

Annual ReportMartha Canfield

of the

Town Officers

of

Arlington, Vermont

For the year ending

December 31, 2015



Arlington Entertainment, 1850 - 1950

Chartered 254 years ago

July 28, 1761

Town of Arlington Directory

EMERGENCY CALLS (AMBULANCE, FIRE & POLICE)

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER – TRACY MULLIGAN

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ARLINGTON FOOD SHELF – JACK GUNTHER

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Hours: 1:30-4:00 on 1st Tuesday of each month AND 3:30-6:00 on 3rd Tuesday of each month

ARLINGTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

(802) 375-2589

ARLINGTON POST OFFICE

(802) 375-6904

B

BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING

(802) 442-0713

BURDETT COMMONS

(802) 375-6700

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DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR – LINDA CROSBY

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)

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FIRE BURN PERMIT - JAMIE PAUSTIAN 375-1072; BRIAN HAWLEY 375-6926; VINCE THOMPSON 375-6014

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H

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

(802) 375-6712

HEALTH OFFICER - AL GODREAU

(802) 375-1008

L

LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR – AL GODREAU

(802) 375-1008

LISTERS OFFICE

(802) 375-9022

M

MARTHA CANFIELD LIBRARY – PHYLLIS SKIDMORE

(802) 375-6153

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RECREATION & PARK SCHEDULING

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RESCUE SQUAD (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)

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RUSSELL VERMONTIANA COLLECTION – BILL BUDDE

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SELECTMEN OFFICE

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SIGN ADMINISTRATOR – AL GODREAU

(802) 375-1008

STATE POLICE (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)

(802) 442-5421

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(802) 375-9744

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TOWN CLERK OFFICE – ROBIN WILCOX

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TOWN SERVICE AGENT – NATHALIE CALER
TREASURER OFFICE – LINDA CROSBY

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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, February 29, 2016

7:00 p.m.

At

ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Hours of Balloting:

Tuesday, March 1, 2016

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

At

ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

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Warning

February 29, 2016

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 Gymnasium in said Arlington on Monday evening, February 29, 2016 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 1, 2016 to act upon Articles 9 through 40. The polls will be open at the Arlington High School Gymnasium on Tuesday March 1, 2016 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, 2016, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer, or postmarked, on or before November 4, 2016.

- 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 1, 2016.

Article 9. To Elect the following Town Officers:

Moderator	1 year
Town Clerk	3 years
Town Treasurer	3 years
Selectman	2 years
Selectman	3 years
Lister	3 years
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year
Auditor	3 years
Cemetery Commissioner	3 years
Grand Juror	1 year
Town Agent	1 year
Trustee of Public Funds	One, 3 year term expires 2017
Trustee of Public Funds	One, 3 year term expires 2018
Trustee of Public Funds	One, 3 year term expires 2019

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 \$5,000.00 into
the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of
the Town 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 \$15,000.00 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 \$17,000.00 for the support of 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 (GNATTV) 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. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$3,700.00 for the support of the Partnership?

Dated this January 25, 2016

Keith Squires

Reggie Jennings, Jr.

Daniel Harvey

Timothy Williams

Cynthia Browning

Town Officers - Elected

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2016	John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk	3 year	3/2016	Robin S. Wilcox
Town Treasurer	3 year	3/2016	Linda P. Crosby
Selectman	3 year	3/2017	Keith Squires *
	2 year	3/2017	Timothy Williams
	2 year	3/2016	Cynthia Browning
	3 year	3/2016	Reginald Jennings
	3 year	3/2018	Daniel Harvey
Listers	3 year	3/2016	Earl LaBatt
	3 year	3/2018	Joseph Garger
	3 year	3/2017	Lee Cross
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year	3/2016	Linda P. Crosby
Auditors	3 year	3/2018	Bill Budde
	3 year	3/2016	Mary Ann Schaefer
	3 year	3/2017	Patricia Williams
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year	3/2018	John Wilcox
	3 year	3/2016	Nathalie Caler
	3 year	3/2017	William J. Bryan
Grand Jurors	1 year	3/2016	Al McAllister
	1 year	3/2016	Darlene Young
Town Agent	1 year	3/2016	Kevin P. Dailey

Trustees of Public Funds	3 year	3/2016	R. Drew Hill
	3 year	3/2018	Vacant
	3 year	3/2017	Vacant
Town Representative	2 year	11/2016	Cynthia Browning
Justice of the Peace	2 year	2/2017	Maryann Carlson
			Lawrence Molloy
			Kenneth “K. John” Smith
			John Wilcox
			Gerald Woodard
			Darlene Young

* Denotes Chairperson

Town Officers – Appointed

Term expires in year shown.

Health Officer	3 year	4/2017	Al Godreau
Deputy Health Officer	3 year	2/2018	Keith Squires
Tree Warden	2 year	4/2016	Keith Squires
Inspector of Lumber	3 year	4/2017	Dan Harvey
Town Service Officer	1 year	4/2016	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	12/2016	Jamie Paustian
First Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2016	Brian John Hawley
Second Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2016	Doug Hyde
Fire Warden	5 year	6/2018	Jamie Paustian
Town Planning Commission	3 year	4/2017	John Williams *
	3 year	4/2016	Elliott Nachwalter
	2 year	4/2016	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	4/2016	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	4/2016	Keith Squires
BCRC Representative	3 year	4/2018	Keith Squires
	2 year	4/2017	Reginald Jennings
Town Energy Coordinator	1 year	4/2016	Reginald Jennings
Sign Administrator	3 year	4/2016	Al Godreau
Animal Control Officer	Indefinite		Traci Mulligan

*Denotes Chairperson

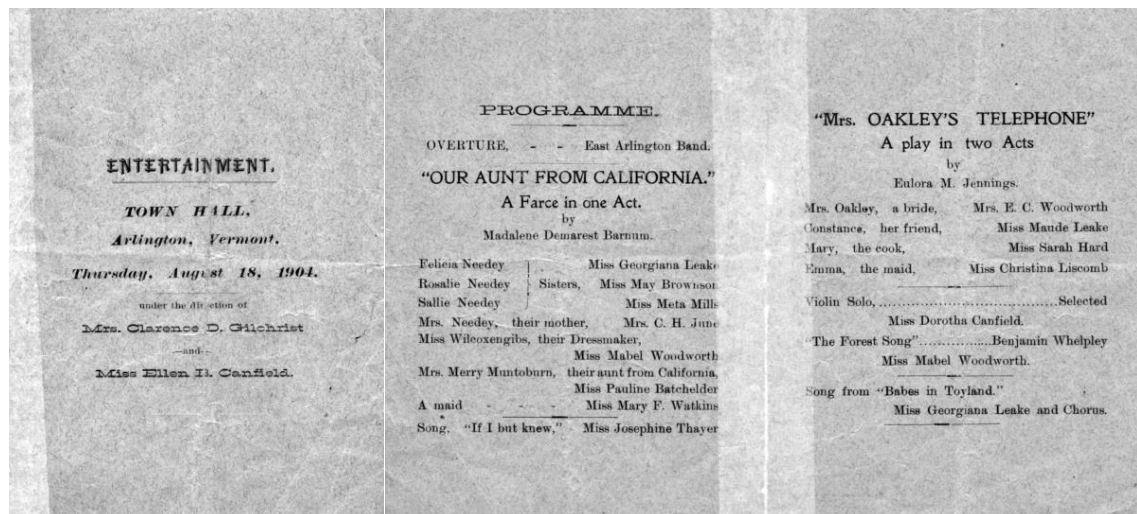
Town School District Officers

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2016	John L. Whalen II
School District Clerk	3 year	3/2016	Robin S. Wilcox
School District Treasurer	3 year	3/2016	Linda P. Crosby
School Directors	1 year	3/2016	Gerald Woodard **
	3 year	3/2017	Kenneth “K. John” Smith
	1 year	3/2016	Kevin Smith
	3 year	3/2016	Nicol Whalen
	3 year	3/2018	Dawn Hoyt *

* Denotes Chairperson

** Appointed



Entertainment Program presented at the town hall August 18, 1904.

Schedule of Salaries, Wages, and Allowable Expenses 2015 Town of Arlington

CLERK	\$16,540.00	+ FEES ANNUALLY
TREASURER	\$13,495.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: CHAIRMAN	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: PER MEMBER	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
INTERIM SUPERVISOR	\$20.00	PER HOUR
LISTERS	\$12.46	PER HOUR
MODERATOR	\$100.00	ANNUALLY
MILEAGE	\$0.57	PER MILE

BY DISCRETION OF SELECTMEN

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$16.19	PER HOUR
AUDITORS	\$11.53	PER HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	\$22.23	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$18.29	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$16.68	PER HOUR
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	\$15.86	PER HOUR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$5,200.00	ANNUALLY

BY DISCRETION OF BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY MEMBERS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR
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BALLOT CLERKS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR
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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	\$50.00	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, 2015

Cash on Hand 01/01/15		\$ 98,215.24
RECEIPTS		
2015 Property Taxes Collected		4,541,779.38
State of Vermont – Schedule I		257,121.54
Fire Protection	Sunderland/Sandgate	58,013.00
Miscellaneous Income		4,072.40
Rents		495.00
Cemetery Receipts		5,175.00
US Treasury – PILOT		10,677.00
Town Clerk – Fees and Licenses		15,898.00
LUA & ZBA Fees		1,585.00
ASD-FY14/15 Final VT Education Tax Reconciliation		67,065.70
BVSU Fuel Reimbursement		17,693.13
Arlington Recreation & Park Receipts		17,162.95
Delinquent Tax Collector:		
Delinquent Taxes		365,858.21
Interest		31,473.81
Penalties		23,036.68
Interest		3,760.08
Borrowed Money		100,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS:		5,619,082.12

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Paid 2015 Appropriations – Capital Reserve	125,000.00
Orders #1 through #27 Operating & ER FTD Share	946,307.31
Orders #1 through #53 Payroll	331,253.80
Borrowed Money	100,000.00
Refund - Tax Over Payments	23,073.83
Taxes Paid to School District	3,889,058.71
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	5,414,693.65
Cash Balance on Hand 12/31/15	204,281.78
Receipts Total:	5,618,975.43
Cash Accounts	
The Bank of Bennington – Operating Now	204,158.78
Petty Cash	123.00
Cash on Hand	204,281.78
SCHEDULE I	
State of Vermont Income	
Aid to Highway	\$73,279.39
Share of Local Fines	3,256.65
Misc.	30.00
R.R. Tax	159.02
Current Use Program	26,788.00
PILOT-FP & FW	1,746.54
PY Culvert Grant	45,681.49
PY Old Mill Wall Grant	87,111.22
2015 Grant Monies	19,069.23
Total	\$257,121.54
Treasurer's Reconciliation	
With Delinquent Tax Collector	
Uncollected Taxes 1/1/15	\$261,893.76
2015 Taxes to Collector	290,917.07
Adjustment - bookkeeping	2.00
Total Uncollected	552,812.83
Less 2015 Receipts from Delinquent Tax Collector	-365,858.21
12/31/15 Un-remitted Taxes	186,954.62

Less received from DTC – JAN 2016 (For payments received 12/30/15-1/19/16)	-16,467.25
Adjusted Un-remitted Taxes	\$170,487.37
BORROWED MONEY	
From Capital Reserve Funds in anticipation of taxes - \$100,000.00	
Principal borrowed:	
03/10/15 from Grader Fund	100,000.00
Principal & Interest repaid:	
10/20/15 to Grader Fund	100,448.95
12/31/15 Bal Due CRF	0.00

REAPPRAISAL FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/01/15	\$151,126.66
Interest Received	1,895.97
From State of Vermont	13,604.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	166,626.63
Evidenced by Now #2988 @ Bank of Bennington	28,809.23
CD #201924@ Bank of Bennington due 10/1/2016	137,817.40
AUDIT FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$968.33
2015 General Budget For 2014 Audit Contract	8,000.00
Interest Received	7.63
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	8,975.96
Evidenced by NOW Account #0546 @ Bank of Bennington	8,975.96

DISCRETIONARY FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$5,833.37
Interest Received	43.92
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	5,877.29
Evidenced by NOW Account #0554 @ Bank of Bennington	5,877.29
BATTENKILL DREDGING FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$6,574.57
Interest Received	3.28
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	6,577.85
Evidenced by NOW Account #3900917 @ Berkshire Bank	6,577.85
FEMA – IRENE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$57,578.77
Received from Arlington Rec. & Park Inc. Donation	42,812.00
Interest Received	366.00
Sub-Total	100,756.77
Paid FEMA Orders	-66,897.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	33,859.77
Evidenced by Now Account #654101213 @ Bank of Bennington	33,859.77

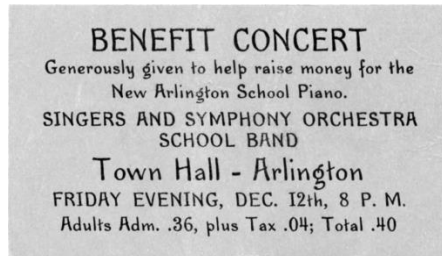
COMBINED CAPITAL RESERVE FUND MONIES	
12/31/15 Fund Balance	\$768,243.94
CAPITAL RESERVE CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$269.66
Closed Old Mill Wall Acct.	1.95
Interest Received	39.30
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	310.91

Evidenced by NOW #1405 @ TBOB	310.91
TOWN BACKHOE AND LOADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$84,689.92
2015 Voted Appropriation	9,000.00
Interest Received	643.29
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	94,333.21
Evidenced by NOW #1464 @TBOB	94,333.21
TOWN BRIDGES FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$594.49
Grant Reimbursement	45,681.49
Interest Received	323.78
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	46,599.76
Evidenced by NOW #1504 @TBOB	46,599.76
BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$17,598.37
2015 Voted Appropriation	2,500.00
Interest Received	134.07
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	20,232.44
Evidenced by NOW #1510 @ TBOB	20,232.44
COMPUTER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$14,341.98
2015 Voted Appropriation	2,500.00
Interest Received	109.56
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	16,951.54
Evidenced by NOW #1421 @ TBOB	16,951.54
FIRE TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$67,418.56
2015 Voted Appropriation	45,000.00
Interest Received	536.20

Balance in Fund 12/31/15	112,954.76
Evidenced by NOW # 1448 @ TBOB	112,954.76
GENERATOR FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$5,209.16
Interest Received	39.21
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	5,248.37
Evidenced by NOW #2147 @ TBOB	5,248.37
GRADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$133,452.90
2015 Voted Appropriation	5,000.00
General Fund BM Principal & Interest Repay	100,448.95
Interest Received	556.77
Sub-Total	239,458.62
Loan to General Fund	-100,000.00
Balance in fund 12/31/15	139,458.62
Evidenced by NOW #1472 @ TBOB	139,458.62
OLD MILL ROAD – WALL	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$295.85
Grant Reimb.	87,111.22
Interest Received	1.95
Sub-Total	87,409.02
Paid Order CRF	-87,407.07
Closed OMW to CRF Cking	-1.95
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	0.00
Evidenced by NOW #2155 @ TBOB	0.00
SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$36,670.97
2015 Voted Appropriation	6,000.00
Interest Received	279.88
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	42,950.85
Evidenced by NOW #1499 @ TBOB	42,950.85

SPECIAL HIGHWAY	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$102,610.37
2015 Voted Appropriation	15,000.00
Old Mill Wall	87,407.07
Grant Reimb.	6,031.55
2015 General Highway Surplus	34,946.30
Interest Received	1,223.79
Sub-Total	247,219.08
Paid Orders CRF	-79,267.92
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	167,951.16
Evidenced by NOW #1480 @ TBOB	167,951.16
TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$222,095.18
2015 Voted Appropriation	40,000.00
Interest Received	730.41
Sub-Total	262,825.59
Paid Orders CRF	-163,710.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	99,115.59
Evidenced by NOW #1456 @ TBOB	99,115.59
YELLOW BARN FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/15	\$22,651.63
Interest Received	167.60
Donation/Fund raising	30.00
Sub-Total	22,849.23

Paid Orders CRF	-712.50
Balance in Fund 12/31/15	22,136.73
Evidenced by NOW #1413 @ TBOB	22,136.73



School Benefit Concert at town hall, 1930s.

