



Arlington, Vermont ca. 1855, Charles Heyde (1822-1892)

Annual Report of the

Town Officers of

Arlington, Vermont

For the year ending

December 31, 2016

Chartered 256 years ago

July 28, 1761

Town of Arlington Directory

EMERGENCY CALLS (AMBULANCE, FIRE & POLICE)

911

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER - TRACI MULLIGAN	(802) 375-6121
ARLINGTON FOOD SHELF - JACK GUNTHER	(802) 375-6328
Hours: 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. on the 1st Tuesday of each month, and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on the 3 rd Tuesday	
ARLINGTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL	(802) 375-2589
ARLINGTON POST OFFICE	(802) 375-6904
BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING	(802) 442-0713
BURDETT COMMONS	(802) 375-6700
CASELLA LANDFILL	(802) 362-4082
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 7:00-2:00 Sat., 7:30-11:30 CLOSED WED., SUN., & HOLIDAYS. (Buy sticker at site. Free recycling)	
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER - NATHALIE CALER	(802) 375-6135
COMMUNITY HOUSE SCHEDULING - LYNN WILLIAMS	(802) 375-6119
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR - LINDA CROSBY	(802) 375-1260
EAST ARLINGTON POST OFFICE	(802) 375-6695
FIRE DEPARTMENT (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 375-2323
FIRE BURN PERMIT - JAMIE PAUSTIAN, 375-1072; BRIAN HAWLEY, 375-6926; VINCE THOMPSON, 375-6014	
FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	(802) 375-6409
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	(802) 375-6712
HEALTH OFFICER - AL GODREAU	(802) 375-1008
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR - AL GODREAU	(802) 375-1008
LISTERS OFFICE	(802) 375-9022
MARTHA CANFIELD LIBRARY - PHYLLIS SKIDMORE.....	(802) 375-6153
Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00-8:00, Wed. 9:00-5:00, Fri. 2:00-6:00, and Sat. 10:00-3:00	
RECREATION & PARK SCHEDULING	(802) 375-6474
RESCUE SQUAD (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 375-6589
RUSSELL VERMONTIANA COLLECTION	(802) 375-6153
Tuesday only 9:00-5:00, or by appointment with Curator BILL BUDDÉ	
SELECTMEN OFFICE	(802) 375-6474
SIGN ADMINISTRATOR - AL GODREAU	(802) 375-1008
STATE POLICE (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 442-5421
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS	(802) 375-9744
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE - ROBIN WILCOX	(802) 375-2332
TOWN SERVICE AGENT - NATHALIE CALER	(802) 375-6135
TREASURER'S OFFICE - LINDA CROSBY	(802) 375-1260
WATER DEPARTMENT - BURR SNOW	(802) 375-9531

NEW - Town of Arlington website:	arlingtonvermont.org
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Selectboard	arladmin@comcast.net
Chairman	arlmanage@comcast.net
Town Clerk	arltc@comcast.net
Treasurer	arltreas@comcast.net
Listers	arlisters@comcast.net

ARLINGTON, VERMONT

P.O. Box 268
3828 Vermont Route 7A
Arlington, VT 05250-0268

Chartered – July 28, 1761
Area – 26,668 Acres
Population: 2,413

HOURS OF TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING

Monday, March 6, 2017

7:00 p.m.

At

**ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

Hours of Balloting:

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

At

ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

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Warning

March 6, 2017

The inhabitants of the Town of Arlington, Vermont qualified to vote in Town Meeting, are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Arlington High School Performing Arts Center in said Arlington on Monday evening, March 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of acting upon and deciding the following Articles 1 through 8, specified below. After completion of these articles, the meeting will stand recessed until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday March 7, 2017 to act upon Articles 9 through 41. The polls will be open at the Arlington High School Gymnasium on Tuesday March 7, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.

- Article 1. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.
- Article 2. To see what compensation will be paid to the several Town Officers.
- Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be issued by September 4, 2017, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer or postmarked, on or before November 4, 2017.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes such sum or sums of money as is necessary for properly financing the affairs of the Town until the next annual Town Meeting.
- Article 5. To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.
- Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the revenue necessary to fund the approved budget, inclusive of Appropriations to be determined and voted.
- Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year.
- Article 8. To transact any further business found necessary and proper when met. After any further business under Article 8, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 7, 2017.

- Article 9. To Elect the following Town Officers:
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| Moderator | 1 year term |
| Selectman | 2 years term |
| Selectman | 3 years term |
| Lister | 3 years term |
| Delinquent Tax Collector | 1 year term |
| Auditor | 3 years term |
| Cemetery Commissioner | 3 years term |
| Grand Juror | One, 1 year term |
| Town Agent | 1 year term |
| Trustee of Public Funds | One, 3 year term expires 2018 |
| Trustee of Public Funds | One, 3 year term expires 2019 |
| Trustee of Public Funds | One, 3 year term expires 2020 |
- Article 10. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$45,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.
- Article 11. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.
- Article 12. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$9,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington's backhoe, excavator, and loader.
- Article 13. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town of Arlington grader.
- Article 14. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.
- Article 15. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$17,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.
- Article 16. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for Town bridges and culverts.
- Article 17. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.

- Article 18. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers.
- Article 19. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$32,500.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.
- Article 20. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.
- Article 21. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$3,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community House.
- Article 22. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.
- Article 23. Shall the Town of Arlington vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$18,000.00 for the support of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library, Inc. to provide services to residents of the Town.
- Article 24. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.
- Article 25. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.
- Article 26. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.
- Article 27. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').
- Article 28. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.
- Article 29. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc. (PAVE).
- Article 30. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,025.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).
- Article 31. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.

- Article 32. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern Vt. Council on Aging.
- Article 33. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.
- Article 34. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.
- Article 35. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.
- Article 36. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.
- Article 37. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.
- Article 38. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,250.00 toward the support of Burdett Commons.
- Article 39. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.
- Article 40. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of the Battenkill Grange 487 from property taxes for the next five years.
- Article 41. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of The Red Mountain Lodge 63 from property taxes for the next five years.

Dated this January 23, 2017

Keith Squires

Daniel Harvey

Cynthia Browning

Reggie Jennings, Jr.

Timothy Williams

Town Officers - Elected

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2017	John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk	3 year	3/2019	Robin S. Wilcox
Town Treasurer	3 year	3/2019	Linda P. Crosby
Selectman	3 year	3/2017	Keith Squires *
	2 year	3/2017	Timothy Williams
	2 years	3/2018	Cynthia Browning
	3 year	3/2019	Reginald Jennings
	3 year	3/2018	Daniel Harvey
Listers	3 year	3/2019	Earl LaBatt
	3 year	3/2018	Joseph Garger
	3 year	3/2017	Lee Cross
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year	3/2017	Linda P. Crosby
Auditors	3 year	3/2018	Bill Budde
	3 year	3/2019	Mary Ann Schaefer
	3 year	3/2017	Patricia Williams
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year	3/2018	John Wilcox
	3 year	3/2019	Nathalie Caler
	3 year	3/2017	William J. Bryan
Grand Juror	1 year	3/2017	Darlene Young
Town Agent	1 year	3/2017	Vacant
Trustees of Public Funds	3 year	3/2018	Susan Jennings
	3 year	3/2017	Maureen Harvey
	3 year	3/2019	Vacant
Town Representative	2 year	11/2018	Cynthia Browning
	2 year	11/2018	Brain Keefe
Justice of the Peace	2 year	2/2019	Maryann Carlson
			Lawrence Molloy
			John Wilcox
			Gerald Woodard
			Darlene Young
			Vacant

* Denotes Chairperson

Town Officers – Appointed

Term expires in year shown.

Health Officer	3 year	4/2018	Al Godreau
Deputy Health Officer	3 year	2/2018	Keith Squires
Tree Warden	2 year	4/2018	Keith Squires
Inspector of Lumber	3 year	4/2017	Dan Harvey
Town Service Officer	1 year	4/2017	Nathalie Caler
Fence Viewers	3 year	4/2017	Gerald Woodard
	3 year	4/2017	Alan Hess
	3 year	4/2017	Dan Harvey
Land Use Administrator	3 year	4/2017	Al Godreau
Fire Chief	1 year	12/2017	Jamie Paustian
First Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2017	Brian John Hawley
Second Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2017	Vince Thompson
Fire Warden	5 year	6/2018	Jamie Paustian
Town Planning Commission	3 year	4/2017	John Williams *
	3 year	4/2019	Elliott Nachwalter
	2 year	4/2018	Michael Murno
	3 year	4/2017	Thomas Williams
	4 year	4/2018	Chris Heins
	3 year	4/2017	Dan Barber
	2 year		Vacant
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2 year	4/2018	Marc Colety
	2 year	4/2017	Ron Weber
	2 year	4/2017	Susan Jennings
	3 year	4/2018	Maureen Harvey
	3 year	4/2017	Todd Gamble *
	3 year	4/2018	Vacant
	4 year	4/2017	Cynthia Browning
Emergency Mgt. Director	2 year	4/2018	Keith Squires
BCRC Representative	3 year	4/2018	Keith Squires
	2 year	4/2017	Reginald Jennings
Town Energy Coordinator	1 year	4/2017	Reginald Jennings
Sign Administrator	3 year	4/2019	Al Godreau
Animal Control Officer	Indefinite		Traci Mulligan

* Denotes Chairperson

Town School District Officers

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2017	John L. Whalen II
School District Clerk	3 year	3/2019	Robin S. Wilcox
School District Treasurer	3 year	3/2019	Linda P. Crosby
School Directors	1 year	3/2017	Gerald Woodard *
	3 year	3/2017	Kenneth “K. John” Smith
	1 year	3/2017	Todd Gamble
	3 year	3/2019	Nicol Whalen
	3 year	3/2018	Dawn Hoyt

* Denotes Chairperson



Aylesworth Tavern, Warner's 5 - 10 and Ice Cream, apartments.

**Schedule of Salaries, Wages, and Allowable Expenses
2016
Town of Arlington**

CLERK	\$17,036.00	+ FEES ANNUALLY
TREASURER	\$13,900.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: CHAIRMAN	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: PER MEMBER	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
INTERIM SUPERVISOR	\$24.00	PER HOUR
LISTERS	\$12.83	PER HOUR
MODERATOR	\$100.00	ANNUALLY
MILEAGE	\$0.55	PER MILE

BY DISCRETION OF SELECTMEN

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$16.69	PER HOUR
AUDITORS	\$11.88	PER HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	\$22.78	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$18.84	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$17.23	PER HOUR
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	\$16.34	PER HOUR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$5,356.00	ANNUALLY

BY DISCRETION OF BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY MEMBERS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR
BALLOT CLERKS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR

SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN	\$2,500.00	ANNUALLY
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER	\$1,500.00	ANNUALLY
CLERK	\$500.00	ANNUALLY
TREASURER	\$11,362.96	ANNUALLY
MODERATOR	\$100.00	ANNUALLY

BATTENKILL VALLEY SUPERVISORY UNION

TREASURER	\$2,289.00	ANNUALLY
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Section One: Financial Reports of Elected Town Officials

Town Treasurer's Report

General Town Account – Ending December 31, 2016

Cash on Hand 01/01/16	\$ 204,281.78
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	
2016 Property Taxes Collected	4,403,560.37
State of Vermont – Schedule I	181,249.04
Fire Protection - Sunderland/Sandgate	58,896.00
Miscellaneous Income	1,626.68
Tax Sale Redemption Payment's	8,567.83
Cemetery Receipts	5,500.00
US Treasury – PILOT	10,874.00
Town Clerk – Fees and Licenses	19,769.00
LUA & ZBA Fees	2,239.15
ASD-FY15/16 Final VT Education Tax Reconciliation	66,515.49
BVSU Fuel Reimbursement	11,574.63
Arlington Recreation & Park Receipts	18,131.00
Delinquent Tax Collector:	
Delinquent Taxes	246,661.40
Interest	11,037.91
Penalties	14,707.10
	272,406.41
Arlington Water Dept. Reimbursement - PR& ER FTD	56,186.92
Arlington Water Dept. Reimbursement - Projects	11,777.09
Interest	3,747.34
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	5,336,902.73
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Paid 2016 Appropriations – Capital Reserve	130,000.00
Orders #1 through #26 Operating & ER FTD Share	804,050.76
Orders #1 through #52 Payroll	333,132.74
Refund - Tax Over Payments	22,234.89
Taxes Paid to School District	3,798,364.30
AWD PR & FTD	56,196.92
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	5,143,979.61
Cash Balance on Hand 12/31/16	192,802.92
Receipts Total:	5,336,782.53
Cash Accounts	
The Bank of Bennington – Operating Now	192,679.92
Petty Cash	123.00
Cash on Hand	192,802.92

SCHEDULE I	
State of Vermont Income	
Aid to Highway	\$68,881.34
Share of Local Fines	6,031.62
Misc.	90.00
R.R. Tax	35.74
Current Use Program	25,056.00
PILOT - FP & FW	1,766.65
PY Sidewalk Grant	4,434.74
Yellow Barn Grant	3,750.00
EOC Improvement Grant	6,075.95
CL 2 Road Grant	65,127.00
Total	\$181,249.04
Treasurer's Reconciliation With Delinquent Tax Collector	
Uncollected Taxes 1/1/16	\$186,954.62
2016 Taxes to Collector	229,384.61
Total Uncollected	416,339.23
Less 2016 Receipts from Delinquent Tax Collector	-246,661.40
Abated	-979.88
Tax Bill Adjustments	-745.37
12/31/16 Un-remitted Taxes	167,952.58
Less received from DTC – JAN 2017 (For payments received 12/28/16-1/27/17)	-16,391.51
Adjusted Un-remitted Taxes	\$151,561.07
REAPPRAISAL FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$166,626.63
Interest Received	1,954.37
From State of Vermont	13,604.00
Sub – Total	182,185.00
Paid Order	-150.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	182,035.00
Evidenced by Now #2988 @ Bank of Bennington	7,502.63
# CD #201924 @ Bank of Bennington due 10/1/18	139,455.58
# CD #00290 @ Bank of Bennington due 1/12/18	35,076.79
AUDIT FUND	
Balance in fund 1/1/16	\$8,975.96
2016 General Budget for 2015 Audit contract	11,500.00
Interest Received	68.27
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	20,544.23
Evidenced by NOW Account #0546 @ Bank of Bennington	20,544.23

DISCRETIONARY FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$5,877.29
Interest Received	44.24
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	5,921.53
Evidenced by NOW Account #0554 @ Bank of Bennington	5,921.53
BATTENKILL DREDGING FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$6,577.85
Interest Received	3.23
Sub-Total	6,581.08
Paid Orders	-1,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	5,581.08
Evidenced by NOW Account #3900917 @ Berkshire Bank	5,581.08
FEMA – IRENE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$33,859.77
Received from Arlington Recreation & Park Inc.	1,598.87
AWD Reimbursement	1,000.00
Interest Received	264.53
Sub-Total	36,723.17
Paid FEMA Orders	-1,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	35,723.17
Evidenced by Now Account #654101213 @ Bank of Bennington	35,723.17
COMBINED CAPITAL RESERVE FUND MONIES	
12/31/16 Fund Balance	\$996,366.05
CAPITAL RESERVE CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$310.91
Interest Received	5.73
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	316.64
Evidenced by NOW #1405 @ TBOB	316.64
TOWN BACKHOE AND LOADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$94,333.21
2016 Voted Appropriation	9,000.00
Interest Received	715.87
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	104,049.08
Evidenced by NOW #1464 @ TBOB	104,049.08

TOWN BRIDGES FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$46,599.76
2016 Voted Appropriation	5,000.00
Interest Received	353.99
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	51,953.75
Evidenced by NOW #1504 @TBOB	51,953.75
BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$20,232.44
2016 Voted Appropriation	2,500.00
Grant Reimbursement	6,075.95
Interest Received	148.09
Sub-Total	28,956.48
Paid Orders	-4,356.24
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	24,600.24
Evidenced by NOW #1510 @ TBOB	24,600.24
COMPUTER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$16,951.54
2016 Voted Appropriation	2,500.00
Interest Received	122.42
Sub-Total	19,573.96
Paid Orders	-1,153.86
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	18,420.10
Evidenced by NOW #1421 @ TBOB	18,420.10
FIRE TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$112,954.76
2016 Voted Appropriation	45,000.00
Interest Received	878.93
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	158,833.69
Evidenced by NOW #1448 @ TBOB	158,833.69
GENERATOR FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$5,248.37
Interest Received	39.51
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	5,287.88
Evidenced by NOW #2147 @ TBOB	5,287.88

GRADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$139,458.62
2016 Voted Appropriation	5,000.00
Interest Received	1,053.04
Balance in fund 12/31/16	145,511.66
Evidenced by NOW #1472 @ TBOB	145,511.66
SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$42,950.85
2016 Voted Appropriation	6,000.00
Interest Received	327.16
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	49,278.01
Evidenced by NOW #1499 @ TBOB	49,278.01
SPECIAL HIGHWAY	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$167,951.16
CL 2 Grant Reimbursement	65,127.00
2016 Voted Appropriation	15,000.00
2016 General Highway Surplus - Rebuilding Line	35,000.00
Interest Received	1,714.51
Sub-Total	284,792.67
Paid Orders CRF	-4,693.55
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	280,099.12
Evidenced by NOW #1480 @ TBOB	280,099.12
TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$99,115.59
2016 Voted Appropriation	40,000.00
Interest Received	751.79
Sub-Total	139,867.38
Paid Orders CRF	-2,764.20
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	137,103.18
Evidenced by NOW #1456 @ TBOB	137,103.18
YELLOW BARN FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/16	\$22,136.73
Interest Received	149.97
Donation/Fund Raising	1,176.00
Grant Reimbursement	3,750.00
Dog Park Donations	1,200.00
Sub-Total	28,412.70
Paid Orders CRF	-7,500.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16	20,912.70
Evidenced by NOW #1413 @ TBOB	20,912.70

2016 Tax Rate Set – July 25, 2016

Town of Arlington Taxes:

2016 Voted Municipal Budget	\$1,323,981.00
Less 12/31/2015 Cash on Hand	-204,158.00
Less Anticipated Income	<u>-250,627.00</u>
Net Town Taxes to be Raised	\$870,946.00
Municipal Grand List	\$314,078,800.00
Municipal Tax Rate of \$00.2805 raises	\$880,991.00

Local Agreement Rate:

Locally Voted Exemptions of \$705,400.00 x Non-Residential Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4343, amount to be raised	<u>10,118.00</u>
Voted Veterans Exemptions of \$240,000.00 x Homestead Education Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4732 amount to be raised	<u>3,536.00</u>
Total to be Raised for Local Agreements	\$13,654.00
Municipal Grand List	\$314,078,800.00
Local Agreement Tax Rate of \$0.0045 raises	\$14,134.00

Total Municipal Tax Rate Set \$00.2850

Arlington Education Tax Rate as set by VT Tax Department:

Homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.4732
Nonresidential Education Tax Rate	\$1.4343

Tax Rates established and duly approved by the Selectmen per authority voted at 2016 Annual Town Meeting.

Total Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.7582
Total Non-Residential Rate	\$1.7193

Property Tax Collection – 2016

Current Taxes: By annual Vote – Property tax bills available by September 4th.

Payment due date is November 4th.

Partial payments accepted January 1st to November 4th.

Delinquent Taxes: Delinquency is immediately after November 4th due date.

