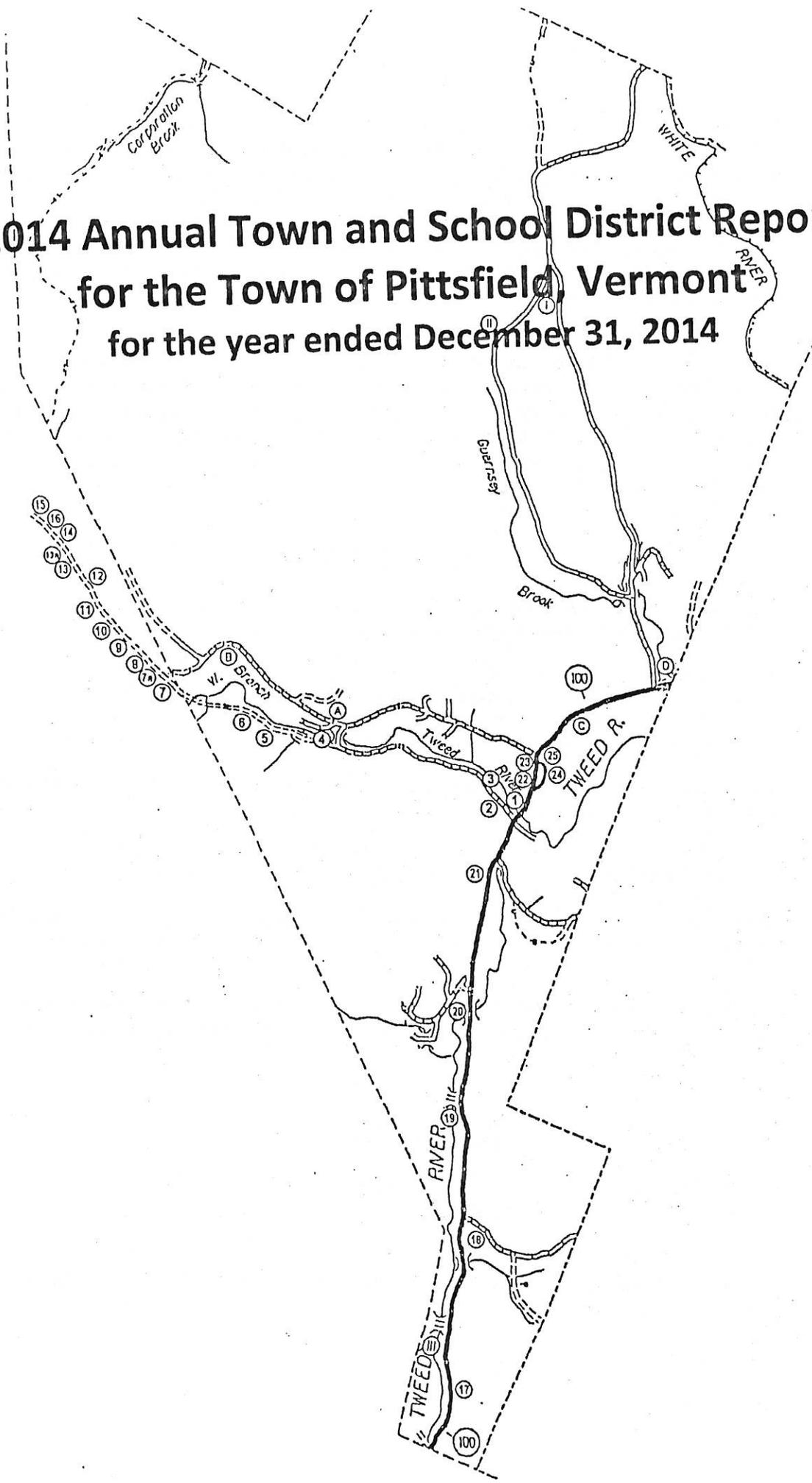


2014 Annual Town and School District Report for the Town of Pittsfield, Vermont for the year ended December 31, 2014



On The Cover

This year's cover is a map with markers showing the locations of historical sites within the Town of Pittsfield. This was a project undertaken by the Pittsfield Historical Society. All references noted throughout this report are taken from the book "A Glimpse of the Past, Pittsfield, Vermont" by Catherine S. Davis and Dawn D. Hance originally printed in 1976. The references to the map throughout the report will be enclosed within a border. In this year's report we will focus on the Lower Michigan Road area. We hope to continue with this in future Town Reports. "A Glimpse of the Past, Pittsfield, Vermont" can be purchased at the Town Office and benefits the Pittsfield Historical Society.

The numbers on the map refer to the numbers found on the signs that have been set out around Pittsfield by the Pittsfield Historical Society to designate places of historical interest in the town. Some of the signs, particularly some found on the Lower Michigan Road, are actually in the town of Chittenden. However, since the road did not extend into Chittenden town, the enterprises designated by the signs directed their activities almost exclusively toward Pittsfield, and thus represent a significant part of Pittsfield's past. The book contains photos and more information on some of these sites.

Dedication

This year's Pittsfield Town and School District Report is dedicated to Donald Flynn. Don passed away last September and was a valued member of our community.

For fourteen years he served amazingly as a Town Lister: driving the other Listers around to site visits, creating spreadsheets to assist in further understanding the complexity of the job of Lister, in addition to the everyday/month/year duties of the office. He will be sorely missed by the remaining Listers and his shoes will be hard ones to fill.

Don also took on the job of the Statewide E-911 Town Coordinator, which he performed since the programs' inception in 1999.

Don served as Clerk of the Works for the Town Office Building renovation project, doing a twice daily walk through of the project and working with the contractor, town and architect.

Lastly, for the Town at least, he was known more by everyone as Mr. FEMA, having accepted the task of administrating the FEMA buyout of properties following the destruction caused by Tropical Storm Irene. Little did he know that the job would be ongoing for over three years.

We will remember him fondly for his good humor, explanations of difficult to understand concepts, and for those of us who worked with him, we will miss him very, very much. Thanks, Don.

Auditor Report

In accordance with Sections 1681 & 1682 of Title 24 U.S.A., we examined and found correct, the accounts and records of the Town of Pittsfield and the Pittsfield School Directors.

To the best of our knowledge, the financial statements and reports show the financial activity and financial position of the Town for the year ended December 31, 2014 and the School District for FY2013-2014.

Joanne Mills	2015
Jessica Fuster	2016
Martha Beyersdorf	2017

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Town of Pittsfield Warning

Town and School District Meeting

We hereby notify the legal voters of the Town of Pittsfield to meet at the Pittsfield Town Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 10 am to transact the following business in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order:

Article 1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. Pittsfield School District Warning will be acted upon at this time.

Article 3. To receive the reports of the town officers for the year 2014.

Article 4. To elect the following officers for terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant:

	Terms (years)	Vote by Ballot Mandatory VSA T.17§2646
a. Select Person	2	Yes
b. Select Person	3	Yes
c. Lister	3	Yes
d. Auditor	3	Yes
e. Trustee of Public Funds	3	No
f. Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	5	No
g. Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	1	No
h. First Constable	2	No
i. Second Constable	1	No
j. Grand Juror	1	No
k. Town Agent	1	No
l. Cemetery Commissioner	3	No
m. Cemetery Commissioner	3	No
n. Collector of Delinquent Taxes	1	No

Article 5. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted?

Article 6. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, due on or before August 15 and November 15, and due before 3 pm or the closing of the Town Office?

Article 7. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,000 to be placed in the reserve fund for Highway Equipment?

Article 8. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,000 to be placed in the Contingency Reserve Fund?

Article 9. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$19,000 for maintenance of the Pittsfield Town Hall?

Article 10. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the change to make the office of Second Constable a two year term instead of a one year term?

Article 11. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town?

Article 12. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town?

Article 13. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate?

Article 14. To discuss any other non-binding business which may properly come before the meeting.

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 20th day of January 2015

Pittsfield Select Board,
Mark Begin, Chair
Jerome Drugonis
Donald Bass

Received for record this 21st day of January 2015 at 9am.

Attest: Patricia S. Haskins, Town Clerk

Any individuals needing special accommodations can contact the Town Clerks's Office at least two weeks prior to the Town Meeting.

2014 Elected Town Officers

Moderator

George Deblon 2015

Select Board

Arthur M. Begin 2015
 Jerome Drugonis 2016
 Donald Bass (resigned) 2017

Town Clerk

Patricia Haskins 2017

Town Treasurer

Patricia Haskins 2017

Listers

Donald Flynn (deceased) 2015
 Martha Beyersdorf 2016
 David Larkin 2017

School Directors

Kristin Sperber 2015
 A.J. Ruben 2016
 Raymond Rice 2017

Auditors

Joanne Mills 2015
 Jessica Fuster 2016
 Martha Beyersdorf 2017

Fire Chief

David Colton 2016

Delinquent Tax Collector

Eunice MacDonald-Rice 2015

Town Agent

Sarah Gray 2015

Justices of the Peace

(term commencing 2/01/15)
 George J. Deblon 2017
 Arline P. Drugonis 2017
 Jen Wall Howard 2017
 Pamela Mutrie 2017
 Mike Wuerthele 2017

Trustees of Public Funds

Peter Borden 2015
 Sandy Begin 2016
 Henry Hotchkiss 2017

Trustees of the Roger Clark Memorial Library

Traci Templeton (resigned) 2015
 Erica Hurd 2015
 Eunice MacDonald-Rice 2016
 Marion Abrams 2017
 Sharon Mayer 2018
 Karen Butterhof-Waterworth 2019

Grand Juror

Sandy Begin 2015

Cemetery Commissioners

Chuck Colton 2015
 Steve Martin 2015
 Connie Martin 2016
 George Deblon 2017
 Melvin Colton 2017

First Constable

Tim Hunt 2015

Second Constable

Doug Mianulli 2015

School District Treasurer

Patricia Haskins 2017

2014 Appointed Town Officers

Appointed by Select Board:

Tree Warden		Planning & Zoning Commission	
Arthur M. Begin	2015	Donald Flynn (deceased)	2015
		Suana Bicek	2016
Weigher of Coal		Sarah Gray	2017
Arthur M. Begin	2015	Jennifer Howard	2018
		Marsha Hopkins	2018
Inspector of Lumber		Unemployment Compensation Coordinator	
Arthur M. Begin	2015	Patricia Haskins	2015
Park Commissioner		Representative to White River Valley Ambulance	
Connie Martin	2015	Mona Colton	2015
Contracting Officer		Town Forest Fire Warden	
Sarah Gray	2015	Ray Colton	2017
Fence Viewers		Green Up Coordinator	
Arthur M. Begin	2015	Payton Veilleux	2015
George Deblon	2015		
Joseph Fuster	2015	TAC Representative	
Pound Keeper		George Deblon	2015
Doug Mianulli	2015	EC-Fibernet	
Road Commissioner		Matthew Humora, Delegate	2015
George Deblon	2015	Rebecca Humora, Alt. Delegate	2015
Representative to Two Rivers Regional Planning Commission		Energy Coordinator	
Jerry Drugonis	2015	Eric Lantiegne	2015
Civil Defense		<u>Appointed by State Health Officer:</u>	
Greg Martin	2015	Health Officer	
David Colton	2015	Sandra Begin	2015
Zoning Board of Adjustment		<u>Appointed by Town Clerk/Treasurer:</u>	
Pat Fuster	2015	Asst. Town Clerk	
Jennifer Howard	2015	Jessica Kuzma (resigned)	2017
Robert Charlebois	2016	Soojeong Seo	2017
David Larkin	2016		
Don Bass	2017	Asst. Town Treasurer	
Zoning Administrator		Jessica Kuzma (resigned)	2017
Sarah Gray	2015	Soojeong Seo	2017
Service Officer		Asst. School District Treasurer	
Sandy Begin	2015	Jessica Kuzma (resigned)	2017
Emergency Management Coordinator		Soojeong Seo	2017
Howard Gunter (resigned)		Deputy Registrar	
Peter Borden	2015	Lyndon Mann	2015
Local Emergency Planning Commission		Randy Garner	2015
Peter Borden	2015	Connie Martin	2015
		Gary Clifford	2015
E911 Coordinator			
Don Flynn (deceased)	2015		
Martha Beyersdorf	2015		

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting Town of Pittsfield

Tuesday, March 4, 2014 (Summarized)

Select Board member, George Deblon, called the Pittsfield Annual Town Meeting to order at 10:00 am. Approximately 60 people were in attendance at the Pittsfield Town Hall. George led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. The articles warned by the Select Board were acted upon at this time.

Article 1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year. George Deblon elected moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. Pittsfield School District warning will be acted upon at this time. The Town Meeting recessed at 10:08 am and the School District warning was acted upon. (See separate minutes). The Town Meeting reconvened at 10:30 am.

Article 3. To receive the report of the Town Officers for the year 2013. Motion carried.

Article 4. To elect the following officers for terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant:

a. **Select Person for three years.** Donald Bass

b. **Lister for three years.** David Larkin

c. **Auditor for three years.** Martha Beyersdorf

d. **Town Clerk for three years.** Patty Haskins

e. **Town Treasurer for three years.** Patty Haskins

f. **Trustee of Public Funds for three years.** Henry Hotchkiss

g. **Trustee, Roger Clark Memorial Library for five years.** Karen Butterhof-Waterworth

g1. **Trustee, Roger Clark Memorial Library for one year.** Erica Hurd

h. **First Constable for one year.** Tim Hunt

i. **Second Constable for one year.** Doug Mianulli

j. **Grand Juror for one year.** Sandy Begin

k. **Town Agent for one year.** Sarah Gray

l. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** George Deblon

m. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** Mel Colton

n. **Collector of Delinquent Taxes for one year.** Eunice MacDonald-Rice

o. **Fire Chief for 2 years.** Dave Colton

Article 5. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted? Motion carried.

Article 6. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, due on or before August 15 and November 15, and due before 3 pm or the closing of the Town Office? Motion carried.

Article 7. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,000.00 to be placed in the reserve fund for Highway Equipment? Motion carried.

Article 8. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$10,000 to be placed in the Contingency Reserve Fund? Motion carried.

Article 9. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$12,500 for maintenance of the Pittsfield Town Hall? Motion carried.

Article 10. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the change to make the office of First Constable a two year term instead of a one year term? Motion carried.

Article 11. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town? Motion carried.

Article 12. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town? Motion carried.

Article 13. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate? Motion carried.

Article 11. To discuss any other business which may properly come before the meeting. Brief discussion about Act 148.

With no further business to be discussed, the 2014 Annual Town Meeting was adjourned at 11:34 am.

Recorded by:
Patricia S. Haskins
Town Clerk

Approved by Pittsfield Select Board:
Mark Begin
Jerry Drugonis

Pittsfield Select Board Statement

2014 saw further progress in the town's recovery from TS Irene with additional property buy-outs accomplished and demolitions completed. Possible actions are under consideration with regard to public use of the properties within the scope of FEMA regulations which apply to all such land.

The temporary bridge on Rt. 100 at the town garage location has been replaced with a permanent span and the highway has been straightened out. The state intends to resume major work on Rt. 100 this spring and its projects will greatly impact our community during the duration of operations.

The Town Office/Library work has essentially been completed with the exception of the issue regarding regulation of the heating system.

The maintenance and repair program approved last year has been implemented and the north side of the Town Hall building has been repaired, insulated and reinforced, the original appearance of the building has been preserved. Another side will similarly be rehabilitated this year in keeping with town policy of needed work being done in stages to reduce possibly major financial impact.

The effects of Vermont's new Trash and Mandatory Recycling law on Pittsfield are still being studied as the Board works on developing a new system.

The Select Board once again wishes to express its appreciation and thanks to the many volunteers who continue to step forward and unstintingly give of their time and effort to enhance the safety and well-being of our community of Pittsfield.

Mark Begin
Jerry Drugonis
Don Bass

Planning Commission

This past year, after FEMA completed the buyout of the three properties along the Tweed, the Town gained ownership of the sites. The Planning Commission held a public hearing to get input regarding future plans for the site. The Planning Commission applied for and was awarded a grant to design a low maintenance walking park on the site. These properties can never be developed, but we believe a walking trail and two car parking area would be a good use of the property and enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

We have also begun working with Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission to update the Town Plan which expires in September 2015. Please feel free to join us in this endeavor. Prior to submitting the revised Plan to the Select Board we will hold a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public and we urge you to participate.