2015 TAX RATE SET – JULY 27, 2015

Town of Arlington Taxes:

2015 Voted Municipal Budget	\$1,325,104.00
Less 12/31/2014 Cash on Hand	-98,092.00
Less Anticipated Income	<u>-263,513.00</u>
Net Town Taxes to be Raised	\$963,499.00
Municipal Grand List	\$315,040,700.00
Municipal Tax Rate of \$00.3105 raises	\$978,201.00

Local Agreement Rate:

Locally Voted Exemptions of \$705,400.00 x Non-Residential Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4193, amount to be raised	10,012.00
Voted Veterans Exemptions of \$270,000.00 x Homestead Education Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4957 amount to be raised	<u>4,038.00</u>
Total to be Raised for Local Agreements	<u>\$14,050.00</u>
Municipal Grand List	\$315,040,700.00
Local Agreement Tax Rate of \$0.0045 raises	\$14,176.00

Total Municipal Tax Rate Set \$00.3150

Arlington Education Tax Rate as set by VT Tax Department:

Homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.4957
Nonresidential Education Tax Rate	\$1.4193

Tax Rates established and duly approved by the Selectmen per authority voted at 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

Total Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.8107
Total Non-Residential Rate	\$1.7343

Property Tax Collection – 2015

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.

Postmarks are not considered for timely payment.

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.

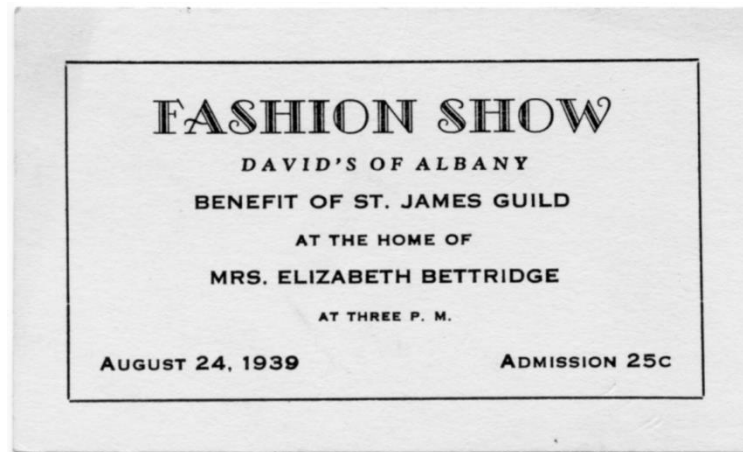
Total penalty not exceed 8%.

Tax Sale: When necessary

SELECTBOARD**Summary of 2015 Spending and Proposed 2016 Budget**

	2015 Budget	2015 Actual Expenses	2015 Amount to be raised by taxes	2016 Proposed budget	2016 Proposed amount to be raised by taxes
General Fund	496,744.00	489,501.96	413,544.00	498,225.00	415,825.00
Fire Protection	155,539.00	153,450.12	97,526.00	153,602.00	96,775.00
Park	72,502.00	59,117.71	52,402.00	66,704.00	46,504.00
Highway	580,954.00	532,786.97	479,954.00	584,955.00	494,955.00
Cemetery	19,365.00	17,685.03	18,165.00	20,515.00	19,315.00

TOTALS	1,325,104.00	1,252,541.79	1,061,591.00	1,324,001.00	1,073,374.00



St. James Guild Benefit at Elizabeth Bettridge's, 1939.

Town of Arlington Budget and Expenditures for 2015 and 2016

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
11-6 TOTAL REVENUE			
11-6-01 DELINQUENT TAXES & INTEREST			
11-6-01-001.00 Property taxes	413,544.00	31,410.46	415,825.00
11-6-01-001.01 Prior Yr State Adjustment	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-01-002.00 Taxes, delinquent	0.00	365,858.21	0.00
11-6-01-003.00 Taxes, delinq, interest	10,000.00	31,473.81	10,000.00
11-6-01-004.00 Delinquent Taxes Penalty	10,000.00	23,036.68	10,000.00
 TOTAL DELINQ. TAXES & INTEREST	 433,544.00	 451,779.16	 435,825.00
 11-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	 26,000.00	 26,818.00	 26,000.00
11-6-02-001.01 Income from Fines	5,400.00	3,256.65	4,000.00

11-6-02-002.00 School Tax Prior Year	0.00	67,065.70	0.00
11-6-02-003.00 US Treasury	10,000.00	10,677.00	10,000.00
11-6-03-001.01 Town Clerk/Fees	14,000.00	12,900.00	14,000.00
11-6-03-001.02 Town Clerk/Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,073.00	2,000.00
11-6-03-001.03 Town Clk Liq/Toba Lics	900.00	925.00	900.00
11-6-03-002.00 Animal Control	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-03-003.00 Rentals	500.00	495.00	500.00
11-6-03-004.00 Zoning Fees	2,000.00	1,615.00	2,000.00
11-6-05-001.00 Interest	2,400.00	3,760.08	3,000.00
11-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	2,540.55	0.00
 TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	 496,744.00	 583,905.14	 498,225.00
 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	16,540.00	16,540.00	17,036.00
11-7-10-110.04 Salaries/Treasurer	13,495.00	13,495.00	13,900.00
11-7-10-110.05 Clerical	19,100.00	18,380.67	19,100.00
11-7-10-110.06 Listing/Labor	25,800.00	24,701.84	25,800.00
11-7-10-110.07 Town Clerk Assistant	2,350.00	2,749.44	2,450.00
11-7-10-110.08 Treasurer/Assistant	3,000.00	3,066.27	3,150.00
11-7-10-110.09 Tn Elections/Poll Workers	300.00	224.18	650.00
11-7-10-110.10 Auditor/Labor	1,550.00	1,635.33	1,820.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
11-7-10-110.11 Board of Civil Authority	200.00	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	5,498.46	6,000.00
11-7-10-110.14 Land Use Permits	500.00	525.00	500.00
11-7-10-110.15 ZBA/Clerical	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.16 Planning Clerical	300.00	0.00	150.00
11-7-10-110.17 Interim Administrator	15,000.00	10,560.00	15,000.00
11-7-10-110.18 Tax Collectors Fees/penat	10,000.00	23,036.68	10,000.00
11-7-10-110.19 Salary, Moderator	100.00	100.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.20 Town Clerk Fees	14,000.00	12,900.00	14,000.00
11-7-10-110.21 Tn Clk Dog Licenses	900.00	1,001.74	900.00
11-7-10-110.22 Tn Clk Liq. Licenses	50.00	0.00	50.00
11-7-10-210.01 Town Clerk Health Insur	14,981.00	15,045.22	15,760.00
11-7-10-210.02 Treasurer Health Insur	9,000.00	7,978.44	8,000.00
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.	10,900.00	11,418.61	11,000.00
11-7-10-230.00 Vt. Employee Pension	1,750.00	1,717.12	1,750.00
11-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	418.00	418.00	446.00
11-7-10-290.00 Vt. Unemployment	2,114.00	2,113.89	2,022.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	181,748.00	186,405.89	183,084.00
11-7-20 OFFICE OPERATIONS			
11-7-20-330.01 Repair, Pur, Train- Equip	3,000.00	1,924.75	3,000.00
11-7-20-340.00 Tn Clerk, Microf/Restora	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
11-7-20-431.00 Xerox/Copier	450.00	443.20	500.00
11-7-20-530.00 Telephone	1,800.00	1,542.17	1,800.00
11-7-20-540.01 Planning Comm./Notices	500.00	138.98	400.00
11-7-20-540.02 ZBA/Legal Notices	500.00	216.17	400.00
11-7-20-550.01 Auditor/Town report/Print	1,500.00	1,038.47	1,200.00
11-7-20-550.02 Zoning by laws	200.00	200.00	200.00
11-7-20-580.01 Meetings & Mileage	1,500.00	666.13	1,000.00
11-7-20-610.01 Supplies	5,500.00	4,490.18	5,500.00
11-7-20-610.02 Town clerk/office expense	2,000.00	274.86	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.03 Computer Expense	2,500.00	1,502.62	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.04 Listers/office expenses	800.00	700.26	1,300.00
11-7-20-610.05 Website	500.00	0.00	2,000.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
TOTAL OFFICE OPERATION	22,250.00	13,137.79	22,800.00
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	630.19	600.00
11-7-30-423.01 Janitorial	4,500.00	4,013.00	4,500.00
11-7-30-423.02 Snow Removal	450.00	360.00	450.00
11-7-30-450.00 Repairs & Services	10,000.00	8,652.59	12,000.00
11-7-30-520.00 Insurance	3,225.00	3,225.00	3,413.00
11-7-30-610.00 Equipment & Supplies	400.00	256.62	400.00
11-7-30-622.00 Electricity	3,200.00	3,183.30	3,300.00
11-7-30-624.00 Fuel	5,800.00	3,730.03	4,800.00
TOTAL TOWN HALL	28,625.00	24,499.09	29,913.00
11-7-70 GENERAL EXPENSES			
11-7-70-330.01 Animal Control	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,356.00
11-7-70-330.02 Arlington Green Up	600.00	622.61	650.00
11-7-70-330.03 Audit by outside firm	8,000.00	8,000.00	11,500.00
11-7-70-330.04 Benn County Sheriff	32,000.00	32,146.61	32,000.00
11-7-70-330.05 B.C.R.C.	3,738.00	3,738.00	3,812.00
11-7-70-330.06 Landfill/Solid Waste/Recy	15,000.00	9,665.44	20,000.00
11-7-70-330.07 Land fill/regional (ISWAP)	5,000.00	3,574.70	2,500.00
11-7-70-330.08 Household Haz Waste	7,000.00	8,579.92	0.00
11-7-70-330.09 Emerg Care, Animal Ctrl	400.00	0.00	400.00
11-7-70-330.10 BCSWA	0.00	0.00	12,500.00
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	8,200.00	8,405.00	1,000.00
11-7-70-411.00 Hydrants	24,250.00	24,213.80	0.00
11-7-70-424.00 Vt. Comm work service/lawn	400.00	281.25	400.00
11-7-70-490.00 Taxes/County	22,000.00	20,670.86	22,000.00
11-7-70-520.00 Insurance	9,200.00	9,227.00	15,112.00
11-7-70-540.00 Legal Notices	300.00	1,249.50	600.00
11-7-70-550.00 Town Elections/Ballots	3,000.00	2,140.00	5,000.00
11-7-70-560.01 Member, Dues, VLCT, Other	3,454.00	3,454.00	3,499.00
11-7-70-560.02 VT Assoc Conser. Districts	100.00	100.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY - 2015	Budget FY - 2016
11-7-70-610.00 Emergency Management	3,500.00	1,955.03	12,000.00
11-7-70-622.00 Street Lights	27,000.00	27,258.94	29,000.00
11-7-70-740.00 Forest Fire Warden	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
11-7-70-840.00 Tax Sales/Land Use/Abate	0.00	11,598.58	0.00
11-7-70-840.01 Prior Year School Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	186,842.00	188,081.24	184,829.00
11-7-80 DEBT SERVICE			
11-7-80-830.00 Borrowed money	850.00	448.95	650.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	850.00	448.95	650.00
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	425,315.00	417,572.96	426,276.00
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	2,250.00	2,250.00
11-8-95-950.03 Arlington Comm Nursing	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-8-95-950.04 Benn Coal For Homeless	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.05 Benn Cty Conser 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 BROCC	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	15,500.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
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

