacher Salaries	331,554	325,905	343,187	348,478	5,291	1.54%
Aides	21,912	18,747	20,157	34,158	14,001	69.46%
Substitutes	12,964	11,000	12,500	13,214	714	5.71%
Subtotal	366,430	355,652	375,844	395,850	20,006	5.32%
Insurances						
Health Insurance	51,314	51,764	56,829	58,884	2,055	3.62%
Dental Insurance	8,341	5,629	4,858	4,281	-577	-11.88%
Group Life Insurance	408	615	514	567	53	10.31%
Subtotal	60,063	58,008	62,201	63,732	1,531	2.46%
Social Security						
Social Security	28,037	27,208	28,637	30,168	1,531	5.35%
Subtotal	28,037	27,208	28,637	30,168	1,531	5.35%
Benefits - Other						
Retirement	699	617	660	688	28	4.24%
Workers Compensation	2,305	2,083	2,302	2,322	20	0.87%
Unemployment Compensation	2,653	2,927	2,851	236	-2,615	-91.72%
Professional Reimbursement	25	0	0	0	0	0.00%
403b Administration	88	100	100	100	0	0.00%
Subtotal	5,770	5,727	5,913	3,346	-2,567	-43.41%
Assessed Salaries						
Physical Education	9,260	7,990	9,140	9,766	626	6.85%
Music	10,719	9,193	9,874	10,369	495	5.01%
Foreign Language	5,076	5,018	5,358	5,532	174	3.25%
English Language Learner	1,086	1,072	1,123	1,091	-32	-2.85%
Subtotal	26,141	23,273	25,495	26,758	1,263	4.95%
Repair/Mntc Copier	5,560	3,800	3,900	5,600	1,700	43.59%
Summer School	1,059	395	395	395	0	0.00%
Supplies	11,308	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	0.00%
Textbooks	4,044	4,550	4,550	4,550	0	0.00%
Equipment	0	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
Subtotal	21,971	19,745	19,845	21,545	1,700	8.57%
Subtotal Instructional Programs	508,412	489,613	517,935	541,399	23,464	4.53%

Bolton School District Budget Report

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
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1210 SPECIAL EDUCATION

This section of the budget contains the expenditures for special education. These services are organized at the supervisory union level. These funds are paid to Chittenden East for all the legally required services for our students. The assessment is allocated to schools on a percent of equalized pupils.

Special Ed Assessment	66,645	65,252	62,902	76,025	13,123	20.86%
Purchased Serv CESU	219,467	210,600	210,470	206,492	-3,978	-1.89%
Subtotal Special Education	286,112	275,852	273,372	282,517	9,145	3.35%

1410 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

This section funds student activities that are not part of the regular classroom instruction.

Student Activities	1,040	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Subtotal Student Activities	1,040	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%

2130 HEALTH SERVICES

This section contains funds for the Guidance and School Nurse services. Nurse services is reduced from 0.2 FTE to 0.1 FTE.

Guidance	28,972	28,352	29,975	31,497	1,522	5.08%
Prof Nurse Services	15,380	14,949	15,610	7,992	-7,618	-48.80%
Assessment	188	166	157	183	26	16.56%
Nursing Supplies	106	200	200	200	0	0.00%
Subtotal Health Services	44,646	43,667	45,942	39,872	-6,070	-13.21%

2213 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This section contains expenditures for professional development. These expenditures used to be listed within Instructional Programs.

Teacher Mentoring	2,259	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Tuition Reimbursement	2,835	6,410	6,666	5,298	-1,368	-20.52%
Conference/Training	779	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Professional Developer	0	0	1,930	2,572	642	33.26%
Conference Travel	0	300	300	300	0	0.00%
Subtotal Prof Develop	5,873	9,210	11,396	10,670	-726	-6.37%

2220 EDUCATION MEDIA SERVICES

This section of the budget contains funds for the school library. It also includes funding for the school's computer network, technology support, and software that supports the curriculum. A new server is included in the FY2014 budget.

Computer Tech Support	12,703	11,831	14,473	16,633	2,160	14.92%
Integration Specialist	2,661	2,342	3,852	4,186	334	8.67%
Library Books	890	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0.00%
Periodicals	194	300	300	300	0	0.00%
Computer Hardware	4,934	9,600	9,600	14,900	5,300	55.21%

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Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Computer Software	2,326	3,500	5,777	5,777	0	0.00%
Computer Supplies	1,103	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.00%
Library Tech Support	100	700	750	750	0	0.00%
Operating Expenses	403	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Subtotal Ed Media Serv	25,314	33,173	39,652	47,446	7,794	19.66%

2310 BOARD OF EDUCATION

This section of the budget contains funds for board expenses, including legal notices, legal fees, and board stipend. Taxpayers voted on March 6, 2012, to add \$5,000 for a feasibility study.

Professional Services	43	0	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Advertising	2,730	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Board Stipend	490	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Operating Expenses	900	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Subtotal Board of Ed	4,163	3,800	8,800	8,800	0	0.00%

2320 CHITTENDEN EAST OFFICE

This section of the budget contains the funds for our share of the Chittenden East Central Office. These items include central administrative staff, and payroll and bookkeeping services. The assessment is allocated to schools on a percent of equalized pupils.

Salaries - CESD	24,440	24,439	26,123	26,067	-56	-0.21%
Operating Expenses	5,080	5,079	5,203	5,190	-13	-0.25%
Subtotal CE Office	29,520	29,518	31,326	31,257	-69	-0.22%

2410 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

This section of the budget includes the salary, benefits, and expenses of the office of the building principal.

Salaries-Administration	82,000	80,000	84,337	86,867	2,530	3.00%
Insurances	6,159	7,244	7,492	8,292	800	10.68%
Social Security	6,196	6,120	6,453	6,645	192	2.98%
Tuition Reimbursement	400	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Workers Compensation	467	487	538	530	-8	-1.49%
Unemployment Compensation	252	277	252	21	-231	-91.67%
Conference/Travel	1,394	800	800	1,500	700	87.50%
Supplies	314	500	500	500	0	0.00%
Equipment	192	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Subtotal School Admin	97,374	96,928	101,872	105,855	3,983	3.91%

2490 SECRETARIAL SERVICES

This section of the budget includes the expenses for secretarial support for the school.

Salaries - Secretary	27,832	26,366	28,625	29,739	1,114	3.89%
Substitutes	1,317	0	1,100	1,500	400	36.36%
Insurance	12,122	12,841	13,356	14,963	1,607	12.03%
Social Security	2,139	2,017	2,274	2,275	1	0.04%

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Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Municipal Retirement	1,392	1,318	1,431	1,561	130	9.08%
Workers Compensation	162	161	183	182	-1	-0.55%
Unemployment Compensation	252	277	252	21	-231	-91.67%
Conference	27	50	50	50	0	0.00%
Subtotal Sec Services	45,243	43,030	47,271	50,291	3,020	6.39%

2510 FISCAL SERVICES

This section of the budget includes audit and interest charges on borrowing to manage periods of negative cash flows. Interest earned during periods of positive cash flow appears in the revenue section. Bonding insurance was moved from Operation & Maintenance of Plant.

Prof. (Audit) Services	6,700	7,000	7,300	7,300	0	0.00%
Bonding	311	100	311	311	0	0.00%
Supplies	192	0	50	250	200	400.00%
Interest-Money Management	5,534	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Subtotal Fiscal Services	12,737	13,100	13,661	13,861	200	1.46%

2600 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

This section of the budget includes line items for building maintenance. These items include custodial salaries and benefits, building insurance, utilities, supplies, and repairs. Bonding insurance moved to Fiscal Services.

Salaries - Custodial	38,002	35,997	39,603	38,773	-830	-2.10%
Salaries - Summer Help	3,061	2,856	1,900	3,363	1,463	77.00%
Insurances	12,899	12,841	13,356	14,963	1,607	12.03%
Social Security	3,050	2,972	3,175	3,223	48	1.51%
Municipal Retirement	1,948	1,800	1,980	2,036	56	2.83%
Workers Compensation	1,919	1,686	2,240	2,359	119	5.31%
Unemployment Compensation	252	277	252	30	-222	-88.10%
Professional Services	239	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Shared Maintenance	0	10,048	0	0	0	0.00%
Construction Professional Services	12,542	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Water/Sewer	1,700	1,700	2,825	2,825	0	0.00%
Contracted Sv - Rubbish	930	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Snow Removal	221	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Mowing	324	500	500	500	0	0.00%
Repair & Maintenance	8,937	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Property Insurance	3,518	3,386	3,694	3,878	184	4.98%
Liability Ins - Umbrella	694	686	715	751	36	5.03%
Telecommunications	4,442	3,800	3,800	4,500	700	18.42%
Postage	150	500	0	175	175	
Supplies	4,820	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Electricity	17,131	16,714	16,371	17,303	932	5.69%
Bottled Gas	1,904	1,218	1,519	2,100	581	38.25%
Oil	23,260	19,779	19,782	24,150	4,368	22.08%
Grounds	1,880	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Buildings	26,670	17,000	20,000	30,500	10,500	52.50%
Equipment	4,278	4,600	4,600	4,600	0	0.00%
EECBG Grant	16,320	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Subtotal Op & Maintenance of Plant	191,091	148,360	146,312	166,029	19,717	13.48%

Bolton School District Budget Report

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
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2711 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

This section of the budget includes the expenses for school bus services. Transportation services are organized by Chittenden East Supervisory Union.

