

The Town of Middletown Springs VERMONT



**Annual Report
of the Town Officers
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017**

ON THE COVER

Edward J. Marcy
December 17, 1926 - May 2, 2017

Ed Marcy was born in Hampton, New York and moved to Middletown Springs when he was young. Ed lived on Coy Hill in what now is known as Breezy Acres, as well as living in the big house next to St. Anne's Church.

Ed started his work at Harvey Haynes' farm south of town, and continued at Allen Orchard, now Burnham Hollow, and then at General Electric.

Over his life he served the people of the town as Fire Chief, Fire Warden, Selectman, School board member and fence viewer. You think of a post and he held it!

Whenever the Town Report came out it was a full time read of the good, bad, and the reality and cups of coffee. Ed's eyes would twinkle for sure knowing he made the cover. He was proud of the place he called home.

Ed never wanted to be anywhere else but here in town. The town treated him well and he gave back. To quote Ed, "My family are my friends and my friends are my family."

A Townie to the end, and he never ever regretted it.

- Marilyn Marcy

Town of Middletown Springs
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Town of Middletown Springs
2017 TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator:	1 Year	2018	Kimberly Mathewson
Town Clerk:	3 Years	2018	Laura Ann Castle
Town Treasurer:	3 Years	2018	Jennifer Talke Munyak
School Treasurer	3 Years	2018	Jennifer Talke Munyak
Town Agent	1 Year	2018	Vacant
First Constable	1 Year	2018	Vacant
Delinquent Tax Collector:	3 Years	2018	Laura Ann Castle
School District Clerk:	3 Years	2018	Laura Ann Castle
School Moderator:	1 Year	2018	Kimberly Mathewson

Selectmen:

Terry Redfield	2 Years	2019
Herb Childress	3 Years	2020
James Webber	3 Years	2018
Christopher Fenton	2 Years	2018
Patricia Kenyon	3 Years	2019

School Directors:

Sarah Haley	3 Years	2020
Christopher Smid	2 Years	2019
Jennelle Carr	3 Years	2018
Meredith Morgan	2 Years	2018
Clarence Haynes	3 Years	2019

Road Commissioner:

William Reed	3 Years	2018
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Listers:

Randolph Kniffin	3 Years	2020
Sally Achey	3 Years	2018
Patricia Hemenway	3 Years	2019

Auditors:

Melissa Chesnut Tangerman	3 Years	2020
Sarah Grimm	2 Years	2019
Juanita Burch-Clay	3 Years	2019

Library Trustees:

Diane Rosenmiller	3 Years	2020
Patricia McWilliams	3 Years	2020
Kristal Hier	3 Years	2018
Alida Tarbell	3 Years	2018
Beth Miller	3 Years	2019

Town Grand Juror:

David Munyak	1 Year	2018
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Trustee of Copeland Church Fund:

Daniel McKeen	1 Year	2018
Vacant	1 Year	
Vacant	1 Year	

Trustee of Copeland Cemetery Fund:

Vacant	1 Year	
Vacant	1 Year	

Trustee of Louis Fund & Other Public Monies:

Lois Dansereau	3 Years	2020
Alice Hoisington	3 Years	2018
Beth Miller	3 Years	2019

Town of Middletown Springs
2017 TOWN OFFICERS

Planning Commission:

Thomas Hurcomb	4 Years	2020
Hilary Solomon	1 Year	2019
John Arsenault	3 Years	2018

Justices of the Peace: (Elected November 8, 2016 - all are 2 year terms)

Nance Dean
Patricia Hemenway
Martha Heitkamp
Leslie Silver
Nora Rubinstein

APPOINTMENTS

Fence Viewer:

Terry Redfield	2018
Herb Childress	2018
Christopher Fenton	2018

Health Officer:

Carl Haynes	3 Years	2020
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Service Officer:

Vacant

Emergency Management Director:

Vacant

Rutland Regional Transportation Council:

Vacant

Town Representative to Rutland Regional Planning Commission:

John Arsenault
Thomas Hurcomb

Town Representatives to Rutland County Joint Municipal Survey Committee (SWAC):

Glen Moyer	2018
Patty Kenyon (Alternate)	

Conservation Commission:

Richard Kniffin	4 Years	2020
Tasha Turan	4 Years	2020
Steve Harrington	3 Years	2019
Elizabeth Cooper	4 Years	2018
Vacant	3 Years	2019

Cemetery Task Force:

John Arsenault
Nora Rubinstein
David Wright

Town of Middletown Springs
STATE OF VERMONT ELECTIONS MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

In 2016, Secretary of State Jim Condos announced the launch of VT's new Elections Management Platform. This streamlined the elections administration process, providing voters with greater access to voter specific information. Over 25,000 Vermonters registered to vote online in 2016. For the November General Election, nearly 6,500 Vermonters requested an absentee ballot through the My Voter Page.

By using the My Voter Page, a registered voter can:

- Check registration status;
- View information on upcoming elections;
- Access voter specific elections information, including directions to a polling place and polling hours;
- View a sample ballot;
- Request and track an absentee ballot;
- and much more.

We encourage voters to log into their My Voter Page to learn more.

- Registered Voters can log in at: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>
- Online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>

Town of Middletown Springs
NOTICES

Meeting Calendar

Select Board	2nd & 4th Thursday of the month	7:00 p.m.	Town Clerk's Office
School Board	3rd Thursday of the month	7:00 p.m.	School House
Planning Commission	1st Monday of the month	4:00 p.m.	Town Clerk's Office
Volunteer Fire Dept.	Last Tuesday of the month	7:30 p.m.	Fire House
Library Trustees	4th Wednesday of the month	7:00 p.m.	Library
Building Committee	1st Wed. & 3rd Thurs. of the month	7:00 p.m.	Library

Town Clerk Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday: 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. to Noon

Telephone: 235-2220

Email Address: middletown@vermontel.net

Quarterly Taxes Due

For the remainder of FY 17/18:

Q3 - March 15, 2018

Q4 - June 15, 2018

For FY 18/19:

Q1 - September 15, 2018

Q2 - December 15, 2018

Q3 - March 15, 2019

Q4 - June 15, 2019

Emergency Numbers

For Fire, Rescue Squad/Ambulance/State Police call **911**

You also may continue to use the emergency 7-digit numbers:

Fire Department: 235-2300

Middletown Springs Highway Garage: 235-2024

Rescue Squad/Ambulance: 287-9510

State Police: 773-9101

RABIES ALERT

Rabies is a disease that can kill animals and people.



- * Vermont law requires rabies shots for all CATS and DOGS.
- * Rabies shots help protect pets and pet owners from rabies.
- * Enjoy wildlife from a safe distance. Remember, rabid animals have been found in all Vermont counties.



Questions? Call the Vermont Rabies Hotline
1-800-4-RABIES (472-2437)

Vermont Department of Health • Health Surveillance Division
P.O. Box 70, Burlington, VT 05402 • 863-7290 or 1-800-640-4374

RABIES CLINIC

Saturday, March 10, 2018
Middletown Springs Fire Hall
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
\$15 per animal

Dr. Susan Johnson
Poultney Veterinary Services

**Town Clerk will be available to
issue licenses before the April 1 deadline.**

Town of Middletown Springs
NOTICES

Transfer Station Hours

"Fort Dumpster", located on Fire House Lane, is open for trash disposal and Zero-Sort recycling every Monday and Saturday from 6 a.m. to 12 noon. The trash "Pay-As-You-Throw" Policy requires a punch card (price - \$20.00) that is good for 10 large (30 gallon) bags of trash or 20 small (15 gallon) bags. Cards can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office, Fort Dumpster or Grant's Village Store. The Zero-Sort recycling is FREE for recycling products. Electronics may be recycled anytime during regular Fort Dumpster hours at no charge. We also collect and recycle small household batteries (less than 9 lbs.) at no charge.

Oversize Trash & Metal Collection Days

Saturday, May 5, 2018 (Green Up Day)

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Large waste and scrap metal will be collected on two Saturdays in 2018, from 6am to noon on both days. Furniture, toys, small amounts of construction and demolition items are acceptable. NO CONTRACTORS, please. Large waste will be charged a \$5 per vehicle fee; scrap metal may be disposed of free of charge. On Green Up Day, approved VT Green Up bags will be accepted free of charge. Large waste and scrap metal collection will take place at the Town property at 577 West Street.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Saturdays

April 14, 2018	Rutland Town	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
April 28, 2018	Fair Haven	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
October 13, 2018	Rutland Town	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

In 2018, SWAC will be contracting with EnPro Services of Vermont for hazardous waste collection services.

FREE SERVICE TO: Residents of the Solid Waste Alliance Communities (SWAC) Towns ONLY - Benson, Chittenden, Fair Haven, Middletown Springs, Pawlet, Rutland Town, Shrewsbury, Sudbury, Tinmouth, and West Haven. As a resident of SWAC, you may attend the events listed above, even if it is not the one scheduled for your town.

Between events residents of these communities may also drop off their household hazardous waste at the Gleason Road Hazardous Waste Depot during normal operating hours. PROOF OF RESIDENCY REQUIRED. More here: <http://rutlandcountyswac.org/event/2017-household-hazardous-waste-collection-event-schedule/>

Act 148 - Universal Recycling Law Timeline

July 1, 2014

- Transfer stations must accept residential recyclables at no separate charge.
- Generators of more than 104 tons/year of food wastes must send those materials to a composting facility if one exists within 20 miles.

July 1, 2015

- Residential trash must be charged based on volume or weight.
- Recyclables are banned from landfills.
- Transfer stations must accept leaf and yard waste.
- Haulers and transfer stations must offer residential recycling at no separate charge.
- Recycling containers must be provided in all publicly owned spaces where trash cans are located.

July 1, 2016

- Generators of more than 52 tons/year of food wastes must send those materials to a composting facility if

one exists within 20 miles.

- Leaf and yard waste and clean wood are banned from landfills. Haulers must offer leaf and yard debris collection.
- Generators of more than 26 tons/year of food wastes must send those materials to a composting facility if one exists within 20 miles.

July 1, 2017

- Transfer stations must accept food scraps. Haulers must offer food scrap collection.
- Generators of more than 18 tons/year of food wastes must send those materials to a composting facility if one exists within 20 miles.

July 1, 2020

- Food scraps are banned from landfills. The 20 mile limit no longer applies.

**Town of Middletown Springs
VITAL RECORDS**

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Place	Name of Child	Parents
February 24, 2017	Burlington	Ripley Cleste Hobbs-Levine	Stephanie Dawn Lee Winter Star Holland-Levine
April 1, 2017	Middlebury	Max Henry Haynes	Angela Susan Kasuba Eric Ralph Haynes
April 7, 2017	Middlebury	Fendra Alyre Spong	Michelle Elisabeth Spong Michael Alan Pacanowski
May 31, 2017	Rutland	Lucy Faye Parker	Katie Lynn Buffum Joseph Reed Parker
June 17, 2017	Middletown	Rose Beatrix Kniffin	Hillary Ann Doran Richard Bruce Kniffin
June 28, 2017	Rutland	Griffin David Parker	Alicia Elizabeth Park Adam Joseph Parker
July 7, 2017	Rutland	Eveyln Elaine Bartlett	Brynn-Marie Jean Bartlett Jared Stanley Bartlett
August 9, 2017	Rutland	Oliver Oakley Hayes	Haley Leah Hayes Arthur James King, Jr.
September 2, 2017	Middletown	Nalina Wren Bagley	Heidi Smith Bagley Nathaniel Currier Bagley
November 10, 2017	Middlebury	Cypris Bjorna Brosnan	Tamzen Owens Brosnan Hakan Owens Brosnan

DEATHS

Date of Death	Name	Age	Place of Death
March 19, 2017	Winsome Lin Moran	79	Rutland, VT
March 23, 2017	Edward Crocker Foster	84	Middletown Springs, VT
May 2, 2017	Edward James Marcy	90	Middletown Springs, VT
May 27, 2017	Ellen Joyce Secord	70	Middletown Springs, VT
September 30, 2017	Thomas E. Goodrich, Sr.	75	Middletown Springs, VT

MARRIAGES

Date	Spouse	Place of Marriage
April 29, 2017	Katie Ann Emmons Tyler Steven Manning	Wells, VT
June 5, 2017	Kyle David Meckes-Gibbon Steven Daniel Query	Middletown Springs, VT
June 24, 2017	William Francis Parker, Jr. Michelle Lynn Gonthier	Middletown Springs, VT

Town of Middletown Springs REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

We still continue to maintain many tasks in our little office. In addition to having bound all town reports into book form, we have filled more Land Record Books. The State of Vermont has required that more information become permanent record. This year's Town Clerk trainings were held in Stowe, Rutland Town, Wallingford, as well as two days in Killington. Some of the small tasks performed here at the office include Land Posting, Dog Registrations, DMV Registrations, Fish & Wildlife licenses, Green Mountain Passports and Transfer Station Tickets. Property transfers and Current Use applications are now processed online with the State of Vermont. The Statewide Checklist is maintained online with the Election Division.

Meeting Minutes need to be on file from any entity of the Town (Building Committee, Planning Commission, Auditors, Listers, Selectboard) as these are public records and need to be bound. The Town Clerk also performs several other jobs on a daily basis.

If you have any questions, please stop by to see our operation.

Laura Ann Castle
Town Clerk

Dog License Report

This year we had 123 dogs registered. All dogs (6) months or older at the time of registration do need a Rabies Certificate signed by a veterinarian. Dogs 6 months or older must be licensed on or before April 1 of each year. After April 1 there is an increase of 50%.

The fee for a neutered male or spayed female is \$8.00
The fee for a non neutered male or female is \$12.00

The 2018 licenses are now available at the Town Clerk's Office.

Vermont Department of Health Town Report

Your local health 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 twelve district offices around the state, and state office and laboratory in Chittenden County, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2017 the Health Department:

Supported healthy communities: The Health Department's 3-4-50 initiative aims to engage multiple sectors – business, education, municipalities – in implementing policies and strategies that will reduce the three (3) behaviors of tobacco use, physical inactivity and poor diet that lead to four (4) chronic diseases of cancer, heart disease and stroke, diabetes and lung disease that result in more than 50% of deaths in Rutland County. The local office is working to get these sector partners to sign-on to 3-4-50 and make a commitment to take action that will help to reduce the chronic disease in our state.

Provided WIC nutrition services and healthy foods to families: We served 1,829 pregnant women and children to age five in Rutland County with WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children). WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling and breastfeeding support. We partner with grocery stores across the state to enable participants to use a debit-like card to access nutritious foods. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: In 2017 we responded to 37 cases of infectious disease in Rutland County and distributed \$1,292,352 worth of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases.

