



Annual Report of the Town Officers of

Arlington, Vermont

For the year ending

December 31, 2024

Arlington, Vermont

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

Chartered- July 28, 1761
Area- 26,668 Acres
Population: 2,457

2025 Arlington Town Meeting

Town Meeting

Monday, March 3rd 2025, 6:30 p.m.

**At the Arlington Memorial High School Gymnasium
529 East Arlington Road, Arlington, VT 05250**

Hours of Balloting:

**Tuesday, March 4th, 2025 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
At the Arlington Memorial High School
529 East Arlington, VT 05250**

**If you would like an absentee ballot mailed to you, please call the Town Clerk at
802.375.2332**

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WARNING

Warning

March 3, 2025

The inhabitants of the Town of Arlington, Vermont, qualified to vote in Town Meeting, are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Arlington Memorial High School – Gymnasium in said Arlington on Monday evening, March 3, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of acting upon and deciding the following Articles 1 through 6, specified below. After completion of these articles, the meeting will stand recessed until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 4, 2025 to act upon Articles 7 through 36. The polls will be open at the Arlington Memorial High School – Gymnasium, on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.

Article 1. To hear the reports of the town officers

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.

Article 3. To see if the voters authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the previous fiscal year to reduce taxes in the current fiscal year unless otherwise approved by balloted item.

Article 4. 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, 2025, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer or postmarked, on or before November 5, 2025.

Article 5. Shall the Town of Arlington adopt all budget articles by Australian ballot pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2680(c).

Article 6. To transact any further business found necessary and proper when met. After any further business under Article 6, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

Article 7. To elect the following Town Officers:

Moderator 1 year term

Town Clerk 3 year term

Select Board 2 year term

Select Board 3 year term

Select Board 3 year term (One Year Remaining)

Lister 3 year term

Delinquent Tax Collector 1 year term

Cemetery Commissioner 3 year term

Trustee of Public Funds 3 year term

Articles 8 through 16 to vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the funding for the following Capital Reserve Funds.

Article 8. To authorize the sum of \$60,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.

Article 9. To authorize the sum of \$15,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington backhoe, excavator, and loader.

Article 10. To authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.

Article 11. To authorize the sum of \$5,000.00 into a Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance/removal of diseased and hazardous trees.

Article 12. To authorize the sum of \$20,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.

Article 13. To authorize the sum of \$30,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for Town bridges & culverts.

Article 14. To authorize the sum of \$100,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.

Article 15. To authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.

Article 16. To authorize the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance park equipment.

Articles 17 through 36 under provisions of 24 V.S.A. 2691. Shall the Town vote by ballot to appropriate general funds toward the support of social service agencies.

Article 17. To appropriate the sum of \$61,500.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.

Article 18. To appropriate the sum of \$25,850.00 for the support of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library, Inc. to provide services to the residents of the voters.

Article 19. To appropriate the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.

Article 20. To appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community House.

Article 21. To appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.

Article 22. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.

Article 23. To appropriate the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.

Article 24. To appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.

Article 25. To appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').

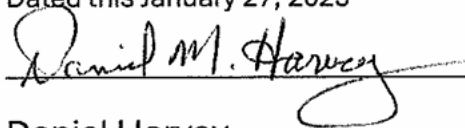
Article 26. To appropriate the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.

Article 27. To appropriate the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc.

Article 28. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.

Article 29. To appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).
Article 30. To appropriate the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern VT Council on Aging.
Article 31. To appropriate the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.
Article 32. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.
Article 33. To appropriate the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.
Article 34. To appropriate the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.
Article 35. To appropriate the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.
Article 36. To appropriate 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.

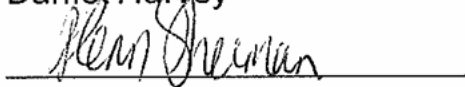
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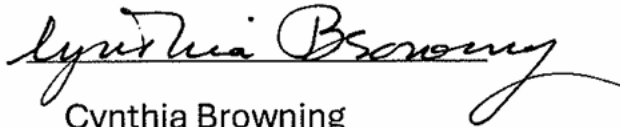
Daniel Harvey



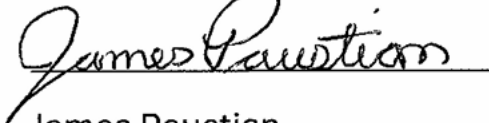
Matthew Bykowski



Glenn Sherman



Cynthia Browning



James Paustian

TOWN OFFICERS- ELECTED

Town Officers – Elected
(Term Expires in Year Shown)

Moderator	1 year	3/2025	John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk	3 year	3/2025	Robin S. Wilcox
Selectman	2 year	3/2027	Cynthia Browning
	3 year	3/2027	Glenn Sherman Jr.
	3 year	3/2025	James Paustian
	2 year	3/2025	Daniel Harvey*
	3 year	3/2026	Matthew Bykowski**
Listers	3 year	3/2025	Lee Cross
	3 year	3/2027	Joseph Garger
	3 year	3/2026	Earl LaBatt
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year	3/2025	Kendell Jennings
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year	3/2026	Ali Zaiac
	3 year	3/2025	Nathalie Caler
	3 year	3/2027	William Bryan
Trustees of Public Funds	3 year	3/2025	Patricia Williams
	3 year	3/2026	Paula Shulman
	3 year	3/2027	Carol Fay
Town Representative	2 year	11/2026	Robert Hunter
	2 year	11/2026	Kathleen James
Justice of the Peace	2 year	2/2027	Judy Bryan
			Susan Jennings
			Karen Krulikowski
			Keith Squires
			Chelsea Thompson
			Susan Wirkki
			Ali Elwell Zaiac

* Denotes Chairperson ** Denotes Appointment

TOWN OFFICERS- APPOINTED

Town Officers – Appointed

(Term expires in year shown) * Denotes Chairperson

Health Officer	3 year	4/2027	Daniel Harvey
Deputy Health Officer	3 year	4/2027	Nick Zaiac
Town Treasurer	3 year	3/2025	Christian Dickinson
Tree Warden	2 year	4/2026	Willy Knight
Inspector of Lumber	3 year	4/2026	Matt Bykowski
Fence Viewers	3 year	4/2026	Jamie Paustian, Daniel Harvey, Glenn Sherman
Land Use Administrator	3 year	4/2027	Joan Nash
Fire Chief	1 year	12/2025	Brian Hawley
Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2025	Eric Marko
Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2025	Vince Thompson
Fire Warden	5 year	6/2028	Jamie Paustian
Town Planning Commission	2 year	4/2026	Jonathan Murray
	3 year	4/2025	Elliott Nachwalter
	2 year	4/2026	Michael Murno
	4 year	4/2027	Sebastian Massey
	3 year	4/2025	Tom Williams
	2 year	4/2025	Sunjit Chawla
	3 year	4/2027	Garrett Siegel*
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2 year	4/2026	Anthony Smith
	3 year	4/2027	Caitlyn Hawley
	3 year	4/2026	Travis Evans
	2 year	4/2025	Louis Parrot
	3 year	4/2027	Andrew Rodriguez *
	3 year	4/2027	Chris Wehrman
	2 year	4/2025	Jenna Tait
Emergency Mgt. Director	2 year	4/2025	Nick Zaiac
BCRC Representative	3 year	4/2025	Nick Zaiac
	2 year	4/2025	Cynthia Browning (Alternate)
Town Energy Coordinator	1 year	4/2025	Nick Zaiac
Sign Administrator	3 year	4/2027	Joan Nash
Animal Control Officer		Indefinite	Robert Perry
Energy Committee	2 year	4/2026	Mardi Crane
	2 year	4/2025	Alexandra Ernst
	2 year	4/2026	Jenny Murtaugh
	2 year	4/2025	Joan Nash
	3 year	4/2025	Karen Lee
	3 year	4/2026	Stephanie Moffett-Hynds*
	3 year	4/2027	Mary Anne Holmes

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

Town School District Officers

(Term expires in year shown)

Moderator	1 year	3/2025	John L. Whalen II
School District Clerk	3 year	3/2025	Robin S. Wilcox
School District Treasurer		Indefinite	Christian Dickinson
School Directors	2 year	3/2025	Daniel Wood
	2 year	3/2026	Jessica Bachiochi
	3year	3/2026	Teresa Wilcox
	3 year	3/2025	Nicol Whalen*
	3 year	3/2027	Todd Wilkins

* Denotes Chairperson

SECTION ONE: FINANCIAL REPORTS OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Schedule of Salaries, Wages and Allowable Expenses

**2024
Town of Arlington**

CLERK	\$23,100	+ FEES PER YEAR
SELECTBOARD: CHAIRMAN	\$2,400.00	PER YEAR
SELECTBOARD: PER MEMBER	\$2,000.00	PER YEAR
MODERATOR	\$200.00	PER YEAR

BY DISCRETION OF SELECT BOARD

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$19.89	PER HOUR
CLERK ASSISTANT	\$14.00	PER HOUR
TREASURER/FINANCE ADMIN	\$40.00	PER HOUR (including school)
TREASURER ASSISTANT	\$16.00	PER HOUR
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	\$19.89	PER HOUR
LISTERS	\$15.77	PER HOUR
HEALTH OFFICER	\$300.00	PER YEAR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$6,000.00	PER YEAR
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	\$2,634.62	BIWEEKLY
HIGHWAY		
ROAD FOREMAN	\$28.50	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$25.00	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$23.50	PER HOUR
PARK AND RECREATION		
PARK LEAD	\$23.50	PER HOUR
MILEAGE	Current Federal Rate	PER MILE

Town Treasurer's Report

Many of you don't know me yet as I started my new position as Town Treasurer/Finance Administrator in May of 2024. I would like to thank the Select Board for choosing me for this wonderful opportunity to serve the Town of Arlington and its residents. It has been a smooth transition so far with the help of Town Hall staff Nick Zaiac, Janet Barry, and especially Robin Wilcox, our Town Clerk, who has been so incredibly helpful with any question or problem I needed help to solve; she is amazingly patient, a wealth of knowledge and such an integral asset to this town. I would also like to thank Tiffany Mays for agreeing to orient me to the position, for her professionalism throughout the process and for her continued support. I wish her the best in her future endeavors.

The 2024 property tax season went amazingly well and without issue. While we gear up for another year please remember if you are a property owner to file your Vermont Homestead Declaration AND Property Tax Credit Claim (HS-122) and the Household Income Schedule (HI-144) due April 15th. You can visit the Vermont Department of Taxes to either download the forms or file the forms directly through MyVTax. You can also stop by the Town Hall to pick up the forms as well. If you are a new resident to Vermont or have any questions regarding these forms or their purpose please feel free to reach out to me or the Vermont Department of Taxes website for an explanation.

My winter office hours are Monday through Wednesday 10-3, Thursday working remotely. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or to introduce yourself. I look forward to another successful year!

Best wishes for a healthy and happy 2025,
Christian Dickinson, Finance Administrator/Town Treasurer/School Treasurer
Christian.Dickinson@arlingtonvermont.org 802-375-1260

Capital Reserve Fund

PARK EQUIPMENT FUND

Park Equipment Balance 1/1/2024	\$16,958.00
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Fund Balance 12/31/2024	\$19,458.00

TOWN BACKHOE AND LOADER FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$104,810.83
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$15,000.00
2024 Expenses	-\$38,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$81,810.83

TOWN BRIDGES FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$197,706.91
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$30,000.00
State of Vermont Revenue	\$78,526.71
2024 Town Bridges Expenses	-\$67,480.36
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$238,753.26

BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$46,958.59
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$49,958.59

COMPUTER FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$22,774.68
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$22,774.68

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Fire Truck Fund Balance 1/1/2024	\$174,275.40
2024 Voted Fire Truck Appropriation	\$100,000.00
2024 Fire Truck Expenses	-\$58,447.20
Fire Truck Fund Balance 12/31/2024	\$215,828.40

EXTRACTION TOOLS FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$11,425.00
Extraction Tools Fund Balance 12/31/2024	\$11,425.00

GENERATOR FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$5,664.40
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$5,664.40

GRADER FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$19,396.70
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$19,396.70

HAZARDOUS TREE FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$20,404.98
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$25,404.98

RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$4,933.23
Land Records Income	\$1,400.00
11-7-20-340.00 YE Balance Transfer	\$478.50
Expenses	-\$231.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$6,580.73

SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$45,219.37
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$6,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$51,219.37

SPECIAL HIGHWAY

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$293,023.87
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$20,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$313,023.87

TRUCK FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$178,195.48
2024 Voted Appropriation	\$50,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$228,195.48

YELLOW BARN FUND

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$16,478.00
2024 Auditors Adjustment	-\$8,440.76
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$8,037.24

Other Fund Balances

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS – 19 & 20

ASTCHR - Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$2,719.32
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$2,719.32

BRHR - Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$30,496.30
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$30,496.30

REAPPRAISAL FUND – 21

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$144,832.94
Received from State of Vermont	\$13,461.50
Reappraisal Accounts Balance 12/31/2024	\$158,294.44

DISCRETIONARY FUND – 22

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$6,343.15
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$6,343.15

AUDIT FUND – 24

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$59,441.67
Audit Expenses	-\$22,700.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$36,741.67

ARPA FUNDS – 25

Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$665,669.84
ARPA Expense	-\$198,488.53
Balance in Fund 12/31/2024 - Funds held in Op Checking	\$467,181.31

GRANTS 51-53

51-Grants Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$14,651.91
Grant Revenues	\$6,434.13
Grant Liability	\$1,296.21
Grant Expenses	-\$6,203.12
Grants Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$16,179.13

52-Grants Battenkill Dredging Balance 1/1/2024	\$5,595.59
Grants Battenkill Dredging Balance 12/31/2024	\$5,595.59

53- Grants FEMA Balance in Fund 1/1/2024	\$33,342.64
Grants FEMA Balance in Fund 12/31/2024	\$33,342.64

PUBLIC FUNDS 61 - MANAGED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Please note that these funds are managed by the Trustees of Public Funds and the values listed are pulled directly from our reporting system (NEMRC). For further details please see the Trustee's report.

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$23,320.20
Edith & Emmett Smith Funds	\$3,022.26
Florence Holden & Tricentennial Funds	\$3,392.16
Trustee Accounts Balance 12/31/2024	\$29,734.62

GENERAL FUNDS 11

General Fund Balance	\$582,960.89
Petty Cash	(\$90.00)
Delinquent Taxes-Principal	(\$200,412.57)
Delinquent Taxes-Interest	(\$17,536.03)
Delinquent Taxes-Penalty	(\$10,249.33)
Cash on Hand as of 12/31/24	\$354,672.96

Tax Rate

Set July 22, 2024

2024 TAX RATE SET – July 18, 2024

Town of Arlington Taxes:

2024 Voted Municipal General Budget		\$1,148,929.00
2024 Voted Municipal Highway Budget		<u>\$898,312.00</u>
Total 2024 Voted Municipal Budget		\$2,047,241.00
Less 12/31/2023 Cash on Hand		430,661.33
Less Anticipated Income		<u>\$261,905.00</u>
Net Town Taxes to be Raised(\$760,378GEN X \$594,295HWY)		\$1,354,647.00
Municipal Grand List	\$3,217,807.00	
Municipal General Tax Rate of \$00.2400 raises		\$772,273.00
Municipal Highway Tax Rate of \$00.1887 raises		<u>\$607,200.00</u>
		\$1,379,473.00

Local Agreement Rate:

Locally Voted Exemptions of \$1,293,900 x Non-homestead Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.7353, amount to be raised		\$22,453.05
Voted Veterans Exemptions of \$240,000.00 x Homestead Education Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.5646 amount to be raised		<u>\$3,755.04</u>
Total to be Raised for Local Agreements		\$26,208.09
Municipal Grand List	\$3,217,807.00	
Local Agreement Tax Rate of \$0.0082 raises		\$26,386.02

Total 2024 Municipal Tax Rate Set \$00.4369 to be raised by taxes \$1,405,860

Arlington Education Tax Rate as set by VT Tax Department:

Homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.5646
Non-homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.7353

Tax Rates established and duly approved by the Selectmen per authority voted at 2024 Annual Town Meeting.

Total Homestead Tax Rate	\$2.0015
Total Non-homestead Rate	\$2.1722

Property Tax Collection – 2024

Current Taxes:	By annual Vote – Property tax bills available by September 4 th . Payment due date is November 4th. Partial payments accepted January 1 st to November 4 th .
Delinquent Taxes:	Delinquency is immediately after November 4 th 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 31 st of the property tax year; 4% additional penalty is added after December 31 st . Total penalty is not to exceed 8%.
Tax Sale:	Tax Sales will take place annually for properties owing more than one year. A current payment agreement is the only way to avoid tax sale.

Town of Arlington Auditor's Report

Below is a the unaudited trial balance from the town's accounting system. Audited financial statements will be made available on request once they have been completed later in the spring.