Transportation	33,600	33,601	31,157	31,336	179	0.57%
Subtotal Transport Serv	33,600	33,601	31,157	31,336	179	0.57%

3100 FOOD SERVICES

This section of the budget includes expenses for the support of the food service program and the Computerized Sale System support and licenses.

Point of Sale System	53	1,000	600	500	-100	-16.67%
Food Services	8,723	8,000	10,000	12,000	2,000	20.00%
Assessed Director	2,698	2,747	3,107	0	-3,107	-100.00%
Subtotal Food Services	11,474	11,747	13,707	12,500	-1,207	-8.81%

2900 OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES

This section of the budget includes a general contingency line and Treasurer support.

Contingency	0	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Prof Serv - Treas	177	245	245	245	0	0.00%
Subtotal Other Support	177	3,245	3,245	3,245	0	0.00%

5000 DEBT SERVICE

This section of the budget includes funds to service the bond debt th 1999 Series for \$60,000 and the 2012 Series for \$26,000.

Debt Service Interest	26,870	26,870	20,053	25,912	5,859	29.22%
Debt Service Principal	60,000	60,000	60,000	86,000	26,000	43.33%
Subtotal Debt Service	86,870	86,870	80,053	111,912	31,859	39.80%

Total PreK-4 Expenditures	1,383,646	1,323,014	1,367,001 *	1,458,290	91,289	6.68%
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* Taxpayers voted on March 6, 2012, to add \$5,000 to 2012-2013 budget for the purpose of a feasibility study.

Bolton School District

2013-14 Tax Summary Estimates

Pending Legislative Approval of Statewide Education Tax Rates

The estimated Homestead Tax Rate for Bolton is comprised of a tax rate for the elementary school district and a

District	Homestead Tax Rate, Equalized	# of Equalized Pupils	% of Equalized Pupils	Prorated Homestead Tax Rate, Equalized	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	CLA Adjusted Est. Homestead Tax Rate
Bolton School District	\$2.1872	62.65	34.66%	\$ 0.7580	100.24%	\$ 0.7562
Mt. Mansfield Union School District	\$1.3349	118.12	65.34%	\$ 0.8723	100.24%	\$ 0.8702
		180.77	100.00%			
Estimated Total Homestead Tax Rate for Bolton						\$ 1.6264

FY 2014 Tax Summary Estimates

2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
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Common Level of Appraisal 99.46% 99.67% 100.24%

Pending Legislative Action

Homestead: (\$0.92)

Bolton School District	\$ 0.5755	\$ 0.5968	\$ 0.7562	\$ 0.1594	26.71%
Mt Mansfield Union School District	\$ 0.7736	\$ 0.7938	\$ 0.8702	\$ 0.0764	9.62%
Total Estimated Homestead Tax Rate	\$ 1.3491	\$ 1.3906	\$ 1.6264	\$ 0.2358	16.95%

Non-Residential: (\$1.41)

Estimated Non-Residential Tax Rate \$ 1.5115 \$ 1.3846 \$ 1.4066 \$ 0.022 1.59%

Percentage for Income Sensitivity 2.78% 2.83% 3.19%

Capital Projects Fund

Fund Balance, June 30, 2011	\$ 12
REVENUE:	
Interest	\$ -
Loan Proceeds	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ -
CAPITAL OUTLAYS:	
Construction Prof Svcs	\$ 16,372
Total Expenditures	\$ 16,372
 Net	 \$ (16,372)
 Fund Balance, June 30, 2012	 <u>\$ (16,360)</u>

PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by DOE

ESTIMATES ONLY

District: **Bolton**
 County: **Chittenden**

T022
 Chittenden East

Enter your choice for FY14 base education amount. See note at bottom of page. **8,915**
 Enter your choice for estimated homestead base rate for FY2014. See note at bottom of page. **0.92**

Expenditures		FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,300,872	\$1,323,630	\$1,367,001	\$1,461,604	1.
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	\$23,456	2.
3.	<i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,300,872	\$1,323,630	\$1,367,001	\$1,485,060	4.
5.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if not included in expenditure budget	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$1,300,872	\$1,323,630	\$1,367,001	\$1,485,060	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.
Revenues						
10.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$217,044	\$259,309	\$279,483	\$254,105	10.
11.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	-	NA	NA	12.
13.	<i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-	13.
14.	Total local revenues	\$217,044	\$259,309	\$279,483	\$254,105	14.
15.	Education Spending	\$1,083,828	\$1,064,321	\$1,087,518	\$1,230,955	15.
16.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	70.85	69.17	67.79	62.25	16.
17.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$15,297.50	\$15,387.03	\$16,042.45	\$19,774	17.
18.	<i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$1,268.67	\$1,255.89	\$1,180.90	\$1,786	18.
19.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	\$5.35	\$4.94	\$2.02	\$1.37	19.
20.	<i>minus</i> Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period	NA	NA	NA	-	22.
23.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	NA	NA	-	23.
24.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-	24.
25.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any);	-	-	\$19	\$2,031	25.
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$15,298	\$15,387	\$16,061	\$21,805	26.
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$21,805 / \$8,915)	179.044%	180.092%	184.122%	238.980%	27.
Prorating the local tax rate						
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (238.980% x \$0.920)	\$1.5398	\$1.5668	\$1.6387	\$2.1986	28.
29.	Percent of Bolton equalized pupils not in a union school district	38.450%	36.510%	36.300%	34.66%	29.
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (34.660% x \$2.20)	\$0.5921	\$0.5720	\$0.5948	\$0.7620	30.
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	90.77%	99.46%	99.67%	100.24%	31.
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.762 / 100.24%)	\$0.6523	\$0.5751	\$0.5968	\$0.7602	32.
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>						
33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (238.980% x 1.80%)	3.22%	3.24%	3.31%	4.30%	33.
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (34.660% x 4.30%)	1.24%	1.18%	1.20%	1.49%	34.
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at Mt. Mansfield USD	61.55%	63.49%	63.70%	65.34%	35.
36.		-	-	-	-	36.

- Following current statute, the base education amount would be \$9,151. That would require base education tax rates of \$0.94 and \$1.43. The tax commissioner has suggested allowing one year of inflation, resulting in a base amount of \$8,915 and base tax rates of \$0.92 and \$1.41. The administration also has stated that tax rates could remain flat at \$0.89 and \$1.38 if statewide education spending is level and the base education amount is set at \$8,915. Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
 - The base income percentage cap is 1.80%.

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

School: Smilie Memorial School
S.U.: Chittenden East S.U.

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

FY2012 School Level Data

		Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment < 100 (49 schools in cohort)		Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest) 14 out of 49					
		School level data	Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Brookfield School		K - 6	78	7.90	0.80	9.87	97.50	9.88
	Braintree School		K - 6	79	7.80	1.00	10.13	79.00	7.80
	Bingham Memorial School		K - 6	83	9.47	1.00	8.76	83.00	9.47
	Smilie Memorial School		PK - 4	83	5.30	1.00	15.66	83.00	5.30
< Larger	Grafton Elementary School		K - 6	84	8.80	1.00	9.55	84.00	8.80
	Jay/Westfield Joint School		K - 6	84	8.80	1.00	9.55	84.00	8.80
	Bridport Central School		PK - 6	85	10.64	1.00	7.99	85.00	10.64
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data				62.39	6.68	0.76	9.34	81.76	8.75

School District: Bolton
LEA ID: T022

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 superv unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These do include district assessments to SUs. Doing so make districts more comparable to each other.

FY2011 School District Data

		Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2011 FTE < 100 (49 school districts in cohort)		Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest) 16 out of 49		
		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	
Smaller ->	Sherburne		PK-6	75.65	\$14,923	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.
	Athens/Grafton Joint Contract Dist.		K-6	75.79	\$13,094	
	Bridport		PK-6	76.12	\$17,229	
	Bolton		PK-4	76.28	\$13,070	
< Larger	Worcester		PK-6	76.33	\$12,828	
	Lakeview USD #43		K-6	76.90	\$13,502	
	West Windsor		K-6	77.43	\$11,963	
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data				61.74	\$14,476	

FY2013 School District Data

		School district tax rate				Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
		Grades offered in School District	SchlDist Equalized Pupils	SchlDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchlDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller ->	T103	Isle La Motte	K-6	62.51	13,264.53	1.3534	89.22%	1.5169
	T104	Jamaica	K-6	62.62	13,584.92	1.3861	115.92%	1.2204
	T097	Holland	PK-6	64.62	11,268.15	1.1497	93.37%	1.2734
	T022	Bolton	PK-4	67.79	16,042.45	1.6387	99.67%	1.3906
< Larger	T254	Worcester	PK-6	72.15	12,590.27	1.2846	98.91%	1.3833
	T029	Bridport	PK-6	72.59	15,307.85	1.5618	99.81%	1.5520
	U043	Lakeview USD #43	K-6	73.60	14,374.80	1.4666	-	-

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

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

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

CHITTENDEN EAST SUPERVISORY UNION #12 REPORT

Thank You for Your Support

Community support and involvement are key ingredients in the vitality and success of our schools. The Chittenden East Supervisory Union #12 (CESU) and its member school districts are fortunate and grateful for the support of our communities. Educating CESU youth and preparing them for college and careers are top priorities of community members. This is evident in the number of volunteers who devote their time and talents in enriching school programs and advancing the spirit of our community schools. In addition, parents and residents show their interest and encouragement at a variety of school events (e.g. arts performances/exhibits, academic exhibits and sporting events); help maintain safe and welcoming school buildings; and fund school infrastructure and programs.