Partial delinquent tax payments are negotiable.

Interest: Per Statute 32 VSA 5136, 1% interest accrues per month or portion thereof from the due date until paid.

Penalty: Per Statute 32 VSA 1674, 4% penalty from the due date until December 31st of the property tax year; 4% additional penalty after December 31st.

Total penalty not exceed 8%.

Tax Sale: When necessary

SELECTBOARD

Summary of 2016 Spending and Proposed 2017 Budget

	2016 Budget	2016 Actual Expenses	2016 Amount to be raised by taxes	2017 Proposed budget	2017 Proposed amount to be raised by taxes
General Fund	498,205.00	465,276.00	415,825.00	512,180.00	430,280.00
Fire Protection	153,602.00	129,898.00	96,775.00	157,436.00	99,165.00
Park	66,704.00	61,561.00	46,504.00	68,030.00	49,930.00
Highway	584,955.00	515,088.00	494,955.00	605,359.00	533,359.00
Cemetery	20,515.00	18,444.00	19,315.00	20,515.00	18,515.00
TOTALS	1,323,981.00	1,190,267.00	1,073,374.00	1,363,520.00	1,131,249.00



Top left: First Arlington depot. Located on the east side of the tracks across from Miles this was replaced in the early twentieth century. Note worthy is the so-called Ethan Allen well dug during the Revolutionary War period.



Bottom Left: Second Arlington depot. Dedicated July 4, 1911, it replaced the first depot, but on the west side of the tracks and a bit more to the south. Recently renovated, this building is still in use as a residence.

Town of Arlington Budget and Expenditures for 2016 and 2017

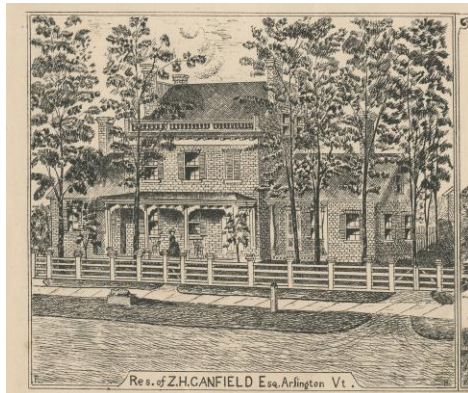
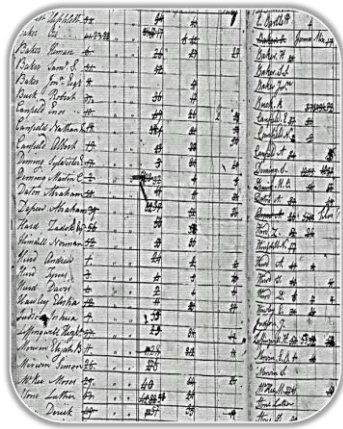
Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
11-6 TOTAL REVENUE			
11-6-01 DELINQUENT TAXES & INTEREST			
11-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	415,825.00	32,083.46	430,280.00
11-6-01-001.01 Prior Year State Adjustment	0.00	66,515.49	0.00
11-6-01-002.00 Taxes, Delinquent	0.00	246,661.40	0.00
11-6-01-003.00 Taxes, Delinquent, interest	10,000.00	11,037.91	10,000.00
11-6-01-004.00 Delinquent Taxes Penalty	10,000.00	14,707.10	10,000.00
11-6-01-005.00 Tax Sale Redemption	0.00	5,582.83	0.00
 Total DELINQUENT TAXES & INTEREST	 435,825.00	 376,588.19	 450,280.00
 11-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	 26,000.00	 26,858.39	 26,000.00
11-6-02-001.01 Income from Fines	4,000.00	6,031.62	4,000.00
11-6-02-002.00 School Tax Prior Year	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-02-003.00 US Treasury	10,000.00	10,874.00	10,000.00
11-6-02-005.71 AWD Payroll Exp. Reimb.	0.00	58,016.92	0.00
11-6-03-001.01 Town Clerk/Fees	14,000.00	16,460.00	14,000.00
11-6-03-001.02 Town Clerk/Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,244.00	2,000.00
11-6-03-001.03 Town Clk Liq/Toba Lics	900.00	1,065.00	900.00
11-6-03-002.00 Animal Control	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-03-003.00 Rentals	500.00	225.00	0.00
11-6-03-004.00 Zoning Fees	2,000.00	2,239.15	2,000.00
11-6-05-001.00 Interest	3,000.00	3,747.34	3,000.00
11-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	1,271.35	0.00
11-6-09-099.01 Misc Property Payment	0.00	2,985.00	0.00
 TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	 498,225.00	 508,605.96	 512,180.00
11-7 ADMINISTRATION			
11-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
11-7-10-110.01 Salaries/Chair. Select Bd	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
11-7-10-110.02 Salaries/Selectmen (4)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
11-7-10-110.03 Salaries/Town Clerk	17,036.00	17,036.00	17,384.00
11-7-10-110.04 Salaries/Treasurer	13,900.00	13,900.00	14,185.00
11-7-10-110.05 Clerical	19,100.00	19,783.24	19,490.00
11-7-10-110.06 Listing/Labor	25,800.00	25,364.87	26,350.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
11-7-10-110.07 Town Clerk Assistant	2,450.00	2,663.52	2,650.00
11-7-10-110.08 Treasurer/Assistant	3,150.00	3,716.04	4,000.00
11-7-10-110.09 Town Elections/Poll Workers	650.00	643.20	300.00
11-7-10-110.10 Auditor/Labor	1,820.00	1,703.57	1,820.00
11-7-10-110.11 Board of Civil Authority	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.12 Health Officer	300.00	300.00	300.00
11-7-10-110.13 Land Use Labor	6,000.00	5,373.14	6,000.00
11-7-10-110.14 Land Use Permits	500.00	695.00	500.00
11-7-10-110.15 ZBA/Clerical	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.16 Planning Clerical	150.00	0.00	150.00
11-7-10-110.17 Interim Administrator	15,000.00	10,552.00	16,000.00
11-7-10-110.18 Tax Collectors Fees/Penat	10,000.00	14,707.10	10,000.00
11-7-10-110.19 Salary, Moderator	100.00	100.00	150.00
11-7-10-110.20 Town Clerk Fees	14,000.00	16,460.00	14,000.00
11-7-10-110.21 Tn Clk Dog Licenses	900.00	1,006.28	900.00
11-7-10-110.22 Tn Clk Liq. Licenses	50.00	60.00	80.00
11-7-10-210.01 Town Clerk Health Insur	15,760.00	13,506.12	16,483.00
11-7-10-210.02 Treasurer Health Insur	8,000.00	10,406.87	16,483.00
11-7-10-210.03 Admin Asst Health Insur	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	11,000.00	11,391.73	12,500.00
11-7-10-230.00 Vt. Employee Pension	1,750.00	1,904.84	1,850.00
11-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	446.00	3,047.00	912.00
11-7-10-290.00 Vt. Unemployment	2,022.00	2,021.82	1,350.00
Total PAYROLL & BENEFITS	183,084.00	189,342.34	197,037.00
11-7-20 OFFICE OPERATIONS			
11-7-20-330.01 Repair, Pur, Train- Equip	3,000.00	1,989.24	3,000.00
11-7-20-340.00 Tn Clerk, Microfilm/Restora	1,500.00	1,660.43	1,500.00
11-7-20-431.00 Xerox/Copier	500.00	715.16	1,000.00
11-7-20-530.00 Telephone	1,800.00	1,930.14	1,800.00
11-7-20-540.01 Planning Comm./Notices	400.00	174.24	300.00
11-7-20-540.02 ZBA/Legal Notices	400.00	104.42	300.00
11-7-20-550.01 Auditor/Town Report/Print	1,200.00	1,142.93	1,300.00
11-7-20-550.02 Zoning By Laws	200.00	0.00	50.00
11-7-20-580.01 Meetings & Mileage	1,000.00	277.86	800.00
11-7-20-610.01 Supplies	5,500.00	5,204.97	5,500.00
11-7-20-610.02 Town Clerk/office expense	2,000.00	290.63	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.03 Computer expense	2,000.00	638.87	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.04 Listers/office expenses	1,300.00	623.88	1,200.00
11-7-20-610.05 Website	2,000.00	2,595.00	200.00
Total OFFICE OPERATION	22,800.00	17,347.77	20,950.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
11-7-30 TOWN HALL			
11-7-30-411.00 Water Service	450.00	448.36	450.00
11-7-30-421.00 Rubbish Removal	600.00	669.45	700.00
11-7-30-423.01 Janitorial	4,500.00	4,280.00	7,600.00
11-7-30-423.02 Snow Removal	450.00	144.00	400.00
11-7-30-450.00 Repairs & Services	12,000.00	2,998.16	10,000.00
11-7-30-520.00 Insurance	3,413.00	3,412.00	3,592.00
11-7-30-610.00 Equipment & Supplies	400.00	763.27	600.00
11-7-30-622.00 Electricity	3,300.00	3,289.67	3,300.00
11-7-30-624.00 Fuel	4,800.00	2,566.60	3,800.00
Total TOWN HALL	29,913.00	18,571.51	30,442.00
11-7-70 GENERAL EXPENSES			
11-7-70-330.01 Animal Control	5,356.00	5,356.00	5,465.00
11-7-70-330.02 Arlington Green Up	650.00	432.67	650.00
11-7-70-330.03 Audit by outside firm	11,500.00	11,500.00	10,600.00
11-7-70-330.04 Benn County Sheriff	32,000.00	36,760.25	44,000.00
11-7-70-330.05 B.C.R.C.	3,812.00	3,812.00	3,908.00
11-7-70-330.06 Landfill/Solid Waste/Recy	20,000.00	13,779.17	20,000.00
11-7-70-330.07 Land fill, (ISWAP)	2,500.00	786.72	1,500.00
11-7-70-330.08 Household Haz Waste	0.00	20.28	0.00
11-7-70-330.09 Emerg Care, Animal Control	400.00	54.40	400.00
11-7-70-330.10 BCSWA	12,500.00	2,183.68	12,000.00
11-7-70-331.01 Water Co Appraisal	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-333.00 Legal Fees	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
11-7-70-340.00 Tax Mapping	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
11-7-70-411.00 Hydrants	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-424.00 Vt. Comm. Work Service	400.00	810.00	1,000.00
11-7-70-490.00 Taxes/County	22,000.00	22,040.73	23,500.00
11-7-70-520.00 Insurance	15,112.00	11,451.00	13,528.00
11-7-70-540.00 Legal Notices	600.00	558.51	800.00
11-7-70-550.00 Town Elections/Ballots	5,000.00	3,422.50	2,800.00
11-7-70-560.01 Dues, VLCT, Other	3,499.00	3,499.00	3,621.00
11-7-70-560.02 VT Assoc Conser. Districts	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-610.00 Emergency Management	12,000.00	10,423.65	4,000.00
11-7-70-622.00 Street Lights	29,000.00	27,334.48	28,000.00
11-7-70-740.00 Forest Fire Warden	1,500.00	768.35	1,500.00
11-7-70-840.00 Tax Sales/Land Use/Abate	0.00	90.00	0.00
11-7-70-840.01 Prior Year School Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
11-7-70-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	252.40	0.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	184,829.00	161,335.79	184,272.00
11-7-80 DEBT SERVICE			
11-7-80-830.00 Borrowed money	650.00	0.00	800.00
Total DEBT SERVICE	650.00	0.00	800.00
11-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
11-7-90-810.03 Sink Fund Maint Tn Blds	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Computer	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11-7-90-810.06 Sink Fund, Outside Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total RESERVE FUNDING	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total ADMINISTRATION	426,276.00	391,597.41	438,501.00
11-8-95 APPROPRIATIONS			
11-8-95-950.01 Arlington Area Childcare	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
11-8-95-950.02 Arl Community Club, Inc.	2,250.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
11-8-95-950.03 Arlington Comm Nursing	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-8-95-950.04 Benn Coalition For Homeless	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.05 Benn Co Conservation Dist	360.00	360.00	360.00
11-8-95-950.06 Burdett Commons	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
11-8-95-950.07 Sunrise Fam Resource Ctr	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.08 BROC	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
11-8-95-950.09 Assoc. for the Blind	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.10 Martha Canfield Library	16,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
11-8-95-950.11 Neighbor to Neighbor	750.00	750.00	750.00
11-8-95-950.12 Project Against Violence	450.00	450.00	450.00
11-8-95-950.13 Center Restorative Justice	540.00	540.00	540.00
11-8-95-950.14 Benn Project Independence	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
11-8-95-950.15 SWVT Council on Aging	1,530.00	1,530.00	1,530.00
11-8-95-950.16 The Tutorial Center	450.00	450.00	450.00
11-8-95-950.17 Rescue Squad	32,500.00	32,500.00	32,500.00
11-8-95-950.18 R.S.V.P.	2,025.00	2,025.00	2,025.00
11-8-95-950.19 VT Center Independ Living	295.00	295.00	295.00
11-8-95-950.20 Habitat For Humanity	779.00	779.00	779.00
11-8-95-950.21 GNAT-TV	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
Total APPROPRIATIONS	71,929.00	73,679.00	73,679.00
Total Expenditures	498,205.00	465,276.41	512,180.00
Total GENERAL FUND	20.00	43,329.55	0.00



The first Arlington library was a subscription library formed in 1803. Members of the library purchased legal shares which could be passed on through their will or sold to another resident interested in using the library.

The Brick House on Main Street was the Canfield family home for many years. When Dorothy Canfield Fisher's Aunt Mattie died, it was deeded to the Community Club as a meeting place for use by community organizations, including the library.

As the Sandgate, Arlington, and Sunderland towns grew, the library outgrew the space available in the Community House. After a successful fundraising program, the new library opened in 1996 next to the elementary school and across the street from the High School.

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
12-6 HIGHWAY REVENUE			
12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	494,955.00	424,558.97	533,359.00
12-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.01 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.02 State of Vermont	32,000.00	28,105.00	28,000.00
12-6-02-001.03 State of Vermont	40,000.00	40,776.34	40,000.00
12-6-04-001.00 ASD Fuel Reimbursement	18,000.00	11,574.63	0.00
12-6-06-001.00 Water Department	0.00	11,777.09	4,000.00
12-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	125.90	0.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUE	584,955.00	516,917.93	605,359.00
12-7 HIGHWAY SUMMARY			
12-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
12-7-10-110.00 Labor	122,410.00	121,814.00	125,000.00
12-7-10-130.00 Overtime	20,000.00	15,341.50	20,000.00
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	35,550.00	37,056.26	37,000.00
12-7-10-210.01 DOT Physicals	0.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-10-220.00 Social Security	11,000.00	10,797.96	12,000.00
12-7-10-230.00 Vt. Municipal Pension	8,000.00	7,763.55	8,000.00
12-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	14,057.00	14,825.00	15,444.00
12-7-10-290.01 Vt. Unemployment	3,131.00	3,130.56	2,474.00
12-7-10-290.03 Uniforms/T Shirts	2,600.00	2,947.64	2,800.00
12-7-10-530.00 Pager Service	400.00	358.65	400.00
12-7-10-580.00 Training/Workshops	300.00	150.00	300.00
Total PAYROLL & BENEFITS	217,448.00	214,185.12	223,918.00
12-7-30 TOWN GARAGE			
12-7-30-411.00 Water Service	450.00	448.36	450.00
12-7-30-421.01 Rubbish	700.00	669.37	700.00
12-7-30-430.00 Maintenance	1,500.00	1,023.53	2,500.00
12-7-30-490.00 Petroleum Tank Asses	50.00	50.00	50.00
12-7-30-520.00 Insurance	3,982.00	3,984.00	4,188.00
12-7-30-610.01 Supplies	1,300.00	843.32	1,500.00
12-7-30-610.02 Equipment	500.00	118.77	650.00
12-7-30-622.00 Electricity	1,300.00	1,115.40	1,300.00
12-7-30-623.00 Oxygen & Propane	300.00	184.00	300.00
12-7-30-624.00 Fuel Oil	3,200.00	1,268.49	2,500.00
12-7-30-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total TOWN GARAGE	13,282.00	9,705.24	14,138.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
12-7-42 CLASS 2 ROADS			
12-7-42-330.00 Striping/sealing	9,200.00	8,580.90	10,000.00
12-7-42-450.01 Blacktopping	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-42-450.02 Guard rails	300.00	370.00	500.00
12-7-42-450.03 Tree & Brush	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
12-7-42-450.04 E. Arlington wall	200.00	0.00	200.00
12-7-42-460.00 Culverts & bridges	1,500.00	1,734.06	3,000.00
12-7-42-460.01 Permits and Fees	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
12-7-42-610.01 Signs	600.00	355.02	600.00
12-7-42-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	400.00	114.99	400.00
12-7-42-650.01 Gravel/stone	9,000.00	6,013.42	10,000.00
12-7-42-650.02 Salt	25,000.00	15,972.08	26,000.00
12-7-42-650.03 Sand	9,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00
12-7-42-650.04 Chloride	3,500.00	3,535.72	4,000.00
12-7-42-650.05 Hot mix	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-42-650.06 Cold patch	400.00	223.44	450.00
12-7-42-650.07 Sidewalk maintenance	500.00	27.62	500.00
Total CLASS 2 ROADS	62,100.00	45,927.25	69,150.00
12-7-43 CLASS 3 ROADS			
12-7-43-330.01 Sidewalks	250.00	0.00	5,000.00
12-7-43-330.02 Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-43-422.00 S. Arlington Plowing	8,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
12-7-43-450.01 Tree Removal	2,000.00	1,125.00	2,000.00
12-7-43-450.02 Guard rails	500.00	245.00	600.00
12-7-43-460.01 Bridges & Culverts	3,000.00	3,227.02	4,000.00
12-7-43-460.02 Rebuilding	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
12-7-43-520.00 Bridges/Insurance	780.00	780.00	752.00
12-7-43-610.01 Signs	800.00	346.58	600.00
12-7-43-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	500.00	871.93	600.00
12-7-43-650.01 Gravel/stone	19,000.00	18,734.99	21,000.00
12-7-43-650.02 Salt	12,000.00	7,986.03	12,000.00
12-7-43-650.03 Sand	28,000.00	18,550.88	29,000.00
12-7-43-650.04 Chloride	4,000.00	5,773.02	5,000.00
12-7-43-650.05 Hot/cold mix	500.00	223.44	500.00
Total CLASS 3 ROADS	114,330.00	92,863.89	131,052.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
12-7-60 TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT			
12-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	15,000.00	12,617.68	17,000.00
12-7-60-432.02 Inspections	200.00	255.00	500.00
12-7-60-442.00 Rental Equipment	3,000.00	2,950.00	3,200.00
12-7-60-520.00 Insurance	6,395.00	6,396.00	6,796.00
12-7-60-610.00 Supplies	22,000.00	16,562.43	24,000.00
12-7-60-610.01 Safety Equipment	1,000.00	119.59	1,000.00
12-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/Lubricants	4,000.00	4,288.76	4,500.00
12-7-60-627.01 Diesel	45,000.00	28,494.51	25,000.00
12-7-60-740.00 Equip purchase/lease	1,200.00	722.46	2,600.00
 Total TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT	 97,795.00	 72,406.43	 84,596.00
 12-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
12-7-90-810.01 Resurfacing	15,000.00	15,000.00	17,000.00
12-7-90-810.02 Backhoe and Loader	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
12-7-90-810.03 Sinking Fund/Grader	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,000.00
12-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Town Trucks	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
12-7-90-810.05 Sink Fund Sidewalk/Maint	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
12-7-90-810.06 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-810.07 Bridges and Culverts	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
 TOTAL RESERVE FUNDING	 80,000.00	 80,000.00	 83,000.00
 TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	 584,955.00	 515,087.93	 605,854.00
 Total HIGHWAY FUND	 0.00	 1,830.00	 -495.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
13-6 FIRE DEPT REVENUE			
13-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	96,775.00	72,970.50	99,165.00
13-6-04-001.00 Service to Sandgate	16,890.00	16,896.00	17,324.00
13-6-04-002.00 Town of Sunderland	39,937.00	39,937.00	40,947.00
13-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
13-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	94.43	0.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. REVENUE	153,602.00	129,897.93	157,436.00
13-7 FIRE DEPARTMENT			
13-7-10-110.00 Salaries	11,3000.00	11,300.00	12,300.00
13-7-10-220.00 F.I.C.A.	865.00	711.64	865.00
13-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	4,837.00	5,605.00	4,736.00
13-7-10-290.01 Medical	1,000.00	0.00	4,500.00
13-7-10-290.02 Insurance	12,850.00	12,865.00	13,385.00
13-7-20-530.00 Telephone	5,000.00	2,666.74	5,000.00
13-7-20-580.00 Training School	2,500.00	709.00	2,500.00
13-7-20-610.00 Off Supply/Comp Reporting	2,000.00	1,188.00	3,000.00
13-7-30-624.00 Fuel for Fire Houses	6,000.00	3,274.19	4,000.00
13-7-60-432.00 Maintenance	20,000.00	11,436.09	20,000.00
13-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/lubricants	650.00	180.05	600.00
13-7-60-627.01 Diesel	2,500.00	1,144.87	2,500.00
13-7-70-441.00 Rental on Houses	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
13-7-70-500.00 S Arl/Cambridge Agreement	1,250.00	0.00	1,250.00
13-7-70-740.00 New Equipment	35,000.00	31,817.35	35,000.00
13-7-70-990.00 Emergency Contingency	850.00	0.00	800.00
13-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
13-7-90-810.00 Sinking Fund/New Fire Truk	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT RESERVE FUNDING	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT EXPENDITURES	153,602.00	129,897.93	157,436.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
14-6 CEMETERY REVENUE			
14-6-01-001.00 Perpetual Care	0.00	1,825.00	500.00
14-6-01-001.01 Property Taxes	19,315.00	12,054.22	18,515.00
14-6-03-001.00 Sale of Lots	1,000.00	2,325.00	1,000.00
14-6-04-001.00 Burial Fee	100.00	1,350.00	500.00
14-6-04-002.00 Cremation Fee	100.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-05-001.00 Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL CEMETERY REVENUE	 20,515.00	 17,554.22	 20,515.00
14-7 CEMETERY EXPENDITURES			
14-7-10-110.00 Cemetery Salaries	850.00	850.00	850.00
14-7-10-220.00 FICA	65.00	65.03	65.00
14-7-20-990.00 Office Misc.	50.00	0.00	50.00
14-7-30-300.00 Operating Contract	14,150.00	13,660.00	14,150.00
14-7-30-300.01 Operating Maintenance	5,000.00	1,643.99	5,000.00
14-7-70-990.00 Perpetual Care	0.00	1,825.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.01 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.02 Veterans Memorial Flags	400.00	400.00	400.00
 TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENDITURES	 20,515.00	 18,444.02	 20,515.00
 TOTAL CEMETERY	 0.00	 -889.80	 0.00