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
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
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	71,429.00	71,929.00	71,929.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	496,744.00	489,501.96	498,205.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	0.00	94,403.18	0.00
 12-6 HIGHWAY REVENUE			
12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	479,954.00	441,169.91	494,955.00
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	32,503.61	32,000.00
12-6-02-001.03 State of Vermont	40,000.00	40,775.78	40,000.00
12-6-04-001.00 ASD Fuel Reimbursement	29,000.00	17,693.13	18,000.00
12-6-06-001.00 Water Department	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	644.54	0.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUE	580,954.00	532,786.97	584,955.00
 12-7 HIGHWAY SUMMARY			
12-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
12-7-10-110.00 Labor	118,980.00	119,739.02	122,410.00
12-7-10-130.00 Overtime	20,000.00	17,637.04	20,000.00
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	34,861.00	34,507.94	35,550.00
12-7-10-220.00 Social Security	11,000.00	10,815.23	11,000.00
12-7-10-230.00 Vt. Municipal Pension	7,700.00	7,679.26	8,000.00
12-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	12,015.00	12,860.43	14,057.00
12-7-10-290.01 Vt. Unemployment	3,273.00	3,272.12	3,131.00
12-7-10-290.03 Uniforms/T Shirts	2,600.00	2,419.79	2,600.00
12-7-10-530.00 Pager service	400.00	358.65	400.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY - 2015	Budget FY - 2016
12-7-10-580.00 Training/workshops	300.00	345.00	300.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	211,129.00	209,634.48	217,448.00
12-7-30 TOWN GARAGE			
12-7-30-411.00 Water Service	450.00	448.36	450.00
12-7-30-421.01 Rubbish	600.00	630.14	700.00
12-7-30-430.00 Maintenance	2,000.00	573.66	1,500.00
12-7-30-490.00 Petroleum Tank Asses	50.00	50.00	50.00
12-7-30-520.00 Insurance	3,758.00	3,758.00	3,982.00
12-7-30-610.01 Supplies	1,300.00	1,995.19	1,300.00
12-7-30-610.02 Equipment	500.00	257.75	500.00
12-7-30-622.00 Electricity	1,200.00	1,463.58	1,300.00
12-7-30-623.00 Oxygen & Propane	300.00	457.11	300.00
12-7-30-624.00 Fuel Oil	3,700.00	2,633.05	3,200.00
12-7-30-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL TOWN GARAGE	13,858.00	12,266.84	13,282.00
12-7-42 CLASS 2 ROADS			
12-7-42-330.00 Striping/sealing	9,000.00	8,482.45	9,200.00
12-7-42-450.01 Blacktopping	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-42-450.02 Guard rails	300.00	29.75	300.00
12-7-42-450.03 Tree & Brush	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
12-7-42-450.04 E. Arlington wall	300.00	0.00	200.00
12-7-42-460.00 Culverts & bridges	1,500.00	518.00	1,500.00
12-7-42-610.01 Signs	600.00	630.82	600.00
12-7-42-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	400.00	105.00	400.00
12-7-42-650.01 Gravel/stone	9,000.00	5,544.59	9,000.00
12-7-42-650.02 Salt	23,000.00	17,417.30	25,000.00
12-7-42-650.03 Sand	8,000.00	8,000.00	9,000.00
12-7-42-650.04 Chloride	3,500.00	2,503.67	3,500.00
12-7-42-650.05 Hot mix	500.00	278.00	500.00
12-7-42-650.06 Cold patch	400.00	281.87	400.00
12-7-42-650.07 Sidewalk maintenance	700.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL CLASS 2 ROADS	59,200.00	43,791.45	62,100.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
12-7-43 CLASS 3 ROADS			
12-7-43-330.01 Sidewalks	0.00	0.00	250.00
12-7-43-330.02 Planning	0.00	30.00	0.00
12-7-43-422.00 S. Arlington Plowing	8,000.00	9,405.00	8,000.00
12-7-43-450.01 Tree Removal	2,000.00	1,400.00	2,000.00
12-7-43-450.02 Guard rails	1,500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-43-460.01 Bridges & Culverts	3,000.00	3,530.00	3,000.00
12-7-43-460.02 Rebuilding	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
12-7-43-520.00 Bridges/Insurance	1,210.00	1,210.00	780.00
12-7-43-610.01 Signs	800.00	1,746.87	800.00
12-7-43-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	500.00	59.99	500.00
12-7-43-650.01 Gravel/stone	19,000.00	18,667.66	19,000.00
12-7-43-650.02 Salt	12,000.00	8,708.64	12,000.00
12-7-43-650.03 Sand	27,000.00	25,378.58	28,000.00
12-7-43-650.04 Chloride	4,000.00	3,257.63	4,000.00
12-7-43-650.05 Hot/cold mix	500.00	281.88	500.00
TOTAL CLASS 3 ROADS	114,510.00	108,676.25	114,330.00
 12-7-60 TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT			
12-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	15,000.00	15,455.72	15,000.00
12-7-60-432.02 Inspections	180.00	190.00	200.00
12-7-60-442.00 Rental Equipment	2,800.00	2,800.00	3,000.00
12-7-60-520.00 Insurance	6,077.00	6,753.00	6,395.00
12-7-60-610.00 Supplies	17,000.00	13,745.30	22,000.00
12-7-60-610.01 Safety Equipment	1,000.00	605.73	1,000.00
12-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/Lubricants	4,000.00	4,037.25	4,000.00
12-7-60-627.01 Diesel	60,000.00	38,849.10	45,000.00
12-7-60-740.00 Equip purchase/lease	1,200.00	981.85	1,200.00
TOTAL TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT	107,257.00	83,417.95	97,795.00
 12-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
12-7-90-810.01 Resurfacing	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
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	5,000.00
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 Rd Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-810.07 Bridges and Culverts	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
 TOTAL RESERVE FUNDING	 75,000.00	 75,000.00	 80,000.00
 TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	 580,954.00	 532,786.97	 584,955.00
 TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
 13-6 FIRE DEPT REVENUE			
13-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	97,526.00	92,674.25	96,775.00
13-6-04-001.00 Service to Sandgate	17,247.00	17,247.00	16,890.00
13-6-04-002.00 Town of Sunderland	40,766.00	40,766.00	39,937.00
13-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
13-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	2,762.87	0.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. REVENUE	155,539.00	153,450.12	153,602.00
 13-7 FIRE DEPARTMENT			
13-7-10-110.00 Salaries	10,600.00	10,599.00	11,300.00
13-7-10-220.00 F.I.C.A.	811.00	680.85	865.00
13-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	4,510.00	4,510.00	4,387.00
13-7-10-290.01 Medical	1,000.00	150.00	1,000.00
13-7-10-290.02 Insurance	13,868.00	13,409.00	12,850.00
 13-7-20-530.00 Telephone	 5,500.00	 643.39	 5,000.00
13-7-20-580.00 Training School	2,500.00	2,372.04	2,500.00
13-7-20-610.00 Off Spply/Comp Reporting	2,000.00	1,188.00	2,000.00
13-7-30-624.00 Fuel for Fire Houses	7,000.00	4,910.99	6,000.00
13-7-60-432.00 Maintenance	20,000.00	22,870.03	20,000.00
13-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/lubricants	650.00	720.09	650.00
13-7-60-627.01 Diesel	3,000.00	1,841.67	2,500.00
13-7-70-441.00 Rental on Houses	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
13-7-70-500.00 S Arl/Cambridge Agreeemt	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
13-7-70-740.00 New Equipment	35,000.00	41,305.06	35,000.00
13-7-70-990.00 Emergency Contingency	850.00	0.00	850.00
13-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
13-7-90-810.00 Sinking Fund/New Fire Tr.	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	155,539.00	153,450.12	153,602.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6 CEMETERY REVENUE			
14-6-01-001.00 Perpetual Care	0.00	1,625.00	0.00
14-6-01-001.01 Property Taxes	18,165.00	18,165.00	19,315.00
14-6-03-001.00 Sale of Lots	1,000.00	2,525.00	1,000.00
14-6-04-001.00 Burial Fee	100.00	975.00	100.00
14-6-04-002.00 Cremation Fee	100.00	0.00	100.00
14-6-05-001.00 Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	50.00	0.00
TOTAL CEMETERY REVENUE	19,365.00	23,340.00	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	13,000.00	13,150.00	14,150.00
14-7-30-300.01 Operating Maintenance	5,000.00	1,595.00	5,000.00
14-7-70-990.00 Perpetual Care	0.00	1,625.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.01 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.02 Veterans Memorial Flags	400.00	400.00	400.00
TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENDITURES	19,365.00	17,685.03	20,515.00
TOTAL CEMETERY	0.00	5,654.97	0.00
15-6 PARK REVENUE			
15-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	52,402.00	46,227.22	46,504.00
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

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
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	4,500.00	4,500.00	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	400.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-006.00 Golf Assoc. Membership	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
15-6-06-001.00 Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-09-001.00 Golf Donations	5,000.00	4,744.95	5,000.00
15-6-09-002.00 Park Donations	100.00	100.00	100.00
15-6-09-003.00 Concession	100.00	318.00	100.00
15-6-09-099.00 Misc. Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PARK REVENUE	72,502.00	63,390.17	66,704.00
15-7 PARK & RECREATION			
15-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
15-7-10-110.00 Labor	34,600.00	30,867.87	32,000.00
15-7-10-130.00 Overtime	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	2,650.00	2,361.39	2,448.00
15-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	1,695.00	1,790.57	1,806.00
15-7-10-290.00 Vt. Unemployment	1,432.00	1,431.99	1,370.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	40,377.00	36,451.82	37,624.00
15-7-20 ADMINISTRATION			
15-7-20-520.00 Insurance	644.00	644.00	605.00
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	844.00	644.00	805.00
15-7-30 PARK BUILDINGS			
15-7-30-411.00 Water	420.00	426.79	450.00
15-7-30-421.00 Rubbish	800.00	580.00	700.00
15-7-30-450.00 Maintenance	6,000.00	1,258.76	4,000.00
15-7-30-520.00 Insurance	800.00	461.00	550.00
15-7-30-610.00 Supplies	461.00	446.94	475.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
15-7-30-622.00 Electricity	600.00	717.18	650.00
TOTAL PARK BUILDINGS	9,081.00	3,890.67	6,825.00
15-7-41 GOLF COURSE			
15-7-41-411.00 Water	700.00	463.53	650.00
15-7-41-610.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	2,000.00	175.00	1,200.00
15-7-41-610.01 Course Supplies	2,500.00	1,315.91	2,500.00
TOTAL GOLF COURSE	5,200.00	1,954.44	4,350.00
15-7-42 FIELDS & GROUNDS			
15-7-42-622.00 Electric Soccer	800.00	692.93	800.00
15-7-42-622.01 Electric Softball	400.00	578.13	500.00
15-7-42-622.02 Electric Tennis	100.00	124.99	200.00
15-7-42-650.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	1,500.00	1,560.00	1,500.00
15-7-42-650.01 Maintenance	3,300.00	6,785.41	4,000.00
TOTAL FIELDS & GROUNDS	6,100.00	9,741.46	7,000.00
15-7-60 EQUIPMENT			
15-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	5,000.00	2,619.72	5,000.00
15-7-60-627.00 Gas/Oil/Lubricants	2,300.00	1,349.38	1,800.00
15-7-60-627.01 Diesel	400.00	0.00	200.00
15-7-60-740.00 Equip Purchase	3,000.00	2,466.22	3,000.00
15-7-60-740.01 Equipment Lease	200.00	0.00	100.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	10,900.00	6,435.32	10,100.00
TOTAL PARK & REC EXPENDITURES	72,502.00	59,117.71	66,704.00
TOTAL RECREATION	0.00	4,272.46	0.00
21-6 REAPPRAISAL REVENUE			
21-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	0.00	13,206.71	0.00
21-6-02-002.00 State Vt. Training	0.00	397.29	0.00
21-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	1,895.97	0.00
21-6-08-001.00 Transfers In	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-6-09-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL REVENUE	0.00	15,499.97	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
21-7 REAPPRAISAL EXPENDITURES			
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	0.00	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	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL	0.00	15,499.97	0.00
22-6 DISCRETIONARY REVENUE			
22-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	43.92	0.00
22-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY REVENUES	0.00	43.92	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	677.93	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
23-6-02-001.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	45,681.49	0.00
23-6-02-001.16 MPG Town Plan	0.00	3,316.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.17 VT Structure BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
23-6-05-001.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	3.28	0.00
23-6-05-001.10 FEMA	0.00	366.00	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 Hgwy ER0090	0.00	87,111.22	0.00
23-6-05-001.21 7A Sidewalk CA0374	0.00	15,075.30	0.00
23-6-09-099.10 FEMA Miscellaneous	0.00	42,812.00	0.00
 TOTAL GRANTS REVENUE	 0.00	 195,043.22	 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	0.00	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	66,897.00	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
23-7-70-990.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	45,681.49	0.00
23-7-70-990.16MPG-Town Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.20 Fed Hgwy ER0090	0.00	87,111.22	0.00
23-7-70-990.21 7A Sidewalk CA 0374	0.00	17,318.41	0.00
 TOTAL GRANTS EXPENDITURES	 0.00	 217,008.12	 0.00
TOTAL GRANTS	0.00	-21,964.90	0.00
 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	7.63	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
24-6-08-001.00 Transfer In	0.00	0.00	0.00
24-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	8,000.00	0.00
TOTAL AUDIT REVENUES	0.00	8,007.63	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	8,007.63	0.00
31-6 CAPITAL REVENUE			
31-6-04-001.23 Fire Truck Ins.	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	39.30	0.00
31-6-05-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	167.60	0.00
31-6-05-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	536.20	0.00
31-6-05-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	730.41	0.00
31-6-05-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	643.29	0.00
31-6-05-001.26 Grader	0.00	1,005.72	0.00
31-6-05-001.27 Spec Highway	0.00	1,223.79	0.00
31-6-05-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	279.88	0.00
31-6-05-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	323.78	0.00
31-6-05-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	134.07	0.00
31-6-05-001.32 Computers	0.00	109.56	0.00
31-6-05-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	1.95	0.00
31-6-05-001.34 Generator	0.00	39.21	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

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
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	15,000.00	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	0.00	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	30.00	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	128,384.92	0.00
31-6-09-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	45,681.49	0.00
31-6-09-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	87,111.22	0.00
31-6-09-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	0.00	391,442.39	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	712.50	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	163,710.00	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	79,267.92	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	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.32 Computers	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	87,407.07	0.00
31-7-80-700.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.00	331,097.49	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL	0.00	60,344.90	0.00

61-6 PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUE

61-6-04-002.14 Cemetery Perpetual Care	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.01 E & E Smith	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.03 Florence Holden	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.04 Tricentennial	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-056001.14 Cemetery Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-002.14 Cemetery gains/losses	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-08-002.14 Cemetery Transfer in	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-09-001.14 Tricentennial Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00

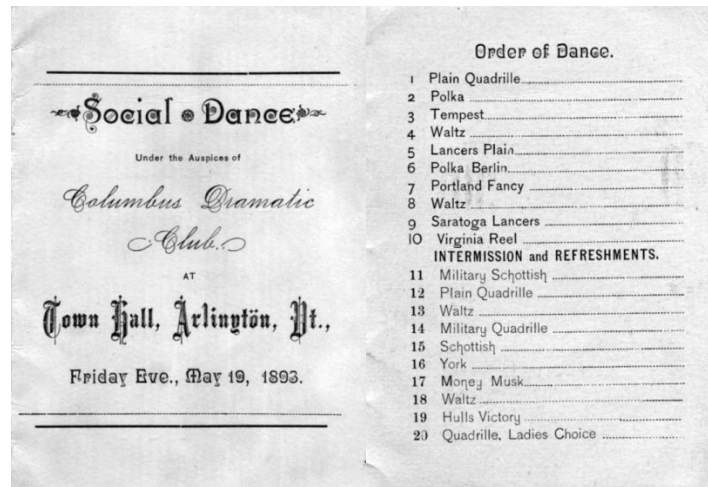
Account	Budget FY - 2015	Actual FY – 2015	Budget FY - 2016
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUES	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-7 PUBLIC FUNDS EXPENDITURES			
61-7-70-950.01 E & E Smith Award/Approp	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-7-70-950.03 Florence Holden Award/App	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS EXPENDITURES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	0.00	166,262.13	0.00

Trustees of Public Funds

As with previous years, the current national economic status has affected the anticipated growth of the Town of Arlington's Public Funds. We continue to monitor all funds and are making headway to ensure perpetual care becomes a self-sufficient fund while protecting existing assets. We also would like to remind all residents of Arlington that contributions to public funds are welcome at any time. Thank you.

Fund	Balance For year ending 12/31/2015
Edith and Emmett Smith Trust Fund	4,595.22
Florence Holden Trust Fund	3,524.17
Tri-centennial Fund	963.97
Perpetual Care Fund	105,308.10

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Drew Hill
Arlington Trustees of Public Funds



1893 Columbus Dramatic Club Dance Card.

Section Two: Reports of Elected Officials

Arlington Selectboard

The Town continues to make improvements throughout Arlington as Town funds and outside grants allow. In 2015, another section of Sandgate Road was rebuilt utilizing funding from highway grants that paid 80% of total costs.

The tennis and basketball courts were rebuilt with a combined effort between the Town and the Park & Recreational Committee. This was made possible with funds from the Town and donations that were matched by the Park Endowment Fund.

The purchase of the Arlington Water Company will be completed in the very near future. In 2015 the Town voted to allow bonding in the amount of \$4,000,000.00. The funding has been approved by the State to allow the Town to purchase the Arlington Water Company. In addition to the purchase, two million dollars of construction will be completed to replace some of the oldest and under-sized water lines throughout the Town.

The Town purchased one new highway truck in 2015 using the capital funds that are set aside each year. In 2016 we expect to replace another piece of highway equipment. Maintaining these funds is very important to the Town as it allows for replacement as needed without borrowing or having to enter into lease agreements that, in the end, cost more.

Thank you for your support that allows the Board to continue to maintain and improve Town assets.

Selectboard meetings are held every second Monday and are open to the public.

The Arlington Selectboard

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

Arlington Water Department - 2016

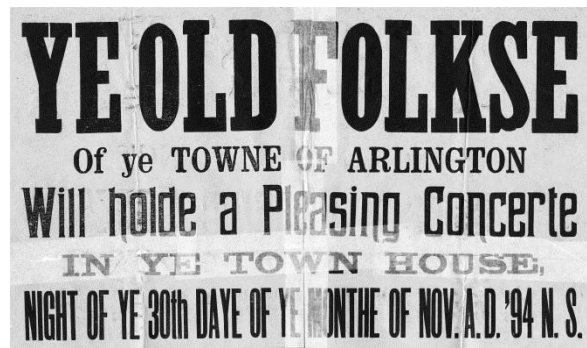
This is only for information as taxpayer funds will not be used to support the Water Department, and for that reason the Water Department budget is not shown as part of the Town budget and will not be voted on at the annual Town Meeting. At the time that this report is being prepared, the Town has not taken over the ownership of the Water Company. All of the State agencies have approved the sale – including the Public Service Board and the Bond Bank. Final approval from the Drinking Water Division will complete the State process. Final closing between the Water Company and the Town is expected before February 15, 2016. The following Water Department budget was created based on past Water Company operating expenses over a three (3) year period. Adjustments were made to account for expenses that the Water Company incurred that the Town will not: sales tax and corporate expenses are examples of these expenses. The budget covers operating expenses and debt service with revenue from customers on the water system while maintaining the existing rate. The Town does not expect to have to raise rates for several years. However, in order to provide an acceptable level of service as costs continue to increase customers of the system should expect that rate increases will become necessary sometime in the future. The budget for 2016 is shown below.