The recent passing of Don Flynn has saddened the Planning Commission and left an empty space in our hearts; he was wealth of information and a welcome addition to the Planning Commission. We are hoping the park we are planning will be named in his memory and in appreciation for all the work he did for the Town after Tropical Storm Irene.

We meet the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. downstairs in the Town Offices. Our meetings are always open to the public and your participation is always encouraged.

Pittsfield Planning Commission

Town Clerk and Treasurer Report Business Discussion

FEMA – Buy - Outs

Two property owners that had been denied by FEMA applied for relief through a Community Development Block Grant and those two buy-outs were completed in 2014. The FEMA Buy-out program is still ongoing in the Town of Pittsfield. With the death of Don Flynn, the Select Board has contracted with the Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission to administrate the one remaining buy-out for the town. Through the hard work of Don Flynn, he successfully administrated six buy-outs for the Town of Pittsfield.

Single A-133 Audit

A single audit is required for any town that expends more than \$500,000 in total federal grant assistance during the fiscal year. A Single Audit was completed by Jeffrey R. Bradley CPA, P.C. for year ending December 31, 2013 at a cost of \$4,800. It was submitted and accepted by the Federal Audit Clearing House in October of 2014. Audit highlights are as follows:

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S FUNDS

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Actual General fund activity did not exceed budgeted expectation (due primarily to reduced required property tax payments to Pittsfield School District and debt service payments) by \$17,102. The Town's Highway fund exceeded budgetary expectation by \$196,184 as it received disaster recovery reimbursements from prior periods.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At December 31, 2013, the Town had invested \$3,650,348 in a broad range of governmental capital assets, including land, equipment, buildings, and vehicles. This amount represents a net increase (including additions and deductions) of \$47,780 or a 1.3 percent increase over last year.

Long Term Debt

The Town had \$530,000 in bonds outstanding for the renovation of the Town Office at December 31, 2013.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Governmental expenditures are budgeted to increase 1.2% percent from \$1,939,812 to \$1,960,403, due primarily to increased public education expenditures. If these estimates are realized, the Town's budgetary governmental fund balances are not expected to change appreciably by the close of fiscal year 2014.

Town Office Building Project

Total Project funds in the amount of \$845,000, were approved through a town wide bond vote in April of 2010, for the Town Office Building Project. Since the bond vote, funds have been expended in the amount of \$833,628.89. Additional insulating projects were completed by Building Performance Services, LLC in 2014 which allowed the town to receive an additional \$1,587.10 in Efficiency Vermont Incentives and should also reduce the yearly energy costs for the town building.

Sequestration has effected the interest rebate program for Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds (2010 Series 2 RZEDBs) that the town secured to finance the Office Building Project. This caused a \$955.33 increase in the 2014 bond payment. The Vermont Bond Bank has assured the town that RZEDBs are still a good deal and are still well above the 30% breakeven threshold.

Town Clerk Report

Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer

After serving four years as Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer, Jessica Kuzma left her employment with the town to spend more time with her on-line business and to be more of a full-time Mom. In April we welcomed a new assistant, Soojeong Seo. You may call her Soo (pronounced Sue). She has lived in Pittsfield for seven years and is a wonderful addition to the office. Soo comes with an excellent skill set to match the needs in the town office. If you haven't yet met Soo, please stop by soon to say hi and introduce yourself.

Submitted by Patricia S. Haskins, Town Clerk and Treasurer

Listers Report

This year David Larkin was elected as our newest Lister. David is a local contractor and his knowledge will be a great asset to us in our site inspections. This year we also lost Don Flynn, who has been a Lister for the last fourteen years. He undertook a huge amount of work for us creating spreadsheets, sales studies, and more user friendly data collection form. He will be greatly missed and his shoes will be hard ones to fill.

Each of us took time this year to attend many of the courses offered through the Department of Property Valuation and Review. The State provides each town with money for this specific purpose and we hope to be able to utilize this more in the coming years as courses of interest become available.

The assessment on your property is supposed to be an estimate of its fair market value. We realize that your assessment from this office may not always agree with what you feel is fair either through a recent purchase or private appraisal. Our last town-wide reappraisal was held in 2008-9 when the market was not what it is now. This is something we hope to remedy in the coming years. Bear in mind that your current assessment should reflect the fair market value relative to the real estate market of that year and that everyone is being treated the same. The State of Vermont provides publications which can help you evaluate your assessment and better understand whether it is fair and equitable. Please go to <https://www.sec.state.vt.us/municipal/handbooks-guides/property-taxes.aspx> for this information.

We will be looking to fill the vacancy on our Board. If you are interested, please contact us and we would be happy to discuss the duties and responsibilities.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can reach us through the Town Clerk's Office at 802-746-8170 or pittsfieldlisters@myfairpoint.net.

Pittsfield Board of Listers
Donald F. Flynn, deceased 2015
Martha L. Beyersdorf 2016
David Larkin 2017

Zoning Administrator Report

"BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY"

If your property is anywhere near a brook, stream, river or other body of water your property may (or may not) be located within the designated Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) and/ or the designated Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area (FEHA) both of which are regulated in the FLOOD HAZARD AREA REGULATIONS.

Please check with the town BEFORE you undertake any CONSTRUCTION, EXCAVATION, and/ or STORAGE OF MATERIALS near any body of water.

If you do not comply with the Town of Pittsfield's duly adopted Flood Hazard Area Regulations you may be endangering yourself, your property and/or your neighbors' property. You may also subject yourself to considerable fines for failing to comply with the provisions therein.

Sarah Gray
Administrative Officer.

Explanation of the 2014 Grand List

		Listed Value	Grand List 1% of Total
Real Estate		\$100,383,667.00	\$1,003,836.67
Statement of Current Taxes	Tax Rate	X	Grand List =
Yr Ended December 31, 2014			Taxes Raised
Municipal	0.52		1,003,836.67
Homestead School	1.7737		521,992.59
Non-Resident School	1.3332		364,818.87
Total Taxes Billed 7/15/14			<u>639,017.80</u>
			2,021,941.29
2014 Taxes Accounted For			
Current Taxes Collected			1,770,494.26
Delinquent November 16, 2014			89,538.74
Homestead State Payments			181,329.15
Municipal Portion State Tax Adjustment			(16,721.65)
State Tax Adjustment Refunded to Owner(s)			(2,656.76)
Miscellaneous Adjustment			<u>(42.45)</u>
			\$2,021,941.29

1 – Goodrich Mill Site. The Flood of 1927 caused the dam above the mill to burst releasing the water from the reservoir.

2 – Site of Block Mill. The mill produced shoe last blocks for use in the shoe production business.

3 – Bike Rim Shop. The shop was operated by Mr. Peart who previously operated iron mines in Peartville and Pittsfield.

Delinquent Tax List

as of December 31, 2014

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010-2005	TOTAL
253 Lookout LLC	\$ 18.56					\$ 18.56
ASHTON, Robert B	\$ 19.88					\$ 19.88
BENZINGER, John	\$ 162.28					\$ 162.28
BERG, Christopher	\$ 1,209.87					\$ 1,209.87
BHH Associates	\$ 38.92	\$ 38.36	\$ 38.38	\$ 38.56	\$ 588.08	\$ 742.30
BOWEN, Jack	\$ 1,076.70					\$ 1,076.70
BRIGHAM, Walter	\$ 59.30					\$ 59.30
BURCH, Kopald	\$ 1,000.00					\$ 1,000.00
CARUSO, Anthony	\$ 819.10					\$ 819.10
FOLEY, Timothy	\$ 1,982.92					\$ 1,982.92
GAUL, John P	\$ 1,707.14	\$ 1,653.16	\$ 1,654.42	\$ 1,661.66	\$ 1,269.87	\$ 7,946.25
HANS, Alison	\$ 1,373.22	\$ 24.20				\$ 1,397.42
KELLY, Timothy	\$ 56.04					\$ 56.04
LEWIS, Stephen	\$ 1,071.14					\$ 1,071.14
MADR, Jason	\$ 5.33	\$ 0.23				\$ 5.56
ODELL, Keith	\$ 1,126.74	\$ 66.76				\$ 1,193.50
OLEARY, Keith	\$ 3,335.76					\$ 3,335.76
RICE, Raymond	\$ 4,977.48					\$ 4,977.48
SALEM, Dana	\$ 3,013.90	\$ 3,507.53				\$ 6,521.43
SWANSON Building	\$ 2,546.30					\$ 2,546.30
SWANSON Building	\$ 520.74					\$ 520.74
TIFFANY, Patricia	\$ 1,115.62	\$ 1,099.66	\$ 1,100.52	\$ 1,105.32	\$ 2,352.72	\$ 6,773.84
VANDERWERF, Kenneth	\$ 6,063.66	\$ 5,976.96	\$ 5,981.54	\$ 6,007.72		\$ 24,029.88
WATKINS, Harry J	\$ 1,104.50	\$ 1,088.70	\$ 1,089.54	\$ 1,094.32	\$ 1,124.40	\$ 5,501.46
WHITE, Donald	\$ 620.82					\$ 620.82
WIESEN, Sloan	\$ 985.90					\$ 985.90
ZUBKUS, Migra	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,901.42			\$ 3,901.42
	\$ 36,011.82	\$ 13,455.56	\$ 13,765.82	\$ 9,907.58	\$ 5,335.07	\$ 78,475.85

Statement of Delinquent Taxes

Delinquent December 31, 2013	\$110,759.64
Delinquent November 16, 2014	<u>89,538.74</u>
Total Delinquent November 16, 2014	200,298.38
Miscellaneous Adjustment	(25.91)
Total Collected 2014	<u>(121,796.62)</u>
Total Delinquent December 31, 2014	\$78,475.85

Changes in Fund Balance and Comparative Balance Sheets

GENERAL FUND

Fund Balance December 31, 2014	
Checking	\$87,572.16
First Class Savings	313,208.13
Petty Cash	<u>108.10</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$400,888.39

Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$375,647.11
Revenue for 2014	2,218,247.15
Expenses for 2014	<u>(2,193,005.87)</u>
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	\$400,888.39

Reserved-2nd install. FY2015 State Education Property Tax Liability	\$20,812.73
Unreserved	<u>380,075.66</u>
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	\$400,888.39

Change in Fund Balance	\$25,241.28
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HIGHWAY FUND

Fund Balance December 31, 2014	
Checking	\$264,050.83
Total Fund Balance	\$264,050.83

Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$250,066.53
Revenue for 2014	163,995.46
Expenses for 2014	<u>(150,011.16)</u>
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	\$264,050.83

Change in Fund Balance	\$13,984.30
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CEMETERY FUND

Fund Balance December 31, 2014	
	\$9,747.04

Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$7,926.34
Revenue for 2014	9,386.21
Expenses for 2014	<u>(7,565.51)</u>
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	\$9,747.04

Change in Fund Balance	\$1,820.70
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Revenues and Receipts

REVENUES AND RECEIPTS

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Estimated
GENERAL FUND					
Current Taxes	1,683,643.90	1,621,622.15		1,770,494.26	
Current Tax Interest	1,153.14	1,178.07		593.48	
Delinquent Taxes	81,648.92	110,457.96		121,796.62	
Delinquent Tax Interest	2,622.16	6,511.34		10,952.32	
Dog Licenses	352.00	369.00	350.00	382.00	350.00
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surchg	480.00	460.00		476.00	
Pet Dealer Permits	10.00	10.00		25.00	
Breeding/Special License	30.00	30.00		30.00	
Dog License Collection Costs	5.75				
Dog Fines	25.00			285.00	
Liquor Licenses	280.00	280.00	280.00	460.00	460.00
Building Rents				100.00	
Lease Lot Rents		7.40	17.00	14.90	17.00
Town Clerk Fees	11,584.75	10,299.70	7,000.00	8,505.00	7,000.00
Interest - General Fund	583.85	398.11	300.00	612.43	300.00
Interest - Restricted Funds	922.66	553.48	600.00	555.79	550.00
Photo Copies	92.53	113.90	50.00	126.20	50.00
Marriage Licenses	595.00	315.00		350.00	
Municipal Planning Grant		2,896.00		1,242.00	
Miscellaneous	1,891.88	67.72		108.99	
Record Preservation	983.00	819.30		670.00	
Current Use Payment	8,871.00	9,553.00		10,699.00	
Fax	69.00	52.00	30.00	26.00	20.00
Overpayments	11,806.87	4,837.98		2,237.37	
Delinquent Tax Penalty	6,862.09	8,642.90		8,672.00	
Interfund Transfers					
ACH Payment error by VT	18,995.00	18,539.00		41,493.27	
Repayment Irene Loan	300,000.00	125,000.00			
USDA EWP paymnt	148,513.50	16,708.05			
OBF bond repayment		52,577.71	10,000.00		
Reimburse from HW-Parmenter Paving		8,830.00			
Miscellaneous transfer-computer fund				1,436.49	
Postage Reimbursement	8.75	40.26		50.23	
Road Fines	439.00	385.41		651.00	
FEMA Buy-out Program		542,203.55		235,101.80	
Park & Ride Grant		52,462.75			
Zoning Permits				100.00	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$2,282,469.75	\$2,596,221.74	\$18,627.00	\$2,218,247.15	\$8,747.00
HIGHWAY FUND					
State Aid	36,890.86	22,474.34	20,000.00	22,473.23	22,000.00
Green Mountain National Forest	18,995.00	18,539.00	18,000.00	19,680.00	18,000.00
Interest	68.95	92.26	50.00	109.97	50.00
General Fund Tax Disbursement	111,329.00	164,053.50		113,598.00	
Miscellaneous-plow ins & Equip Fund	570.40	1,191.38		7,746.06	
Undesignated Fund Balance					
Culvert Grant		42,977.03			
Interfund Transfer - VT Deposit Errors	28,821.44	495,203.03		388.20	
Interfund Transfer - Truck Purchase					
Interfund Transfer - Irene loan from GF	125,000.00				
Interfund Transfer-Loan Cntngncy Fund	15,000.00				
Interfund Transfer-Loan Emerncy Fund	8,900.00				
Interfund Transfer - Buyout reimbursement		2,000.00			
State Extra Match - Irene		23,913.91			
FEMA Payment - Irene 90%	797,242.03	151,029.20			
Vermont Payment -Irene 5%	14,497.64	38,628.16			
Irene USDA EWP Reimbursement	148,513.50	16,708.05			
Donations - River Restoration	40.00				
TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	\$1,305,868.82	\$976,809.86	\$38,050.00	\$163,995.46	\$40,050.00

Revenues & Receipts

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Estimated
CEMETERY FUND					
General Fund Tax Disbursement	6,946.00	6,696.00		9023.00	
Interest	10.29	9.04	10.00	5.23	10.00
Dividends	325.44	325.44	250.00	357.98	250.00
Interfund Transfer-Trustee of Public Fun		<u>4,000.00</u>			
TOTAL CEMETERY FUND	<u>\$7,281.73</u>	<u>\$11,030.48</u>	<u>\$260.00</u>	<u>\$9,386.21</u>	<u>\$260.00</u>