Aided communities in addressing substance abuse and misuse: Regional Prevention Partnerships statewide worked to increase state and community capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking, reduce prescription drug misuse and marijuana use. In Rutland County, prescription drug take back locations were expanded to include Rutland Regional Medical Center's Pharmacy. With community partners, we are promoting that parents are the #1 influence on kids (ParentUpVT.org).

State of Vermont Department of Health; Rutland District Office
300 Asa Bloomer State Office Building Rutland, VT 05701
HealthVermont.gov 802-786-5811

**RUTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
TOWN REPORT FOR 2017**

I am pleased to report that your Selectboard has agreed to be part of four-town regional patrol pilot project with this Department. Regional patrol towns include Middletown Springs, Ira, Danby and Tinmouth. Each of the towns currently have patrol contracts with RCSD, and with the addition of some grant funding we have been able to create a forty hour per week regional patrol.

During the regional patrol, our assigned deputy (Cpl. Ed Hunter) divides his time according to the hours needed to satisfy each individual town contract. However, while he is on duty (8 hours a day, five days per week) he is available to answer calls in any of the four towns covered by this regional agreement.

Cpl. Hunter is able to flex his time in an effort to handle ongoing issues such as commuter traffic speed complaints, suspicious activities that are noticed and reported, community meetings and other civic events. This provides a much better level of service to the citizens of these towns than simply getting a set number of hours per week, that are usually all spent in a day or maybe two days of part time patrols.

As mentioned, this is a pilot project. The pilot is to see if the select boards and citizens of each town in the agreement are happy with the level of service they are getting, along with the expanded hours of call response. There may need to be some adjustment to the new contracts that take effect July 01, 2018 so that this regional effort can continue.

Please support this effort. It is my belief that regional patrol service contracts are the way of the future, especially for smaller towns that may not be able to individually afford a full-time police officer.

During 2018, the Rutland County Sheriff's Department handled 20 cases, including the following:

- 4-Assists to motorists/citizens
- 2-Suspicious Complaint
- 1-Sex Offense
- 2-Vin Inspection
- 1-Property Watches
- 1-Animal Bite
- 4-Sex Offender Registry Checks
- 63-Traffic stops

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen P. Benard
Sheriff

**RUTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
88 GROVE STREET
P.O. BOX 303
RUTLAND, VT, 05701
802-775-8002**



• **Appropriation request #8 on 2018 Town Warning**

Town of Middletown Springs **SELECTBOARD REPORT**

Looking back, 2017 provided us with challenges, and some opportunities we had not foreseen. The Board's responsibilities are numerous and vary day to day, some are driven by Mother Nature, so there is always another challenge ahead. Armed with motivation and perseverance, members tackled these things collectively or singularly to continue the momentum forward.

Board members, Town Treasurer and Town Clerk worked with the Auditors in implementation of action items they proposed in their annual report. These changes have helped to clarify procedures, increase efficacy, reduce confusion and improve operation in the Town Office. We intend to continue with changes as the Auditors advise.

Early this summer, a plea was sent out for members of the community to participate on the "Old Cemetery Task Force." A highly motivated group of people stepped up, were appointed, directed to assess the property, and prioritize maintenance items. A detailed Report was created and recommendations for actions were presented to the Board. Activities are to commence in the spring.

The Building Committee is gaining momentum through the work of its dedicated members. We thank you for your commitment to this momentous cause. A detailed report of their activities are to be found in this publication.

As community issues arose during the past year, a standardized "Request For Public Action " was created for any kind of complaint or service request. Community members are encouraged to use this form if Board action is desired; it can be picked up at the Town Office, or downloaded from the Town website.

The Transfer Station, "Fort Dumpster" has seen some changes this year. We now comply with State Regulations for household Compostable Waste, with a separate bin dedicated for these items. Electronics or E-waste are now housed under cover in gaylords, with a ramp system to facilitate pickup.

Highway Maintenance is a continuous process and a fleet of equipment is utilized to perform those tasks. A highway equipment replacement schedule was created to regulate the annual budget and reduce unexpected out-of-service time and repair costs.

Garron Rd. now has a new box culvert which is wider, reducing both road hazard and the stream crossing impact. Norton Rd. and Spruce Knob Rd. were approved for culvert upgrades this next year.

The Select Board extends its appreciation to all of the community members that held offices, volunteered, served on committees, supported events or helped a neighbor in need. These are acts that make "Our Town." Is it "Your Turn"?

Respectfully,

Christopher Fenton, Chair

On behalf of Board members Herb Childress, Patty Kenyon, Terry Redfield, James Webber

Town of Middletown Springs
REPORT OF THE AUDITORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 - 2017 (FY17)

The Auditors of the Town of Middletown Springs, Vermont, have audited the statements of the town as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 as listed in the table of contents of the annual town report and available prior to this report. These financial statements are the responsibility of the town officers. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

Our objectives were to (1) validate the correctness of the town accounts, (2) detect fraud or errors in these accounts, and (3) verify the financial condition and results of operations of the town as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017.

To accomplish these objectives, we obtained an understanding of the operation of the town's government, including internal controls over financial transactions. Among other actions, we did the following:

- We reviewed and tested various financial operations and responsibilities of the town, including collection of fees, payroll, treasurer's report and procedures, movement of funds at end of fiscal year, and the distribution of taxes to highway and general funds.
- We reviewed actions taken on recommendations from previous auditor reports.

Actions Taken FY17:

- Reviewed the FY16 treasurer's report. Met with the Treasurer, asked questions, and suggested adjustments to clarify financial information.
- Continued to encourage officers of the town trust funds to improve documentation of investment decisions and use a clear template for annual reporting.
- Continued to urge the Selectboard to review, develop, and adopt policies and procedures to improve the functioning, efficiency and transparency of town operations.
- Recommended, in the FY16 report, that attention be given to various board policies, to the town trust funds, and to investments of restricted funds; that an appropriate cash receipts procedure be adopted, and that building the restricted funds for an external audit continue.
- Began the orientation of new auditors to the position; two auditors attended the VLCT auditor training workshop in June 2017.
- Met with Selectboard to discuss concerns and priorities for the financial health of the town.
- Reviewed best practice for a cash receipts policy and worked with town officials and employees to develop new procedures for handling cash.

Priorities: Town auditors may focus on different aspects of the town finances each year, as part of a rotating review of the overall system. After the FY16 report, the focus was on development of a Cash Receipts Policy. An ongoing priority is to work with town trust funds for improved reporting and clarity. Future priorities may be set depending on auditor availability or at the request of the Selectboard.

Hours: In FY17, there was no auditor activity for the first part of the year. The two auditors prepared the annual report. In April 2017, two new auditors, write-ins on the March ballot, began their work, bringing us back to the full statutory requirement of three auditors. In FY17, the auditors worked approximately 48 paid hours and 34 volunteer hours.

Findings:

In our opinion, the financial statements we have examined are a fair representation of the financial position of the Town of Middletown Springs as of June 30, 2017, and the results of its operation for the year then ended. These findings are based on documents relative to FY17 received as of December 4, 2017.

In general, we see positive movement towards better organization, transparency, and accountability in the financial management of the town.

Town of Middletown Springs
REPORT OF THE AUDITORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 - 2017 (FY17) continued...

- Following up on the FY16 report, we reviewed the VLCT recommended policy for proper management of cash, checks, and other receipts. We met with town officials and employees to develop a procedure that ensures that there is a transparent trail for all cash and checks. A new procedure was proposed that included receipts for all cash transactions in the town office, and implementation began in the fall of 2017. The new procedure provides clear information on the movement of funds.
- In considering best practices in financial policies and procedures, we acknowledge that in certain areas, acceptable compromises are made because of the small size of our town government.
- We note that the Selectboard has been updating, revising, and consolidating policies, and plans to continue doing so. There is now an organized policy binder with a table of contents in the town office. Town policies and ordinances have also been digitized so that they can be posted on the town website for easy access to all citizens.
- We find that the Treasurer and Selectboard have made some format changes in budget reporting to provide consistency in the labeling of accounts and alignment of documents. This will make review of financial information more transparent and accessible for all.
- We note the newly appointed Trustees of Public Monies were successful in their efforts to untangle bank errors and confusion about accounts.
- We see that the Selectboard and Treasurer have investigated the investment of restricted funds and have made the changes they deem appropriate.

Concerns and Recommendations:

General Policies and Procedures:

- The auditors recommend revisiting the VLCT internal controls checklist, last completed in February 2013, to review progress made and to prepare for an external audit. This will be a priority for the auditors in the coming year.
- As in previous reports, we continue to recommend that new town officers read and sign off on their understanding of town policies. Now that the Selectboard has reviewed, updated and revised town policies, and collected them in an accessible format, this becomes more feasible.

Trust Funds:

- For FY18 we are asking funds to report information at the end of June 2018, covering the first six months of 2018, and to report at the end of June annually in the future, to better align with the town's fiscal year reporting.
- As in the FY13, FY14, FY15 and FY16 reports, we recommend that all town trust funds use a standardized template for their annual reporting. Currently, the Public Monies and Copeland Memorial Church Fund use the standard template.
- As in the FY13, FY14, FY15 and FY16 reports, we recommend that the Trustees and/or the Selectboard obtain a legal opinion as to the proper interpretation of the Copeland Milk Fund grant intentions, as modified, before the next distribution from the Fund. We also recommend an outside opinion on the method used to meet the objectives of original grant.
- As in the FY15 and FY16 report, we remind all trust funds to post minutes and other information on the town website. Trustees of Public Funds have some documents posted. The other funds do not have pages on the website as of this report, and we have requested that they be added.

External Auditing:

- One of the objectives of the town auditors is to verify the financial condition of the town. Because the town auditors are not professional auditors, regular review of the town's financial well-being should be done by an external agency. There is \$10,000 for this purpose in a restricted account, with \$5000 budgeted for FY 18. We recommend continuing to budget \$5000 per year for this purpose.
- In line with our goal of an external audit, we recommend researching the process and requirements for an audit in the near future.

Respectfully approved and submitted by Auditors *J. Burch-Clay, M. Chesnut-Tangerman, and S. Grimm* on January 24, 2018

**Town of Middletown Springs
DELINQUENT TAX BREAKDOWN**

**DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017**

	Tax Year 2004/2005	Tax Year 2005/2006	Tax Year 2006/2007	Tax Year 2007/2008	Tax Year 2008/2009	Tax Year 2009/2010	Tax Year 2010/2011	Tax Year 2011/2012	Tax Year 2012/2013	Tax Year 2013/2014	Tax Year 2014/2015	Tax Year 2015/2016	Tax Year 2016/2017
Taxes Assessed	\$ 1,227,740	\$ 1,384,162	\$ 1,493,350	\$ 1,489,702	\$ 1,645,827	\$ 1,867,576	\$ 1,842,698	\$ 1,841,969	\$ 1,932,678	\$ 1,969,734	\$ 1,875,698	\$ 2,102,627	\$ 2,012,532
Abatements & Adjustments	-1477	-3829	-2654	1644	-3751	-3118	-1613.53	-591	-494	-11147	0	7230	-2551.9
Received in FY 2005	1189673												
Received in FY 2006	34270	1355570											
Received in FY 2007	1066	22005	1444977										
Received in FY 2008	1,191	2,692	38390	1,453,246									
Received in FY 2009			37606	33,632	1,590,803								
Received in FY 2010			34	2,226	36,913	1,804,149							
Received in FY 2011			621	1,432	12,572	49,362	1785061						
Received in FY 2012						5,675	26023.95	1790212					
Received in FY 2013						5,073	9778	23040	1870104				
Received in FY 2014				681	1,643	34	17178.31	26168.92	55930.48	1919824.76			
Received in FY 2015						-	2368	0	504	7586	1826415		
Received in FY2016								1287	396	14618	30687	2054793.88	
Received in FY2017										1316	1900.5	30989.65	1967583
Principal Delinquency As of June 30, 2017	63	66	129	129.2	146	164.81	675	670	5,250	15,242	16,696	24,074	42,397

Grand Total Delinquent Taxes (Principal Only) as of June 30, 2017

105701.288

Delinquent Tax List Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017

TH06-240-L00 Archer, Genevieve
TH09-300-000 Bemis, Justin
TH08-260-000 Bradley, Darin & Melanie
TH1W-220-000 Bush, Christine
TH1W-540-000 Carter, Sarah

TH1W-532-000 Carter, Sarah
TH02-668-999 Grayson, Nancy H. Trust
TH1W-014-000 Gustin, Jessalyn
TH1W-487-000 Jennings, Lester
TH38-004-000 Cornell, Robert

TH12-541-000 Cronin, Timothy
TH21-164-000 Miller, Richard A. J.
TH06-024-000 Riccio, Lucille
TH06-014-000 Parker, Rhonda

**Town of Middletown Springs
2017 GRAND LIST ABSTRACT (411)**

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Ed. Listed Value
Residential I R1	138	23,412,200	17,376,300	6,035,900	23,412,200
Residential II R2	204	55,919,100	37,373,600	18,545,500	55,919,100
Mobile Homes-U MHU	9	121,600	71,800	49,800	121,600
Mobile Homes-L MHL	16	1,877,600	767,100	1,110,500	1,877,600
Seasonal I S1	5	213,700	0	213,700	213,700
Seasonal II S2	29	3,882,600	262,800	3,619,800	3,882,600
Commercial C	7	1,056,800	0	1,056,800	1,056,800
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	1	1,583,000	0	1,583,000	1,583,000
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	7	3,430,300	1,936,400	1,493,900	3,430,300
Other O	0	0	0	0	0
Woodland W	5	463,500	0	463,500	463,500
Miscellaneous M	53	3,134,400	254,100	2,880,300	3,134,400
TOTAL LISTED REAL	474	94,094,800	58,042,100	37,052,700	95,094,800
P.P. Cable	1	558,251	0	558,251	558,251
P.P. Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
P.P. Inventory	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	1	558,251	0	558,251	558,251
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		95,653,051	58,042,100	37,610,951	95,653,051
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	0/0	0	0	0	0
Veterans >10K	0	0	0	0	0
Total Veterans	0	0	0	0	0
P.P. Contracts	1	558,251	0	0	0
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	1/1	256,600	0	256,600	256,600
Non-Apprv(voted)	0/0	0	0	0	0
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0	0	0	0
Total Contracts	2/1	797,427	0	256,600	256,600
Current Use	66/66	6,456,300	2,024,800	4,431,500	6,456,300
Special Exemptions	0	0	0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		7,235,727	2,024,800	4,688,100	6,712,900
Total Exemptions		7,235,727	2,024,800	4,688,100	6,712,900
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		883,819.00			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			560,173.00	329,228.51	889,401.51
NON-TAX			14 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411		

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**General Fund Balance Sheet
Year Ending June 30, 2017**

ASSETS

Cash - unrestricted	79,018	
Cash - restricted	114,887	
Delinquent taxes receivable (principal only)	105,701	
Due To/From Other Accounts	-	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$299,606