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15-6 PARK REVENUE			
15-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	46,504.00	41,294.03	49,930.00
15-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-02-002.00 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-001.00 Reimbursed Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-002.00 Town of Sandgate	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
15-6-04-003.00 Town of Sunderland	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
15-6-04-004.00 Arlington School	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
15-6-04-005.00 Arlington Lions Club	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-006.00 Golf Assoc. Membership	2,500.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-06-001.00 Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-09-001.00 Golf Donations	5,000.00	4,381.00	5,000.00
15-6-09-002.00 Park Donations	100.00	1,250.00	500.00
15-6-09-003.00 Concession	100.00	0.00	100.00
15-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total PARK REVENUE	66,704.00	59,425.03	68,030.00
15-7 PARK & RECREATION			
15-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
15-7-10-110.00 Labor	32,000.00	32,917.56	32,700.00
15-7-10-130.00 Overtime	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	2,448.00	2,517.93	2,500.00
15-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	1,806.00	2,577.00	2,596.00
15-7-10-290.00 Vt. Unemployment	1,370.00	1,369.62	2,266.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	37,624.00	39,382.11	40,062.00
15-7-20 ADMINISTRATION			
15-7-20-520.00 Insurance	605.00	604.00	516.00
15-7-20-530.00 Telephone	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-20-610.01 Office Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	805.00	604.00	716.00
15-7-30 PARK BUILDINGS			
15-7-30-411.00 Water	450.00	471.25	450.00
15-7-30-421.00 Rubbish	700.00	680.00	750.00
15-7-30-450.00 Maintenance	4,000.00	2,715.81	3,500.00
15-7-30-520.00 Insurance	550.00	476.00	552.00

Account	Budget FY - 2016	Actual FY - 2016	Budget FY - 2017
15-7-30-610.00 Supplies	475.00	858.80	1,000.00
15-7-30-622.00 Electricity	650.00	943.65	1,000.00
 TOTAL PARK BUILDINGS	 6,825.00	 6,145.51	 7,252.00
 15-7-41 GOLF COURSE			
15-7-41-411.00 Water	650.00	241.23	500.00
15-7-41-610.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	1,200.00	1,130.00	1,200.00
15-7-41-610.01 Course Supplies	2,500.00	0.00	2,000.00
 TOTAL GOLF COURSE	 4,350.00	 1,371.23	 3,700.00
 15-7-42 FIELDS & GROUNDS			
15-7-42-622.00 Electric Soccer	800.00	327.68	700.00
15-7-42-622.01 Electric Softball	500.00	181.65	300.00
15-7-42-622.02 Electric Tennis	200.00	113.18	200.00
15-7-42-650.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00
15-7-42-650.01 Maintenance	4,000.00	3,359.53	4,000.00
 TOTAL FIELDS & GROUNDS	 7,000.00	 5,482.04	 7,200.00
 15-7-60 EQUIPMENT			
15-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	5,000.00	7,221.47	4,000.00
15-7-60-627.00 Gas/Oil/Lubricants	1,800.00	1,354.90	1,800.00
15-7-60-627.01 Diesel	200.00	0.00	200.00
15-7-60-740.00 Equip Purchase	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
15-7-60-740.01 Equipment Lease	100.00	0.00	100.00
 TOTAL EQUIPMENT	 10,100.00	 8,576.37	 9,100.00
 TOTAL PARK & REC EXPENDITURES	 66,704.00	 61,561.26	 68,030.00
 TOTAL RECREATION	 0.00	 -2,136.23	 0.00

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21-6 REAPPRAISAL REVENUE			
21-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	0.00	12,172.00	0.00
21-6-02-002.00 State Vt. Training	0.00	1,432.00	0.00
21-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	1,954.37	0.00
21-6-08-001.00 Transfers In	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-6-09-990.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL REAPPRAISAL REVENUE	 0.00	 15,558.37	 0.00
 21-7-10-110.06 Lister Wages	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
21-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-531.00 Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-550.00 Printing	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-580.00 Training/Travel	0.00	150.00	0.00
21-7-20-610.00 Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-70-330.00 Reappraisal Contract	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL REAPPRAISAL EXPENDITURES	 0.00	 150.00	 0.00
 TOTAL REAPPRAISAL	 0.00	 15,408.37	 0.00
 22-6 DISCRETIONARY REVENUE			
22-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	44.24	0.00
22-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL DISCRETIONARY REVENUES	 0.00	 44.24	 0.00
 23-6 GRANTS REVENUE			
23-6-02-001.01 Wastewater	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.03 Enhancement/Church St	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.06 HSU Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.07 PL Grant Water Co Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.08 PublicSafetyEMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.09 PubSafetyEMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.10 FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.11 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.12 Yellow Barn grant	0.00	3,750.00	0.00

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23-6-02-001.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.16 MPG-Town Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.18 EOC Improvement Project	0.00	6,075.95	0.00
23-6-02-001.22 Clas2Gt PO155305	0.00	65,127.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	3.23	0.00
23-6-05-001.10 FEMA	0.00	264.53	0.00
23-6-05-001.11 RadiosEMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.14 VT Structures BC1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.20 Fed Highway ER0090	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.21 7A Sidewalk CA0374	0.00	5,866.74	0.00
23-6-09-099.10 FEMA miscellaneous	0.00	2,598.87	0.00
TOTAL GRANTS REVENUE	0.00	83,686.32	0.00
23-7 GRANTS EXPENDITURES			
23-7-70-990.01 Wastewater	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.03 Enhancement/Church St	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.06 HSU	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.07 PL Grant Water Co Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.08 PublicSafetyEMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.09 PubSafetyEMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.10 FEMA	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.11 RadiosEMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.13 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.14 VT Structures BC 1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.15VT Structures BC1496	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.16 MPG Town Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.18 EOC Improvement Project	0.00	6,075.95	0.00
23-7-70-990.20 Federal Highway ER0090	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.21 7A Sidewalk CA 0374	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.22 Clas2Gt PO155305	0.00	65,127.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.23 Yellow Barn	0.00	3,750.00	0.00
TOTAL GRANTS EXPENDITURES	0.00	76,952.95	0.00
TOTAL GRANTS	0.00	6,733.37	0.00

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24-6 AUDIT REVENUE			
24-6-01-001.00 Appropriation	0.00	0.00	0.00
24-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	68.27	0.00
24-6-08-001.00 Transfer In	0.00	0.00	0.00
24-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	11,500.00	0.00
 TOTAL AUDIT REVENUES	 0.00	 11,568.27	 0.00
 24-7 AUDIT EXPENDITURES			
24-7-70-330.00 Contract	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL AUDIT EXPENDITURES	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
 TOTAL AUDIT	 0.00	 11,568.27	 0.00

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31-6 CAPITAL REVENUE			
31-6-04-001.23 Fire Truck Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	5.73	0.00
31-6-05-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	149.97	0.00
31-6-05-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	878.93	0.00
31-6-05-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	751.79	0.00
31-6-05-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	715.87	0.00
31-6-05-001.26 Grader	0.00	1,053.04	0.00
31-6-05-001.27 Spec Highway	0.00	1,714.51	0.00
31-6-05-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	327.16	0.00
31-6-05-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	353.99	0.00
31-6-05-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	148.09	0.00
31-6-05-001.32 Computers	0.00	122.42	0.00
31-6-05-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.34 Generator	0.00	39.51	0.00
31-6-08-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	45,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	40,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	9,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.26 Grader	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	80,127.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.32 Computers	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.21 Yellow Barn Donations	0.00	25.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.26 Grader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.27 Special Highway	0.00	35,000.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.31 Town Build Grant monies	0.00	6,075.95	0.00
31-6-09-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00

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31-6-090002.21 Yellow Barn Dog Park	0.00	1,200.00	0.00
31-6-09-099.21 Yellow Barn Miscellaneous	0.00	4,901.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	0.00	248,589.96	0.00
31-7 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
31-7-80-700.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	7,500.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.23 Fire Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.24 Town Truck	0.00	2,764.20	0.00
31-7-80-700.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.26 Grader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	4,693.55	0.00
31-7-80-700.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.29 Town Bridges	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.31 Town Buildings	0.00	4,356.24	0.00
31-7-80-700.32 Computers	0.00	1,153.86	0.00
31-7-80-700.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.00	20,467.85	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL	0.00	228,122.11	0.00



IGA, East Arlington.

Trustees of Public Funds

The Trustee of Public Funds is an elected office that is charged with the proper investment and distribution of a Town's Trust funds.

At the present time the Town of Arlington has four trust funds that we maintain.

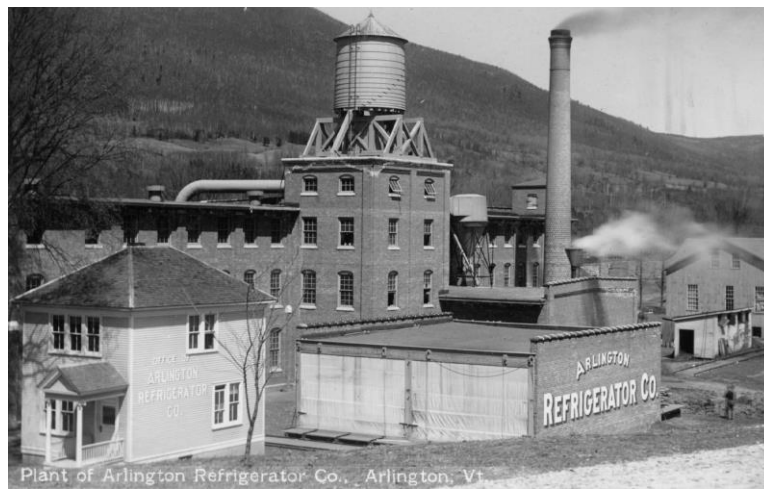
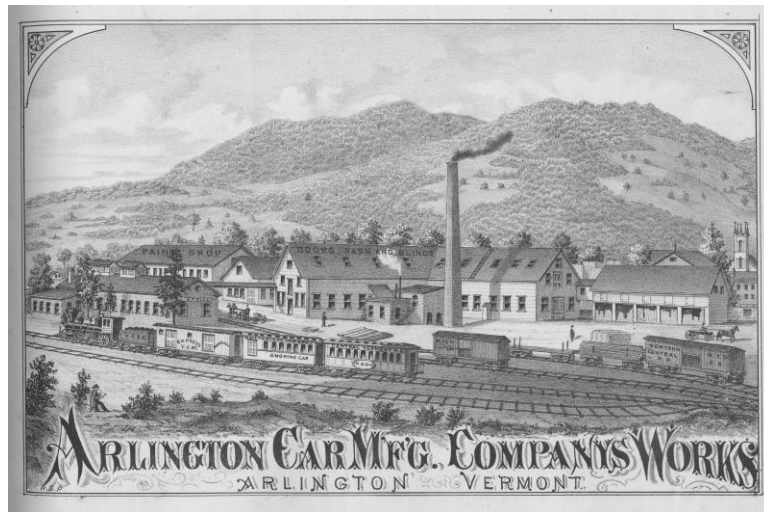
- The first and largest is the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund. This fund was established to ensure that the Arlington Cemeteries are maintained. When you buy a burial plot a portion of the fee goes to the purchase of the plot itself and a portion goes to the trust fund for perpetual care.
- The second fund is the Emmett and Edith Smith Fund. This fund was established by the Smith family. In the past it has been used to allow help students with the cost of their class trips to Montpelier to learn more about Vermont's government.
- The third is the Florence Holden Fund. This fund was established to give financial support to a family in need as the result of a fire.
- Lastly, is the Tri-Centennial Fund that is to be used to help with the cost of Arlington's Tri-Centennial Celebration.

If you have any questions about these funds or their use please feel free to contact us.

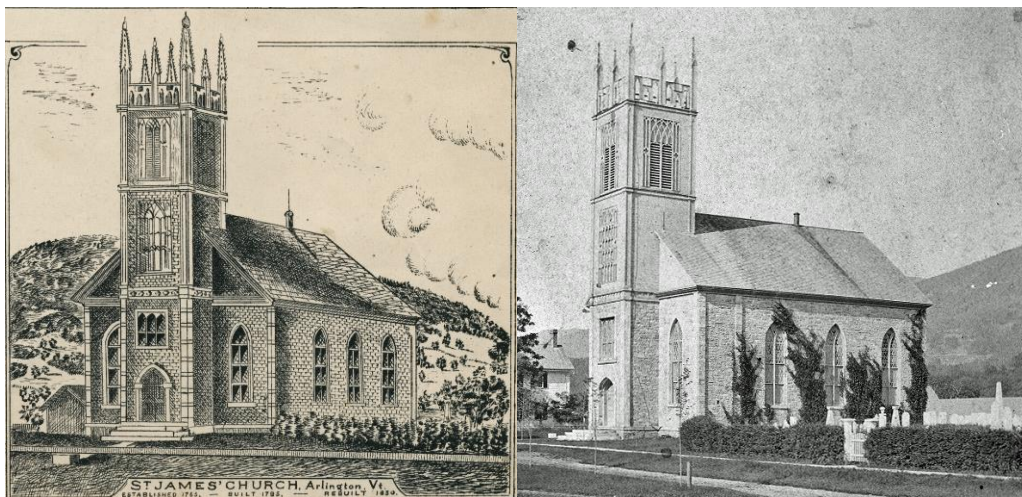
Funds balance for year ending December 31, 2016

Edith and Emmett Smith Trust Fund	\$4,604.41
Florence Holden Trust Fund	3,618.10
Tri-Centennial Fund	1,041.78
Perpetual Care Fund	107,815.82

Respectfully Submitted, Trustees of Public Funds,
Maureen Harvey
Susan Jennings



Top: Arlington (Railroad) Car Manufacturing Company, ca. 1876.
 Middle: Arlington Refrigerator Company, ca. 1925.
 Bottom: Mack Molding Company, ca. early 1950s.



St. James Episcopal Church. Left: ca. 1876; right, ca. 1900.

Section Two: Reports of Elected Officials

Arlington Selectboard

The Town was busy in 2016.

- The purchase of the Water system and major improvements in areas of the Town were completed. Thank you to everyone for living with the traffic issues that were part of the construction. The result is improved water flows for all customers and greatly improved fire protection in the Route 7A area.
- The Town purchased a new machine that is used for mowing and sidewalk maintenance. Updating the tractor and attachments will allow the highway employees to continue to provide the high level of service that is expected.

Thank you for your support and funding of the Town requests that allow the Selectboard to maintain and improve Town assets.

Your Arlington Selectboard

Keith Squires, Daniel Harvey, Cynthia Browning, Reggie Jennings Jr., Timothy Williams

Town of Arlington Capital Plan

PURPOSE: The Arlington Capital Plan provides an outline of future proposed capital expenses and funding in a way that maintains a level municipal budget.

GOAL: Planning for future projects and equipment purchases that are significant costs - in a way that will prevent large increases in single year budgets.

PROCEDURE:

1. A Capital Plan will outline projects and equipment purchases in a 5 to 10 year schedule with proposed date and estimated cost for each purchase.
2. A yearly expenditure for each item will be included.
3. The Capital Plan will be updated each year for approval by the Selectboard, and included in the annual Town Report.

PROJECT QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A project that will be a significant loss to the Town if it is not repaired or replaced;
2. A project for which the estimated future cost will be \$25,000.00 or more.
3. A project that - if it is not repaired or replaced would cost \$25,000.00 or more in the future.
4. A project that would require debt obligation or borrowing.
5. A project that requires purchases of land for future municipal buildings or highways.
6. Construction of new municipal buildings or rehabilitation of existing buildings.
7. A project purchasing major equipment or vehicles with a life expectancy of five years or more and a cost of \$25,000.00 or more.

FUNDING:

1. Capital projects and funding requests will be presented as individual articles to be voted by Australian ballot each year at the annual Town Meeting.