Water Department Budget 2016

Expected Revenue	\$265,000.00
Payroll and Benefits	
System operator salary	50,000.00
Assistant (hourly)	5,000.00
Health insurance	8,000.00
Social Security	4,437.00
VT Municipal Pension	2,640.00
Workman's Comp	3,661.00
Unemployment	1,800.00
Pager service	150.00
Training	300.00
TOTAL PAYROLL	75,988.00

Office Operation	
Equipment	1,200.00
Supplies	800.00
Telephone	600.00
P.O. Box rental	85.00
NEMRC	1,000.00
TOTAL OFFICE	4,085.00
System Operation	
Insurance	8,000.00
Electric	10,000.00
Permits and fees	3,000.00
Vehicle and equipment maintenance	1,400.00
Samples and supplies	1,300.00
Outside contracted services*	9,500.00
Town services	4,000.00
R/R lease	92.00
Gas and oil	1,200.00
System equipment, new	4,000.00
System equipment, repairs	2,000.00
System equipment, supplies	5,000.00
System equipment, rental	200.00
TOTAL OPERATIONS	49,692.00
TOTAL PAYROLL AND BENEFITS, OFFICE OPERATIONS, SYSTEM OPERATION	129,765.00
DEBT SERVICE	135,000.00
*Outside Contractors detail:	
Sheriff	1,500.00
Snowplowing	300.00
Mow/trim/tank alarm	350.00

Leak repair excavation		7,350.00
	TOTAL	9,500.00



Arlington Community Concert at town hall, November 30, 1894.

HANG ME UP AS A REMINDER OF WHAT'S COMING TO THE

ARLINGTON THEATRE

E. ARLINGTON - VERMONT -

SHOWS SUNDAY THRU THURSDAY AT 7:30 and 9:30. SHOWS FRIDAY and SATURDAY START AT 7:30; LAST COMPLETE SHOW AT 9:00.
ADMISSION 40c and 15c tax included
Program Subject to Change Without Notice

TUES. to THURS. AUG. 3, 4, 5	<p>BETTY GRABLE • VICTOR MATURE JACK OAKIE "SONG of the ISLANDS"</p>	
FRI. and SAT. AUG. 6, 7	<p>WILLIAM "Hopalong Cassidy" BOYD ALSO "REVEILLE WITH BEVERLY" ANN MILLER 4 GREAT BANDS</p>	<p>SUN. and MON. AUG. 8, 9</p> <p>Year's Biggest Laff! With Arthur - McCREA - COBURN in George Stevens' "THE MORE THE MERRIER"</p>
TUES. to THURS. AUG. 10 - 12	<p>TYRONE POWER with ANNE BAXTER DANA ANDREWS "CRASH DIVE" IN STIRRING TECHNICOLOR</p>	
FRI. and SAT. AUG. 13, 14	<p>"CHATTERBOX" A REPUBLIC PICTURE JOE E. BROWN • JUDY CANOVA ALSO SPECIAL ADDED FEATURE! "DEFEAT VICTORY"</p>	<p>SUN. and MON. AUG. 15, 16</p> <p>"THE OX-BOW INCIDENT" STARRING HENRY FONDA</p>

TURN ME OVER FOR ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

ARLINGTON THEATRE

EAST ARLINGTON

Sec. 562 P. L. & R. BOX-HOLDER ☐

TUES. to THURS. AUG. 17 - 19	<p>MARY O'HARA'S "MY FRIEND FLICKA" IN TECHNICOLOR with Roddy McDowall</p>	
FRI. and SAT. AUG. 20, 21	<p>TIM HOLT "PIRATES OF THE PRAIRIE" ALSO "QUIET PLEASE, Murder" George SANDERS Gail PATRICK</p>	<p>SUN. and MON. AUG. 22, 23</p> <p>The Strangest Flight in History! TOGETHER AGAIN... to thrill you again! Reunited "RUSSELL" MacMURRAY Flight for FREEDOM</p>
TUES. to THURS. AUG. 24 - 26	<p>Betty GRABLE • George MONTGOMERY • Robert MONTGOMERY "CONEY ISLAND" IN TECHNICOLOR</p>	
FRI. and SAT. AUG. 27, 28	<p>ROY ROGERS "IDAHO" also "TAHITI HONEY" SIMON STANLEY O'KEEFE STANDER SEYMOUR</p>	<p>SUN. and MON. AUG. 29, 30</p> <p>Action and Love! LORETTA YOUNG • ALAN LADD "CHINA"</p>

Smash Hits Coming to Our Screen

"BATAAN"	"HIT THE ICE"
"MR. LUCKY"	"DIXIE"
"PRESENTING LILY MARS"	"HEAVEN CAN WAIT"
"SO PROUDLY WE HAIL"	"STORMY WEATHER"
"DU BARRY WAS A LADY"	"THE SKY'S THE LIMIT"
"THE HUMAN COMEDY"	

Arlington Theatre Movie Program, ca. 195s, East Arlington.

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 #	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Town Highway Trucks			Projected Life							
2011 Ford 550 Plow/Sander	2020	TH-1	9 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	90,000.00	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
2006 International Plow/Sander	2018	TH-3	12 Yrs	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost				0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	90,000.00	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
Balance CRF Trucks (as of 12/31)			99,115.59	139,115.59	179,115.59	19,115.59	59,115.59	9,115.59	49,115.59	89,115.59
Town Highway Equipment										
2001 New Holland Loader	2026	TH-101	25 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1995 Galion Grader	2019	TH-102	25 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	190,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1985 Ford Backhoe/Loader	2020	TH-103	35 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
1998 Caterpillar Excavator	2038	TH-104	30 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000 John Deere 4400 Tractor	2016	TH-105	10 Yrs	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost				40,000.00	0.00	0.00	190,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				18,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00
Balance CRF Equipment (as of 12/31)			276,742.68	254,742.68	277,742.68	300,742.68	133,742.68	106,742.68	129,742.68	152,742.68
(7 Year rotation)										
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
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
1990 Pumper	2020		28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	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
1999 Pumper	2027	FD-77	28 Yrs	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
Total Replacement Cost				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	0.00	0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				45,000.00	45,000.00	47,500.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
Balance CRF Firetrucks (as of 12/31)			112,954.76	157,954.76	202,954.76	250,454.76	300,454.76	454.76	50,454.76	100,454.76
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Town Bridges & Culverts										
BR # 13 TH # 29	2018	BR #13		0.00	0.00	20,000.00	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	0.00	60,000.00
BR # 17 TH # 22	2030	BR #17		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
CULVERT # 1202 TH # 12	2020	CL #1202		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Replacement Cost*				0.00	0.00	22,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	60,000.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				5,000.00	5,000.00	6,000.00	8,000.00	10,000.00	12,000.00	10,000.00
Balance CRF Bridges & Culverts (as of 12/31)			46,511.75	51,511.75	56,511.75	40,511.75	48,511.75	38,511.75	50,511.75	511.75
* Note: Amounts shown on this line represents the Town's 10% share of town highway projects funded with State & Federal monies.										

2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,000.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,000.00	3.00	0.00	0.00
40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,001.00
129,115.59	169,115.59	209,115.59	249,115.59	64,115.59	104,112.59	144,112.59	184,113.59
0.00	0.00	0.00	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	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	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00
175,742.68	198,742.68	221,742.68	94,742.68	117,742.68	140,742.68	163,742.68	186,742.68
2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
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	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	365,000.00	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	365,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50,000.00	50,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
150,454.76	200,454.76	255,454.76	310,454.76	454.76	55,454.76	110,454.76	165,454.76
2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
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	0.00	18,000.00
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	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,000.00
5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
5,511.75	10,511.75	15,511.75	20,511.75	25,511.75	30,511.75	35,511.75	22,511.75

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Arlington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015 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.

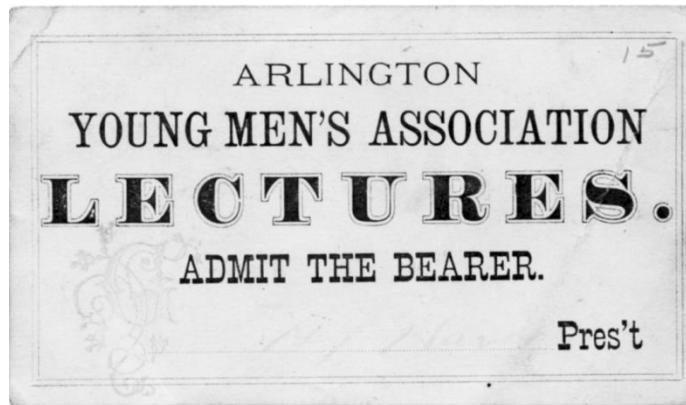
We conducted our audit in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1681-1684, which, among other things, require that we examine the accounts of all town officers and all other persons authorized by law to draw orders on the town treasurer.

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, 2015.

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, 2015 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Respectfully submitted
 William Budde
 Mary Ann Schaefer
 Patricia Williams



Arlington Young Men's Association Lecture ticket, ca. early 1900s.

Delinquent Tax Collector's Report

Parcel	Name	Tax Year	Parcel	Name	Tax Year
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0019-1-03	Allen, Brian & Horsch, S.	2015	0012-2-18-41	Miller, John	2014-15
0020-3-31	Allen, Phyllis	2015	0010-1-32-5	Morse, Sandra, Terry, Chad	2015
0014-2-15	Armstrong, Alice	2013, 15	0010-1-32	Morse, Sandra, Terry, Chad	2015
0006-2-07-	Baccki, John & Linda	2015	0003-3-59-2	Muir, Helen A.	2015
0017-2-12	Bacon, Zane & Dawn	2015	0010-2-16	Nunemaker, J. & Hoover, K	2015
0020-2-26-	Benjamin, Barbara	2013-15	0002-3-06-	Perrone, Ralph Est.	2015
0003-1-03-	Blay, Susan L. & Burgess, E	2015	0020-1-17	Press, G. Family	2015
0012-1-06	Borst, Patricia & Douglas	2015	0012-1-26-	Pugliese, Christopher	2015
0007-1-08	Carabello, Joseph	2015	0006-3-12-12	Salisbury, Micah A.	2011-15
0020-3-03-	Cavallaro, Jay & Michelle	2015	0014-1-16-	Sargood, Jeffrey A.	2015
0012-1-22	Cole, Barry A.	2015	0014-2-13	Schrade, Richard D.	2015
0012-2-18-21	Collingwood, James	2015	0011-2-34-3	Seeley, Nicholas S.	2013-15
0013-1-14-5	Comar, Wendy & Clark, Ed	2014-15	0010-1-42	Shen, Eugene & Seminare, S	2015
0010-1-31	Costantino, Robin	2014	0006-2-14-6	Snider, Stephen & Amy	2015
0020-3-15	Dahm, Deborah	2015	0022-2-01	Sweeney, Stormy	2015
0003-1-42	Dailey, Michael J.	2015	0001-1-16	Sweet, Terry	2015
0006-4-06	Demeri, Kenneth A.	2014-15	0021-2-05	Tompkins, Michael & Pat.	2015
0012-1-18	Derosa, Mary	2015	0015-1-32	Van Arsdale, Mary	2015
0014-2-09	Erickson, Susan & James	2014	0013-2-25-	VT Estate Home Builders	2015
0012-2-18-69	Farkas, Andrew	2015	0001-1-10-1	Waldorfer, Frederick	2015
0012-1-32	Ferencz, Stephen & Dawn	2015	0007-1-10-	Weissberg, Andrew R.	2015
0009-2-45	Givenni, Michael	2015	0020-3-11	White, Ann Scarey	2015
0017-1-37	Gross, Glen & Anne	2015	0015-1-26	Whitman, William	2014
0004-1-21	Holtzman, David & Deanna	2015	0003-3-59-	Wood, Dale & Michael	2015
0004-1-20	Holtzman, David B.	2015	0003-3-59	Woodcock, J Est. & Muir, H	2014-15
0004-1-21-1	Holtzman, Et Al	2015	0021-2-04	Wright, Karen	2015
0018-2-07	Houskeeper, P. & Zarelli, K.	2015			
0001-1-44	Hoyt, Wayne A.	2015			
0020-3-24	Hubbard-English, Anna	2014-15			

0012-2-18-68	Karpenko, Ron	2015		
0009-2-34-1	Katrick, David & Edith	2015		OUTSTANDING
0006-3-14	Kenison, R. & Shapiro, D.	2015		TAXES
0009-2-43	LaCroix, David & Lowre	2015		
0008-2-16	Lampman, Frances	2015	2012	\$287.62
0007-1-15	Levine, Frances	2015	2013	\$2,078.25
0020-2-05	Ley, Krista	2015	2014	\$16,621.36
0021-2-03	Matteson, Theresa	2014-15	2015	\$151,500.14
0017-2-23	McDermott, Albert	2014-15		
0002-1-37	Meier, Kaspar	2015	TOTAL	\$170,487.37

Listers Annual Report

This year the CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) for Arlington has been determined by the State to be 107.02, decreased from 108.15 last year. This indicates that properties are still selling for less than appraised value, and the real estate recovery is slow. Our CLA is just slightly closer to 100, a good sign, and hopefully the turnaround is coming soon.

We wish to remind all property owners to file their Homestead Declaration (HS122) 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 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 2016 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 number and fax number is 802-375-9022.

Arlington Listers,
Joseph Garger; Earl LaBatt; Lee Cross

Town Clerk's Report

There were two elections in 2015 (Annual Town Meeting, and Special Bond Vote), making it a relatively quiet year. However, 2016 will prove to be much more active with the upcoming Presidential race. The dates are as follows:

March 1, 2016 the Annual Town Meeting and Presidential Primary.
August 9, 2016 the Statewide Primary November 8, 2016 the
General Election.

You may register to vote in person at the Clerk's Office or by mail. The Vermont Secretary of State has a new voter registration system; check out "My Voter Page" on their website: <https://www.sec.state.vt.us>

The 2016 dog licenses and tags are now available. We license over 450 dogs each year, (a State of Vermont requirement); therefore we encourage dog owners to renew as soon as possible. You can renew by mail or in person at the Clerk's Office.

The town is currently overhauling our website, and hopefully we will have a new one operating in the near future. The website has been hacked, and is not updated or currently maintained.

Please feel free to contact the Town Clerk by visiting Town Hall, by calling (802) 375-2332, or by email at arltc@comcast.net.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Wilcox, Town Clerk
P.O. Box 304, Arlington, VT 05250



Charles Cagle Art School, Rt. 313.

Section Three: Reports of Appointed Officials

Animal Control Officer's Report

In the animal control field things tend to ebb and flow, which keeps the job exciting. An increase in successful adoptions is definitely a 2015 trend I hope will continue. On the other hand, I hope the number of animal bite cases will decrease.

A large percentage of my responses to filed complaints are initiated with the use of warning letters and/or phone calls. I have always viewed this job as an opportunity to first educate and offer assistance that will hopefully result in a solution to reported problems. The ultimate outcome is one where owners and neighbors are happy, the dog receives the care, and training it requires and deserves. When there is no response or a belligerent one and situations continue with no apparent attempt to correct the problem, then enforcement becomes necessary. It is always gratifying to resolve issues and the hope is that they will then contact me for help in the future, rather than let problems fester.