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Payroll taxes/retirement payable	5,847	
Property tax credits payable	2,909	
Total Liabilities		\$8,755
Fund Balance - unrestricted	175,964	
Fund Balance - restricted	114,887	
Total fund balance		\$290,851
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		\$299,606

**Statement of Taxes Raised
Principal Only
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017**

2017 GRAND LIST as of 7/20/2016 411 report		\$88,236,400
1% of Grand List		882,364
Allocation		
Town Tax Rate	0.3177	280,327
Highway Tax Rate	0.3568	314,827
School Tax Rates:		
Resident	0.1661	906,652
Non-Resident	0.1491	509,542
Late Homestead Penalty		1,184
Total Taxes Assessed		2,012,532
Abatements & Adjustments		(2,552)
Less: Current Year Taxes Collected		1,967,583
Current Year Taxes Receivable as of June 30, 2017		\$42,397

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SUPPORTING SCHEDULE OF RESTRICTED FUND CASH FLOW
FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017**

	Equipment	Paving	Recycling	Reappraisal	Highway Surplus	Muni Fac Highway	Muni Fac Town Bldg	Muni Fac Town Surplus	Muni Tax Stabilization	Cemetery	Record Surcharge	Record Pres	Cons. Comm.	Computer	Tech Audit Reserve	Bridge	Total
Balance as of June 30, 2016	\$ 61,463	\$ 55,405	\$ 827	\$ 50,594	\$ 38,625	\$ 43,979	\$ 148,752	\$ -	-	\$ 6,082	\$ 7,907	\$ 21,078	\$ 147	\$ 2,266	\$ 5,000	\$ 17,771	459,896
<u>Receipts</u>																	
Interest	170	33	2	151	-	14	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	446
Record Surcharge Surplus											947						947
Municipal Tax Stabilization Reserve									5,000								5,000
Town Facility Income							51,454	9,670									61,124
Highway Surplus					40,164												40,164
Cemetery Surplus										253							253
Record Preservation Surplus												1,698					1,698
Computer Tech Surplus													139				139
Audit Reserve				4,175											5,000		5,000
Reappraisal Income																	4,175
Capital Improvements Move to reserve	6,000	15,000	1,288														22,288
TOTAL RECEIPTS	6,170	15,033	1,290	4,326	40,164	14	51,513	9,670	5,000	253	947	1,698	-	139	5,000	16	141,233
<u>Expenditures</u>																	
Town Building Expenditures ****	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,492	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Highway Surplus																	4,492
Cemetery Expenses					10,500					158							10,500
Paving Expense		43,313															43,313
Total Expenditures	-	43,313	-	-	10,500	-	4,492	-	-	158	-	-	-	-	-	-	58,463
Balance as of June 30, 2017	\$ 67,632	\$ 27,125	\$ 2,117	\$ 54,920	\$ 68,289	\$ 43,993	\$ 195,774	\$ 9,670	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,176	\$ 8,854	\$ 22,777	\$ 147	\$ 2,404	\$ 10,000	\$ 17,788	542,667

**** see Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve Detail Schedule for Year Ending 6/30/2017

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**Detailed Addendum to Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve Account
For Year Ending June 30, 2017**

Balance as of June 30, 2016	Amount 148,751.83
RECEIPTS:	
Annual Town Allotment FY16/17	50,000.00
Donation	1,000.00
Fundraising Receipts	453.50
Interest Earned	59.75
TOTAL REVENUE	51,513.25
EXPENDITURES:	
Temporary Power Installation	495.00
GMP	220.51
Parker Water Wells - well drilling	9,149.00
Parker Water Wells - drilling rebate	-7,491.00
Long Trail Engineering - well testing	1,440.00
Erikson Consulting - Energy Charette	678.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,491.51
Municipal Facilities Town Reserve balance as of 6/30/17	195,773.57

**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Taxes			
Current Taxes Assessed/Received	2,012,532	1,967,583	(44,949)
School \$ from Town	1,071,422	1,071,422	-
State VT	346,397	343,845	(2,552)
Town Taxes - Current	594,713	552,316	(42,397)
Other Revenues			
Delinquent Tax		34,206	34,206
Interest on Delinquent taxes	5,000	7,434	2,434
Penalties on Delinquent taxes	4,000	4,325	325
State of Vermont - Highway	49,000	48,585	(415)
State of Vermont - Current Use	35,500	46,863	11,363
Licenses & Permits	7,000	6,927	(73)
Cramton Fund - receipts	2,000	2,399	399
Copeland Milk Fund - receipts	7,000	6,000	(1,000)
Interest	250	243	(7)
Other		12	12
Transfer Station Fees	17,000	22,741	5,741
Total OTHER Revenue	126,750	179,735	52,985
TOTAL REVENUE (Net taxes plus Other)	721,463	732,051	10,588

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES			
General Government			
Salary - Town Clerk	26,500	26,500	-
Salary - Town Treasurer	14,100	14,100	-
Salary - Delinquent Tax Collector	3,600	3,600	-
Salary - Selectboard	3,200	3,200	-
Salary - Constable	1,000	-	1,000
Salary - Listers	8,000	7,149	852
Salary - Animal Control Officer	250	-	250
Law Enforcement	10,000	9,260	740
Salary - Auditors	700	236	464
Payroll Taxes	5,500	5,220	280
Independent Audit (Reserve)	5,000	5,000	-
Salary - Assistant Town Clerk	1,500	114	1,386
Salary - Assistant Town Treasurer	-	-	-
Clerical	600	-	600
Computer Technology (Reserve)	3,000	3,000	-
Elections	3,000	6,688	(3,688)
Street Lights	5,500	4,354	1,146
Telephone	3,000	2,847	153
Office Rent	5,100	5,100	-
Office Supplies	2,500	2,263	237
Copier Expense	1,000	744	256
Bank Charges	-	5	(5)
Town Report	3,500	2,976	524
Record Preservation (Reserve)	2,500	2,500	-
Education/Conferences	750	390	360
Mileage	200	-	200
Town Office Security	500	300	200
Postage	2,000	2,022	(22)
Legal	10,000	3,201	6,799
Website Maintenance	150	104	46
Office Maintenance	200	-	200
Tax Map Updates	1,000	1,720	(720)
Lister Expenses	500	325	175
Solid Waste - Contract	30,000	28,876	1,124
Solid Waste - Wages	9,000	9,241	(241)
Solid Waste - Other	1,500	953	547
Solid Waste - Electric	2,000	1,532	468
SubTotal Solid Waste	42,500	40,602	1,898
Solid Waste State Plan	3,000	3,329	(329)
Insurance - Property & Liability	17,500	17,038	462
Insurance-Unemployment	550	418	132
Insurance - Workmen's Comp.	12,000	13,196	(1,196)
Unemployment Claims (to be reimbursed in 2017/2018)		4,320	(4,320)
Miscellaneous	1,000	497	503
VLCT - Dues	1,800	1,770	30
Planning Commission Dues	950	925	25
Rutland County Tax	6,500	6,796	(296)

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Public Notices	500	1,203	(703)
Old Cemetery (Reserve)	2,500	2,500	-
Library	20,665	20,665	-
Town Property Maintenance	-	1,009	(1,009)
Town Excess		14,670	(14,670)
Town Building (Reserve)	50,000	50,000	(0)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	283,815	291,858	(8,043)

Dues/Organizations

		-	
Poultney Rescue Squad	4,300	4,300	-
First Response	4,000	4,000	-
Rutland Area Visiting Nurses Assn.	1,500	1,500	-
Vermont Green Up	50	50	-
Rutland Area Community Service	867	867	-
Southwestern VT Council on Aging	750	750	-
Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council	200	200	-
Center for Independent Living	100	100	-
Vermont RCDC	100	100	-
Poultney Community League	400	400	-
Regional Ambulance Service	375	375	-
M.S. Volunteer Fire Dept.	72,500	72,500	-
Rutland County Women's Network/Shelter	100	100	-
Rutland County Humane Society	125	125	-
R.S.V.P.	200	200	-
Poultney/Mettowee Watershed	500	500	-
Neighbor Works	400	400	-
ARC	500	500	-
Rutland CO Parent/Child Center	-	-	-
VT Assn of Blind	300	300	-
American Red Cross	250	250	-
Mentor Connector	200	200	-
Child Advocacy Center	400	400	-
Pleasant View Cemetery Assoc.	1,500	1,500	-
	-		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	89,617	89,617	-

Highway

Payroll Class II	2,300	3,959	(1,659)
Payroll Class III	38,700	23,896	14,804
Payroll Maintenance	5,650	8,612	(2,962)
Payroll Winter II	3,400	3,004	396
Payroll Winter III	26,000	27,441	(1,441)
Payroll Winter Maintenance	4,500	12,759	(8,259)
Payroll Tax	7,900	7,614	286
Payroll Administrative	2,250	2,754	(504)
Payroll Holiday	1,500	2,952	(1,452)
Payroll Comp Used	550	3,200	(2,650)
Payroll Sick Pay		1,208	(1,208)
Payroll Vacation	2,400	6,172	(3,772)

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Payroll Personal		640	(640)
Payroll Building Maintenance & Grounds	2,000	1,797	203
Subtotal Highway Payroll	97,150	106,007	(8,857)
Road Commissioner	3,000	3,251	(251)
Insurance - Health	13,500	6,856	6,644
Traffic Control	500	-	500
VMERS	2,850	2,827	23
Garage - Rent	3,600	3,600	-
Garage - Electric	450	432	18
Garage - Heat	2,500	1,672	828
Garage - Phone	700	567	133
Computer Technology	300		300
Equipment-(Reserve)	31,000	31,000	-
Consulting	500	-	500
Property Rental	2,400	2,400	-
Gravel - Bank run	6,000	5,410	590
Gravel - Processed	19,000	15,208	3,792
Riprap	3,000	3,624	(624)
Road Fabric	1,500	-	1,500
Culverts	3,000	529	2,471
Street Signage	2,000	1,827	173
Miscellaneous	3,000	3,468	(468)
Bridge Repair (Reserve)	-	-	-
Mowing	4,000	3,960	40
Resurfacing/Cold Patch	500	-	500
Sand	18,000	8,160	9,840
Salt	15,000	14,037	963
Calcium	3,500	2,670	830
Guardrails	5,500	-	5,500
Tree Trimming	2,500	-	2,500
2013 Rte 140 Loan Payment	68,066	68,074	(8)
Highway Surplus (Reserve)	(10,500)	29,664	(40,164)
Paving (Reserve)	15,000	15,000	-
Dayton Hill Project - Grant Funded		(142)	142
Repairs/Parts - Grader	5,000	5,348	(348)
Repairs/Parts - 1 Ton GMC 2012	2,000	3,670	(1,670)
Repairs/Parts - Backhoe John Deere	5,000	8,514	(3,514)
Repairs/Parts/Other	500	13	487
Sander/Plow - 1 Ton GMC 2012	1,500	4,158	(2,658)
Repairs/Parts/Purchase - Small Equipment	3,000	3,636	(636)
Sander/Plow - 7600 International	3,000	2,504	496
Gas/Diesel/Fluids	20,000	16,307	3,693
Repairs/Parts 7600 International	3,000	4,612	(1,612)
Repairs/Parts - 2016 Freightliner	500	3,059	(2,559)
Contract Labor - Hauling	10,000	450	9,550
Contract Labor - Rental	10,000	1,190	8,810
Contract Labor - Other		-	-
Total Highway Expenditures ALL	381,016	383,563	(2,547)
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES (town plus highway)	754,448	765,038	(10,590)

**Town of Middletown Springs
SELECT BOARD ORDERS ITEMIZED**

JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017

Achey, S	4,485.62	Hemenway, D	40.00
Achey, S reimbursement	745.93	Hemenway, P	1,298.07
Airgas	621.69	Highwinds Leasing	743.60
Aldermans	2,488.25	Hubbard	26,810.40
All States Asphalt	2,670.00	Hurcomb, T	48.69
American Red Cross	250.00	IDS	123.26
Apex Software	235.00	Irving Energy	1,672.12
ARC	500.00	Kenyon, P	2,093.39
Arsenault, J	725.85	Keyser Energy	13,497.88
Association of the Blind	300.00	Kniffin, R	930.21
BB Chain	3,411.50	Kniffin, R reimbursement	90.00
BCBSVT	7,089.83	Kofile Preservation	784.88
Bowen Excavating	250.00	Letendre, K	287.73
BROC	200.00	LHS Associates	3,440.40
Brown's Quarried Slate Products	936.00	Long Trail Engineering	1,440.00
Bruttomesso, R	46.62	Lyle Welding	720.00
Burch-Clay, J	2,18.17	MAC Equipment & Steel	80.25
Bushnell, K	75.00	Manchester Newspapers	493.50
Business Card Services	308.60	Martelle, J	650.00
Byrnes Truck & Equipment	340.20	McGann, G	350.00
Capital Improvements, Town of MTS	4,174.00	McLellan, C	27,015.00
Cargill	14,036.92	McWilliams, P	77.50
Casella Recycling	1,017.00	Melanson Company	25.00
Casella Hydraulics	53.22	Mentor Connector	200.00
Castle, A	205.00	Mid-State Appliance	60.00
Castle, L	23,444.26	Middletown Springs Fire Department	72,500.00
Castle Trucking	150.00	Middletown Springs Historical Society	5,100.00
Child First Advocacy Center	400.00	Middletown Springs Municipal Energy	401.30
Childress, H reimbursement	158.97	Middletown Springs Municipal Facilities	47,170.00
Childress, H	1,167.30	Middletown Springs Public Library	20,665.00
Clark, B	17,538.77	Middletown Springs School District	1,071,421.53
Collaboration 133	89.00	Mountain View Equipment	323.95
Combined Insurance	108.72	Moyer, G	7,470.31
Countryside Lock	300.00	Neighborworks	400.00
Dean, N	505.00	NEMRC	1,640.55
Dicke Tool Company	806.92	Nortrax	5,415.49
Doran Brothers	1,260.00	Occupational Drug Testing	200.00
Earles Truck Repair	10,054.76	Orchitt, B	3,960.00
Eastern Sales	380.88	Parker, R reimbursement	319.93
Erickson Consulting	678.00	Parker, R	20,890.98
Fairfield	624.42	Parker Water Wells	1,658.00
Fastenal	2,368.55	PEOPLE'S UNITED - paving loan	68,073.77
Feeley, K	62.50	Pete's Tire Barn	164.00
Fenton, C.	650.42	Pike Industries	43,313.52
Ferguson Waterworks	1,363.07	Postmaster	1,043.30
First Response	4,000.00	Poultney Auto Supply	3,946.31
Fowler, C & M	180.00	Poultney Community League	400.00
Frank and Joe's Auto Repair	661.25	Poultney Mettowee Watershed	500.00
Gilmore Home Center	41.37	Poultney Rescue Squad	4,300.00
GMP	6,783.96	Quick Print of Rutland	2,009.00
Green Mountain Timber Frame	3,600.00	RAVNA	1,500.00
Goodway Document Svcs	6.75	Redfield, T	1,165.21
Grants Village Store	37.01	Redfield, T reimbursement	250.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	Reed, D	2,400.00
Gerald Whie Sales & Service	276.00	Reed, K	105.28
Hadeka Stone	3,933.00	Reed, W	39,775.36
Heitkamp, M	140.00	Reed, W - mileage	656.06