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS:

1. Capital funds shall be commingled for investment and expenditure purposes.
2. Capital funds shall only be used for listed capital projects or be used in lieu of short-term borrowing by the Town of Arlington in anticipation of taxes.
3. Capital funds that are used by the Town in lieu of borrowing in anticipation of taxes shall be repaid to the Capital fund in the same fiscal year that funds are borrowed, and within twenty (20) days after the due date of collection of taxes. The amount repaid shall include lost interest on the borrowed money.
4. A separate and complete accounting of all capital funds shall be included in the annual Town Report.

Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
			Projected								
Town Highway Trucks			Life								
2011 Ford 550 Plow/Sander	2020	TH-1	9 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2015 International Plow/Sander	2027	TH-2	12 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2006 International Plow/Sander	2018	TH-3	12 Yrs	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost				0.00	200,000.00	0.00	90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Balance CRF Trucks (as of 12/31)			137,103.18	177,103.18	17,103.18	57,103.18	7,103.18	47,103.18	87,103.18	127,103.18	167,103.18
Town Highway Equipment											
2001 New Holland Loader	2019	TH-101	18 Yrs	0.00	0.00	165,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1993 Galion Grader	2021	TH-102	26 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1985 Ford Backhoe/Loader	2023	TH-103	38 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00
1998 Caterpillar Excavator	2038	TH-104	30 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2016 John Deere 3039 Tractor	2028	TH-105	12yrs	47,536.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost				47,536.08	0.00	165,000.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				21,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Balance CRF Equipment (as of 12/31)			298,838.75	272,302.67	295,302.67	153,302.67	177,302.67	1,302.67	25,302.67	302.67	25,302.67
(7 Year rotation)											
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Town Fire Trucks											
2004 Rescue/Pumper	2032	FD-74	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1990 Pumper	2020	FD-75	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013 Pumper	2041	FD-76	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1999 Pumper	2027	FD-77	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2004 Brush Truck	2034	FD-78	30 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost				0.00	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				45,000.00	47,500.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
Balance CRF Firetrucks (as of 12/31)			158,833.69	203,833.69	251,333.69	301,333.69	1,333.69	51,333.69	101,333.69	151,333.69	201,333.69
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Town Bridges & Culverts											
BR # 13 TH # 29	2018	BR #13		0.00	22,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BR # 4 TH # 1	2022	BR #4		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60,000.00	0.00	0.00
BR # 17 TH # 22	2030	BR #17		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BR # 24 TH # 23	2050	BR #24		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CULVERT # 1202 TH # 12	2020	CL #1202		0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost*				0.00	22,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	60,000.00	0.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				5,000.00	7,500.00	8,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Balance CRF Bridges & Culverts (as of 12/31)			51,953.75	56,953.75	42,453.75	50,453.75	40,453.75	50,453.75	453.75	5,453.75	10,453.75
<i>* Note: Amounts shown on this line represents the Town's 10% share of town highway projects funded with State & Federal monies.</i>											

2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	225,000.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	225,000.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00
40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,001.00
207,103.18	247,103.18	62,103.18	102,103.18	142,100.18	182,100.18	222,101.18
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25,000.00	25,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00
50,302.67	75,302.67	101,302.67	62,302.67	88,302.67	114,302.67	140,302.67
2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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0.00	0.00	365,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
256,333.69	311,333.69	1,333.69	56,333.69	111,333.69	166,333.69	221,333.69
2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,000.00	0.00
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0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,000.00	0.00
5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
15,453.75	20,453.75	25,453.75	30,453.75	35,453.75	22,453.75	27,453.75

Town Auditor's Report

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Arlington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1681-1684, which, among other things, require that we examine the accounts of all town officers and all other persons authorized by law to draw orders on the town treasurer.

Our objectives were to 1) validate the correctness of the town accounts, 2) detect fraud or errors in these accounts, and 3) verify the financial condition and results of operations of the town as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016.

To accomplish these objectives, we obtained an understanding of the operation of the town's government, including internal controls over financial transactions. We interviewed town officials to gain an understanding of town operations. We reviewed the town's accounting system, cash handling procedures, and segregation of duties. To verify the existence and year-end balance of cash accounts, we confirmed the year-end balance with the banks. In addition, we performed a cash proof for all accounts. To verify the amount of delinquent taxes at year-end, we performed a reconciliation of taxes billed, tax adjustments, tax payments and interest and penalty billed and collected.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Arlington as of December 31, 2016 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Respectfully submitted

William Budde

Patricia Williams

Mary Ann Schaefer

Delinquent Tax Collector's 2016 Report

Outstanding Taxes

2013	1 parcel	\$ 225.00
2014	5 parcels	\$ 8,005.06
2015	19 parcels	\$ 46,932.99
2016	58 parcels	\$ 96,398.02
Total		\$151,561.07

Parcel detail information is available at the Treasurer's office.

Listers Annual Report

Each year we like to report our CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) and observe the movement in regards to the prior year. This year our CLA is at 107.33, last year was 107.02, only a slight change. It tells us that the recovery of real estate values is going very slowly here.

Our last town-wide reappraisal was completed in 2006, more than 10 years ago, so we are beginning to plan an update, sometime in the not too distant future. It is a major project for the listers office and will require the cooperation of the property owners. You will hear more as the time approaches.

Annually we remind all property owners to file their Homestead Declaration (HS-122) on a timely basis. This is required every year, if you own and occupy your property as your prime residence as of April 1. It will determine what tax rate you are subject to and is used to calculate your property tax prebate, if eligible. If your tax returns are done by a service, make sure your HS-122 is included.

The listers will be doing our annual field inspections in March and April to set the values for the 2017 Grand List. Should your property have undergone any changes in value, up or down, please notify us so we can make the appropriate adjustments.

Our office is officially open Tuesday to Thursday from 9 AM to 1 PM, and usually also on Monday and Friday. Our phone and fax number is 802-375-9022.

Arlington Listers,
Joseph Garger; Earl LaBatt; Lee Cross

Arlington Recreation Park

The Recreation Park continues to try to provide an area for everyone to utilize and enjoy. In 2016, we saw increased use of the rebuilt tennis and basketball areas, and more activity on all of the ball fields. The Town greatly appreciates the work of the many groups in this area. The Little League organization invests many funds and hours of labor to improve the field and the buildings. Volunteers are always welcome at the Park to help with projects such as painting and Spring cleanup. Please contact the office at 375-6474 or the Park supervisor Gerald Woodard at 733-2100 with any questions or requests to reserve areas for events.

Town Clerk's Report

“NEW THIS YEAR” the Floor Meeting on Monday, March 6th, 2017 will be held in the Mack Performing Arts Center. We are certain this will improve the sound quality as well as the ability to see everyone at the front tables, which has been a problem for many attendees. Voting will be in the gymnasium, as usual, on Tuesday, March 7th from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Early voting is currently available to everyone.

The 2016 Elections made for a busy year with a strong turn-out and record number of absentee/early voters. The Secretary of State's election division launched a great new

site devoted to voters called *My Voter Page*. By using the *My Voter Page*, a registered voter can:

- Check registration status;
- View a sample ballot;
- Request and track an absentee ballot;
- View information on upcoming elections.

Registered Voters can log in at: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us> and online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>. Over 25,000 Vermonters registered to vote online in 2016. For the November General Election, nearly 6,500 Vermonters requested an absentee ballot through the *My Voter Page*.

The town website has a new address, since the previous one was outdated and had become un-safe for use. You can find the new site by typing “**arlingtonvermont.org**” directly into your address bar. Because it is such a new site, the google search will only bring up the old website.

I would like to remind all dog owners that it is the Vermont State law that requires dog licensing with the town every year. The purpose of this law is to assure that all dogs are up to date on their rabies vaccination. The 2017 dog licenses are now available at the town clerk’s office or by mail.

Please feel free to contact the clerk at (802) 375-2332, by email at arltc@comcast.net, or by mail at P.O. Box 304, Arlington, VT 05250.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Wilcox, Town Clerk



Colonial Theatre/Camber Block, East Arlington, ca. 1915; burned in 1924.

Section Three: Reports of Appointed Officials

Animal Control Officer's Report

Every year statistics and cases are different enough to keep things interesting, and 2016 was no different.

This year there were six dog bite cases. One case required the victim to undergo rabies treatment after a stray dog's attack upon the victim while walking in the woods.

Two of eight 'lost' dogs reunited with their owners were not Arlington residents but from Sandgate and Cambridge, NY. The unclaimed dogs had owners who either refused to claim them or who had ended up very near to my back road kennel. Two of the dogs belonged to the same owner and their placement into new, loving homes was one of my greatest satisfactions. One, a puppy, is now working as a service dog for a veteran and has turned both of their lives around.

A large percentage of my initial response to complaints involves the use of warning letters and/or phone calls. I have always viewed this job as an opportunity to educate and offer assistance that will result in a solution to a problem. It is always gratifying when I am able to work with owners to resolve issues and I am more than happy to share my expertise as a professional trainer towards that end.

I continue to be frustrated by the use of social media as the **only** measure to report a lost or found animal. Too often no reports are filed with ACOs, vets, shelters or police. On the other hand, I have been trying for years to use a Facebook page with only limited success. Please "like & share" [Animal Control-VT](#) & [Luckydog Adoptions](#). I maintain it with listings of lost & found pets in addition to notices, educational articles, and fun information. I am happy to post lost & found pictures and info sent to me. Please keep in mind that local dogs in need of homes may also be posted.

This winter I have been working to get a new program up and running, “Gimme Shelter.” I have contact with a Boy Scout leader/carpenter eager to build suitable dog houses to be provided to neglected, needy dogs on an emergency basis, a great experience for the boys, too. Seeing to the needs of the animals is first and foremost, and this ability to quickly respond is very exciting! The town has offered storage space in the Yellow Barn. One house has been delivered and set up, and what is needed now is fundraising to help pay for materials etc. I would LOVE to hear from anyone interested in volunteering some time and energy!

I can be reached at my home phone, 375-6121. An answering machine will insure that you are able to reach me as soon as possible. You **must** leave your name and number for complaints to be acted upon. This also enables me to contact you for any further necessary information.

Respectfully Submitted,
Traci Mulligan, Animal Control Officer

Arlington Fire Department Annual Report

The Arlington Volunteer Fire Department responded to 133 calls for assistance in 2016. The calls by town were:

Location	Number	Location	Number
Arlington	79	Shaftsbury	6
Sunderland	37	Shushan, NY	2
Sandgate	7	Manchester FD	2

The breakdown of calls by type of incident was:

Category	Type of Incident	Number
Fires	Structure – chimney	9
	Wild land brush / debris fires	4
	Motor vehicle / tractor /equipment	2
Rescues	Rescue Squad assist	9
	Car accidents with extrication	2
	Car accidents with spills and traffic control	36
Service calls	Storm damage – power lines down	15
	Alarm activation – no emergency	33
Hazardous condition	CO detected, spills/leaks, furnace malfunctions	5
Mutual aid	To neighboring agencies	10
Good intent	Unfounded or cancelled in route	8

The Volunteers of the Arlington Fire Department had another full year in 2016. The 34 responding Volunteer members spent nearly 1,995 hours responding to calls for service in 2016. This is on top of training time in excess of another 928 hours throughout the year. This averages 86 hours per member per year of volunteer service.

This year we have continued to expand our dispatching of emergency calls through a system called "Who's Responding." This allows our firefighters to receive their calls through their smartphones and tablets. We are also installing an iPad on each fire truck with programming to direct firefighters to an emergency, a water source, and staging area or landing zone. With the E- 911 & GPS technology, this will surely help our response times to assist someone in need.

In closing, we would like to remind everyone to **PLEASE TEST** and **CHANGE SMOKE DETECTOR BATTERIES TWICE A YEAR**. Also, practice Fire Prevention at home, at work, and have a Family Meeting Spot at the end of your driveway.

PLEASE POST YOUR 911 NUMBERS CLEARLY at the end of your driveway if you cannot see your home from the road. Please help us help you. **Dial 911 for emergencies** or (802) 375-2323 for non-emergencies.

We hope to see you at the Annual Fireman's Carnival on July 21st and 22nd at the Rec. Park.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Paustian, Fire Chief, 2016 - 2017

Fire Warden's Report

In the past year there were 81 permits written for controlled burns. We responded to four wild land fires and three reports of burning trash. Please remember unless there is complete snow cover (3" or more) you need a burn permit for any outside fire. Outside burning is permitted for dead wood only (no pressure treated or painted materials). Burning of any trash is illegal and can result in a penalty.

The spring brings about the urge to burn winter debris in the yard. This is also the highest probable time for a fire to quickly spread and burn out of control. We had a long stretch of RED FLAG warning days again this year where NO outside burning was allowed due to weather conditions. Please call for a permit and to find out burn conditions ahead of time, it could save your life.

If you have a field that is overgrown and would like to have a controlled burn by the Fire Department you may contact any of the three fire wardens for Arlington: Jamie Paustian at 375-1072 or 733-1961, Brian Hawley at 558-2230, or Vince Thompson at 681-5812.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Paustian, Fire Warden 2013 – 2018

Health Administrator's Report

On July 1, 2007, the Arlington Health Ordinance was superseded by the state's new septic regulations. Arlington does not have the authority to issue permits for systems initiated after that date.

State permits are required for new septic systems and repairs to old ones. For more information, please call the state permit specialist at 802-786-5907 in Rutland or a licensed site technician or engineer.

Please call me at 375-1008 to report a violation of the Vermont Rental Housing Health Code and any public health hazard such as a failed septic system.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert P. Godreau

Land Use Administrator's Report

A total of 30 building permits were issued in 2016 compared to 26 in 2015, 32 in 2014, and 23 in 2013. Permits issued in 2016 involved the following:

Accessory buildings	9
Additions	13
Boundary line adjustment	1
Customary home occupation	1
Earth removal	1
Health Center	1
New Residences	2
Stream renovations	1
Subdivision	1

The Zoning Board of Adjustment approved the following in connection with some of the above permits:

Conditional uses	2
Variances	3

My office hours at Town Hall are from 10:00 a.m. to noon on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. If these times are not convenient, please call me at 375-1008 and leave a message. I will respond promptly.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert P. Godreau

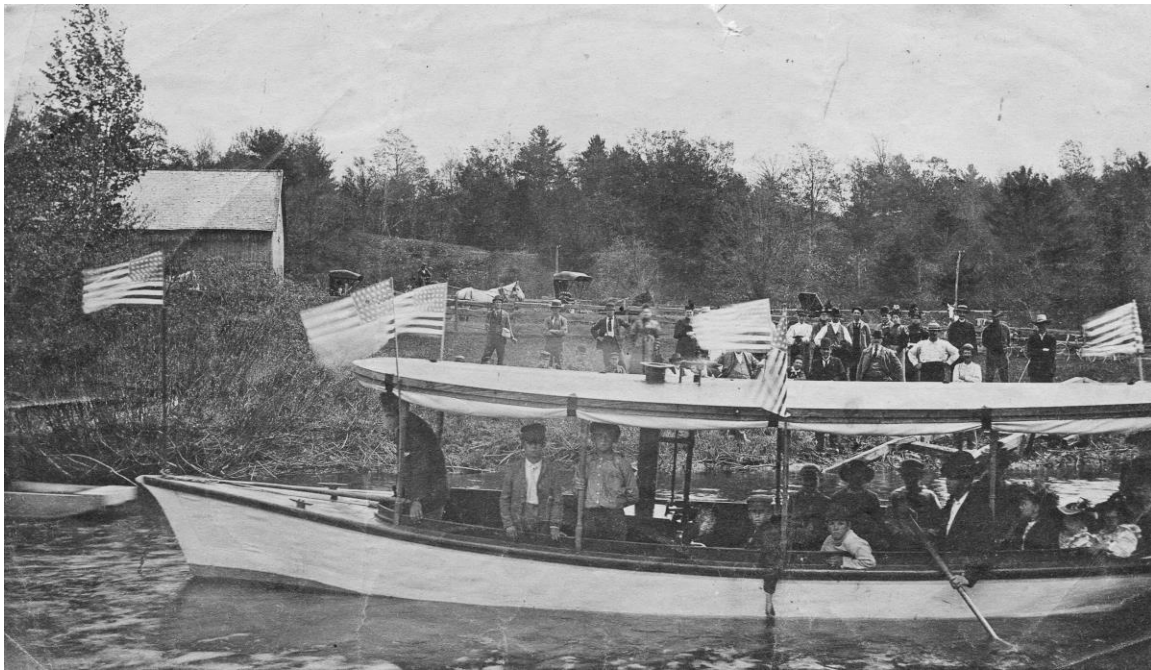
Planning Commission Report

The Arlington Planning Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. These meetings are open to the public and community participation is welcome. We need one more member to make a complete seven-member board. If you are interested in becoming a board member, please contact Al Godreau at 375-1008.

In the past year, the Planning Commission has reviewed site plan applications for businesses, home occupation, boundary line adjustment, and a residential sub-division. A conditional use permit for HBH Prestain to re-grade a portion of the property on Short Street was approved in June 2016. A site plan for HBH Prestain to enlarge a building on East Arlington Road was approved in June 2016. Meetings were held in July, August, and September to review site plans for the Battenkill Valley Health Center on Church Street with conditional approval in September 2016.

I would like to thank my fellow commission members, the Land Use Administrator, and the Select Board for their time, support, and expertise throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
John Williams



McAuley Steamboat Launch, Batten Kill River.

Section Four: Arlington Water Department



Left: Water line installation on Water Street (Route 313 west), just west of Main Street (Route 7A) in the early 1930s. Photo by William F. Hayden.

Right: Water line replacement on Munn Terrace, 2016. Photo by William P. Budde.

Selectboard's Water Department Report

The Town of Arlington completed the purchase of the Arlington Water Company in February of 2016.

A contractor was hired and the replacement of almost 5,700 feet of water main and service lines was completed. The work included replacement of 4 inch lines with 8 inch to 12 inch lines to improve water flow to fire hydrants on East Arlington Road, Route 7A, and Route 313. Six new hydrants were installed along Route 7A.

Due to an unexpected increase in cost, two areas that were originally part of the project had to be postponed until future funding becomes available. A process of cost versus number of services was used to determine which areas were postponed.

Operation of the water department and payment of the bond are funded by revenue from the customers of the system and not from general tax funds. For that reason, the water department budget is not part of the Town Budget Report and is not voted on.