I continue to be frustrated by the use of social media as the only measure to report a lost or found animal. Very often I have received a call from one party but not the other and so I am unable to reunite dog and owner. Other times it is not until I post an unclaimed stray for adoption that someone will then link it to an owner's report on an unrelated Facebook page. I have been trying to use this mainstream approach with limited success. Please "like & share" [Animal Control-VT & Luckydog Adoptions](#) to help inform your neighbors of our latest news. I maintain this Facebook page with listings of lost & found pets, notices, educational articles, and fun info. I am happy to post lost & found pictures and info that is sent to me. Please keep in mind that local dogs in need of homes are also posted here.

During 2015, the Second Chance Animal Center helped to place one of the six unclaimed strays impounded at my holding facility. This number exceeded those that were claimed by owners. Of those five dogs, two were unlicensed and in addition to mandatory unlicensed fines, monies were collected for other violations totaling \$75, including one rabies vaccination.

The seven animal bite reports filed this fiscal year involved one cat. There were six dog bite cases. One case was a very frightening attack that resulted in the victim being hospitalized. This dog was securely confined for the required 10 day observation period and then humanely euthanized. I am happy to report that this was the only necessary euthanasia during the year.

As of the winter of 2014/15, our local shelter, Second Chance Animal Center, changed its policies regarding service provided to the area. They no longer employ Humane Investigative Officers to handle animal cruelty and abandonment cases. Instead, local law enforcement and animal control officers now respond to these cases. I have always referred cases to their agents, helping if needed within the scope of my abilities. My contract with the town is primarily to enforce the Town Dog Ordinance, act as a holding facility for impounded dogs and to assume responsibility for the placement of unclaimed dogs. Based on my experience as Animal Control Officer, I have built up a referral network of agencies and individuals to contact when calls fall outside the scope of my services and knowledge. I will continue to share these resources when applicable.

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 addressed. 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 Volunteers of the Arlington Fire Department had another full year in 2015. The 31 responding Volunteer members spent nearly 1,010 hours responding to calls for service in 2015. This is on top of training time in excess of another 1,080 hours throughout the year. This averages 68 hours per member per year of volunteer service.

With our oldest fire truck turning 26 years old, we look forward to starting a committee to explore the purchase of a new apparatus in the fall. The process of purchasing a fire truck takes approximately two years from forming a committee to actually ordering and receiving the truck. The last truck we purchased was in 2013 and allowed us to bring twice the water to a scene with less equipment and manpower. As our equipment ages we continually spend more money on upkeep, and the safety of those operating the truck and those depending on the truck to perform flawlessly becomes a bigger concern. We hope you will continue to support the sinking fund to purchase our emergency equipment when needed.

The Arlington Volunteer Fire Department responded to 134 calls for assistance in 2015. The calls by town were:

Location	Number	Location	Number
Arlington	82	Shaftsbury	3
Bennington FD	1	Sandgate	16
Sunderland	23	Shushan, NY	5
Clarksburg, MA	1	Manchester FD	2

The breakdown of calls by type of incident was:

Category	Type of Incident	Number
Fires	Structure – chimney	12
	Wild land brush / debris fires	15
	Motor vehicle / tractor / equipment	2
Rescues	Rescue Squad assist	12
	Car accidents with extrication	4
	Car accidents with spills and traffic control	24
	Wild land / water rescues	3
Service calls	Storm damage – power lines down	10
	Alarm activation – no emergency	28

Hazardous condition	CO detected, spills/leaks, furnace malfunctions	5
Mutual aid	To neighboring agencies	12
Good intent	Unfounded or cancelled in route	7

This year we have begun a new era of receiving our emergency calls through a system called E-DISPATCHES that allow our firefighters to receive their calls through their Smart Phones and tablets. We hope to bring an iPad to each fire truck with programming to direct firefighters to an emergency, a water source, staging area, or landing zone. With 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 22nd and 23rd at the Rec. Park.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Paustian, Fire Chief, 2015 - 2016

Fire Warden's Report

In the past year there were 44 permits written for controlled burns. We responded to 6 wild land fires and 6 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 clean 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 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 3 wardens for Arlington. For a Burn Permit please call Jamie Paustian at 375-1072 or 733-1961, Brian Hawley at 430-7246 or 558-2230, or Vince Thompson at 375-6014 or 681-5812.

Respectfully Submitted
James Paustian, Fire Warden, 2013 - 2018

Health Administrator's Report

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 26 building permits were issued in 2015 compared to 32 in 2014 and 23 in 2013. Permits issued in 2015 involved the following:

New Residences	2
Health Center	1
Animal Shelter	1
Additions	13
Accessory buildings	9
Solar Collectors	1

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

Conditional uses	5
Variances	1

In addition, there was one boundary line adjustment.

My office hours at Town Hall are from 10:00 am 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 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 board has reviewed applications for businesses, garages, home occupations, residential additions, and residential sub-divisions. A site plan for the Second Chance Animal Shelter was approved in February 2015. A revised site plan was approved for the Battenkill Valley Health Center in May 2015. A draft of the revised Town Plan was approved by the Select Board in January 2015. Copies of this plan are available in the Town Clerk's and Land Use Administrator's offices.

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



Arlington Town Hall, stage on second floor, ca. 1900.



Arlington Chorale, Cathedral in the Pines, Rindge, NH, 1959.

Section Four: 2015 Arlington Community Agency Reports

Arlington Area Childcare, Happy Days Playschool

In our 31st 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, subsidy, and many other support services. **Happy Days has again successfully achieved 5 STAR Accreditation with the State of Vermont.**

In 2014-2015, 117 children attended Happy Days Playschool and Camp Adventure. Sixty-five of these children were from Arlington, seven from Sandgate, twenty-eight from Sunderland, and seventeen from other nearby towns. Community members from Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate supported our program with town funds this year. We greatly appreciate each towns' continued support of Happy Days Playschool. Having joined the T.E.A.C.H. program, a staff development project of the Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children, last year, Happy Days had 2 teachers take early childhood coursework and graduate with AA degrees in early childhood education. The TEACH program supports coursework for early childhood staff and partners with centers. Its components include partial tuition and book support, release time for studying, compensation after attaining a degree, a travel stipend, and commitment of the employee to remain employed at the center for a specified period of time. Happy Days agrees to pay 10% of the tuition and 40% of the release time funding and pay a bonus at the end of the coursework. Congratulations to Michelle Ennis and Jessie Cerretani for their successful completion of this coursework.

All the staff, parents, and Board members worked very hard on several fundraisers. Our goal was to raise \$11,000 to supplement our budget and buy some new equipment. We met our goal by selling pizzas, Cabot cheese, having a supper with the Federated Church, the Battenkill Duck Run, and the Duck Derby. We were able to buy a muchneeded hard surface bike track for our preschool playground. We thank the many local businesses for their help with our fundraisers, especially Mack Molding, Bank of Bennington, and the Federated Church.

Happy Days reduced costs again this year by having two small preschool classes with one teacher each. This was an excellent environment in which the children could learn and grow and was budget friendly for Happy Days. Our enrollment began to increase in the other age groups and we were able to secure a Strengthening Families Grant from the State of Vermont for another year. Our finances seem to have leveled out, with additional help from our fundraisers and donors.

Thank you again for the support of all community members and the local businesses of Arlington.

Arlington Community Club

The Arlington Community House at 3854 Main Street is a Federal Style house built in 1829 in the Dutch tradition. The house is managed and maintained by the Arlington Community Club, which is not an actual Club, but an established 501-c3 non-profit consisting of a volunteer board of trustees and members comprised of local residents. Noted author Dorothy Canfield Fisher founded the Arlington Community Club in 1947 and deeded the house to them for the purpose of charging them with its care. A condition of the gift was that a portion of the house be used as a meeting place for the citizens of Arlington, Sandgate and Sunderland as well as space for the Martha Canfield Library. The space is now a Used Book Store for the benefit of the library. A further condition was that the house be used by clubs and members of the communities of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland at no charge; therefore donations only are accepted. Two rental apartments on the second and third floor are helpful in contributing to the cost of fuel and maintenance.

Renovations and necessary repairs on this historic house, especially because of its age, are a continuing need. The board has fundraising events at Norman's Attic and with the annual town Christmas tree sales. Grants have been written by board members without much success at present. Our mailed appeal to townspeople for contributions had fairly good return as well as the businesses and corporations who have also been approached. We continue our fundraising in earnest as the age-old boiler for the house has cost us a good deal in repairs this past year and we do fear its demise. It was necessary to repair, paint, and carpet the front apartment this year in order to be able to rent it and thankfully, this was accomplished. High School students have helped board members do the building and grounds clean-up each spring and fall, which is greatly appreciated. The Garden Club of Arlington has developed and maintained a lovely garden with a bench and a memorial tree for past members on the north side of the house. Approximately 25 organizations and businesses have used the house over 300 times this year. Attic and basement space are also used for their storage. The Arlington Garden Club, Battenkill Runners, Bible Study, and Lions are a few of the groups who meet there as well as "Burdett Commons", as the group is called, that uses the addition for youth events, craft sessions and other projects. Donations are encouraged and these groups donate as they are able to help defray the heat and maintenance costs.

Call Lynn Williams at 375-6119 if you would like to reserve a time and space for your organization or personal function or to become a member of the board/club.

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

Ken Nicholson
President of the Board of Trustees

Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service

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

This is the mission statement of the Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service. Although we no longer provide direct care, about mid-20th century a board was formed of 30 volunteer members of our communities to manage a modest endowment that we received and invested. We continue to work to add to and support this fund with memorial contributions, donations, and fundraising. With these resources, we provide select services to our three towns for people who may be in need.

Our largest financial commitment is to the Manchester Health Care Service with which we have a contract to provide service to those in our communities who have a need for Home Nursing Care and are unable to pay.

Our Medical Assistance fund may be applied to for help with special needs such as dental, hearing, or other health problems. Posters and application forms are in the schools and town halls to inform the communities of this service.

We fund the Dental Program in our schools. A Hygienist provides education on Dental Health, screens, and cleans the teeth of those students whose parents choose for them to participate. Hearing and Vision Screening are provided as well.

A Scholarship program is in place for students who wish to pursue a health related profession. We sponsor four \$1,000 scholarships awarded to students graduating from Arlington Memorial High School. The scholarships are renewed each year that the student continues to make progress in their chosen field. We also added a scholarship for non-traditional students this year.

As dictated by our mission statement, we are avid supporters of the Battenkill Valley Health Center and continue to support them as much as possible.

Other community projects we support are the Red Stocking Project and Summer Lunch Program, which are much needed in our communities. We also funded Summer Camp for 3-4 very happy campers who could not have otherwise attended.

Our board only has to meet four times a year as our individual committees are continually on call, guided by the executive committee.

We sincerely appreciate the support of the communities of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland and look forward to continuing to contribute all we can to the good health of our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Freebern, President

Arlington Food Shelf, Inc.

We at the Arlington Food Shelf wish to thank the many citizens, businesses, and organizations from the Arlington and surrounding areas that have supported the Food Shelf this past year. This past year we distributed 22,840 pounds of food to area individuals and families.

This past year we saw a slight increase in the number of households we served, which means to us that the need continues to grow. Our Thanksgiving Meal Program provided, once again, over 90 families with a complete turkey dinner. This meal is made

possible largely with the assistance from the employees and management of Mack Molding.

Thanks to Principal Tim Stewart at the Arlington Memorial High School who issued a Principal's Challenge, his students contributed over 350 pounds of nonperishable food items to help re-stock our shelves.

It is examples like this that make us proud of our community, that has always come forward and helped those in need. For the first year in about 8 years, we needed to conduct a letter campaign to raise money due to increased food costs. Arlington answered the call and we at the Food Shelf are extremely grateful for the response.

In addition to running the Food Shelf, we also are the parent organization for the Helping Hand Store and the Red Stocking Program and are a major supporter of the Summer Lunch Program. These programs continue to make the community a better place to live.

The Food Shelf is located in East Arlington (across from the Fire House). We are open the first Tuesday of every month from 1:30pm until 4:00pm and the third Tuesday of each month from 3:30pm until 6:00pm. We invite anyone to visit our location. We are an all-volunteer organization, with no paid staff, and are recognized by the IRS as a 501 (c)(3) Charitable Organization, registered with the State of Vermont. All donations are fully tax deductible and go 100% to the clients we serve.

Again, we thank the community and our volunteers who allow us to help those members of our community who might otherwise go hungry. We are, as our slogan says, "Neighbors Helping Neighbors."

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Gunther, President

Arlington Rescue Squad

Arlington Rescue Squad would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the continued support of the residents of Arlington. The Town appropriations help us remain solvent and able to respond 24 hours a day with a highly trained staff of EMT's.

Arlington Rescue responded to a total of 541 calls in 2015, with a total of 294 calls in the Arlington area for auto accidents and medical calls of all nature. We also responded to 86 calls in Sunderland, 39 in Shaftsbury, 27 in Sandgate as well as 49 in Manchester and 30 to Bennington on mutual aid. We continually train and practice our skills to provide the highest quality care available and are dedicated to maintaining a high level of proficiency in the field of pre-hospital emergency medicine.

As with previous years, we have staffed our building with paid staff during the week, two full time and one part time employees are in the building Monday thru Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. We still rely on volunteers for overnight and weekend coverage. As always, if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, we would be happy to hear from you.

Finally remember to post your house numbers on your house and mailbox. Many times we respond to emergency calls and are unable to find the right address quickly. If

you have a long driveway please have your numbers by the road to facilitate finding you in an emergency. Number signs are still available at the squad building.

The Arlington Rescue non-emergency telephone number is 802-375-6589 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or in an emergency dial **911**.

Respectfully submitted
Brenda Mattison, President,

Burdett Commons, Inc.

Burdett Commons is entering its 17th year of operation. We have had another great year serving the communities of Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate. We started in 1999 as a community-gathering place and we continue to offer programs to benefit the public. We offer various programs for the youth and adults of the community.

Our Community Together project continues to operate. Any non-profit from Sunderland, Sandgate, and Arlington may submit events and information that is shared on our website and a community calendar. It is a spot for community members to be informed of all activities happening in our area.

Children in grades 2-8 benefit from our school vacation camps. We offer day camps during the summer and school year when school is not in session. The children participate in a wide array of activities such as arts and crafts and outdoor play.

Our monthly adult craft nights continue, thanks to our various volunteer instructors. Over the year, we have created jewelry, holiday decor, greeting cards, truffles, appetizers, and much more. Several instructors and participants also participate in our Summer Market and Annual Craft Fair.

Our annual haunt for the year was yet another successful event. It brings together adults and children of the community to put on a two-night production for various people to attend. It is an amazing community event that people participate in through various ways such as acting, baking for the bake sale, making dinner, and coming through the Haunted House.

Thank you to the various volunteers that help us throughout the year. Thank you also to Sunderland Elementary School and Fisher Elementary School for allowing us to share your buildings for our various fundraisers. If you helped to support our programs through our annual fund drive, we also thank you.

If you are interested in volunteering with our organization, please let us know. We are currently recruiting new members for our Board of Directors. We meet once a month and would love to have your input. Please consider joining us. Contact any Board member at (802) 375-6515 for more information.

Thank you for the continued support of our organization.

Sincerely,
Amy Caples, Director

Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library

The Martha Canfield Library welcomes all Arlington residents to read, learn, and experience through books and events. In addition to our traditional library services, we can help you navigate the world of e-government, complete online applications, choose an absorbing book, learn something new, escape to another world, find accurate information, or get you started in an online class. You can also find a movie for an evening's entertainment, choose a board game or jigsaw puzzle to try with your family, find an audio book for that long car ride, and much more.