**Town of Middletown Springs
SELECT BOARD ORDERS ITEMIZED**

JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017

Regional Ambulance Service	375.00	VLCTPACIF	31,006.00
RSVP	200.00	VLCTUI	418.00
Rubinstein, N	165.00	VMERS	4,664.98
Russell Graphics	1,720.00	VT Center for Independent Living	100.00
Rutland Area Community Services	867.00	VT Department of Environmental Con	200.00
Rutland County Sheriff's Dept	9,260.00	Vt Department of Health	10.00
Rutland Herald	709.67	Vt Department of Labor	4,320.00
Rutland Humane Society	125.00	VT Dept of Liquor Control	70.00
Rutland Regional Planning Commission	925.00	VT Department of Taxes	3,346.96
Rutland Women's Network	100.00	VT Digital	736.54
Safety Compliance Publication	298.50	VT Division of Motor Vehicles	262.00
Schwaab, Inc	59.00	VT RCDC	100.00
Seamans, J	870.00	VT State Treasurer	1,507.49
Sears, F	99.04	VTEL	3,413.83
Silver, L	170.00	Waite's Foundation	3,950.00
Staples	1,373.08	Wallingford Crushed Stone	160.83
Stateline Electrical Contracting	250.00	Webber, Chapman & Kupferer	2,701.00
Sunnyside Sand & Gravel	5,635.00	Webber, J	554.10
SW Agency on Aging	750.00	Westside Napa Auto Parts	1,034.64
SWAC	3,748.00	Wholesale Distributors	1,710.05
Talke Munyak, J	12,254.70	Williams Hardware	492.29
Tarbell, R	385.00	Winmill Equipment CO	32,418.34
Tifco Industries	217.44	Winning Image Graphix	69.00
Treasurer, County of Rutland	6,796.37		
Trend Business Solutions	87.50		
United States Treasury	39,706.67		
VLCT	1,890.00		



Maple buckets on Tarbell Farm await sugaring time.

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019 GENERAL BUDGET

	FY2017 End 06/30/17 <u>Budget</u>	FY2017 End 06/30/17 <u>Actual</u>	FY2018 End 06/30/18 <u>Budget</u>	FY2019 End 06/30/19 <u>Proposed</u>
Revenue				
Tax Related				
Delinquent Tax	-	34,206	-	-
Interest-Delinquent Taxes	5,000	7,434	5,000	5,000
Penalties-Delinquent Taxes	4,000	4,325	4,000	4,000
Total Tax Related	9,000	45,965	9,000	9,000
State of Vermont				
Vermont Highway	49,000	48,585	48,000	48,000
Vermont Current Use	35,500	46,863	40,000	40,000
Traffic Fines	-	-	-	-
Total State of Vermont	84,500	95,448	88,000	88,000
Fees and Permits				
Fees and Permits	7,000	6,927	6,000	6,000
Total Fees & Permits	7,000	6,927	6,000	6,000
Other Revenue				
Recycling Receipts	-	-	500	500
Cramton Fund	2,000	2,399	2,000	2,000
Copeland Fund	7,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Interest-Investments	250	243	200	200
Other -	12	-	-	-
Transfer Station Fees	17,000	22,741	17,000	20,000
Total Other Revenue	26,250	31,395	25,700	28,700
Total Revenue	126,750	179,735	128,700	131,700
General Government				
Salaries				
Town Clerk	26,500	26,500	26,500	27,000
Town Treasurer	14,100	14,100	14,100	14,400
Tax Collector	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600
Selectboard	3,200	3,200	3,200	5,200
Constable	1,000	-	-	-
Listers	8,000	7,149	8,000	8,000
Animal Control Officer	250	-	250	250
Law Enforcement	10,000	9,260	10,000	11,750
Accounting/Auditors	700	236	1,000	1,500
Payroll Taxes	5,500	5,220	6,000	6,000
Independent Audit	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Assistant Town Clerk	1,500	114	3,000	1,500
Assistant Treasurer	-	-	-	-
Total Salaries	79,350	74,379	80,650	84,200
Other				
Clerical	600	-	600	600
Computer Technology	3,000	3,000	3,500	3,000
Elections	3,000	6,688	2,000	4,000
Planning Commission	-	-	-	-
Street Lights	5,500	4,354	4,800	4,800

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019 GENERAL BUDGET

	FY2017	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
	End 06/30/17	End 06/30/17	End 06/30/18	End 06/30/19
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Telephone/Internet	3,000	2,847	3,000	3,000
Office Rent	5,100	5,100	5,100	5,100
Office Supplies	2,500	2,263	2,500	2,500
Copier Expense	1,000	744	750	1,500
Bank Charges	-	5	-	-
Town Report	3,500	2,976	3,000	3,000
Record Preservation	2,500	2,500	-	-
Conferences	750	390	500	750
Mileage	200	-	100	200
Office Security	500	300	500	500
Postage	2,000	2,022	2,000	1,500
Legal	10,000	3,201	7,000	7,000
Interest Expense	-	-	-	-
Website Maintenance	150	104	150	500
Office Maintenance	200	-	100	-
Tax Map Updates	1,000	1,720	1,000	1,000
Lister Expenses	500	325	1,000	500
Total Other	45,000	38,539	37,600	39,450
Solid Waste				
Solid Waste Contract	30,000	28,876	31,000	31,000
Solid Waste Wages	9,000	9,241	10,000	10,200
Solid Waste Other	1,500	953	1,000	1,500
Solid Waste State Plan	3,000	3,329	3,200	3,200
Solid Waste Electric	2,000	1,532	1,500	1,500
Total Solid Waste	45,500	43,931	46,700	47,400
Insurance				
Property & Liability	17,500	17,038	17,500	18,000
Unemployment	550	418	500	750
Workers' Compensation	12,000	13,196	15,000	17,250
Unemployment Claims		4,320	-	-
Total Insurance	30,050	34,972	33,000	36,000
General Expenses				
Miscellaneous	1,000	497	200	500
VLCT Dues	1,800	1,770	1,830	1,850
Planning Commission Dues	950	925	925	975
Rutland County Tax	6,500	6,796	7,000	7,000
Public Notices	500	1,203	500	500
Old Cemetery	2,500	2,500	2,000	3,500
Library	20,665	20,665	22,000	22,660
Town Property Maintenance	-	1,009	1,000	1,000
Town Excess	-	14,670	-	-
Town Building	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Total General Expenses	83,915	100,035	85,455	87,985
Total General Government	283,815	291,858	283,405	295,035

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019 GENERAL BUDGET

	FY2017 End 06/30/17 <u>Budget</u>	FY2017 End 06/30/17 <u>Actual</u>	FY2018 End 06/30/18 <u>Budget</u>	FY2019 End 06/30/19 <u>Proposed</u>
Highway				
Payroll				
Payroll Class II	2,300	3,959	2,500	2,500
Payroll Class III	38,700	23,896	42,500	38,000
Payroll Maintenance	5,650	8,612	6,000	6,000
Payroll Winter II	3,400	3,004	4,000	3,000
Payroll Winter III	26,000	27,441	28,000	28,000
Payroll Winter Maintenance	4,500	12,759	5,000	7,500
Payroll Taxes	7,900	7,614	9,000	8,000
Road Commissioner	3,000	3,251	4,500	4,500
Health Insurance	13,500	6,856	14,500	16,000
Traffic Control	500	-	500	500
Payroll-Administrative	2,250	2,754	2,500	2,500
VMERS Employer	2,850	2,827	3,200	3,200
Payroll-Holiday	1,500	2,952	1,800	1,800
Payroll-Comp Time Used	550	3,200	2,000	2,000
Payroll-School Administration	-	-	-	-
Payroll-Sick Pay	-	1,208	-	-
Payroll-Vacation	2,400	6,172	2,700	2,700
Payroll-Personal Days	-	640	-	-
Road Commissioner-Mileage				
Total Payroll	115,000	117,145	128,700	126,200
Garage				
Rent	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600
Electric	450	432	450	450
Heat	2,500	1,672	2,550	2,500
Phone	700	567	700	700
Computer Technology	300	-	1,000	300
Building & Grounds Maintenance	2,000	1,797	2,200	2,000
Capital Improvements	31,000	31,000	40,000	45,000
Consulting	500	-	500	500
Property Rental	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
Total Garage	43,450	41,468	53,400	57,450
Road Maintenance				
Bank Run Gravel	6,000	5,410	4,000	4,000
Processed Gravel	19,000	15,208	19,000	15,000
Rip Rap	3,000	3,624	2,000	2,000
Road Fabric	1,500	-	1,500	1,000
Culverts & Catch Basins	3,000	529	3,000	3,000
Street Signage	2,000	1,827	2,000	1,500
Miscellaneous	3,000	3,468	3,000	3,000
Mowing	4,000	3,960	4,000	4,000
Bridge Repairs & Debt	-	-	1,000	-
Resurfacing	500	-	1,000	500
Sand	18,000	8,160	18,000	18,000
Salt	15,000	14,037	15,000	15,000
Calcium	3,500	2,670	3,500	3,000
Guardrails	5,500	-	5,000	5,000
Tree Trimming	2,500	-	2,500	2,000
VT Route 140 Paving 2013 loan	68,066	68,074	-	-

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019 GENERAL BUDGET

	FY2017	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
	End 06/30/17	End 06/30/17	End 06/30/18	End 06/30/19
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Highway Surplus	10,500	29,664	-	-
Transfer to Capital Projects	-	-	-	-
Paving Reserve	15,000	15,000	40,000	40,000
Dayton Hill Project	-	-142	-	-
Construction Permits	-	-	-	3,000
Total Road Maintenance	169,566	171,489	124,500	120,000
Repairs & Parts				
Grader	5,000	5,348	5,000	5,000
GMC 2012 1-ton	2,000	3,670	2,500	3,500
Deere Backhoe	5,000	8,514	5,000	-
Other	500	13	300	300
Sander/Plow 1-ton	1,500	4,158	2,000	2,000
Small Equipment Repair & Purchase	3,000	3,636	3,000	3,000
Loader	-	-	1,000	3,000
Sander/Plow 7600	3,000	2,504	3,000	3,000
Gas, Diesel, & Fluids	20,000	16,307	21,000	20,000
7600 International	3,000	4,612	3,500	3,500
Freightliner	500	3,059	1,000	1,500
Sander/Plow Freightliner	-	-	2,000	2,000
JCB Backhoe	-	-	-	1,000
Total Repairs & Parts	43,300	51,821	49,300	47,800
Contract Labor				
Hauling	10,000	450	7,000	7,000
Rental	10,000	1,190	7,000	6,000
Plowing	-	-	250	250
Other	-	-	250	250
Total Contract Labor	20,000	1,640	14,500	13,500
Total Highway	381,016	383,563	370,400	364,950



Artist Peter Huntoon at work.

Town of Middletown Springs
COPELAND MEMORIAL CEMETERY FUND

TRUSTEES' REPORT
December 31, 2017

Beginning Balance--January 1, 2017

Investments Market Value	\$47,783.85
Fixed Income	\$83,019.92
Other	\$22,203.38
Total	\$153,007.15

Income

Portfolio	\$4,434.46
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Expenses

Portfolio	\$2,665.24
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Net Gain (Loss)	\$8,438.30
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Ending Balance--December 31, 2017

Bank Deposits	\$17,247.57
Equities	\$37,826.72
Fixed Income	\$75,601.43
Other	\$30,769.73
Total	\$161,445.45

NOTE: The Trustees elected to forego any distributions to the cemetery in an effort to grow the fund.

TRUSTEES

Alida Tarbell
Alice Hoisington

COPELAND MEMORIAL CHURCH FUND

COMMITTEE REPORT
December 31, 2017

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Beginning Balances	231,071.08	213,279.09	220,888.93
Additions and Withdrawals	11,296.89	0.00	0.00
Income	12,829.92	12,365.62	9,693.03
Taxes, Fees and Expenses	(2,833.81)	(3,039.79)	(2,841.36)
Net Gain (Loss)	(39,084.99)	(1,715.99)	17,366.06
Distributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Balances	213,279.09	220,888.93	245,106.66

Committee Members:

Rita Hansen, Daniel McKeen, Dale Carr

Town of Middletown Springs
COPELAND MILK FUND

TRUSTEES REPORT – 2017

BEGINNING BALANCE.....January 1, 2017

Sentinel Investments	\$179,565.06
National Life Group	310,534.01
Citizens Money Market (Checking)	4,074.40

TOTAL: **\$ 494,173.47**

INCOME

Interest Credited April 2017	\$5,092.76 (National Life Group)
Investment Account Dividends	2,083.25 (Sentinel Investments)
Interest Income	1.01 (Citizens Money Market)

TOTAL INCOME: **\$ 7,177.02**

EXPENSES

Town of Middletown Springs	\$6,000.00
Producer Distribution	6,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	100.00
New Checks Fee	9.99

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$12,109.99**

INVESTMENT SUMMARIES

Investment Plan Management Fees	\$2,840.64 (National Life Group)
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HOLDINGS AS OF 12/31/2017:

Touchstone Investments*	\$208,145.97
National Life Group	300,786.13
Citizens Money Market (Checking)	3,965.35

TOTAL PORTFOLIO VALUE **\$512,897.45**

- Sentinel Investments merged with and is now Touchstone Investments in October 2017

TRUSTEES: Carl P. Haynes
Terry Redfield
Rodney Tarbell

Town of Middletown Springs
PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The trustees of the Pleasant View Cemetery Association again wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the voters of the town of Middletown Springs for your generous support of our 2017 Town Meeting funding request. Your support is a tremendous help to us as we strive to not only preserve and maintain this beautiful site, but also to make gradual, meaningful improvements as best we can.

We enjoyed another spring clean-up workday with the Middletown Springs Elementary School 6th grade class in support of their class trip to Washington, D.C. Thanks to Miss Jenn (Tifft), Principal Rick Beal, the students and a group of Cemetery trustees and other volunteers, the Cemetery was spruced up in preparation for our May 1 opening. We are hopeful that this mutually beneficial and community-building relationship will continue for years to come. Good job MSES students!

We need to once again express our sincere thanks and appreciation to John Colvin, weed-whacker extraordinaire, for weed-whacking and maintaining the steep slope adjacent to the vault all season long. Donnie Marcy is also instrumental in cutting brush, cutting/picking up fallen trees/limbs, and in doing whatever is necessary to keep the Cemetery looking ship-shape. Art Castle serves as the Superintendent and does an outstanding job of working with the various funeral directors, monument and vault companies, family members, and prospective lot owners. We are grateful for everyone's talents and expertise that they provide in keeping this facility operational.