As you review your local school district annual report and the Mt. Mansfield Union School District Annual Report, please take some time to examine the academic indicators. Based on a notable portion of these assessment results, CESU schools compare positively to the state and nation. In fact, a number of the outcomes indicate CESU is one of the strongest systems in Vermont. We recognize there is room for growth, but we hope that parents, volunteers and taxpayers see the positive returns on their investments.

Thank you for your steadfast commitment to CESU's community schools. Your contributions are essential in maximizing students' potential and preserving the nucleus of our small towns.

Budget Narrative

The FY 2014 budget development process has proven to be one of the most challenging in recent years. A confluence of factors are influencing school district budget increases and tax rates. Primary drivers are as follows:

- School districts are estimating less federal and state revenue (i.e. Federal Jobs Bill eliminated, Special Education reduced by 10% and Consolidated Federal Grants reduced by 10%).
- Health insurance is estimated to increase by 14%. School districts have not seen double-digit increases in several years.
- Support staff and teacher salaries are increasing.
- Special Education costs are going up by 6.75% due to the increase in the number of students who require specialized support and accommodations.
- Energy costs (fuel and utilities) have risen as compared to FY13.
- The state is projecting a three-cent increase in the statewide property tax rate.
- The value of homes in Vermont are decreasing, as a result, the Grand List is shrinking.
- Fluctuations in enrollment and equalized pupils of CESU's member school districts.

Acknowledging the budget pressure on member districts, CESU's administration has taken steps to control Central Office costs in FY 2014. The fuel efficiency of our bus fleet is at an all-time high as older, less fuel-efficient buses have been replaced with the help of federally funded Clean Diesel Grants. Due to the condition of the bus fleet, CESU is able to purchase one less bus in FY 2014 than anticipated. Proactive and cost saving actions have resulted in a 0.54% decrease in the transportation budget for FY 2014. Restructuring of administrative positions has produced a modest 0.35% increase for CESU's Central Office. Strategic hiring and efficiency measures allowed CESU to manage increases in transportation and Central Office services.

Curriculum

"Curriculum" involves not only what we teach (the content, how much, when and how often), but more importantly, how we teach -- engaging students through multiple, interactive, collaborative, participatory methods versus talking at students and telling them what to learn. To improve our teaching practices, the CESU Leadership Team understands the importance of trust, aligning practices with common goals and creating structures for faculty to learn and improve their craft.

Our work utilizes a common curriculum database (called VCAT) shared throughout the supervisory union. Our schools

share essential questions, goals and outcomes around all learning. Each school also creates their own specific action plan. Additionally, Vermont is among forty-five states that have adopted a national set of standards -- the Common Core. Our transition plan for Common Core implementation includes thoughtful and appropriate training. As we continually adapt curriculum, we must create structures for our faculty to both learn by utilizing in-school and in-supervisory union expertise and providing training so that our faculty gain external knowledge.

Internal expertise to improve curriculum and instruction appears in three structures: school team meetings, supervisory union curricular groups and specialists/consultants. School teams are an entire school (a faculty meeting), vertical (a member of several grade teachers - e.g. a grade 1, 2, and 3 teachers at Richmond Elementary School), grade-level (e.g. all of the 4th grade teachers at Jericho) and content specific (all of the U.S. History teachers). Team members collectively look at student work and discuss how to specifically improve learning. The same team then revisits new methods and data to see if improvement has occurred and adjusts when necessary.

Curricular groups include content areas: arts, health/PE, math, English Language Arts, social studies, science, technology, guidance, librarians and world languages. Representatives from each grade level and each school meet at least twice a year to plan curriculum work and develop, adjust and share common goals. These groups are leading Common Core implementation and members serve as teacher leaders to share expertise and important information with each school.

Our specialists/consultants work directly with teachers through lesson study and residencies. Leaders help teachers co-plan a lesson and then the planning group observes the students, their work and the specific teaching. Following a debrief of the collaborative lesson, the leader works individually with each participating teacher in the classroom.

External knowledge and training for the faculty of our schools includes a record number of classes in technology this past year. Our supervisory union moved to a google platform to add versatility. The focus of technology training is implementation of google and research-based programs that improve learning. Other external training includes courses and regional workshops on mathematics, brain research and the Common Core.

Negotiations

Chittenden East Supervisory Union's member school boards and central office administration are pleased to report that contract agreements have been reached with educational support personnel and teachers. Teachers and Boards agreed to a one-year contract that extends to June 30, 2014. CESU Boards and support staff agreed to a three-year contract which encompasses 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015.

The support staff Agreement includes salary step advancement plus a 1.5% increase to base hourly rates. These adjustments result in an average increase of 3.54% in each year of the contract. Support staff will incrementally contribute more for their health insurance premiums. Their contribution will increase 0.5% in 2012-2013, 0.5% in 2013-2014 and 1.0% in 2014-2015. Modifications were also made to a small number of work-related articles.

The 2013-2014 Agreement with teachers provides salary step advancement for eligible personnel. Step movement and adjustments to the salary schedule result in a 3.0% overall increase as compared to the FY 2013 budget. Additionally, language was included that stipulates no salary step advancement will be provided in 2014-2015 unless CESU Boards and the Green Mt. NEA have ratified a successor agreement. All other terms and conditions are consistent with the current Master Agreement (i.e. the 2012-2013 Agreement).

Policy

The Chittenden East Supervisory Union Policy Committee has worked in a determined manner to update and align our policies with Vermont state law. We recently adopted new harassment and bullying prevention policies and over the past year have adopted the home study, alcohol and drug-free workplace, alcohol and tobacco prevention, volunteers in schools, restraint and seclusion, animal dissection, and class size policies. The policy committee meets monthly and all meetings, dates, minutes and agendas are posted on the CESU website.

Special Education

The Special Services staff continues to strive to meet the unique needs of Special Education eligible students, while providing accountability and cost effectiveness. The development of the FY 2014 CESU special education budget began as it does each year in September. Principals assess the needs of their existing special education eligible students and coordinate with other CESU Principals to meet the needs of next year's incoming students. This assessment gives a concrete estimate of the special education costs for the upcoming year.

Principals prepare a "services plan worksheet" which is submitted to the Special Services Director. The worksheet outlines the necessary staff, related services, supplies, equipment, and tuition that are anticipated for the upcoming school year. This information is combined for all nine schools and the special education budget is developed.

The FY 2014 CESU PreK-12 Special Education budget reflects an overall increase of \$560,494 or 6.75%. The FY 2014 Special Education expenditure budget increase is driven by a 3% salary increase for licensed staff, a 3.54% salary increase for the non-licensed staff, a 14% health insurance increase, 5% dental insurance increase, 10% workers' compensation insurance increase and the need for additional para-professionals, based on student needs. The Special Education revenue budget includes a deficit carry forward of \$238,047, an anticipated decrease of \$99,116 or 10% in federal funds (i.e. IDEA-B, Title 1 and Medicaid) and an increase in the local assessment of \$718,924 or 28.91%. The carry forward was primarily due to the unbudgeted salary increases of 2.5% (approx. \$118,182) and the need for additional para-professional staffing (approx. \$119,866) for new students who moved into CESU in FY 2012. The local assessment increase is driven by the deficit, the decrease in federal funds and the local share (the portion not reimbursed by the State) of the expenditure budget increase due to the salary and benefit increases above and staff added in FY 2012.

Over the past few years, one of the primary goals of the Special Services department has been to develop programs and services that increase the capacity to serve students within the CESU community. This past school year, a new school psychologist was hired, increasing the school psychologist staff to three. These school psychologists conduct all of the special education evaluations in our schools, as well as being available to provide consultation around behavior and other student concerns. This restructuring has saved CESU approximately \$24,000.

CESU's Mansfield Academy program, which began as a high school alternative program, is now in its fourth year of serving students in grades K-12. This program allows special education eligible students who cannot participate within the regular educational setting to continue to be educated locally. It also connects children and families to critical resources and supports available within the Chittenden County area. Beginning this school year, the Mansfield Academy elementary program (grades K-4) is located at Jericho Elementary School (JES). The move to JES reduced costs and benefits students by offering resources not readily available at an alternative site such as a playground, gym and contact with a diverse range of peers.

Vision for Public Education

Approximately two years ago, a small group of Vermont superintendents were charged with the task of analyzing and synthesizing existing work of Vermont educators (e.g. Vermont Design for Education and Roots to Success) in order to establish a definition for a "quality education." The intent of this work is to be progressive in moving forward and not prescriptive. The focus shifts from discussions of mandates and funding to what students need to be successful in the 21st Century. This intentional change in dialogue around public education has the potential to support students as they aspire to be global learners and citizens.