Trial Balance - GENERAL FUND

Account/Description	Budget
11-1-00 TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	
11-1-00-101.00 General Checking	\$2,381,751.23
11-1-00-101.02 Property Tax Deposit Chkn	\$112,679.85
11-1-00-101.10 Collater. Money Market	\$0.00
11-1-00-103.00 Cash on Hand	\$90.00
11-1-00-120.00 Delinquent Taxes-Principa	\$200,412.57
11-1-00-120.01 Delinquent Taxes-Interest	\$17,536.03
11-1-00-120.02 Delinquent Taxes-Penalty	\$10,249.33
11-1-00-131.00 Due From Other Funds	-\$2,092,943.27
11-1-00-150.00 Arts & Enrichment Project	\$0.00
Account/Description	Budget
11-2-00-131.00 Interfund Borrowed Money	\$0.00
11-2-00-150.00 Bank fees owed by Resdnts	-\$56.15
11-2-00-421.00 Accounts Payable	\$0.00
11-2-00-450.00 TAN	\$0.00
11-2-00-471.01 Federal Withholding	\$5,599.64
11-2-00-471.02 Vt. Withholding	\$2,687.95
11-2-00-471.03 VT Municipal Ret. DB EE	\$2,926.51
11-2-00-471.04 Personal Witholding	\$0.00
11-2-00-471.05 VT Municipal Ret. ER	\$1,015.77
11-2-00-471.06 VT Municipal Ret. DC EE	\$0.00
11-2-00-603.00 Encumbrances	\$0.00
11-2-01-461.00 DTC Penalties	\$0.00
11-2-01-461.01 DTC Penalties	\$3,507.94
11-2-01-481.00 Prepayment/Overpayment	\$6,363.05
11-2-03-410.12 Dog Lic State Fee	\$160.00
11-2-03-410.14 Marriage Lic State Fee	\$580.00
11-2-03-410.16 VT Fish & Wildlife	\$6.00
11-2-03-461.01 TC Recording fees	\$90.00
11-2-03-461.02 Dog Lic. TC Fees	\$188.00

11-2-03-461.03 Lic. & Tobacco TC Fee	\$0.00
11-2-03-461.04 Marriage Lic TC Fee	\$50.00
11-2-03-461.05 Land Use Admin Fees	\$40.00
11-2-09-140.01 Town Reciprocity/Collabor	\$0.00
11-2-09-461.00 Misc. TC Fees	\$0.00
11-2-10-471.00 Admin Health Benefit	-\$6,922.38
11-2-10-530.00 Phone due to from	\$0.00
Account/Description	Budget
11-3-00-770.00 Fund Balance	\$582,960.89

Town of Arlington Budget and Proposed Expenditures for 2024 and 2025

Operating Budget

Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
11-6 TOTAL REVENUE			
11-6-01 DELINQUENT TAXES & INTERE			
11-6-01-001.00 Property taxes	\$581,746	\$581,746	\$634,735
11-6-01-001.01 PriorYrStateAdjustmnt	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-01-002.00 Taxes, delinquent	\$0	\$130,672	\$0
11-6-01-003.00 Taxes, delin., interest	\$8,000	\$16,316	\$0
11-6-01-004.00 Delinquent Taxes Penalty	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-01-005.00 Tax Sale Redemption	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Property Taxes	\$589,746	\$728,733	\$634,735
11-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$25,000	\$139	\$25,000
11-6-02-001.01 Income from Fines	\$1,500	\$118	\$1,500
11-6-02-001.02 State of VT - GT PTA DISB	\$0	\$23,439	\$0
11-6-02-001.03 State of VT - GT LUC DISB	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-02-001.04 State of VT Hold Harmless	\$0	\$41,773	\$0
11-6-02-001.05 State of VT - PILOT	\$0	\$15,882	\$15,000
11-6-02-002.00 SchoolTaxPriorYear	\$0	\$67,925	\$0
11-6-02-003.00 US Treasury	\$10,000	\$0	\$0
11-6-03-001.01 Town Clerk/Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-03-001.02 Town Clerk/Dog Licences	\$1,000	\$1,010	\$1,000
11-6-03-001.03 Town Cl.Liq.& Toba. Licen	\$80	\$875	\$80
11-6-03-002.00 Animal Control	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-03-003.00 Rentals	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-03-004.00 Zoning Fees	\$3,600	\$6,084	\$4,000
11-6-03-004.01 CCB Local Fees	\$0	\$315	\$0
11-6-03-005.00 Zoning Fines	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-05-001.00 Interest	\$15,000	\$71,906	\$20,000
11-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-06-061.00 ARPA	\$0	-\$4,500	\$0
11-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	\$0	\$119	\$0
11-6-09-099.01 Misc-property pymt	\$0	\$0	\$0

11-6-09-099.02 MISC HEALTH INS	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-09-099.03 MISC Donations	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-09-099.71 AP Reimbursements from WD	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total General Revenue	\$56,180	\$225,084	\$66,580
Total Revenue Administration	\$645,926	\$953,818	\$701,315
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
11-7 ADMINISTRATION			
11-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
11-7-10-110.01 Salaries/Chair. Select Bd	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
11-7-10-110.02 Salaries/Selectmen (4)	\$8,000	\$7,733	\$8,000
11-7-10-110.03 Salaries/Town Clerk	\$23,100	\$23,100	\$23,100
11-7-10-110.04 Salaries/Treasurer	\$40,000	\$29,958	\$41,200
11-7-10-110.05 Clerical	\$28,996	\$26,901	\$29,866
11-7-10-110.06 Listing/Labor	\$35,000	\$25,343	\$36,050
11-7-10-110.07 Town Clerk Assistant	\$3,300	\$4,536	\$8,655
11-7-10-110.08 Treasurer/Assistant	\$4,500	\$1,341	\$4,500
11-7-10-110.09 Town Elections/Poll Worke	\$750	\$1,066	\$750
11-7-10-110.10 Auditor/Labor	\$10,000	\$1,350	\$0
11-7-10-110.11 Board of Civil Authority	\$100	\$0	\$100
11-7-10-110.12 Health Officer	\$300	\$300	\$300
11-7-10-110.13 Land Use Labor	\$10,000	\$9,184	\$10,300
11-7-10-110.14 Land Use Permits	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
11-7-10-110.15 ZBA/Clerical	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-10-110.16 Animal Control	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
11-7-10-110.17 Town Administrator	\$68,500	\$68,500	\$70,555
11-7-10-110.18 Tax Collectors Fees/penat	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-10-110.19 Salary/Moderator	\$200	\$200	\$200
11-7-10-110.20 TownClerkFees	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-10-110.21 T.ClkDogLicenses	\$1,000	\$175	\$1,000
11-7-10-110.22 T.ClkLiq.Licenses	\$80	\$0	\$80
11-7-10-210.01 T.ClrkHealthIns	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$4,000
11-7-10-210.02 Treas.Health Ins	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
11-7-10-210.03 Admin.Asst.Hlth	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
11-7-10-210.04 Assessor Health Ins	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
11-7-10-210.05 AdministratorHlthIns	\$0	\$3,758	\$45,096
11-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	\$32,000	\$26,446	\$32,000
11-7-10-230.00 Vt. Employee Pension	\$11,000	\$10,575	\$11,000
11-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	\$1,802	\$2,014	\$1,767
11-7-10-290.00 Vt. Unemployment	\$2,105	\$2,215	\$2,149
11-7-10-471.00 Child Care Contribution	\$0	\$1,659	\$3,000
11-7-10-530.01 Cellular Stipend	\$1,500	\$0	\$840
Total Payroll and Benefits	\$307,633	\$266,754	\$351,908
11-7-20 OFFICE OPERATIONS			
11-7-20-330.01 Repair,Pur.,Train- Equip	\$7,000	\$315	\$7,000
11-7-20-340.00 Town Clerk/Microf/Restora	\$1,500	\$543	\$1,500

11-7-20-431.00 Xerox/Copier	\$1,000	\$1,096	\$1,000
11-7-20-530.00 Comm and Wifi Services	\$4,600	\$6,731	\$6,400
11-7-20-530.01 Comm & Data sharing sftwr	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-20-531.00 Office Operations Postage	\$2,000	\$1,638	\$2,000
11-7-20-540.01 Planning Comm./Notices	\$1,000	\$1,144	\$1,000
11-7-20-540.02 ZBA/Legal Notices	\$1,000	\$406	\$1,000
11-7-20-550.01 Auditor/Town report/Print	\$2,000	\$4,342	\$2,500
11-7-20-550.02 Zoning by laws	\$500	\$0	\$500
11-7-20-580.01 Meetings & Mileage	\$400	\$336	\$400
11-7-20-610.01 Supplies	\$4,000	\$2,483	\$4,000
11-7-20-610.02 office expense	\$3,200	\$3,170	\$3,200
11-7-20-610.03 Computer Expense	\$3,500	\$3,207	\$3,500
11-7-20-610.04 Listers/office expenses	\$2,000	\$949	\$1,500
11-7-20-610.05 website	\$150	\$95	\$150
11-7-20-610.13 Office - Software Expense	\$3,000	\$3,039	\$3,200
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Total Office Operations	\$36,850	\$29,493	\$38,850
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
11-7-30 TOWN HALL			
11-7-30-411.00 Water Service	\$490	\$488	\$650
11-7-30-421.00 Rubbish Removal	\$2,300	\$2,015	\$2,100
11-7-30-423.01 Janitorial	\$8,000	\$7,078	\$8,000
11-7-30-423.02 Snow Removal	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-30-450.00 Repairs & Services	\$18,000	\$4,363	\$18,000
11-7-30-520.00 Insurance	\$2,314	\$2,433	\$2,791
11-7-30-610.00 Equipment & Supplies	\$600	\$529	\$600
11-7-30-622.00 Electricity	\$4,000	\$5,183	\$5,500
11-7-30-624.00 Fuel	\$5,300	\$7,274	\$6,300
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Total Town Hall	\$41,004	\$29,363	\$43,941
11-7-70 GENERAL EXPENSES			
11-7-70-320.01 Professional Consulting	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-330.01 Animal Control	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-330.02 Arlington Green Up	\$600	\$321	\$600
11-7-70-330.03 Audit by outside firm	\$0	\$911	\$10,000
11-7-70-330.04 Public Safety	\$15,000	\$1,077	\$0
11-7-70-330.05 B.C.R.C.	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
11-7-70-330.06 Landfill/Solid Waste/Recy	\$20,000	\$15,783	\$16,000
11-7-70-330.07 Land fill/Regional(ISWAP)	\$1,400	\$1,595	\$1,600
11-7-70-330.08 HsehldHazWste	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-330.09 EmergCareAnimalCtrl	\$400	\$0	\$400
11-7-70-330.10 BCSWA	\$10,507	\$22,308	\$16,610
11-7-70-330.11 Town Plan	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-331.01 Water Co Appraisal	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-333.00 Legal Fees	\$8,000	\$7,444	\$8,000
11-7-70-333.01 Tax Sale Expenses	\$3,000	\$339	\$3,000
11-7-70-340.00 Tax Mapping	\$1,000	\$1,468	\$1,500
11-7-70-340.01 NEMRC SERVICES	\$8,500	\$7,469	\$8,500
11-7-70-411.00 Hydrants	\$0	\$0	\$0

11-7-70-424.00 Vt Comm.work service/lawn	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-490.00 Taxes/County	\$27,000	\$29,077	\$31,500
11-7-70-520.00 Insurance	\$9,828	\$10,333	\$11,852
11-7-70-530.01 General Other Communicati	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-540.00 Legal Notices	\$1,200	\$1,533	\$1,500
11-7-70-550.00 Town Elections/Ballots	\$3,500	\$2,443	\$2,700
11-7-70-560.01 Membership/Dues/VLCT/Othe	\$4,500	\$4,472	\$4,500
11-7-70-560.02 VTAssocConsv.Distrcts	\$100	\$0	\$100
11-7-70-610.00 Emergency Management	\$3,000	\$2,420	\$3,000
11-7-70-610.01 General COVID Expenses	\$500	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-622.00 Street Lights	\$15,000	\$14,115	\$14,000
11-7-70-622.01 Fees due to Solar Panels	\$5,000	\$6,964	\$6,500
11-7-70-740.00 Forest Fire Warden	\$2,500	\$1,503	\$2,500
11-7-70-840.00 TaxSales/LndUse/Abate	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-840.01 Prior Year School Tax	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-990.00 Miscellaneous	\$0	\$1,150	\$0
11-7-70-990.01 Town Flags	\$500	\$485	\$500
11-7-70-990.02 Misc. Refunds	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-70-990.10 Memorials and awards	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total General Expenses	\$147,035	\$139,209	\$150,862
11-7-80 DEBT SERVICE			
11-7-80-830.00 Borrowed money	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
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Total Debt Service	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
11-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
11-7-90-810.03 SinkingFundMaintTwnOwnBld	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
11-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Computer	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-90-810.06 Sink.FundAuditOutsideFirm	\$0	\$0	\$0
11-7-90-810.35 Sinking Fund Rest./Pres.	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Reserve Funding	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
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Total Administration	\$538,522	\$467,819	\$591,561
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
11-8-95 APPROPRIATIONS			
11-8-95-950.01 Arlington Area Childcare	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$2,250
11-8-95-950.02 Arl.Community Club, Inc.	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
11-8-95-950.03 Arlington Community Nursi	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
11-8-95-950.04 Benn.CoalitionForHomeless	\$500	\$500	\$500
11-8-95-950.05 Benn.CtyConservationDist.	\$360	\$360	\$360
11-8-95-950.07 Sunrise Fam. Resource Ctr	\$500	\$500	\$500
11-8-95-950.08 BROC	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
11-8-95-950.09 Assoc. for the blind	\$500	\$500	\$500
11-8-95-950.10 Martha Canfield Library	\$23,500	\$23,500	\$25,850
11-8-95-950.11 Neighbor to Neighbor	\$750	\$750	\$750
11-8-95-950.12 Project Against Violence	\$450	\$450	\$450
11-8-95-950.13 Ctr Restorative Justice	\$540	\$540	\$540
11-8-95-950.14 Benn. Project Independenc	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800

11-8-95-950.15 SWVT Council on Aging	\$1,530	\$1,530	\$1,530
11-8-95-950.16 The Tutorial Center	\$450	\$450	\$450
11-8-95-950.17 Rescue Squad	\$61,500	\$61,500	\$61,500
11-8-95-950.18 R.S.V.P.	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
11-8-95-950.19 Vt. Center Indepen.Living	\$295	\$295	\$295
11-8-95-950.20 Habitat For Humanity	\$779	\$779	\$779
11-8-95-950.21 GNAT-TV	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000

Total Appropriations	\$107,404	\$107,404	\$109,754
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Total Expenditures Administration	\$645,926	\$575,223	\$701,315
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Total General Fund

Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
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12-6 HIGHWAY REVENUE

12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$817,812	\$817,812	\$849,397
12-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-02-001.01 Irene-State	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-02-001.02 State of Vermont	\$30,000	\$36,817	\$30,000
12-6-02-001.03 State of Vermont	\$40,000	\$46,319	\$40,000
12-6-02-001.04 State of VT HWY Supplmnt	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-02-001.05 State of VT GIA.	\$10,000	\$16,124	\$10,000
12-6-02-001.06 State of Vermont	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-04-001.00 ASD Fuel Reimb	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-06-001.00 Water Dept.	\$500	\$0	\$500
12-6-09-099.00 Misc	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-6-09-442.01 Hwy Equip. Hours Reimb	\$0	\$5,465	\$0
12-6-09-650.00 Hwy Materials Reimb.	\$0	\$161	\$0

Total Highway Revenues	\$898,312	\$922,698	\$929,897
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12-7 HIGHWAY SUMMARY

12-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS

12-7-10-110.00 Labor	\$171,900	\$157,932	\$180,027
12-7-10-110.01 Special Labor	\$6,200	\$0	\$0
12-7-10-130.00 Overtime	\$30,000	\$12,178	\$30,000
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	\$100,000	\$55,477	\$109,296
12-7-10-210.01 DOT Physicals	\$600	\$135	\$600
12-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A	\$8,800	\$12,944	\$14,000
12-7-10-230.00 Vt. Municipal Pension	\$10,500	\$11,629	\$12,500
12-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	\$9,282	\$9,903	\$9,099
12-7-10-290.01 Vt.Unemployment	\$6,127	\$5,669	\$4,298
12-7-10-290.03 Uniforms/T Shirts	\$5,000	\$4,452	\$5,000
12-7-20-530.01 Cellular Stipend	\$660	\$560	\$660
12-7-10-580.00 Training/workshops	\$500	\$0	\$500

Total Payroll and Benefits	\$349,569	\$270,877	\$365,980
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12-7-30 TOWN GARAGE			
12-7-20-530.00 Internet Service	\$1,250	\$1,089	\$1,300
12-7-30-411.00 Water Service	\$470	\$488	\$660
12-7-30-421.01 Rubbish	\$1,200	\$1,077	\$1,200
12-7-30-421.02 Oil removal	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-30-430.00 Maintenance	\$4,000	\$1,128	\$4,000
12-7-30-490.00 Petroleum Tank Assessment	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-30-520.00 Insurance	\$3,760	\$3,953	\$4,535
12-7-30-610.01 Supplies	\$8,000	\$4,390	\$8,000
12-7-30-610.02 Equipment	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
12-7-30-622.00 Electricity	\$1,500	\$1,393	\$1,500
12-7-30-623.00 Oxygen & Propane	\$1,000	\$1,222	\$1,200
12-7-30-624.00 Fuel Oil	\$4,000	\$3,977	\$4,000
12-7-30-990.00 Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-40-422.00 Outside Plow Labor	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Town Garage	\$26,680	\$18,718	\$27,895
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
12-7-42 CLASS 2 ROADS			
12-7-42-330.00 Striping/sealing	\$12,000	\$7,904	\$11,000
12-7-42-450.01 Blacktopping	\$7,500	\$8,500	\$8,500
12-7-42-450.02 Guard rails	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-42-450.03 Tree & Brush	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
12-7-42-450.04 E. Arlington wall	\$200	\$0	\$200
12-7-42-460.00 Culverts & bridges	\$16,000	\$0	\$10,000
12-7-42-460.01 Permit Fees	\$1,500	\$675	\$1,200
12-7-42-610.01 Signs	\$2,000	\$160	\$3,000
12-7-42-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	\$1,000	\$360	\$1,000
12-7-42-650.01 Gravel/stone	\$11,000	\$9,839	\$11,000
12-7-42-650.02 Salt	\$28,000	\$10,656	\$28,000
12-7-42-650.03 Sand	\$16,000	\$6,247	\$16,000
12-7-42-650.04 Chloride	\$4,600	\$4,535	\$4,600
12-7-42-650.05 Hot mix	\$500	\$0	\$500
12-7-42-650.06 Cold patch	\$1,500	\$538	\$1,500
12-7-42-650.07 Sidewalk maintenance	\$5,000	\$12,000	\$5,000
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Total Class 2 Roads	\$112,800	\$61,413	\$107,500
12-7-43 CLASS 3 ROADS			
12-7-43-330.01 Sidewalks	\$100	\$0	\$0
12-7-43-330.02 Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-43-422.00 S. Arlington Plowing	\$15,000	\$9,520	\$15,000
12-7-43-450.01 Tree Removal	\$6,000	\$2,800	\$6,000
12-7-43-450.02 Guard rails	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-43-460.01 Bridges & Culverts	\$7,000	\$7,945	\$11,000
12-7-43-460.02 Rebuilding	\$35,000	\$20,414	\$35,000
12-7-43-490.00 Permits & Fees	\$1,500	\$675	\$1,000
12-7-43-520.00 Bridges/Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-43-610.01 Signs	\$1,000	\$381	\$1,000
12-7-43-610.02 Grass seed, etc.	\$1,000	\$1,121	\$2,500

12-7-43-650.01 Gravel/stone	\$50,000	\$38,721	\$50,000
12-7-43-650.02 Salt	\$12,000	\$6,794	\$12,000
12-7-43-650.03 Sand	\$30,000	\$12,655	\$30,000
12-7-43-650.04 Chloride	\$6,400	\$11,791	\$11,000
12-7-43-650.05 Hot/cold mix	\$500	\$0	\$500
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Total Class 3 Roads	\$165,500	\$112,817	\$175,000
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
12-7-60 TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT			
12-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	\$30,000	\$29,377	\$35,000
12-7-60-432.02 Inspections	\$400	\$120	\$400
12-7-60-442.00 Rental equip.	\$6,000	\$4,995	\$1,000
12-7-60-520.00 Insurance	\$4,660	\$5,442	\$5,819
12-7-60-610.00 Supplies	\$14,000	\$13,336	\$14,000
12-7-60-610.01 Safety Equipment	\$600	\$0	\$600
12-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/Lubricants	\$3,500	\$4,204	\$3,500
12-7-60-627.01 Diesel	\$31,000	\$26,003	\$31,000
12-7-60-740.00 Equip.purchase/lease	\$4,000	\$1,337	\$1,000
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Total Trucks and Equipment	\$94,160	\$84,815	\$92,319
12-7-70-330.00 Grants in Aid Management	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$3,000
12-7-70-442.01 WD Equip. Hours Reimb.	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-70-530.01 General Other Communicati	\$4,800	\$4,435	\$4,900
12-7-70-580.00 Mileage	\$500	\$0	\$500
12-7-80-442.00 Grader Lease Payment	\$16,803	\$16,802	\$16,803
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Total Misc. Expenses	\$23,603	\$22,737	\$25,203
12-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
12-7-90-810.01 Resurfacing	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
12-7-90-810.02 Backhoe and Loader	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
12-7-90-810.03 Sinking Fund/Grader	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Town Trucks	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$60,000
12-7-90-810.05 Sink Fund Sidewalk/Mainte	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
12-7-90-810.07 Bridges & Culverts	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
12-7-90-810.08 Hazardous Tree Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
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Total Highway Reserve Funding	\$126,000	\$126,000	\$136,000
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Total Highway Expenses	\$898,312	\$697,377	\$929,897
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Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
13-6 FIRE DEPT REVENUE			
13-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$170,058	\$170,058	\$173,521
13-6-04-001.00 Service to Sandgate	\$26,993	\$0	\$27,543
13-6-04-002.00 Town of Sunderland	\$72,882	\$72,882	\$74,366
13-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
13-6-09-099.00 MISCELLANEOUS	\$0	\$0	\$0
13-6-09-099.01 Misc. Don. for Volunteers	\$0	\$0	\$0
13-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$167	\$0