This past summer, thanks to a grant from Dollar General and the help of many volunteers, we were able to expand our summer children's programs, taking part in the national theme of "Be a Hero, Read!" We held seven programs for preschool through grade 2 and seven programs for grades 3 through 6. It was wonderful to see the children create their own hero comic book, learn magic tricks, read stories, and more. Each child who attended was able to choose a free book to keep. The children kept up or improved their reading skills over the summer through the activities they did at the programs, and all had lots of fun.

A sampling of other programs includes a screening of the Vermont Movie followed by a discussion, an origami workshop, a panel of mystery writers, a talk about Sherlock Holmes and the women in his life, and a holiday music concert by Harriet Welther. For those interested in local history we had a presentation on the Shays' Settlement Project, a local archaeological dig. These and many more programs are free at your library, another of the services we provide,

For the history buffs, the Russell Vermontiana Collection, a reference library with books, photographs, manuscripts, obituaries, vital records, military history, Vermont authors, and lots more, provides hours of fascinating study. The Collection is focused on Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland history with extensive material on early Vermont history. The collection is open on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or by appointment.

Your support will help to keep these services that are essential to a well-informed community. Stop in and check us out. For more information, check our website: marthacanfieldlibrary.org, or call us at 375-6153.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Skidmore, Director



Arlington Grange Dance, West Arlington.

Section Five: Reports of County, Regional and State Agencies

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity (BAHfH) 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. BAHfH 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.

BAHfH 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 2015 (July 1, 2014- June 30, 2015) was a very productive year for BAHfH. We completed two homes in Manchester Center - our 17th home was dedicated December 14, 2014, and our 18th home was dedicated March 21, 2015. One-hundred forty-four volunteers worked a total of 4,359 hours on these homes. Through our Home

Repair Program, we made repairs to improve the safety and energy efficiency of four homes owned by low-income residents, three in Bennington and one in Pownal. In April 2015, we started a home in Pownal, and in June 2015, we began construction of a home in Manchester Center. In May 2015, we purchased a building in Manchester for our ReSale Store. The Store 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 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 and home repair projects and to contact us about available land purchase opportunities. 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 (BCCH) respectfully asks to be placed on the March 2016 Town Meeting ballot for funds in the amount of \$500. The voters of Arlington have generously voted to support BCCH in the past and we hope they will do so again in the coming year.

BCCH gratefully acknowledges the Town of Arlington's support for Bennington County families and individuals experiencing homelessness. BCCH strives to prevent and end homelessness by providing emergency overnight shelter, short-term emergency housing, and transitional housing. We are committed to providing more than just a bed. Our recently expanded programming provides the building blocks necessary for people to become self-sufficient so that they may sustain permanent housing and remain independent. Because we strive for sustainable solutions, clients are required to participate in coordinated case management with our staff and partner agencies. We have also expanded the gamut of supportive services for program participants and their families. New offerings include life skills classes, employment readiness coaching, cooking "outside the box" workshops, budgeting and credit repair programming, as well as peer-to-peer counseling lead by individuals who have overcome homelessness.

BCCH currently houses 45 people each night in our three shelter facilities: Good Shepherd Emergency Shelter, Thatcher House Family Shelter, and McCall Street Transitional Apartments. Of the 400 individuals we served last year, almost 45% were children in families. By day, Good Shepherd operates as a day drop-in center where those in need gain access to clothing, bedding, and personal care products. They are also able to utilize the kitchen and bathroom facilities, meet with a case manager, and use the computers to search and apply for employment opportunities.

A portion of the BCCH annual budget is made up of state and federal aid. The remainder of the budget is made up of town funding appropriations, foundation grants, and donations from our community. Town participation is a crucial part of our annual budget and it is our hope that the Town of Arlington will include BCCH on the March ballot for town funding. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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 2015 included:

Serving as the project coordinator for the Bennington County Sustainable Forest Consortium (BCSFC). Twenty-six attendees joined us for the Consortium's "Changes in Land Use and Trends in Tick-Borne Diseases" workshop, co-sponsored by Bennington College.

Helping loggers comply with the state's Accepted Management Practices by renting skidder bridges to them at a low monthly cost.

Writing two successful Better Back Roads grant applications to help the towns of Pownal and Shaftsbury manage storm water runoff from gravel roads.

Writing a final management plan for the Greenberg Headwaters Park in Bennington with help from many neighbors and town officials.

Creating the Batten Kill Watershed Comprehensive Invasive Species Management Association (CISMA). The team will implement several treatments of barberry and Japanese knotweed in uplands and along streams in the watershed in 2016.

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.

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. More information on these programs can be found at www.bcrvt.org.

The BCRC also plays an important role in coordinating work among local governments, state and federal agencies, regional public and nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and private interests. The Commission works with our member towns and villages and these other organizations to implement the ideas and projects that derive from our planning work.

During the past year, the BCRC has completed and adopted a new comprehensive regional plan. That plan is a valuable resource document for the Commission, municipalities, and anyone interested in planning and development in southwestern Vermont. Other important accomplishments have included: assistance with updates to several municipal comprehensive plans and bylaws, a regional solid waste plan overseen by a new 13-town alliance, a process that has led to a new Northshire Economic Development Strategy, continued work toward implementation of downtown redevelopment plans in Bennington, assistance with planning and obtaining nearly two million dollars in funding for major streetscape and transportation improvements, a study that lays the basis for creating a direct transit link to the Albany rail station, mapping and environmental assessments to support water quality and flood hazard management efforts, and support for a new "drug free community" program overseen by BCRC staff and the Alliance for Community Transformations.

The BCRC will continue to provide technical planning assistance to its member municipalities in the coming year. Special initiatives to be undertaken include: a new regional energy plan aligned with Vermont's ambitious energy goals, a downtown redevelopment and marketing plan for Bennington, support for efforts to expand and diversify local food systems, a new program in comprehensive water quality management, expansion of bike-ped facilities, 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.bcrvt.org).

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Sullivan, Director

Bennington County Sheriff's Department

Listed below is a report outlining our enforcement efforts from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

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	
Local Speed, Town Highway	68	911 Hang-up call	4
Stop/Yield Intersections	5	Traffic Accident w/ Damage	1
Basic Rule, > 50 mph	7	Traffic Accident, leaving scene	1
Inspection of registered vehicle	13	Alarm	4
Using portable electronic device	1	Animal problem	2
Defective equipment	3	Assault	1
No Registration	6	Agency Assistance	33
Misuse of Plates	1	Assist public	3
Operating Without a License	10	Assist motorist	4
Driving, License Suspended	16	Building checks	1
Insurance Certificate	6	Directed patrol	4
Regulations in municipalities	2	Disorderly conduct	2
Failing to drive to right	1	Domestic assault	1
		Domestic disturbance	2
		Motor Vehicle Complaint	11
		DUI Alcohol or Drugs	2
		False info to police	2
		Juvenile problem	1
		Parking complaint	1
		Property damage	2
		Property watch	56
		Stolen vehicle	1
		Suspicious person/circumstance	10
		Traffic stops	477
		Unsecure premises	3
		Vandalism	2
Total	137		

VIN Number Inspection	6
Welfare Check	2
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Total incidents for this location	639

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

Universal Recycling Law

In 2012, the Vermont legislature passed Act 148, now known as the Universal Recycling Law, to increase recycling and reduce the types and amounts of materials being sent to landfills. In June of 2014, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) adopted a Materials Management Plan, as required under the Universal Recycling Law. This plan established actions and requirements for VT ANR, solid waste management districts, alliances, towns, and other management entities responsible for managing solid waste to implement the law, including preparation of their own solid waste implementation plans or “SWIPs.”

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

During the beginning of the planning process, the towns of Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Glastenbury, Manchester, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Searsburg, Shaftsbury, Stamford, Sunderland, and Woodford formed a study committee to determine whether or not to form a solid waste district or alliance to develop and implement the SWIP. Over the course of several public meetings in late 2014 and early 2015, the committee decided to form an alliance, and the towns entered into an interlocal contract forming the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance in 2015. Each town appointed representatives to the Alliance Board.

Solid Waste Implementation Plan

In the spring and summer of 2015, the Alliance Board held a series of planning meetings and discussed drafts of the SWIP. The Alliance Board held public hearings on the SWIP on June 25, 2015 at the Arlington Town Hall and on July 21, 2015 at the Sunderland Town Hall. The plan was also sent to local haulers, made available at town halls, and posted on the Bennington County Regional Commission’s website and several of the towns’ websites. As part of the planning process, the towns adopted pay-as-youthrow ordinances, which require haulers to charge for municipal solid waste based on volume or weight.

The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources reviewed the plan and granted preapproval. The Alliance adopted the plan on November 17, 2015. VT ANR approved that plan on December 14, 2015. The SWIP is in effect from 2015 through 2020.

Household Hazardous Waste Events

The Alliance held four household hazardous waste (HHW) events in the spring and fall of 2015. Two events were sponsored by the Town of Bennington and held at the Bennington Transfer Station, and two events were managed by the Bennington County Regional Commission with the spring event at the Arlington Memorial High School and Middle School in Arlington and the fall event at the Riley Rink in Manchester. Over 670 households participated in these events. In 2016, the Alliance will 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.

Electronics Collections

The Vermont E-Cycles program, initiated in 2011, allows for free disposal of electronic devices at sites approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. The Vermont E-Cycling program provides for the collection of 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. Vermont residents can bring E-Waste to any of the sites listed at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/e-waste/>.

Fluorescent Bulbs

Vermont ANR has also implemented a plan to accept the return of fluorescent bulbs at various retail establishments throughout the county. Residents can dispose of fluorescent bulbs including compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) at several hardware stores and other retail establishments and at several of the transfer stations. Information on this program is available at <http://www.lamprecycle.org/vermont.shtml>.

Paint Collections

PaintCare Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) 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 will now be accepted at many retailers starting in 2016. These can be recycled rather than disposed in the trash. For more information, visit Call2Recycle at <http://www.call2recycle.org/what-can-irecycle/>.

Education and Outreach

The Alliance will be offering education and outreach programs to schools and businesses on the requirements of the Universal Recycling Law and methods to properly recycle and reuse materials and to reduce the amount of solid waste generated. The Alliance will be developing a website early in 2016 with more information on these programs. The Alliance also hopes to offer compost bins for sale this spring.

Bennington Project Independence

"Bennington Project Independence (BPI) was so much more than we expected. Our family was so pleased with the kindness and care our Mother received. She enjoyed days at BPI and I was able to continue to work. Thank you for making such wonderful memories for all of us. We could not have cared for my Mother at home if it weren't for BPI."

Bennington Project Independence (BPI) is a comprehensive, person-centered, and cost-effective Adult Day Service alternative to traditional nursing home care. We assist individuals to remain as independent as possible despite any life challenge that they may face and are here to help families caring for loved ones at home to "Share the Care."

BPI provides a safe, sensitive, and supportive day program for adults age 18 and older. We serve people who feel isolated without the support of family and friends, persons dealing with bereavement or other emotional issues, persons with delicate or chronic medical conditions that would benefit from personal care or health monitoring, persons facing end of life challenges, younger persons with acquired brain injury as well as serving persons in all stages of Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive impairments or traumatic brain injury who need compassionate, specialized assistance.

At the Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center on Harwood Hill, Bennington Project Independence is able to provide a wide range of services including meaningful, life enriching adult activities, educational presentations and mentally stimulating activities, nursing, wellness and personal care, social work support, delicious and healthy meals, opportunities for socialization, intergenerational experiences, pet visits, fitness groups, art and music therapy, our nustep personal training program, and community trips and tours. Bennington Project Independence is also a Medicaid Choices for Care Adult Day Service provider and a Veterans Administration Adult Day Health Center. 100% of the employees at BPI have completed the Alzheimer's Disease Association EssentiALZ Plus Dementia Advanced Care certification. The comprehensive and person-centered services provided by BPI and the innovative Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center facility are considered models for our State and the Nation.

Bennington Project Independence is honored to be of service to the residents of Arlington. We are also extremely grateful for the continued support and look forward to continuing to provide the highest caliber of Adult Day Services for Arlington families for many years to come.

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. **One hundred thirty-two individuals** had their basic needs met, including food, housing, heating, and utility assistance. **Four homes** consisting of fourteen individuals were weatherized reducing energy costs. **One resident** received technical assistance in support of fulfilling their dream of starting a small business.

Despite the significant outcomes BROC has achieved 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.

Sincerely,
Carol Flint, Executive Director

Center for Restorative Justice

Center for Restorative Justice (CRJ) continued its service to the community this past year by offering an expanded array of programs and services to over 750 individuals. CRJ programs are guided by the principles of restorative justice, which holds offenders accountable and places emphasis on repairing the harm done to the victim and community

CRJ's continuum of community justice services begins with its school-based partnerships. This past year, over 40 students engaged in CRJ school-based programs that addressed issues of truancy, fighting, vandalism, and bullying. Initiating restorative justice interventions at an early level is an effective method for instilling student responsibility and accountability.

Three Diversion programs are now offered at CRJ. Over 150 individuals were held accountable to their victims and community this past year through CRJ's Court Diversion Program. The Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program provided screening, education and treatment referrals to nearly 160 young people cited for underage possession/consumption of alcohol and marijuana. And CRJ's Civil DLS Diversion Program filed over 100 motions to the Vermont Judicial Bureau on behalf of individuals whose driver's licenses have been suspended and who are now on payment plans to pay off their fines and are now legally back on the road.

CRJ expanded Juvenile Restorative Programming this past year to support more at-risk youth. These programs focus on helping young people learn the impact their actions have on others and to develop skills so they move forward with their lives and not reoffend. This past year nearly 50 youth participated in restorative justice panels and received home-based support through CRJ's Street Checker Program. Youth in these programs completed over 450 hours of community services and attended over 525 hours of skill building classes. In addition, 45 teens participated in CRJ's prevention programming such as the SHOP Afterschool Program, monthly movie nights, and an 8-week summer program.

CRJ also expanded the variety of Adult Restorative Programs and Services offered to the community this past year. Nearly 100 individuals were referred to Reparative Panels as a condition of their sentence to make amends to their victims and community.

Also, over 75 people were referred to CRJ's Safe Driving Program (previously known as Victim Impact Classes). Finally, CRJ's Community Reentry Services helped over 50 people who returned to the community from incarceration to find jobs, secure housing, and learn skills to become successful members of society.

CRJ would like to thank you very much for your continued support and for being our partner in helping give people the opportunity to make positive changes in their lives and in their community.

Respectfully Submitted by,
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.

GNAT Service Area / Cable Channels

GNAT-TV broadcasts local community based public, education, and government "PEG" programs on Comcast Cable Channels. Channels 15, 16, and 17: Arlington, Dorset, Manchester, Peru, Rupert, Sandgate, Sunderland, and Winhall; Channels 8, 10, and 18: Stratton; Channel 8 and 10: Weston and 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. In 2015, GNAT produced 281 local government meetings across seven towns. GNAT provided coverage for 65 Arlington meetings: (Select Board, 23; School Board, 23; Special Meetings, 3; Town Meeting, 1, BVSU, 15). In addition to the television cablecasts, Arlington meetings received a total of 938 views online: (Arlington Town Meeting, 18; Arlington School Board, 730; Arlington Select Board, 187; Arlington Planning, 3).

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, including support of 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, serving over 500 seniors around Southern Vermont. Volunteers in Arlington have served hours at SVMC, delivering Meals on Wheels, supporting local libraries, and providing hospice services to local residents. They taught Bone Builders classes twice a week, benefiting many area residents, along with numerous other community priorities.