2015 BUDGET

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
GENERAL FUND					
Taxes					
FICA Social Security	4,132.30	4,258.07	4,310.00	4,175.71	4,539.00
FICA Medicare	967.34	995.71	1,010.00	976.68	1062
Rutland County Tax	<u>6,076.08</u>	<u>5,973.39</u>	<u>6,030.00</u>	<u>6,154.67</u>	<u>5,836.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>11,175.72</u>	<u>11,227.17</u>	<u>11,350.00</u>	<u>11,307.06</u>	<u>11,437.00</u>
Insurance and Bonds					
VLCT Unemployment Trust	916.00	613.00	585.00	599.00	639.00
VLCT Insurance Package	<u>13,164.69</u>	<u>20,973.00</u>	<u>23,549.00</u>	<u>24,784.00</u>	<u>26,461.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>14,080.69</u>	<u>21,586.00</u>	<u>24,134.00</u>	<u>25,383.00</u>	<u>27,100.00</u>
Dues and Contributions					
VLCT	1,197.00	1,257.00	1,383.00	1,383.00	1,559.00
Two Rivers Regional Planning	683.00	683.00	704.00	704.00	726.00
Vt Clerk's & Treasurer's Assoc.	70.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
Quin Town Seniors	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	3,043.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance VT/NH	940.00	940.00	940.00	940.00	940.00
Park House/Community Care	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Central VT Council on Aging	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
Rutland County Women's Shelter	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Capstone Community Action	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
VT Center For Independent Living	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Rutland County Mental Health	588.00	588.00	588.00	588.00	588.00
Neighbor Works	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
American Red Cross	100.00				150.00
Stagecoach	200.00	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00
VT Rural Fire Protectn Tsk Force					<u>100.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>7,503.00</u>	<u>7,478.00</u>	<u>7,825.00</u>	<u>7,825.00</u>	<u>9,216.00</u>
Refuse					
Solid Waste Charges	42,737.30	41,952.85	45,855.00	39,325.45	19,110.00
SW Management/Program Fee	5,460.00	5,460.00	5,728.00	5,727.54	6,015.00
Refuse Removal - Jon Benson	50,700.00	50,700.00	50,700.00	50,700.00	21,125.00
Recycling Removal - Jon Benson	<u>7,920.00</u>	<u>7,920.00</u>	<u>9,720.00</u>	<u>7,920.00</u>	<u>4,050.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>106,817.30</u>	<u>106,032.85</u>	<u>112,003.00</u>	<u>103,672.99</u>	<u>50,300.00</u>
Other Services					
Legal	1,571.70		8,000.00	6,972.50	8,000.00
Ambulance	29,404.32	31,656.48	32,733.00	32,747.40	32,749.00
Printing	1,574.50	1,603.00	1,700.00	1,479.00	1,700.00
Advertising	283.97		400.00	334.13	400.00
Rutland County Sheriff	216.00	1,377.00	3,500.00	3,870.00	5,000.00
Audit		4,923.00	4,700.00	4,800.00	
Website Creation			<u>825.00</u>	<u>1,035.60</u>	
Subtotal	<u>33,050.49</u>	<u>39,559.48</u>	<u>51,858.00</u>	<u>51,238.63</u>	<u>47,849.00</u>

2015 Budget

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
General Fund continued					
Maintenance and Repairs					
Office Equipment	1,199.85	1,983.65	2,525.00	3,619.22	3,400.00
Website Maintenance			200.00	146.34	200.00
Town Office Building	1,592.76	2,139.96	2,000.00	2,150.50	2,100.00
Town Hall	1,124.90	8,859.33		1,078.12	6,600.00
Town Hall Insulation Project			12,500.00	10,100.00	on warning
Band Stand			200.00		100.00
Sandshed	800.00		300.00		300.00
Garage	357.98		400.00	358.98	400.00
Fire Alarm Yearly Inspection	<u>160.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>5,235.49</u>	<u>13,332.94</u>	<u>18,475.00</u>	<u>17,803.16</u>	<u>13,450.00</u>
Utilities - Town Hall					
Electricity	2,068.01	807.83	850.00	833.54	850.00
Fuel	<u>2,144.33</u>	<u>2,173.95</u>	<u>3,100.00</u>	<u>2,455.02</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>4,212.34</u>	<u>2,981.78</u>	<u>3,950.00</u>	<u>3,288.56</u>	<u>3,650.00</u>
Utilities - Town Office Building					
Electricity	1,519.94	2,060.09	2,200.00	2,082.92	2,200.00
Fuel	2,481.98	3,081.51	4,000.00	4,696.25	4,500.00
Phone	<u>1,263.36</u>	<u>1,393.57</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,481.23</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>5,265.28</u>	<u>6,535.17</u>	<u>7,700.00</u>	<u>8,260.40</u>	<u>8,300.00</u>
Utilities - Highway Garage					
Electricity	643.80	716.64	750.00	792.97	800.00
Phone	567.45	587.90	600.00	605.48	650.00
LP Gas	<u>527.95</u>	<u>721.18</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,275.58</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>1,739.20</u>	<u>2,025.72</u>	<u>2,850.00</u>	<u>2,674.03</u>	<u>2,750.00</u>
Utilities - Street Lights					
Electricity	<u>3,394.28</u>	3,400.13	<u>3,400.00</u>	<u>2,092.78</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>3,394.28</u>	3,400.13	3,400.00	2,093.78	2,500.00
Parks and Grounds					
Labor	1,866.96	3,214.40	3,000.00	1,986.73	3,000.00
Fuel	159.85	282.31	280.00	274.01	280.00
Portable Toilet	440.00	495.00	500.00	495.00	500.00
Equipment Maintenance	116.76	316.32	200.00	545.00	200.00
Trees and Bedding Plants			200.00		200.00
Supplies		201.16	200.00		200.00
Hired Equipment			300.00		300.00
New Equipment			<u>250.00</u>		<u>250.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>2,583.57</u>	<u>4,509.19</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>	<u>3,300.74</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>
Office Expenses					
Office Supplies	2,362.39	2,122.78	2,500.00	2,162.40	2,300.00
Postage	<u>1,246.50</u>	<u>1,304.81</u>	<u>1,400.00</u>	<u>1,373.45</u>	<u>1,400.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>3,608.89</u>	<u>3,427.59</u>	<u>3,900.00</u>	<u>3,535.85</u>	<u>3,700.00</u>
Planning Commission					
Printing, Copies, Typing, Adv.			200.00	53.93	200.00
Municipal Planning Grant Match					904.00
Misc./Assistance from Two Rivers			<u>100.00</u>	<u>4.20</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>58.13</u>	<u>1,204.00</u>
Board of Listers					
Postage	23.00	5.10	300.00	122.61	300.00
Supplies	596.02	119.15	300.00	203.72	300.00
Computer			500.00	636.49	600.00
Miscellaneous			100.00	50.00	50.00
NEMRC Support	257.50	265.23	300.00	554.56	300.00
License Fees	<u>446.85</u>	<u>215.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>712.62</u>	<u>750.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>1,323.37</u>	<u>604.48</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>2,280.00</u>	<u>2,300.00</u>
Salaries					
Auditors	74.03	316.05	490.00	547.50	557.00
Election Officials	382.83	34.12	400.00	210.24	407.00
Fire Chief	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	915.00
Listers	3,544.15	2,894.39	7,000.00	5,189.08	7,000.00
Select Board	3,600.00	3,600.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00

2015 Budget

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
General Fund continued					
Salaries Continued					
Health Officer		36.75	500.00	42.00	509.00
Selectboard Secretary	2,238.10	2,421.65	2,563.00	2,084.61	2,607.00
Town Clerk	14,485.15	14,775.00	14,997.00	14,997.00	16,080.00
Town Treasurer	14,484.85	14,774.99	14,997.00	14,997.00	16,080.00
Asst. Town Clerk & Treasurer	<u>13,403.42</u>	<u>12,522.36</u>	<u>12,122.00</u>	<u>12,814.76</u>	<u>13,058.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>53,112.53</u>	<u>52,275.31</u>	<u>58,469.00</u>	<u>56,282.19</u>	<u>61,713.00</u>
Other					
Town Officer Education	295.00	200.00	400.00	600.00	500.00
Town Officer Mileage	711.09	430.74	750.00	1,135.57	1,000.00
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund	1,657.99	1,496.12	1,612.00	1,576.34	1,729.00
Tax Sale Repay				11,000.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>790.57</u>	<u>8,978.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>148.93</u>	<u>300.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>3,454.65</u>	<u>11,104.86</u>	<u>3,062.00</u>	<u>14,460.84</u>	<u>3,529.00</u>
Budget Disbursements					
Fire Department	10,000.00	18,850.00	18,850.00	18,850.00	18,850.00
Library	940.00	940.00	940.00	940.00	940.00
*Highway Fund	111,329.00	164,053.50		113,598.00	
*School Fund	1,164,372.00	1,134,746.00		1,310,212.00	
*Cemetery Fund	6,946.00	6,696.00		9,023.00	
Historical Society	400.00				
Highway Equipment Fund		10,000.00	on warning	15,000.00	on warning
Parks & Grounds Equipment Fund	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Bond Debt Service Payment	51,968.45	52,577.71	52,567.00	52,052.89	51,312.00
Contingency Fund			10,000.00	10,000.00	on warning
Computer Equipment Fund	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>1,347,255.45</u>	<u>1,389,163.21</u>	<u>83,657.00</u>	<u>1,530,975.89</u>	<u>72,402.00</u>
*Funds Disbursed					
Marriage Licenses	595.00	315.00		350.00	
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surchrg	480.00	460.00		476.00	
Record Preservation	983.00	819.30		667.00	
Refund of Overpayments	73,000.56	6,830.76		2,235.21	
Property Tax Adjustment Refund		10,385.19		2,656.76	
Interfund Transfers					
Irene Loan to HW	125,000.00				
USDA EWP payment to HW	148,513.50	16,708.05			
Bond payment to OBF	6,546.77				
PILT payment to HW	18,995.00	18,539.00			
Correct VT deposit errors				41,493.27	
FEMA Buyout		544,322.37		26,476.00	
CDBG Buyout		4,978.75		230,451.80	
Municipal Planning Grant		4,138.00			
Park & Ride Grant Disbursement	1,816.25	50,646.50			
Delinquent Tax Penalty	<u>7,569.00</u>	<u>8,496.51</u>		<u>8,672.00</u>	
Subtotal	<u>383,499.08</u>	<u>666,639.43</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>313,478.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>
*State Education Fund					
Statewide Prop. Tax Liability	<u>195,477.45</u>	<u>88,223.51</u>		<u>33,600.41</u>	
Subtotal	<u>195,477.45</u>	<u>88,223.51</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>33,600.41</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Miscellaneous Expense					
Service Charge	71.58	75.57		52.66	
Storage Unit Rental	2,764.10				
Relocation Expense	3,882.16				
Journal Entry Buyout-tax write off		859.53			
Irene - Payroll	4,189.81				
Office Equipment - computer				<u>1,434.51</u>	
Subtotal	<u>10,907.65</u>	<u>935.10</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,487.17</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$2,193,696.43</u>	<u>\$2,431,041.92</u>	<u>\$399,663.00</u>	<u>\$2,193,005.87</u>	<u>\$326,330.00</u>
**TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$332,072.90</u>	<u>\$370,683.48</u>	<u>\$399,663.00</u>	<u>\$413,094.42</u>	<u>\$326,330.00</u>

** This is the "Total General Fund" less the *Highway, *School and *Cemetery Fund "Budget Disbursements", the *Funds Disbursed category, and the *State Education Fund-Statewide Property Tax Liability. This line allows for a more accurate comparison of the 2014 Budget, 2014 Actual and the 2015 Proposed.

2015 Budget

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
HIGHWAY FUND					
Wages					
Road Commissioner	38,492.29	41,935.38	42,798.00	41,399.97	43,526.00
Temporary Help	180.33	1,559.85	1,500.00	1,094.50	1,526.00
Subtotal	<u>38,672.62</u>	<u>43,495.23</u>	<u>44,298.00</u>	<u>42,494.47</u>	<u>45,052.00</u>
Taxes					
FICA Social Security	2,436.94	2,696.56	2,746.00	2,634.78	2,793.00
FICA Medicare	569.77	630.65	642.00	616.05	653.00
Subtotal	<u>3,006.71</u>	<u>3,327.21</u>	<u>3,388.00</u>	<u>3,250.83</u>	<u>3,446.00</u>
Fuel					
Gasoline	80.36	26.71	100.00	99.88	100.00
Diesel	9,829.65	9,631.53	10,000.00	8,708.92	10,000.00
Lubricants	114.09	169.21	300.00	194.47	300.00
Subtotal	<u>10,024.10</u>	<u>9,827.45</u>	<u>10,400.00</u>	<u>9,003.27</u>	<u>10,400.00</u>
Hired Equipment					
Rochester Road Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Backhoe	2,490.00	3,251.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Roadside Mowing	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,500.00	2,300.00	2,500.00
Trucks	2,723.00	987.50	2,500.00	1,941.00	2,500.00
All Other	775.00	850.00	1,000.00	987.50	1,000.00
Subtotal	<u>10,388.00</u>	<u>9,488.50</u>	<u>11,700.00</u>	<u>10,928.50</u>	<u>11,700.00</u>
Materials					
Gravel	19,377.60	17,270.25	20,000.00	19,965.85	20,000.00
Sand	13,142.70	16,714.50	18,000.00	19,020.82	20,000.00
Salt			1,000.00		1,000.00
Chloride	1,982.40	4,501.50	5,600.00	4,765.10	5,600.00
Culverts	22,233.00	27.60	6,000.00	5,958.60	6,000.00
Guardrail					<u>3,700.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>56,735.70</u>	<u>38,513.85</u>	<u>50,600.00</u>	<u>49,710.37</u>	<u>56,300.00</u>
Employee Benefits					
Medical Insurance	8,423.52	8,423.52	8,262.00	7,154.04	7,491.00
Health Reimbursement Account				1,250.00	1,250.00
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund	1,956.36	2,122.21	2,300.00	2,176.01	2,340.00
Uniform Allowance	254.94	182.98	250.00	268.93	250.00
Subtotal	<u>10,634.82</u>	<u>10,728.71</u>	<u>10,812.00</u>	<u>10,848.98</u>	<u>11,331.00</u>
Other					
Garage Supplies	467.24	526.13	500.00	421.80	500.00
*Interfund Transfer-pay back GF loan	300,000.00	125,000.00			
*Interfund Transfer - pay back Cntngncy Loan		15,000.00			
*Interfund Transfer - pay back Emrgncy Loan		8,900.00			
*Interfund Transfer-correct State of VT d	28,821.44	495,203.03		388.20	
*Culvert Grant		47,752.25			
Mileage				77.00	
Employee Education				99.00	
Miscellaneous-snow plow, fire exting	2,331.06	1,157.50	1,000.00	6,955.00	1,000.00
Subtotal	<u>331,619.74</u>	<u>693,538.91</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>7,941.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Repairs					
International 4900	4,469.21	979.54	4,500.00	6,394.20	4,500.00
Ford F-550	1,756.22	2,696.74	2,500.00	5,217.87	2,500.00
Loader	2,840.45	1,017.16	4,500.00	117.37	4,500.00
Grader	7,500.07	2,193.70	4,000.00	1,408.62	4,000.00
Rake			100.00		100.00
Chainsaw	578.00		75.00		75.00
Spreader			75.00		75.00
International Sander	103.10		750.00	1,260.83	750.00
Ford Sander	1,000.54		750.00		750.00
International Plow			450.00	726.00	450.00
Ford Plow	16.26	919.41	450.00	211.80	450.00
Trimmer			100.00		100.00
Pressure Washer	122.10		200.00	11.49	200.00
Ford Plow Wing	662.81	931.20	450.00	485.56	450.00
Culvert Thawer			50.00		50.00
Subtotal	<u>19,048.76</u>	<u>8,737.75</u>	<u>18,950.00</u>	<u>15,833.74</u>	<u>18,950.00</u>

2015 Budget

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
Highway Fund continued					
*Tropical Storm Irene					
Loan Interest	404.10				
Foreman OT	634.74				
Liberty Hill Road Pittsfield Side	200.52				
Parmenter Place	4,007.10	8,830.00			
South Hill Road	137.37				
Guernsey Hollow Road	7,062.21				
Bakers Road	558.19				
Tweed River Drive	7,710.84				
Bridge #11	<u>553,723.28</u>				
Subtotal	<u>574,438.35</u>	<u>8,830.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
*Tropical Storm Irene					
USDA EWP Projects	148,513.50	18,221.55			
FEMA Buy Out Program	<u>39.25</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>			
Subtotal	<u>148,552.75</u>	<u>20,221.55</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	<u>\$1,203,121.55</u>	<u>\$846,709.16</u>	<u>\$151,648.00</u>	<u>\$150,011.16</u>	<u>\$158,679.00</u>
**TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	<u>\$151,309.01</u>	<u>\$173,554.58</u>	<u>\$151,648.00</u>	<u>\$149,622.96</u>	<u>\$158,679.00</u>

** This is the "Total Highway Fund" less *Tropical Storm Irene, *Interfund Transfers and *Culvert Grant. This line allows for a more accurate comparison of the 2014 Budget, 2014 Actual and the 2015 proposed.