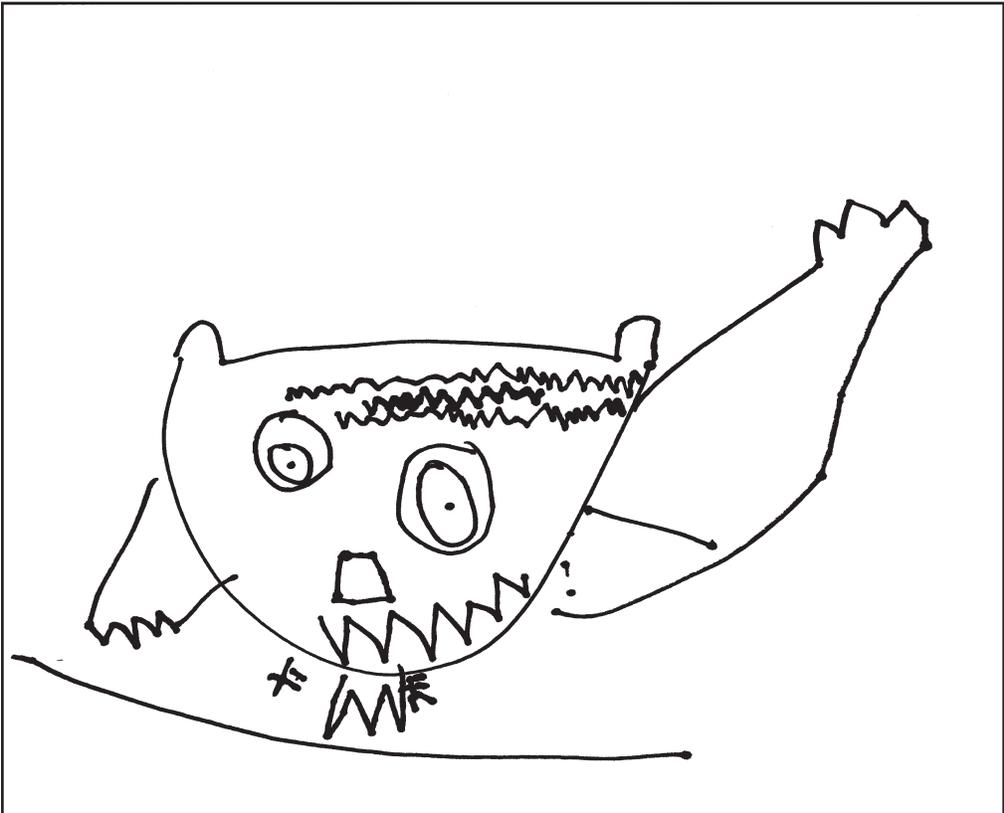
As part of the drafting process, the superintendent task force obtained valuable feedback from the PreK-16 Council, Vermont Business Roundtable Board, Legislators, State Board of Education, Vermont School Board Association, Vermont Principal Association and other representative organizations. The group used this input to design an inclusive vision for public education in Vermont. The State Board of Education has enthusiastically endorsed the work of the superintendent task force and intends to use it in rewriting the current School Quality Standards (SQS).

CESU will utilize the Vermont Superintendent Association's (VSA) vision for a world-class public education

in conjunction with the Common Core Standards to revise curricular units, modify and create education programs, establish budget recommendations and provide professional development opportunities.

To view the VSA's vision document, please go to <http://www.cesu.k12.vt.us>.

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Chittenden East Supervisory Union #12
2013-14 Proposed Budget
Central Office

	2011-12 Actual Unaudited	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
<u>Expenses</u>						
Salaries	\$ 760,563	\$ 735,128	\$ 806,826	\$ 797,050	\$ (9,776)	-1.21%
Insurance	136,240	154,777	150,389	161,488	11,100	7.38%
Social Security	55,775	56,237	61,722	60,974	(748)	-1.21%
Group Life Insurance	1,833	1,820	1,820	1,820	0	0.00%
Retirement	24,184	22,347	25,522	27,669	2,147	8.41%
Workers Compensation	5,418	4,476	5,151	4,866	(285)	-5.53%
Unemployment Comp	6,861	953	963	1,764	801	83.18%
Tuition Reimbursement	5,903	4,661	4,661	5,298	636	13.65%
Benefit Administration	317	690	690	690	0	0.00%
Professional Development	6,887	3,500	5,580	8,680	3,100	55.56%
Curriculum Coordination	12,549	15,550	15,550	11,250	(4,300)	-27.65%
Professional & Tech Services	23,954	10,540	10,540	10,540	0	0.00%
Contract Negotiations	10,442	25,000	25,000	25,000	0	0.00%
Cleaning Services	5,222	4,930	4,930	4,930	0	0.00%
Repair & Maintenance	4,338	5,750	5,750	5,750	0	0.00%
Rent	42,768	42,318	43,926	43,926	0	0.00%
Prop/Liab Insurance	183	112	204	204	0	0.00%
Fidelity Bond	311	101	101	101	0	0.00%
Postage & Telephone	9,284	11,878	11,878	11,878	0	0.00%
Printing	645	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Advertising	7,096	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
Travel/Conferences	11,420	15,300	15,300	15,300	0	0.00%
Supplies	18,972	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	0.00%
Electricity	3,565	4,056	4,056	4,056	0	0.00%
Books/Periodicals	845	800	800	800	0	0.00%
Computer Software	33,201	33,174	34,212	34,212	0	0.00%
Equipment	44,734	35,770	37,780	39,180	1,400	3.71%
Dues & Fees	6,574	5,081	5,081	5,581	500	9.84%
Contingency	6,408	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
P/Y Adjustment	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Consolidation Expense	2,720	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Grants	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL	\$ 1,249,213	\$ 1,214,949	\$ 1,298,432	\$ 1,303,007	\$ 4,575	0.35%
<u>Revenues</u>						
District Assessments	\$ 1,166,476	\$ 1,166,653	\$ 1,246,885	\$ 1,318,052	\$ 71,167	5.71%
Indirect Cost Reimbursement	0	21,500	0	0	0	0.00%
Interest Earned	1,219	7,000	7,000	2,000	(5,000)	-71.43%
Misc Other Income	48,018	30,000	30,000	30,000	0	0.00%
LSB Grant	1,466	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
Cobra Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Grants	4,000	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Prior Year Adjustment	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Carry Forward	(6,863)	(11,404)	13,348	(48,245)	(61,592)	-461.45%
TOTAL	\$ 1,214,316	\$ 1,214,949	\$ 1,298,432	\$ 1,303,007	\$ 4,575	0.35%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (34,897)	-	-	-		

Chittenden East Supervisory Union #12

Central Office Assessment

	FY 2013 Percentage	FY 2013 Assessment	FY 2014 Percentage	Estimated FY 2014 Assessment	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
Bolton	2.51%	\$ 31,326	2.37%	\$ 31,258	\$ (68)	-0.22%
Huntington	4.50%	56,095	4.90%	64,551	8,456	15.07%
Jericho	8.03%	100,130	8.03%	105,858	5,728	5.72%
Richmond	9.89%	123,365	9.86%	129,896	6,532	5.29%
Underhill I. D.	3.95%	49,270	3.91%	51,579	2,309	4.69%
Underhill Town	5.71%	71,160	5.66%	74,635	3,475	4.88%
Browns River	16.35%	203,885	16.32%	215,069	11,184	5.49%
Camels Hump	16.35%	203,885	16.32%	215,069	11,184	5.49%
Mount Mansfield	32.70%	407,769	32.63%	430,137	22,368	5.49%
	100.00%	\$ 1,246,885	100.00%	\$ 1,318,052	\$ 71,167	5.71%

2013-14 Proposed Budget Grants

	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Expenditures						
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 252,644	\$ 286,811	\$ 259,526	\$ 174,760	\$ (84,765)	-32.7%
Professional Services	7,581	40,502	28,995	23,695	(5,300)	-18.3%
Fiscal Services	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Travel/Conferences	2,808	100	100	0	(100)	-100.0%
Supplies	6,835	6,030	2,930	3,694	764	26.1%
Books	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Equipment	698	550	550	0	(550)	-100.0%
Miscellaneous	0	2,922	3,000	0	(3,000)	-100.0%
Total	\$ 270,565	\$ 336,915	\$ 295,101	\$ 202,149	\$ (92,951)	-31.5%
Revenues						
Title IIA	\$ 173,899	\$ 210,022	\$ 205,889	\$ 137,715	\$ (68,175)	-33.1%
EPSDT	33,078	35,633	42,199	39,755	(2,445)	-5.8%
Tobacco Funds	25,450	22,680	20,030	24,680	4,650	23.2%
Early Childhood Connection	0	9,607	0	0	0	0.0%
SAP	29,310	53,973	26,982	0	(26,982)	-100.0%
School Crisis Project	7,747	0	0	0	0	0.0%
VKAT/OVX	1,080	5,000	0	0	0	0.0%
Our Voices Project	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 270,565	\$ 336,915	\$ 295,101	\$ 202,149	\$ (92,951)	-31.5%

Chittenden East Supervisory Union # 12
2013-14 Proposed Budget
Special Education Budget