Thank you to everyone for your patience with the traffic delays and equipment that was sometimes parked in the roadways during the project.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlington Selectboard

71-6 WATER DEPARTMENT REVENUE			
71-6-04-001.00 Metered Water receipts	0.00	252,571.53	0.00
71-6-05-001.00 Interest	0.00	301.30	0.00
71-6-07-001.00 Borrowed money	0.00	125,000.00	0.00
71-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	191.50	0.00
 TOTAL WATER DEPT REVENUE	 0.00	 378,064.33	 0.00
 71-7-10 Payroll and Benefits			
71-7-10-110.00 System Operator salary	0.00	41,666.00	0.00
71-7-10-110.01 Operator Assistant	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-10-110.02 Clerical	0.00	10,528.00	0.00
71-7-10-210.01 Health Insurance	0.00	7,253.06	0.00
71-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	0.00	3,992.92	0.00
71-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal pension	0.00	2,407.10	0.00
71-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	0.00	3,660.00	0.00
71-7-10-290.00 Unemployment	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL PAYROLL AND BENEFITS	 0.00	 69,507.08	 0.00
 71-7-20 Administration			
71-7-20-320.00 Operator Training	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-20-330.00 Computer training/repair	0.00	1,359.38	0.00
71-7-20-441.00 RR Lease	0.00	92.00	0.00
71-7-20-490.00 Permits and Fees	0.00	3,384.29	0.00
71-7-20-520.00 Insurance	0.00	1,855.00	0.00
71-7-20-530.00 Telephone	0.00	612.70	0.00
71-7-20-530.01 Pager Service	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-20-560.00 Memberships/Subscriptions	0.00	315.00	0.00
71-7-20-610.00 Office Supplies	0.00	1,735.29	0.00
71-7-20-610.01 Office Equipment	0.00	1,376.45	0.00
71-7-20-610.02 Water Quality Report	0.00	550.40	0.00
71-7-20-850.00 Purchased Receivables	0.00	112,568.62	0.00
71-7-20-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	 0.00	 123,849.13	 0.00
 71-7-60 Equipment Maintenance			
71-7-60-432.00 Vehicle Maintenance	0.00	1,124.19	0.00
71-7-60-620.00 Fuel	0.00	779.35	0.00
 TOTAL Equipment Maintenance	 0.00	 1,903.54	 0.00

71-7-70 System Operation			
71-7-70-330.00 Traffic control	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-70-340.00 Sample testing	0.00	1,440.00	0.00
71-7-70-422.00 Snow plowing	0.00	35.00	0.00
71-7-70-424.00 Grounds care	0.00	69.99	0.00
71-7-70-430.00 Building maintenance	0.00	240.00	0.00
71-7-70-431.00 System equipment, repair	0.00	1,402.64	0.00
71-7-70-442.00 System equipment, rental	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-70-450.00 Town services	0.00	9,972.09	0.00
71-7-70-460.00 Infrastructure repair/maint	0.00	483.70	0.00
71-7-70-610.00 Supplies	0.00	11,107.85	0.00
71-7-70-611.00 Chemical supplies	0.00	151.92	0.00
71-7-70-622.00 Electric	0.00	7,632.81	0.00
71-7-70-741.00 System equipment, new	0.00	563.76	0.00
 Total System Operation	 0.00	 33,099.76	 0.00
 71-7-70-830.00 Principle & Interest Expense	 0.00	 126,569.45	 0.00
 TOTAL WATER DEPT EXPENDITURES	 0.00	 354,928.96	 0.00
 TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	 0.00	 23,135.37	 0.00

Treasurer's Water Department Report

Operating Account		
Cash on Hand 1/1/16		\$ 0.00
Metered Water Receipts		252,571.53
Borrowed Money		125,000.00
Bond Account Loan Repayment		600.00
Miscellaneous		191.50
Interest		301.30
	Sub-Total	378,664.33
Purchased AWC Receivables		-112,568.62
Borrowed Money Paid		-125,000.00
Paid Operating Orders		-61,173.42
Paid Payroll Orders + ER FTD		-56,186.92
Loan To Bond Account		-600.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16		23,135.37
Evidenced by Account 7989 at TBOB		23,135.37
Bond Account		
Cash on Hand 1 /1 /16		0.00
Bank Loan at TBOB		1,522,953.10
EPA Loan Distribution		3,337,737.81
Loan from Operating Account		600.00
Interest		810.78
	Sub-Total	4,862,101.69
Paid Orders		-4,860,446.59
Reimburse Loan from AWD Operating Account		-600.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/16		1,055.10
Evidenced by Acct. #7971 at TBOB		1,055.10
Operating Note at TBOB		
Balance Outstanding 1/1/16		0.00
Borrowed Monies 2/23/16 - 12/31/16		125,000.00
Interest Due		1,569.45
Principal/ Interest Paid 2/23/16 - 12/31/16		126,569.45
Balance Outstanding 12/31/16		0.00
EPA Loan RF3-333 \$4,000,000.00		
Balance Outstanding 1/1/16		0.00
EPA Distributions 1/1 - 12/31/16		3,337,737.81
Balance Outstanding 12/31/16	Loan Disbursed 83%	3,337,737.81
Available for Distribution	Loan Available 17%	662,262.19



Then: Lawrence Brother's General Store; Today: Arlington Framers.

Section Five: 2010 Arlington Community Agency Reports

Arlington Area Childcare, Happy Days Playschool

32 Years and 5 STAR Accreditation

In our 32nd year of providing quality early care and education, Arlington Area Childcare continues to focus on the family centered approach to providing an early care and education program for the community. A Strengthening Families grant continues to support us in developing relationships with families through information, education, and support. Through this funding our administrative staff can help needy families with transportation, applying for subsidy, and many other support services. **Happy Days has again successfully achieved 5 STAR Accreditation with the State of Vermont. In 2015-2016, Happy Days provided services to 69 Arlington children.**

Strategic Plan for Three Years

This year the Happy Days Board, through a strategic planning process over several months, developed five broad goals for our next Strategic Plan. These goals are tied back to our Mission and guide the work we will do in the next 3-5 years. The five goals include:

- * Researching an increase in the amount of classroom space available for additional groupings if needed
- * Improving staff benefits and salaries
- * Recruiting/encouraging qualified head teaching staff with degrees and assistant teachers with CDAs or degree
- * Diversifying the Board
- * Preparing for leadership transition and organizational sustainability

Keeping Our Families Involved

By providing a safe and comfortable environment and activities for getting to know other parents, Happy Days works to strengthen families by planning family events throughout the year. Each classroom in our center works to design a family night specific to the interests and needs in their classroom at the time. In 2015-2016, our themes ranged from the importance of bedtime routines to promoting one on one time with a toddler. The Vermont Arts Exchange came to the preschool night and provided parent-child art activities. As a center, we strive to plan at least 3 additional family events each year. Our center wide family events are designed to include all parents, staff members of Happy Days, and their families. Our three family events in 2015-16 included a luau themed annual family potluck, a parent planned Fall Festival, and a Dads Night for Valentine's Day. Dads and/or special caregivers were invited to enjoy time together while making special presents for a loved one. A professional photographer was available to take pictures of families to add to their picture frame craft.

Staff Changes

In July 2015, the Board hired Kelly Roemmelt as administrative assistant for Happy Days Playschool. Kelly has a BS degree in Human Development, experience in supervision and retail and experience in school age programs. Kelly is committed to going through the Director Credential process and has taken coursework since she started at Happy Days. She has worked in all the classrooms to get to know early education better. Kelly's job involves school age scheduling and supervision during the school year and Camp supervision in the summer. Kelly has worked closely with Carol in grant writing as well as developing our community and annual newsletters.

2015-2016 Financials

With the increase in annual fund donations and a continued Strengthening Families Grant from the State of Vermont, Happy Days completed a stable financial year. The Annual Fund drive brought in more than \$7,500! This community financial support is critical to extra materials, enrichment events, and playground equipment, which can be expensive. Act 62 partnerships with Bennington, Shaftsbury, Sunderland, and Manchester School Districts brought down student tuitions for parents and allowed Happy Days a stable budget. Town of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland funding also supported stable funding for the program. Over \$100,000 in grants and services were written and funded. Vermont Energy rebates also helped fund replacement of lighting in the parking lot and large central room.

Thank you to the Arlington community for your continued support for our program and families!!

Arlington Community House

Built in 1829, the Arlington Community House at 3854 Main Street was constructed in the Federal Style of the Dutch tradition. Author Dorothy Canfield Fisher

created the Arlington Community Club in 1947, and deeded the house to the Board for the purpose of charging them with its care. The house is managed by a volunteer Board of Trustees and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit. As a condition of the gift, a portion of the house must be used as a meeting place for citizens of Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate, as well as space for the Martha Canfield Library. Since construction of the new library the former library is now occupied as a used book store for the benefit of the library. Use of the house by various groups in the communities is free of charge; therefore donations only are accepted. The house has two rental units on the second and third floors that help defray a portion of the costs of fuel and maintenance.

As with any old house, renovations and necessary repairs remain an important focus of the Board. Fundraising events such as Norman's Attic and Christmas tree sales help to provide funds for maintenance and repair. This past year saw the need to replace the old boiler with a new more efficient system. However, the cost has been steep. The board has secured a loan from the Bank of Bennington in the sum of \$40,000 and the new system has been installed by High Tech Plumbing and Heating. Our task now is to repay the loan. With the help of generous donations of townspeople and grants from the Vermont Country Store and the local towns among others, we have started to pay down the loan, but a considerable amount remains.

The Board wishes to thank the students at Arlington Memorial High School for their help with spring and fall clean up. The Garden Club of Arlington has developed and maintains a lovely garden, bench, and memorial tree on the north side of the house.

Many groups have made use of the house this past year: Burdett Commons, The Garden Club, Batten Kill Runners, AA, Arlington Nursing Service, Arlington Community Church, Heart Circles, and Overeaters Anonymous. There was an average of 26 uses per month for 2016, making it a total of 317 uses for the year, which is 40 uses higher than last year. Although any organization may use the house for free, we appreciate donations to help defray our utility costs. Meeting times may be reserved by calling Lynn Williams at 375-6119.

The Arlington Community House greatly appreciates the support of the community and its citizens as our mission continues to protect, manage, and maintain this fine old building so it may continue to serve our towns.

Finally, the board wants to sincerely thank Ken Nicholson for his many years as President of the Board of Trustees. He has devoted countless hours in support of the house. Thank you Ken.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Webster, President of the Board of Trustees

Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service

"To promote and improve the health of individuals and families in
Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland areas."

This mission statement has been in place for many years and continues to guide the present Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service (ACPHNS). ACPHNS is governed by a Board that includes 28 members, all volunteers. Some of

these volunteers have had a career in the field of nursing, some have work careers in non-health related areas or have experiences as volunteers in non-profit agencies; thus giving the Board a well-rounded team of volunteers to oversee the work that needs to be done. The Board meets as a whole four times a year; while various committees meet more often as needed.

All of the Board Members do committee work on a least one of the six committees. The main responsibility of the Board is to manage and use the funds provided by the three towns and an endowment of many years to provide health care that is needed and not otherwise financed. Our largest financial commitment continues to be to provide the financing of home health care for those in need without insurance and unable to pay. ACPHNS pays Manchester Health Care to provide physician ordered home care for those residents from Arlington, Sandgate and Sunderland who are in need.

The Medical Assistance Committee accepts applications from those who need financial assistance with special needs such as dental care, vision, and hearing deficits. The committee takes measures to insure personal privacy of these individuals.

The Dental Committee continued to monitor the funding and provision for the School Dental Program provided by Dental Hygienists who give education on Dental Health, Teeth screening; and also dental cleaning with parental permission. As before, this care was provided for the primary school, and newly this year included the middle school children.

As with previous years, we continue to have four \$1000.00 college scholarships available for residents of the three towns. These scholarships are awarded to those pursuing a health related college major. The recipients may renew their scholarship each year that the student progresses toward graduation.

We continue to support Battenkill Valley Health Center and their goals. We continue with donations to the Red Stocking Project, Summer Lunch Program, and Summer Campships for children in our community.

The Board of ACPHNS wishes to thank the Town of Arlington residents and Select Board for their many years of financial assistance and their trust in our providing the care we have to offer. We look forward to continuing this alliance in offering what we can toward good health for our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
Marguerite Jill Roosma, President

Arlington Food Shelf, Inc.

Despite the signs of economic recovery, we set a number of records at the Food Shelf. Thanks to the generosity of the residents and businesses in the area, we were able to provide area families with over 27,400 pounds of nutritious food items. This eclipsed our record setting year last year by 4,600 pounds. The families we served increased by nearly 20.

Once again, thanks to the generosity of the employees and management at Mack Molding, our Thanksgiving Meal Program provided complete turkey dinners to over 90 families. This annual event has become a welcomed addition to our communities.

For the first time in 8 years, the Food Shelf conducted a letter campaign to raise funds necessary to make improvements to our building. With the financial assistance of the community and a number of small grants, we were able to put new siding and paint on our building. The labor was provided by over two dozen community volunteers, which included an out-of-town church group. This project was just another example of how this community comes together to help those less fortunate.

We wish to thank the local schools and Principals Tim Stewart and Diane LaCoste for encouraging their students to collect record amounts of food. Area churches set new highs with their donations this past year as well.

The Food Shelf continues to be the parent organization for both the Helping Hand Store and the Red Stocking Program, as well as a partner with the Summer Lunch Program. These three programs are an integral part of this caring community.

We are located in East Arlington, across from the firehouse, and we encourage all residents to stop by. We are open the first Tuesday of every month from 1:30 pm until 4:00 pm and on the third Tuesday of the month we are open from 3:30 pm until 6:00 pm. We are also available to open when an emergency arises. We are recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and donations to the Food Shelf are 100% tax deductible. We have no paid staff or Directors and are 100% volunteer. Every donation goes directly to the families we serve.

Again, we thank the community and we thank our volunteers for all that they do to make this community a better place to live. We are truly, "Neighbors helping Neighbors."

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Gunther, President

Arlington Rescue Squad

The Arlington Rescue Squad would like to once again thank the residents of Arlington for their continued financial support through the generous Town appropriations. Town appropriations help the rescue squad remain financially solvent and provide us the means to respond to emergency calls 24 hours a day with a team of highly dedicated and trained emergency medical professionals.

Arlington Rescue responded to a total of 518 calls in 2015-16 ARSI fiscal year, 248 of those responding to a variety of medical emergencies in the town of Arlington. Not only does Arlington Rescue respond to medical emergencies and auto accidents in the town of Arlington, but we are there to assist the Arlington Fire Department with stand-by assistance for structure and/or brush fires.

Moving toward the future, the Arlington Rescue Squad is not only looking to provide emergency medical services to the communities that we serve, but are looking to becoming more pro-active in our community with some new community training and assistance programs including a "Falls" program and a "Safe Heart Community" program. Programs like these are designed to help prevent medical emergencies and help reduce the risks of injuries, especially for our aging community members. We are also looking at providing more training opportunities for the general public including CPR/AED and Basic First Aid.

Arlington Rescue has a dedicated mix of paid and volunteer staff that provide emergency medical coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. We have a staff of 3 full

time employees working Monday thru Friday from 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., and our volunteers provide coverage overnights and on weekends. All staff continually train and update their skills to provide the highest quality care available and they are dedicated to maintaining a high level of proficiency in the field of emergency medicine. Unfortunately, it is getting harder and harder to build and even maintain our volunteer ranks. The decline in volunteers is tied to changing work patterns, and perhaps a lower level of civic engagement - but it's also a reflection of the fact that EMS training is a lot more difficult now than it was years ago. We encourage anyone interested in volunteering in any capacity to contact us. There is nothing more rewarding then helping your neighbor in a time of need.

Finally, please remember that in order for emergency agencies to find you and your residence, house numbers must be clearly posted. If you have a long driveway, please have your numbers by the road. Number signs are still available at the rescue squad building.

The Arlington Rescue Squad non-emergency telephone number is 802-375-6589 between the hours of 6am - 6pm Monday thru Friday. In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Irion, Executive Director

Burdett Commons, Inc.

Burdett Commons has been serving the communities of Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate for the past 18 years. We started in 1999 as a community gathering place and we continue to offer programs that benefit the public. We offer various programs for the youth and adults of our community.

Children in grades 2-8 benefit from our school vacation camps. We offer day camps during the summer and when school is not in session during the regular school year. The children participate in a wide array of activities such as science experiments, Lego building, arts & crafts, and outdoor play. We keep the camps low cost and affordable but have started a scholarship fund to offset the cost for families in need. If you would like to sponsor a child(ren)'s week at camp, please let us know.

Our monthly adult craft nights continue, with the help of various volunteer instructors. We have made wreaths, holiday decorations, chalkboards, bags, and more. Our instructors volunteer their time and the participants can leave a tip for the instructor. If you would like to share your craft talents with others, please let us know. We are always welcome to new instructors and projects.

The annual haunted house has continued to grow. Not only is it a big fundraising event for us, but it is a chance for our community to have fun. We have several adults and children participate in our two-night event, and several community members support us by attending our event the weekend before Halloween. It is amazing how many people support this event through acting, making something for the bake sale, making dinner for the actors, selling tickets, and coming through the Haunted House. We have people ages 10 - 68 acting and selling tickets, which makes this a truly amazing multi-generational event.

We would like to thank the various volunteers that help throughout the year. To the donors of our annual fund drive we appreciate your support. Thank you to Sunderland Elementary School and Fisher Elementary School for allowing us to use your building for various fundraising events throughout the year. We extend a special thank you to the Arlington Community House for offering us a home year after year.

If you are interested in volunteering with our organization we would love to have you. We are recruiting new members for our Board of Directors. We meet once a month for about an hour and would love your input. Please contact us for more information.

Thank you for the continued support of our organization.

Sincerely,

Amy Caples, Director

Burdett Commons, Inc., Board of Directors: Sheila Hoyt, Marilyn King, Stephen Niles, Sara Pelletier, Amanda Stevens, Katie Murphy, and Jen King

Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library

It has been an exciting year at the Library as we celebrated our twentieth anniversary in our present location, adjacent to the schools, with a reception and speakers highlighting the Past, Present, and Future.

We had a change in staff this year, as the library assistant Wolf Roxon retired. Peggy Hanson has joined us as the new assistant. Peggy will be working on expanding our children's programs as well as handling interlibrary loan requests and helping to answer your questions. We thank Wolf for his fifteen years of service, and welcome Peggy to the library.

We started the process for a Deep Energy Retrofit with Efficiency Vermont. This project began with basement insulation and the installation of LED lighting in the reading room. The project will include more insulation and an upgrade of the climate control in the Russell Collection. This will allow us to reduce our energy use and be eligible for rebates from Efficiency Vermont, as well as reduce our energy bills over the long term. The upgrade of climate control in the Russell Collection will help to preserve the collection and extend the life of the many original, fragile documents of our history.

The past year has been active in the Russell Collection. Twelve genealogy and local history programs were presented. Significant donations include the archives of the USS Bennington Association and the original projector used in the Arlington movie theatre. The projector is a Power's Number 9 Cameragraph Film Projector manufactured about 1918. The projector was donated by Grace Smith whose family operated the theatre. The USS Bennington Collection was received in May and includes the history of the carrier from action in the Pacific in WW II through decommissioning. We will be holding an annual exhibit to coincide with the crew reunions held with the Bennington Battle Day program in August. We also received a personal diary (1934) for local resident Archie Robertson from Jim Hayden. Two Vermont newspapers from 1866 Brattleboro were donated by Rebecca Thompson, the *Vermont Record* and the *Vermont Farmer*. A 1938 felt hat and handbook that belonged to Gilbert Squires when he joined the Vermont Green Mountain Boys' State was donated by surviving family. Gilbert died in a swimming accident when 17 years old.