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Proposed
CEMETERY FUND					
FICA Social Security	239.72	328.22	310.00	273.60	310.00
FICA Medicare	56.05	76.76	73.00	63.98	75.00
Fuel	228.76	410.40	400.00	265.65	400.00
Equipment Maintenance	192.65	162.68	500.00	159.67	500.00
Flags	819.48	39.99	300.00	539.76	300.00
Hired Equipment		1,522.00	300.00		300.00
Wages	3,866.25	5,293.85	5,000.00	4,412.85	5,000.00
Miscellaneous			100.00		
Stone Cleaning	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,200.00	1,000.00
Equipment Purchase	803.94				
Tree Removal				650.00	
Gravel			<u>300.00</u>		<u>300.00</u>
CEMETERY FUND TOTAL	<u>\$8,006.85</u>	<u>\$9,833.90</u>	<u>\$9,283.00</u>	<u>\$7,565.51</u>	<u>\$8,185.00</u>

Budget Summary

	2012	2013	2014	2015
Anticipated Expenses				
General Fund	402,680.00	385,550.00	414,663.00	326,330.00
Highway Fund	1,064,131.00	290,448.00	151,648.00	158,679.00
Cemetery Fund	7,206.00	6,956.00	9,283.00	8,185.00
School Fund	<u>1,354,924.00</u>	<u>1,256,858.00</u>	<u>1,422,309.00</u>	<u>1,390,659.00</u>
(Anticipated Expenses) Total	2,828,941.00	1,939,812.00	1,997,903.00	1,883,853.00
Anticipated Revenue				
General Fund	9,277.00	185,024.00	18,627.00	8,747.00
Highway Fund	952,802.00	(37,659.00)	38,050.00	40,050.00
Cemetery Fund	260.00	260.00	260.00	260.00
School Fund	<u>1,354,924.00</u>	<u>1,256,858.00</u>	<u>1,422,309.00</u>	<u>1,390,659.00</u>
(Anticipated Revenue) Total	2,317,263.00	1,404,483.00	1,479,246.00	1,439,716.00
Municipal Total To Be Raised By Taxes to Meet Budget	511,678.00	535,329.00	518,657.00	444,137.00

Anticipated Expense

	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Estimated
Grand List	\$1,007,050.70	\$1,009,337.70	\$1,003,836.67	\$1,005,318.00
Municipal	0.51	0.53	0.52	0.44
* With Warned item 7 - \$15,000				0.46
* With Warned item 8 - \$15,000				0.47
* With Warned item 9 - \$19,000				0.49
School				
Homestead Education	1.6666	1.5221	1.7737	1.6914
Non Residential Education	1.3181	1.2967	1.3332	1.3142
Resultant Tax Rate				
Homestead	2.1766	2.0521	2.2937	2.1314
Non Residential	1.8281	1.8267	1.8532	1.7542

Statement of Town Indebtedness

The Town of Pittsfield received a \$670,000.00 twenty year General Obligation Bond dated July 1, 2010 through the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank with an interest rate of 2.973561%. Payments are due twice a year. An interest payment of \$8,048.78 and a Federal Sequestration payment of \$468.42 was made as of May 1, 2014. An interest payment of \$8,048.78, a Federal Sequestration payment of \$486.91 and a principal payment of \$35,000.00 was made as of November 1, 2014. A total of \$52,052.89 was paid in 2014.

Additional Assets

	Bridge MMA	Civic Sign and Bench MMA	Computer Fund 428	Contingency CD 611
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$1,098.99	\$2,210.54	\$2,002.75	\$15,000.00
Deposits			1,000.00	10,000.00
Interest	0.12	0.24	2.44	54.86
Withdrawals			(1,436.49)	
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	<u>\$1,099.11</u>	<u>\$2,210.78</u>	<u>\$1,568.70</u>	<u>\$25,054.86</u>

	Emergency MMA	Federal Tax Deposit Fund	Health Reimburse- ment Fund	Highway Equipment CD 102
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$9,000.75	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$31,136.34
Deposits		31,536.38	1,250.00	15,000.00
Interest	0.91			124.09
Withdrawals		(26,582.76)	(229.65)	(6,513.56)
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	<u>\$9,001.66</u>	<u>\$7,453.62</u>	<u>\$1,020.35</u>	<u>\$39,746.87</u>

	Land Trust CD 481	Land Trust CD 419	Lease Lot #43 Savings	Lister Education MMA
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$109,673.11	\$109,140.76	\$256.19	\$1,861.79
Deposits				388.20
Interest	23.44		0.07	0.15
Withdrawals	(109,696.55)		(256.26)	(795.00)
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$109,140.76</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,455.14</u>

	Office Building Checking	Office Building CD 293	Parks & Grounds Equipment	Reappraisal MMA
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$5,548.43	\$26,515.47	\$1,840.13	\$27,181.12
Deposits	7,617.10		300.00	4,959.00
Interest		51.33	7.34	3.04
Withdrawals	(10,075.73)	(6,000.00)		
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	<u>\$3,089.80</u>	<u>\$20,566.80</u>	<u>\$2,147.47</u>	<u>\$32,143.16</u>

	Record Preservation MMA	Recreation MMA	Robert S. Dumas MMA	Wray Park Beautificatn MMA
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$11,904.07	\$2,565.08	\$669.06	\$1,105.76
Deposits	667.00	3,153.50		
Interest	1.19	0.32	0.12	0.12
Withdrawals	(295.00)	(641.71)		
Ending Balance December 31, 2014	<u>\$12,277.26</u>	<u>\$5,077.19</u>	<u>\$669.18</u>	<u>\$1,105.88</u>

PETTY CASH REPORT Year Ended December 31, 2014

Cash on Hand January 1, 2014	\$143.47
Deposits	150.00
Disbursements	(185.37)
Cash on Hand December 31, 2014	<u>\$108.10</u>

License Report

Year Ended December 31, 2014

Dog Licenses			
Females (Spayed)	39 @ \$8.00	\$	312.00
Males (Neutered)	31 @ \$8.00	\$	248.00
Males	0 @ \$12.00	\$	-
Females	2 @ \$12.00	\$	24.00
Late Females (Spayed)	19 @ \$10.00	\$	190.00
Late Males (Neutered)	18 @ \$10.00	\$	180.00
Late Males (Service Dog)	1 @ 8.00	\$	8.00
Late Females	4 @ \$16.00	\$	64.00
Late Males	4 @ \$16.00	\$	64.00
Replacement Tags	0 @ \$1.00	\$	-
Pet Dealer Permit/Special License	1 @ \$61.00	\$	61.00
	Total Collected	\$	1,151.00
	Credited to Clerk Fee Account - 119 @ \$2.00	\$	(238.00)
	Credited to State Spay/Neuter/Rabies Program - 119 @ \$4.00	\$	(476.00)
	Credited to Special License Account - 1 @ \$30.00	\$	(30.00)
	Credited to Pet Dealer Permit - 1 @ \$25.00	\$	(25.00)
	Total Credited	\$	(769.00)
	Balance	\$	382.00
Fines			
Unlicensed Dog	1 @ \$250.00	\$	250.00
Unleashed Dog	1 @ \$35.00	\$	35.00

A Note About Dog Licenses

Any dog that is more than six months old must be registered and licensed annually, on or before April 1st, by the Clerk of the Municipality in which the dog is kept. (20 VSA § 3581(a))

To obtain a license the dog's owner must pay a fee, present the Clerk with a current vaccination certificate, and in the case of a spayed female or neutered male dog, provide a certificate of sterilization from a licensed veterinarian. (20 VSA § 3581(b), (d))

Liquor Licenses			
First Class	3 @ \$115.00	\$	345.00
Second Class	2 @ \$70.00	\$	140.00
	Total Collected	\$	485.00
	Credited to Clerk Fee Account	\$	(25.00)
	Balance	\$	460.00

Marriage Licenses			
10 issued @ \$45.00 (State Treasurer's Fee, Victim's Compensation Fund, Clerk Fee)		\$	450.00
	Credited to Clerk Fee Account - 10 @ \$10.00	\$	(100.00)
	Balance	\$	350.00

Pittsfield Vital Statistics

Births

October 11, 2014 Fionn Krevetski, Son of Rachel and Sean Krevetski

Marriage

June 10, 2014 Amy Tingle to Maya Stein, Nutley, NJ
June 14, 2014 Zoe Badger to Sean Miller, Brooklyn, NY
June 21, 2014 Jessica Calhoun to Michael Devine, New Canaan, CT
July 5, 2014 Peter Prial to Tahnee Sidhu, Washington, D.C.
August 9, 2014 Alison Spiegel to Alexander DeLisi, Brooklyn, NY
August 23, 2014 Olga Vlahou to Marc Galardi, Swampscott, MA
August 30, 2014 Mary Silverman to Jan Gustav Vilhelm Ahlgren, New York, NY
September 6, 2014 Jodi Corcoran to James Christman Jr., Boston, MA
September 20, 2014 Christopher Sanchez to Kristy Touchinsky, Orwigsburg, PA
November 1, 2014 Tracy Ann Pettit to Karl Eric Segelbacher, New York, NY

Deaths

February 14, 2014 Lewis B. Sackrider, Jr.
August 26, 2014 Timothy Arnold Patch, Sr.

Burial Permits

September 13, 2014 Donald F. Flynn

4 – Saw Mill Site. A narrow gauge railroad ran by the saw mill on Lower Michigan Road. A dam just above the saw mill provided power for the mill.

5 – Railroad Turntable Site. In operation around 1908, the narrow gauge railroad which ran across the river from Lower Michigan Road was used only to haul timber and lumber from the Bayonne Lumber Company. There remain some disputes about there actually ever being a turntable. Some persons content that the train backed down into town with its loads.

6 – International Paper Company Dam Site. A dam built by Champlain Realty Company (owned by the International Paper Company) near the junction of Route 100 and South Hill Road was used to contain and float logs along the river.

Town Property

Pittsfield Fire and First Response

1993 Ford Explorer
 Pager and Toners
 Medical Equipment
 Firehouse
 1995 International/E One Pumper with a
 1,000 gal. Tank & 1,000 gpm pump
 1990 Ford F800 truck with 2,200 gal.
 Stainless steel tank with 6" quick pump
 2008 Ford F-350 w/Service Body
 Motorola mobile radios (3)
 Motorola portable radios (4)
 Base radio and 24 pagers
 Miscellaneous – other fire fighting equipment
 CET 710 gpm portable pump
 6 Scott air packs & 12 carbon fiber bottles
 Scott Thermal Image Camera

Roger Clark Memorial Library

Metal/Wood shelves (18)
 Metal desk with swivel arm chair
 Oval conference table with 9 chairs
 Children's tables (2) with 10 chairs
 Computers (2)
 Inkjet typewriter
 Couch (1)
 Metal card catalogue with stand
 Stepstool, box fan, trash cans (2) drapes (3 pair)
 Flags on standards, Seth Thomas Clock
 VT Castings park bench
 8'x10' area rug
 Keurig machine
 Computer desk
 Typewriter work desk wit word processor
 Rolling carts (2)
 Wooden Circulation Desk

Pittsfield Historical Society

Stanley Tool Display Boards
 File Cabinets (3)
 Storage Cabinet
 Television and Cart
 VCR
 Display Case
 Display Shelves (3)
 Camcorder & Tripod
 Chair Caddy
 PA System

Cemetery

2004 Toro Push Mower (2)
 Lawn Boy Mower (1)
 Shenandoah Trimmer (1)
 2 gal. Gas Cans (4)
 Equipment Shed
 Husquvarna trimmer
 Pull-behind Garden wagon
 Shovels (3)
 Rakes (2)
 Hand Pruner (1)
 Limb saw (1)
 Stihl Backpack Leaf blower
 Stihl trimmer (1)

Highway Department

1981 John Deere 444C Bucket loader
 1995 Caterpillar 120H Grader with snow wing
 1997 International 4900 Dump Truck
 2011 Ford F-550 Dump Truck
 1993 York FM Road Rake
 2010 Swenson Stainless Steel Tailgate Sander (International)
 2011 Swenson Stainless Steel Tailgate Sander (Ford)
 2005 Everest OWS Snow Plow (International)
 2010 Everest VTL Snow Plow (Ford)
 2011 HPF Snow Wing (Ford)
 2005 Hot Water Pressure Washer
 1996 Sears Air Compressor
 2007 Husquvarna Pole Saw with broom &
 trimmer attachments
 Steam Culvert Thawer
 New Idea Spreader
 2012 Husquvarna 555 Chainsaw
 Expendable items – Chains, power tools, hand tools,
 shovels, rakes parts and supplies

Park

2007 John Deere 740 Lawn Tractor

Other Town Property— 2015 Insured Values

Band Stand	\$ 29,435.00
Town Hall Building	\$ 876,638.00
Town Hall Contents	\$ 5,300.00
Town Office & Library Building	\$ 677,198.00
Town Office & Library Contents	\$ 40,000.00
Town Garage Building	\$ 242,036.00
Town Garage Contents	\$ 3,300.00
Sand Shed	\$ 52,202.00
Highway Storage Shed	\$ 25,851.00
Fire House	\$ 298,932.00
Fire House Contents	\$ 40,000.00
Veteran's Memorial on Village Green	\$ 10,458.00

Pittsfield Volunteer Fire and Rescue

Another year has passed, and once again we were here to answer the call for help.

The Fire Department is now fully joined with the First Response Team. Vern Haskins was elected First Response Leader. This new format is working very well. Our new "official" name is Pittsfield Volunteer Fire and Rescue.

We are continuing our upgrades/maintenance on the firehouse. This year we will be adding to our insulation in the attic and continuing our plumbing upgrades. To keep costs down, we attempt to perform as much of the work ourselves; but certain aspects sometimes require hiring a professional.

We completed another dry hydrant project this year, as well. It is located at the bridge on Tweed River Drive. The location of this hydrant is crucial, as we have a limited water supply for homes in the Tweed River Drive area. More projects around town are also on the agenda.

Please remember to inspect your chimneys regularly if you burn wood. As always, please change the batteries in your smoke/carbon monoxide detectors.

Have a safe and happy 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

David H. Colton
Fire Chief

Proposed Budget 2015

Fire House		
Utilities		\$4,000.00
Maintenance		<u>2,000.00</u>
	Subtotal	\$6,000.00
Fire Department		
RCMA Dues		\$1,400.00
Communications		1,800.00
Equipment		4,000.00
Training/Certifications		500.00
Miscellaneous		<u>250.00</u>
	Subtotal	\$7,950.00
First Response		
Equipment Supplies		\$400.00
Training/Certifications		<u>1,500.00</u>
	Subtotal	\$1,900.00
Vehicles		
Vehicles		<u>\$3,000.00</u>
	Subtotal	\$3,000.00
Total Proposed Budget for 2015		\$18,850.00

Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue

2014 Financial Statement

MASCOMA SAVINGS BANK- CHECKING		
Beginning Balance: January 1, 2014		\$33,847.53
Income: Donations	\$1,227.75	
General Fund	\$18,850.00	
Fundraisers	\$4,852.00	
Total Receipts:	\$24,929.75	
Expenses:		
Heating Fuel	\$2,955.82	
Auto: Fuel	\$487.62	
Electric	\$989.15	
Dues	\$1,100.00	
Phone/Pager	\$911.84	
Refreshments	\$327.11	
Supplies/Equipment	\$6,214.89	
Contributions	\$239.74	
Building Maintenance/materials	\$2,152.01	
Fund Raiser Expense	\$1,248.25	
Dry Hydrants	\$4,925.83	
Cover 1990 Tanker (Funds to Lake Sunapee)	\$15,000.00	
Training	\$375.00	
Misc. Expense	\$389.99	
Total Disbursements:	\$37,317.25	
Ending Balance, December 31, 2014		\$21,460.03
LAKE SUNAPEE BANK – MONEY MARKET		
Beginning Balance: January 1, 2014		\$24,434.74
Income:		
Interest	\$15.14	
Fundraisers	\$732.92	
Deposit from Mascoma (1990 Tanker)	\$15,000.00	
Donations	\$5,254.47	
Total Receipts:	\$21,002.53	
Expenses:		
Rutland Town (1990 Tanker)	\$15,000.00	
Total Disbursements	\$15,000.00	
Ending Balance, December 31, 2014		\$30,437.27

Pittsfield Historical Society Annual Report

It is rewarding to see so many turn out for the Memorial Day Parade, especially the youngsters and their decorated bikes. The Band and the Legion Color Guard always make the Parade special. We were joined by Marion, Wilber and Max Abrams and Erica and Amelia Hurd as we put the Poppies/Princess Pine together and placing them on Veterans Graves.