Thank you to the many folks who walk through and enjoy this peaceful setting on a regular basis, and to the folks who also walk their pets and let them enjoy the freedom of this space as well. Please remember to maintain control of your dog(s) and continue to be vigilant in cleaning up after your pets as well, because dog waste is NEVER acceptable in anyone's final resting place. Thanks again to the voters of Middletown Springs during 2017, and please consider this Report to serve as our request to be on the 2018 Town Meeting Day ballot again this year. We respectfully request another appropriation of \$1,500.00 for FY 2018/19 from the Town of Middletown Springs if approved by the voters of said Town. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Pleasant View Cemetery Association
Terry Redfield, President

Note: Appropriation Request #28 on 2018 Town Warning

Mill River Band at the Memorial Day ceremony on the green - 2017



Town of Middletown Springs
PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

TRUSTEES' REPORT
December 31, 2017

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 2017	\$2,666.02	
Dividends from Perpetual Care Stock	387.55	
Arthur & Daisy Cramton Trust	1,250.20	
Sale of Lots + Cornerstones	300.00	
Perpetual Care	200.00	
Burials	2,800.00	
Donations	425.00	
Town Appropriation--2016-2017	1,500.00	
Town Appropriation--2017-2018	1,500.00	
Transfer from Money Market	400.00	
Refund Service Charge	6.00	
Checking Account Interest	1.88	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$11,436.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Green Mountain Boys Landscaping--mowing & trimming	\$5,600.00	
Arthur Castle--Burials	1,500.00	
Merchants Bank--Perpetual Care	500.00	
DeBonis Landscaping--opening graves	500.00	
MSES 6th Grade Class--Help with Spring cleanup	150.00	
Community Bank--Service Charge	6.00	
USPS--Stamps	9.80	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$8,265.80
BALANCE ON HAND, DECEMBER 31, 2017		\$3,170.85

PERPETUAL CARE INVESTMENTS

445 Shares George Putnam Fund	\$8,846.60	
240 Shares Foot Locker	11,388.00	
Community Bank--Money Market	3,372.50	
Community Bank--CD	36,097.90	
TD Bank--CD	35,014.00	
TD Bank--Barker Mehuron Account	10,291.42	
		\$105,010.42

TRUSTEES

Alice Hoisington
Alida Tarbell
Arthur Castle
Terry Redfield
Donald Marcy

Note: Appropriation Request #28 on 2018 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
OLD CEMETERY TASK FORCE

2017 Report

The "Old Cemetery" is located at the southeastern corner of the four corners intersection at the center of Middletown Springs. According to the 1983 inventory by cemetery researcher Margaret "Peggy" Jenks (1982), the cemetery holds approximately 525 monuments with dates of death ranging from at least 1791 to 1938. The cemetery was originally sited on land deeded to the town by Luther Filmore in 1787 and paid for in pounds, shillings and grain. A second section of the cemetery was donated in the 1850s by Jonas Clark who lived in the brick house that still stands on the north-west corner of the town center. The Old Cemetery is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Middletown Springs Historic District.

The Old Cemetery Task Force (OCTF) was convened at a Selectboard meeting on June 8, 2017. Members included John Arsenault (Chair), David Wright (Assistant Chair) and Nora Rubinstein (Secretary). Kelly McElheny joined the committee on Sept. 6, 2017 and stepped down on November 20, 2017. The members of the committee were charged with making recommendations for a maintenance and restoration plan that will help sustain this important historical site while responsibly managing allocated financial resources. The Selectboard asked the task force to develop a maintenance plan that would offer advice on:

- priorities for annual work on monument repair and restoration;
- special needs for monuments of military veterans;
- recommendations for non-monument maintenance (entrances, signs, grounds, trees, etc);
- recommendations for annual funding and management of the reserve fund and;
- recommendations on qualified monument-restoration contractors.

The members of the task force agreed to assess the condition of the cemetery and report back to the Selectboard by the end of October. The task force met approximately twice a month and met with experts at other times including sponsoring a demonstration project for the Selectboard on the repair and straightening of stones with the help of Tom Giffin of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association. In addition members of the task force met with other cemetery experts to discuss the current status of the old cemetery and to determine best practices with respect to cemetery care. Progress was made on the items identified by the Selectboard but several issues remain to be resolved and the immediate priorities shifted from care of the stones to addressing major safety concerns. The task force submitted its report to the Selectboard at a meeting on December 14, 2017. That report will be posted to the town website.

*John Arsenault
Nora Rubinstein
David Wright*

Town of Middletown Springs
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONIES

Louis Library Fund*

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	Distributions		
Beginning Balance - Investments			MTS Library	520.52	650.00*
Portfolio			*Pending		
Net Account Balance	499.51	941.83			
Securities	19,934.52	21,345.95			
Total Portfolio Equity	\$20,434.03	\$22,287.78	Ending Balance - Investments		
			Portfolio		
			Net Account Balance	941.83	118.17
			Securities	21,345.95	23,685.67
			Total Portfolio Equity	\$22,287.78	\$23,803.84
Begin. Bal. Checking Acct.	\$130.46	\$130.52			
Income From			End Bal. Checking Account	\$130.52	\$259.76
Dividends	867.54	1,203.14			
Checking	0.06	.10			
Total Income	\$867.60	\$1,203.24			

Henderson Fund*

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	Distributions	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Beginning Balance - Investments			Scholarship 1	250.00	\$500.00
Portfolio			Scholarship 2	250.00	0
Net Account Balance	1,279.78	1,921.33	Scholarship 3	250.00	0
Securities	49,965.22	53,663.32	Total	\$750.00	\$500.00*
Total Portfolio Equity	\$51,245.00	\$55,584.65	* Pending		
			Ending Balance - Investments		
Beg. Bal. Checking Account	\$105.81	\$105.91	Portfolio		
Income From			Net Account Balance	1,921.33	310.30
CD / Securities	854.99	\$3,130.90	Securities	53,663.32	59,811.43
Checking	0.10	.10	Total Portfolio Equity	\$55,584.65	\$60,121.73
Total Income	\$855.09	\$3,131.00	End Bal. Checking Account	\$105.91	\$2940.99

Matthews/Bigelow Fund

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	Distributions		
Beginning Balance - Investments			MTS First Response	302.92	380.00
Portfolio			Total	\$302.92	380.00
CD /Securities	22,881.70	23,387.09	Ending Balance - Investments		
Beg. Bal Checking Account	25.20	25.42	Portfolio		
Income From			CD / Securities	23,386.45	23,502.48
CD / Securities	504.86	505.39	Total Portfolio Equity	\$23,386.45	23,502.48
Checking	0.10	.11	End Bal. Checking Account	\$25.30	\$25.53
Total Income	\$504.96	\$505.50			

Trustees: Alice Hoisington, Lois Dansereau, Beth Miller

* Upon review of the Henderson and Louis Library accounts, several errors were discovered which we begin to rectify. Much of this was due to antiquated banking systems and errors which have now been corrected. The Town Auditors are aware of the process and have been working with the Trustees for a clear report.

Town of Middletown Springs **MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & FIRE ASSOCIATION**

In 2011, the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department acquired Ladder 535. The ladder truck was a donation from Rockhall Fire Department in Rockhall, MD. The donation was due to the hard work of Bob Emrick of Tinmouth. Bob approached MSVFD back in 2011 regarding the 1966 Maxim. There were several reasons MSVFD was interested in acquiring this apparatus. The most important reason is safety and response time.

The 100' aerial can be set up in 2 to 3 minutes, which means a quick stop on chimney fires and structure fires and retrieval of occupants from upper levels. Ladder 535 protects MSVFD from dangers of ground ladders, such as snow and ice buildup, preventing falls on slate roofs, dangers of flat and rubber roofs. It also serves as a road block and rescue apparatus. The ladder is purposely positioned in roadways to protect emergency responders, so emergency scenes can be handled in a timely manner without the worry of oncoming traffic. Additional traffic accidents and emergency responder injuries/deaths are on the rise, and MSVFD will do its best to prevent these situations from happening. It also serves as a privacy barrier in traumatic emergency scenes. Ladder 535 also houses a second set of rescue tools, and a generator. Ladder 535 has served MSVFD very well for the past 6 years. It has become their most valuable apparatus that responds to nearly every call. Ladder 535 has become very valuable to surrounding towns due to it being one of the only operational ladders in the area.

Sadly, MSVFD Ladder 535 did not pass its 5 year aerial inspection, and it has been out of service since the end of September 2016. The aerial failed due to several safety concerns. MSVFD was being quoted a minimum of \$30,000 to fix the aerial. After repairs were made, it was not guaranteed to pass the inspection due to the amount of welded repairs. Due to the vintage of the ladder, the inspection company stated it could be replaced, but it had to be original Maxim parts. The Maxim Company had gone out of business, so parts were not going to be easy to acquire, especially a 1966 vintage. The parts were going to cost as much as the quoted repairs. MSVFD and the MSVFD Board of Trustees decided to look into an alternative route, especially with winter months and chimney fires quickly approaching. The Board of Trustees and MSVFD quickly started looking into used apparatus.

In the meantime, a very generous donation was offered from Arthur and Laura Ann Castle of Middletown Springs. Laura Ann (Leffingwell) Castle has a very personal interest in the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department. Laura Ann explained her history of the fire department, which stems back to her father. Laura Ann's father, Alton B. Leffingwell, who was one of the original members of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department in 1952. Alton was a lifelong member of the MSVFD Board of Trustees. Currently, Art Castle, Laura Ann's husband of 50 years, is an active member of MSVFD. Art Castle joined the MSVFD Board of Trustees in 1989, and he joined the fire department in 2001. Art and Laura's son, Joseph, joined the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department in 1993 at the age of 15. Laura Ann expressed another interest. She stated this donation would make her sister happy, and this was also for her. Laura Ann's sister, Janice Leffingwell, passed away in 2015. Janice and Laura Ann were not just sisters, but they were best friends.

The current Board of Trustees and members of MSVFD had an emotional response to this gesture. The Board of Trustees made a motion to approve the generous donation of \$15,000 from Art and Laura Castle to be used towards the purchase of the 1990 Pierce aerial in Pittsford, NY. The new Middletown Springs Ladder 535 (formerly of Pittsford Fire District in Pittsford, NY) arrived in Middletown Springs on Friday, November 10, 2017.

Laura Ann grew up with her roots in Middletown Springs. She has continued generations of family history and traditions of community involvement. Laura Ann (Leffingwell) Castle has served as Town Clerk since 1998. Prior to her position as Town Clerk, she served as Assistant Town Clerk. Her father, Alton B. Leffingwell, served in Town offices including Selectman. Laura Ann is a resource in the town office with her knowledge of the town, past and present. Art and Laura Castle hold the fire department near and dear to their hearts. The family history of MSVFD goes back whole heartedly to 65 years ago, to Alton B. Leffingwell. Thank you Art and Laura Ann (Leffingwell) Castle, for your family history in our town, decades of hard work and dedication to the town of Middletown Springs and the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department.

*Membership of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department
And the MSVFD Board of Trustees*

MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2017 YEAR IN REVIEW

It has been a very productive and positive year for the members of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department. We started the year of 2017 with a community dinner and informational meeting. Many community members attended the dinner, enjoyed the slideshow, enjoyed the live demonstrations, and also enjoyed the food. The dinners are the only time in our busy lives that we have the opportunity to sit and talk with community members, and they are always free to the community. During the first dinner, several conversations arose regarding downed power lines in roadways, concerns of expired fire extinguishers in homes, the importance of placement of apparatus at a fire scene and motor vehicle accident scene, and the dangers of solar panels. This discussion led to several people asking for an open house.

The open house took place on Friday, July 28th. A representative from GMP was on hand to answer questions and concerns of downed power lines. Green Mountain Fire accepted residential fire extinguishers for inspection and recharging. An Expert of Solar Photovoltaic Safety presented information on solar panels, as well as the dangers to homeowners and firefighters regarding solar panels. During the open house, several prizes were raffled, including the grand prize of two Telescope Casual Furniture chairs with a side table, a steel fire pit, cast iron charcoal grill, and a cooler. The grand prize was the first of the fundraisers hosted by MSVFD. During the open house, community members had the opportunity to use a fire extinguisher on live fire. The MSVFD also created a live simulation of a two car accident scene and arrived on the scene, as they would in a real situation. MSVFD went through all aspects of utilizing extrication tools (aka "Jaws of Life"). Children also learned the importance of knowing when to call 911. The event was well received by the community, and it is something the MSVFD hopes to continue in the future.

MSVFD participated in the Memorial Day Parade and hosted the concession stand on the green. MSVFD hosted a gun raffle fundraiser in October. The MSVFD also hosted "Halloween at the Firehouse." This is the second year of this event. The firehouse and trucks were decorated for all the ghosts and goblins out trick or treating. This has become an annual event for the firehouse. It is not a fundraiser, but it is a great way to give back to the kids in our community. MSVFD also helped the Middletown Springs Elementary School with their Halloween Parade by providing traffic control during the parade. Breakfast with Santa was once again the biggest event for the firehouse. Santa arrived on the new Ladder 535. Santa visited with children outside the firehouse, and he made his way to the decorated stage inside. Santa took the time to go over every Christmas list. Each child had their picture taken with Santa. Children and their families enjoyed delicious pancakes and bacon. During the event, children mailed their letters to Santa in the special "Letters to Santa" mailbox. All 46 children received a personalized letter from Santa approximately one week prior to Christmas. Another community service that is provided by MSVFD is the stringing of the lights on the town tree, on the green. This is done annually by members of MSVFD. New lights were also donated by members of MSVFD and Cheryl Mahoney.

In regards to Santa arriving on the new Ladder 535, a huge thank you goes out to Art and Laura Castle. As many of you know, Art and Laura Castle generously donated \$15,000 towards the purchase of a new ladder truck. The aerial can be set up in 2 to 3 minutes, which means a quick stop on chimney fires and structure fires and retrieval of occupants from upper levels. Ladder 535 protects MSVFD from dangers of ground ladders, such as snow and ice buildup, preventing falls on slate roofs, and dangers of flat and rubber roofs. It also serves as a road block and rescue

apparatus. The ladder is purposely positioned in road ways to protect emergency responders, so emergency scenes can be handled in a timely manner without the worry of oncoming traffic. Additional traffic accidents and emergency responder injuries\deaths are on the rise, and MSVFD will do its best to prevent these situations from happening. It also serves as a privacy barrier in traumatic emergency scenes. Ladder 535 also houses our second set of rescue tools, a generator, and a portable station to fill our air bottles. With the help of Art and Laura Castle, this newly acquired apparatus is currently paid in full.