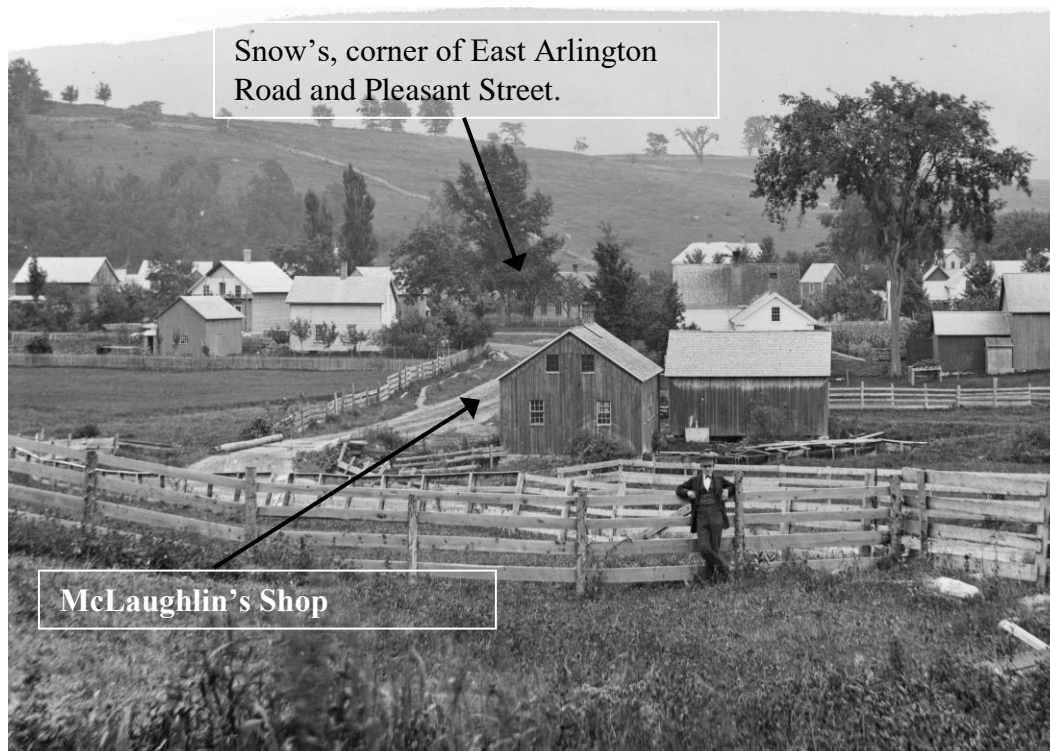
The Martha Canfield Library continues to welcome everyone in Arlington to borrow books, DVDs, CDs and audiobooks, attend programs, search the internet, read the newspaper, borrow a museum or park pass, find information, use the Wi-Fi, visit the art gallery or research local and family history in the Russell Vermontiana Collection. In addition to these in-house services, with your library card, you can also access downloadable audio and e-books, online reference tools, language lessons and classes in over 500 subjects. So check out our website, marthacanfieldlibrary.org, our Facebook page, or stop in and join the 1250 active card holders already registered in Arlington.

Thank you for your support each year and we welcome your suggestions, too.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyson Grzyb, Acting President, Board of Trustees

Phyllis Skidmore, Library Director



East Arlington Road looking east.

Section Six: Reports of County, Regional and State Agencies

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity (BCHfH) is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, an organization aimed at eliminating sub-standard housing worldwide. Habitat has helped more than 5 million people across the world to improve their living conditions. BCHfH provides safe, decent, and affordable housing in partnership with Bennington County residents who otherwise would not be able to become homeowners. Partner homebuyers are selected based on their need for housing, their income (30-70% of the Bennington County median income), and their credit rating. Each adult partner family member must complete 200 hours of sweat equity. Homebuyers pay an interest free mortgage by monthly payments that include escrow for property taxes, insurance, and Homeowner Association fees, where applicable. Homebuyers' monthly payments never exceed more than 30% of their income. The monthly mortgage payments help build more homes.

BCHfH is locally run and locally funded. With the exception of some contract services, Habitat homes are built by local volunteers. Area businesses and service providers help build, donate materials, and provide financial support. Town appropriations purchase building supplies and materials for our local projects.

Fiscal year 2016 (July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016) was a very productive year for BCHfH. We completed our 19th home in Pownal on December 2015 and 20th home in Manchester on March 2016. We also rehabbed a home on North Branch St in Bennington

and made it very energy efficient and it was dedicated in May 2016. Two hundred sixty one volunteers worked a total of 7,116 hours on these homes. In June 2016 we started a home on North Branch St in Bennington and another house on Jennifer Lane in Manchester. We also have a Resale Store in Manchester that sells new and gently used furniture, building supplies, appliances, housewares, tools, and home improvement products that have been donated to us. The store offers products at reasonable prices and keeps usable items out of the landfill. The proceeds from the store provide meaningful support for our building program.

Everyone is welcome to our build sites every Wednesday and Saturday in Manchester and Thursday and Saturday in Bennington to participate in or witness the inspiring work being done in partnership with community members and families in need of affordable housing. For more information about our work, please visit our website at www.benningtonareahabitat.com.

Two of our 18 homes are located in East Arlington, providing safe, affordable housing for two East Arlington families. Many Arlington residents helped build these and other local Habitat homes. Two of our home repair projects have been in Arlington. We encourage residents of Arlington to apply for homes. We are grateful for the Town of Arlington's continued support and hope we can count on your assistance in the future. None of our projects would be possible without the support we receive from area towns, businesses, houses of worship, and individuals. Together, we do make a difference in the lives of hard-working, lower-income area residents.

Respectfully submitted
Monica Knorr, President, Board of Directors

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless

Bennington County Coalition for the homeless is dedicated to collaborating, coordinating and implementing services to homeless families and individuals throughout Bennington County and promoting community awareness. In addition to providing emergency, short-term and long-term transitional housing, the Coalition strives to attain sustainable solutions by empowering participants with the tools necessary to increase self-sufficiency and secure permanent housing. Program participants gain access to case management and programs such as financial literacy, employment readiness, peer-to-peer counselling and nutrition. Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless was established in 2000 as a 501 (C) 3 nonprofit organization. It is governed by a Board of Directors and employs twelve people ranging from shelter support providers to an executive director. The Coalition depends on funding from foundation and corporate grants, municipal contributions, fundraising events, and donations. Less than half of the operational budget is supported by the state and federal government.

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless is the only organization of its kind in Bennington County. Each year the Coalition helps hundreds of homeless households break the cycle of homelessness. Unfortunately, the need in our community outpaces the resources available. Thatcher House located at 212 Pleasant Street in Bennington, and is a short-term emergency family shelter that temporarily houses up to eight homeless families at a time. Currently, there are seventeen homeless families on the Thatcher

House waiting list. While families wait to enter the Thatcher House program, they are staying in motels, camps, "couch surfing" with family or friends, or even in their cars in some cases.

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless also operates a drop-in warming shelter at 250 North Street in Bennington where homeless individuals can gain access to clean clothing, bedding, personal care products, and food and bathroom facilities. They are also able to meet with case managers who offer assistance by connecting them with various community resources such as healthcare, food stamps, counseling, etc. At night, the drop-in center becomes an emergency overnight shelter. The current shelter is able to house up to six homeless individuals each night. Due to limited space, the Coalition must turn away between 5-8 people each night. In September of 2016, The Coalition purchased a new facility at 966 Main Street in Bennington. This facility will open in December 2016 and replace the current emergency shelter and increase the overnight capacity by eleven beds.

Lastly, a new program that began on October 1, 2016 at our McCall Street facility is known as the "Unlocking Recovery Project." The four unit apartment building is a long-term transitional housing program that offers safe and stable housing for homeless families. This recovery program allows families to stay together while at least one member receives the support they need to focus on their sobriety before attempting to maintain permanent housing. The Coalition partners with the Turning Point Club of Bennington and the Hawthorn Center to ensure that the families residing at the McCall Street facility have access to a variety of supportive services.

We appreciate the continued support from the all municipalities including Arlington. This year, to help support our efforts, Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless requests a \$750 allocation from the Town of Arlington.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Christopher Oldham, Executive Director

Bennington County Conservation District

The mission of the BCCD is to promote rural livelihoods and protect natural resources in southwestern Vermont. Our work in calendar year 2016 included:

- Serving as the project coordinator for the Bennington County Sustainable Forest Consortium (BCSFC). The Consortium held two meetings for the general public - one on projects underway on the Green Mountain National Forest, the second on local and regional wood products markets.
- Helping loggers comply with the state's Accepted Management Practices by renting skidder bridges to them at a low monthly cost. (We secured a new bridge in May 2016.)
- Writing a successful grant application to restore a gully discharging to Mill Brook in Rupert.
- Securing a State wetland permit to construct boardwalks for floater access in the Greenberg Headwaters Park in Bennington.

- Hiring and managing a seasonal coordinator for the Batten Kill Watershed Comprehensive Invasive Species Management Association (CISMA). The coordinator reached out to more than 135 landowners and members of the public, held three workshops, and treated or arranged to have treated almost 30 acres of barberry and more than 4 acres of Japanese knotweed on sites in the Batten Kill watershed.
- Preparing project profiles for six culverts in the Mettowee River watershed. Studies have indicated those crossings constitute constrictions to fish passage for significant stretches of river upstream. Replacing them will help maximize available aquatic habitat at minimum cost.
- Working closely with USFS Green Mountain National Forest, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, our regional planning commission, many municipalities, and several local and regional non-profit organizations to further our congruent missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelly Stiles, District Manager

Bennington County Regional Commission

The Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) works with and on behalf of its member municipalities to build strong, resilient, and sustainable communities, to foster economic prosperity, and to promote a high quality of life for residents of the region. The BCRC plays an important role in coordinating work among local governments, state and federal agencies, regional public and nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and private interests.

In addition to its ongoing role in supporting the comprehensive planning work of municipal officials and volunteer boards and commissions, the BCRC serves as a regional center for work in community development, transportation, healthy community design, energy, environmental conservation and protection of water quality, solid waste management, and emergency management. The BCRC regularly conducts and sponsors public meetings and workshops on these topics throughout the region (www.bcrcvt.org for more information).

During the past year, the BCRC has worked to implement its new comprehensive plan and has supplemented that document with a proposed new regional energy plan. The energy plan will support efforts to conserve energy and to plan for renewable energy development. Economic development planning in the region is now being coordinated through a collaboration between the BCRC and the Bennington County Industrial Corporation (BCIC). The BCRC is providing staff support to help BCIC conduct economic development planning and to support business retention, growth, and recruitment. An outgrowth of this economic development work involves cooperation within the region and with Windham County to advance the goals of the Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone. The BCRC also is providing staff support for a major downtown redevelopment project in Bennington that grew from brownfields and

community development work overseen by the Commission. Other important accomplishments have included: assistance with updates to several municipal comprehensive plans, bylaws, and village center designations, formation of the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance to oversee implementation of the regional solid waste plan, management of several bicycle and pedestrian projects, and mapping, environmental assessments, and technical assistance to municipalities in support of water quality and flood hazard management.

Special initiatives to be undertaken in the coming year include: assistance with development of enhanced municipal energy plans, downtown redevelopment, expansion and diversification of local food systems, assistance with developing local water quality management plans, further expansion of bike-ped facilities, implementation of a new transit link between Manchester, Bennington, and the Amtrak station in Rensselaer, and a renewed effort to assess and support redevelopment of brownfield sites throughout the region.

The BCRC is governed by locally appointed commissioners from seventeen area municipalities and several elected commissioners who represent interests ranging from public health to economic development. Our office, located at 111 South Street in Bennington, is open Monday through Friday. Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of every other month, with frequent special meetings throughout the year (information at: www.bcrcvt.org).

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Sullivan, Director

Bennington County Sheriff's Department

Listed below is a report outlining our enforcement efforts from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

Please feel free to contact the department should you have any concerns about your community's law enforcement needs. Remember if you see something suspicious; please report it to law enforcement.

The Deputies are committed to ensuring your safety. Please utilize us when we are patrolling your town.

Sincerely,
Chad D. Schmidt, Sheriff

Vermont Civil Violation Complaints		Incidents/Arrests	
Possession of marijuana	3	911 Hang-up call	1
1-10 mph over speed limit	24	Traffic Accident w/ Damage	3
11-20 mph over speed limit	76	Traffic Accident, leaving scene	1
21-30 mph over speed limit	6	Alarm	3
Using portable electronic device	2	Animal problem	4
Condition of vehicle	2	Assault	1
Failure to carry registration	1	Agency Assistance	25
Stop sign violation	4	Assist public	5
Failure to carry proof of insurance	1	Assist motorist	2

Operating without insurance	7	Building checks	3
Operating without a license	5	Burglary	1
No registration	5	Compliance check	1
Operating after suspension	12	Directed patrol	2
Possession of license	1	DLS	2
Plates not assigned	1	Domestic disturbance	1
Starting parked vehicle	1	DUI Alcohol or Drugs	4
Trespass by motor vehicle	1	False info to police	1
Vehicle not inspected	3	Juvenile problem	1
Total tickets	155	Larceny	3
		Mental health issue	1
Total warnings	282	Motor vehicle complaint	2
		Property watch	9
		Suspicious person/circumstance	8
		Traffic stops	449
		Vin number inspection	5
		Welfare check	3
		Total incidents / arrests	541

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

Universal Recycling Law: In December of 2015, the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance adopted a solid waste implementation plan or "SWIP" to comply with Act 148, now known as the Universal Recycling Law. The SWIP describes how the member towns will increase recycling and reduce the types and amounts of materials being sent to landfills. The Alliance members include Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Glastenbury, Manchester, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Searsburg, Shaftsbury, Stamford, Sunderland, and Woodford.

Solid Waste Implementation Plan: The SWIP outlines an extensive outreach program for residents, schools, businesses, and institutions to assist them in recycling. This includes information on the Alliance website (www.bcswavt.org) and Facebook page as well as materials in local newspapers. Since January of 2016, the Alliance contacted all 25 schools as well as 300 businesses within the area and completed on-site outreach to three schools and 80 businesses to provide information on ways to increase recycling, manage food scraps, and properly dispose of hazardous materials.

Funding and Grants: The member towns provide most of the funding for programs. This year the Alliance applied for and received over \$28,000 in grants from the Agency of Natural Resources for business outreach and for household hazardous waste events. The Agency of Agriculture and Markets provided an additional \$4,400.00 for pesticide collection at HHW events. We also teamed up with the Windham County Solid Waste Management District and the Londonderry Group to share an Eco AmeriCorps member to help with outreach.

Programs and Events: The Alliance sponsors and supports many programs to assist residents, businesses, schools, and institutions to properly dispose of materials. The following are some of our major programs. You can find out more by visiting the Alliance website at www.bcswavt.org and searching under Programs and Projects.

- Household Hazardous Waste Events: The Alliance held two household hazardous waste (HHW) events in the spring and fall of 2016. The spring event

was sponsored by the Town of Bennington and held at the Bennington Transfer Station. The fall event was managed by the Bennington County Regional Commission and held at the Dorset School. In 2017, the Alliance will again hold two events for the 13 Alliance towns. One will be held in Bennington and a second, in the northern part of the county. Dates will be posted well in advance at www.bcswavt.org and in local newspapers and media.

- **Electronics Collections:** The Vermont E-Cycles program provides for free disposal of electronic devices including computers, monitors, printers, computer peripherals, and televisions, regardless of brand, age, or condition, for consumers, charities, school districts, and small businesses. Free collection locations in Bennington County include the Bennington, Northshire (Dorset), Pownal, and Sunderland Transfer Stations and other sites listed at <http://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/solid/product-stewardship/electronics>.
- **Fluorescent Bulbs:** Vermont ANR has also implemented a plan to accept used fluorescent bulbs and compact fluorescent bulbs (CFL's) at various retail. These bulbs contain mercury, which is a hazardous substance. Residents can dispose of bulbs at several hardware stores and other retail establishments and at several of the transfer stations. Information on this program is available at <http://www.bcswavt.org/programs-and-projects/fluorescent-bulbs/>.
- **Paint Collections:** PaintCare Inc. is a non-profit organization established to assist paint manufacturers to plan and operate paint stewardship programs in the United States, including Vermont. Both latex and oil-based paint have been collected at HHW events and at special PaintCare events, and several local hardware stores accept paint. To find a location, residents may visit <http://www.paintcare.org/drop-off-locations/>.
- **Battery Recycling:** Primary (alkaline) batteries and rechargeable batteries are now accepted at many retailers and at the Bennington, Northshire, Sunderland, and Pownal Transfer Stations. These can be recycled rather than disposed in the trash. For more information, visit Call2Recycle at <http://www.call2recycle.org/what-can-i-recycle/>.
- **Textiles:** The Bennington, Northshire, Sunderland, Shaftsbury, and Pownal transfer stations have textile boxes where residents can donate clothing and shoes. Boxes are also located throughout the Alliance area. Visit www.bcswavt.org for locations. Goodwill in Bennington also accepts clothing donations as well as other household items, books, and used electronic devices. Visit them at <http://www.goodwill-berkshires.com/>.
- **Leaf and Yard Waste, Food Scraps and Other Organics:** All transfer stations accept both leaf and yard waste and clean wood. On July 1, 2017, all transfer stations will begin accepting food scraps. Visit <http://www.bcswavt.org/programs-and-projects/transfer-stations/> for information on your transfer station.
- **Construction and Demolition Debris:** All transfer stations accept construction and demolition debris from builders and do-it-yourself homeowners. The TAM Pownal facility also accepts construction and demolition debris from residents and businesses.

- **Prescription Drugs:** Prescription drugs should be properly disposed when they are no longer needed as they can make their way into water sources and can pose a hazard in the home. The Bennington Police Department, the Manchester Police Department, and the Bennington County Sheriff accept prescription drugs. Go to <http://www.bcswavt.org/programs-and-projects/disposing-of-prescription-drug/> for more information.

Bennington Project Independence

Bennington Project Independence (BPI) is honored to provide comprehensive, person-centered and cost-effective Adult Day Services for seniors, younger adults with disabilities and their families from Arlington.

"Your services have helped our family tremendously! As you can see we are very satisfied customers. " Arlington Family Member

Each day, we are honored to have the opportunity to help families from Arlington provide the best possible care for their loved ones. From the working spouse who needs to know that their loved one is safe and having fun during the day to the adult child who wants to help their aging parent get the most out of their lives, Bennington Project Independence has partnered with families throughout Arlington to "share the care".

As an innovative alternative to traditional long-term care, Bennington Project Independence provides a safe, sensitive, and supportive day program for adults age 18 and older. We serve a people with a wide range of needs or circumstances. Individuals join us during the day and return to the comfort of their families and own home each evening.

Individuals facing delicate or chronic medical conditions who would benefit from personal care or health monitoring, persons dealing with loneliness, depression or anxiety, younger persons with acquired brain injury, persons facing end of life challenges well as serving persons in all stages of Alzheimer's Disease who benefit from compassionate, specialized assistance are all welcome at BPI.

Our dedicated Activity Professionals offer over 25 activities a day for people to choose from including educational presentations, mentally stimulating activities, opportunities for socialization, intergenerational experiences, pet visits, fitness groups, our nustep personal fitness training program, delicious and healthy meals, as well as community trips and tours. Our Nursing, wellness and personal care staff, Social Worker, Art and Music Therapists work closely with our Participants, Families and their Physicians to enhance our Participants overall health and sense of wellbeing. Our Falls Prevention programs have been very successful.

Bennington Project Independence is honored to provide these exceptional Adult Day Services for the residents of Arlington.

Respectfully,
Linda Wichlac, Executive Director

Bennington Rutland Opportunities Council (BROC)

BROC - Community Action in Southwestern Vermont would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting the needs of low-income families and our agency through the balloting process over the years. BROC continues to experience a large number of people seeking our programs and services each day.

Over the past year, BROC has demonstrated strong community impact in the Town of Arlington.