We dismantled the 3 Stanley Tool display boards and made a smaller one that we hung up on the wall. And we were happy to sponsor a bunch of fiddlers and Woodchuck Revenge' for the Community Picnic.

We lost 2 of our members this summer, Pat & Brice Davis.

The Historical Society was honored to be able to receive donations in memory of Don Flynn. The family asked us to divide the donations between the Fire Dept. Library and us.

Pittsfield Historical Society Financial Statement

Randolph National Bank Checking Account: #309

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 1,377.20
Receipts:		
Dues	\$ 6.00	
Donations	\$ 210.00	
Poppy's & Food	\$ 107.00	
Town of Pittsfield (Band)	\$ 50.00	
History Books	\$ 70.00	
Don Flynn Mem. Donations	<u>\$ 11,921.17</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 12,364.17	
Expenses:		
Postage	\$ 13.60	
WHS & Rochester Band's (Memorial Day)	\$ 100.00	
State Biennial Report	\$ 20.00	
Initial Ideas (plaques)	\$ 37.00	
Martin-Fales Post #43 (Poppy's)	\$ 60.00	
Kristina Cady (Community Picnic)	\$ 150.00	
Misc. Material	\$ 23.10	
Fire Dept. & Roger Clark Lib. (Don Flynn)	<u>\$ 7,947.54</u>	
Total Expenses:	\$ 8,351.14	
ENDING BALANCE		\$ 5,390.23

Randolph National Bank CD #29702

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 5,739.22
Interest		<u>29.74</u>
ENDING BALANCE		\$ 5,768.96

Randolph National Savings Account #515809

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 68.83
Refund Service Charge		6.00
Refund Dormant Account Fee		<u>10.00</u>
ENDING BALANCE		\$ 84.83

Roger Clark Memorial Library

Volunteer Run Since 1901

Our mission: To be a multi-generational community center fostering traditional, cultural, creative and technical literacy. To this end, with dedicated volunteers and town support, the RCML provides a fine collection of reading material, media access, and educational programming in a light and inviting environment.

We continue to add books and movies to our collection and have nearly completed the slow, agonizing process of entering the titles of nearly 4,000 books and 300 DVDs into a computerized catalog that will be available to patrons online. As a member of Green Mountain Consortium of Libraries, your library subscribes to Listen Up Vermont! which allows you to download popular books to your tablet or smartphone, at no charge with the use of a RCML library card. 166 library cards have been issued to individuals and families and new members are always welcome. If you are a current member and can't recall your card number, stop by and we'll refresh your memory.

In 2014, during our normal open hours, the library hosted over 500 patron visits and loaned nearly 500 books and DVDs while also offering computer access and free wifi. After school and outreach programs included:

- Who Do You Think You Are?, an adult family research program
- An Outdoor/Nature Program for Children
- The Summer Reading Program
- An Upcycle Halloween Art Program
- The Annual Halloween Candy Drop
- The ever popular Halloween Book Giveaway
- The Gingerbread House Party

We are currently working on a roster of programs for 2015 and hope to include topics of interest for adults as well as children. We are open to suggestions.

Thanks to the hard work of our Cookbook Committee and the enthusiastic response of contributors, the RCML Community Cookbook proved to be a very successful fundraiser. The annual used book sale at the Pittsfield Bazaar also added some cash to our coffers, and a very generous donation was made to the library in memory of Don Flynn.

We welcome donations of books, audio books and DVDs, and most importantly, your time. **The library cannot survive without volunteers.** Consider being one.

Respectfully,
Karen B. Waterworth

Roger Clark Memorial Library

2014 Financial Statement

Mascoma Savings Bank, Regular Checking

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$8,542.33	
Receipts:			
Donations	\$ 3,944.47		
Miscellaneous (Cookbook Ads)	\$ 1,008.00		
Cookbook Sales	\$ 4,099.00		
Town Funding	\$ 940.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 9,991.47</u>		
Expenses:			
Supplies	\$ 333.44		
Events	\$ 317.65		
CookBook expense	\$ 1,647.16		
Telephone	\$ 400.00		
Capital Books	\$ 786.01		
Computer	\$ 601.60		
Misc	\$ 120.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 4,205.86</u>		
ENDING BALANCE		\$14,327.94	

Mascoma Savings Bank, Special Checking

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 23.97	
Transferred from Regular Checking		\$ 400.00	
Expenses		\$ 382.52	
ENDING BALANCE		<u>\$ 41.45</u>	

Ruth P. Jutson C.D. #575534

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 1,033.05	
Interest Earned	Jul-14	\$ 3.65	
ENDING BALANCE		<u>\$ 1,036.70</u>	

Proposed 2015 Budget

Expenses		
Postage		\$15.00
Supplies		400.00
Events		500.00
Miscellaneous/Advertising		<u>25.00</u>
Total Expenses		\$940.00

Trustee of Public Funds

People's United Bank Account # 25-45-06435		
Beginning Balance – January 1, 2014		\$ 5,089.06
Receipts:		
Interest from People's United Bank	\$ 5.05	
Dividends from Putnam Fund	\$ 344.97	
Perpetual Care – Deposits		
Expenses:		
Dividends to Cemetery Fund	\$ 363.21	
Ending Balance – December 31, 2014		\$ 5,075.87
Lake Sunapee Bank Account # 927156		
Beginning Balance – January 1, 2014		\$ 735.88
Receipts:		
Dividends – Sofield Scholarship Fund	\$ 575.38	
Expenses:		
2014 Scholarship Award	\$ 409.89	
Ending Balance – December 31, 2014		\$ 901.37
Putnam Fund Account # 0002-0016488014 (Cemetery Fund)		
Fund Share Value as of January 1, 2014		\$ 25,189.97
Share Price = \$15.48		
Share Balance = 1,627.259		
Fund Share Value as of December 31, 2014		\$ 27,468.13
Share Price = \$16.88		
Share Balance = 1,627.259		
Putnam Fund Account # 0004-0496697228 (Jean Colver Sofield Scholarship Fund)		
Fund Share Value as of January 1, 2014		\$ 37,342.38
Share Price = \$19.86		
Share Balance = 1,880.281		
Fund Share Value as of December 31, 2014		\$ 40,708.08
Share Price = \$21.65		
Share Balance = 1,880.281		

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Hotchkiss

Pittsfield Women's Alliance

The Women's Alliance awarded a \$500.00 scholarship to Trevor Mears this year. Congratulations Trevor!

We also decorated the gazebo with the tree, lights and wreaths. We donated money to Quin-Town. Cookie baskets to the seniors were a success. Thank you to all who helped to make and deliver the goodies.

Kent Butterfield of Stockbridge was the lucky winner of our handmade quilt. It was raffled off at our annual bazaar, which was a huge success this year. The weather was perfect again. We have been so lucky with the weather over the years. Thank you to all our vendors and helpers.

Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy New Year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Picarello

E-911 Report

The Vermont E-911 system has been in service for many years now, but there are things that everyone should know if and when they need to call.

- Know when to use 911. Call or text 9-1-1 in an emergency: to save a life, stop a crime, or to report a fire.
- Know your location.
- Know your phone. Know the capabilities of cell phones, portable phones, and curly-cord phones. Landline phones will provide your location, but cell or VoIP phones may not.
- Remain calm.
- Don't hang up. If you have placed an emergency call, stay on the line until the call-taker tells you it is okay to hang up. And if you call by accident, it's important to let the call-taker know, or they may call you back or even send someone to your location.
- If you have children, practice with them so that they can provide the necessary information if they are the one who places the call (address, phone number, parent's first and last names).

Vermont's E-911 Board has standards for displaying address numbers. Review them and make sure that your sign is compliant. It could save your life.

- Numbers must be a minimum of 3" high x 2.5" wide and reflective.
- Mailboxes shall be marked with the house number.
- If the structure is not visible and there is no mailbox, a sign or number post shall be erected to display the number.
- Shared driveways shall be marked both at the beginning of the driveway and where the driveway splits.
- In Vermont, it is very important that the address number be placed high enough that it will not be obscured by snow during an average winter.

I hope you will take the time to look over this information and if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me. You can also check out <http://e911.vermont.gov/>.

Martha Beyersdorf
E-911 Coordinator

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross of Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley is on call to help our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year. A local Red Cross volunteer is often the first "neighbor on the scene" after a disaster strikes offering a hot cup of coffee, a warm blanket and a glimmer of hope to those in need. Supported primarily by volunteers, the Red Cross provides emergency support for victims of fire, flood and other disasters as well as instruction in health, safety and aquatics courses. Whether we are helping one family recover from a devastating home fire, providing emergency shelter and supplies to hundreds of families after a major disaster, or food and water for first responders, we have historically been a vital part of the local community.

Fiscal year 2014 was especially busy across our region and the Red Cross was there providing vital services to our community.

- Responded to 206 disasters/emergencies in our region
- Collected 45,000 pints of local blood and blood products
- Assisted 163 members of the military and their families from our area
- Empowered more than 1,200 trained volunteers to assist their neighbors during times of need
- Provided free babysitter training to over 250 youths in our region

Since the Red Cross is not a government agency, we rely on individuals, businesses and local communities to support our efforts in helping to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. Toward that end, we are asking each community for a donation based on its current population. We would greatly appreciate your support in the amount of \$250 this year. Your partnership will help ensure that the American Red Cross has the resources to support communities like the Town of Pittsfield and throughout Vermont and the Upper Valley when they need it most.

Sincerely,

Larry Crist
Regional Executive
Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region

Thankfully, we did not have any disaster responses in the Town of Pittsfield this year, however, our volunteers would not hesitate to be there should any event arise and we were called upon. Your support is much appreciated and we look forward to building our partnership for years to come. Thank you for considering our cause for funding this coming year. Every little bit helps.

7 - Boarding House Site. The boarding house was built to house workers for the short-lived iron mining business.

Capstone Community Action

(formerly known as Central VT Community Action Council)

Since 1965, Capstone Community Action (formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council) has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington Counties and nine communities in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland Counties. We help people build better lives for themselves, their families and their communities. This year, Capstone Community Action served 18,815 people in 9,237 Vermont households through Head Start and Early Head Start, business development, financial education, food shelves and nutrition resources, housing counseling, tax preparation, teen parent education, emergency heating assistance, home weatherization, workforce training, healthcare navigation, ongoing disaster relief, and more.

Programs and services accessed by 3 Pittsfield households representing 9 individuals this past year included:

- 1 household with 1 family member was able to keep heating their homes with help from our Crisis & Supplemental fuel programs as well as other utility costs.
- 8 individuals in 2 households continued to receive case management services related to ongoing disaster recovery from Spring 2011 and Tropical Storm Irene flooding, as well as referrals to other community resources to address critical needs.

Capstone thanks the residents of Pittsfield for their generous support this year!

Sincerely, Yvonne Lory
Development Specialist

802-479-1053

ylory@capstonevt.org

Central Vermont Council on Aging

Central Vermont Council on Aging is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting elders and family caregivers in leading self-determined, healthy, interdependent, meaningful and dignified lives in their homes and communities.

For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent for as long as possible. We connect the elders in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income or resources.

Some of the options we make available include:

- Senior HelpLine – (800) 642-5119 – has the answers to hundreds of common questions from elders, families and caregivers
- Information & Assistance staff counsel elders and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, and more
- Case Managers work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement and coordinate individualized long-term care plans
- Nutrition Services oversees the menu development for home-delivered and community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals
- State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, group training, and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans
- Family Caregiver Support promotes the well-being of the family members who help to make it possible for seniors to remain in their home

In the past year, we have touched the lives of thousands of elders throughout Central Vermont, including an estimated 9 in your town. Kathryn Schenkman is the Case Manager dedicated to serving the seniors in Pittsfield and worked directly with 7 families in the past year.

All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of Pittsfield for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of those who have contributed to making the Central Vermont communities what they are today.

Phone 802-479-0531 59 N. Main Street, Suite 200, Barre, VT 05641-4121
Email: cvcoa@cvcoa.org

Bethel/Royalton Solid Waste Program

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

The Towns of Bethel and Royalton jointly own a 22 acre parcel of land on Waterman Road in Royalton which has been improved to provide facilities for aggregation and shipment of municipal solid waste, recyclables, and a variety of hazardous waste materials. The site also contains the now-closed land fill which used to serve area Towns from 1970 to 1993. By contractual arrangement, other member Towns also utilize the waste management program, these Towns being: Barnard, Stockbridge, Pittsfield, Rochester, Hancock, and Granville.

Administration of the program had historically been managed by staff of the Town of Bethel, under the direction and oversight of the Bethel and Royalton Select boards. In August 2013, a new Interlocal Contract was approved and endorsed by the Bethel and Royalton Select boards. This new agreement for administration of the solid waste program shifts some of the burden of workload and accountability from the Town of Bethel's shoulders.

In May 2008, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation approved our program's "Solid Waste Implementation Plan" (SWIP), this having been prepared per requirements of the State of Vermont for purpose of managing solid waste and recyclables in accordance with the parameters of current local/state/ national priorities. The SWIP was formally adopted by the Selectboards of all eight Towns during the Fall of 2008 as the approved Plan all the Towns would subscribe to and implement. Copies of the approved SWIP are available for review at each Town Office.

Our facility operates under a license (or "Certification") which is renewed every five years. An application to renew our certification was submitted to the Vermont Solid Waste Management Division in February 2014, and approval was issued May 7, 2014. The certification is valid until March 31, 2024. The former Bethel/Royalton land fill also is "operated" under a Certification, which has been renewed for an additional five year term to end September 30, 2016. This certification provides for adequate monitoring of any residual effects stemming from the land fill use.

During the interval from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, a total of 5,584.5 tons of solid waste were received at the transfer station "tipping floor." This material was loaded into trailers for shipment to a lined land fill. Materials received for recycling totaled to 744.85 tons, these materials were directed to various facilities for processing. Various "special wastes" are regularly collected in addition to the usual recyclables. These include fluorescent bulbs, used motor oil, antifreeze, lead-acid batteries, and electronic apparatus. The fees vary depending on the material involved and the current expenses to the program for handling the materials.

Collection events for "household hazardous wastes" were held in August 2013 and June 2014, to provide a means for citizens of the member Towns to safely dispose of materials, particularly those not normally taken at the facility such as pesticides, various cleaning compounds, acids, bases, contaminated fluids, oil based paint, etc. The event was open to all residents of the member Towns, at no cost for up to 10 gallons of materials. Small quantities of materials generated by businesses are also acceptable at program collection events, but a fee corresponding to program costs is assessed on business participants, and an appointment must be made in advance. Since two collection events are normally held each year, the public is encouraged to inquire at the facility for dates scheduled.

We consider the solid waste program to be comprehensive in the services provided to the public, and the program staff is well-trained to provide advice or assistance.

The facility is open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and Saturdays from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Information may be obtained during those hours at the facility or by calling 763-2232.

Community Care Network

Rutland Mental Health Services

In the year 2014, 27 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as the Town of Pittsfield assures that quality services are available for their families, friends, and neighbors. Services provided to town residents include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services
- Developmental Disability Services

During fiscal year 2014, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 699 hours of services to 9 Pittsfield residents. We value our partnership with the Town of Pittsfield in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

Dan Quinn
President and Chief Executive Officer
Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.

Vermont Department of Health for Rutland County

Your Health Department district office is in Rutland at the address and phone number below. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With our headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2014 the health Department:

- **Supported health communities:** Rutland Area Prevention Coalition was awarded \$140,000.00 and the Partnership for Success was awarded \$130,000.00.
- **Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families:** We served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5 with WIC (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program). WIC provides individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables. In the Rutland district office 2,430 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.
- **Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease:** From January to September in 2014 we responded to 242 cases of infectious disease in Rutland County. In 2013, \$13,079.71 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases was distributed to healthcare providers statewide; \$1,240,588.81 of which was in your district's area.