Total Fire Department Revenue	\$269,933	\$243,107	\$275,430
13-7 FIRE DEPARTMENT			
13-7-10-110.00 Stipends	\$13,250	\$13,275	\$13,750
13-7-10-220.00 F.I.C.A.-	\$1,014	\$882	\$1,014
13-7-10-260.00 workmen's compensation	\$3,241	\$1,841	\$1,595
13-7-10-290.01 Medical	\$6,000	\$8,940	\$9,000
13-7-10-290.02 Insurance	\$10,185	\$13,013	\$10,321
13-7-20-530.00 Comm and Wifi	\$10,000	\$12,679	\$12,500
13-7-20-530.01 Dispatch Services	\$8,250	\$8,250	\$8,250
13-7-20-580.00 Training School	\$4,000	\$465	\$4,000
13-7-20-610.00 OffSply/ComputerReportin	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,000
13-7-30-622.00 Electricity	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
13-7-30-624.00 Fuel for Fire Houses	\$8,000	\$8,581	\$8,500
13-7-60-432.00 Maintenance	\$42,000	\$42,038	\$42,000
13-7-60-627.00 Oil/gas/lulbricants	\$1,000	\$1,867	\$2,000
13-7-60-627.01 Diesel	\$4,000	\$3,206	\$4,000
13-7-70-421.00 FD Haz Waste Disposal	\$0	\$3,698	\$0
13-7-70-441.00 Rental on Houses	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
13-7-70-500.00 S.Arl/Cambridge Agreement	\$1,600	\$0	\$1,600
13-7-70-560.00 VSFA Dues	\$1,000	\$630	\$1,000
13-7-70-610.00 Medical equip/supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0
13-7-70-740.00 New Equipment	\$50,000	\$45,517	\$50,000
13-7-70-990.00 Emergency Contingency	\$893	\$98	\$900
13-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
13-7-90-810.00 Sinking Fund/New Fire Tr.	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
13-7-90-810.01 Sinking Fund/Extraction Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Fire Department Reserve Funding	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total Fire Department Expenditures	\$269,933	\$264,982	\$275,430
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
14-6 CEMETERY REVENUE			
14-6-01-001.00 Perpetual Care	\$0	\$0	\$0
14-6-01-001.01 Property Taxes	\$20,825	\$20,825	\$20,975
14-6-03-001.00 Sale of Lots	\$1,000	\$2,600	\$1,200
14-6-04-001.00 Burial/Recording/Cornerst	\$750	\$3,225	\$1,000
14-6-04-002.00 Cremation Fee	\$0	\$0	\$0
14-6-05-001.00 Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0
14-6-09-099.00 Misc	\$0	\$0	\$0
14-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Cemetery Revenue	\$22,575	\$26,650	\$23,175
14-7 Cemetery			
14-7-10-110.00 Cemetery Salaries	\$850	\$850	\$850
14-7-10-220.00 FICA	\$75	\$52	\$75
14-7-20-990.00 Office Misc	\$50	\$40	\$50
14-7-30-300.00 Operating Contract	\$15,000	\$13,710	\$15,000

14-7-30-300.01 OperatingMaintenance	\$6,600	\$4,978	\$6,600
14-7-70-990.00 PerpCare	\$0	\$0	\$0
14-7-70-990.01 misc	\$0	\$0	\$600

Total Cemetery Expenditures	\$22,575	\$19,630	\$23,175
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Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
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15-6 PARK REVENUE

15-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$94,895	\$94,895	\$81,167
15-6-02-001.01 State of Vermont	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-6-04-001.00 Reimb.Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-6-04-002.00 Town of Sandgate	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
15-6-04-003.00 Town of Sunderland	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
15-6-04-004.00 Arlington School	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$6,100
15-6-04-005.00 ArlingtonLionsClub	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-6-04-006.00 Golf Association/Membrshp	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-6-06-001.00 Grants	\$0	\$0	\$24,000
15-6-09-001.00 Golf Donations	\$3,000	\$2,671	\$3,000
15-6-09-002.00 Park Donations	\$100	\$1,027	\$100
15-6-09-003.00 CONCESSION	\$0	\$250	\$0
15-6-09-099.00 Misc Income	\$0	\$8,095	\$0
15-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$1,447	\$0

Park Revenue Total	\$110,495	\$120,885	\$122,367
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15-7 PARK & RECREATION

15-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS

15-7-10-110.00 Labor	\$30,000	\$33,860	\$37,760
15-7-10-130.00 Overtime	\$500	\$1,294	\$1,000
15-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	\$25,460	\$38,191	\$33,822
15-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	\$1,720	\$2,711	\$3,750
15-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	\$2,200	\$2,453	\$3,300
15-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	\$1,995	\$2,168	\$1,917
15-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	\$2,083	\$1,829	\$1,075
15-7-10-530.01 Cell Phone Stipend	\$320	\$280	\$420

Total Payroll and Benefits	\$64,278	\$82,785	\$83,044
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15-7-20 ADMINISTRATION

15-7-20-520.00 Insurance	\$680	\$714	\$820
15-7-20-530.00 Comm and Wifi Services	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-7-20-610.01 Office Supplies	\$200	\$0	\$0

Total Administration	\$880	\$714	\$820
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Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
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15-7-30 PARK BUILDINGS

15-7-30-411.00 Water	\$820	\$712	\$1,100
15-7-30-421.00 Rubbish	\$2,000	\$2,534	\$2,400
15-7-30-450.00 Maintenance	\$5,000	\$815	\$5,000
15-7-30-520.00 Insurance	\$317	\$333	\$383

15-7-30-610.00 Supplies	\$2,000	\$2,649	\$2,000
15-7-30-622.00 Electricity	\$4,000	\$4,595	\$4,100
15-7-30-730.00 Golf Course Improvements	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500
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Total Park Buildings	\$16,637	\$11,639	\$17,483
15-7-41 GOLF COURSE			
15-7-41-411.00 Water	\$500	\$359	\$620
15-7-41-610.00 GrassSeed/Fertilizer	\$500	\$1,140	\$1,500
15-7-41-610.01 Course Supplies	\$1,000	\$0	\$200
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Total Golf Course	\$2,000	\$1,499	\$2,320
15-7-42 FIELDS & GROUNDS			
15-7-42-460.03 Ice Rink	\$0	\$0	\$0
15-7-42-650.00 GrassSeed/Fertilizer	\$2,000	\$467	\$2,000
15-7-42-650.01 Maintenance	\$10,000	\$11,265	\$9,000
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Total Fields and Grounds	\$12,000	\$11,733	\$11,000
15-7-60 EQUIPMENT			
15-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	\$6,000	\$482	\$2,000
15-7-60-627.00 Gas/Oil/Lubricants	\$1,200	\$1,719	\$2,200
15-7-60-627.01 Diesel	\$1,500	\$33	\$500
15-7-60-740.00 Equip.Purchase	\$3,000	\$2,965	\$0
15-7-60-740.01 EquipmentLease	\$500	\$0	\$500
15-7-70-450.00 Playground	\$0	\$24,000	\$0
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Total Equipment	\$12,200	\$29,200	\$5,200
15-7-90-810.37 Park Capital Equipment Fund	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
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Total Park	\$110,495	\$140,070	\$122,367
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
Grants Budget			
16-6 ARTS & ENRICHEMENT REV			
16-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$0	\$0	\$0
16-6-09-099.00 Income from Art & Enr. Pr	\$0	\$0	\$0
16-7 ARTS & ENRICHMENT EXP			
16-7-70-990.00 Expenses for Arts & Enr P	\$0	\$0	\$0
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20-6 MISC. ACCOUNTS REV.			
20-6-05-001.01 ASTCHR Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0
20-6-05-001.02 BRHR Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Misc Accounts		\$0	
21-6 REAPPRAISAL REVENUE			
21-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$0	\$12,045	\$0
21-6-02-002.00 State Vt. Training	\$0	\$1,417	\$0
21-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-6-08-001.00 Transfers In	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-6-09-990.00 misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Reappraisal Revenue	\$0	\$13,462	\$0
21-7-10-110.06 Lister Wages	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-20-531.00 Postage	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-20-550.00 Printing	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-20-580.00 Training/Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-20-610.00 Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-70-330.00 Reappraisal Contract	\$0	\$0	\$0
21-7-90-990.00 Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Reappraisal Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Reappraisal		\$13,462	
22-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
22-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0
22-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Discretionary	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6 Grants Revenue			
23-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.01 Wastewater	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.02 Ancient Roads	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.03 Enhancement/ChurchSt	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.06 HSU Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.07 PLGrntWaterCoStudy	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.08 PublicSafetyEMPG09	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.09 PubSafetyEMPG10	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.10 FEMA	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.11 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.12 Yellow barn grt	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.15 VT Struct BC1496	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.16 MPG-TownPlan	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.17 VTstruct BC1414	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.18 EOC Improvement Project	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.22 cl2rdgrtpo155305	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.24 Cls2Gt PO1736	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-02-001.26 Mun Rds Grts-in-Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.04 Battenkill Dredging	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.10 FEMA	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.11 rRadiosEMPG12	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.12 VtStructures BC1216	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.14 VtStruct BC1321	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.20 FED HGWY ER0090	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-05-001.21 7A SIDEWALK CA0374	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-06-001.26 Mun Rds Grnts-in-aid	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-06-001.27 Act 137 COVID Relief Fd	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-09-099.10 FEMA MISC	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Grants Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.01 Wastewater	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.02 Ancient Roads	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.03 Enhancement/ChurchSt	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.04 Battenkill Dredging	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.06 HSU	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.07 PLGrntWaterCoStudy	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.08 PublicSafetyEMPG09	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.09 PubSafetyEMPG10	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.10 FEMA	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.11 RadiosEMPG12	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.12 VTStructures BC1216	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.13 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.14 VtStruct BC1321	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.15 VT Struct BC1496	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.16 MPG-TownPlan	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.17 VT struct BC1414	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.18 EOC Improvement Project	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.20 FED HGWY ER0090	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.21 7A SIDEWALK CA 0374	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.22 Class2Gt PO155305	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.23 YellowBarn	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.24 cls 2 road grant PO1736	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.26 Mun Rds Grts-in-Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-70-990.27 Grants Gen. Misc. Expense	\$0	\$0	\$0
23-7-90-860.00 Grants Due to other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Grants Expenses		\$0	
Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
Capital Budget			
Audit Fund			
24-6-01-001.00 appropriation	\$0	\$0	\$0
24-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
24-6-08-001.00 Transfer In	\$0	\$0	\$0
24-6-09-099.00 MISC	\$0	\$0	\$0
24-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Audit Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
24-7-70-330.00 Contract	\$16,500	\$0	\$0

24-7-70-330.03 Audit by Outside firm	\$0	\$22,700	\$16,500
Total Audit Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Audit	-\$16,500	\$0	\$0
25-6-06-101.00 ARPA Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total ARPA Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total ARPA Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
25-7 ARPA EXPENSES			
25-7-70-990.11	\$0	\$2,588	\$0
25-7-70-990.12 ARPA - Hwy Expenses	\$80,000	\$112,375	\$80,000
25-7-70-990.13 ARPA - Fire Dept Expenses	\$30,000	\$62,111	\$30,000
25-7-70-990.15 ARPA - Park & Rec Expense	\$15,000	\$26,714	\$15,000
25-7-70-990.71 ARPA - Water Dept.	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000
Capital Reserve Revenues			
31-6-03-001.35			
31-6-04-001.23 Fire Truck Ins.	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-04-001.35 Rest./Pres. NEMRC income	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.10 CRF CKBK	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.21 Yellow Barn	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.22 Copier	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.23 Fire Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.24 Town Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.26 Grader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.27 Spec Highway	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.29 Town Bridges	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.30 Hazardous Tree Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.31 Town Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.32 Computers	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.34 Generator	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-05-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.10 CRF CKBK	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.21 Yellow Barn	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.22 Copier	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.23 Fire Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.24 Town Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.26 Grader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.27 Soec. Highway	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.29 Town Bridges	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.30 Hazardous Tree Rev	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.31 Town Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.32 Computers	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.34 Generator	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.36 FD Extraction Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-08-001.37 Park Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.21 YellowBarnDonations	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.23 Fire Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.24 Town Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.26 Grader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.27 Special Highway	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.29 Town Bridges	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.30 Hazardous Tree Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.31 Town Buildings GRT monies	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.33 OLD MILL ROAD WALL	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.34 Generator	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.36 FD Extraction Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-001.37 Park Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-002.21 YB - Dog Park	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-099.21 YB Misc	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Capital Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-09-400.21 YB Community Garden Exp	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-40-463.27 Spec. Hwy Cl 3 paving	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.10 CRF CKBK	\$0	\$1,214	\$0
31-7-80-700.21 Yellow Barn	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.22 Copier	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.23 Fire Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.24 Town Truck	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.25 Backhoe & Loader	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.26 Grader	\$0	\$0	\$0

31-7-80-700.27 Spec. Highway	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.28 Sidewalk & Equip	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.29 Town Bridges	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.30 Hazardous Tree Expenses	\$0	\$350	\$0
31-7-80-700.31 Town Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.32 Computers	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.33 Old Mill Road Wall	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.34 Generator	\$0	\$0	\$0
31-7-80-700.35 Restoration/Preservation	\$0	\$0	\$0
32-7-70-742.00 Fire Truck – Purchase	\$0	\$58,447	\$0
34-7-70-700.00 Backhoe	\$0	\$38,000	\$0
37-7-42-650.00 CFR SIDEWALK & EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0
38-7-70-300.00 Engineer Studies	\$0	\$67,480	\$0
43-7-10-110.00 Records Processing	\$0	\$231	\$0
51-6-06-001.00 EAB GRANT	\$0	\$5,333	\$0
51-6-06-001.21 7A SIDEWALK CA 0374	\$0	\$1,101	\$0
51-7-70-990.21 7A SIDEWALK CA 0374	\$0	\$6,203	\$0
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Capital Expenses	\$0	\$178,359	\$0
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Total Capital	\$0	-\$178,359	\$0

Budget Summary Table

	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2024 Property Tax	2025 Budget	2025 Property Tax
General/Admin	\$645,926	\$575,223	\$581,746	\$701,315	\$634,735
Highway	\$697,377	\$697,377	\$817,812	\$929,897	\$849,397
Fire Department	\$269,933	\$264,982	\$170,058	\$275,430	\$173,521
Cemetery	\$22,575	\$19,630	\$20,825	\$23,175	\$20,975
Park	\$110,495	\$140,070	\$94,895	\$122,367	\$81,167
Totals	\$1,947,241	\$1,697,282	\$1,685,336	\$2,052,184*	\$1,759,795

Total nontax revenues of **\$292,389.00****

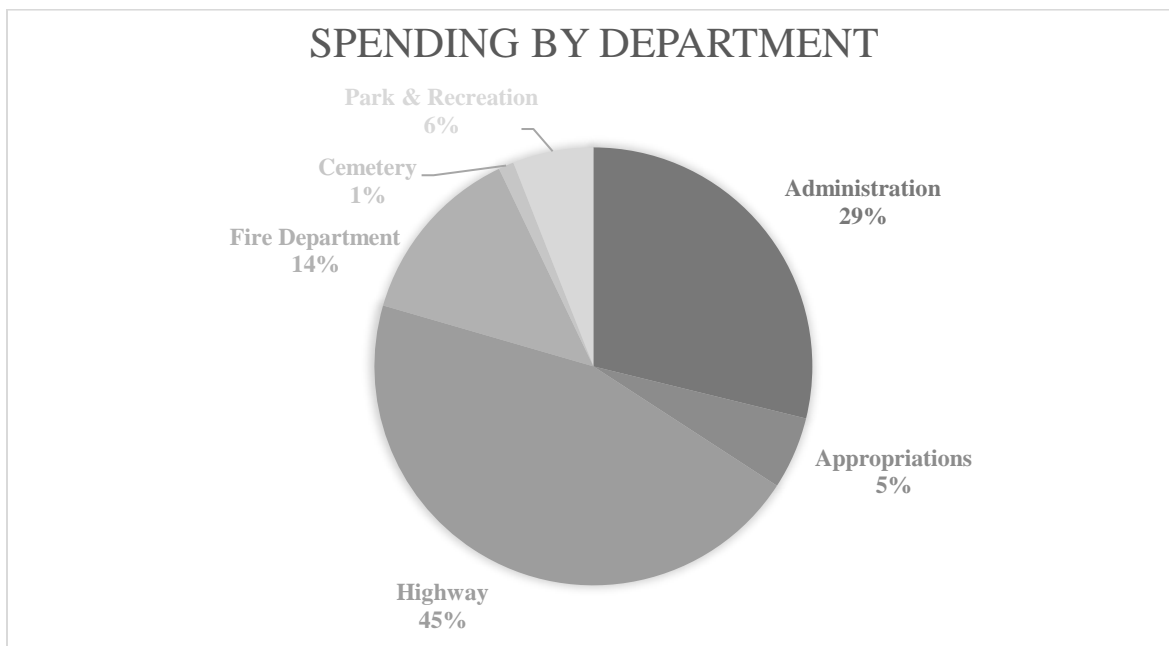
Total appropriations of **\$351,254*****

Amount to be raised by taxes to be voted from the floor: **\$1,346,432**

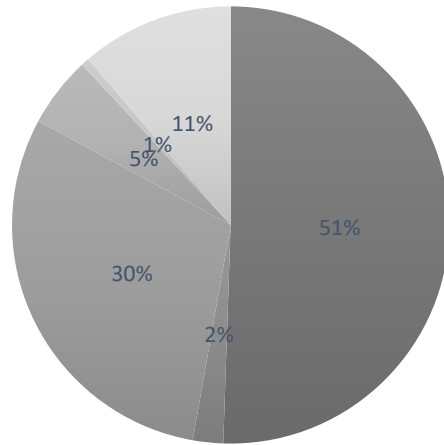
Amount to be raised by taxes from the floor=Total Budget* minus Nontax Revenues** minus all balloted appropriations***

Total “Floor Budget” excluding on-ballot appropriations: **\$1,700,930**

Budget Charts

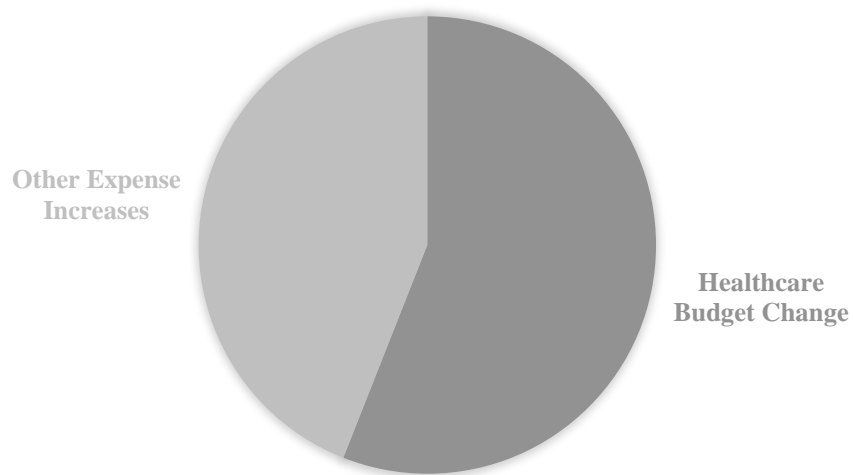


BUDGET CHANGE BY DEPARTMENT



■ Administration ■ Appropriations ■ Highway ■ Fire Department ■ Cemetery ■ Park & Recreation

HEALTHCARE COSTS AS A FRACTION OF TOTAL SPENDING INCREASE



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 Select Board, 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 budget.

Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041
Town Highway Trucks			Projected Life																	
2021 International CV Plow/Salt	2032	TH-1	11 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$140,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2015 International Plow/Sander	2026	TH-2	11 Yrs	\$0	\$310,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$340,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
2019 International Plow/Sander	2031	TH-3	11 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$325,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Replacement Cost				\$0	\$310,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$325,000	\$140,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$340,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$50,000	\$60,000	\$65,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
Balance CRF Trucks (as of 12/31)				\$228,195.48	\$28,195	\$93,195	\$163,195	\$233,195	\$308,195	\$58,195	-\$6,805	\$68,195	\$143,195	\$223,195	\$303,195	\$383,195	\$123,195	\$203,195	\$283,195	\$363,195
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041
Town Highway Equipment																				
2015 Doosan Loader	2033	TH-101	18 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2022 Deere Grader*	2048	TH-102	26 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2017 Wacker Neuson Excavator	2042	TH-103	25 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Doosan Excavator	2042	TH-104	25 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2016 John Deere 3039 Tractor	2027	TH-105	11 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Replacement Cost				\$0	\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$15,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Balance CRF Equipment+Grader (as of 12/31)				\$101,207.53	\$116,208	\$131,208	\$21,208	\$41,208	\$96,208	\$131,208	\$166,208	\$81,208	\$116,208	\$151,208	\$186,208	\$226,208	\$266,208	\$306,208	\$346,208	\$386,208
*Deere Grader moves to operating budget at annual cost of \$16,803 2023-2029 under lease-purchase																				
**CRF Equipment does not include wood chipper replacement around 2030, paid via CRF Hazardous Trees																				
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041
Town Bridges & Culverts																				
BR # 21, TH #11	2040	BR #13		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
BR # 4, TH # 1	2045	BR #4		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
BR # 17, TH #22	2026	BR #17		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000
BR # 24, TH #23	Repair	BR #24		\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CULVERT #1202, TH #12	2032	CL #1202		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Replacement Cost*				\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$30,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$70,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000
Balance CRF Bridges & Culverts (as of 12/31)				\$268,803	\$178,803	\$228,803	\$278,803	\$338,803	\$258,803	\$338,803	\$318,803	\$408,803	\$508,803	\$608,803	\$708,803	\$808,803	\$918,803	\$1,028,803	\$1,138,803	\$48,803

*Note: Amounts shown on this line assume bridge replacement only with a maximum-size Trans Structures Grant except 2026

Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041
Town Fire Trucks																				
2004 Rescue Pumper	2032	FD-74	28 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2023 Rescue Pumper	2040	FD-75	17 yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$450,000	\$0
2013 Pumper	2041	FD-76	28 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1999 Pumper	2027	FD-77	28 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2004 Brush Truck	2034	FD-78	30 Yrs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Replacement Cost																				
				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$450,000	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payment to CRF (Projected)																				
				\$100,000	\$100,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$115,000	\$115,000	\$115,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000
Balance CRF Firetrucks (as of 12/31)																				
				\$315,828	\$415,828	\$525,828	\$185,828	\$300,828	\$415,828	\$530,828	\$200,828	\$320,828	\$240,828	\$365,828	\$490,828	\$615,828	\$290,828	\$420,828	\$100,828	\$230,828

We acknowledge these tables are very small and challenging to make look good in print in booklet format.

Email the Town Administrator at nick.zaiac@arlingtonvermont.org for the spreadsheet version.

SECTION TWO: REPORTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Arlington Select Board

As we reflect on 2024, the Arlington Select Board is proud of the progress we've made across various key initiatives. This year, we strategically invested in the town's physical infrastructure using federal ARPA funds, which has allowed us to improve productivity, reduce reliance on property taxes, and avoid incurring debt. Additionally, we have made key hires that have brought professional expertise to our departments, strengthening our town's operations.

Highway Department

Under the leadership of Supervisor Mark Robinson, who completed a comprehensive VTrans training program, the Highway Department has made significant strides in maintaining and modernizing our roads. Two major water quality improvement projects were successfully completed: the rebuilding of Lower Wilcox Road and the steepest section of River Road. These projects not only enhance our infrastructure but also align with state regulations.

With ARPA funds, we purchased a new, larger excavator, a sidewalk salter, and a mower to boost the department's efficiency. In December, we received an engineering report on the Benedict Crossing Bridge, outlining options for repair or replacement. Although the projected costs were higher than anticipated, we are committed to setting aside funds each year for this critical project. Additionally, we welcomed Andy Griffis to the Highway crew, and for 2025, we are planning further road repairs and culvert replacements, including work on Warm Brook Road and River Road.

Fire Department

The Fire Department made significant safety upgrades this year with the help of ARPA funds. These investments include new SCBA air packs for interior firefighting, an outfitted side-by-side for wilderness rescues, and new helmets for all firefighters. These improvements ensure that our first responders have the best equipment to keep both themselves and our community safe.

Arlington Recreation Park

The Arlington Recreation Park saw exciting developments in 2024, including the installation of a new playground funded by generous community donors. We look forward to children enjoying this new space come spring. Additionally, we invested in substantial improvements to the ballfields and purchased a donor-funded lawnmower to enhance park maintenance. ARPA funds will also support ADA upgrades and other improvements to the park bathrooms, with a second new lawnmower planned. In 2025, we'll continue with bathroom improvements and begin planning for the future of the golf course.

Treasurer's Office

A significant change this year was the transition from an elected to an appointed Treasurer, as approved by voters. We are pleased to welcome Christian Dickinson as our new Treasurer/Finance Administrator. With her extensive experience and training, Christian has already made significant strides in improving our financial management and ensuring that the town's finances are in good hands.

Arlington Water Department

We also welcomed Josh Brace as the new operator of the Arlington Water Department (AWD). Josh brings valuable experience and has already begun modernizing the department. In the coming months, the AWD will undertake a major regulatory compliance project to address long-standing design issues at the pump house. It's important to note that the AWD is fully funded by ratepayers, with no property tax dollars involved in its operations. Some ARPA funds were also allocated to AWD projects and operations.

2025 Budget

Looking ahead to 2025, the Select Board is committed to keeping most areas of spending level, while prioritizing an increase in compensation for our dedicated employees—our most valuable asset. This investment in "human capital" reflects our deep appreciation for their hard work and dedication. We hope to achieve this while minimizing any increase in property taxes.

Challenges Ahead

Rising health insurance costs continue to be a significant challenge. In the future, the town may need to reduce the share of health insurance premiums that it covers for employees. Health insurance costs are responsible for about half of the overall increase in town spending, and this remains a key issue as we move forward.

Additionally, property appraisals in Arlington remain relatively low compared to peer communities. To address this, the Select Board has approved a contract for a town-wide reappraisal, as required by the State of Vermont. However, delays in the reappraisal process have made it difficult to predict when this project will be completed, which may impact future budgeting decisions.

Looking Toward the Future

As we move into 2025, we are confident that the progress made in 2024 lays a strong foundation for a sustainable future. Our goal is to continue operating with a high level of compliance, professionalism, and competence in all departments, ensuring that Arlington remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

We are grateful for the continued support of the Arlington community and look forward to working together to meet the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

Select Board Members:

Daniel Harvey, Chair, Cynthia Browning, Glenn Sherman, Jamie Paustian, Matt Bykowski, Nick Zaiac, Town Administrator

Arlington Cemetery Commissioners

The Commissioners are pleased to report a successful year. We continue to address the maintenance needs of the cemeteries at only modest taxpayer subsidy. We have been very pleased with the state of cemetery maintenance under care of our groundskeeper, Jay Coonradt.

We thank the Arlington Highway Department for repairs to the roads in West Arlington Cemetery after damage from summer rains.

We encourage all those who plan to be buried in Arlington public cemeteries to make arrangements early. Each year we are engaged in stone straightening and attempt to make these cemeteries as attractive as possible. We intend to undertake a substantial stone straightening project at the West Arlington Cemetery this spring. If you'd like to help out, please contact us. If you have an interest in serving as a cemetery commissioner in the future, please reach out to the town office and we'd be happy to give an introduction into how Arlington's cemeteries are run. We are thankful for the support of the Select Board, the Town Administrator, the Town Clerk, and the employees of the Town of Arlington. We encourage all visitors, lot owners, and residents to feel free to make comments and/or suggestions to make our cemeteries better.

Nathalie Caler, Ali Elwell Zaiac, William Bryan

Delinquent Tax Collector Report

First, I would like to thank you for your vote of choosing me to be the Delinquent Tax Collector for the Town of Arlington. I am looking forward to serving you again this year, so please vote for me when it is time. Below is a brief breakdown of transactions from the 2024 year.

As always, I am available for questions, concerns, comments, etc. You can easily contact me on my cell phone by calling me or texting me at 802-379-0055.

Thank you again.

Respectfully,

Kendell Jennings, Town of Arlington, Delinquent Tax Collector

3/7/24 – 12/31/24 – Delinquent taxes & Delinquent interest that I have collected - \$147,067.43

As of 1/7/2025 – Breakdown of taxes owed by year (2020-2024)

2020	\$4,906.57
2021	\$12,303.27
2022	\$13,898.24
2023	\$33,753.03
2024	\$181,808.77

Listers Annual Report

Every year we are asked to provide an update of our activities for this annual report. Because of the recent upsurge in the prices paid for real estate (above our 2021 reappraisal) the state has mandated that we reappraise again. This situation has effected most of the municipalities in Vermont, causing an enormous workload for the firms that undertake these projects, but a contract has been signed with the company that did our last reappraisal, expected to begin in

2027 and completed in 2029. The cost of the project will be covered by an earmarked annual funding from the state. Please do not let this cause you any concern over a rise in your property tax. Your tax is a result of the town and school budgets, which are approved by your vote. As usual, the listers will be doing our annual field visits in March and April, as weather permits. If your property has made any change in value, either up or down, please notify us, so we can make the appropriate adjustments.

Each year we remind all property owners to file their Homestead Declaration (HS-122) on a timely basis. This is required every year, if you own and occupy your primary residence on April 1. If your tax returns are done by a service, make sure your HS-122 is included. Our office hours are Monday to Thursday, 9AM to 1PM, should you have any questions. Our phone is 802-375-9022 and E-Mail is Lister@arlingtonvermont.gov.

Arlington Board of Listers, Earl LaBatt, Lee Cross, and Joe Garger

Town Clerk's Report

2024 was a busy and hectic election year with March Town Meeting & Presidential Primary, August State Primary, and the November General/ Presidential Election. In November we had a great turnout with 1513 voters participating. Thanks to all Arlington voters and election workers for your patience and dedication, which helped the process run smoothly.

It is important to register your dog each year. Registering identifies your dog and is proof of protection against rabies if an animal or person is bitten. When immediate medical attention is needed in this case, any animal not registered and vaccinated can be quarantined or possibly seized. Rabies is deadly.

Please license your dog by April 1st. Altered Dogs- \$13 Non-Altered \$17

The Town Clerk's Office provides many services to our local community. These include: Certified copies of Birth & Death certificates, Deed Record copies, Dog Licenses, Genealogy Records, Hunting & Fishing Licenses, Marriage Licenses, Notary Services, Temporary Automobile Registration, Voter Registration

If you have questions or are in need the services listed below, please stop by or call 802-375-2332.

Sincerely,
Robin Wilcox, Town Clerk

Trustee of Public Funds

During 2024, using the guidelines set for the four funds, the Trustees of Public Funds were able to make two distributions of funds.

The Arlington Lions Club requested and were granted monies from the Edith and Emmett Smith Fund for beautification of the Lions Pavilion Outdoor Space at the Rec Park.

Per the guidelines set forth, the Florence Holden Fund was able to help residents after a devastating fire at their home.

Information about the four funds and their purpose, as well as the role of the Trustees, can be found on the official town website – <https://arlingtonvermont.org/trustees-of-public-funds/>

If you have any questions or would like to apply for money from the Edith and Emmett Smith Fund or the Florence Holden Fund; arrange for a donation or the potential creation of a new fund; please contact the Trustees by email at arlingtonvtTPF@gmail.com.

Carol Fay, Paula Shulman, Pat Williams

Edith and Emmett Smith Fund		Perpetual Care Fund	
1/1/2024	\$4,223.54	1/1/2024	\$21,043.22
Interest	8.72	Interest	326.98
Lions Club	-1,200.00	Cemetery Plot Sales	1,950.00
Bank Fees	-10	12/31/2024	\$23,320.20
12/31/2024	\$3,022.26	Investment for Perpetual Care Fund*	
Florence Holden and Tricentennial Fund		1/1/2024	\$122,104.93
1/1/2024	\$5,360.02	Change in Value	15,687.39
Interest	32.14	12/31/2024	\$137,792.32
Payment to Resident	-2,000.00		
12/31/2024	\$3,392.16		

SECTION THREE: REPORTS OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Arlington Fire Department

The Fire Department had a high-volume year in 2024 that kept us active day and night throughout the year.

In total we responded to 172 calls for assistance in 2024. Arlington - 94 calls, Sunderland - 51 calls, Sandgate - 8 calls, Manchester - 8 calls, Dorset - 2 call, Shushan NY - 2 calls, Shaftsbury - 5 calls, Bennington- 2 calls

Beyond the calls, we worked with the Select Board to ensure the department has the equipment it needs to keep you safe while keeping an eye on costs. We were thankful that the Board allocated ARPA funds to pay for a new side by side for wilderness rescues and forest fires, bought new helmets and a few SCBA air packs, and hired an engineer to begin the process of exploring a potential long-term replacement for our precariously-positioned station in East Arlington. We were also thankful for the town’s purchase of a new pickup truck to be used to move firefighters and equipment to fire scenes.

We always have the need for new members, and will have junior member positions available as well. If you're looking to volunteer in our community and work with a great group of firefighters, stop by any Tuesday evening for an application. The hardest part of becoming part of the Fire Department is walking through the door the first time.

As always, remind you to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and ensure your family has a plan in the event of a fire.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted, Chief Brian Hawley, 1st Assistant Eric Marko, 2nd Assistant Vince Thompson

Arlington Energy Committee

2024 was another busy year for the Arlington Energy Committee. As a recipient of a mini-grant from the Municipal Energy Resilience Program. The AEC hosted an energy and resilience outreach fair on June 1st. Hundreds of Arlington residents and other members of the public attended. To demonstrate that carbon-free events are possible, great care was taken by AEC members to assure that all details including food, raffle prizes, & outreach materials had as little carbon impact as possible. Dozens of tree saplings, donated by an Arlington resident, were given to fair attendees. The only requirement to receive a sapling was a commitment to planting and nurturing the young trees. Carbon sequestered by the trees will offset the small amount of carbon emitted from the fair's activities, thereby making the event net-carbon-zero.

The AEC is in process of enhancing its carbon calculating tool to include formulas that will forecast carbon emission reductions after energy improvements are made. The committee is very close to finalizing the calculating tool product. It will be available for public use, particularly as a template for other Vermont towns and energy committees. In 2023, Town operations emitted approximately 199.5 tons of carbon. Offsets from solar electricity and carbon sequestration by town-owned forest and grasslands resulted in a net carbon footprint of 46 tons. In 2025, the AEC will be making recommendations to the Selectboard about how to achieve the Town's goal of carbon neutrality by 2027.

This past fall, AEC members worked with energy committees from across Bennington County to put on our 4th annual WindowDressers Community Build in both the North and Southshires. Installing WindowDressers' inserts is a simple and cost-effective way to boost energy efficiency—particularly in old homes with leaky windows. In a typical New England home that is heated with oil, a WindowDressers' insert saves an average of approximately 8.5 gallons of oil per year. Per window, that's about 190 pounds in avoided carbon emissions. The dollar savings runs between \$20-\$50, per year, per window.

WindowDressers is a not-for-profit, grassroots organization. Community builds are entirely run by volunteers. Energy committee members custom-measured windows and assembled the precisely cut insert kits. In the Northshire we brought together more than 70 customers and volunteers at the First Congregational Church in Manchester to build over 280 inserts. Raising funds locally, we were able to provide 40% of those inserts at no cost or at a highly-reduced

price. The AEC is grateful to Mack Molding and other generous donors for their support of this effort. We expect our Northshire effort to continue in 2025. You can learn more about the program and sign up for your inserts at WindowDressers.org.

The AEC meets on the first Wednesday of every month and as always invites the community to attend the meetings whether remotely or in person at the town hall. Meeting dates, agendas, as well as all minutes from our past meetings can be found on the town website. If you are interested in joining us, please feel free to contact us at arlington.energy.committee@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted, Karen Lee on behalf of the Arlington Energy Committee

Fire Warden

The Arlington Fire Wardens issued 81 permits to kindle an open fire in 2024. We had two reportable grass & brush fires in Arlington and several more in Sandgate and Sunderland. We had a moderate to severe drought affect the Northeast in late fall subsequently having the State issue a “**No Burn Order**” for several weeks. In cases such as this there is absolutely NO BURNING until the order is lifted. The Wardens received several requests during this time and dealt with several non-compliance issues. These orders are put in place for everyone’s safety. Please be cautious when approaching a ground fire from a downed tree as power lines are sometimes involved, which can also cause electrocution.

Please remember it is illegal to burn trash or debris all the time and you must have a permit to burn brush, leaves, and clean wood anytime unless there is 3” of snow cover.

Please remember when you receive a Burn Permit you must be present for the entire time the fire is burning and you cannot leave a fire unattended overnight. Furthermore, if transporting wood debris from another site, this will require an additional permit from the State Agency of Natural Resources.