- 90 individuals had their basic needs met including food, housing, heating and utility assistance (33.3% were children under 17 years of age and 25.5% were over 55 years of age) through our Community Services department
- 5 homes/units consisting of 10 individuals were weatherized reducing energy costs through our Energy Conservation & Weatherization program
- 4 individuals worked with our Micro Business Development Program to start or enhance a small business or save for an asset through the Individual Development Account matched savings program

Despite the significant outcomes BROC has achieved for the residents of the Town of Arlington over the past year, there is still more work to do. Your town appropriation can provide for families who are suffering and help ease the struggle of living in poverty.

We value our partnership with Arlington to assist those most in need.

Sincerely,
Thomas L. Donahue, CEO
tdonahue@broc.org

Center for Restorative Justice

The Center for Restorative Justice (CRJ) is a non-profit agency that has been providing community justice services to people of Bennington County for nearly 35 years. CRJ services are offered county-wide and are based on the principles of restorative justice, a philosophy of justice that focuses on the people and communities harmed by crime.

Highlights from this past year include our work helping individuals faced with thousands of dollars in fines for driving with suspended licenses, to get legally back on the road. Through CRJ's DLS Diversion Program last year, we helped 125 people with license suspensions submit motions to the Vermont Judicial Bureau and now have their driver's licenses reinstated.

Other notable CRJ highlights include the hundreds of people who were given a second chance through our court diversion programs. Last year, 46 youth and 127 adults

participated in CRJ's Court Diversion program. Through this program, victims received restitution, damages were repaired, impact on others was realized and communities were restored. As a result, criminal courts did not have to tie up their resources and individuals who otherwise were facing criminal records had their charges dismissed. In addition, a total of 162 young people who received underage drinking or marijuana civil violations completed CRJ's Substance Abuse Program.

Our work with at-risk youth continued to be a primary focus this past year. CRJ helped 38 youth with truancy problems remain in and succeed in school. In addition, 76 at-risk youth were helped through CRJ's many classes, prevention activities, and juvenile restorative programs.

Finally, 110 individuals completed CRJ's Safe Driving Program (previously known as Victim Impact Class), over 65 screenings were provided through our Pretrial Services Program, and CRJ helped 20 people reentering the community from incarceration find housing and employment.

The work of CRJ could not be done without the dedication of our 38 restorative panel volunteers, 10 volunteer Board Members, nine staff members, and the voters of Arlington for their continued support. Thank you very much.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leitha Cipriano, CRJ Executive Director

Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT)

GNAT is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization created in 1995 whose mission is to provide public access to media technologies, equipment, training, and local information for our regional community. GNAT'S vision is to facilitate and foster free speech, to promote and facilitate civic and cultural engagement and to be the community resource for new media technology and training.

Service Area/ Cable Channels

GNAT-TV broadcasts local community based public, education and government "PEG" programs on Comcast Cable Channels. **Channels 15, 16 & 17:** Arlington, Dorset, Manchester, Peru, Rupert, Sandgate, Sunderland & Winhall; **Channels 8, 10 & 18:** Stratton; **Channel 8, 10:** Weston & Londonderry. **All local programs are also available at: www.gnat-tv.org.**

Media & Training Services

GNAT provides opportunities for individuals and groups to produce and broadcast original, non-commercial television programs. GNAT maintains community television studio facilities, lends high quality video equipment and provides technical training to all residents, community organizations and schools within the eleven towns in our viewing area.

Government Access Services to Towns

GNAT provides video production services, television and Internet viewing of municipal meetings and educational, civic and community events. GNAT employs local citizens to videotape the meetings. GNAT produced 289 Government Meetings across seven towns in 2016.

Green Mountain RSVP

Green Mountain RSVP, part of the Corporation for National and Community Service- Senior Corps, is a nationwide program for people age 55 and older who want to contribute to their communities through volunteering. Volunteers donate their skills and knowledge, and provide meaningful services to programs and nonprofits in the local area. Green Mountain RSVP believes that our senior population is our most valuable asset in keeping our communities strong.

Green Mountain RSVP helps local non-profit and civic organizations by recruiting and matching volunteers to meet vital community needs. Our goal is to ensure that volunteers contribute their time and talents to programs that have a significant, positive impact on the quality of life in Bennington County. They address community concerns that are vital for our senior population and their neighbors. They include supporting Healthy Futures and Aging in Place through food pantry support, meal delivery, and transportation.

In our companionship & wellness programs we offer 13 Bone Builder classes throughout Bennington County (two classes are in Arlington), serving over 500 seniors around Southern Vermont. Volunteers in Arlington have served hours at SVMC, delivering Meals on Wheels, supporting local libraries, assisted residents with tax preparation, rides to medical appointments and taught Bone Builders classes twice a week, in two locations, benefiting many area residents, along with numerous other community priorities, including the Martha Canfield Library.

Green Mountain RSVP volunteers generously donated over 1,900 hours in Arlington alone with a community value of \$43,689. A total of 2,801 isolated and at-risk people were served through our focus area services. RSVP will continue to build programming around support of Aging in Place and Healthy Futures in Bennington County in the upcoming year and we always welcome new volunteers.

You are welcome to contact Lenora Volkmer in our Bennington office at (802) 447-1546 or speak to me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 772-7875. We are happy to attend a town meeting to discuss the changes in our program and answer any questions that you may have. Thank-you for your continued support.

Respectfully,
Cathy Aliberti, Green Mountain RSVP Director

Green Up Vermont

Vermont was the first state to designate a day to clean up the entire state. Started in 1970 by Gov. Deane C. Davis. Green Up Day 1971 was also officially recorded in the Congressional Record, thanks to US Senator George Aiken.

That first year, the results were far beyond expectations. Four thousand truckloads were reported hauled by the Highway Department comprising over 20,000 cubic yards of trash removed from the Interstate and other state roads, and another 20,000 cubic yards, or more, were removed from town roads. Ninety-five percent (95%) of the 2,400 miles comprising the Interstate and other state roads were cleared and an estimated 75% of the 8,300 miles of town roads.

46 years later, Green Up Day continues to thrive! In 1979 the Green Up endeavor became a private undertaking through the establishment of a private, non-profit corporation called Vermont Green Up, Inc. In 1997, it began “doing business as” Green Up Vermont. Its efforts now reach out to promote the Green Up ethic and spirit year round through its slogan, “Live the Green Up Way Every Day!”

Funding for Green Up comes primarily from private businesses and individuals through charitable contributions, including giving on the Vermont State Income Tax Return. As well, Vermont’s towns and the State provide a portion of funding support. Each year the Legislature appropriates a small grant through the Agency of Natural Resources, and each year Green Up Vermont requests a contribution from every town, based on the town’s population, with the amount ranging from \$50 to \$300.

Neighbor to Neighbor

Neighbor to Neighbor’s mission is to assist our neighbors to live independently by providing no-cost volunteer services that help to cultivate relationships.

Since 2004, Neighbor to Neighbor and our dedicated volunteers have provided vital services to older and disabled residents in the Northshire. In 2016, 95 Care Recipients received visits, transportation and chores as well as monthly social events. Ninety volunteers gave over 2,500 hours of their time helping others in need. Twenty Arlington residents either are volunteers or receive services from Neighbor to Neighbor. We were also fortunate to have the Arlington Middle & High School Choral perform for us again at our Turkey Dinner on Friday, December 16th. Over 60 of our Volunteers and Care Recipients enjoyed the holiday music and good cheer that these talented students shared with us. Many thanks to Patti Cody, Choral Director at Fisher School and at the Memorial High School, for her dedication and talent.

All the services Neighbor to Neighbor provides are offered free of charge. We are funded through the generosity of towns as well as through private, corporate and foundation donations. With new Care Recipients requesting to join our program each month, there is a strong need for our services. Our care recipients express often how important our help is to them. For many, we provide their only bridge to the wider community.

On behalf of the Steering Committee, our volunteers and most especially those we serve, Neighbor to Neighbor offers a sincere thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Philippa Cully
Executive Director

Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE)

2016 marked PAVE's 35th anniversary of providing compassionate support, practical services and the pathway to healing and safety for countless victims of domestic violence and sexual assault throughout our communities. Over these 35 years, our organization has grown from a domestic violence hotline to the multiple and comprehensive support services we now provide. These services include 24-hour hotline, court and social service advocacy, case management, emergency financial assistance, access to legal services, access to emergency housing, supervised visitation, parenting classes, community awareness, school-based prevention education, and more.

The hotline is still where it often begins and our volunteers remain the backbone of the support we offer. In the past year, we provided thirty-nine Arlington residents with comprehensive services, twenty initially contacting us through the emergency hotline. These residents received advocacy services including emotional support, safety planning, housing services, civil and legal advocacy, and emergency financial assistance. In addition, fifteen families received supervised visitation services through our Family Time Center.

Fifty percent of the homeless population is due to domestic violence. Through our emergency shelter program, we provided 34 adults and 31 children with 2,518 nights of shelter services, a 34% increase over last year.

We continue to offer our education and empowerment programs - Pre-kindergarten to college anti-violence workshops and classes; Nurturing Parenting classes; Women's Support Groups; Healthy Mind, Body, and Family workshops and PAVE's Financial Literacy Program. This past year we reached over 4,500 children, teachers, and other adults through these programs. We have expanded our outreach efforts to include cable access television, our website (pavebennington.org) and social media including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Tumblr.

We celebrate PAVE's 35th anniversary with a renewed commitment toward the elimination of domestic and sexual violence in Bennington County and around the world.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, and families served, I thank the residents of Arlington for your ongoing support to PAVE. Your support creates greater opportunities for the people impacted by domestic and/or sexual violence who need our services each year.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Campbell, Executive Director

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to elders in Arlington in 2016:

Senior Meals:

The Council helped provide 2,801 meals that were delivered to the homes of 28 elders in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". In addition,

81 Arlington elders came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 2,128 meals were provided.

Case Management Assistance:

SVCOA case management staff helped 45 elders in your community. Case managers meet with an elder privately in the elder's home or at another agreed upon location and assess the elder's situation. They will work with the elder to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the elder desires, the case manager will link the client to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help elders connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to frail elders facing long-term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

Other Services and Support:

- 1) "Senior HelpLine" assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Senior HelpLine staff provide telephone support to elders and others who need information on available programs and community resources;
- 2) Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program;
- 3) Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project;
- 4) Information about elder issues via the "60Plus" column appearing in the Rutland Herald;
- 5) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA's Registered Dietician;
- 6) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders;
- 7) Outreach services to elders dealing with mental health issues through our Elder Care Clinician. This service is provided in cooperation with Rutland County Mental Health;
- 8) Transportation assistance;
- 9) Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing much needed help to elders in need of assistance.

Sunrise Family Resource Center

In recent years our services to Arlington have focused on supporting providers of quality child care. The three regulated early childhood programs located in Arlington had the opportunity to receive technical assistance and workforce development from Sunrise staff including enrichment courses, access to the annual Bennington County Child Care Association (BCCCA) conference, on-site support and consultation, and our quarterly newsletter for Bennington County early childhood programs.

Throughout 2016 Arlington childcare professionals participated in over 60 training opportunities offered through Sunrise Community-based Childcare Support Services. In addition, Sunrise staff were available to provide parents with childcare referral assistance, offering not only information about individual providers, but

also guidance on how to select a childcare setting which is a good match to a child's and family's needs. Sunrise administers the State of Vermont's Childcare Financial Assistance Program, which in 2016 assisted over 495 families (and 628 children) throughout Bennington County, of which 31 families involving 42 children were from Arlington. Childcare assistance helps families afford the necessary, but higher cost of quality childcare providing parents with peace of mind while they are working, pursuing education or training, or caring for a child with special needs.

One of Sunrise's areas of expertise is working with young parents and pregnant teens. We offer an alternative high school setting, workplace mentoring and outreach services to this population with the goal of enhancing their ability to provide for their families and give back to the community - both as nurturing parents and productive employees. In 2016, 3 Arlington families were enrolled in this comprehensive service. Sunrise also provides intensive family-based services, through our Family Advocacy Program, to families identified by DCF as at risk of having children placed out of the home. Sunrise Family Advocates provided many hours of home visits and intensive support services to four Arlington families. In addition, our Youth Development Program assisted two youth transitioning from foster care, with school, housing, and life skills.

Every year Sunrise offers additional resources to families, children, and child care providers in Arlington through our Strengthening Families Grant, including a free diaper bank, Green Mountain bus passes, State Park passes, summer camp subsidies, adoption of families during holidays, assistance with car repairs, rent, washers and dryers, laundry support, and gift cards for gas, Hannaford, Aldi's, and Walmart, to name a few.

Additional services available to area residents include onsite childcare, parenting classes, and outreach services to support families with young children. It is important to remember that every dollar invested in prevention saves \$8 in the future.

Thank you to the residents of Arlington for helping make this work possible through your financial support in 2016.

Continuing support from the Town of Arlington is much needed, and profoundly appreciated by Sunrise. Our efforts are enhanced by town support, and we hope you will continue to value the work we do in your community.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call Amelia Silver at Sunrise, (802) 442-0010

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsay Errichetto, Executive Director

The Tutorial Center

2017 will mark the Tutorial Center's 46th year of helping the region's children and adults achieve educational, career, and life success! Please accept our thank you for your many years of support for our work. Your support enables us to help EVERY child or adult who comes to us for help.

The Tutorial Center has long-established learning centers in Bennington and

Manchester, enabling residents up and down Bennington County to have easy access to our assistance. In addition, in 2013, we opened our newest learning center at Smokey House Center in Danby specializing in alternative experiential high school education in a farm-and-forest setting.

Our educational support services include tutoring for all ages, adult literacy, dropout prevention, alternative high school education, English language classes for non-English speakers, the High School Completion program, GED preparation and testing, job readiness training, enrichment classes, the Northshire Digital Arts Center, and our innovative and nationally recognized YAP experience for at-risk young adults.

The Tutorial Center's work is recognized both nationally and internationally. Our Executive Director has recently been a U.S. Delegate to the 2016 Social Enterprise World Forum in Hong Kong, where he shared The Tutorial Center's history and role in the community as a model for communities around the globe.

This past year, we provided tutoring for 222 school-age students, in subjects ranging from beginning reading to algebra, calculus, and foreign languages (this year including Latin!). Another 196 adults were enrolled in our free adult education services. Twenty-three of these children and adults were Arlington residents.

We continued in 2016 to operate at no charge to the community the YAP Food Network, our area food hub that links local farmers and food producers to local customers. The YAP Food Network provides special work experiences for young adults and is one way The Tutorial Center "gives back" to our region: enabling local farmers to sell over \$100,000 of their food products through the Network.

For more information on the YAP project and all of The Tutorial Center's educational services, you can visit www.tutoringvermont.org.

High-quality educational activities that respond to community needs - and produce lasting community impacts - this is what your town funding supports. We thank you, and we look forward to your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Glade, Executive Director

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

More than 10,500 Vermont residents are blind or visually impaired. Since our state has an aging population, many of them are experiencing age-related vision loss. Visual impairments can make performing daily tasks, staying mobile, and enjoying leisure activities very difficult. Additionally, Vermont's rural nature makes it less likely for those with visual impairments to encounter those facing similar challenges, thus creating feelings of isolation and depression. We counter this trend by providing the tools, services, and support necessary to help blind and visually impaired Vermonters to be independent, confident, and productive.

During Fiscal Year 2016, VABVI served 1,578 clients from all 14 counties in Vermont, including 52 adult clients and 17 students from Bennington County.

Since 1926 our nonprofit organization has diligently pursued our mission of enabling Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve

and maintain independence. We are the only private agency in Vermont to offer a complete range of services to visually impaired residents - and at no cost to the client.

Services include Rehabilitation (adapting daily living tasks to allow those with low vision to live independently); Orientation and Mobility (providing white cane and guide dog instruction, allowing individuals to navigate through their home and community independently); Assistive Technology (adaptive aids allow clients to successfully perform most activities they desire); Social Networking (improving social skills and providing a support network); and Statewide Transportation (volunteer drivers provide rides to medical appointments, grocery stores and for personal visits).

V ABVI has offices in Berlin, Brattleboro, Rutland, and South Burlington. Contact us at (800) 639-5861 or general@vabvi.org. Learn more about us at www.vabvi.org or "like" us at www.facebook.com/vabvi.org for updates.

The Vermont Center for Independent Living

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy, and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'16 (10/2015-9/2016) VCIL responded to over **2,711** requests from individuals, agencies, and community groups for information, referral and assistance, and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **360** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **24** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **196** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **95** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **92** individuals with information on assistive technology; **35** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **Five hundred fifty nine** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. VCIL is also now home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **35** people and provided **23** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing, and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont. Also new this year, our Windham county office now houses the Vermont Interpreter Referral Service (VIRS) (previously under the VT Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) and provides statewide interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings.

During FY '16, **8** residents of **Arlington** received services from the following programs:

- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program (PAC)
- Information Referral and Assistance (IR&A)

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

Vermont League of Cities and Towns

“Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government”

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

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 138 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions and fire districts.

Vermonters use local government services on a daily basis – highways, police, fire, recreation, libraries, sewer, and water. These local efforts are led largely by volunteer elected and appointed municipal officials.

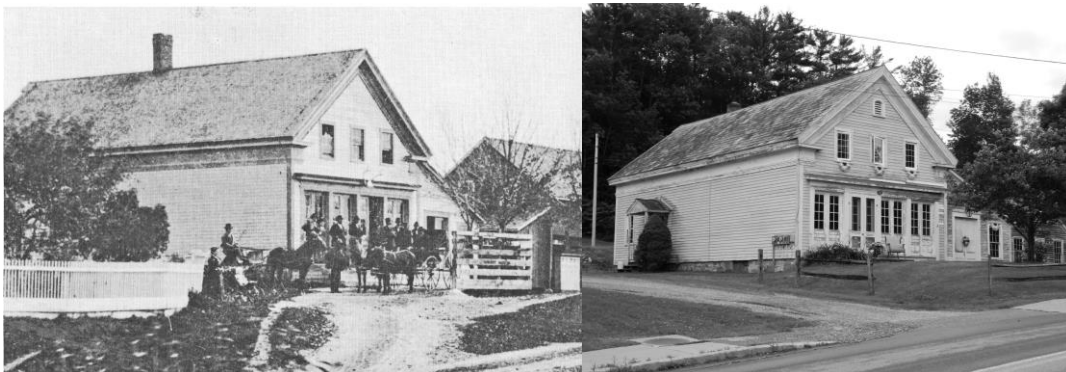
VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns, to assist them in providing their citizens with quality services at affordable costs:

- **Legal, consulting, and education services.** VLCT's Municipal Assistance Center (MAC) provides training, information and assistance to municipal officials to help them carry out their legal responsibilities. Responding to member inquiries about Vermont law and best practices in municipal governance is a key MAC service. Attorneys and staff answer 4,000 member questions each year. In 2016, nearly 1,500 people received training at 30 day-long and on-site workshops covering topics that included Open Meeting Law compliance, financial management, and conducting effective property tax appeal and land use hearings. Consulting services include legal drafting and review of policies and ordinances, governmental accounting, and town manager recruitment. Members who respond to MAC's annual compensation and benefits survey receive a complimentary copy of the research report. MAC also offers in-depth technical assistance through our Water Resources Protection and Human Resources assistance programs. Publications including model documents, technical papers, handbooks, and past newsletter articles are available on VLCT's website.