State of Vermont
Department of Health

Rutland District Office
300 Asa Bloomer State Office Building
Rutland, VT 05701

802-786-5811
888-253-8802
HealthVermont.org

Green Up Vermont

Annual Report information - Green Up Day, May 3, 2014

Green Up Day celebrated 44 years in 2014! Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization responsible for continuing the success of Green Up Day. **Green Up Vermont is not a State Agency!** The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients: one is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups volunteering to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's unique annual tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up. Our coordinators tell us that many of their volunteers are families with young children. Green Up Vermont focuses on education for grades K-12 with activities such as a curriculum for K-4, activity booklets, a story and drawing booklet, and the annual poster and writing contests for grades K-12. Please visit www.greenupvermont.org to learn more.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 14 percent of our budget. Last year, appropriations from cities and towns covered 18 percent of our budget. These funds pay for supplies including over 48,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute because when you support Green Up Vermont you are not just supporting a program but Vermont and the people who live – and visit – here.

Mark your calendars for the next Green Up Day, May 2, 2015, celebrating 45 years! Get together with family and friends and clean up for Green Up Day, always the first Saturday in May.

PO Box 1191
Montpelier, VT 05601-1191

802-229-4586 or 800-974-3259

greenup@greenupvermont.org
www.greenupvermont.org

8 - Sign pointed to Caryl Brook

9 - Charcoal Kiln Site. The kiln produced charcoal for making iron. The major ingredients for producing iron are water, air, iron ore, and charcoal.

10 - Peartville Road Sign. Indicates the iron mine direction.

11 - Blacksmith Shop. The lumber and iron enterprises required an easily available blacksmith shop to assure timely repairs to machinery, hauling equipment, and tackle for animals.

NeighborWorks of Western Vermont

2014 has been a productive year for NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont:

- 88 families attended Homebuyer Education classes.
- 160 people received pre-purchase coaching and 40 people went on to purchase a home.
- 26 families repaired their homes with affordable loans totaling \$303,914.
- 55 people in danger of foreclosure received budget and credit counseling and are working with their lenders with NeighborWorks' assistance.
- 15 people attended Financial Literacy workshops
- 61 residents received reverse mortgage counseling
- In Pittsfield two families had home energy audits through NeighborWorks H.E.A.T. Squad. One family went on to complete their energy improvements with a \$15,000 loan from NeighborWorks.
- All of our programs are always available to Pittsfield residents. We are only a phone call or mouse click away.
- NeighborWorks H.E.A.T. Squad made it possible for
 - 710 households to have affordable Home Energy Audits,
 - 268 families to make energy improvements, and
 - 45 families were loaned \$929,093 which enabled them to complete improvements.

Rutland West Neighborhood Housing
d/b/a NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont
110 Marble Street
West Rutland, Vermont 05777
802-438-2303 nwwvt@nwwvt.org

12 - Second Blacksmith Shop.

13 - Iron Processing Site. The smelting site is easily located next to the ore road. Further in can be found the chutes for water to power the mill. The size of the mill can be readily ascertained from the still existent foundation rocks.

13A - Penstock Site. Some of the waterways are still visible. Some iron hoops remain imbedded in the ground indicating where the sluiceways entered the mill. Also still at the site are long iron pipes bolted together with iron bands. The pipes were probably used to transport water from the river to the mill, but may have been part of the smoke stack.

Park House

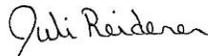
In 1985, community members voiced their frustration that when our elderly friends and family members could no longer maintain their households in our rural community, they had few options. Many of our residents were forced to move away from our community, away from people and places they have loved throughout their lives. All five area towns worked together to find an alternative. With funding from Vermont Community Development, Vermont Housing Conservation Board, and the generosity of our local residents, Rochester Community Care Home, Inc. opened Park House in July of 1991.

Park House is many things to many people—a community center, an historical landmark, a place to serve others—but above all it is home to up to 16 residents seeking out companionship, assistance, and community. Residents of Park House are as diverse as all of our community's citizens. Some live on fixed incomes while others are more financially comfortable; some are healthy and vibrant while others are more physically limited.

Park House has maintained its commitment to provide affordable housing to seniors in our community for the past 23 years. As the cost of practically everything increases each year, the staff and Board of Trustees at Park House have maintained their commitment to keep costs at a level community members can afford. To honor our commitment to the community, each resident pays approximately \$300.00 less per month than what it costs to run Park House. The organization relies on grants, fundraising events and your generous contributions to cover expenses while remaining affordable.

Our two plus decades of service to this community could not have happened without generous community support. So far this year, support from our local community comprises nearly a quarter of Park House's operating income.

We sincerely thank you for your ongoing support and would love to see you here at the house!



Juli Reiderer Executive Director

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens

Quin-Town Senior Center has seen minimal growth during 2014.

We served 6,876 meals this past year. We were down 100 meals due to fewer Meals On Wheels clients. However, this number fluctuates during the year due to client needs.

This year Rutland Medical Center sent us a generous donation of \$1,000.00, which helped with rising costs across the board.

We have seen continued price pressure on food costs and have continued to implement cost control measures.

Our current contract with Central Vermont Council on Aging reimburses us at a rate of \$3.50 per meal for meals at the center and for Meals on Wheels. This does not begin to cover the costs of the meals or costs to run the Senior Center.

We seek your support in helping us provide essential services to our communities.

We continue to offer activities, education, and music enrichment programs for our senior residents.

We want local residents to know they are welcome to join us for a meal and programs – all ages are welcome.

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens Board of Directors.

The Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter

The Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter (RCWNS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting those who have experienced domestic violence and sexual assault through efforts at prevention, protection, and education in the communities of Rutland County. We work on protection through providing emergency shelter, crisis and advocacy services and on prevention through education and referrals to other community resources. For 34 years we have helped families in Rutland County with services that range from emergency shelter to legal advocacy. We partner with many in our community to help our neighbors and friends break the cycle of abuse.

Over the past year we provided more than 3,100 shelter bed nights to families in our community. We also offer counseling, support groups, help with finding safe and permanent housing, and are available on a 24 hour crisis line. We advocate to help address instances of domestic violence and sexual assault, assist with family court matters, work closely with local police to provide innovative training for more effective law enforcement response, and provide individual services to clients both in-shelter and in the community.

The families, volunteers, and staff of the shelter thank the voters of Pittsfield for their support of our program. Because of your support, we are able to continue to provide a safe haven for survivors of domestic violence from your town as well as to provide counseling and legal advocacy services.

Sincerely,
Linda Bunker
President, RCWNS

Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter, Inc.
PO Box 313
Rutland, Vermont 05702
Business (802) 775-6788
Crisis (802) 775-3232

14 - Iron Mine Site. Without the sign, the iron mine would be very difficult to find. The mine opening is located down a slight embankment some thirty feet from the riverside. The mine shaft has an opening about 15' x 15' and extends into the mountainside some 28'.

Stagecoach Transportation

Since 1976 Stagecoach Transportation Services has worked to create a network of community transportation alternatives that connect the people and places in Orange and Northern Windsor counties. Our goal is to provide services that are safe, reliable, accessible and affordable for everyone.

During the past 38 years, Stagecoach has provided Pittsfield residents with transportation services to medical appointments, pharmacies, senior meal-sites, grocery markets and other vital or quality-of-life services.

Pittsfield residents can access scheduled route services to reach shopping opportunities in Randolph and West Lebanon.

Pittsfield residents can utilize the transportation alternatives available to seniors, persons with disabilities, and other vulnerable populations that Stagecoach provides for accessing a variety of destinations including grocery shopping, medical appointments, errands, and social events.

Stagecoach provides transportation to Senior Citizens from their home in Pittsfield to the Quin-Town Senior Center for meals and social gatherings.

In FY14, Stagecoach provided a total of 61,428 Scheduled Bus and Dial-a-Ride trips either by Stagecoach volunteer drivers or on our wheelchair accessible buses. All of Stagecoach's transportation programs enable community members to maintain their independence, gain and keep employment and access critical healthcare services.

The state and local grants through which we provide these rides require us to raise up to 20% "local match" dollars. Stagecoach's requests from towns account for approximately 5% of the 20% requirement.

Sincerely,
Jim Moulton
Executive Director

Stagecoach Transportation Services, Inc.
PO Box 356
Randolph, Vermont 05060
802-728-3773 www.stagecoach-rides.org

Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) 2014 Year-End Report

TRORC is an association of thirty municipalities in east-central Vermont, governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each member town. As advocates for our member towns, we articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while enhancing the region's quality of life. Our staff provides technical services to local, state, and federal levels of government and to the Region's citizens, non-profits, and businesses. Highlights from 2014 include:

Technical Assistance

In 2014, TRORC staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, ranging from minor updates to comprehensive, substantive overhauls. A number of our towns were among the first in Vermont to satisfy new flood resiliency requirements ahead of the July 2014 statutory deadline. Collaborative efforts to improve town plans, zoning, and other ordinances demonstrate a regional commitment to foster vibrant, resilient towns and villages.

Emergency Management & Preparedness

Our LEPC #12 efforts with local emergency response and town officials continue across the region. With TRORC's help, all member towns completed annual updates to Local Emergency Operations Plans, and we have been working diligently with numerous towns to update Hazard Mitigation Plans (HMP), often in tandem with facilitating TS Irene property buy-outs throughout the region, as was true of Pittsfield in both instances. As of late 2014, the HMP is still pending approval from FEMA. TRORC also awarded Pittsfield with buy-out reuse grant funding to provide public access to the White River, and has also assisted with floodplain bylaw adoption.

Working Landscapes & Economic Development

TRORC is committed to projects that preserve and protect our region's natural, scenic, and economic heritage. We continually seek to find a healthy, equitable balance between development and conservation that will both secure the region's future vitality and prosperity while ensuring effective stewardship of our landscape. To this end, we continue to refine the goals and actions that will guide our focus on working landscapes and the region's economy from our East Central Vermont Sustainability Plan, pursue brownfield assessment work, and begin an update to our Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Transportation

Transportation infrastructure and public transit services are integral components to safety and growth. We continue to work with towns on grants to enhance our roadways, inventory infrastructure, establish new park and ride locations, and make downtowns and village centers more accessible and pedestrian-friendly. We also have continued sponsoring Transportation Advisory Committee meetings and facilitating meetings with our region's road foremen. This year, TRORC has assisted Pittsfield with an extensive town highway culvert inventory.

We are committed to serving you, and welcome opportunities to assist you in the future.

Respectfully submitted, Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director

William B. Emmons, III, Chairperson, Pomfret

Vermont Center for Independent Living

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

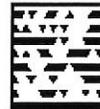
Preliminary numbers for our FY'14 (10/2013-9/2014) show VCIL responded to over **2,000** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **244** individuals to help increase their independent living skills (including **10** peers who were served by the AgrAbility program and **16** peers who received specialized Benefits to Work Counseling). VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **196** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 51 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **122** individuals with information on assistive technology; 36 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **392** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

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

During FY '14, VCIL provided direct services to Vermont residents utilizing the following programs/services:

- Information, Referral and Assistance (I,R &A)
- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)

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



15 - Dam Site. A long, thin log extending across the river indicates the site of the dam. The log, placed in the river in the 1870's, is still firm to the touch and shows no sign of rot even after some 145 years.

16 - Flume Site. The flume served to direct water from the above dam to power nearby machinery.

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

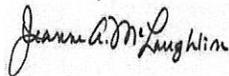
Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, VNH made 194 homecare visits to 10 Pittsfield residents. This included approximately \$8,074 in unreimbursed care to Pittsfield residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 133 home visits to 9 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Long-Term Care:** 61 home visits to 1 resident with chronic medical problems who needed extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Pittsfield's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

White River Valley Ambulance

As we enter 2015, the staff of White River Valley Ambulance is working to develop a more efficient and effective operational model which we believe will help hold down the costs of doing business. Our goal is to maintain quality equipment, enhance our core educational opportunities, and provide the highest quality in prehospital care and transportation for our residents and visitors to the 10 towns we serve in the White River Valley, Route 100 Corridor, and the geographic center of the State of Vermont.

This 2015 budget level funds our operation with no increase in our per capita rate. We are so fortunate to provide prehospital care in the most beautiful rural areas of Vermont. We thank each of you for your continued support allowing us to follow the mission created over 40 years ago by the founders of our organization.

Pittsfield School District Warning

The citizens of Pittsfield who are legal voters in the Pittsfield Town School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Pittsfield Town Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, to transact business:

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the Auditor's report.

Article 3. To see if the Pittsfield School District will vote to pay taxes in the same manner as the Town.

Article 4. To hear reports of the School Directors.

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$1,390,659 for the 2015-2016 school year?

Article 6. To elect a School Director for a three year term.

Article 7. To do any other proper and necessary business.

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 20th day of January 2015

Pittsfield School Board,
Kris Sperber 2015
AJ Ruben 2016
Ray Rice 2017

Received for record this 22nd day of January, 2015 at 9:00 am.

Attest: Patricia S. Haskins, Town Clerk

Any individuals needing special accommodations can contact the Town Clerk's Office at least two weeks prior to the Town Meeting.

Tuition Student Requirements

It is required by the Pittsfield School Board that any new resident intending to send his/her child to an elementary or secondary school, needs to notify the Pittsfield School Board prior to enrollment. Any changes in current resident students enrollment must also be communicated to the School Board.

- 100% Tuition payment will be made for accredited and recognized public schools.
- 0% Tuition payment will be made for any sectarian schools.
- A percentage of Tuition payment will be calculated according to policy for any recognized and accredited private school.

A copy of the Pittsfield School Board Policy can be obtained from School Board members Kris Sperber, Ray Rice or AJ Ruben.

2015 School Directors' Report

The Pittsfield School Board (PSB) met at the appointed second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Town Office building, with the exception of some meetings that were moved with notice posted appropriately. Agendas and minutes of meetings were also produced and posted as required by law. Our meetings are open to the public and everybody is encouraged to attend. The PSB wishes to thank Patty Haskins and Soojeong Seo for the invaluable and excellent work they do. Thank you Patty and Soo!

Board members continued their core functions of producing a budget for your vote, paying the bills of the School District in a timely fashion after reasonable scrutiny to assure that Pittsfield pays charges for residents only and that all charges are reasonable and appropriate, and awarding the Jean Colver Sofield Award. In 2014 the award, granted to a Pittsfield student who is college bound and has demonstrated a commitment to community service, was given to Emma Hotchkiss. Congratulations Emma!

Regarding this year's proposed Education Budget, we are reminded that because we do not operate a school our educational costs are mostly beyond our control (as we cannot fire a music teacher or choose to lower the thermostat of a school building to save money in the budget). Our budget is based on the number of children attending school, which school they attend, and costs of additional supports our children may require. This upcoming school year we expect to have an increase in the number of children attending school and are planning for 80 children, up from 71 children budgeted in FY 2014. Our proposed budget of \$1,390,659 is a \$32,000 decrease from last year's budget.

In addition to these core functions the big work involved our impending move to a new Supervisory Union on July 1, 2015. We transitioned from John Poljacik to Meg Powden as Superintendent of the Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union (WNWSU) as we worked towards the implementation of our plan to change membership from the WNWSU to the Windsor Central Supervisory Union (WCSU). After the unanimous vote in favor of this move at the annual school district meeting in March 2014, the PSB sent letters to the Agency of Education and the State Board of Education formalizing this request. We appeared and testified at State Board meetings, requesting permission to make the change to the WCSU, and succeeded in obtaining that approval. The rest of the towns in the WNWSU (Granville, Stockbridge, Hancock, Bethel and Rochester) are joining with the Orange Southwest Supervisory Union, resulting in the dissolution of the WNWSU and the reduction in the number of Supervisory Unions in Vermont by one.

PSB members meet regularly with Alice Worth, WCSU superintendent, the WCSU board, and WCSU staff. Details about how costs will be assessed by WCSU and a variety of other issues relating to the transition have been worked out and documented through these many meetings. The PSB continues at the time of this writing to work with the WCSU and the current staff at the WNWSU to make the transition a successful one.

As we move into the next school year more challenges await, including finalizing the transition to the WCSU and addressing the impact of the preschool requirement enacted into law last year but postponed this year. Thank you for this opportunity to serve our community.