Some may question why our apparatus is used so much in other towns. Please keep in mind, the other towns are also volunteers that respond to our calls here in Middletown Springs. It goes back to the old saying, "one hand washes the other". We, as volunteer communities, have learned to be ready to help each other out. All volunteer communities are suffering a shortage of volunteers. Our small towns have to rely on each other. We work together on scenes, and we train very hard together. Some of the trainings that the MSVFD participated in during 2017 include rapid intervention, firefighter survival, truck company operations, ventilation, engine company operations, communications, vehicle extrication, search and rescue, HAZ-MAT and infectious control, mutual aid operations, and Solar Photovoltaic Safety.

The MSVFD FY 2019 budget will increase by \$7,000. This small increase is due to the increased cost of heating fuel, diesel fuel, electricity, firefighter training tools, apparatus testing, and community events. The \$7000 increase adds approximately 1 cent to the overall tax rate of any individual property. Therefore, the overall tax rate increases by a penny. For example, each \$100,000 of assessed property valuation, the average homeowner will experience an increase of \$7.00.

The membership of the MSVFD and the MSVFD Board of Trustees are actively embarking on a building facility to better house our existing fire apparatus. The two organizations are asking the Town of Middletown Springs to appropriate \$25,000 to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund for Fire and Rescue Services to be used towards future design, construction, improvement, or relocation of the Fire Department facilities. The size of the fire apparatus are being built much larger and higher than the current building physically can house. As the fire trucks start to be replaced in the distant future, a concern of how and where MSVFD can physically house them will become an issue. MSVFD's newest apparatus is a 1995 vintage. The oldest apparatus is a 1973 vintage. The MSVFD takes a lot of pride in our apparatus, we do an excellent job maintaining all of our fire equipment and apparatus. We also need a shelter in order to protect the apparatus. The cost to replace our existing fleet with new apparatus would be approximately \$3.8 million. This does not include the value of the tools equipped on each truck. The importance of a building to protect our apparatus is much cheaper than the replacement of our fire trucks. This ballot item would be an increase of \$25.00 for each property assessed at \$100,000.

Our community is very important to MSVFD. We have hosted several community events in the past four years, and we will continue to do so. The MSVFD will continue the community dinners throughout 2018, along with several new fundraisers. MSVFD is also looking to increase trainings that would involve interested community members. Thank you for your support, and we hope to continue to build relationships within our department and community in 2018.

Membership of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department
And the MSVFD Board of Trustees

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & FIRE ASSOCIATION

Profit & Loss

January through December 2017

Ordinary Income

Contributions	1,159.85
First Response Rental	2,400.00
F.R. Income	3,936.00
Fund Drive	1,176.00
Garage Rental Fuel Income	244.40
Interest	19.83
Town Annual Payment	72,500.00

Total Income **\$ 81,452.85**

Gross Profit **\$81,452.85**

Expense

Accounting Services	525.00
Building Maintenance	3,655.34
Diesel/Gas	608.45
Dispatcher	1,750.00
Electric	2,739.07
Equipment Maint & Repair	3,202.61
Equipment Replacement	454.47
Fire Fighting Supplies	1,676.05
Fund Raising 2017	1,287.33

Expense continued...

Garage Rental 535	400.00
Heating Fuel	4,435.35
Heating Fuel Garage Rental	920.87
Insurance	14,636.00
New Equipment	4,208.18
New Vehicle - 534 - 2015	6,897.46
New Vehicle - 535 - 2017	17,029.36
Office Supplies/Postage/Stationary	513.43
Propane	562.26
Radio Repair	2,311.92
Telephone	2,185.16
Turnout Gear	6,843.73
Vehicle Maintenance ER534	1,471.80
Vehicle Maintenance #531	145.33
Vehicle Maintenance #532	735.12
Vehicle Maintenance #535	2,515.93

Total Expense **\$ 83,366.57**

Net Ordinary Income/(Loss) **(\$ 1,913.72)**

Net Income **(\$ 1,913.72)**

**Bank Balances
December 31, 2017**

General Operation Checking	3,812.05
General Operation Money Market	13,763.71
Fire Truck Replacement	1,715.69
Fire Truck Money Market	4,494.89
Fire Truck Reserve Funds	3,342.73

Total

\$27,129.07

Note: Appropriation Request #19
on 2018 Town Warning

Art and Laura Castle with
Middletown Springs Ladder 535



Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS FIRST RESPONSE

Annual Report 2017

The membership of the Middletown Spring First Response would like to sincerely thank the citizens of our gracious community for their un-wavering support over the past year.

During the past 12 months we've responded to approximately 30 calls that include medical assessments, trauma related injuries, motor vehicle accidents, and Fire Department stand-bys. Our average response time was a little over 7 minutes. Our current roster now consists of only 6 members; 3 EMT's, 3 EMR's. From those members alone we have approximately 100 years of experience in the field. We've logged collectively over 250 man hours in training and on-scene time. The national and local state EMS agencies have once again changed the continuing education requirement, this time to 40 credit hours per every 2 years. We continue to grow our skills though training provided in-house, through our parent organization Poultney Rescue Squad, District 10, and via the Vermont State EMS office.

We are always actively seeking new membership – any previous medical experience is helpful but not required. Membership is low. Poultney Rescue plans to host an entry level Emergency Medical Responder course, approximately 80 classroom hours, sometime this Spring and/or Summer. We can offer a prospective recruit the required training through locally held courses or sessions. For details, please contact Training Officer James Reed at 235-2060 or Kevin Eaton at 235-2746 or any active member.

For the past few years, we've been able to level fund our budget at \$4,000. We do try to keep costs to a minimum so to minimize the burden on our fellow citizens. We actively seek all applicable grants and graciously accept any contributions.

In closing, First Response sincerely thanks the folks of Middletown Springs for their continued generous support. We are extremely excited and proud to serve our local community.

Sincerely,

Carl Haynes – EMR, President

Kevin Eaton – EMT, Recording Secretary



Middletown Springs First Response Financial Report 2017

Receipts:

Donations	250.00
Town Allocation	4,000.00
Memorials	485.00
Money Market Interest	59.35
	504.75

TOTAL **\$ 5,299.10**

Disbursements:

Middletown Sp Fire Assoc. (Rent)	2,400.00
Postal Services	0
Vehicle Maintenance	95.55
Supplies	0

TOTAL **\$ 2,495.55**

Checking Balance as of Dec. 31, 2017

\$ 5,606.00

Money Market Balance as of Dec. 31, 2017

\$ 29,785.95

Note: Appropriation Request #10 on 2018 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
POULTNEY RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

2017 Report ~ Poultney Rescue Squad, Inc.

Poultney Rescue Squad, Inc is a paid staff and volunteer agency that consists of 4 paid employees and 10 volunteers. It was a very busy year for Poultney Rescue! We responded to 486 calls in 2017. The breakdown in calls is as follows:

Calls in Poultney	287
Calls in Middletown Springs	31
Calls in Hampton	40
Calls in Tinmouth	3
Mutual Aid given to surrounding towns	125

Poultney Rescue continues to employ 2 full-time and 2 part-time emergency care providers. Chad Geno is entering his sixth year as a full-time employee for PRS as an Advanced EMT and has been assigned the role of Field Supervisor. Katrina Davenport is entering her 2nd year at PRS as an EMT and has been assigned the role of Administrator. Dylan Manning and Stephanie Corsi are the newest additions to the paid staff at PRS.

This year Poultney Rescue Squad will begin the transition from a PRS Membership Board to a Board of Directors that consists of a representative(s) from each of the communities we serve. More information will follow as we look to our community members to create this new Board of Directors.

Poultney Rescue offers First Aid and CPR courses. If you need a CPR or First Aid course, please email poultneyrescue70@gmail.com with your request or call 287-5575.

This year we purchased 2 Zoll Cardiac monitors in the amount of \$40,000. This purchase wouldn't have been possible without the financial support of the Poultney Rescue Auxiliary members. These individuals volunteer a great deal of time, energy and efforts in operating the Poultney Thrift Shop. Special thank you to Joanne Sweeney.

I would like to thank the members of Poultney Rescue and Middletown Springs for their dedication and to say thank you to the people in the communities that we serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Winter, President PRS

The Officers for 2018: President -Beth Winter; Vice President – Fred Capron; Secretary – Deb Hoisington; Treasurer – Ken Cleveland; Middletown Rep: Carl Haynes; Administrator – Katrina Davenport; Field Supervisor – Chad Geno

Note: Appropriation Request #9 on 2018 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
POULTNEY RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

Profit and Loss Statement January - December 2017

Income

Insurance	\$179,962.51
Town Funding	24,760.00
Subscriptions	19,360.00
Thrift Shop	10,709.83
Donations/Fundraisers	9,325.50
Rodeo	6,000.00
Interest	810.83

Total Income \$250,928.67

Expenses

Ambulance Tax	\$3,224.27
Administrative	4,929.15
Building	7,034.75
Communications	3,600.00
Equipment Replacement	40,327.40
Operations	19,936.17
Legal and Prof. fees	3,916.67
Insurance	21,530.32
Membership	9,127.81
Payroll Expense	117,452.22
Interest Expense	1,013.45
Utilities	11,251.34
Vehicle Maint/Gas/Fuel	4,828.63
Vehicle Replacement	8,500.00
Medical Supplies	4,196.75
Thrift Shop Operating Expenses	5,679.03

Total Expenses \$266,547.96

Net Loss (\$15,619.28)

Note: Appropriation Request #9 on 2018 Town Warning



Middletown Springs
Volunteer Fire
Department fire fighters
demonstrate auto
extraction.

REPORT FROM THE RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Rutland Regional Planning Commission is a resource for towns; is a platform for ideas; and inspires a vision for our future. We balance local desires, best practices, and regional growth for communities that are vibrant today and strong for years to come.

We enjoyed working with the town of Middletown Springs in 2017, primarily with Tom Hurcomb, who represents your Town on our Board of Commissioners. We worked closely with the Planning Commission this year: we met to discuss the Town's planning goals for the upcoming year, provided updated town plan maps, and provided energy technical assistance and energy maps.

Our Emergency Management division: assisted the town with communicating and coordinating town information to state officials after three weather events impacted the town; hosted five Emergency Management Director and Coordinator roundtables to which town officials were invited; and mapped all known reported Tier II sites in town complete with buffer distances for use in case of emergency.

RRPC also assisted the town with Better Roads Category A work; created maps for the Cemetery Committee; created a GIS database of all State Register Historic Districts in town; provided Better Roads application assistance; and visited the town to gather parcel data and talk about the State Parcel Data Project.

Here's more about how RRPC assisted your town and other towns in the region in 2017:

RRPC provided resources for land use planning and community engagement, from assistance with grant applications and mapping; town plan assistance on new water quality requirements and energy planning elements; traffic counts, and culvert studies; to shaping a regional vision for economic growth and walkable communities through the development of the Regional Plan.

RRPC also provided opportunities for collaboration via monthly road commissioner meetings, local emergency management round tables, and water quality convenings.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve your community and, in 2017, celebrating with us our 50th year in the Rutland region.

If you feel inspired to participate in local or regional planning; want to be paired with opportunities to grow your community; or just want to learn more, please visit or give us a call; we'd love to hear from you!

The Opera House - 67 Merchants Row - Rutland, VT 05701 - (802) 775-0871 - RutlandRPC.org

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PLANNING COMMISSION

2017 proved to be a very productive year for the Planning Commission. Key items undertaken include the following which are discussed further in this report:

- Town Plan approval
- Orchard Road Solar Project
- Creative Economy Project
- Cell tower activation

Final drafting and editing of the new Town Plan was completed in January. At their meeting on January 26 the Selectboard accepted the plan for presentation to the voters at Town Meeting. A public hearing on the new plan was held on March 2 at which time additional public comment on the plan was received. The plan was approved by the voters at Town Meeting on March 7. Copies of the plan are available in the Town office or on the Town website.

The Commission continued to monitor the status of the Orchard Road Solar Project as a neutral intervenor on behalf of the Town. During the course of the year the Commission reviewed thirty-one items of correspondence containing motions, notices and regulatory decisions regarding the project. We will continue to do so in 2018.

The volunteer Creative Economy Committee, chaired by Kathy Letendre, began meeting on a quarterly basis with the Planning Commission at the end of 2016. Those meetings continued throughout 2017. The Commission was updated on the progress the group was making on various initiatives and took the opportunity to provide input. The Commission thanks Kathy, Linda Peavy, Melissa Chesnut-Tangerman, Meredith Morgan, and Paul Morgan for their efforts this year.

At Town Meeting in March the Commission presented an item for consideration by the voters that would provide financial support for a Regional Marketing Initiative. The item was approved and Tom Hurcomb and Kathy Letendre have been acting as representatives of the Town at meetings of a county-wide group undertaking this initiative. With assistance from a marketing consultant the group has launched the Real Rutland campaign, an effort to promote Rutland County as a great place to live, work and raise a family. Television commercials have been aired throughout the state as well as in the Hartford and Boston markets. A website and other social media outlets are also being utilized.

The Town's representative on the Rutland Regional Planning Commission serves as an important link to regional and state municipal issues. Our representative is Tom Hurcomb, who serves as a regional commissioner and on the RRPC Executive Committee and Energy Committees. At the end of 2016 the RRPC selected Middletown Springs to be a "pilot town" for developing guidelines to meet a new Vermont law regarding siting commercial renewable energy projects. Complying with the new legislation is challenging but if done properly will afford the Town a stronger voice in regulatory proceedings regarding energy project siting in Middletown. The project was expected to get underway in early 2017 but has been put on hold until the regional energy plan is approved by the State.

During 2016 and into 2017 the Commission monitored public interest and regulatory information regarding the inactive cell tower in town. AT&T activated the cell tower in 2017 and it is now providing cell phone access to limited parts of Town.

The Commission encourages all townspeople to attend our meetings, usually held on the first Monday of every month at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Middletown Springs Planning Commission
John E. Arsenault, Chair, Secretary
Tom Hurcomb
Hilary Solomon

Town of Middletown Springs REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Middletown Springs Building Committee had a very productive year in 2017 making significant strides toward realizing the dream of a new, highly functional Town Hall.

The list of accomplishments includes:

- Drilling, testing, and permitting of a well on the proposed building site.
- Visiting newer Town Office buildings around the state.
- Hiring of a cadre of Engineers and other professionals to complete preliminary plans and schematics for structural and energy loads and to produce a preliminary building estimate.
- Participating in an Efficiency Vermont Net-Zero Energy Workshop with all the above professionals to ensure maximum efficiency of time, energy and professional expertise.
- Creating a list of options and guidelines for the building estimator so that he can produce an estimate with multiple layers and options to maximize knowledge and flexibility as we move ahead.
- Handing the design drawings and guidelines over to the Estimator to begin his work.