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
<u>Revenue</u>						
Surplus/Deficit	\$ (31,287)	\$ (31,287)	\$ 123,061	\$ (238,047)	\$ (361,108)	-293.44%
Title I	272,373	279,707	257,659	242,656	(15,003)	-5.82%
Essential Early Ed (EEE)	179,927	179,927	188,033	186,192	(1,841)	-0.98%
IDEA -B	648,496	626,000	626,000	563,400	(62,600)	-10.00%
IDEA-B Preschool	14,970	15,331	15,331	13,800	(1,531)	-9.99%
State Block	938,242	938,242	941,064	931,958	(9,106)	-0.97%
State Extraordinary	30,321	109,605	41,592	113,100	71,508	171.93%
State Expenditure Reimbursement	2,929,809	2,685,319	3,033,298	3,411,842	378,544	12.48%
Other State	171,390	54,464	142,158	31,865	(110,293)	-77.58%
BEST Grant	8,431	11,552	11,551	11,551	0	0.00%
Excess Costs from LEAs	31,473	30,000	30,000	8,000	(22,000)	-73.33%
Miscellaneous Local	1,900	7,000	7,000	2,000	(5,000)	-71.43%
Miscellaneous Local EEE	2,700	0	0	0	0	0
Local Assessment	2,634,149	2,579,042	2,486,828	3,205,752	718,924	28.91%
Medicaid	386,031	400,000	400,000	380,000	(20,000)	-5.00%
Total	\$ 8,218,925	\$ 7,884,902	\$ 8,303,575	\$ 8,864,069	\$ 560,494	6.75%
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Instructional Services	\$ 5,878,106	\$ 5,351,717	\$ 5,750,384	\$ 6,180,777	\$ 430,393	7.48%
Salaries	3,588,684	3,325,327	3,621,576	3,815,694	194,118	5.36%
Benefits	1,615,972	1,531,507	1,689,322	1,860,555	171,233	10.14%
Direct Instructional Services	50,677	12,000	33,900	32,700	(1,200)	-3.54%
Other Purchased Services	21,148	30,500	13,240	13,800	560	4.23%
Tuition	554,025	402,383	376,806	439,869	63,063	16.74%
Supplies	17,440	22,000	14,040	13,870	(170)	-1.21%
Equipment	30,161	28,000	1,500	4,290	2,790	186.00%
Professional Services	15,872	6,000	6,700	7,200	500	7.46%
Social Work Services	151,060	161,000	161,000	179,467	18,467	11.47%
Health Services	7,655	18,000	10,000	7,500	(2,500)	-25.00%
Psychological Services	189,032	195,000	170,521	193,624	23,103	13.55%
Speech & Lang Services	681,217	671,814	680,180	737,994	57,814	8.50%
OT Services	94,257	111,249	113,898	101,727	(12,171)	-10.69%
PT and Other Support Services	47,561	51,116	51,383	52,570	1,187	2.31%
Instructional Improvement	225,708	133,794	237,661	252,427	14,766	6.21%
Administration Services	208,191	227,576	214,056	220,391	6,335	2.96%
Admin Support Services	100,075	85,183	104,064	144,097	40,033	38.47%
Fiscal Services	7,704	11,000	11,000	8,200	(2,800)	-25.45%
Facilities	55,493	53,000	36,400	45,140	8,740	24.01%
Transportation	114,835	140,000	121,883	108,779	(13,104)	-10.75%
Contingency	0	40,000	0	0	0	0
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Special Ed	\$ 7,776,767	\$ 7,256,449	\$ 7,669,130	\$ 8,239,894	\$ 570,764	7.44%
Early Intervention, EEE & CIS-EI	\$ 407,833	\$ 348,745	\$ 376,784	\$ 381,519	\$ 4,735	1.26%
Title 1 Programs	272,373	279,707	257,659	242,656	(15,003)	-5.82%
Total	\$ 8,456,973	\$ 7,884,901	\$ 8,303,573	\$ 8,864,069	\$ 560,496	6.75%

Chittenden East Supervisory Union #12

2013-14 Special Education Assessment

District	FY 2013 Budget	FY 2014 Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change	% Share
Bolton	62,478	76,025	13,547	21.68%	2.37%
Huntington	111,878	157,001	45,123	40.33%	4.90%
Jericho	199,702	257,466	57,764	28.93%	8.03%
Richmond	246,042	315,932	69,890	28.41%	9.86%
Underhill I. D.	98,266	125,451	27,185	27.66%	3.91%
Underhill Town	141,924	181,526	39,602	27.90%	5.66%
MMUSD	1,626,537	2,092,350	465,813	28.64%	65.27%
	<u>2,486,828</u>	<u>3,205,752</u>	<u>718,924</u>	<u>28.91%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Transportation Assessment

Town	2012-13 Assessment	2012-13 Percentage	2012-13 PK-4 Oct 1 Enrollment	2013-14 Percentage	2013-14 Est. Assessment	Percent Increase
Bolton	\$ 31,157	7.83%	72	7.01%	\$ 31,343	0.60%
Huntington	\$ 56,472	14.19%	154	15.00%	\$ 67,039	18.71%
Jericho	\$ 86,072	21.62%	230	22.40%	\$ 100,124	16.33%
Richmond	\$ 113,334	28.47%	288	28.04%	\$ 125,372	10.62%
Underhill ID	\$ 41,283	10.37%	110	10.71%	\$ 47,885	15.99%
Underhill Town	\$ 69,714	17.51%	173	16.85%	\$ 75,310	8.03%
MMUSD	\$ 1,194,099		N/A		\$ 1,341,223	12.32%
	<u>\$ 1,592,132</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>1,027</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$ 1,788,297</u>	<u>12.32%</u>
Elementary 25%	\$ 398,033				\$ 447,074	
MMUSD 75%	<u>\$ 1,194,099</u>				<u>\$ 1,341,223</u>	
	<u>\$ 1,592,132</u>				<u>\$ 1,788,297</u>	<u>12.32%</u>

Chittenden East Supervisory Union 2013-14 Proposed Budget

Transportation Budget

	2011-12 Actual Unaudited	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Salary	\$ 826,803	\$ 827,114	\$ 873,752	\$ 860,234	\$ (13,518)	-1.55%
Insurance	287,064	381,876	318,031	355,482	37,451	11.78%
Social Security	67,747	63,274	66,842	65,808	(1,034)	-1.55%
Retire/Work Comp/Unemp	77,485	83,807	84,801	93,117	8,316	9.81%
Professional Services	0	1,000	500	500	0	0.00%
Other Cleaning Services	6,247	4,750	5,639	6,247	608	10.78%
Repairs & Maintenance	625	500	200	200	0	0.00%
Busing Contracts	10,248	4,545	5,000	10,000	5,000	100.00%
Fleet Insurance	19,736	20,820	20,475	22,571	2,096	10.24%
Communicatons	19,523	4,475	10,000	4,475	(5,525)	-55.25%
Advertising	1,625	600	600	750	150	25.00%
Travel/Training	791	4,200	4,200	2,200	(2,000)	-47.62%
Supplies/Parts	107,790	104,290	113,037	107,102	(5,935)	-5.25%
Fuels	236,680	177,000	192,000	240,960	48,960	25.50%
Software	6,535	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Equipment	2,799	2,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Bus Replacement	219,360	255,000	255,000	170,000	(85,000)	-33.33%
Miscellaneous	4,215	4,354	3,745	4,000	255	6.81%
Total Transportation	\$ 1,895,273	\$ 1,941,605	\$ 1,959,822	\$ 1,949,645	\$ (10,177)	-0.52%
<u>Estimated Revenue</u>						
Carry Forward	311,689	51,438	260,251	53,909	(206,342)	-79.29%
Vo-Tech Reimbursement	59,387	57,416	58,000	58,000	0	0.00%
Special Ed Reimbursement	33,241	32,727	32,727	32,727	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous	13,640	12,712	12,712	12,712	0	0.00%
Sale of Bus	8,160	4,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Elementary Assessment	445,828	445,828	398,033	447,074	49,041	12.32%
Secondary Assessment	1,337,488	1,337,484	1,194,099	1,341,223	147,124	12.32%
	\$ 2,209,433	\$ 1,941,605	\$ 1,959,822	\$ 1,949,645	(10,177)	-0.52%
Net	\$ 314,160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0

REPORT OF THE MOUNT MANSFIELD UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mt. Mansfield Union High School

This has been a year of change at Mt. Mansfield Union High School. We have had nine teachers and two administrators move on to other opportunities, which means we have eight people who are new to MMU and four people who have switched roles. We received our New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) ten year evaluation report and have begun to examine how to adjust our practice to prepare students for success after they leave us. Through committees composed of teachers, students, parents and administrators, we are exploring what we do well and what we need to do to produce an even more successful graduate.

Throughout the 2011-2012 school year, math teachers at MMU participated in intensive lesson studies to improve math instruction. The teachers met for full afternoon or morning sessions of lesson planning, teaching, and evaluation of instructional delivery. This practice is continuing throughout the 2012-2013 school year along with bimonthly professional development geared towards incorporating Common Core Standards into the math curriculum. In addition, daily, one-hour math classes have had a positive impact on student outcomes in mathematics; student grades have improved with daily contact and more time for practice.

Teachers of English, social studies, and the sciences met in course groups bimonthly throughout the school year. Each group focused on one aspect of the curriculum development cycle, assessment, instruction, or curriculum redesign. English teachers and our school librarian began examining the Common Core Standards in language arts and attended a series of working conferences with this focus throughout the year. In the summer of 2012, our librarian and curriculum director worked with teachers in grades 5-8 to develop the Supervisory Union's first Common Core units and developed a new continuum for research in grades 5-12. Social Studies teachers, after careful examination of the current curriculum, and paying special attention to the need to help students to develop their skills as they learn content, have decided to restructure the scope and sequence of social studies at the high school. After developing a general outline based on best practices in schools around the country, the teachers have begun the process of shaping the curriculum incorporating 21st century learning skills and Common Core Standards for literacy in social studies. Teachers of environmental earth science met regularly to examine student work, and teachers of biology revisited assessments in their newly developed units and gathered data to review student achievement. In the coming year, science teachers are planning to realign common assessments over three years of science to better reflect skill development over time.

After surveying students, English teachers developed a new set of electives for senior year. For the 2012-2013 school year, seniors had the option of AP Literature and Composition or Technical English which are full-year courses or "Senior Literature and Composition" for one semester and an English elective for the alternate semester. The electives include "Criminal Minds," "Visions of the Future," and "Multicultural Literature: A Global Perspective." English also added AP Language and Composition for students in Grade 11 or 12.

Early in 2012, in response to our NEASC evaluation, the faculty at MMU began the development of our school-wide learning expectations and rubrics. This process has been the main curricular focus over the last year. Teachers met regularly during in-service and during their department meeting times to collectively agree on the learning expectations for students in all classes as well as the rubrics through which we will measure student learning. The discussions have been healthy, spirited, rewarding and valuable. In the 2012-2013 school year, teachers have been piloting the rubrics in all classes. The 21st Century Learning Expectations can be accessed on the MMU website.