Please call for a permit before burning and to see that the State has not issued a “RED FLAG” or “NO BURN ORDER”. This means no outside burning is permitted due to weather conditions. This could result in a fine and potentially a bill for the cost to extinguish a fire.

Fire Warden James Paustian 802-733-1961
Deputy Warden Brian Hawley 802-558-2230
Deputy Warden Mike Wood 802-681-8230

Respectfully Submitted
James Paustian, Fire Warden 2023-2028

Health Officer

The Town Health Officer is an appointed position by the Department of Health of the State of Vermont and this position is over 100 years old. The Selectboard recommends a candidate to fill the position and

the State then make the appointment. In this respect, the position is similar to the Forest Fire Warden in each town in Vermont. Each Town has a Town Health Officer and a local Board of Health (composed of the Town Health Officer and the Selectboard.) The position originally involved controlling communicable disease. Today however, the Town Health Officer's work has shifted toward environmental health issues such as failed septic systems, unsafe drinking water, excess piles of garbage, and related matters. To facilitate this work, the town appointed Nick Zaiac as Deputy Town Health Officer in August 2020.

In this capacity, in conjunction with Deputy Zaiac, I investigated 3 complaint about health and safety issues in 2024. We remind the public that is unlawful to store such quantities of trash that vermin that carry disease are attracted. Please feel free to contact me with any health-related concerns through Deputy Town Health Officer Zaiac at 802-379-9916 or nick.zaiac@arlingtonvermont.org.

Daniel M. Harvey Town Health Officer and Nick Zaiac, Deputy Town Health Officer

Land Use Administrator

2024 Land Use Administrator Report			
Accessory Buildings	2	Letter of Compliance	14
Boundary Line Adjustment	5	New Residence	5
Camps	1	Parking Lot	2
Complaints	21	Play Structures	1
Boundary Line Adjustment	5	Pools / Spa	2
Certificate of Compliance	7	Porches/Decks	9
Customary Home Business	2	Remodel/Additions	6
Demolition	2	Sign Permits	3
Garage	3	Violation notices	3
General Inquiry	51		

I would like to thank the Arlington Planning Commission, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and the town of Arlington staff for their support this past year. I've enjoyed working with our new bylaws to make it easier for residents to do many small residential projects without a zoning permit, saving money, time and stress. Please contact me to find out more about these exemptions or check out the bylaws posted on the town website. My current office hours are reduced to Tues/ Thurs 12 -3 pm, but if these times are inconvenient, please contact me to set up an appointment. As the spring weather returns, I will increase my hours to go keep pace with projects and zoning needs.

Joan Nash, 802-375-1008 joan.nash@arlingtonvermont.org

Planning Commission

In many ways, 2024 was a quieter year for the APC. After the extensive period of revision that led to the adoption of our new Town Bylaws in September 2023, we were content to see that many more projects have been able to be permitted without time-consuming administrative review. A more streamlined review process had been one of the chief goals of our 2023 Bylaw Revision.

In 2024, the APC continued to discuss the issues that are most likely to affect the town both now and in the future. We discussed the Affordable Housing Crisis as well as the Short Term Rental (STR) situation and looked at how towns have reacted to these concerns across the state. We analyzed the bills being developed and passed by the Vermont Legislature and Senate and how they may affect us over time, most notably the state's decision to enforce River Corridor Zoning after the devastating flooding seen in the state over the last couple of years. Additionally, we have discussed ways to better inform new homeowners as well as current residents of our bylaws and of Arlington's permitting requirements.

The APC is principally responsible for preparing municipal plans, bylaws, and related reports as well as for conducting public outreach, including public hearings. The commission is also responsible for site plan, subdivision, and planned development review. We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month with the exception of the months of November and December when a single meeting is generally held in early December. These meetings are open to the public, and community participation is always encouraged and appreciated.

I would like to thank my fellow commission members, including our Land Use Administrator, Joan Nash, the Town Administrator, Nick Zaiac, and the Select Board for their time, support, and expertise throughout the past year.

Garret Siegel, Chairman

Arlington Planning Commission as of 12/31/24: Garret Siegel, Michael Murno, Tom Williams, Sebastian Massey, Sunjit Chawla, Eliot Nachwalter, Jon Murray

SECTION FOUR: ARLINGTON WATER DEPARTMENT

Report of the Chief Operator

I joined the Arlington Water Department as its Chief Operator in Fall 2024. Burr Snow, the previous operator transitioned to a backup role at that time, teaching me all I need to know about the system from his years of work for the Arlington Water Company and later the town.

I was born and raised in East Arlington where I still call home. I attended Arlington Memorial High School; after graduating I would go onto college receiving a bachelor’s degree in environmental science and a minor in Biology from Lyndon State College. Shortly after I started my water and wastewater career at the Winhall-Stratton Fire District #1, a water and wastewater system for Stratton Mountain ski resort and surrounding condos/homes. I hold my grade 3 public water systems operator permit, Grade 1 Domestic wastewater operator permit, and my wastewater laboratory certificate. After a few years I transitioned to Bromley Mountain ski resort to become the Assistant Chief Operator for the water and wastewater system. After increasing my knowledge and understanding of the complexities of water and wastewater, I joined the Town staff a couple months ago.

I am extremely grateful to be given the opportunity to be chief water operator in the town of Arlington. I intend to focus on evaluating the water systems’ greatest assets and how they can be improved and protected. I intend to use my knowledge from previous systems and Burr to provide the highest quality and safest drinking water to Arlington. My office is always open. Please reach out or stop by with any questions or concerns!

Josh Brace, Chief Operator

Water Department Budget

Account	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY-2024	Budget FY - 2025
71-6 WATER DEPT REVENUE			
71-6-04-001.00 Metered Water Receipts	\$290,000.00	\$270,646	\$345,947.00
71-6-05-001.00 Billing Interest	\$4,000.00	\$4,049	\$4,000.00
71-6-05-001.01 Project Interest	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-05-001.02 Bank Interest	\$3,000.00	\$6,106	\$3,000.00
71-6-06-061.00 ARPA Funds	\$0.00	-\$40,417	\$0.00
71-6-06-001.00 Grants	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-07-001.00 Borrowed Money	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-07-001.01 Wastewater Loan	\$0.00	\$34,224	\$0.00
71-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$51,915	\$0.00
71-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-09-442.01 WD Equip. Hours Reimb.	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-09-990.01 Misc Revenue	\$103,465.00	\$0	\$103,465.00
71-6-70-820.01 Bank Revenue	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-6-70-860.01 EPA Grant Revenue	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
Total Revenues	\$400,465.00	\$326,523	\$456,412.00

71-7 WATER DEPARTMENT			
71-7-09-990.01 Misc Expense	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
71-7-10-110.00 System Operator Salary	\$60,342.00	\$63,021	\$65,000.00
71-7-10-110.01 Operator Assistant	\$1,000.00	\$0	\$19,200.00
71-7-10-110.02 Clerical	\$7,775.00	\$4,511	\$7,775.00
71-7-10-110.03 Water Department Labor	\$1,500.00	\$0	\$700.00
71-7-10-210.01 Health Insurance	\$13,592.00	\$13,095	\$45,096.00
71-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	\$5,100.00	\$5,169	\$5,200.00
71-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	\$4,500.00	\$4,675	\$4,600.00
71-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	\$3,208.00	\$3,194	\$3,144.65
71-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	\$1,186.00	\$1,158	\$1,074.50
71-7-10-530.01 WD Cellular Stipend	\$420.00	\$420	\$420.00
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Total Payroll & Benefits	\$98,623.00	\$95,242	\$152,210.15
71-7-20 ADMINISTRATION			
71-7-20-320.00 Operator Training	\$150.00	\$0	\$150.00
71-7-20-330.00 Computer Training/Repair	\$200.00	\$544	\$0.00
71-7-20-441.00 RR Lease	\$92.00	\$92	\$92.00
71-7-20-490.00 Permits & Fees	\$3,700.00	\$3,104	\$3,700.00
71-7-20-520.00 Insurance	\$2,029.00	\$2,807	\$611.57
71-7-20-530.00 Telephone	\$300.00	\$171	\$300.00
71-7-20-560.00 Memberships/Subscriptions	\$300.00	\$0	\$300.00
71-7-20-610.00 Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$395	\$2,000.00
71-7-20-610.01 Office Equipment	\$100.00	\$1,753	\$100.00
71-7-20-610.02 WaterQualityReprt	\$700.00	\$0	\$700.00
71-7-20-990.00 Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$966	\$0.00
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Total Administration	\$9,571.00	\$9,831	\$7,953.57
71-7-60 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE			
71-7-60-432.00 Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,200.00	\$421	\$1,200.00
71-7-60-620.00 Fuel	\$1,400.00	\$1,184	\$1,400.00
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Total Equipment Maintenance	\$2,600.00	\$1,605	\$2,600.00
71-7-70 SYSTEM OPERATION			
71-7-70-330.00 Traffic Control	\$1,500.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-330.01 Engineering Services	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-340.00 Sample Testing	\$2,650.00	\$1,405	\$2,000.00
71-7-70-422.00 Snow plowing	\$850.00	\$320	\$450.00
71-7-70-424.00 Grounds Care	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-430.00 Building Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$1,335	\$2,000.00
71-7-70-431.00 System Equipment – Repair	\$5,000.00	\$0	\$5,000.00
71-7-70-442.00 System Equipment – Rental	\$500.00	\$0	\$500.00
71-7-70-442.01 Equipment Hours to Hwy	\$200.00	\$0	\$700.00
71-7-70-450.00 Town Services	\$300.00	\$0	\$300.00
71-7-70-460.00 Infrastructure Repair/Mai	\$11,500.00	\$4,970	\$11,500.00
71-7-70-530.01 General Other Communicati	\$900.00	\$450	\$900.00
71-7-70-530.01 Internet Services	\$1,000.00	\$863	\$1,000.00

71-7-70-610.00 Supplies	\$5,000.00	\$7,495	\$5,000.00
71-7-70-611.00 Chemical Supplies	\$200.00	\$433	\$200.00
71-7-70-622.00 Electric	\$13,000.00	\$13,011	\$13,000.00
71-7-70-650.00 Materials paid to Hwy	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-741.00 System equipment - new	\$4,000.00	\$2,094	\$4,000.00
71-7-70-742.00 Capital Asset Expense	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-860.01 EPA Grant Expenditure	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-70-990.00 ARPA-Waste Water Study	\$67,504.00	\$1,080	\$69,241.00
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Total System Operation	\$116,104.00	\$33,456	\$115,791.00
71-7-80 OTHER EXPENSES			
71-7-80-820.01 Bank Payment	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-80-820.02 Repay Loan RF3-333	\$135,933.22	\$135,933	\$135,933.22
71-7-80-830.00 Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
71-7-80-860.00 Grant Expenses	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
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Total Other Expenses	\$135,933.22	\$135,933	\$135,933.22
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Total WD Expenditures	\$362,831.22	\$276,068	\$414,487.94

SECTION FIVE: ARLINGTON COMMUNITY AGENCY REPORTS

Arlington Area Childcare

In 2024, 77 students from Arlington, Sunderland, Sandgate, and neighboring towns attended our program part-time or full-time. These children (aged six weeks to twelve years) attended our Early Education program, Afterschool program, and Summer Camp.

Accomplishments-

- Maintained our 4 STARS with the State of Vermont.
- Maintaining SEED AND SEW accreditation.
- Family Advocacy Program- Our program continued its diaper and wipes bank and our food shelf and Christmas wish program that helped assist five local families with Christmas essentials for their families. We added Holiday meals to our programs, giving a total of 6 families and 30 people complete holiday meals at both Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- Fundraisers—Our center has worked hard in the last year to continue our essential annual fundraisers, such as the Mac and Cheese, Pizza, and Cheesecake fundraisers, which benefit the children within our program. We added a restaurant fundraiser, a 50/50 raffle, and a school support fundraiser. Our staff, board, and families all unite to make these fundraisers successful.
- Staff Growth—We currently have 11 teachers enrolled in CCV, either in college courses or the Fundamentals for Early Childhood Professionals course, to further their education. We also offer half- and full-day training to help our current staff members earn 30 professional development hours annually. We currently have all qualified staff working in-house. We have been able to offer our staff more competitive pay and time off as well.
- Camp Community Connections— This past Summer, we were excited to have our School Agers for the entire summer with around 25 campers per day. The campers engaged in many different enrichment programs. To highlight one, the Music Junk Man taught the children how to repurpose materials and make music. They

all participated in a concert that was featured in the Bennington Banner. Our camp remains the only one in our area for summer with a waiting list (a mile long). • We are currently partnering with many different community and state programs, such as First Children Finance, Let's Grow Kids, VTAEYC, Vermont Afterschool, Building Bright Futures, the Directors group of Bennington County, Arlington Area Alliance, NAEYC TEACH, and CCV, and we are growing our connection with Stratton Mountain Foundation and other partners.

Arlington's contribution has remained the same for many years and will be all we seek this year as well. Again, thank the area communities for supporting our program, special events, and fundraisers. We couldn't keep the program running without you!

Arlington Common

The Arlington Common would like to thank the community for its support. In the last year, the Arlington Common continued to:

- Offer over 15 weekly exercise classes (two free senior classes) and a gym with ten state-of-the-art machines and a weights station, all while keeping membership costs affordable.
- Host pickleball clinics at affordable costs
- Host a free weekly community café
- Organize a free middle school pickleball after-school program
- Sponsor a free children's marionette show with Martha Canfield Library, kicking off summer reading
- Organize local free events with the Arlington Area Alliance (a cooperative of local non-profit organizations)
- Curate four free art exhibits, one of which, in partnership with the Russell Vermontiana Collection and the Arlington Historical Society, celebrated Arlington's Main Street and Lucy Prince
- Hold numerous free talks about Arlington's history & community
- Host three film screenings with GMALL, Kingdom County Productions & Travis Animates
- Welcome the Exler School of Music for early childhood music classes
- Host the 3rd Annual Battenkill Fly Fishing Festival, bringing over 500 people to town and raising funds for the Battenkill Fund to provide a bathroom and recycling center at the covered bridge.
- Provide event space for various non-profit & local organizations
- Provide studio space for local artists
- Form countless partnerships, clubs, volunteer groups, panels, discussion groups, and friendships

We will continue to offer and expand fitness programming and community events, display local artists, offer artist studio space, promote tourism in Arlington, and host events for all. The Arlington Common will help bring the Arlington area together through community, creativity, and wellness.

Thank you, The Arlington Common Board of Directors:

Bill & Bebe Bullock, Carol Farley, Carol Fay, Joyce Kennedy, Ned Reade, Don Trachte

Arlington Community House

The Arlington Community House (stately brick house on main street) has been used as a community center for groups and gatherings for over seventy-five years. The house was deeded to the Arlington Community Club in 1948 by Dorothy Canfield Fisher. Her wish was that the house be used free of charge as a meeting place for groups from Arlington, Sandgate,

Sunderland, and surrounding communities. This past year has seen the house used over 200 times by various groups such as The Lions Club, The Garden Club, a children's play group, and private gatherings. The house is overseen by a volunteer board of directors.

Although the mission is to offer groups a space to meet, the board accepts donations from groups who use the house. These donations help with the upkeep and maintenance of Arlington Community House. The ACH continues to use fundraisers as a means of maintaining the house as well. These include our annual Christmas tree and wreath sale and the spring tag sale. The board also relies on the goodwill of the voters who pass the town appropriation as well as donations from private citizens. These funds help maintain the house and pay for needed upkeep and repairs. The Arlington Garden Club continues to generously help beautify the grounds around the house as they have done for many years.

In the past few years many projects have been done to ensure that the house remains in its stately form. These projects include a new heating system, new energy efficient windows and storm doors, new shutters, and sidewalk repair to the entrances of Martha's Used books and the main street entrance. The board is grateful to all who have donated to these projects.

In January of 2024 the annex portion of the Community House underwent extensive renovations. The three rooms which make up the annex were gutted and insulated. New wiring and lighting were installed and flooring replaced. Now the Community House offers a larger room for groups who may need more space to meet. Wifi has been installed as well.

One wing of the house continues to be the home of Martha's Used Books, whose proceeds support Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library. This book sale continues to be a popular spot for local community members and visitors alike.

We urge people to visit our webpage (www.arlingtoncommunityhouse.com) and our Facebook page (Arlington Community House) for further information about the history or usage of the house.

If you or your group is interested in using the house as a place to meet, contact Lynn Williams at 802-375-6119 or email us at arlingtoncommunityhouse@gmail.com to reserve a time. The Arlington Community House is a gem on main street. The board would like to thank all who have generously helped with the upkeep of this historic building.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Webster, President of the Arlington Community House Board of Directors

Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service

On behalf of the Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service, I am writing to express our appreciation for the continued financial support of the board and the citizens of Arlington. The Nursing Service is respectfully requesting that the board consider funding for the year 2025 in the amount of \$4000. The nursing service continues to provide financial support for those in need of medical assistance, as well as camp scholarships, support for the Red Stocking and summer lunch programs, and JISP/KAP participation for area students. We are proud to sponsor

health and wellness related programming at the Arlington Commons, and provide sustaining support to Battenkill Valley Health Center and the Arlington Food Shelf. We also continue to provide four rolling scholarships to graduating students pursuing careers in healthcare. We were able to increase this scholarship amount for each recipient by \$500 in the 2024-2025 academic year. We sincerely hope that you are able to grant our request, so we may continue to provide these important services in the community throughout the year.

On behalf of the thirty community members that serve on our Board of Trustees, thank you for your service to our town and for your continued support of our mission.

Sincerely, Jessica Massey, BSN, RN, President Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service, Inc.

Arlington Food Shelf

The Arlington Food Shelf has come a long way since our early beginnings in the mid-1980's. What began as a small ecumenical movement in church closets throughout the town has now become a wonderful place for those who need it to shop to address food insecurities. We have taken a vacant, run-down building in the town and turned it into a place that we can all be proud of.

At the end of 2023 we were able to purchase the old Chittenden Bank and by mid-May of this year we were able to open our new facility. No longer are our shoppers made to wait outside in all kinds of weather for their turn to shop. Now they have a comfortable waiting room, with the opportunity to socialize with other shoppers and our volunteer staff.

We have nearly twice the space to display our food items and have made the space bright, clean and shopper friendly. We have ample parking, and shoppers no longer must worry about crossing a busy street to access our services. We have new signage with hours of operation clearly posted.

Like the line in the movie "Field of Dreams", we have built it, and the people come. Shoppers from Arlington, Sunderland and Sandgate have nearly doubled and we have increased our hours and days of distribution to accommodate this increase. We believe that we have created a warm and inviting space for those in need of our services.

None of this would have been made possible without the outpouring of support from the community. This support came in the form of thousands of volunteer hours; partnering with local contractors and suppliers; and the help of local and surrounding civic groups and schools. This combined with many grants and financial donations has made this transition a reality.

We ended the year with our largest Thanksgiving Basket program ever. Thanks to the employees of MACK, families in need were given a 12-18-pound turkey with all the fixings, including a pie! Thanks to many community volunteers the process to accomplish this was made very easy.