- **Advocacy representation at the state and federal levels to ensure that municipalities have the resources and authority needed to serve their citizens.** VLCT is a leader in the renewable energy debate, enhancing voter authority in local governance decisions, municipal efforts to clean up Vermont's lakes and rivers, and securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs. Municipalities will face significant challenges in the 2017 legislature as limited financial resources at the national and state level continue to force more demand for services at the local level. VLCT also provides a *Weekly Legislative Report* that details legislative issues affecting municipal government. It is available free-of-charge on the VLCT website.

- **Opportunities to provide purchasing of needed services at the lowest cost.** Members may purchase municipal unemployment, property, casualty, and workers' compensation insurance coverage for local operations. The **VLCT Employment Resource and Benefits (VERB) Trust** continued to help towns navigate the complexities of health insurance procurement and to secure group life, disability, dental and vision insurance. When substantial municipal damages result from weather events, or towns suffer from other covered losses and lawsuits, the value of membership in the **VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF)** is quite clear, as members benefit from the broad coverage, excellent re-insurance, and prompt service and claims payments provided. The Trusts are stewards of \$26 million in municipal tax dollars spent for insurance and risk management services in 2016. More than \$1 million in ownership dividends was returned to PACIF and VERB members as contribution credits.

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



Left: West and Canfield's store ca. 1856, later E.C. Woodworth's, now owned by Samuel and Cindy Pike (on right, 2014).

Section Seven: 2016 Statistics

Births 2016

Surname	Name	Parents		
Bacon	Bennett J.	Emily C.		
Beattie	Ava H.	Matthew H.	&	Amanda E.
Clover	Gwen E.	Jeremy M.	&	Kathryn J.
Coulter	Cru W.	Seth D.	&	Elizabeth L.
Crandall	Bam-Bam J.	Joshua A.	&	Savannah J.
Fischer	Thayer F.	Katherine		
Fischer	Francis R.	Gary S.	&	Margretta
Gabert	Zachary C.	Craig A.	&	Tracy L.
Gaston	Aliya M.	Keith D.	&	Hanna M.
Gibson	Hunter D.	Jory A.	&	Amy
Guetti	Hunter M.	David M.	&	Sarah P.
Harrington	Liam M.	William J.	&	Keiva M.
Humphrey	Rowena D.	Molly V.		
Mann	Koda K.	Zackery J.	&	Sherrie
Marko	Eva J.	Eric A.	&	Olivia
McDermott	Jensen A.	Travis C.	&	Kimberly M.
Millette	Knaudia M.	Dustin S.	&	Bobbi Jean
Sheldon	Easton J.	Kevin M.	&	Mariha L.
Sherman	Hudson D.	Glenn L.	&	Lindsay B.
Shores	Hunter J. W.	Corey L. Jr.	&	Kelsey A.
Snow	Haleigh L.	Darren J.	&	Caryn L.

Deaths 2016

Death Certificates

Alexander, Mae T.
Briggs, Judy
Butler, Helen T.
Cole, Joan M.
Crawford, Clayre
Davis, Teresa C.
Derosia, Patrick J. Jr.
DuMond, Jack L.
Duran, Harold C.
Ericksen, Barbara J.
Ferraro, Nancy S.
Hastings, Colleen M.
LaCroix, Jean G.
Maki, James S. Jr.
Mattison, Norman J. Sr.
McAward, James C. Jr.
Rieben, Frederick C. III
Rockwell, Audrey M.
Sanders, Jane E.
Sargood, Nancy K.
Smith, Donald
Smith, Sarah C.
Smith, Raymond J.
Stroffoleno, Marion Irene
Ungar, John

Burial Permits Issued

Allen, Phyllis M.
Buffum, Dorothy S.
Coley, Thelma J.
Doores, Larry D.
Greenslet, Howard J.
Keane, Patricia A.
Leland, David Peter
Mattison, Ruby L.
Mento, Mary Ann Q.
Miller, Jean (Joan) M.
Sargood, Jerome E.
Sargood, Nancy K.
Smith, Robert E.
Smith, Shirley J.
Snow, Thomas J. Jr.
Walling, Edward S.

Marriage Licenses 2016

COUPLE			OFFICIANT
Adam F. Seidel	&	Jennie R. Udell	L. Daniel Avidan
Allison L. Russom	&	Scott M. Crosby	Ryan Crosby
Brittany E. Bushee	&	Dylan W. C. Secoy	Rev. Kathleen S. Clark
Cailin E. Goldberg-Meehan	&	Neilesh Mutyala	John B. Reed
Caitlin M. Sawtelle	&	Sean Reidy	Meghan E.M. Ferguson
Carol A. Conroy	&	Anders G.J. Rhodin	Gary Strubel
Cathy A. Farrell	&	Daniel A. Daigneault	Nancy J. Tschorn
Cathy C. Leach	&	Daniel S. Wood	Gerald Woodard
Christina E. Teylouni	&	Vincent P. Tumminello	Elizabeth Harrigan
Courtney L. Preseault	&	Ryan N. Wolschleger	Vanda N. Warner
Craig C. Clark	&	Lillian N. King	Sandra Pinsonault
Cynthia A. Lowen	&	Jonathan E. Cohrs	R.Braun Von Niederhaeusern
Cynthia M. Schultz	&	Paul C. Smith	Richard B. Marantz
Danny L. Hall	&	Howard C. Snow	Lawrence E. Molloy
Earl G. Schacht	&	Irene M. Wawrzyniak	Wayne E. Bell
James S. Paustian	&	Shay M. Mattison	Elizabeth L. Pratt
Jason B. Fowler	&	Deborah N. Sittig	Dennis M. Corcoran
Jason K. Weaver	&	Sharon M. Bean	Wayne E. Bell
Jeffrey A. Guastamachio	&	Darlene J. Denué	Mary Ann Carlson
Jessica K. Paulus	&	Todd W. Thompson	Taylor G. Hartman
Josiah T.Bisceglia	&	Amanda M. Rigney	Michael Smith
Julia C. Livermore	&	Stuart M. Sheehan	Rev. Claire L. North
Julie M. Jaenicke	&	Michael E. McCarthy	Luke F. Cournoyer
Kathleen T. Brown	&	David D. Brown	Michele L. Hogan
Kenneth W. Swierupski	&	Cara A. Bilotta	Mark Bilotta
Laura L. Needham	&	Harrison L. Klein	Frances Klein
Linda Hanson Van Deusen	&	John F. Flower Jr	John A. Wilcox
Patrick M. Cross Jr	&	Donna L. Tredici	Tom Atkins
Richard J. Sansevera Jr	&	Hannah S. Robin	Christopher Hagen
Robert C. Zink	&	Dara D. Bentley	Tracey Schwarz
Royce Caitlin Abrams	&	Jacob P. Wick	Robert K. Holdman
Sarah A. Stanek	&	John S. Kane	Gwen M Gautsch
Sofia E. Vargas	&	Noah G. Nielsen	Benjamin Spratt
Veronica B. Biederman	&	Mark J. Barry	Annmarie A. Kramer

Section Eight: Town Meeting Minutes and Ballot results

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting February 29, 2016

Those present at head table:

Chairman: Keith Squires
Selectman: Daniel Harvey
Selectman: Cynthia Browning
Selectman: Reggie Jennings
Selectman: Timothy Williams
Moderator: John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk: Robin Wilcox

There were approximately 65 residents present.

Moderator John Whalen called the meeting to order at 8:40 p.m.

Resolutions were read aloud:

RESOLUTION – 2016 TOWN OF ARLINGTON

WHEREAS, Leo J. Budro, a lifelong resident of Arlington died on September 9, 2015 after serving his community for many years as a Constable.

WHEREAS, Leo was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Leo Budro and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of February 29, 2016.

Adopt resolutions: Motion by, Maureen Harvey
Seconded by: Kate Bryan
Unanimously carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2016 Warning:

Motion by: Maryanne Carlson
Seconded by: Susan Jennings
Motion Carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting Minutes:

Motion by: Maureen Harvey
Seconded by: Maryanne Carlson
Motion Carried

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the town officers.

Motion to accept reports by: Susan Jennings
Seconded by: Maureen Harvey

Dave Naaktgeboren asks why the funds that the park donated towards the improvements to the basketball and tennis courts. Linda Crosby explains that the project was paid for with FEMA funds, because the bills had to be paid, and they were not part of the budget. Keith Squires says that they can work out how to explain that the donation from the Park and Recreation Committee was used to improve the courts. Maureen Jennings asks about the Trustees of Public Funds report, and wonders why the numbers don't match up. Linda Crosby explained that the budget portion of the Trustees of Public Funds is not utilized with the town software. The true Trustees report can be found at the bottom of page 36.

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 2: To see what compensation will be paid to several Town Officers.

Moderator Whalen explained that this year the Clerk and Treasurer's salaries would have a 3.0% increase. All remaining salaries of Interim Supervisor and members of the Selectboard would remain the same.

Office	2016	2017
Selectboard Chairman	\$1,800.00	1,800.00
Selectboard Members	7,200.00	7,200.00
Town Clerk	16,540.00	17,036.00
Town Treasurer	13,495.00	13,900.00
Moderator	100.00	100.00
Interim Supervisor	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total		\$55,036.00

Motion to accept by: Maureen Jennings

Seconded by: Diane Jennings
Motion Carried

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be issued by September 4, 2016, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer, or postmarked on or before November 4, 2016.

Motion to accept by: Susan Jennings

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes such sum or sums of money as is necessary for properly financing the affairs of the Town until the next annual Town Meeting.

Motion to accept by: Maryanne Carlson
Seconded by: Jean Miller

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.

Motion to accept the Selectboards' budget as proposed by: Maureen Harvey
Seconded by: Elizabeth Berger

Discussion: Total budget presented by Selectmen was \$1,323,981.00
Salaries had already been voted in the amount of \$55,036.00
Appropriations to be voted upon the next day total \$201,929.00
Total figure to be voted on at this time is \$1,067,016.00

Darrin Jennings wanted to point out the fact that the salary of the second helper of the road crew will be making so much than the operator of the Water Department. He does not think that is fair, and does not agree with the Salary set for the Water Department operator.

Jean Miller asked about the increase in the emergency management line in the budget. Keith Squires tells her that an emergency generator will be installed at the Town Hall using a matching fund grant for that purpose. It has added about \$8,000 to that line for this year.

Susan Jennings asked what the 'BCSWA' is. It was explained that is the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance. It is made up of 13 towns who all share in the cost of handling our solid waste.

Susan Jennings then asked about the Yellow Barn property and how it is being used. Cynthia Browning explained that there is currently a dog park, Christmas trees are growing on the property, and the barn itself is being used for storage. The school wood shop stores its lumber there, and it will be storing supplies for the newly acquired water

department as well. Maureen would like to see the Yellow Barn Committee get back into existence so that other members of the community could be involved with the Yellow Barn.

David Naaktgeboren wanted to know about the sidewalk project from the middle of town to the Park. Mr. Squires told him that it is still being worked on, but has been delayed due to the area along the Chem Clean property. He said that BCRC is looking for a solution. Work for that stretch of sidewalk has not been budgeted for this year.

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the revenue necessary to fund the approved budget, inclusive of appropriations to be determined and voted.

Motion to set the tax rate by: Elizabeth Berger

Seconded: B.J. Hawley

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year.

Motion to accept by: Jean McHale

Seconded: Diane Jennings

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 8: To Transact and further business found necessary and proper when met. After and further business under Article 8, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 1, 2016.

Sally McManus wanted to know who the Partnership referred to in article 40 is. Berta McGinnis addressed the assembly and explained more about the newly formed Partnership, an umbrella organization over the Chamber of Commerce. Their vision is to increase economic development using private and public funds, for the Manchester and the Mountains region. They are asking for public funds from all regional towns surrounding Manchester. These funds would be used for more staffing, publicity, and promotion of our area to increase tourism. Susan Jennings wonders how this is really going to benefit Arlington. Elizabeth Berger, owner of the Arlington Inn, stood up to let the audience know that her business would benefit greatly from this Partnership. In order to compete with new and larger hotels in the Manchester area, more outreach is necessary to attract the tourists to come to Arlington. Paula Maynard added that private funds have also been committed to the Partnership, in hopes to improve economic development in our area, and that Hildene is one of those donors.

Ken Nicholson took the podium to ask voters to support Article 21, which is asking for funds for the Community House. He stresses the historical importance of this building, which was originally built and used by the Canfield family.

Keith Squires gave a brief update on the current issues of the town. The improvements of the tennis & basketball courts at the Park & Recreation area are completed, and work will soon begin on the softball field. The town intends on locking the gate to the field in order to deter patrons from walking their dogs on the softball field. This was widely agreed upon, as the assembly broke out in applause. The Yellow Barn property is a better option for those who want to walk their dogs and possibly create a dog park there. Mr. Squires let everyone know that the Town of Arlington is now the owner of the Arlington Water Company as of February 23rd, 2016. The town will now be accepting payments in person or by mail, and the first billing by the town will take place in early April. The issue of delinquencies is being reviewed and will be addressed by the Selectboard in the very near future. Water Department construction will begin this spring. With lots of work to be done by the end of the year, the residents will experienced some road delays, but no road closures are expected at this time. Seline Skoug asked if the road delays could be posted on Front Page Forum and Facebook to alert the rescue squad of the changes they may need to make due to the construction work being done. Tony Onorato asked if the rumor was true that the old town truck was given to the Water Department. Keith Squires said that the town has not designated the truck for Water Department use, but if it is used for that purpose, the town will be reimbursed by the Water Department. Chairman Squires gave some upcoming dates of events including the Rabies Clinic on March 19th, Green Up Day on May 7th, and Household Hazardous Waste Collection on May 14th.

Motion to recess: Susan Jennings
Seconded: Maureen Harvey

Meeting recessed until tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. carries.

Meeting is recessed at 9:35 p.m.

Attest:

Robin S. Wilcox, Town Clerk

John L. Whalen, Moderator

**Official Ballot Results
Annual Arlington Town Meeting
Tuesday, March 1, 2016**

For Moderator for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Auditor for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
JOHN L. WHALEN II	642	MARY ANN SCHAEFER	604
Write-In	1	Write-In	1
For Selectman for 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Cemetery Commissioner 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
CYNTHIA BROWNING	588	NATHALIE CALER	630
Write-In	15	Write-in	3
For Selectman for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Grand Juror for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE	
REGINALD JENNINGS RONALD KING	330 288	DARLENE M. YOUNG	616
Write-In	0	Write-In	1
For Lister for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Town Agent for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE	
EARL LABATT	601		
Write-In	5	Write-in	63
For Delinquent Tax Collector for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
LINDA P. CROSBY	654		
Write-in	4	Write-in	45
For Treasurer for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 Years(term expires 3/2018) Vote for not more than ONE	
LINDA P. CROSBY	659		
Write-In	2	Write-in	31
For Town Clerk for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 yrs. (term expires 3/2017)	
ROBIN S. WILCOX	666	Vote for not more than ONE	
Write-in	2	Write-in	23

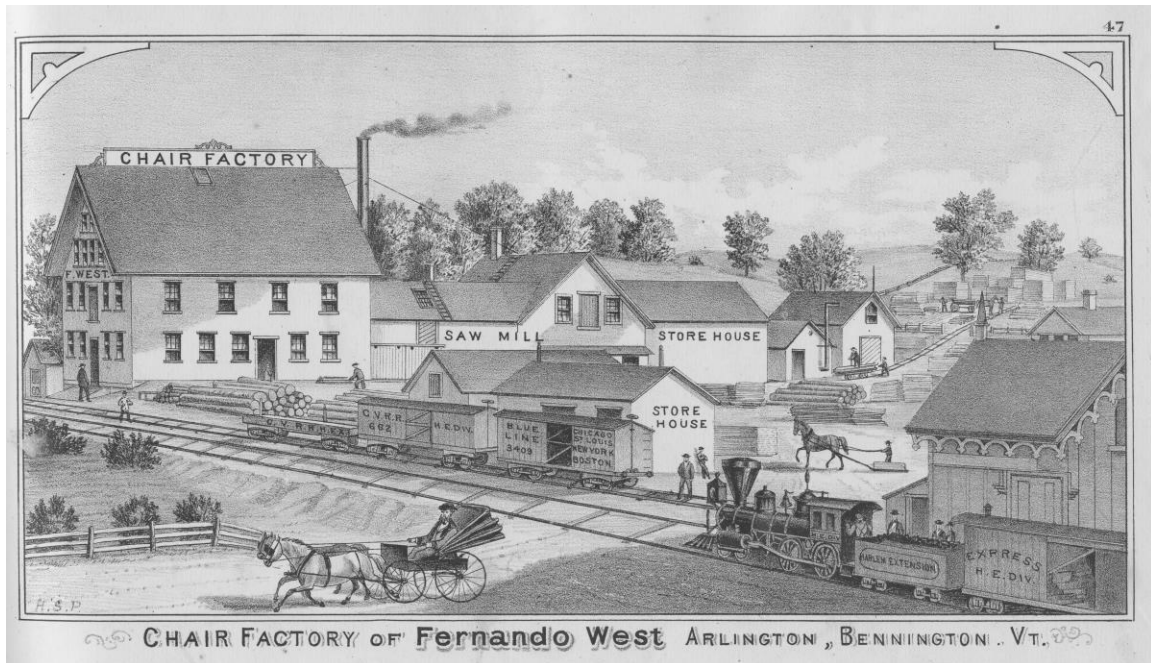
Official Town Meeting Ballot Results Tuesday, March 1, 2016, continued

Article 10.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$45,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.	YES 600 NO 91
Article 11.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.	YES 568 NO 122
Article 12.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$9,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington's backhoe, excavator, and loader.	YES 569 NO 121
Article 13.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town grader.	YES 546 NO 137
Article 14.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.	YES 521 NO 160
Article 15.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$15,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.	YES 606 NO 73
Article 16.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for Town bridges & culverts.	YES 629 NO 56
Article 17.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.	YES 582 NO 101
Article 18.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers.	YES 552 NO 127
Article 19.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$32,500.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.	YES 626 NO 58

Article 20.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.	YES 487 NO 188
Article 21.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$3,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community House.	YES 517 NO 158
Article 22.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.	YES 577 NO 107
Article 23.	Shall the Town of Arlington vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$17,000.00 for the support of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library, Inc. to provide services to residents of the Town.	YES 567 NO 112
Article 24.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.	YES 542 NO 141
Article 25.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.	YES 492 NO 183
Article 26.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.	YES 529 NO 150
Article 27.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').	YES 468 NO 204
Article 28.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.	YES 437 NO 250
Article 29.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc. (PAVE).	YES 556 NO 142

Article 30.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,025.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).	YES 552 NO 140
Article 31.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.	YES 444 NO 234
Article 32.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern Vt. Council on Aging.	YES 537 NO 158
Article 33.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.	YES 508 NO 184
Article 34.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.	YES 584 NO 110
Article 35.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.	YES 541 NO 152
Article 36.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.	YES 531 NO 160
Article 37.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.	YES 499 NO 198
Article 38.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,250.00 toward the support of Burdett Commons.	YES 478 NO 208
Article 39.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.	YES 460 NO 23

Article	Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$3,700.00 for the	YES 279
40.	support of the Partnership?	NO 373



Fernando West Chair Factory, now gone, where Miles lumber barns are now located. Wood storage on Woodchuck Hill in the background, now Munn Terrace. The building at the right along the tracks is likely the first railroad station.