Green Mountain RSVP volunteers generously donated over 1,900 hours in Arlington alone with a community value of \$41,629. For every \$1 dollar invested into RSVP in Bennington County, \$4 dollars are reinvested into the community. In Bennington, Windsor, and Windham Counties, we served 2,217 isolated and at-risk people 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. We always welcome new volunteers.

You are welcome to contact Cathy Aliberti in our Bennington office at (802) 4471546 or speak to me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 772-7875. We are more than happy to discuss the changes in our program and answer any questions that you may have. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,
Sunny Leporati, Green Mountain RSVP Director

Green Up Vermont

Green Up Day marked its 45th Anniversary in 2015! Green Up Vermont, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, continues to proudly carry on this tradition of Green Up Day. **Green Up Vermont is not a State Agency.** The success of Green Up Day depends not only on individuals volunteering to clean up, but also on financial support given by both the public and private sectors throughout Vermont. New, starting in 2015, people can now choose to donate to Green Up Vermont by entering a gift amount on Line 29 of the Vermont Income Tax Form.

With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's unique annual tradition of taking care of our state's lovely landscape and promoting civic pride with our children growing up with Green Up. Green Up Day is a day each year when people come together in their

communities to give Vermont a spring cleaning! Green Up Vermont also focuses on education for grades K-2 by providing two free activity booklets to schools and hosts its annual student poster and writing contests for grades K-12. To learn more please visit www.greenupvermont.org.

Support from cities and towns have been an essential part of our operating budget. It enables us to cover about 15 percent of the budget. Funds help pay for supplies, including over 48,000 Green Up trash bags, and promotion, education and services of two part-time employees.

Mark your calendar!

May 7, 2016 Green Up Day, 46
years of tradition!

Join with people in your community to clean up for Green Up Day, always
the first Saturday in May.

Neighbor to Neighbor

Neighbor to Neighbor provides volunteer, home-based services geared to building relationships with our older and housebound residents throughout the Northshire. Our goal is to help our neighbors remain independent and in their own home for as long as possible. In addition, Neighbor to Neighbor offers social events that keep people connected to each other and the community at large.

Since 2004, Neighbor to Neighbor and our dedicated volunteers have provided vital services to older and disabled residents in the Northshire. In 2015, over seventy-five care recipients received visits, transportation and chores as well as monthly social events. Fifty volunteers gave over 3,000 hours of their time helping others in need. Fifteen Arlington residents received over 250 hours of volunteer assistance. We were also fortunate to have the Arlington Middle & High School Choral perform twice for us this year. Many thanks to Patti Cody, Choral Director at Fisher School and at the Memorial High School, for bringing these talented students to us!

All services 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 joining 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)

PAVE's mission is to end domestic and sexual violence and to provide supportive and educational services to individuals, families and the community.

In 2015, twenty-one Arlington residents accessed our services. Fifty percent initially contacted us through our 24-hour emergency hotline. These residents received comprehensive services including emotional support, safety planning, housing services, ongoing case management, civil and criminal legal advocacy, and transportation.

PAVE continues to offer comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, dating violence, and stalking. These services include: 24 hour emergency hotline, court and social service advocacy, support groups, case management, emergency financial assistance, information and referrals, legal assistance, access to emergency and transitional housing, supervised visitation, parenting classes, and community and inschool education.

Our dedicated employees and volunteers answered over 1,150 emergency hotline calls and provided safety, support, and advocacy services to approximately 600 women, men, and children throughout Bennington County.

Our supervised visitation program, housed in the Family Time Center, provided eighty-three children safe access to over 3,889 hours of visitation with non-custodial parents. Trained monitors supervise visits for families referred by the Department of Children and Family Services, the courts, lawyers, and probation and parole. Further, our supervised visitation program continued to offer the Nurturing Parent program to over 30 parents and children.

Fifty percent of the homeless population is due to domestic violence. Through our emergency shelter program we provided 28 adults and 16 children with 850 nights of shelter services. We also helped 12 families transition to stable housing.

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 presentations and videos on cable access television, our website (pavebennington.org) and social media including Facebook and YouTube.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff, I thank you for your ongoing commitment to PAVE. We will continue to offer quality services to victims of domestic and sexual violence and respond to each town's desire for a healthy and violence free community.

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 2015:

Senior Meals:

The Council helped provide 2,718 meals that were delivered to the homes of 18 elders in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels." We also supply

"Blizzard Bags" containing "shelf-stable" meals to home delivered meal participants and other isolated elders for use during a weather related emergency. In addition, 72 Arlington elders came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 1,878 meals were provided.

Case Management Assistance:

SVCOA case management staff helped 37 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 childcare. 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 the course of the year, Arlington childcare professionals participated in over 49 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 child care financial assistance program which in 2015 assisted over 476 families (and 715 children) throughout

Bennington County, of which 30 families involving 42 children were from Arlington (and four children from two families were from Sunderland.) Child care 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 as productive employees. In 2015, three 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. In 2015, Sunrise Family Advocates provided many hours of home visits and intensive support services to several Arlington families.

Additional services available to area residents include onsite childcare, parenting classes, and outreach services to support families with young children. When money is tight, 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 2015.

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) 442-6934, ext.110.

Sincerely,
Linda Dean-Farrar, Executive Director

The Tutorial Center

2016 will mark The Tutorial Center's 45th 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. And in 2013, we opened our newest learning center at Smokey House Center in Danby specializing in alternative experiential high school education in a farmland-forest setting.

Our educational support services include tutoring for all ages, adult literacy, dropout prevention, alternative high school education, English language classes for nonEnglish speakers, the High School Completion program, GED preparation and testing, our acclaimed Bridge to College and Careers program (in partnership with CCV Bennington), job readiness training, enrichment classes, the Northshire Digital Arts Center, and our

innovative and nationally-recognized Youth Agriculture Project. This past year we provided tutoring for 209 school-age students – including nine Arlington students – in subjects ranging from beginning reading to calculus and foreign languages, to support or enrich these students’ success in school. Another 172 adults were enrolled in our free adult education services, including two Arlington adults who received nearly 140 hours of free instruction.

We continued in 2015 to operate at no charge to the community the YAP Food Network, our area food hub that links local farmers and food producers to customers such as the Southwest Vermont Medical Center. The YAP Food Network provides special work experiences for young adults and is one way The Tutorial Center “gives back” to our region: creating six staff jobs, employing one paid college worker, offering two college internships, and enabling local farmers to sell over \$75,000 of their food products through the Network last year.

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 2015, VABVI served 1,444 clients from all 14 counties in Vermont, including 61 adult clients and 16 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).

VABVI has offices in Brattleboro, Montpelier, Rutland, and South Burlington. Contact us toll free at (800) 639-5861, or by email at general@vabvi.org. You can learn more about us at our website 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 significant 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 conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy, and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

Preliminary numbers for our FY'15 (10/2014-9/2015) show VCIL responded to over **2,250** 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 **313** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **16** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **221** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **68** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **103** individuals with information on assistive technology; **42** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **481** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

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

During FY '15, **10** residents of **Arlington** received services from the following programs:

- Home Access Program (HAP) (over **\$6,500.00** spent on home modifications)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW) (\$330.00 spent on meals for residents)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&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

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors 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 136 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts.

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

VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns to help them provide 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 roles and responsibilities. In 2015, attorneys and staff responded to nearly 3,500 inquiries from municipal officials about their statutory duties and about best practices in municipal governance. More than 1,300 people attended 16 workshops on topics ranging from municipal budgeting to solid waste management, and training for selectboard members, auditors, and land use officials. Additionally, MAC conducted 10 onsite workshops at municipal offices covering Open Meeting Law compliance, financial fraud prevention, effective property tax appeal hearings, as well as other topics. Attorneys provided 28 municipalities with legal review of ordinances and policies, financial assistance, and other specialized consulting services. Many municipalities have received technical assistance on water quality and stormwater management related to the recent passage of Vermont's Clean Water Act. All handbooks, technical papers, model documents, and past newsletter articles – more than 1,000 documents – 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 education property tax debate, enhancing local voter authority in 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 2016 legislature as limited financial resources at the national and state level continue to force more demand for services at the local level. VLCT also publishes 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, and casualty and workers' compensation insurance coverage for town operations. The **VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust** continued to assist towns to navigate their way to Vermont Health Connect and, where appropriate, to secure health insurance through the marketplace. When substantial municipal damages occur as a result of weather events, the value to our members of **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 two Trusts are responsible for \$24 million in municipal tax dollars spent for insurance and risk management services in 2015.

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

Vermont Department of Health

At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. Your local Health Department district office is in Bennington at 324 Main Street; our phone # is 802-447-6408. We deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2015 the Health Department:

Supported healthy communities: The Bennington County Regional Planning Commission was awarded \$42,500 in order to support local tobacco control efforts. The Collaborative coalition was awarded \$142,500 to support tobacco control efforts, reduce substance misuse, and support efforts to increase physical activity and healthy nutrition.

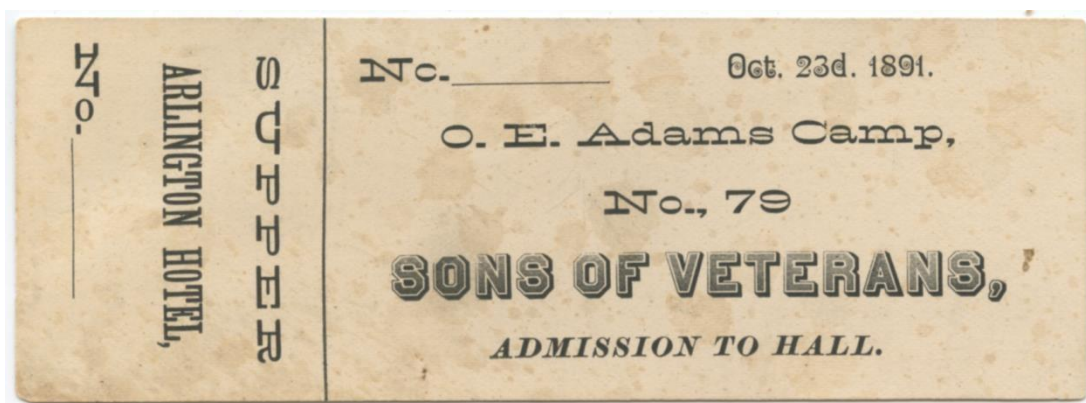
Provided WIC nutrition services and healthy foods to families: We served about half of all Vermont families, pregnant women, and children up to and including age five with WIC (Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children). WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling and breastfeeding support. In Arlington, 104 women, infants, and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month. Families served by WIC are now able to shop for WIC foods themselves, increasing their choices (a change from home delivery).

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: In 2014, we responded to 161 cases of infectious disease in Bennington County. In 2014, \$5,344,061 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases was distributed to healthcare providers statewide, \$845,838 of which was in our district's area.

Aided communities in emergency preparedness: In 2014/15, \$10,250 was contributed to fund training for Bennington County's Medical Reserve Corps. In addition, since July 2013, funding of \$63,072 supported emergency preparedness capabilities at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center.

The Bennington County Prescription Drug Task Force: A local interdisciplinary team comprised of professional members with representation from The Collaborative coalition, Bennington Police Department, Vermont Department of Health, CVS, the Alliance for Community Transformations, Price Chopper, SVHC's pharmacy and concerned community members. This year, the group worked together to make the Annual Take Back Day an even bigger success and collected 683 pounds of prescription pills from Bennington county.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Bongartz, District Director
Vermont Department of Health- Bennington



Sons of Veterans Dinner (Grand Army of the Republic), 1891.

Section Six: 2015 Statistics

Births 2015

Surname	Name	Parents	
Bentley	Jeremiah S.	George H., Sr.	& Wendy H.
Carmack	Crew P.	Tyler J.	& Elizabeth
Crofut	Kendall R.	Kyle P.	& Randi E.
Gaston	Ella M.	Keith D.	& Hanna M.
Hartshorn	Amelia J.	Ian J.	& Caroline
Hartshorn	Clem J.	Ian J.	& Caroline
Hill	Lydia R.	Jason R.	& Darcy J.
Hoyt	Breislá H.	Jonathan	& Kristina
Johnson	Gerald J. II	Gerald J.	& Michelle L.
Knight	Windsor E.	William J.	& Meghan
LeBarron	Mason M.	Andrew M.	& Cahill M.
Matteson	Steven A. III	Steven A Jr.	& Amanda M.
Morse	Ava M.	Heather L.	
Morse	Cortland L.	Mary K.	
Morse	Joshua M.	Deonna M.	
Redlein	Benjamin R.	Dustin A.	& Catherine M.

Rich	Banner M.	Steve A.	& Margaret B.
Richardson	Kylee L.	Troy R.	& Nikkia M.
Rickstad	Ethan B.	Eric A.	& Meridith J.
Sheldon	Grayson F. S.	Nancy J.	& Crystal L.
Shepard	Mayan G.	Thomas K.	& Lakiesha A.
Shores	Braeden C.	Corey L. Jr.	& Kelsey A.
Simon	Lennon R.	Jonathan	& Rena E.
Taft	Paisleigh P.	Christopher C.	& Amanda
Vairetta	Ryder B.	Jayson M.	& Kayla J.
Wilder	Taylor A.	Thomas F.	& Tonya L.

Deaths 2015

Death Certificates

Barker, Daniel P.
Budro, Leo J.
Gottlieb, James J.
Kirchoff, Roberta A.
Kleindienst, Diane
Leland, David Peter
Lindsay, Ronald J.
Markey, Paul E.
McDonough, Barbara L.
Meade, Patricia E.
Militzer, Karl W.
Rice, Denis R.
Schlesinger, Alvin
Squires, James A.
Weakley, Barbara C.
Wilcox, Ruth M.
Wilcox, Stuart R.
Wilson, Patricia H.
Wimble, Donald R.
Wood, Richard G.

Burial Permits Issued

Bailey, Richard W.
Boyer, Mary
Cameron, Edwin G.
Hess, Carl H.
Jepson, George H.
Koll, Vernon G.
Koll, Carole A.
Leake, Sarah A.
Thomas, John W.
Tudor, Clemont R.
Turner, Milton H.



Battenkill Motion Pictures, ca. 1922.

Marriage Licenses 2015

Applicant A	Applicant B
Alden, Evette L.	Linendoll, Randy B., III
Arends, Cynthia P.	Law, Arnold R.
Bierwirth, Lindsay B.	Sherman, Glenn L.
Brown, Cynthia J.	Scheig, Thomas J.
Callahan, Sarah S.	Koontz, Nathan F.
Daugherty, Dana A.	Lloyd, Alexander R.
Dickson, Sierra M.	Mallory, Taylor A.
Dlugosz, Stefanie K.	Acton, Logan H.
Elwell, Kristin A.	Scroggins, Jared A.
Evans, Emily P.	Aure, Joel C.
Ferguson, Kelly L.	Olsen, Joshua D.
Foote, Christopher C.	Melhado, Katherine T.
Glendye, Jenna A.	Short, Luke R.
Gullage, Amanda N.	McLennan, Timothy P., Jr.
Herron, Adam D.	Fitzpatrick, Prema S.
Heyn, Michael J.	Shirley, Chelsea M.
Horner, Constance M.	Anderson, Brandon B.
Hoyt, Vanessa C.	Morse, Jason P.
Jones, Scott W.	Rose, Elisa M.
Kath, Tyler H.	Beaudry, Catherine E.
Kopeski, Michelle C.	McKenzie, Joshua C.
Kroeber, Melissa L.	Wilcox, James A.
Mancini, Stephen L.	Mandino, Matthew S.
Mays, Christopher L.	Hitt, Tiffany D.
Mayo, Michael R.	Wong, Aileen D.
Poirier, Mark P.	Massey, Haley P.
Port, Antony I.	Palmer-Still, Alissa L.
Roberts, Stephanie M.	Lane, Thomas A., Jr.
Ryan, Jennifer J.	Brisbin, Patrick D.
Smoragiewicz, Kathryn M.	Paradis, Christopher S.
Stannard, Roberta J.	Pike, Michael J.
Stoerzinger, Erica M.	McDermott, Michael R.
Sweeney, Erin M.	Charbonneau, Austin L.
Tarascio, Michael	Linnen, Candace M.
Teta, Alison	Dean, David T.
Tomioka, Minoru	Tong, Simon Timothy D.