Last but not least, we would like to thank our Board of Directors, who through fiscal responsibility and a willingness to "roll up their sleeves", we were able to create a better facility and have given the community an attractive property for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Gunther, President, Arlington Food Shelf, Inc.

Arlington Lions Club

The Arlington Lions Club has had another busy year in 2024. Three of our major projects were:

1. Pavilion Beautification/Pool • The pavilion/pool improvements continued. Replaced the siding and windows on the pavilion. Local volunteers helped with this project. • Layed 1 ½ “ Washed Stone surrounding the perimeter of the building – 24” width to aid in proper drainage. • Created 1 planting bed in the front of the Pavilion – Plantings included native species, flowers, and shrubs. • installed a sun screen dispenser on the pavilion. • Purchased a New Stripe Drag King Rake for the Rec Park. This was used for the beach area and the ball fields.

2. Arlington Food Shelf: • Assisted in the renovation of the new building; cleaned, painted and moved items from the former location to the new building. • Helped in the coordination of moving food when the freezer failed. • Grilled Hotdogs at the Open House. • Assisted in distribution of Thanksgiving Meals. • Assisted in Veggie Van Go distribution.

3. Diaper Drive Distribution: • Collection of 7,000 diapers and baby wipes was completed by November 2023. • Distribution began January 2024 to members of our community. We partnered with the Battenkill Valley Health Center and Arlington Area Child Care for distribution.

Lion’s members serviced 30 different causes, donated more than \$8500 and dedicated many, many hours of service to the community. The Arlington Lions Club was awarded “Club of the Year”. Lion Jeanne McDermott and Lion Susan Toth were recognized for outstanding service to their community & district and Lion John Toth was recognized for his outstanding leadership. Volunteer assistance and working with other Arlington nonprofit groups made it possible for us to host many events for our community. We would like to express our sincerest thanks to them. The Arlington Lions Club is dedicated to our community and serving others. “Where there is a need there is a Lion.” If you would like to have fun and take pride in helping others and the community around you, please contact Susan Toth, membership chair at askalion@arlingtonlions.com.

Jeanne McDermott, President Arlington Lions Club

Arlington Rescue Squad

More than 50 years ago, a small group of residents dedicated their time, energy, and resources to start the Arlington Rescue Squad (ARS). ARS is a non-profit organization which provides 24/7 365 days-a-year emergency medical services to your town. ARS now employs a small staff to provide daytime coverage, seven days a week. We continue to rely on volunteers to provide nighttime coverage. We are the only agency in the county who still relies on this "hybrid" model of paid staff and volunteers. We are sincerely grateful to all of our highly trained and dedicated providers who respond to 911 emergencies with up to Paramedic level capabilities.

Our staff and volunteers engage in continuing education and training in order to maintain a high level of proficiency at their individual license level. We respond to nearly 700 calls a year. We

respond to medical emergencies and automobile accidents; we also assist the Arlington Fire Department with stand-by assistance for structure and brush fires. We respond to many calls in which we do not transport a patient; however, we incur the same expense for those calls. We would like to sincerely thank the residents of Arlington, Sunderland, Sandgate and North Shaftsbury for their continued financial support through the generous town appropriations.

The financial support of these towns helps ARS remain financially solvent in order to respond to emergencies with a dedicated crew. We are especially thankful to the members of the Arlington Fire department. They are there for us when we need extra help, whether it is driving an ambulance, assisting with a lift assist, or providing CPR support during a critical call. Thank you! Several members of the Department have completed the Vermont Emergency First Responder (VEFR) course, receiving their licenses at this level. Some of these members are considering pursuing an Emergency Medical Technician license. We were very happy to meet and get-to-know many in our community during several events including Norman's Attic, Trunk-or-Treat at Arlington Memorial High School, the Lighted Tractor Parade, and several sporting events. In early spring, ARS members participated in a Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) training. This large-scale training was held at the Manchester Recreation Park and involved multiple rescue and fire agencies from the surrounding areas. This was an excellent training that provided our members the opportunity to hone their skills and work with other agencies in the area.

As we look to the future, we have ordered a new ambulance with an expected delivery date of 2027. We plan to fundraise in order to offset the significant cost of this necessary vehicle. We will continue to have a presence in the community; we will offer training to those who would like to become involved; and we will continue to provide exceptional emergency medical care to those in our community.

We are always eager to welcome volunteers who might be interested in becoming involved with ARS. There is nothing more satisfying than helping those in your own community. If you would like to learn more about ARS, please give us a call. Our non-emergency number is (802) 375-6589. We would love to hear from you! Finally, please remember to post your house number clearly so we can find you in an emergency. We would like to thank you again for your continued support. We could not do the good work we do without you.

Respectfully submitted, Arlington Rescue Squad Board of Directors

Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm

The Arlington Food Shelf, Summer Lunch Program, Senior Meals, Grateful Hearts and the free produce stand received donations from the Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm. Each week 100% of produce grown in the VT Victory Garden was donated to these local agencies along with considerable free will donations made by members of the Cooperative Garden. Nearly 1000 lbs of food was donated this year! *Produce is harvested by Yellow Barn registered volunteers only. To register see below.* *

Additional community involvement included Arlington HS students who rolled up their sleeves on Community Service Day to shovel and wheel wood chips to line our garden paths. We also participated in the Arlington Community Energy Fair and offered a hands-on workshop on managing invasive species. Asparagus, pumpkin and rhubarb patches were added. Pumpkins grown were used at the Martha Canfield Library barn dance fundraiser. We also worked closely with the Bennington Beekeepers Club to install an apiary.

The Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm is located in Arlington at 226 RT 313 West. The Town of Arlington owns the land which is regulated by the Vermont Land Trust and dedicated to land preservation. We welcome volunteers throughout the year!

Information on volunteering can be found on our Facebook page or by emailing gardensatyellowbarnfarm@gmail.com

*Facebook @facebook.com/gardensatyellowbarnfarm *You Tube @Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm

Julie Hutchinson-Smith, Mary Squire, Peggy Hanson, Roger Hanson

Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library

The Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library (MCMFL) serves the communities of Arlington, Sandgate, Shaftsbury, and Sunderland; 1,050 of our patrons reside in Arlington. This has been a transition year for our library with the retirement of Phyllis Skidmore after 44 years of dedicated service. The new director, Kyrra Howard, started in June and is excited to embark on this new chapter at the MCMFL.

During 2024, the library welcomed 10,535 patrons and hosted over 100 free programs. The MCMFL stepped out of the uncertain times the COVID-19 pandemic brought and began hosting more programs for patrons, and looks forward to more in the new year. The library is committed to the towns and communities it serves, striving to provide the best service possible. Plans have begun for new programs for all ages, including a cookbook club and a book making program with Vermont children's book illustrators.

Programming is only a piece of what this library has in store for patrons. The MCMFL Canfield Gallery will showcase a variety of local artists and themes for patrons to experience and learn about. From upcycled art to mining, there will be a lot to see in the gallery this coming year. Also, available are computers, a copier, printers, and a 3D printer. For kids, there are learning kits and book express boxes for families and local schools to check out for their classrooms. These are available to help kids learn about gardening, building circuits, tools and machines, and so much more!

The Russell Vermontiana Collection and MCMFL's curator Bill Budde have a wealth of local and state history to share. Whether you are looking for information about family genealogy, a

local residence, or a general history of Bennington County or Vermont, Bill can work with you to search for more information. 2024 was a busy year for the Russell Collection. The major activity was preparing and installing the Main Street: Past and Present exhibit at Arlington Common. Three presentations related to the exhibit were given: "Main Street, Past and Present," "Arlington Industries," and "Mill History of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland." Other recordings and interviews included eight "History Minutes" for radio, and video segments for GNAT-TV on the Hawley/Crofut House, the History of the Intersection of Rtes. 7A and 313, and the Ira Allen House. Other presentations included one on the Carthusian Monastery, and participation in promoting and follow up Q and A for the Les Craven movie "Lost Nation." Preparation for the 250th anniversary event of the March to Fort Ticonderoga focused on identifying the Arlington residence and purchases of Ethan Allen. Preservation work included the completion of a finding aid for the USS Bennington Collection, as well as scanning important early ledgers, including the early Arlington Masonic Lodge Ledger (1799, Newton Lodge), the Mallory/Brownson Ledger (1757-1820), and a general store ledger from Williston, Vermont (1812-1815).

To help support all of these community programs, events, and services, the Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library is requesting \$25,850 from the Town of Arlington for the fiscal year 2025. Thank you all for your support and we hope to see you at the library soon!

Respectfully submitted, Kyrra Howard, Library Director, martha_canfield_lib@hotmail.com
www.marthacanfieldlibrary.org

SECTION SIX: REPORTS OF COUNTY, REGIONAL, AND STATE AGENCIES

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, which has helped more than 40 million people achieve strength, stability, and self-reliance through safe, decent, and affordable housing. Our local Habitat affiliate has had the honor of providing affordable homeownership opportunities for 36 families to date, with four more families currently in the homeownership program.

We work in partnership with Bennington County residents who cannot otherwise become homeowners or afford needed home repairs. Applicants must have a need for better housing, the ability to pay, and the willingness to partner with us as we build and work *with* individuals and families, not *for* them. Once accepted into the homeownership program, each adult family member must complete 200 hours of sweat equity, half of which must be completed on the construction site(s). Homebuyers who become homeowners pay an affordable mortgage through monthly payments that include escrow for property taxes, insurance, and Homeowner Association fees, where applicable. Homebuyers' monthly payments do not exceed more than 30% of their income.

Bennington County Habitat is locally run and funded. With the exception of some contract services such as roofing, electrical, and plumbing, volunteers build Habitat houses. Businesses,

subcontractors, and individuals help build, donate materials, and provide financial support. Town appropriations purchase building supplies and materials for our construction programs. With the costs of building a home continuing to rise, support from local towns and governments is more important than ever.

In Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024), Bennington County Habitat welcomed home two families in Manchester. So far this Fiscal Year, four more families have been selected for a Habitat home. This will mean **13 more** individual people will be in safe, adequate housing. After over **100** homebuyer applications were sent out in March, four new families were accepted into our homebuyer program. In November of this year we broke ground on our **37th and 38th** homes, which are in Bennington on Greenview Drive, and will be building our **39th and 40th** home this coming year as well, one of which will be in Manchester.

In addition to our homeownership program, our home repair program has been growing as well. In Fiscal Year 2024 we completed twelve repair projects. In Fiscal Year 2025 we plan to continue this much needed program. Our home repair program continues to accept applications from local income-qualified homeowners who need minor home repairs, including ramps, to safely stay in or return to their homes from health care facilities.

Our ReStore in Manchester continues to be a popular shopping destination. Through this we sell, at reasonable prices, new and gently used furniture, building supplies, art, housewares, tools, and home improvement products that have been donated to us. Not only does the ReStore provide people with quality furnishings they can afford, it also keeps items out of the landfill. The proceeds from the ReStore provide direct financial support for our construction programs.

Two of our homes are located in East Arlington, providing safe, affordable housing for two East Arlington families. One member of our Board of Directors is an Arlington Resident. Many Arlington residents have volunteered with our construction programs and ReStore. We encourage residents of Arlington to apply for homes and home repair projects. We are grateful for the Town of Arlington's continued support.

None of our projects would be possible without the support we receive from the local community. Together, we make a difference in the lives of hard working people in Bennington County. For more information please visit our website at www.BenningtonCountyHabitat.org

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Luce, Executive Director, Bennington County Habitat for Humanity

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless (BCCH) continues to operate 24/7, 365 days a year, to serve the needs of those in Bennington County experiencing homelessness. BCCH is grateful for the town of Arlington's support for families and individuals experiencing homelessness.

The winter months are upon us and both locations are most often full, with a waiting list for families. In addition to providing shelter, we serve many others experiencing homelessness through drop-in services for those in need. Our services range from the use of our kitchen,

laundry, and bathrooms to providing a safe, warm space for those in need during the day or providing someone in need with toiletries, blankets, clothing, and takeout meals. Those who come in to warm up are also given the opportunity to meet with a case manager, apply for services, and receive housing and employment assistance.

In 2024, we provided shelter and services to over 300 people between our two locations. In addition, we have served well over 150 adults and children through our day services, donation rooms, and community outreach services. In the past year we have further strengthened relationships with our community partners, including but not limited to: Shires Housing, Turning Point, Greater Bennington Community Services, Economic Services, Department of Children and Family Services, Sunrise, Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union, Bennington Police Department, Southwestern Vermont Medical Center, and United Counseling Services. We were able to enhance safety measures at our congregate shelter location with additional support staff and have three full-time case managers assisting our individuals and families staying at our two locations. These positions are supported by an increased HOP grant through OEO. Furthermore, this grant has afforded us to hire an additional full-time Community Outreach Coordinator/Case Manager for those not sheltered by BCCH. These milestones enable us to increase the success rate of guests' employment, housing, and so much more.

While it is still a struggle to house adult individuals, we have had more success this past year, and we are thrilled at the number of families that we have been able to permanently house over the past year. While so much good has been happening at BCCH, we need your continued support due to the many costs not covered under our HOP grant. While BCCH also pursues and obtains other grants and donations, they are just not enough to cover all BCCH's expenses. Your ongoing support is necessary with all the continued rising costs of food, necessities.... everything!

Roxanne M Carelli
Executive Director of Operational Development and Shelter Services

Bennington County Conservation District

In the past year, the Bennington County Conservation District has provided significant technical assistance to three Arlington-area farms, supporting sustainable practices and conservation planning. We facilitated the development and implementation of a USDA-NRCS \$750,000 local fund pool focused on agroforestry, working lands viability, and flood resilience, benefitting producers in Bennington and Rutland Counties. Additionally, we proudly relocated our offices to the Town of Arlington, strengthening our connection to the community. Through the Working Lands Climate Core Workforce Development Program, we are excited to support an Arlington resident employed in the program who is training to become a Certified Conservation Planner for the NRCS. Furthermore, we conducted educational workshops on wetland restoration, emphasizing flood resilience and community engagement.

We are deeply grateful to the people of Arlington for their continued support of the Conservation District. Your commitment allows us to expand our efforts in conservation, education, and support for local producers. We look forward to deepening our work in the Arlington area and

advancing initiatives that protect and enhance the natural resources that make our community thrive.

Bennington County Regional Commission

The Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) works with and on behalf of its member municipalities to build strong, resilient, and sustainable communities, to foster economic prosperity, and to promote a high quality of life for residents of the region. The BCRC plays an important role in coordinating work among local governments, state and federal agencies, regional public and nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and private interests. The organization is governed by local appointees from seventeen area municipalities and commissioners who represent interests ranging from public health to economic development. Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of every other month, with frequent special meetings throughout the year (information at: www.bcrct.org).

In addition to its ongoing role in supporting the comprehensive planning work of municipal officials, the BCRC is a regional center for programs in community and economic development, transportation, energy, environmental conservation, water quality, public health, solid waste management, and emergency management. BCRC staff is available to provide direct assistance in these areas and to serve as a liaison with state and federal agencies.

During the past year, the BCRC has worked to implement its comprehensive plan through a variety of programs and cooperative work with member municipalities. Economic development planning at the BCRC is conducted by dedicated staff and supported by a committee with representatives appointed by the regional development corporation. The goal of this BCRC program is to support workforce development and business retention, growth, and recruitment. Related BCRC planning and community development initiatives support redevelopment initiatives in downtowns and village centers, grant assistance for local businesses, and have produced reuse planning studies for key properties throughout the region. Concern over the state's water quality has led the BCRC to identify and implement local projects that not only reduce stormwater runoff, but also protect roads, bridges, culverts, and private property from damage. Other important activities have included: an assessment of land use regulations affecting housing in each town and village, expanded staff capacity to assist with implementation of local energy plans, village center and neighborhood development area designations, implementation of the regional solid waste management plan and the development of a new permanent hazardous waste facility in the region, and planning for roadway, bicycle and pedestrian, and public transportation improvements.

In the coming year, the BCRC will continue to provide information and resources to assist business and local governments to take advantage of opportunities created through a variety of state and the federal programs. We expect to see continued focus on infrastructure (including broadband) improvement projects, housing creation, business support services, and resilience. Our downtown Bennington offices are located at 210 South Street, but staff work remotely at times, so it generally is easiest to contact us via email (see contacts at www.bcrct.org).

Respectfully submitted, William Colvin, Director

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

The Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance (BCSWA) is a partnership of 13 towns working together to reduce the amount of waste disposed in landfills through recycling, reuse, repair, and through other means of resource conservation. Since 2015, BCSWA has followed a solid waste implementation plan to assist residents, schools, businesses, and other organizations meet the requirements of Vermont's Universal Recycling Law.

Total spending for the Alliance in Fiscal Year 2024 (7/1/23 through 6/30/24) was \$228,330.72. Program costs are shared by the thirteen member towns of the alliance, and divided proportionally by each town based on their population. Additional funds are provided by grants from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture and Markets. Members of the public may visit [bcswa.org](https://www.bcswa.org), or reach out to the Program manager at sgrimmlyon@bcrcvt.org for budget details.

From May through October of 2024, BCSWA operated a Household Hazardous Waste depot at the Bennington Transfer Station to collect paint, pesticides, cleaning products, flammable liquids, and other over the counter items that are banned from landfill disposal. The facility collected over 30 tons of waste from 327 households and 6 small businesses during its 2024 season.

During 2024 the Alliance provided training and/or assistance to 41 businesses 13 event organizers, and 4 schools. BCSWA also co-hosted two repair events with the Bennington Public Library, held a landlord compliance and training event, hosted a waste hauler training and compliance event, led composting and recycling events at local libraries, produced regular content for public access television stations, and hosted tables at several farmers markets.

The Alliance hosts a website at www.bcswa.org, and is present on social media at facebook.com/solidwastealliance, instagram.com/bcswa_vt, and youtube.com/@bcswa. Outreach on these channels provide resources and information to residents about:

- Scheduling a household hazardous waste drop off appointment
- Battery recycling through the Call2Recycle program
- Disposal of used motor oil at retail establishments and select transfer stations
- Recycling of paint through the PaintCare program, including retail stores that accept paint
- Prescription drug disposal including drop-off locations
- Recycling of textiles by the Apparel Impact, Goodwill, and others
- Disposing of fluorescent bulbs, compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) and other mercury items at transfer stations and retail establishments

- Disposal of E-Waste at area transfer stations, Goodwill, Staples, and retail establishments
- Diverting food scraps by composting and annual sales of compost bins and kitchen containers
- Waste reduction resources for businesses, schools, events, institutions, and residents

Bennington Project Independence

Thanks to the generous support from the Residents and Selectboard of Arlington, the comprehensive and innovative Adult Day Services provided by Bennington Project Independence (BPI) continued to make a tremendous positive impact in the lives of many individuals and families caring for loved ones in Arlington.

Bennington Project Independence is here to help family caregivers “share the care”. BPI helps make it possible for them to balance being able to care for their loved ones, raise their own families and continue to be able to maintain a job or career. Knowing that their loved one is safe, well-cared for and enjoying their day, gives the caregiver the break they need to recharge and can bring great peace of mind to families as well as special care for their loved ones.