Another major learning adventure at MMU has been the one-to-one laptop initiative for all of our ninth grade students. During this past summer, ninth-grade teachers worked for several days, developing protocols and instructional plans for teaching computer organization skills in order to be prepared for students with full-time computer access. On the first day of school, each ninth grade student received a laptop computer and the students have been learning to use the computers to write, access teacher lessons and assignments, conduct research, take notes, read, and engage in online "discussions" during a presentation. Naturally, there is a learning curve as students learn to file their work so it is easily accessed, take care of their laptops, and practice safe use of the online tools and hardware. The students

love their laptops. Our goal of preparing them for college and the workplace began on the first day of school.

The Student Services Department has been working on improving our programming with each grade level and integrating technology into the work staff accomplish with students. We are now using a web-based program called Naviance Family Connection. Naviance is a college and career readiness platform that helps connect academic achievement to post-secondary goals beginning in ninth grade and culminating in senior year. The college and career planning resources that Naviance offers optimize student success, enhances school counselor productivity, and tracks results for school and district administrators. Naviance allows the school to submit educational documents to colleges electronically and schedule students to meet with college representatives who visit Mt. Mansfield.

In 2011-2012, MMUHS students took 298 Advanced Placement exams. This is up from 279 the previous year. Students earned scores of three or higher on 70% of exams, as compared to 67% the previous year. We saw improvements in much of our data related to college admissions as well. In the graduating class of 2012, 71% of seniors planned to attend a four-year college or university, compared to 64% in the class of 2011. The number of Mt. Mansfield students taking college admissions tests increased as well. 164 students took an SAT exam in 2011-2012, whereas 140 students tested in 2010-2011, and 129 students took an ACT exam as compared to 126 the previous school year. Our overall school averages on these tests have increased. SAT average critical reading scores increased 25 points to 570, math improved 22 points to an average score of 566 and writing scores rose 6 points to average 545. Average ACT composite scores of MMU students rose from 23.3 to 24.5. These are important indicators in determining the quality and conditions of MMUHS.

Health Services coordinated various programs for students and staff to raise awareness around wellness opportunities and medical concerns. Some examples include; coordinating the PATH to wellness program, fundraising for breast cancer on Lee National Denim day, and continuing to educate new staff and coaches on concussion guidelines and protocol. Health Services has helped implement and comply with the new state-wide guidelines for student immunizations at Mt. Mansfield.

MMU currently has 25 active clubs, approximately 40 athletic teams, a marching band, and several choral and instrumental groups. New clubs for 2012-2013 include MMU Multisport, Environmental Club, and the continuation of boys' and girls' Rugby. Our 9th grade orientation (in which 100% of our incoming students participated), and events such as Homecoming, Winter Carnival, and Spring Fling help MMU continue to be a thriving community. We also sent students to the Vermont Student-Athlete Leadership Conference, where they learned valuable athletic leadership skills. Our choral and instrumental music department continues to produce students who excel at the state, regional and national level.

Our girls' alpine ski team, boys' Nordic ski team, and boys' basketball team celebrated Vermont State Championships in the winter of 2012. In the spring of 2012, our baseball team opened their new field located off of Packard Road, with a win over St. Johnsbury. During the fall of 2012, we continued to enjoy our fall sports teams training and playing all home games on campus at MMU. We have improved the overall maintenance of the athletic fields. We have a newly renovated gymnasium floor and bleachers to enjoy watching our wrestling, dance and basketball teams compete and perform. MMUHS's girls' hockey team will be participating in a cooperative team agreement with South Burlington High School for the 2012-2013 season.

Camel's Hump Middle School

Camel's Hump Middle School has many reasons to celebrate this year. Our solar array project was completed last year and we are experiencing many benefits from their installation. The grant funded, half-million dollar project, contains 507 solar panels that have the potential to generate over 135,000 kWh/yr. This is enough electricity to produce 25% of our annual energy use. We estimate that we will see a \$25,000 reduction in our electric bill this year. Monitoring of the systems output and the electrical demands of the school can be seen at <https://services.wattmetrics.com/dashboard.aspx?siteId=194>.

Academically, CHMS continues to refine and implement a number of initiatives to improve academic outcomes for our students. Partnerships with a variety of community groups and agencies continue to grow and provide our students with hands-on field experience in science and social studies. Our community partnerships include: Vermont Amphibians/Reptile Atlas, Vernal Pool Association, Monitor Barn, and the Richmond Conservation Commission.

CHMS Librarian, Steve Madden, and a group of Bolton community members established five Little Libraries throughout Bolton this past spring. These libraries located on the Bolton Access Road, Stage Road, Notch Road and at Fernwood Manor provide the community access to a variety of literature and promote literacy. Through grants from the Vermont Department of Libraries, Macy's, Children's Literacy Foundation and many volunteers, these libraries will provide years of reading for many children.

Our school development plan, that was developed in conjunction with an outside audit, conducted by the State of Vermont, as part of our continued identification as a school in need of improvement, presented literacy, mathematics, and school-wide systems evaluation as areas to address. Our language arts teachers are working on a CHMS school development plan that addresses our instructional practices and our reading and writing programs. As part of our literacy action plan, teachers are working on the continued development of Readers and Writers Workshop, specific content reading strategies, developing a common reading vocabulary, aligning supplemental services and instructional practices, and providing professional development opportunities. The writing section of CHMS's action plan addresses on-demand writing and writing across the curriculum. Our mathematics teachers continue their professional development work with the district's math coordinator. Math teachers are focusing on 80/20 instructional strategies and their impact on student learning outcomes. In the spring of 2012, we completed our second year of an algebra readiness program which focused on increasing student's algebra preparedness as they entered MMUHS. Recently, we surveyed course graduates to gather their input on future course improvements. CHMS teachers meet Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) standards for their primary teaching assignments.

CHMS administration and faculty also participated in a variety of professional development activities during 2011-2012. In June 2011, seventeen teachers participated in a course centered on learning outcomes and instructional practices. Participants developed plans to create and identify intentional learning objectives, questioning strategies, and formative assessment as well as student engagement and responsibility.

The academic performance of CHMS students based on their NECAP performance continues to be above the state average. Student's scoring as proficient or proficient with distinction are considered to be meeting or above academic grade level standards. Student's rated partially proficient and substantially below proficient do not meet grade level standards. Please view the charts that depict student performance on the most recent NECAP assessment. As a school, CHMS is meeting Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) measures in reading and mathematics and out-performs the State averages. Please note that CHMS had no English Language Learners that were not tested and that less than one percent of our students participated in the Vermont Alternative Assessment Program (VTAP).

Also student performance on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) continues to improve. While no school specific data is available, Vermont students continue to out-perform almost every state.

The Vermont Department of Education continues to identify Camels Hump Middle School as a school in need of improvement based on the performance of two of our sub-groups of students, economically disadvantaged and students with disabilities. However, as a whole-school CHMS meets Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) measures in reading and mathematics and out-performs state averages. Students within the two sub-groups, socially economically disadvantaged and students with disabilities did not make adequate yearly progress in mathematics and reading. While those students identified as socially economically disadvantaged did not make adequately yearly progress on the NECAP reading or mathematic assessments, they did out-perform most other schools in the state on the NECAP science assessment. CHMS students identified as socially economically disadvantage ranked third in the state on the Science NECAPs. As a whole, CHMS was ranked fifth in the state.

Browns River Middle School

The 2012-13 school year brought many changes to the staff and students of Browns River Middle School. In addition to the eight teacher retirements in the spring of 2012, Principal Nancy Guyette retired after serving the towns of Underhill and Jericho as the educational leader of BRMS for twelve years. Much of the spring and summer was spent hiring new teachers, administrators, and para-educators. In total, there are sixteen new staff members at our school. All new hires have been provided with many hours of orientation training during the summer months and throughout this school year. We are excited about the new energy and ideas that our new hires have brought to our school. Additionally, more than twenty new students moved into our school district over the summer months. Currently there are 417 students who attend BRMS.

Our school is in the second year of work with Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), which is being incorporated into our existing CARES model (Cooperation, Assertion, Responsibility, Empathy, Self-Control). This model is meant to be a proactive approach to our school-wide discipline program, and it is designed to reinforce the positive behaviors of students. The program and framework serves as a support to students who need extra assistance to reach the school-wide expectations. The section our school action plan related to school climate focuses on making BRMS a better place for both our students and our staff members by providing consistent expectations for the entire school community. Our goal with PBIS is to improve student performance and foster positive school climate through predictable implementation of expectations, communication, and accountability.

Browns River Middle School continues to be one of the few schools in the state of Vermont to meet Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) as determined by student scores on the New England Common Assessment Programs (NECAP) which is required by the No Child Left Behind law (NCLB). On the Science NECAP, BRMS ranked fourth out of 113 middle schools in the state of Vermont and was ranked first in scores of students indentified as economically disadvantaged. We are proud of all of the hard work put forward by both the staff and students at our school.

This year the entire group of math teachers at BRMS is receiving over thirty hours of professional development training from the Vermont Mathematics Partnership's Ongoing Assessment Project (OGAP). OGAP is a cognitively-based formative assessment intervention program in mathematics. The teachers are focusing on fractions, multiplicative reasoning, and proportional reasoning in grades 5-8. Our entire faculty continues to meet twice monthly to look at student data and to collaborate on strategies to improve their instruction and student performance.