Weiler, Jennifer A.	Kostuck, Charles deP.
Wood, Aaron B.	Abraham, Christine P.

Section Seven: Town Meeting Minutes and Ballot results

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting March 2, 2015

Those present at head table:

Chairman Keith Squires

Selectman Daniel Harvey

Selectman Cynthia Browning

Selectman Reginald Jennings Jr.

Selectman, Kenneth John Smith

Moderator, John L. Whalen II

Town Clerk, Robin Wilcox

There were approximately 80 residents present.

Moderator John Whalen called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Resolutions were read aloud:

RESOLUTIONS – 2015 Memorial Resolution

WHEREAS, the following residents passed away in 2014 after serving the Town of Arlington for many years in various offices and capacities, namely:

Marion Ann Keller

Mary S. DeBrun

Neil J. Houston

Thomas E. Hayes

Mathilda Kenny; and

WHEREAS, said residents generously devoted endless hours to the community tending to its civic institutions as well as to the needs of the people of the community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of these valuable and esteemed citizens, and gratefully express our appreciation for their years of service and dedication to the Town; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Selectboard be directed to extend these expressions of sympathy and gratitude to the families of the deceased, and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 2, 2015.

Adopt resolutions: unanimously carried motion by, Maryanne Carlson seconded by Pat Williams

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2015 Warning:

Motion by: Dianne Jennings

Seconded by: John Williams

Motion Carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting Minutes:

Motion by: Pat Williams

Seconded by: Sue Wirkki

Motion Carried

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

Motion to accept reports by: Maureen Harvey

Seconded by: Lorriane Smith

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, the Interim Supervisor position is being raised from \$10,000 to \$15,000 and all remaining members of the Selectboard would remain the same.

Office	2014	2015
Selectboard Chairman	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
Selectboard Members (4)	7,200.00	7,200.00
Town Clerk	16,045.00	16,540.00
Town Treasurer	13,091.00	13,495.00
Moderator	100.00	100.00
Interim Supervisor	10,000.00	15,000.00
	Total	54,135.00

Motion to accept by: Susan Jennings

Seconded by: Maureen Harvey

Mr. K.John Smith talks about the interim Supervisor position explaining the hours and duties of this position. He points out that not all hours are being charged, and the monies that have come in Grants have exceeded the funds that have been used in this position. Maryanne Carlson asked if it may be time to have a full time person for this position. Linda Crosby asked if the rate was going up or just the budgeted amount. K.John explains it is just the line item.

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 posted by September 4, 2015, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer on or before November 4, 2015.

Motion to accept by: John Williams

Seconded by: Pat Williams

Motion Carried

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: Bill Budde

Seconded by: Maryanne Carlson

Discussion: Motion Carried

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

Motion to accept the select board's budget as proposed by: Maureen Harvey

Seconded by: Susan Jennings

Discussion: Total budget presented by Selectmen was \$1,325,104.00.

Salaries had already been voted in the amount of \$54,135.00.

Appropriations to be voted upon the next day total \$196,429.00. Total figure to be voted on at this time is \$1,074,540.00.

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: Maureen Harvey

Seconded: Susan Jennings

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: Maureen Harvey

Seconded by: Matthew Granger

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 4, 2015

A motion to allow Steve Berry, a non-resident to address the assembly was accepted by Ron Weber and seconded by Stephanie Moffit-Hynds.

Mr. Berry tells about his experiences in Montpelier as a new representative. He told about his committee which deals with economics and human services that affect all Vermonters. He has enjoyed working with Cynthia Browning and thanks everyone for the opportunity to be here tonight. Cynthia Browning also addresses the assembly letting everyone know that she wants to hear from them with any concerns or ideas they may have. She talked about the clean water issue that is being worked on in Montpelier. She said that bill really affects the Lake Champlain area, not Southern Vermont, and she hopes that we are not held responsible for the cleanup of that area. She told about the school consolidation bill that is being worked on in Montpelier.

Keith Squires explained about the projects to be worked on in the coming year. Sandgate Road will need some work and the other project is concerning the Arlington Water Company.

Daniel Harvey presented a power point explaining that the current owners are ready to sell the company and described the pros and cons of having the Town of Arlington buy the Water Company. Maryanne Carlson thinks the purchase of the Water Company would be good for the Town, even though she isn't on the system herself. Susan Jennings asked if this means Keith will put in more hours, or will Burr Snow still be in charge. He said Burr will be staying in charge and will become a town employee. Tim Williams agrees that it would be good for the entire town.

Dave Naaktgeboren thanked everyone for the donations to the Park and Rec which will be used to upgrade the tennis courts and basketball courts. Keith Squires told everyone that the Park and Town have been working together to combine funds for improvements to the courts. John Mendenhall, also from the Park Committee, would like to form a committee for a winter carnival for next season.

Selene Skoug addressed the assembly to ask for support for the Arlington Rescue Squad. Maryanne Carlson thanked all for the support for the Battenkill Health Center.

Tony Onorato wanted to know why the Fireman's Report didn't make it into the Town Report. Pat Williams, auditor, explained that the deadlines for reports to be printed in the Town Report were not met.

Matthew Granger asks about recent hearing concerning the sidewalk to the Park.

Darrin Jennings wanted to know when Ice Pond Road will be worked on. Keith explained that Sandgate Road will be getting the most work this year, and there are no plans for upgrading Ice Pond Road in the near future.

Motion to recess: Bill Bryan
Second: Susan Jennings

Meeting recessed until tomorrow morning at 10:00 pm carries. Meeting is recessed at 8:15pm

Attest: _____

Town Clerk

Moderator

**Official Ballot Results
Annual Arlington Town Meeting
Tuesday, March 5, 2013**

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	308	BILL BUDDE	287
Write-In	2	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	
TIMOTHY WILLIAMS	281	JOHN WILCOX	304
Write-In	5	Write-in	2
For Selectman for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Grand Juror for 1 Year Vote for not more than TWO	
DANIEL HARVEY	276	AL MCALLISTER	252
Write-In	7	DARLENE M. YOUNG	277
		Write-In	2
		Write-In	
For Lister for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Town Agent for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE	
JOSEPH GARGER	284	KEVIN P. DAILEY	301
Write-In	2	Write-in	0
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	314		
Write-in	4	Write-in	41

		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 Years(term expires 3/2017) Vote for not more than ONE	
		Write-in	26

Official Town Meeting Ballot Results Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 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 285 the NO 37
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 274 the NO 49
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 276 the NO 47
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	YES 271 NO 51 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 purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.	YES 261 the NO 61
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 288 NO 34
Article 16.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for maintenance of Town owned buildings.	YES 288 the NO 32
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 275

17. sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers. NO 49
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 295 18.
sum of \$32,500.00 toward the support of the
Arlington Rescue Squad. NO 28
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 236 19.
sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare,
Inc. NO 84
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 247 20.
sum of \$2,250.00 toward the support of the
Arlington Community Club. NO 74
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 280
21. sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington
Community Health Nursing Service for NO 43 the year ensuing.
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 278 22.
sum of \$16,000.00 toward the support of the Martha
Canfield Library. NO 42
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 254
23. sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for
the Homeless. NO 69
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 232
24. sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County
Conservation District. NO 87
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 261
25. sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project
Independence Adult Daycare NO 61 Service.
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 221
26. sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROC- Community
Action in Southwestern Vermont NO 100 (formerly 'Bennington-
Rutland Opportunity Council').
- Article To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the YES 224 27.
sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for
Restorative Justice. NO 95

Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 265
28.	sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc. (PAVE).	NO 59
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 259
29.	sum of \$2,025.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).	NO 67
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 217 30.
	sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.	NO 102
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 267 31.
	sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern Vt. Council on Aging.	NO 59
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 240 32.
	sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.	NO 85
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 277 33.
	sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.	NO 50
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 252
34.	sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.	NO 73
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 252
35.	sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.	NO 74
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 229 36.
	sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.	NO 94
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 250 37.
	sum of \$1,250.00 toward the support of Burdett Commons.	NO 73
Article	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the	YES 235
38.	sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) to help NO 89 support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select	

Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
SPECIAL MEETING
BOND VOTE
JULY 15, 2015**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote for an article printed on the ballot mark an (X) in one of the squares at the right of the article. Mark (X) in the square marked YES if you want it to pass or mark (X) in the square marked NO if you don't want it to pass.

Article 1: Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Arlington in an amount not to exceed Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000), subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grants-in-aid, be issued for the purpose of financing the cost of acquiring the Arlington Water Company public drinking water supply system at a cost not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,650,000), and renovating and rehabilitating the same at a cost of not to exceed Two Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,350,000), the aggregate estimated cost of all such acquisition and improvements being Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000)

Yes	192
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No	99
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Arlington Entertainment

Cover: Arlington Baseball Team, late 1930s. Baseball was a popular entertainment by 1900. Both Arlington and East Arlington had teams, as well a school team at Arlington Memorial High School. Team members are identified from left to right as: Back row – James Thompson, Pete Hebert, Harry Hayden, Horace Schwarz, John King; Middle row – Arne Barlund, Paul Squiers, Roy Cole, Art Poulin, Dick Miles, Medric Grover; Front row – unidentified, Ed Doyle, John Forkey, Ralph Sherwin; the bat boy is not identified.

Page 12, Entertainment presented at the town hall August 18, 1904. (A photograph of the Arlington Town Hall ca. 1900 is found on page 51.) This program is typical of the productions presented by local residents for their neighbors. The program opened with the East Arlington Band, followed by a play. Miss Josephine Thayer then presented a song, followed by a second play. The program ended with a violin solo by Miss Dorothy Canfield and two songs. Page 39, Arlington Community Concert at town hall, November 30, 1894 was headlined as “Ye Old Folkse of Ye Towne of Arlington Will Hold a Pleasing Concerte”. This tongue-in-check program intended to be as entertaining as the actual performance. The “College Flapper,” (page 89) a comedy, was performed at the town hall in 1931. Other musical entertainments were fundraisers for organizations. The Red Mountain Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, held a musical benefit on November 17, 1921. Another benefit was held to raise money for a new piano for the school in the 1930s (see p. 19). This program featured the singers and symphony orchestra school band.

Page 21, St. James Guild Fashion Show, August 1939, and Page 76, Sons of Veterans Supper, October, 23 1891. Community suppers and dinners continue to be popular to this day. Churches and other organizations sponsor suppers as a means to raise funds or as a community service.

Page 37, Section Two: 1893 Columbus Dramatic Club Dance Card. Dances were very popular and sponsored by different organizations through the years. The dance card for the Columbus Dramatic Club is typical. The dances were listed on the inside, left page, and dance partners were left blank to fill on the right side. A dance was held at the town hall on January 21, 1870, and we have A. Norton’s dance card. This card is interesting for both the dance music and the ladies Norton danced with that evening. He had four dances with Miss Alice Newell, including the first and last. He also danced with Mrs. P.D. Sischo for three of the twenty dances. A ‘social ball’ was held on January 1, 1885 at Bartlett’s Hotel (the Bank of Bennington now occupies this site), possibly to raise money for the Arlington Skating Rink. A year later, another social ball was held at the Arlington Hotel (the renamed Bartlett Hotel) on December 17, 1886. Music was provided by the Cambridge, New York, band known as Whitcomb’s Full Harp Band.

The types or styles of dance music were varied: contra dance, quadrilles (Basket, Irish, and Sociable), polka (generic and Berlin), waltz (Spanish and traditional), “Tempest,” Lanciers (Plain and Saratoga), Portland Fancy, reels (Virginia, Scotch, and Opera), Military Scottish, “Schottish,” York, Money Musk, Hull’s Victory, French Four, Morning Star, and Patronella.

Page 40, Arlington Theatre movie program, ca. 1950s and page 78, the Battenkill Motion Picture, ca, 1922. The earliest motion picture records in the Russell Collection are the Battenkill Motion Pictures held in the town hall in the 1920s and possibly earlier. These were silent movies, and included “Social Secretary,” 1916 starring Norma Talmadge; “The Americano,” starring Douglas Fairbanks; “The Crab,” with Frank Keenan and Thelma Salter; “Riders of the Law,” 1922; “The Brute Breaker,” 1919; and “The Trembling Hour,” 1919. The Arlington Movie Theatre was on East Arlington Road in East Arlington and owned by owned by Ted Bird’s parents. Today the building is an antique center. Another theatre was located in East Arlington in the Kamber Building. This building burned down in the 1920s and was located on Old Mill Road, about where the fire hall parking is today.

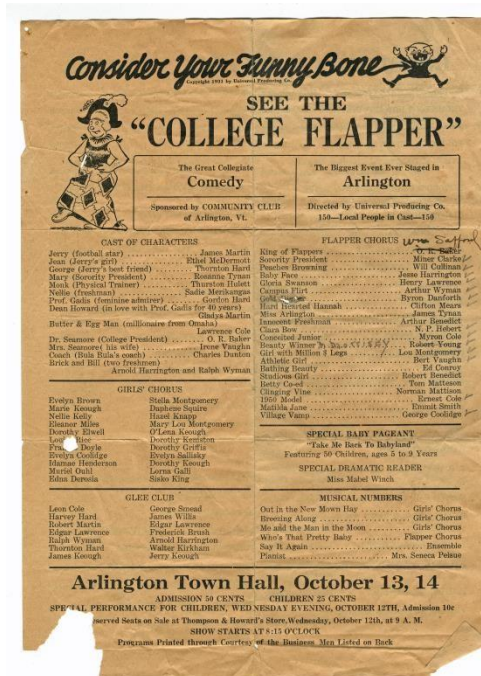
Page 44, Young Men’s Association lectures, and page 47, Section Three: Charles Cagle Art School, Rt. 313. Lectures and classes of various types were common. If you remember Anne of Green Gables you may recall the lectures or recitations that were given in her town. Art classes in Arlington included Charles Cagle’s Art School on Rt. 313 and Ethel Drummond gave piano

lessons in her summer home on School Street (the old school house moved from the north side of the St. James Cemetery), and other classes in sewing and photography.

Page 58, Section Five: Arlington Grange Dance, West Arlington. The Grange dances were popular for many years. Many people that attended the dances recall Norman Rockwell collecting tickets and enjoying the evening as much as anyone else in town. Can you find Norman in this photograph? See the description of town dances listed above for page 37.

Page 52, Section Four: Arlington Chorale, Cathedral in the Pines, Rindge, NH, 1959. Music was an important part of Arlington social life. As seen in the section on Entertainment music was often a part of larger events. One of the longest music traditions was the Arlington Chorale. Founded in January 1957 the chorale performed until April 2006. Musical leadership was provided by three directors; Theodore 'Ted' Cook from 1957 to 1987, Douglas Bischoff from 1988 to 1996, and Linda Hueckel from 1997 to 2006. Earlier chorale programs were staged between 1870 and 1890.

Source: Photographs and descriptions were based on material from the Russell Vermontiana Collection, Martha Canfield Free Library. Prepared by Bill Budde, curator, Russell Vermontiana Collection.



Playbill, *College Flapper*, 1931.