BPI provides extensive on-site nursing and wellness care, personal care assistance (showers, hair and nail care, toileting assistance) and access to the wide range of meaningful and enriching activities that help members remain as independent as possible. BPI offers 18-20 activities a day that people can pick and choose from. The Staff, at BPI, engage people with mentally stimulating games, educational opportunities and presentations, physical activities, delicious, healthy meals and much, much more. They also help people make the essential human connections that are pivotal in reducing loneliness and the physical and emotional effects of social isolation so keenly experienced by so many.

Our “Families Together” monthly caregiver gathering and our full time Social Worker provides families with extra support and information whenever they need it. The additional support can help families prevent the emotional and financial cost of premature institutionalization of their loved one who may be at risk.

BPI impacts the greater community by helping to make Arlington a wonderful place to grow older. As the Baby Boomer generation is growing older, the need for innovative, person-centered community-based services, like BPI, will only increase.

We have an exciting, new expansion project that will provide an even greater range of services and opportunities for Arlington members, family caregivers and community in the coming year. Bennington Project Independence, Adult Day Service, is honored to have the opportunity to serve Arlington individuals and families.

BROC Community Action

On behalf of BROC Community Action and the thousands of people with low-income or living in poverty that we serve throughout Rutland and Bennington Counties, we want to express our thanks and gratitude for supporting us over the years on Town Meeting Day. BROC Community Action assists families and individuals in crisis and help provide a sustainable path forward.

Over the past year, BROC Community Action assisted 68 residents in the Town of Arlington. Whether they need food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling and resources and referrals; we are here.

People come to us cold, hungry, homeless, jobless or facing major health conditions every day. Your town appropriation helps ease the struggle for nearly 10,000 people who seek assistance from us each year as we meet the basic needs of their families and provide a path forward whenever possible.

Respectfully, our appropriation request for the upcoming fiscal year remains \$1,200.00. We truly value our collaboration with Arlington as we assist those most in need.

Sincerely, Thomas L. Donahue, CEO

Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT)

Thank you for your continued support of GNAT-TV. Your generosity enables us to provide reliable local information and ensure transparent access to government processes. As the only independent nonprofit media outlet in our area, GNAT-TV plays a vital role in keeping our community informed, engaged, and connected.

In FY 2024, GNAT-TV aired and archived 38 Arlington government meetings, including 23 Select Board meetings, 1 Town Meeting, 2 SVSU meetings, 8 Planning Commission meetings, and 4 Development Review Board meetings. Across our region, we produced 703 local programs, including live streaming 228 local government and public meetings, ensuring civic transparency and access for all. As well as 47 community video announcements produced, and we supported 1,580 community calendar events—underscoring our commitment to keeping the community informed and engaged.

We expanded our training efforts, offering 156 sessions that trained 231 people in media production. Our facilities and equipment were reserved 366 times, showcasing their value as a community resource. Online, GNAT-TV's content garnered 216,713 video views, amplifying local voices and stories beyond our immediate area.

We continued producing interviews and discussions with legislators, airing Governor Scott's press conferences, and bridging statewide issues to the local level. We worked with schools to share their stories and stream graduation ceremonies, partnered with faith organizations to broadcast weekly services, and documented community events to preserve them for future generations.

As the media landscape evolves and cable funding becomes less reliable, your support is more important than ever. GNAT-TV remains dedicated to being a trusted, independent resource for the citizens we serve and a platform for diverse community voices. A strong local media organization is essential to our community, democracy, and collective future. Thank you for considering a gift to sustain GNAT-TV and help us continue this critical work. Your support makes all the difference.

Green Mountain RSVP

Thank you for approving \$1,500 in funding to Green Mountain RSVP at the 2024 Town Meeting. Green Mountain RSVP is an AmeriCorps Seniors program that matches people aged 55+ with volunteer opportunities in non-profits and coordinates free, volunteer-led Bone Builder classes and the Sunshine Card project.

In 2023, 12 Arlington residents were active Green Mountain RSVP volunteers and many of them volunteered for more than one role. Those roles include:

- Supporting community meals
- Leading in-person and online Bone Builders classes twice a week
- Helping in the Food Pantry
- Delivering Meals on Wheels
- Preparing taxes through the AARP Tax Aide Program

These 12 volunteers served a combined total of 1,051 hours in 2023. Arlington residents benefitted from the service of these RSVP volunteers as well as from the service of RSVP volunteers in other nearby towns. Free, volunteer-led Bone Builders classes meet twice a week year-round and help participants improve their balance and muscle strength, which leads to fewer falls and improved bone density. These positive outcomes help people age in place and live independently for longer. There is a twice-weekly class at Arlington Common, another at the East Arlington Federated Church, and an online class that started at the American Legion (and went to zoom during covid and stayed online for the convenience of attendees). The three classes average an attendance of 10 people per class.

Voter-approved funds are essential for us to continue to support and develop programs that help Vermont seniors age-in-place. We remain committed to reinvesting the talents of our seniors into local communities. Thank you for your support

Neighbor to Neighbor

Neighbor to Neighbor's mission is to assist our neighbors to live independently by providing no-cost, non-medical volunteer services that nurture relationships. Since 2004, Neighbor to Neighbor and our dedicated team of volunteers has provided vital services to older, disabled and other homebound residents of the Northshire, including those in Manchester, Arlington, Sunderland, Dorset, Pawlet, Rupert, Wells, & Danby. Our services include transportation to appointments and errands, friendly visits and phone calls, friendly handwritten notes, help with home and yard projects, and monthly social events. We continue to promote our services to potential recipients and volunteers, and are always developing new programs and collaborations that will provide our elder community with more social opportunities.

Currently, there are 17 residents in Arlington who are official Neighbor to Neighbor recipients or volunteers. Our caseload and demand for services continues to expand across all townships. To meet this demand, we have two part time employees. Thankfully, Neighbor to Neighbor receives funding through local towns as well as through private, corporate, and foundation donors.

If you haven't already, please visit our website <https://neighbortoneighborvt.org/> and watch our promotional video on the homepage. It is a great glimpse into the many ways that Neighbor to Neighbor helps this community, and features many current and former volunteers and care recipients!

On behalf of the Steering Committee, our amazing volunteers, and most importantly the neighbors we serve, Neighbor to Neighbor is most grateful for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted, Suzie Eisinger Program Director

Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE)

PAVE has spent the last year building community with the survivors we support in hopes of creating a strong, resilient group of people with lived experience who have broken the cycle of abuse. We have been blessed to be able to continue to provide emergency support, housing and advocacy and also long-term support with survivors after the crisis of fleeing has ended.

Our 24/7 emergency hotline is often the open door for survivors looking to flee from violent relationships need to leave. Powered by PAVE Advocates and dedicated volunteers the hotline fielded over 1000 calls. Our Emergency Shelter, the first stop for many survivors who are working to rebuild their lives, provided over 110 individuals with safe, free housing. Ongoing case management was able to aide 25 individuals with obtaining long term housing support vouchers. 4% of survivors supported identified as residents of Pownal.

PAVE's collaboration with local law enforcement generated approximately 100 referrals and led to 60 protection orders for survivors. Our work with local early childhood centers, schools and other youth organizations allowed us to reach close to 300 youth with a message of healthy relationships.

As we move forward into the new year, we are happy to announce we will be hiring a new Advocate to our team. This Advocate will focus on providing support to those who have been sexually assaulted. This support will especially focus on the outlying towns in Bennington County, where accessing medical care in Bennington maybe a challenge. Support and financial assistance will be made available through this new Advocacy position to help survivors of Sexual Assault access the services they deserve.

Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE) is requesting level funding this year from the Town of Arlington in the amount of \$450.00. We greatly appreciate the support the town provides to PAVE.

With Gratitude, Lindsay Brillon, M.Ed. LSW, Executive Director

Southern Vermont Communications Union District

The Southern Vermont Communications Union District (SoVT CUD) has had another busy and successful year. Consolidated Communications, Inc. (CCI) completed construction of the fiber network in Bennington County in September 2023, which was funded by a grant from Vermont Community Broadband Board (VCBB). Since the completion of the network, the CUD and CCI have continued to meet on a regular basis to discuss operational concerns and quarterly network performance reports. The CUD has also significantly advanced its sustainability planning through the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with Otter Creek and Lamoille CUDs and the development of a joint sustainability plan.

In July of 2024, SoVT, Otter Creek, and Lamoille CUDs executed a Memorandum of Understanding and jointly developed a ten-year sustainability plan which was presented to the VCBB. The sustainability plan outlines a transition to a tri-CUD model of joint compliance administration and oversight of CCI. The plan was approved by the VCBB and agreed to by CCI, which also agreed to fund the administration and compliance costs of the CUDs from 2027-2034!

SoVT CUD recently secured \$220,000 in Preconstruction Grant funding from the VCBB to cover operational expenses in 2025 and 2026, including funding for a federal single audit to take place in 2025. Throughout 2025 and 2026, SoVT CUD will work with Otter Creek and Lamoille CUDs to transition to joint compliance administration and advance governance and succession planning.

SoVT CUD has also continued to explore solutions for the remaining hardest to reach addresses that constitute Phase 3. These addresses are primarily located in Arlington and Pownal and are unserved according to state data. In discussions with VCBB staff, it was decided that SoVT CUD's remaining addresses would be incorporated into the state administered Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD). SoVT CUD meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM. Please join us and learn more at sovtcud.net.

Terrence Dorsey, Chair Southern Vermont Communications Union District

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to older Vermonters in Arlington during SVCOA's most recent annual reporting period of 10/1/2023 through 9/30/2024.

Nutrition Support

The Council helped provide 2,104 meals that were delivered to the homes of 15 older Vermonters in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". In addition, 44 older Arlington residents came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 1,373 meals were provided. Additionally, SVCOA provided 24 hours of one-on-one nutrition support, including nutrition assessments and resource connections and referrals, to 16 residents of Arlington.

Case Management Assistance

SVCOA case management and outreach staff helped 26 older residents in your community for a total of 248 hours. Case managers meet with an older Arlington resident privately in their home or at another agreed upon location and assess the resident's individual situation. They will work with the older resident to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the resident desires, the case manager will link the resident to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help older Vermonters connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to older Arlington residents facing long term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

Other Services and Support

- "Helpline" assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Helpline staff provide telephone support to older Vermonters and others who need information on available programs and community resources.
- Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program.
- Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project.
- Information about issues and opportunities directly related to older Vermonters via various agency articles and publications.
- Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA's Registered Dietician.
- Senior Companion support for homebound older Vermonters.
- Outreach services to older Vermonters dealing with mental health issues through our Elder Care Clinician.

This service is provided in cooperation with Rutland Mental Health.

- Transportation assistance.
- Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing much needed help to older Vermonters in need of assistance.
- Money Management programs that offer either a volunteer bill payer or representative payee services to older Vermonters and younger disabled individuals.

State Representatives Legislative Update

The Vermont General Assembly's 2025 legislative session kicked off on January 8. During the first week, House members took the oath of office, elected Rep. Jill Krowinski as Speaker, attended a joint assembly to hear Governor Scott's inaugural address, and received committee assignments for the 2025-2026 biennium.

Rep. James was named chair of the newly created House Energy and Digital Infrastructure Committee. This panel considers matters relating to energy, utilities, telecommunications, broadband, information technology, cybersecurity, and other similar policies. Rep. Hunter will serve on the House Education Committee. This panel covers education, libraries, and literary and scientific subjects. The legislature meets in person at the State House in Montpelier every Tuesday through Friday during the five-month session, January through May. At the General Assembly website (legislature.vermont.gov), you can see legislator bios (including voting records), follow committee agendas, read bills and testimony, and watch all committee hearings and floor debate (both live and recorded).

Reps. James and Hunter will hold regular constituent coffee hours during the session. These informal get-togethers are open to all residents of the Bennington-4 district, which includes Arlington, Manchester, Sandgate and northwest Sunderland. Coffee hours are held on Saturday mornings from 9 to 10:30 am following the schedule below. We also attend town and school meetings in the communities we represent.

February 8: Wayside Country Store (West Arlington) February 22: Charlie's Coffee House (Manchester) March 1: Corner Market (East Arlington) March 15: Wayside Country Store (West Arlington) March 29: Charlie's Coffee House (Manchester) April 12: Corner Market (East Arlington) April 26: Wayside Country Store (West Arlington) May 10: Charlie's Coffee House (Manchester) May 24: Corner Market (East Arlington) June 7: Wayside Country Store (West Arlington)

We see shared and urgent priorities for the upcoming two years, most of which are directly related to affordability and building a stronger, more vibrant state. Education funding — supporting high-quality schools that deliver an excellent education at an affordable, sustainable cost — has been and remains at the top of the list. We need to build a new funding system that's fair, transparent and that more clearly connects local spending decisions to tax rates.

The challenges facing Vermont — education, healthcare, housing, climate resiliency — are complicated and hard to solve. We're ready to develop and vote on specific proposals that we think will move the needle— policies that will make life better and more affordable for all of us, and legislation that will move Vermont forward. These times call for collaborative leadership, and we welcome your ideas. To receive regular legislative updates, please join Kath and Rob's shared mailing list (sign up at kathjamesforstaterep.com). We're also easy to reach:
Rep. Kathleen James: KJames@leg.state.vt.us, 802.733.1435, kathjamesforstaterep.com
Rep. Rob Hunter: RHunter@leg.state.vt.us, 802.683.8945, hunterforrep.com

Sunrise Family Resource Center

The mission of Sunrise Family Resource Center is to “Strengthen Families” throughout Bennington County. Sunrise works in partnership with individuals, families and community members to provide a variety of support and services. These services promote the growth and development of individuals and families through encouragement of strengths, expansion of opportunities and support in times of stress.

Sunrise has 6 stable, long-standing contracts with the State of VT. We refer to these services as “targeted programing”, meaning you need to qualify. Arlington residents are our third largest users of these services in the county. This includes a variety of home visiting, housing case management, childcare subsidies and youth programs. We also have our Early Care and Education program (childcare) and our High School Diploma Program, Learning Together, for pregnant and parenting teens and young adults (an Arlington resident attends). We have a Parent Child Center Network Integrated Grant that supports the rest of our services, including a number of parent education and supports, playgroups, Community Development, Welcome Baby Bags, Information and Referral and Concrete supports to families (food, diapers, emergency gas cards to name a few), plus administrative and support staff. Arlington residents accessed funding for car repairs, food and pantry products, baby formula, gas cards, car seats, state park passes, holiday adopt-a-family, along with a variety of support groups, housing navigation, early childhood development groups, playgroups. Outside of our targeted programing, 91 adults and 111 children accessed these supportive services. We believe that by minimizing family stress, parents/caregivers are better able to cope with both the challenges and rewards of parenting.

We’ve been the Fiscal Agent for the Warm the Children Program for 3 years now, without any financial support. This is a year-round commitment with more intensive hours at pivotal times, using many staff hours. This year we’ve collaborated with Shire Kids and have taken over the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, again, without any funding attached. We are required to seek out \$30,000 annually to provide monthly free books to children up to age 5 throughout the county. We work closely with Turning Point Center, Vermont Arts Exchange and the SVSU, especially regarding Unaccompanied Youth in our area, just to name a few.

Many of our programming and services are not fully funded. For instance, our advisory council comes with no funding. The diaper bank and food pantry are all without stable funding, and we’ve seen an increase in the need to access these services. We know that parents are best equipped to tend to the needs of their children when their stress levels are minimized. The allocations that were granted from the taxpayers in Arlington will allow us to continue to provide high quality, family-focused services and to fill community requests and gaps in services.

The Tutorial Center

The Tutorial Center's mission is to assist individuals and organizations interested in meeting their educational and vocational needs for both youth and adults. The Center is committed to a philosophy which respects student goals, builds on students' strengths, and seeks educational approaches most appropriate for each student.

The Tutorial Center instructs and acclimates groups of new refugees, focusing on workforce skills and improving English communication. We continue to focus on increasing our adult education student body, maintaining and forming new community partnerships.

The Tutorial Center works closely with the social service agencies in the area, such as the Department of Labor, Economic Services, DCF, CRJ, and UCS. Though our main mission is education, we know there are many barriers to education for our students. We work closely with our students to help minimize these obstacles. We have a transition counselor to help students overcome these barriers, as well as direct them to the specific services they may need.

Our education services include tutoring for all ages; Adult Education and Literacy (which includes an alternate pathway to a high school diploma-the High School Completion program); English language classes for non-English speakers (ESL); GED preparation and testing; job readiness training; basic technology training for individuals and businesses. We offer any Vermonter 16 or older, without a high school credential, a free path to a high school diploma in Manchester and in Bennington.

Arlington's town appropriation funds support our tutoring work, enabling us to offer scholarships to students who need assistance. In addition, we work closely with the area schools to be a resource for them.

The Tutorial Center is happy to answer the community's questions about how we may be able to help you or someone you know earn a high school diploma or receive help in reading or math. Thank you for your previous support, and we look forward to your continued support.

Respectfully submitted by Sean-Marie Oller, Executive Director

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

During the 2024 Fiscal Year, The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired saw continued success in client services, innovative programs, and community outreach initiatives. Moving forward, it is exciting to imagine the strides we will make in enabling blind and visually impaired Vermonters to be more independent, develop adaptive skills, and improve their quality of life.

SMART Device Training Program: 584 Vermont residents received SMART training in FY24, the highest number in the program's five-year history. In order to fully fund SMART, VABVI has launched the several-year Second Century Endowment Campaign.

PALS (Peer-Assisted Learning and Support) Group: PALS Groups, held throughout Vermont, are monthly meetings where members share coping strategies and discuss the practical, social and emotional challenges of vision loss. While many clients have been pleased with the reintroduction of in-person meetings in FY24, opportunities to join virtually remain available for maximum flexibility. 90 clients attended PALS meetings in FY24.

HAPI (Helping Adolescents Prepare for Independence): The HAPI program enables Teachers of the Visually Impaired and Certified Vision Rehabilitation Therapists to work one-on-one with students to practice daily living skills.

IRLE Summer Camp (Intensive Residential Life Experience): IRLE camp helps VABVI students develop social skills, meet fellow visually impaired peers, learn independent living skills, and improve self-advocacy skills. This June, IRLE brought 10 visually impaired students to Jay Peak Resort. Activities included beep baseball, disc golf, and ice skating. Fun was had by all!

Community Outreach

VABVI continues to innovate new projects which will connect the local community to our services and cause. After more than two years of development, an accessible tactile sign was installed in Burlington's Waterfront Park in June of 2024. Additionally, VABVI's New Americans Project has offered free vision screenings for local refugee community members.

In Fiscal Year 2024, the agency provided services to a total of 1,048 Vermont residents. This total includes 1 adult and 1 student in Arlington, and 32 adults and 10 students in Bennington County.

For more information about VABVI's services or volunteer opportunities, please contact Samantha Gougher, Development Associate, at sgougher@vabvi.org. Thank you very much for your support!