Kristin Sperber, Chair
Ray Rice
A.J. Ruben

Pittsfield School District Treasurer's Report and Statement of Changes in Fund Balance

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Assets	
Checking - Mascoma	\$46,911.24
Money Management - Mascoma	<u>6,777.09</u>
Total Asssets June 30, 2014	\$53,688.33
Liabilities	
Notes Payable	<u>\$127,869.41</u>
Total Liabilities June 30, 2014	\$127,869.41
Fund Balance, June 30, 2013	
Actual Fund Balance (deficit), June 30, 2013	(\$131,430.69)
Revenue for FY 2013-2014	1,322,356.52
Expenses for FY 2013-2014	<u>(1,265,106.91)</u>
Ending Balance, (deficit) June 30, 2014	(\$74,181.08)
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	\$57,249.61

Statement of Receipts and Expenses

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Receipts	
Green Mountain National Forest	5,734.39
Town of Pittsfield General Fund (taxes)	1,134,746.00
Tech Center Funds (3114)	11,703.00
Interest Income	80.39
Mainstream Block Grant (3201)	27,818.00
SPED Intensive Reimbursement (3202)	100,233.00
SPED Extraordinary (3203)	0.00
EEE Block Grant (3204)	3,327.00
Misc - Revised SU Assessment	0.00
Tuition Credit - Rutland City Public Schools	14,730.70
Prior Year Income	<u>23,984.04</u>
Receipts Total	\$1,322,356.52
Expenses	
Insurance Assessment	\$1,956.75
Supervisory Union Assessment	63,398.61
Special Education Assessment	228,958.95
Excel After School Program Assessment	790.35
EEE Grant	23,335.95
504 Plan Expense	32,866.47

Statement of Receipts and Expenses Continued

Tax Expense - FICA SS & Medicare	87.59
School Board Salaries	945.00
Treasurer Salary	200.00
Dues - Vermont School Board Assoc.	262.65
Audit	600.00
Legal fees	35.00
Prior Year Expense	14,825.47
Service Charge	5.00
Loan Interest on Payoff	417.59
State Payment to Technical Centers	11,703.00
Miscellaneous-legal fees Tax Ant. Note	400.00
Expenses Subtotal	\$380,788.38
Elementary Tuition	
Killington	\$337,952.46
Stockbridge	37,200.00
Barstow	13,800.00
Bethel	12,500.00
Elementary Tuition Subtotal	\$401,452.46
Secondary Tuition	
Woodstock	168,310.06
Sharon Academy	137,382.00
Bethel	14,600.00
Rochester	38,342.70
Rutland Public School	19,682.41
Killington Mountain School	20,561.00
Oxbow	6,542.00
Randolph Technical Center	6,187.00
Green Mtn Vallery School	18,617.73
Stratton Mountain School	13,078.00
Cushing Academy	13,084.00
Hartford	1,979.17
Rutland Town	24,500.00
Secondary Tuition Subtotal	\$482,866.07
Expenses Total	\$1,265,106.91

Statement of School Indebtedness

as of June 30, 2014

The Town of Pittsfield School District obtained a \$140,000 Tax Anticipation Note on June 25, 2013 through the Mascoma Savings Bank with an interest rate of 2.275%. Funds were released in the amount of \$134,000 on June 28, 2013. The note was paid in full on August 16, 2013 with a principal payment of 134,000 and an interest payment of \$417.59.

The Town of Pittsfield School District obtained a \$200,000 Tax Anticipation Note on March 20, 2014 through the Mascoma Savings Bank with an interest rate of 2.275%. Funds were released in the amount of \$95,000 on April 21, 2014 and \$32,869.41 on May 15, 2014..

Pittsfield School District

FY-2015-16 Proposed Budget

	Audited Actual 2011 - 2012	Audited Actual 2012 - 2013	Budget 2013 - 2014	Audited Actual 2013-2014	Budget 2014 - 2015	Proposed Budget 2015-2016
REVENUES						
Fund Balance	-11,586	0	-60,880	0	-50,632	-62,856
State Support	994,963	1,164,372	1,196,173	1,134,746	1,323,783	1,380,643
Investment Income	169	141	200	80	150	100
Miscellaneous	24,099	10,925				0
Tech Grant	7,061	9,183	11,156	11,703	13,712	13,825
Mainstream Block Grant	24,961	25,177	27,818	27,818	28,685	27,989
Special Ed Expenditure Reimbursement	93,523	99,167	120,063	100,233	94,455	21,477
PY SPED General		15,820				
Spec Ed Extra-Ordinary	8,679	0	13,381	0	16,107	0
EEE Grant	3,363	4,201	3,327	3,327	3,761	3,781
ARRA - Ed Jobs	14,650					
Green Mountain Forrest	6,523	6,042	6,500	5,735	6,000	5,700
	<u>1,166,404</u>	<u>1,335,028</u>	<u>1,256,858</u>	<u>1,283,642</u>	<u>1,422,309</u>	<u>1,390,659</u>
EXPENDITURES						
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
Stipends - Board of Education	945	945	945	945	945	945
FICA - Board of Education	88	88	88	88	88	88
Liability Insurance	1,271	2,768	2,800	2,609	2,900	3,000
Legal Fees	0	0	0	35	0	0
Advertising	55	0		0		0
Miscellaneous	98	0	50	405		0
Dues/Fees	250	258	250	263	260	260
	<u>2,706</u>	<u>4,058</u>	<u>4,133</u>	<u>4,345</u>	<u>4,193</u>	<u>4,293</u>
FISCAL SERVICES						
Stipend - Treasurer	200	200	200	200	200	200
Audit	1,700	1,200	1,200	600	1,200	1,200
	<u>1,900</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,400</u>
SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE						
Central Office Assessment	64,440	64,760	64,189	63,399	65,485	54,000
Special Education Assessment	215,577	258,564	228,959	228,959	250,877	85,000
EEE Assessment	19,981	22,492	23,336	23,336	26,815	10,000
	<u>299,998</u>	<u>345,816</u>	<u>316,484</u>	<u>315,694</u>	<u>343,177</u>	<u>149,000</u>
DEBT SERVICE						
Interest	549	383				
	<u>549</u>	<u>383</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>417</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>300</u>
SCHOOL INSTRUCTION						
Tuition Elementary	363,400	359,789	321,690	403,075	425,264	542,420
Tuition Secondary	461,096	565,601	541,700	481,171	571,060	592,121
Prior Year Tuition Expense	4,883	20,599	15,000	14,125	15,000	15,000
Prior Year Expenses - Other	38,747	46,960		790		0
Tuition - Vocational	4,721	5,778	10,050	6,187	11,503	12,300
Tuition - Vocational On Behalf DOE	7,061	9,183	11,401	11,703	13,712	13,825
Contract service - 504/EST	1,858	37,681	35,000	65,407	37,000	60,000
	<u>881,766</u>	<u>1,045,590</u>	<u>934,841</u>	<u>982,458</u>	<u>1,073,539</u>	<u>1,235,666</u>
Total Budget	<u>1,186,919</u>	<u>1,397,247</u>	<u>1,256,858</u>	<u>1,303,714</u>	<u>1,422,309</u>	<u>1,390,659</u>

Pittsfield Tuition

Announced Tuition Rates

ELEMENTARY

School District/Town	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16
Rochester	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,500.00
Bethel	\$ 11,400.00	\$ 11,800.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 13,500.00
Stockbridge	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 15,350.00	\$ 14,500.00
Barstow	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 13,800.00	\$ 13,800.00	\$ 14,700.00	\$ 14,700.00
Killington	\$ 11,150.00	\$ 11,375.00	\$ 11,830.00	\$ 12,066.00	\$ 12,790.00

Announced Tuition Rates

SECONDARY

School District/Town	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16
Rochester	\$ 13,750.00	\$ 14,700.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Whitcomb Jr/Sr High School	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 16,500.00
Rutland City/High School	\$ 11,575.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,500.00	
The Sharon Academy	\$ 12,035.00	\$ 12,461.00	\$ 13,084.00	\$ 13,740.00	\$ 14,400.00
Woodstock Union	\$ 13,800.00	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 15,200.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00

Pittsfield Tuition for School Year 2015-2016

School	# of Kids	Tuition Amount
Barstow	1	\$ 14,700.00
Rochester Elementary/High School	4	\$ 80,000.00
Killington Elementary	38	\$ 486,020.00
Stockbridge	2	\$ 28,800.00
Rutland Town	2	\$ 25,800.00
Stafford Tech Ctr	1	\$ 13,221.00
Sharon Academy	10	\$ 144,000.00
Woodstock	17	\$ 272,000.00
Rutland HS	5	\$ 70,000.00
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Pittsfield School District Annual Town Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 4, 2014 (Summarized)

Article 1. To elect a moderator for the year ensuing.

George Deblon elected moderator.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the auditors report.

Auditors report was accepted.

Article 3. To see if the Pittsfield School District will vote to pay taxes in the same manner as the Town.

No discussion. Unanimously approved.

Article 4. To hear reports of the School Directors.

Unanimously approved.

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$1,422,309.00 for the 2014-2015 school year.

No discussion. Unanimously approved.

Article 6. To allow an application to the Vermont State Board of Education(SBE) to adjust the Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union(WNWSU) district boundaries such that the Pittsfield School District will become a member of the Windsor Central Supervisory Union(WCSU).

Kris Sperber, board chairwoman, explains the WNWSU has about 400 students for all six towns, while the WCSU has about 1,000 students. The board expects the impact of economy of scale will help reduce the trend on increased supervisory union administrative and special education services. Most Pittsfield students currently attend WCSU schools. She reports that the SBE will likely vote to dissolve the WNWSU due to widespread agreement the SU is not viable and moving the member school districts to other SU's would be better for students and taxpayers. The move will not impact school choice because by statute the choice is vested in the town (school district). A.J. Ruben notes that the Vermont Legislature is currently reviewing bills that may have an impact on school choice, unrelated to our desire to move to the WCSU. Kris reports that other towns will possibly all stay together and go to the Orange Central SU(out of South Royalton) or they might split up into a northern SU and the Orange Central SU. We expect it will reduce the rate of increase of our school budgets due to economies of scale, but that there are some unknowns, such as the different way of billings for SPED services, so we have to wait to see how that will impact the budget over the long run. Current WNWSU superintendent, John Poljacik, states his support of the move and introduces his replacement, Meg Powden. Kris notes that the board thinks July 2015 is an achievable target that the move could occur. Unanimously approved.

Article 7. To allow the Board to borrow money in lieu of school tax income.

Unanimously approved.

Article 8. To elect a School Director for a three year term.

Ray Rice elected School Director.

Article 9. To do any other proper and necessary business.

Kris thanks the town and John Poljacik for his support and exemplary service as our superintendent.

Meeting adjourned 10:30 am.

Recorded by:

A.J. Ruben

Approved by:

Kristen Sperber

A. J. Ruben

(Complete Minutes on record at the Town Office)

Act 130 Equalized Homestead Tax Rate Calculation, FY 2016

FY2015 Estimates
Preliminary Budgets

Act 130 Equalized Homestead Tax Rate Calculation, FY2015

ESTIMATES ONLY
Official rates from Tax Dept.
Base rate is not official
Base education amount not official

District: **Pittsfield**
County: **Windsor Central**

LEA: **T153**
S.U.: **Rutland**

1.	Local budgeted expenditures including any separate articles		1,390,659		
2.	Act 144 expenditures	-			
3.	Obligation to a regional technical center school district if any	-			
4.	Obligation to repay a deficit per 24 V.S.A. § 1523(b)	-			
5.	Obligation to repay difference between allowable and announced tuition	-			
6.	Total Expenditures net of Act 144 dollars	(lines 1 + 3 + 4 + 5) - line 2	1,390,659		
7.	Offsetting revenues (do NOT include revcode 3114, the on-behalf payment)	-			
8.	Act 144 dedicated revenues	-			
9.	Act 144 expenditures to raise locally	line 2 - line 8	-		
10.	Offsetting revenues less Act 144 revenues	line 7 - (lines 8 + 9)	(3,809)		
11.	Initial Education Spending	line 6 - line 10	1,394,468		
12.	Capital debt hold-harmless aid	line 16, "CDaid" page	-		
13.	Education Spending	line 11 - line 12	1,394,468		
14.	Equalized pupils	-	74.62		
15.	Education spending per equalized pupil	line 13 / line 14	18,687.59		

Excess Spending Calculation					
16.	NET Eligible FY2016 construction costs, including P&I	-			
17.	Borrowing in anticipation of delayed state construction aid due district	-			
18.	P&I for approved construction or payment into reserve fund (24 V.S.A. § 2804)	-			
19.	Cost of planning the merger of a small school (average grade size ≤ 20 students)	-			
20.	SpEd costs, two years prior, in excess of \$50,000 per pupil	-			
21.	If tuitioning all students, a deficit due SOLELY to the cost of new students moving in after the budget vote	-			
22.	If tuitioning all students and new students move in after census period, student number greater than ADM times average tuition rate	-			
23.	Total tuitions if tuitioning all K - 12 students unless electorate has authorized payments greater than average announced tuitions	1,134,541			
24.	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	-			
25.	If a district has ≤ 20 equp and tuitions grades K - 12, any excess spending due SOLELY to new special education spending (2007, No. 66, § 12)	-			
26.	Total eligible exclusions	Sum of lines 16 - 25	Exempt		
27.	Eligible FY2016 exclusions per pupil, including P&I	line 26 / line 14	-		
28.	Per pupil figure to use for Excess Spending	line 15 - line 27	-		
29.	Excess spending threshold	-	17,103		
30.	Per pupil spending above the threshold	line 28 - line 29	NA		

31.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Spending Adjustment		18,687.59		
32.	District spending adjustment	max of 100% or (line 31 / 9.459)	197.564%		
33.	Equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated	line 32 x \$1.00	1.9756		
34.	Percent of Pittsfield equalized pupils not in a union school district	-	100.00%		
35.	Portion of equalized homestead tax rate to be assessed by town	lines 33 x line 34	1.9756		
36.	Common level of appraisal	-	116.80%		
37.	Estimated actual homestead tax rate of district to be assessed	lines 35 / line 36	1.6914		
38.		-			
39.		-			
40.		-			
41.		-			
42.		-			
43.		-			
44.		-			
45.		-			
46.	Total equalized homestead rate for Pittsfield	lines 34 + 39 + 43	1.9756		
47.	Total estimated actual homestead rate for Pittsfield	lines 36 + 40 + 44	1.6914		
48.	Equalized non-residential tax rate	-	1.535		
49.	Estimated actual non-residential tax rate	lines 48 / line 36	1.3142		

50.	Education spending		1,394,468		
51.	Tech FTE's	-	1.68		
52.	Base education amount for tech FTE's, paid on behalf of district (This is not a local revenue. It reduces the education spending a district is owed.)	line 51 x 9.459 x 87%	13,825		
53.	Adjusted education spending due the district from Ed Fund	lines 50 - 52	1,380,643		

54.	Amount to raise locally for Act 144				
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55.	Prorated income cap percentage for Pittsfield education property tax if eligible		1.94% x 0.00% x 0.00% (lines 32 & 34)		3.83%
56.		"FY14EstUnion", line 20 (%)	-		
57.		-	-		
58.		"FY14EstUnion", line 20 (%)	-		
59.		-	-		
60.	Estimated income cap percentage for Pittsfield education property tax	-	-		3.83%

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Estimates Only

PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by AOE

ESTIMATES ONLY

District: Pittsfield County: Rutland		T153 Windsor Central		Statutory calculation See note at bottom of page.	Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner. See note at bottom of page.
				9,459	1.00
Expenditures					
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,312,996	\$1,317,738	\$1,472,941	\$1,390,659
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,312,996	\$1,317,738	\$1,472,941	\$1,390,659
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
7.	Total Budget	\$1,312,996	\$1,317,738	\$1,472,941	\$1,390,659
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
Revenues					
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$139,441	\$171,289	\$149,158	(\$3,809)
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$139,441	\$171,289	\$149,158	(\$3,809)
14.	Education Spending	\$1,173,555	\$1,146,449	\$1,323,783	\$1,394,468
15.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	68.62	69.67	69.32	74.62
16.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$17,102.23	\$16,455.42	\$19,096.70	\$18,687.59
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	-	-	-
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	\$7.18	\$8.15	\$11.17	-
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-
22.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	Exempt	Exempt	\$1,134,541
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	NA	NA	NA	-
25.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$17,102	\$16,455	\$19,097	\$18,688
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$18,688 / \$9,459)	196.059% based on \$8,723	179.821% based on \$9,151	205.673% based on \$9,265	197.564% based on \$9,459
Prorating the local tax rate					
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (197.564% x \$1,000)	\$1,7449 based on \$0.89	\$1,6903 based on \$0.94	\$2,0156 based on \$0.98	\$1,9756 based on \$1.00
29.	Percent of Pittsfield equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.98)	\$1,7449	\$1,6903	\$2,0156	\$1,9756
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	104.70%	111.05%	113.64%	116.80%
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1,9756 / 116.80%)	\$1,6666 based on \$0.89	\$1,5221 based on \$0.94	\$1,7737 based on \$0.98	\$1,6914 based on \$1.00
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.					
33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (197.564% x 1.94%)	3.53% based on 1.80%	3.24% based on 1.80%	3.99% based on 1.94%	3.83% based on 1.94%
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 3.83%)	3.53% based on 1.80%	3.24% based on 1.80%	3.99% based on 1.94%	3.83% based on 1.94%
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-
36.		-	-	-	-

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,459. The Tax Commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.00 and \$1.535. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 1.94%.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union

For the past six months it has been my pleasure to serve as the Superintendent of the Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union. This experience has given me the opportunity to understand how dedicated and committed our Board members, Administration, Faculty and Staff are to the students in our respective school districts.