This past summer, we continued with facility upgrades as identified in our capital plan. Carpeting, window coverings, sidewalk replacement, and a number of other projects filled up the summer work schedule. The entire fire alarm system at BRMS was also replaced with a modern code approved system that elevated the safety of our building and reduced the number of false alarms that were occurring due to failing wiring in our old system. The maintenance staff continues to work hard to improve the overall quality of our building. A new gazebo was installed on the south side of our building as part of an Eagle Scout project. We are currently working on establishing gardens around this structure for the spring of 2013. BRMS is excited about the pride shown in the care of our school.

Overall, the two middle schools and high school continue to provide enriching academic experiences, a positive school culture, quality facilities and programs, and diverse support for co-curricular programs. We are thankful to students, parents and community members for their support, feedback, encouragement and contributions to our thriving community. If you have not been to one of our schools recently, stop by! Come enjoy a musical or drama performance or an athletic contest. Our doors are always open.

CHMS

Mark Carbone, Principal
Suzanne Gruending, Asst
Principal

BRMS

Kevin Hamilton, Principal
Elaine Archambault, Asst Principal

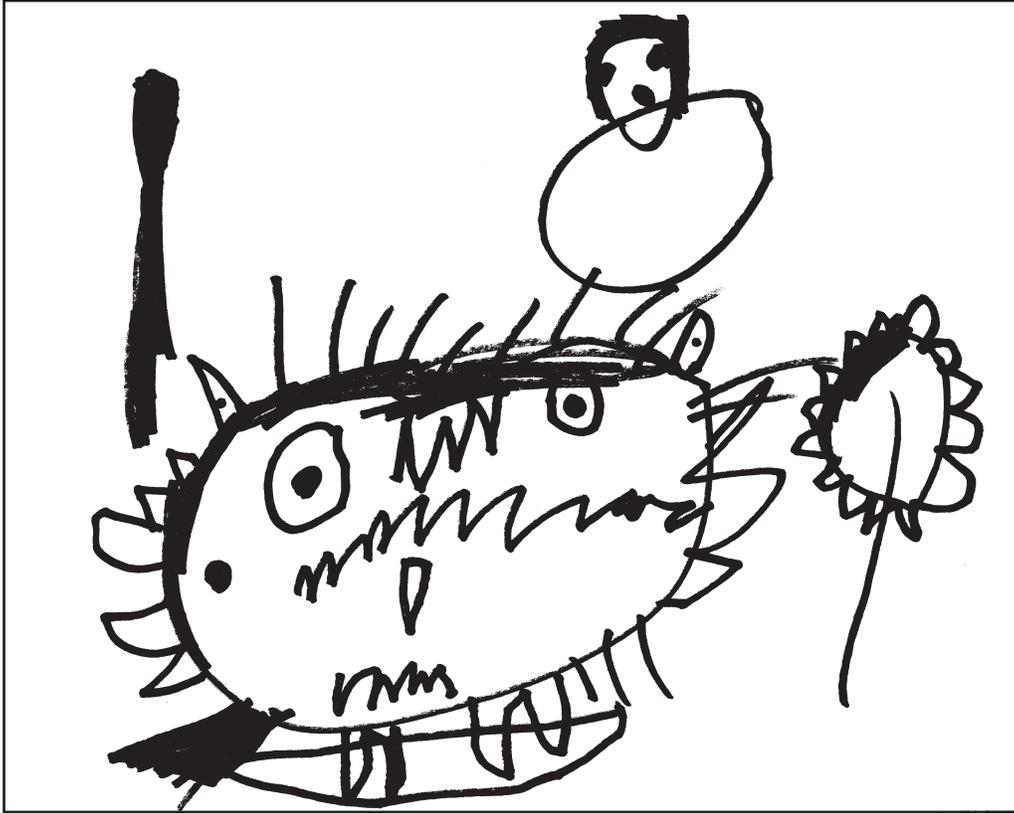
MMUHS

Mike Weston, Principal
Adrienne Capone, Asst Principal
Richard Wright, Asst Principal
David Marlow,
Director of Student Activities

Mount Mansfield Union School District # 17
2013-14 Proposed Budget Summary & Comparison

Description	2011-12 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Budget	2013-14 Proposed Budget	\$ Change	% Change
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Instructional Programs	\$ 11,334,693	\$ 11,663,752	\$ 12,199,639	\$ 11,832,477	\$ (367,162)	-3.01%
Special Education	4,999,049	4,860,940	4,979,000	5,661,943	682,943	13.72%
Vocational Education	1,034,691	1,028,936	1,082,017	1,063,358	(18,659)	-1.72%
Co-Curricular Activities	220,583	226,575	223,839	226,349	2,510	1.12%
Health Services	881,325	269,510	272,970	859,473	586,503	214.86%
Media Services	481,002	554,419	620,574	612,369	(8,205)	-1.32%
Board of Education	57,328	69,823	53,526	53,526	0	0.00%
Chitt East Supervisory Union	765,008	763,005	815,539	860,276	44,737	5.49%
School Administration	944,884	926,036	951,182	954,733	3,551	0.37%
Secretarial Services	550,044	547,100	552,743	586,140	33,396	6.04%
Fiscal Services	111,197	114,200	114,200	114,200	-	0.00%
Operation/Maint of Plant	2,229,051	2,218,539	2,326,349	2,373,414	47,064	2.02%
Transportation Services	1,337,488	1,337,484	1,194,098	1,341,223	147,125	12.32%
Food Services	45,024	30,117	20,704	11,695	(9,009)	-43.51%
Other Fiscal Services	86,264	140,000	20,000	20,000	-	0.00%
Debt Services	648,383	648,383	625,684	603,221	(22,463)	-3.59%
Total Expenditures	\$ 25,726,015	\$ 25,398,820	\$ 26,052,065	\$ 27,174,395	\$ 1,122,331	4.31%
<u>Estimated Revenue</u>						
<u>State and Federal</u>						
Ed Spending Revenue	\$ 20,762,577	\$ 20,762,610	\$ 20,931,264	\$ 21,729,197	\$ 797,933	3.81%
Ed Spending Rev ARRA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education Jobs Funds	284,860	-	70,000	-	(70,000)	-100.00%
Career & Tech Ed Transfer	527,669	517,790	551,023	573,948	22,925	4.16%
Drivers Education	21,866	14,000	14,000	14,000	-	0.00%
Transportation	463,700	420,925	545,645	527,177	(18,468)	-3.38%
High School Completion Prog	18,618	24,000	24,000	15,000	(9,000)	-37.50%
<u>Special Education</u>						
Block Grant	606,255	606,197	606,590	593,230	(13,360)	-2.20%
Reimbursement	1,923,063	1,756,189	1,983,962	2,226,862	242,900	12.24%
Extraordinary	19,830	71,683	27,203	73,819	46,616	171.36%
IDEA-B	424,116	409,411	409,442	367,723	(41,719)	-10.19%
Medicaid	252,464	261,605	261,624	248,021	(13,603)	-5.20%
Title 1	62,101	69,088	63,642	59,938	(3,704)	-5.82%
<u>Local</u>						
Tuition	316,654	269,825	302,204	308,000	5,796	1.92%
Interest	113,226	102,000	102,000	102,000	-	0.00%
Impact Fees	35,822	35,822	35,822	35,822	-	0.00%
Other and Grants	90,891	4,000	4,000	1,200	(2,800)	-70.00%
Prior Year Adjustments	(7,576)	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit)	228,482	73,675	119,647	298,461	178,814	149.45%
Total Estimated Revenue	\$ 26,144,618	\$ 25,398,820	\$ 26,052,068	\$ 27,174,397	\$ 1,122,329	4.31%

An independent audit of the accounts and financial statements of the Mt. Mansfield Union School District, for the period ending June 30, 2012, was conducted by Fothergill, Segale and Valley, CPAs. The report of the elected auditors and report of the independent auditors is available online at the CESU website www.cesu.k12.vt.us.



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**NOTICE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DAY
MONDAY MARCH 04, 2013**

The legal voters of the Town of Bolton are hereby notified to meet at the Smilie Memorial Elementary School in said Town on Monday March 04, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. to transact town and school business.

Voting for Town Officers and any other business to be voted by Australian ballot will take place at Smilie Memorial Elementary School on Tuesday March 05, 2013 from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.

**VOTING INSTRUCTIONS
PAPER BALLOTS
TOWN or SCHOOL MEETING**

Here is some of the basic information for you, the voter. If you have any questions after reading the notice, or at any time during the voting process, ask your Town Clerk or other election official.

CHECK-IN:

- 1) Go to the 'in' table.
- 2) Give your name, and if asked, your residence to the election official in a clear audible voice.
- 3) Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the election official.

ENTER:

- 1) Enter within the specified area and do not leave until you have voted.
- 2) An election official will hand you a paper ballot.
- 3) Go to a vacant booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT:

- 1) Place a mark in the box to the right of the name of the candidate(s) or issue(s) you want to vote for. Follow the directions on the ballot.
- 2) Write-In. To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank 'write-in' lines on the ballot.

IF YOU SPOIL A BALLOT:

- 1) Ask an election official for another ballot. Three (3) is the limit.

CHECK-OUT:

- 1) Go to the 'OUT' table.
- 2) Give your name to the election official in a clear audible voice.
- 3) Wait until you name is checked off by the official.

IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW.

WARNING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF BOLTON

MONDAY MARCH 04, 2013

The legal voters of the Town of Bolton are hereby warned and notified to meet at Smilie Memorial School, Route 2 Bolton on Monday March 04, 2013 to transact the following business. Australian ballot voting for Town Officials, and other questions to be voted in that manner, will take place on Tuesday March 05, 2013 at Smilie School. Polls are open from 7am until 7pm. Voters registered in the Bolton may participate and the last day to register is February 27, 2013.