Vermont Center for Independent Living

For over 45 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'24 (10/2023-9/2024) VCIL responded to thousands of 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 293 individuals to help increase their independent living skills. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted 233 households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 115 of these received financial assistance to make

their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided 149 individuals with information on assistive technology; 43 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. 320 individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. Our Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) served 38 people and provided 31 peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier (although we are working from home as our office (along with so many others) was devastated in the July flood and we have four branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont. During our FY'24, 6 residents of Arlington received services from the following programs:

Peer Advocate Counseling (PAC) and Information, Referral and Assistance Program (I,R&A)

Vermont Department of Health

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. The Bennington Local Health Office provides essential services and resources to towns in Bennington County. Some highlights of our work in 2024 are below. For more information, visit HealthVermont.gov/local/bennington

Improve Family and Child Health

In 2024, our WIC team conducted 1,410 visits with families, including in-person and tele-WIC appointments. This provided 1,030 participants in Bennington County with nutritious food and valuable nutrition education and support. Through our Farm to Family Program, our staff helped our WIC clients access \$6,000 in fresh, local produce.

Protect Community Health

Our team investigates reports of infectious diseases and outbreaks and works closely with long-term and residential care facilities to keep residents safe and healthy. We vaccinated uninsured or underinsured individuals with COVID, flu, Mpox and other important immunizations. We provided 70 vaccines to individuals through our office clinic times and off-site Equity clinics.

Create Resilient Communities

Our office provided Stop the Bleed training to 14 schools in Bennington County in 2024. This training is ongoing and more schools in both the Bennington Rutland Supervisory Union and the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union are scheduled for 2025. Our Bennington County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) played an important part in this effort. We are always in need of volunteers to help with emergencies and events. Contact us for more information.

SECTION SEVEN: 2024 STATISTICS

Births 2024

Last Name	First Name	Parents	
Bessette	Dylan A. II	Dylan A.	Abigail
Brown	Sonny S.	Michael	Sarah
Butler	Layne E	Jonathan	Shelbie-Joe
Cornish	Isabelle J.	James	Lindsey
DeZalia	Aria P.	Steven	Briana
Ferguson	Ezra	Joseph	Laiken
Foucher	Bristol T.	Scott	Cheyenne
Hadeka	Livia F.	William	Leah
Hoyt	Faerah E.	Jonathan	Kristina
Leard	Quincy M.		Rachel
Lynch	Rhonan S.	Philip	Courtney
McLaughlin	Finley S.	Patrick	Cassandra
Mizell	Wesley J.	Justin	Kelsey
Pendlebury	Oaklee M.	Christopher	Carolyn
Simon	Tripp D.	Jonathan	Rena
Torres	Ripley	Adrian	Hunter
Witmer	Davis J.	N. Harlan	Eunice

Deaths and Burial Permits 2024

Deaths 2024

Burial Permits 2024

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Bacon	Edward	G. Sr.	Ayrey	Sally	
Becker	Noreen	L.	Babcock	Randy	
Bell	Charles	E.	Bahan	Wendy	D.
Boyd	Stefanie	L.	Brown	Marguerite	M.
Clayton	Larry	A.	Disco	Lawrence	R.
Colvin	Foster	C.Jr	Dooner	Nitta	P.
Crosier	Ann		Edgerton	Dorothy	E.
DeRosa	Mary	S.	Edgerton	James	A.Sr.
Downey	William	C.	Foley	John	J.
Giudice	Anne		Havis	Nancy	
Godreau	Albert	P.	Hemenway	Allen	B.
Hoffman	Linda	A.	Holton	Brenda	
Koscinski	Chester	F.	Hoyt	Gordon	G.
Minugh	Helene	A.	Hulett	Elizabeth	M.
Nagle	Susan	E.	Jones	Janet	
Personette	Douglas	W	Maddaloni	Katherine	H.
Phelps	Eileen	A.	Manning	Dorothy	M.
Pratt	Dennis	P.	Mattison	Beatrice	J.
Sheridan	Lisa	L.	McEckron	Peter	C. Sr.
Skoug	Stein	E.	Pease	Emily	
Smith	Raymond	A.			
Snow	Ronald	A.			
Sokolowski	Carol	M.			
Steel	John	P.			
Thompson	John	C.			
Vosburg	Edward	G.			
Wiseman	Richard	E.			
Woodard	Gerald	W.			
Wyman	Joseph	R.			

Marriage Licenses 2024

		Officiant
Benghiat, Abraham Gelch	Lowenkron, Erica Rose	Elias Benghiat
Burnham, John Paul	Ortega, Henry Lucio	Nancy J Tschorn
Cornish, James Stevens	Scoppetta, Lindsey	Mary Ann Carlson
Cronk, Briana Frances	Apra, Gabriel Joseph	Giuliano Torelli
Diebbol, Hannah Leigh	Diehl, David Joseph	Issac Green Dieboll
Dinaso, Dakota Kyle	Ewald, Rachel Jane	Daniel Leibel
Dingley, Hannah Margaret	Simon, Charles James	Father William Beaudin
Eddy, Jason Warner	Stevens, Jennifer Anne	Cynthia A. Kilburn
Ennis, Audrianna Lynn	Ritchie, Nicholas Alexander	Judy Bryan
Fraser, Charlotte Grace	Iskyan, Peter Francis	Lorraine Connelly
Gaimari, Emily Margaret	Robinson, Ethan Floyd-Wheat	Christina Postera
Gandam, Sonu Praneeth	Malz, Mengxin	Barbara Bluto
Groesbeck, Susan Lynn	Cole, Dana Round	Wayne E. Bell
Horton, Beth Genevieve	Light, Craig Andrew	Kevin T Horton
Jordan, Nathan C.	Lauzon, Nicholette C.	Michele Bommarito
Koehler, Madeline Anne	Chupp, William Lowell	Russell Pildes
Konar, Kimberly Elizabeth	Harter, Owen McLeese	Julie A Robertson
Lindholm, Amanda Anna Sofia	McHale, John H.	Cynthia A. Kilburn
Macksey, James Raymond	Chung, Yu Chen	Susan Jennings
Nahodil, Nicholas Paul	LeBlanc, Courtney Elizabeth	Michele M. Morgan-Krall
Olsen, Amanda Colleen	Olsen, Jesse Adam	Cynthia A. Kilburn
Sisak, Bret Levi	Smyth, Nicole Catherine	Jamie Smyth
Smith, Ian Joseph	Amundson, Megan Marie	Wayne E. Bell
Sundling, Miriam Sally	Falk, Jameson Laird	Nancy Greer
Townsend, Barry Robert	Harris, Kristie Lynn	Gary H Shapiro
Weber, Soren Eliot	Shulman, Hannah Baer	Joshua Boettiger
Wilkes, Matthew Richard	Lopez, Alicia Lynn	Dale Snide
Younce, Logan David	Barrios, Arianna Celia	Shaun Stotyn

SECTION EIGHT: TOWN MEETING MINUTES AND BALLOT RESULTS

MINUTES of the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING March 5, 2024

Those present:

Select Board Members:

Daniel Harvey, Chairman

Todd Wilkins

Cynthia Browning

Glen Sherman

Jamie Paustian

Town Administrator: Nick Zaiac

Moderator, John L. Whalen II

Town Clerk, Robin Wilcox

There were approximately 90 residents present.

Moderator John Whalen called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm.

Moderator Whalen introduced the members of the Select Board.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2024 Warning:

Motion by Steve McClafferty

Seconded by Josh Sherman

Motion Carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2023 Annual Town Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Aaron Ashton

Seconded by Sally McManus

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 1: To hear the reports of the town officers.

Motion to accept reports by Joe Gervais

Seconded by Eleanor Murno

Discussion: Olavi Wirkki referenced the Delinquent Tax Collector's report on page 66 of the town report, and wanted an explanation of who Core Logic is, and what they have to do with our delinquent taxes. Treasurer Tiffany Mays explained that Core Logic is a third-party company that works with Mortgage companies to collect and send escrowed property taxes to the town. We don't hire them or have any real connection with them. She explained that this year Core

Logic was responsible for a large number of tax payments which did not arrive by the due date and went delinquent. Steve McClafferty asked if there were any fees incurred with Core Logic or the online payment option called DOXO. Tiffany let everyone know that no fees are incurred by the town. Kendell Jennings asked why the property tax line shows up in the fire department line? Treasurer Mays explained that at the end of the year, all expenses in each fund are offset by property tax revenues in order to zero out each fund.

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 2: 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 Olavi Wirkki

Seconded by Sebastian Massey

The total budget presented by the Select Board was \$1,947,241.00.

Appropriations to be voted upon the next day total \$338,904.00.

The total figure to be voted on at this time is \$1,608,337.00.

Discussion: Dan Harvey presented the budget for 2024. After reviewing the numbers, he predicted that the tax rate should decrease by 16%. He touched on the CLA and how it affects the school tax rate, but not the town directly. He reviewed the auditor report highlighting the cash on hand, ARPA funds and the good standing at the end of 2023.

Brian Hawley wanted clarification about voting on the budget from the floor. He questioned whether that was really fair to the residents who cannot attend in person and thinks that it should be put on the ballot in the future. Dan said the Board would look into it. Jessica Roberts asked about the use of the ARPA funds which must be earmarked for projects by 2024 and spent by 2026. Mike King feels that the ARPA meetings should be better publicized so that people can be a part of that discussion. Glen Sherman and Jamie Paustian, who are running the meetings, said they will do a better job at letting people know when the meetings are being held. Bill Henry would like to know how he can get a copy of the latest auditor report since he was told it wasn't available upon his request a week ago. Steve McClafferty had a copy of the auditor report in which he cited the findings from 2021 & 2022. It was also revealed that there were no deficiencies in the 2022 report and that the 2023 report found the town to be in good shape. Joe Gervais asked about the expenses that will be incurred if Article 7&8 pass. Dan Harvey explained that there is money in the budget to cover these new expenses. Lisa Prosper stated that according to her research into hiring an assessor, as is being proposed in Article 8, they would be charging \$50 per hour for a huge amount of training as well as having a clerk assisting them in their duties. She reminded the Board that the present Listers have over 20 years of experience and she wondered what qualifications the Board is looking for, what problems they have had with the current Listers, and what is the Board's plan. Chairman Dan Harvey said it wouldn't be a full-time position, and their intent is to professionalize all of the offices at town hall, bringing it into the 21st century. Tim Williams asked what the Board expected to gain from this change and was told they are looking for a more professional look. Matt Granger respectfully gave his views

on the elected vs. appointed offices. He feels that it may give too much control to the Board and that there may not be as many checks and balances in the appointed scenario. Cynthia Browning defended the decision to hire professionals, and residents Tony Onorato and Josh Williams agreed with her. Wendy Bucchieri wondered why there wasn't a report from the Town Administrator in this year's town report. She feels with such a highly paid position, as our Town Administrator, the people should know what he does. Even though he reports to the Board and is not elected, he should still be accountable to the people of our town. Josh Sherman spoke up and thanked the assembly for keeping the meeting civil, even with all of the robust discussions of the evening. He suggested that we consider voting for the budget tonight to keep the town running, and if necessary, call for a review later in the year. Then, possibly we can consider changing the vote from the floor to the ballot.

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 3: To see if the voters authorize the Select Board to apply any surplus funds from the previous fiscal year to reduce taxes in the current fiscal year unless otherwise approved by balloted item.

Motion to accept by Olavi Wirkki

Seconded by Tim Williams

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 4: 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, 2024, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer or postmarked, on or before November 4, 2024.

Motion to accept by Michael Murno

Seconded by Tim Williams

Motion Carried

ARTICLE 5: To Transact any further business found necessary and proper when met. After any further business under Article 5, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

Discussion: Peggy Hanson asked why the library budget number was different from the amount on the appropriation article. It was explained that there was a misprint on the warning, however, she was assured that the true amount in the budget would be the amount given to the library.

Stephanie Moffit-Hynds let everyone know about the Energy Committee events and encouraged anyone to join. Seline Skoug thanked everyone for their support of the Arlington Rescue Squad. Roger Hanson spoke on behalf of the Yellow Barn and thanked the town and Nick Zaiac for all of their help with the gardens at the Yellow Barn. Aaron Ashton encouraged residents to join the

Arlington Farmers Market. John Mendenhall addressed the Select Board concerning the Junk Ordinance and wondered why there is no enforcement on East Arlington Road. The properties near his home are degrading to the town, not to mention the drug dealing in that area so close to the school. He firmly encouraged the Select Board to “Do Something About It.” Jessica Massey spoke about the Nursing Service which provides funds for area families.

Motion to recess until tomorrow morning at 10:00 am by Michael Murno

Seconded by Joe Gervais

Motion carried. Meeting recessed at 9:52 pm

Attest: *Robin S. Wilcox*

Clerk

John L. Whalen II

Moderator

**ARLINGTON, VERMONT -OFFICIAL BALLOT – ANNUAL TOWN MEETING –
MARCH 5, 2024**

OFFICIAL TOWN BALLOT

For Moderator. for 1 Year. Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds. for 3 Years. Vote for not more than ONE	
JOHN L. WHALEN II	592	CAROL FAY	527
Write-In	4	Write-in	6
For Select Board. for 2 Years. Vote for not more than ONE		For Lister. for 3 Years. Vote for not more than ONE	
CYNTHIA BROWNING	356	JOSEPH GARGER	524
JOSEPH “JOE “GERVAIS	256		
Write-in	7	Write-in	6
For Select Board. for 3 Years. Vote for not more than ONE		For Cemetery Commissioner. for 3 Years. Vote for not more than ONE	
GLENN SHERMAN JR.	550	WILLIAM BRYAN	582
Write-In	15	Write-in	3
For Delinquent Tax Collector. for 1 Year. Vote for not more than ONE			
KENDELL JENNINGS	322		
TIFFANY MAYS	268		
Write-In	3		

Article 7. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the Select Board to appoint a town treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651f? YES- 374 NO-266

Article 8. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the elimination of the office of Town Lister and hire a professional assessor as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651c? YES-314 NO-322

Article 9. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$65,000.00 from 2023 highway surplus into the Capital Reserve Fund for resurfacing of Town roads. YES-535 NO-104

Article 10. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$35,000 from 2023 highway surplus into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks. YES-517 NO-124

Articles 11 through 19 to vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the funding for the following Capital Reserve Funds.

Article 11. To authorize the sum of \$100,000.00 for the replacement, repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks. YES-520 NO-119

Article 12. To authorize the sum of \$50,000.00 for the replacement, repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington highway trucks. YES-466 NO-157

Article 13. To authorize the sum of \$15,000.00 for the replacement, repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington backhoe, excavator, and loader. YES-471 NO-152

Article 14 To authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 for the purchase and or repair of sidewalk maintenance equipment. YES-460 NO-158

Article 15. To authorize the sum of \$5,000.00 for the maintenance/ removal of diseased and hazardous trees. YES-535 NO-85

Article 16. To authorize the sum of \$20,000.00 for the resurfacing of Town roads. YES-522 NO-103

Article 17. To authorize the sum of \$30,000.00 for the Town bridges and culverts. YES-541 NO-82

Article 18. To authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 for the maintenance of Town owned buildings. YES-521 NO-104

Article 19. To authorize the sum of \$2,500.00 for the maintenance of park equipment. YES-528 NO-97

Articles 20 through 40 under the provisions of 24 V.S.A. 2691. Shall the Town vote by ballot to appropriate general funds toward the support of social service agencies.

Article 20. To appropriate the sum of \$61,500.00 to the Arlington Rescue Squad Inc. YES-561 NO-69

Article 21. To appropriate the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare Inc. YES-462 NO-164

Article 22. To appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to the Arlington Community House. YES-479 NO-140

Article 23. To appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service.
YES-535 NO-91

Article 24. To appropriate the sum of \$21,500.00 to the Martha Canfield Memorial Library Inc. YES-498 NO-130

Article 25. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless. YES-468 NO-164

Article 26. To appropriate the sum of \$360.00 to the Bennington County Conservation District. YES-443 NO-186

Article 27. To appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare. YES-512 NO-123

Article 28. To appropriate the sum of \$1,200 to BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont. YES-440 NO-183

Article 29. To appropriate the sum of \$540.00 to the Center for Restorative Justice. YES-406
NO-218

Article 30. To appropriate the sum of \$450.00 to the Project Against Violent Encounters Inc.-
P.A.V.E. YES-498 NO-131

Article 31. To appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program-
R.S.V.P. YES-508 NO-122

Article 32. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to the Sunrise Family Resource Center. YES-433
NO-187

Article 33. To appropriate the sum of \$1,530.00 to the Southwestern VT Council on Aging.
YES-503 NO-125

Article 34. To appropriate the sum of \$450.00 to the Tutorial Center. YES-460 NO-167

Article 35. To appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to the VT Association for the Blind & Visually
Impaired. YES-534 NO-100

Article 36. To appropriate the sum of \$295.00 to the Vermont Center for Independent Living.
YES-550 NO-127

Article 37. To appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to Neighbor to Neighbor home based care giving
program. YES-491 NO-135

Article 38. To appropriate the sum of \$779.00 to Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity. YES-
463 NO-160

Article 39. To appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to Greater Northshire Access Television- GNAT
to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the
Arlington Select Board, School Board and other public and municipal meetings. YES-46 NO-
162

Article 40. To vote by ballot to see if the Town voters vote to exempt the property of the
Arlington Rescue Squad from property taxes for the next five years. YES-554 NO-79

Directory

AFTER HOURS TOWN PHONE (CALL TOWN ADMINISTRATOR)	(802) 379-9916
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER – BOB PERRY	(802) 681-3724
ARLINGTON COMMONS	(802) 342-9439
ARLINGTON FOOD SHELF	(802) 375-6328
Hours: 1:30-4:00 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month	
ARLINGTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL	(802) 375-2589
ARLINGTON POST OFFICE	(802) 375-6904
BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL COMMISSION	(802) 442-0713
CASELLA LANDFILL	(802) 362-4082
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 7:30-2:00 Sat., 7:30-11:30 CLOSED WED., SUN., & HOLIDAYS Buy sticker at site for trash. Free recycling.	
TOWN CEMETERIES	(802) 375-6135
COMMUNITY HOUSE SCHEDULING	(802) 375-6119
EAST ARLINGTON POST OFFICE	(802) 375-6695
FIRE DEPARTMENT (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 375-2323
FIRE WARDEN (BURN PERMITS)	(802) 375-1072
FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	(802) 375-6409
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – CALL TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	(802) 379-9916
HEALTH OFFICER	(802) 379-9916
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	(802) 375-1008
LISTERS OFFICE	(802) 375-9022
LIONS CLUB PAVILION SCHEDULING	(802) 375-6037
MARTHA CANFIELD LIBRARY	(802) 375-6153
Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00-8:00, Wed. 9:00-5:00 Fri. 2:00-5:00, and Sat. 10:00-3:00 Russel Collection 9-9 Tuesdays/by appointment	
RECREATION & PARK SCHEDULING	(802) 379-9916
RESCUE SQUAD (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 375-6589
SELECT BOARD OFFICE (BILLING)	(802) 375-6474
STATE POLICE (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY)	(802) 442-5421
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	(802) 379-9916
TOWN CLERK OFFICE	(802) 375-2332
TREASURER OFFICE	(802) 375-1260
WATER DEPARTMENT	(802) 375-9531