What is clear to me is that we all want to provide our students' with a superior education and working together in our respective roles, I know that we can. As we strive for excellence and doing our best work we need your support in providing the resources to enable us to create schools that engage and challenge all students and for our choice towns, the funding for our students to attend an approved school.

My focus for doing my best work has been three-fold; support the ongoing work of the School District Boards and Supervisory Union Board, work with our Administrative Leadership Team to improve our schools and do all I can in my role to ensure a smooth transition to our new supervisory unions. In regards to my work with the Boards, I admire each and every Board member who serves. There are many nights out to address the issues of their School Districts and all of our Board members serve their community well.

Most recently, the Board members' have focused on preparing a budget for the 2015-'16 academic year. In each of our school districts, residents will see a budget that reflects the instructional needs of the students in their community. The Board members and Administrators prepared budgets that ensure a comprehensive education for our students while being fiscally responsible to our taxpayers. The changes in education spending across the school districts, from this current year's to next year's budgets range from a decrease of -3.6% to an increase of 2%. We have held education spending in check and ask for your support during the school budget vote.

The Administrative Leadership Team consists of Warren Uzzle, Student Services Director, Donna Benoit, Business Manager, Bill Bonsignore, ExCEL Program Director, Jon Gallo, Technology Director, Barbara Woods, Stockbridge Central Principal, Cathy Knight, Rochester Principal, Owen Bradley, Bethel-Whitcomb Principal and Andra Bowen, Bethel-Whitcomb Assistant Principal. In addition to addressing day-to-day operations, as a Team, we developed an overarching mission statement that is reflective of our ongoing work:

The mission of the Administrative Leadership Team (ALT) is to establish conditions for academic excellence, social responsibility and personal meaning to ensure that all Windsor Northwest learners actively participate in and contribute to our local and global society.

In order to fulfill our mission, we need to prepare our students to graduate ready to be local and global citizens. This will be accomplished through the personalization of learning and the creation of proficiency-based graduation requirements.

When we talk about personalizing learning, our focus is on knowing each and every student, understanding their interests, skills and knowledge base and then building an educational program to ensure proficiency in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, World Languages, Health, Physical Education, Design and Technology Education and the Visual and Performing Arts. This is our work and you will be hearing much more about it in the future. However, to get us started our Team is working on the following goal:

The WNWSU Administrative Leadership Team will lead and support the implementation of Personal Learning Plans for all PreK-12 students by the end of the 2016 school year.

In addition to the typical work that Board members, Administrators and our Central Office staff fulfill, we are engaged in a process for the supervisory union's eventual dissolution. This is a process that was initiated several years ago and since that time has moved forward, then stopped

Report of the Superintendent of Schools - Continued

Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union

and then began again. When I became your Superintendent, I knew an aspect of my work included assisting our school districts with their transition to other supervisory unions.

This past June, the State Board of Education assigned the Pittsfield School District to the Windsor Central Supervisory Union. On July 1 of this year, Pittsfield will leave our supervisory union to join Windsor Central. Then on January 20th, the State Board of Education approved the dissolution of the Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union and the merger of the remaining school districts of Bethel, Granville, Hancock, Rochester and Stockbridge with the Orange-Windsor Supervisory Union. These school districts will be fully merged with Orange-Windsor by July 1, 2016.

With this vote of approval taken by the State Board, we have completed Phase I of the merger process. For further information about this process, go to our website, <http://www.wnwsu.org/> or contact our Central Office at 234-0264, ext. 13. You will find minutes and documents that highlight the work of the Executive Council members from our supervisory union and Orange Windsor's. This group was referred to as the Supervisory Integration Committee.

Now, we are engaging in Phase II of the process, a Transition Board will be formed with Board members representing all of our school districts to address the operations of our Central Office and how to successfully integrate with Orange-Windsor's Central Office, deciding on the assessment process for our respective school districts and contract negotiations. This Transition Board will operate from now until June 30, 2016.

In closing, I am appreciative of all the good work that our Board members, Administrators, Faculty and Staff are engaged in. This is an exciting time in our supervisory union and for the education of our students. Following this report you will find some of the "Possible Advantages of Joining SU's Together" signed by Superintendent Labs and me. As you reflect on the budgets before you, know that they represent the investment you are making for the education of our students in your communities, a future generation of local and global citizens.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our students and schools.

Sincerely,

Meg Alison Powden
Superintendent

Recycling and Hazardous Waste Collection

Universal Recycling June, 1, 2015 - see page 54

Curbside recycling pickup of most regular household recyclables is the 2nd Monday of each month. Other items, as well as electronic waste and recycling need to be brought to the Bethel/Royalton Alliance.

Bethel/Royalton Alliance, 122 Waterman Road, in South Royalton.
Open Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7am to 3pm, Saturday 7am to 1pm
Questions about recycling? Telephone 802-763-2232 during above hours

Curbside Pick Up

Recycling is now being collected in three categories and needs to be divided into three separate containers:

GLASS

- Three kinds: clear, dark brown and all other colors.
- Metal and plastics covers and rings which were part of the cap must be removed.
- Paper labels may be left in place.
- Glass should be rinsed clean.
- NOT acceptable in this category: plate glass, light bulbs, cookware, drinking glasses or ceramics.

ALUMINUM

- All aluminum (baking trays, soda and beer cans).
- Remove foreign materials such as food

SINGLE STREAM ITEMS

The following can be recycled together in one container:

STEEL/TIN CANS

- Includes vegetable, fruit, juice and maple syrup cans, cat food cans, foil, lids from frozen juice containers.
- Please rinse clean.
- Identifying aluminum from steel/tin easily: use a magnet. It will stick to steel/tin, not to aluminum.

PLASTICS AND COLORED

PLASTIC CONTAINERS

- Plastic containers with the #1 through #7 HDPE
- Please rinse containers & remove caps.
- Flatten bottles and containers to save space.
- Not acceptable in this category: plastic bags, car care product containers such as oil, dry gas or anti-freeze.

Drop Off Items

NEWSPAPERS, BOXBOARD, MAGAZINES, AND JUNKMAIL

- There is no fee to the home owner to recycle these items at the transfer station.

USED MOTOR OIL AND ANTIFREEZE

- Place in separate containers and label. See an employee at the Transfer Station. By state law an employee has to handle the recycling of these materials. Note: there is a charge for the recycling of motor oil and anti-freeze.

LEAVES AND GRASS

- Leaves and grass can be composted or used to mulch a garden. If you do not have the space to deal with your own yard waste, usually a neighbor will gladly accept

it. If you do bring your leaves and grass clippings to the recycling center, please make sure they are bagged, labeled, free of debris, and separated from your garbage.

Electronic Recycling and Waste Drop Off

Vermont's new electronic waste law bans the disposal of certain electronic devices and provides for convenient collection of computers, monitors, printers, computer peripherals, and televisions for consumers, charities, school districts, and small businesses that employ 10 or fewer individuals. All computers, monitors, printers, computer peripherals and TVs – regardless of brand, age, or condition – are accepted for FREE recycling at the Bethel Royalton Alliance.

Hazardous Waste Collection Events for 2015

The Alliance Solid Waste Management Program, serving the towns of Bethel, Royalton, Rochester, Hancock, Granville, Pittsfield, Stockbridge, and Barnard, will hold two Household Hazardous Waste Collection events at the Bethel/Royalton recycling facility: **2015 dates to be announced**

Households in the Alliance Towns may bring, for proper disposal, 10 gallons or 10 pounds of hazardous waste at no cost.

The following are acceptable hazardous wastes for disposal: cleaning supplies, pesticides, stains, thinners/strippers, fluorescent lights*, motor oil*, antifreeze*, wet/dry cell batteries, gasoline, oil filters*, auto batteries*, and oil based paints.

NOTE: LATEX PAINTS are not considered hazardous waste and cannot be accepted at this event.

Explosives cannot be accepted.

Agricultural chemicals require special disposal but can be accepted by appointment only.

Items with an "*" are also accepted for a fee during regular business hours.

Businesses classified as "conditionally exempt generators" will be accepted for disposal by appointment only, and will be required to pay the hosting contractor on site for disposal services.

For any additional information call 234-9340 or 763-2232.

Universal Recycling (Act 148) and its effect on the Town of Pittsfield

The Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) requires municipalities to implement a unit based pricing system that charges for collection of trash from residential customers by volume or weight by July 1, 2015. Recyclables will be banned from the landfill and haulers must offer residential recycling collection at no extra charge.

The Town of Pittsfield is no longer allowed to pay for trash pick-up through municipal taxes. The town's refuse collection contract with Jon Benson will end on May 31, 2015. Starting June 1, 2015 each resident will become responsible for the disposal of their own refuse and recycling.

Following are a few of the options available:

- Jon Benson has offered to continue to pick up garbage curbside in Pittsfield with each individual owner contracting with Benson with a pay per volume plan. Each resident will be charged an anticipated cost of \$4.00 per 30 gallon bag or can. At that time recycling will become zero-sort and any residents, contracting with Jon Benson, will have their recyclables collected twice a month at no additional charge.
- Another option would be for residents to take their refuse and recyclables to the Bethel/Royalton Transfer and Recycling Station and pay per bag at the station with recyclables at no extra charge.
- Residents may also contract with a hauler of their choice.

Universal Recycling (Act 148) and unit based pricing provides an incentive to generate less refuse and to recycle more.

Bethel/Royalton Transfer Station Solid Waste Fees

Alliance Solid Waste Management Facility
122 Waterman Rd. Royalton, VT 05068
802-763-2232

Hours of Operation

Tuesday – Thursday – Friday	7am-3pm
Saturday	7am-1pm
Sunday - Monday – Wednesday CLOSED	

PRICES:

Bulk Waste	\$145/ Ton \$10 Minimum
Per Bag	\$5.25 45 Gallon
	\$3.50 30 Gallon
	\$2.00 15 Gallon

Appliances (w/ Freon)	\$15.00 Each
Scrap Metals	\$5.00 Cubic Yard
Batteries	\$1.00 Each
Waste Oil	\$.10/Quart
Antifreeze	\$.50/Quart
Fluorescent Bulbs	\$.25/Linear Foot
Tires	\$3.00 up to 16” no rim
	\$4.50 up to 16” W/rim
	\$10.00 over 16” no rim
	\$25.00 Heavy Equipment No Rims

Electronics			
MP3 Player	\$5.00	Microwaves- Fax Machines- VCR	\$10.00
Phones – Chargers	\$5.00	Stereos- Game Consoles	\$10.00

	Covered Entities**	All Others
Large TV/ CRT	FREE	\$20.00
Regular TV/CRT	FREE	\$10.00
Towers/Monitors/printers	FREE	\$10.00
Associated Computer Apparatus	FREE	\$5.00

** Covered Entities are: Vermont Households, Vermont Charities, Vermont Businesses with up to 10 Employees.

Town Compendium

Useful Information

Town of Pittsfield

www.pittsfieldvt.org

Phone/Fax: 802-746-8170

40 Village Green, PO Box 556, Pittsfield, VT 05762

townofpittsfield@myfairpoint.net

Current and archived Select Board minutes are available on the website, as well as other information. Please email the Town Clerk with any information or events that would be appropriate on the town website.

Office Hours are Tuesday 12 noon – 6:00pm

Wednesday and Thursday 9:00am – 3:00pm

Roger Clark Memorial Library

www.pittsfieldlibrary.com

40 Village Green, Pittsfield, VT 05762

pittsfieldvtlibrary@gmail.com

Hours are Tuesday 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Thursday 5:00pm - 7:00 pm

Historical Society

Open 2nd & 4th Tuesday 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Town Hall (April - October)

Voter Checklist

The Town's current checklist has 357 registered voters.

Dog Licenses

Dogs must be licensed between January 1st and April 1st. After April 1st an additional late fee is charged. Rabies shots must be kept up to date and the certificate filed with the Town Clerk.

Property Taxes Dues

1st installment due on or before August 15 each year and 2nd installment due on or before November 15 each year. **The payments must be in the town office before 3pm on the closing of the office on the date that they are due. Postmarks are not accepted as timely payment.**

Refuse Collection

Every Monday. All refuse must be placed in containers which will prevent entry and removal by animals. Appliances, mattresses and other large items cannot be picked up during regular refuse collection. Please make special arrangements or transport to the Bethel/Royalton Transfer Station. Be aware that pick up may be delayed during inclement weather.

Bethel-Royalton Transfer and Recycling Station

Open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 7am-3pm and Saturday 7am-1pm. For fees and directions during those hours call 802-763-2232. On other business days, call the Bethel Town Office at 802-234-9340.

Recycling

2nd Monday of every month through May 2015. See Universal Recycling information for further details (page 54). Be aware that pick up may be delayed during inclement weather.

Quin-Town center for Seniors

Our residents are eligible for the various services it provides such as meals at the center, home delivered meals, transportation and advocate services.

Phone 802-767-3763

Flood Plain Management

To promote proper flood plain management and also be accepted into the National Flood Insurance Program, the Town of Pittsfield adopted Flood Hazard Area Regulations on February 4, 2014. Please contact the zoning administrator before building or working within a flood plain area.

REGULAR MEETINGS

Select Board

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, Town Office at 6:00pm, unless otherwise posted

Planning Commission

2nd Tuesday of each month. Town Office Building at 6:30pm.

School Board

2nd Tuesday of each month, Town Office Building at 7:00pm

Library Trustees

1st Tuesday of each month, Roger Clark Memorial Library at 6:30pm

Historical Society

3rd Monday of each month, Town Hall Basement at 7:00pm (April-October)

Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue

2nd Tuesday each month - Business meeting 7:30pm

4th Tuesday each month - work meeting 6:00pm at the fire house.

ANNUAL EVENTS

Town Meeting and Potluck Luncheon (March)

Memorial Day Parade (May)

Annual Pittsfield Picnic (August)

Annual Bazaar on the Green (September)

Trick or Treating in the Village (October)

Emergency Numbers

FIRE, POLICE, AMBULANCE: Dial 9-1-1

VT Poison Center:

1-877-658-3456

HOSPITALS

Gifford Medical Center	1-802-728-4441
Rutland Regional Medical Center	775-7111
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	1-603-646-5000

TOWN OFFICE

Clerk & Treasurer - Patricia S. Haskins 746-8170

Hours: Tuesday 12 noon to 6:00pm
Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00am to 3:00pm
Copier, Fax and Notary Services Available

TOWN GARAGE

Road Commissioner – George Deblon 746-8406

GAME WARDEN

VT Fish & Wildlife Department – Keith Gallant
Contact through the Rutland State Police Dispatcher 234-9933

FIRE WARDEN

Burn Permits – Ray Colton
Contact at Colton Enterprises 746-8033

**Town of Pittsfield
40 Village Green
PO Box 556
Pittsfield, VT 05762-0556**



**Please bring this report to Town Meeting
March 3, 2015
10 A.M.
Pittsfield Town Hall**