ARTICLE 01. (Articles 1, and 2 to be voted by Australian ballot, Tuesday March 05, 2013.)

To elect all officers as required by law:

One Town Moderator for a term of one (1) year

One Select board member for a term of two (2) years

One Select board member for a term of three (3) years each

One Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of one (1) year

One Town Constable for a term of one (1) year

One Town Agent for a term of one (1) year

One Grand Juror for a term of one (1) year

ARTICLE 02.

To see if the voters of the Town of Bolton will authorize the Select Board to add a one quarter cent (1/4¢) addition to the tax rate to support a fund for the purchase of conservation land.

ARTICLE 03.

To see if the voters will accept the town report.

ARTICLE 04

To vote a budget \$805,000 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town and

authorize the Select board to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same.

ARTICLE 05

To see if the town will vote to pay real and personal property taxes to the Town Treasurer in four

(4) installments with due dates of September 15, 2013, November 15, 2013, February 15, 2014 and May 15, 2014.

ARTICLE 06.

To see if the town will authorize interest charges on all delinquent taxes of real and personal

property of one (1) percent per month. Interest accrues as soon as a payment is late.

ARTICLE 07.

To authorize the Select Board to borrow money for the necessary needs of the Town as

they arise.

ARTICLE 08.

To establish expenses for the members of the Select Board.

ARTICLE 09.

To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift or purchase, land, in

collaboration with the Town's Conservation Commission, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good

forest practices or for open land for animal habitats, recreational uses and to preserve important ecological areas

ARTICLE 10.

To transact any other business thought proper when met.

Dated at Bolton, Vermont this 4 day of February, 2013 by the Bolton Select Board


Gene Armstrong, Board Member

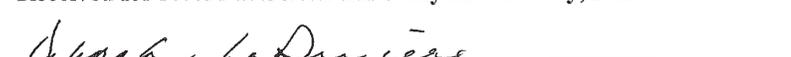

Daniel Champney, Board Member


Ronald Lafreniere, Chair


David Parot, Board Member


Roderick R. Wheelock, Board Member

Received for record at Bolton this 5 day of February, 2013.


Deborah La Riviere, Town Clerk and Treasurer for the Town of Bolton

OFFICIAL WARNING
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
BOLTON, VERMONT

The legal voters of the Town School District of Bolton, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Smilie Memorial School, in said Town of Bolton, Vermont, on **Monday, March 4, 2013**, at seven o'clock in the evening to transact the following business.

Voting for Australian Ballot questions on **Tuesday, March 5, 2013**, between the hours of seven o'clock in the forenoon at which time the polls will open, and seven o'clock in the afternoon at which time the polls will close.

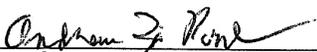
March 4, 2013 – Annual Meeting

- Article 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the School Directors.
- Article 2: Shall the voters of the Bolton Town School District authorize the school board under 16 V.S.A. 562 (9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?
- Article 3: Shall the voters of the Bolton Town School District approve the payment of a \$10.00 stipend per board meeting to School Board Directors?
- Article 4: To vote a budget of \$1,458,290 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Bolton Town School District.
- Article 5: Shall the voters of the Bolton Town School District grant authority to the Bolton School Board to incur interest-free debt through the Green Mountain Power Evergreen Fund in an amount not to exceed \$23,456, to be financed over a period not to exceed five years, for the purpose of financing lighting efficiency upgrades?
- Article 6: To transact other school business thought proper when met.

March 5, 2013 - Australian Ballot Questions

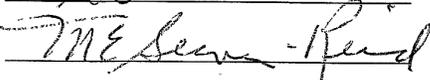
- Article 7: To elect a Moderator for one year.
- Article 8: To elect a School Director for a period of three years.
- Article 9: To elect a School Director for a period of two years.
- Article 10: To elect a School Director for a period of one year to complete an unexpired two-year term.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Board of School Directors of Bolton School District held on January 2, 2013.









Received for record the 2 day of January, A.D., 2013.

 Town Clerk

**OFFICIAL WARNING
MOUNT MANSFIELD UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #17**

February 21, 2013 & March 5, 2013

The legal voters of the Mount Mansfield Union School District #17 consisting of the town school districts of Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, Underhill Town and Underhill Incorporated School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Mount Mansfield Union High School on **Thursday, February 21, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.** to transact any of the following business not involving Australian Ballot, the meeting is to be adjourned and reconvened in the respective polling places hereinafter named for each of the above-referenced town school districts on **Tuesday, March 5, 2013** at 7:00 a.m. (Huntington at 6:30 am) at which time the polls will open, until 7:00 p.m. at which time the polls will close, to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot.

- Article 1: To elect the following officers:
a Moderator for one year,
a Clerk for one year,
a Treasurer for one year,
an Auditor for three years, and
an Auditor for one year to complete an unexpired term.
- Article 2: To hear and act upon the written reports of the District Officers.
- Article 3: This time serves as a public information hearing for public review of the 2013-14 proposed budget--for discussion purposes only.
- Article 4: Shall the voters of the Mount Mansfield Union School District authorize the school board under 16 V.S.A. 562 (9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?
- Article 5: To transact any other school business thought proper when met.

March 5, 2013 -- Australian Ballot Question

- Article 6: Shall the Mount Mansfield Union School District #17 adopt a budget of **\$27,174,395** for the school year 2013-14?

Upon closing of the polls, the ballot boxes will be sealed, re-opened at Jericho Elementary School in the Town of Jericho, the ballots commingled and publicly counted by representatives of the Boards of Civil Authority of the Towns of Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, and Underhill under the supervision of the Clerk of the Mount Mansfield Union School District #17.

The legal voters of Mount Mansfield Union School District #17 are further warned and notified that an informational meeting will be held at Mt. Mansfield Union High School in the Town of Jericho on February 21, 2013 commencing at 7:00 p.m., and on February 28, 2013 at Browns River Middle School in

the Town of Jericho, commencing at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of explaining the 2013-14 proposed budget.

The legal voters of Mount Mansfield Union School District #17 are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Section 706u-706w of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

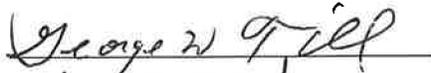
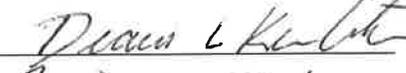
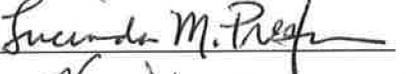
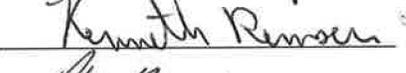
Said voters and persons warned, are further notified that voter qualification, registration, absentee voting, and voter procedures shall be in accordance with Chapters 43 and 51 of Title 17 Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Polling Places

The voters residing in each member district will cast their ballots in the polling places designated for their town as follows:

- | | | |
|------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Bolton | * | Smilie Memorial School |
| Huntington | * | Brewster-Pierce Memorial School |
| Jericho | * | Jericho Elementary School |
| Richmond | * | Camels Hump Middle School |
| Underhill | * | Browns River Middle School |

Dated this 3rd day of January, 2013.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Received for record this 8th day of January 2013, A.D.

 Clerk, Mt. Mansfield Union School District #17

**** Budget Informational Meetings ****

February 21, 2013, 7:00 pm, Mt. Mansfield Union High School
February 28, 2013, 7:00 p.m., Browns River Middle School

**TOWN OF BOLTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 05, 2013**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTERS: To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, make a mark in the square at the right of that person's name. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write that name on the blank line in the appropriate block and then make a mark in the square at the right of that name.

FOR GRAND JUROR

For a one year term
Vote for only one person

DEBORAH La RIVIÈRE[]
WRITE-IN[]

FOR TOWN CONSTABLE

For a one year term
Vote for only one person

ERIC ANDREWS[]
WRITE-IN[]

FOR SELECT BOARD MEMBER

For a three year term
Vote for only one person

RONALD K. LAFRENIERE, JR[]
WRITE-IN[]

FOR SELECT BOARD MEMBER

For a two year term
Vote for only one person

JOSH ARNESON[]
DAVID J. PAROT[]
WRITE-IN[]

FOR TOWN AGENT

For a one year term
Vote for not more than one person

DEBORAH La RIVIÈRE[]
WRITE-IN[]

FOR TOWN MODERATOR

For a one year term
Vote for not more than one person

JOSS BESSE[]
WRITE-IN[]

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

For a one year term
Vote for only one person

JOAN PECOR []
WRITE-IN []

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FOR SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR	FOR SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR
For a three year term	For a two year term
Vote for not more than one person	Vote for not more than one person
PAULA GERVIA []	MARY ELLEN SEAVER REID []
WRITE-IN..... []	WRITE-IN..... []

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FOR SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR	FOR SCHOOL MODERATOR
For a three year term	For a one year term
Vote for not more than one person	Vote for not more than one person
WRITE-IN..... []	JOSS BESSE []
	WRITE-IN..... []

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**TOWN OF BOLTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 05, 2013**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTERS: If you are in favor of the following question, please make a mark in the box opposite the YES. If you are opposed to the following question, please make a mark in the box opposite the NO.

SHOULD THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF BOLTON APPROVE THE ADDITION OF ONE-QUARTER (¼¢) CENT TO THE TAX RATE, THE PROCEEDS TO BE DEPOSITED INTO A LAND CONSERVATION FUND.

YES, I am in favor of the Town adding one-quarter (¼¢) cent to the tax rate in support of land conservation..... []

NO, I am opposed to the Town adding one-quarter (¼¢) cent to the tax rate in support of land conservation..... []

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