The Committee thanks Parker Water Wells for their very generous in-kind contribution to the well project as well as Fred Bradley and Marilyn Trapeni for their monetary support towards the new well. Thanks also to Efficiency Vermont for subsidizing the Energy Workshop to help with the cost of the professionals' fees.

We expect to see a preliminary estimate package in January or February 2018. We can then start the process of financial planning, which will include fundraising, grant seeking, exploring financing options, and finalizing building plans that fit our budget.

As we move to this next phase our work will become more visible. We will seek funding sources from as many avenues as possible. With your support, the town already has a nice sum in the Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve Account (see the account recap in this Town Report). In order to create a building that will last for many generations to come and that we can afford to build and maintain, we will seek grants and tap into other funding sources. We welcome your expertise, advice, and help. This building will serve as the center of our community in both function and form long into the future. To accomplish this once-in-lifetime project without unduly burdening our property taxes we need your help.

Please contact a committee member if you have a fundraising idea or connection, grant writing experience, would like to provide an in-kind or monetary donation, or want to add your sweat equity to this project.

Committee members are Michael Beattie, Fred Bradley, Kimberly Bushnell - Clerk, Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, Kristal Hier - Vice Chair, Tom Hurcomb, Patty Kenyon - Chair, Maureen McCormack, David Muniak, David Wright

Many thanks for your continued support.

Patty Kenyon
Chair, MTS Building Committee



Parker Water Wells drills for water at the site of the new town hall.

Town of Middletown Springs

MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS HISTORICAL SOCIETY



I am amazed at how much Historical Society accomplished in 2017 thanks to the support of our members and friends!

First and foremost we maintained the Mineral Springs Park, the Adams House, the Museum and the extensive collection. In 2017 we repaired the displays at the Mineral Springs Park, installed a new marble step at the Spring House, pulled garlic mustard and other invasives, and did tree work to protect the buildings. At the Adams House a new oil tank was installed and the electrical service was updated. Many new items were acquired or donated to the collection. The Museum was open from Memorial Day through October on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and by appointment.

To raise funds to accomplish the above, we held the annual Maple Festival in March and the Strawberry Festival in June. Many volunteers were generous in supporting these events which brought many visitors to our museum and community. Three new Middletown Springs memberships were added this year for a total of 67 in town and 226 nationally. We welcome you to join us.

Members of the board reached out to the Elementary School and worked with Fifth and Sixth Graders to put American flags on the graves of veterans in the Old Cemetery for Memorial Day. In the fall we arranged for a Living History Kit to be loaned by the Vermont Historical Society for the Second and Third Graders to learn about jobs, skills, clothing, food preparation, and other aspects of 18th and 19th Century life in Vermont.

The Annual Meeting was held in September with a presentation by Stephen Butz on the Shay's Rebellion Settlement in Vermont. The annual Open House welcomed visitors from Texas, Utah, New Hampshire, and New York, as well as Vermont. The Adams House hosted a Buxton Reunion and a gathering of Spaulding family descendants among other groups. We assisted several families with genealogy research.

Two newsletters were published, and past copies of newsletters were scanned and uploaded to our website. You can find them at www.MiddletownSpringsHistoricalSociety.org

In November the Historical Society announced the publication of Middletown Spring Historic District, a collection of high quality photographs and descriptions of the historic properties and places in the village of Middletown Springs which were listed on the National Historic Register in 1985. The book is available for use at the Library and for purchase at the Historical Society.

2018 Events:	Maple Festival	Sunday, March 18
	Strawberry Festival	Sunday, June 24
	Annual Meeting	Sunday, September 16
	Open House	Sunday, October 7

Trustees for 2017-18 are: Hakan Brosnan, Vice President; George Gonda, Secretary; Pat Hemenway, Treasurer; Pam Johnson; Bud Krouse; and David Wright, President.

Respectfully submitted, *Pat Hemenway*, Treasurer

Mission Statement - *The mission of the Middletown Springs Historical Society is to engage the community in understanding and appreciating the changing history of Middletown Springs, and to encourage local historic preservation. With sound fiscal management and through collaboration with local, state and national institutions, the Society realizes its mission by researching, interpreting and publishing facts and stories of the town's history and genealogy; by collecting, conserving and exhibiting local artifacts; by acquiring and preserving significant historic places; and by involving the public through diverse educational technologies, community events and educational programs.*

Vision Statement - *The Middletown Springs Historical Society is the community center for the understanding and appreciation of the evolving history of Middletown Springs.*

Town of Middletown Springs **REGIONAL MARKETING INITIATIVE**

The Regional Marketing Initiative is a collaboration of municipalities around Rutland County, the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce, and the Rutland Region Economic Development Corporation. The goal of the initiative is to grow the economy in our region.

Our town group, the Creative Economy Project, is involved with the Regional Marketing Initiative and, since the favorable vote on Town Meeting Day in 2017 to support the regional program, Kathy Letendre and Tom Hurcomb have met several times with the regional group. The regional group leaders Lyle Jepson, (Rutland Region Economic Development Corporation) and Mary Cohen (Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce) also came to Middletown Springs and met with our Creative Economy group and our Planning Commission. Our aim is to have Middletown Springs and other small towns well represented in regional efforts like the Regional Marketing Plan.

The Regional Marketing Initiative's advertising agency, Mondo Mediaworks from Brattleboro, had their videographer visit Middletown Springs and take video footage at Sissy's, the Town Green, the school, and other town locations. A series of digital campaigns are under way including a web site, realrutland.com, and a Facebook page with over 1000 followers so far is currently available and updated regularly. TV commercials presenting the Region have run notably on NBC during the World Cup Ski Races at Killington in November. Promotional pieces including posters and handouts have been distributed.

The Regional Marketing Initiative is a multi-year project funded by municipalities and businesses large and small throughout Rutland County and is supportive of the economic development goals contained in the Middletown Springs Town Plan.

READ MORE ABOUT MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS CREATIVE ECONONMY PROJECT ON NEXT PAGE



Strawberry Festival - June 2017

Town of Middletown Springs CREATIVE ECONOMY

2017 was an unexpectedly busy year for the Creative Economy team. In addition to working with local sponsors to develop and distribute 1000 annual marketing cards listing creative events in our Town, the team became involved in two traditional and hallmark town events – the Memorial Day Parade and the annual Holiday Craft Fair.

Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony: With the guidance of Alice Hoisington and Cheryl Mahoney, an ad hoc Parade committee formed to organize parade participants, the poster/poetry/essay contest with the school, the ceremony, and the post-parade events and food sale on the Green. A special request was made to and granted from the Selectboard to support the prizes and the costs of the Parade with \$500. Additional prizes from area businesses were solicited. The bake sale on the Green netted \$131 towards 2018's parade. The Memorial Day Parade Committee looks forward to doing things more smoothly in 2018, and welcomes anyone and everyone who wants to make the 49th annual Middletown Springs parade & ceremony special.

Holiday Craft Fair: With the guidance of Maureen Labate and Meredith Morgan, Beth Miller and Melissa Chesnut-Tangerman organized the 28th annual Craft Fair on December 3. Over 23 vendors participated, and it was generally observed that attendance was improved over the recent years. The table fees in the amount of \$460 were donated to Tatum's Tots, a benefit helping kids transitioning into the foster care system. The food sale's proceeds benefited the Memorial Day Parade, and came to \$226.50.

Additionally we participated in the **Rutland Regional Marketing Initiative** representing Middletown Springs on an ongoing committee working with the project's marketing consultant. A full report on the Regional Marketing Initiative can also be found in this Town Report. We also became involved in the Vermont Creative Network whose task statewide is to promote creativity and the economy. Melissa Chesnut-Tangerman is a member of the Network's Steering Team and represents Addison /Rutland Counties in the group's statewide programs

We expect to participate in all these activities again in 2018 as well as planning to enhance Middletown's business directory information on the Town's web site. Thanks to all the many volunteers who contributed time and creativity to these many projects. The Town's economic vitality and success is directly related to your contributions...thanks!

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Letendre

MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE PROJECT:

To build the economic vitality of Middletown Springs as a great place to live, work and visit, our community-based group fosters linkages between individuals, businesses and community groups, creating a platform for community cohesion and strength

VISION (OF THE CREATIVE ECONOMY)

A vibrant, welcoming community of diverse, creative people that all contribute to the economic and community well-being of Middletown Springs.



CONTACT: Kathy Letendre, Chair, Creative Economy committee of Planning Commission
Melissa Chesnut-Tangerman, Linda Peavy, Meredith & Paul Morgan, Tom Hurcomb

Town of Middletown Springs REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Middletown Springs Conservation Commission (MSCC) is a five-person board established to steward the Town's 14-acre Sullivan Educational Woods located off of Fitzgerald Road. With the help of community volunteers, MSCC maintains a loop trail in Sullivan Woods, and works to manage invasive barberry and honeysuckle.

The Commission focuses on community conservation issues and education. Ongoing projects have included honeysuckle and poison parsnip control around the Middletown Springs Elementary School playing field and woods and assisting the Historical Society to remove garlic mustard at Mineral Springs Park. The Conservation Commission and other community experts periodically lead seasonal hikes in Sullivan Woods and surrounding areas. And MSCC has participated in, sponsored, and co-sponsored a variety of talks and programs.

MSCC heads up Green-Up Day the first Saturday in May. From a station on the Church green, commissioners assign roads, hand out bags and provide snacks to community volunteers.

2017 has been a year of change in members for MSCC. Three new members, Steve Harrington, Richard Kniffin, and Tasha Turan, came on board to join long-time member Elizabeth Cooper. Summer and fall 'meetings' were held on the trail as we worked on and put up new trail markers on the Sullivan Woods trail. MSCC is in the midst of considering new projects and programs and welcomes input from other community members. Look for postings of what's to come in the Town newsletter and on Front Porch Forum.

If you are interested in community conservation-related activities and programs in Middletown Springs, please contact a member to be a part of planning projects and programs. If you would like to join the Commission please contact the Town Clerk who will direct you to a MSCC member to find out more.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Cooper

Members: Elizabeth Cooper, Steve Harrington,
Richard Kniffin, Tasha Turan

Contact us:

MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PO BOX 1232
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS, VERMONT 05757



The entrance to Sullivan Woods on Fitzgerald Road, public trails gifted to the town and maintained by the Conservation Commission.

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Town Report 2017

The Library offered 62 programs during Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (FY16-17) which 747 people attended. These included ongoing and special programs: story hour, toddler time, book discussions, knitting circle, movies, and presentations. The regularly scheduled Toddler Time has continued with a new younger generation, filling a critical gap in services to families with the youngest children. Since public Wi-Fi became accessible in the town center, we have fewer patrons using the internet at the library, but our array of services – computers, printers, scanner, and copier – continues to be an essential lifeline for some patrons.

435 people hold ACTIVE library cards – meaning they have used the library in the last 2-3 years. This is significantly more than half of the town's residents. During FY16-17, more than 195 people used their library card to borrow anywhere from 1 to 368 items. A total of 4478 items circulated for a per capita average of 6.1, up from last year's 5.6. The collection holds a fairly constant number of items but the titles change as we withdraw items which are no longer circulating to make room for new titles for patrons to read and watch. We are limited by space and shelf constraints to this capacity.

During FY16-17 the Vermont Department of Libraries instituted a new inter-library loan system. This integrated system more evenly distributes the responsibility for sharing among all public and school libraries, but also makes it much easier to find what our patrons are looking for. Coupled with the new Courier System, which moves books from library to library, borrowing from other libraries for our patrons is more efficient and cost effective. For the same total expense, we borrowed 100 more books for patrons this year than last. We borrowed 245 items and loaned another 17 to other libraries.

In order to help facilitate the flow of information from town organizations to town residents, the Library continues to produce a monthly newsletter. The newsletter is produced digitally as a PDF and is made available on the town's website, with announcements and links on Front Porch Forum and in emails to a growing digital subscriber list. Paper copies are printed and are available at the Library, the town office, and the store. A copy is sent to all who have asked and have contributed the cost of postage.

The Library is supported by a cadre of volunteers who staff the circulation desk on evenings and weekends, and some who work on specific projects. This dynamic group of men, women, and teenagers is critical to the success of our endeavors.

For its size, this library is noted for its diverse and fresh collection. We provide current bestsellers and classic books for readers of all ages, a growing selection of movies on DVD, and a wide range of programs for the youngest to oldest in our community. We anticipate the library will continue to grow in service to the community.



Teddy Bear Breakfast Picnic & Stories - July 2017

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Bushnell

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report
July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

	FY 16/17 Budget	FY 16/17 Actual	FY 17/18 Budget	FY 18/19 Budget
Income				
Town Allotment	20,665.00	20,665.00	22,000.00	22,660.00
Louis Library Fund	275.00	0.00	275.00	650.00
FOL Contribution	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fines/Fees/Payments	50.00	24.00	50.00	50.00
Donations	225.00	292.00	260.00	290.00
Fundraising	6,050.00	7,605.70	6,500.00	7,600.00
State of Vermont	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
Interest 0.00	17.94	0.00	37.00	
Total Income	\$28,315.00	\$28,604.64	\$30,135.00	\$32,287.00
Expenses				
Librarian	12,975.00	12,975.00	14,040.00	14,742.00
Assistant Librarian	4,576.00	4,576.18	5,200.00	5,460.00
Payroll Taxes	1,342.65	2,854.83	1,540.00	2,940.00
Education	200.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Library Materials	3,761.00	3,533.35	4,000.00	4,000.00
Heat	1,115.00	399.12	800.00	800.00
Electricity	1,225.00	1,353.83	1,000.00	1,000.00
Telephone / Internet	505.00	512.85	505.00	505.00
Automation Services	425.00	439.00	439.00	650.00
Supplies	215.00	277.97	215.00	215.00
Postage / ILL Courier	400.00	360.17	500.00	400.00
Snow Removal / Mowing	800.00	1,124.00	800.00	800.00
Membership Due	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
Publicity	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Programs	25.00	32.63	25.00	25.00
Facility Maintenance	350.00	939.69	350.00	300.00
Fixtures	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Technology / Computers	300.00	85.99	300.00	300.00
Miscellaneous	25.35	0.00	46.00	0.00
Cash Reserve	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Total Expenses	\$28,315.00	\$29,514.61	\$30,135.00	\$32,287.00



Middletown Springs Public Library
has many dedicated patrons of
all ages. Come join us!

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the School Board Chair

As the Chair of the Middletown Springs School District Board, it is my pleasure to provide the community with an update on the Board's work, overseeing the education of all children residing in our town.

We are pleased to have Rick Beal as the Principal of our elementary school. He leads a dedicated and professional staff of teachers, para-educators and support personnel. As of July 2017, the interim Superintendent of the RSWSU is Judy Pullinen. Your school board members: Meredith Morgan, Sarah Haley, Christopher Smid, and Jennelle Carr are very dedicated and hard working. They have given generously of their time and effort this past year not only to our regular meetings but also to the on-going Act 46 work. I appreciate all their extra effort on behalf of our school, our students and our community.

The Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union Board successfully negotiated new teacher and support staff contracts that expire June 30, 2018. One major change in negotiations this past year was the fact that the insurance provider no longer offered the same coverage options as of December 31, 2017, as they were not in compliance with the Affordable Care Act and the cost was unsustainable. The new coverage options offered by the provider are very different types of coverage than have ever been utilized by teachers and support staff in our district.

As a result of the work of the Act 46 Committees, Articles of Agreement have been agreed upon in order to form Wells Spring Unified Union School District with the town of Wells. Our District is part of a "side by side" Supervisory Union where the other side is comprised of Quarry Valley Unified Union School District, which includes the towns of Poultney, West Rutland and Proctor. The permission to take our proposed re-configuration to the voters of the towns involved was granted by the Agency of Education and the State Board of Education. That approval was granted on January 17, 2017. The Study Committee proposed to the voters to merge and create the Wells Spring Unified Union District. The proposal was approved by both towns. This new Unified Union School District becomes effective July 1, 2018. The annual meeting for this new school district will be held in February 28, 2018 at 7p.m. at the Wells Village School in Wells.

Two additions were made to our new Supervisory Union by the State Board of Education, Ira School District and Rutland Town School District. The new Supervisory Union, which will replace the Rutland Central SU and the Rutland Southwest SU, is The Greater Rutland County SU.

The Unified Union School District budget necessitates a separate warning this year, so there will be two school warnings. The Middletown Springs Elementary School District warning will ask voters to approve School Directors for Middletown Springs Elementary School, and the Wells Spring Unified Union School District warning will ask voters to approve a budget and a Board of Directors.

The informational meeting for the Middletown Springs School election of School Board Directors will still happen Monday March 5, 2018 as scheduled.

The overall budget for the Wells Spring UUD is \$4,068,440.97. The Equalized Pupil Cost for the Wells Spring UUD is \$15,253.31.

The School District Board is very aware of current economic challenges faced by all members of our community, as well as the educational standards we must achieve in order to prepare our students for 21st century careers. The board will continue its conservative fiscal management of school funds and its insistence on high quality education for the children of this community. We feel confident that, in the coming years, the Wells Spring UUSD merger will allow us the flexibility to lower our costs per student and be more efficient as a district; while maintaining a high quality educational program for all Middletown Springs and Wells students at all grade levels.

As the Middletown Springs School District will cease to exist on July 1, 2018, this will be the last report of the Middletown Springs School District. It marks another big change for our students and for our town, much like when we decided to tuition out the High School students, and later to tuition out the 7th and 8th grade students. Like those decisions, this is bittersweet. It changes the face of our district, but allows us to keep our school and educate our students more efficiently in the future.

Respectfully Submitted, *Clarence K Haynes*, Chair - Middletown Springs School District

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the MSES Principal

Under Act 46, Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union and Rutland Central Supervisory Union are in the process of merging together as the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union. Middletown Springs' and Wells' schools will be under the umbrella of the new supervisory union as the Wells Springs School District under one joint school board. As we move forward together, the two schools will be collaborating on all areas of academics and physical operations with the goal of academic success for our students and increased efficiencies where possible. The principals of both schools look forward to working together in the best interest of students, parents, and the communities.

Last spring, MSES's third and sixth grade students were administered the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) assessment for Math and English-Language Arts. The SBAC assessment is based on the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) which focus on having students demonstrate application of grade level knowledge. Our students did very well in a comparison to state and supervisory union results. Our fourth graders were also administered the NECAP Science Test. Because our class size doesn't meet the minimum required student number, those results cannot be reported. The state is moving towards a system of multiple measures that will address the VT Education Quality Standards. The five areas being measured are: academic proficiency, high quality staffing, safe healthy schools, personalization of learning, and investment priorities. These areas will provide a more balanced approach to evaluating how a school is performing as compared to just one assessment.

Our school continues to use curriculum that is aligned with the Common Core State Standards. The students are in the fourth year of using the Houghton Mifflin reading program, "Journeys," and the third year of their mathematics program, "Math in Focus." Having these reading and math programs has helped to vertically align and scaffold skills between the grade levels. To help meet the individual academic needs of students, a student progress program called Measurements of Academic Progress (MAPs) is being used to identify areas of strength and weakness in relationship to CCSS. The goal of using this progress measurement tool is to help strengthen student knowledge and consequently, improve student results on the SBAC exams (one measure of academic proficiency).

The students have had many, varied learning opportunities over the past year. We were fortunate to receive support from the Friends for Education to help bring Lake Champlain Orchestra Conductor, Matt Larocca to MSES for a week-long residency. During the week, the students created original pieces of music that were played for parents and community members at a showcase performance. The students once again had an opportunity to participate in the Winter Sports Program with a choice of skiing, snowboarding, or ice skating. I would like to recognize the Friends for Education (FFE) for helping to support both activities. Our students in grades K-6 attended fine arts performances as part of Castleton State University's "Arts Reach" program. Other enrichment opportunities included: Odyssey of the Mind, Computer Coding, Trout in the Classroom, and the annual sixth grade trip to Washington, DC. We are always open to finding new learning experiences for the students.

The physical structure of the Middletown Springs Elementary School is an asset that requires ongoing upkeep for the benefit of the community. Over the past summer, new carpet was installed in the remaining rooms that were not done the previous year and new tile was installed in the kitchen. We plan to replace more of the carpeting next school year. Other improvements include the dropped ceiling in the main office, more efficient bathroom fixtures, and new woodchips for the playground. Last year's most pressing problem with the siding on the addition will be addressed this winter. These improvements demonstrate a commitment by our community to maintain the school building as an asset for the future.

As I approach my eighth year as Principal at Middletown Springs Elementary School, I continue to have a great sense of pride in being part of this school and community. I look forward to having conversations with parents and community members during the coming weeks. If you have any questions concerning the budget, or would like to visit the school, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely submitted,
Rick Beal, Principal

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Enrollment Numbers For 2017-2018

<u>Elementary Level</u>		<u>Secondary Level</u>		<u>Secondary Level School Choice</u>	
Pre-K	17	7th	13	Mill River Union High School	30
K	8	8th	7	Poultney High School	7
1st	9	9th	13	Long Trail School	13
2nd	8	10th	8	LiHigh School	1
3rd	10	11th	10	Burr & Burton	5
4th	10	12th	10	West Rutland	2
5th	8	Total	61	Fair Haven	2
6th	7			Rutland City	1
Total	77			Total	61

Projected Enrollment Numbers For 2018-2019

<u>Elementary Level</u>		<u>Secondary Level</u>		<u>Secondary Level School Choice</u>	
Pre-K	12	7th	8	Mill River Union High School	29
K	7	8th	13	Poultney High School	7
1st	8	9th	7	Long Trail School	12
2nd	9	10th	13	LiHigh School	1
3rd	8	11th	8	Burr & Burton	5
4th	10	12th	10	West Rutland	2
5th	10	Total	59	Fair Haven Grade School	2
6th	8			Rutland City	1
Total	72			Total	59



Sixth grade class
ready to learn.

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

REVENUE REPORT

	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18*
Total Revenue	\$2,393,217	\$2,387,102	\$2,242,007
Total Expenditures	\$2,393,217	\$2,109,717	\$2,242,007
Fund Balance	\$-	\$277,386	\$-
REVENUES			
	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18
LOCAL REVENUE			
Prior Year Carryover	93,348	93,348	197,013
VT LEA Tuition	-	7,285	-
Tuition Refund	-	7,446	-
Interest Income	-	8,999	7,000
Building Rental	-	25	-
SU Assessment Refund	2,964	2,964	8,837
Miscellaneous Income	-	4,391	-
LOCAL REVENUE	\$96,313	\$124,459	\$212,850
STATE REVENUE			
Act 68 Res/Non-Res Ed. Ta	1,969,337	1,969,337	1,887,799
From State to Tech Center	17,872	17,872	18,018
Small Schools Grant	87,775	87,775	86,486
State placed rev	-	14,665	15,353
STATE REVENUE	\$2,074,985	\$2,089,649	\$2,007,656
SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE			
Excess Cost	6,150	-	-
Block Grant	47,642	47,642	-
Intensive	159,803	70,806	21,501
P/Y Intensive Adjustment	-	495	-
Pre-School	8,325	8,325	-
State Placed Student-Sped	-	8,164	-
State Placed (504) Revenue	-	37,562	-
SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE	\$221,920	\$172,995	\$21,501
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,393,217	\$2,387,102	\$2,242,007

* FY2018 will conclude the operation of the Middletown Springs School District.

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
FUND TRANSFERS			
Fund Transfer - Food Ser	17,471	20,980	18,054
Fund Transfer - Capital M	-	-	35,000
FUND TRANSFERS	\$17,471	\$20,980	\$53,054
ELEMENTARY REGULAR ED			
Teacher J Newton .70	-	-	-
Teacher S Lantman	58,675	58,675	58,675
Teacher J Rocque-Tifft	46,570	46,570	46,570
Teacher A Williams	42,438	27,365	42,438
Teacher L Wilkins	26,094	26,094	26,094
Teacher J Kreilkamp .50	27,617	27,616	27,617
Teacher T Haskins .40	-	17,571	17,571
Teacher D McConville	65,309	65,309	65,309
IA K Cronin (.23 FTE)	-	5,095	-
Substitutes -	20,234	-	-
Insurance Buyback	1,500	2,100	2,100
Group Health Insurance	56,181	57,881	53,715
Fica & Medi 20,403	21,746	21,908	-
Tuition Reimbursement	6,000	1,000	6,000
Dental/Eye Care	2,700	1,827	2,650
OPEB Retirement	-	2,194	1,097
Prof Svs-Kelly Svs	12,000	9,633	12,000
Section 504 Services	3,000	1,188	3,000
Repair/Maint Services	5,000	3,231	5,000
Student Insurance	375	375	375
General Supplies	8,000	7,026	8,500
Supplies - Computer	3,500	3,473	3,500
Books & Periodicals	6,500	1,366	6,500
Dues & Fees	2,000	834	2,000
Misc Expenditures	7,614	-	33,378
ELEMENTARY REGULAR ED	\$401,475	\$408,401	\$445,996
ITN ART PROGRAM			
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	10,904	10,904	11,177
Supplies	500	215	500
ITN ART PROGRAM	\$11,404	\$11,119	\$11,677
ITN HEALTH & SAFETY			
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	33,551	-	-
Supplies	500	126	-
ITN HEALTH & SAFETY	\$34,051	\$126	\$-
ITN MUSIC PROGRAM			
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	11,966	11,966	12,573
Supplies	500	486	500
ITN MUSIC PROGRAM	\$12,466	\$12,452	\$13,073
GIFTED & TALENTED			
Supplies	2,000	-	2,000
Dues & Fees	-	335	-

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Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
GIFTED & TALENTED	\$2,000	\$335	\$2,000
SUMMER SCHOOL SERVICES			
Summer School Teacher	3,500	4,821	3,500
Fica & Medi	268	369	268
SUMMER SCHOOL SERVICES	\$3,768	\$5,190	\$3,768
ITN HEALTH SERVICES			
Prof Svs-RWSU Assessment	16,088	16,088	14,690
Repairs & Maintenance	75	-	75
Supplies	500	402	500
ITN HEALTH SERVICES	\$16,663	\$16,490	\$15,265
ITN COUNSELOR			
Prof Svs-RWSU Assessment	7,993	11,493	17,622
Supplies	200	-	200
ITN COUNSELOR	\$8,193	\$11,493	\$17,822
ED MEDIA SERVICES			
Repairs/Maint/Tech	1,500	1,467	1,500
Supplies	3,500	2,378	3,500
Computer Software	1,500	439	1,500
Dues & Fees	1,500	51	1,500
ED MEDIA SERVICES	\$8,000	\$4,335	\$8,000
LIBRARY SERVICES			
IA Library K Carr .38	8,366	8,862	8,669
Fica & Medi	640	678	663
Supplies	150	-	150
Books & Periodicals	900	976	900
Dues & Fees	200	99	200
LIBRARY SERVICES	\$10,256	\$10,616	\$10,582
BOARD OF EDUCATION			
Board Member	2,200	2,200	2,200
Recording Clerk	720	374	720
Fica & Medi	223	196	223
Workmans Comp	4,634	5,927	4,773
Unemployment	376	1,103	387
Prof Svs - Consultant	1,500	-	1,500
Audit	4,200	4,200	4,200
Legal Services	5,000	4,332	5,000
Advertising	400	329	400
Travel	-	277	-
Supplies	150	55	150
Dues & Fees	1,600	1,778	1,600
Act 46 Expense	-	5,359	-
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$21,003	\$26,130	\$21,154
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE			
RWSU Assessment	96,361	96,361	96,765
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	\$96,361	\$96,361	\$96,765

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE			
Principal R Beal	71,988	74,867	74,867
Admin Asst S Rosso	36,538	37,518	37,578
Substitute Secretary	3,500	1,287	1,500
Insurance Buyback	1,500	1,500	1,500
Group Health Insurance	8,128	8,126	7,614
Fica & Medi	8,570	8,636	8,832
Life Insurance	1,632	1,568	1,632
Municipal Retirement	1,462	1,631	1,503
Tuition Reimbursement	3,000	1,000	3,000
Dental/Eye Care	1,000	600	1,100
Prof Svs-Kelly Svs	-	105	2,000
Professional Services	-	1,800	-
Communications	5,000	5,141	5,000
Printing & Binding	200	-	200
Travel	400	179	400
Supplies	600	165	600
Books & Periodicals	200	74	20
Computer Software	900	1,294	900
Dues & Fees 2,000	1,238	2,000	-
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	\$146,618	\$146,729	\$150,246
FISCAL SERVICES			
Treasurer	900	900	900
Fica & Medi	69	69	69
Supplies	150	217	150
Dues & Fees	50	85	50
Interest	4,000	7,391	7,000
FISCAL SERVICES	\$5,169	\$8,661	\$8,169
PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT			
Custodian D Tatro	37,564	38,195	38,792
Sub Custodian	500	-	500
On call Stipend	1,500	1,500	1,500
Group Health Insurance	8,128	8,126	7,614
Fica & Medi	3,027	2,968	3,121
Municipal Retirement	1,563	1,588	1,612
Dental/Eye Care	500	-	600
Water Quality	1,750	1,300	1,750
Repair/Maint Services	45,000	66,004	75,000
Refuse Removal	3,500	3,518	3,500
Snow Plowing	4,000	3,575	4,000
Lawn Care Service	1,500	1,699	1,500
Lease	6,655	6,655	-
Insurance	6,792	6,331	6,996
Supplies	6,000	5,228	6,000
Electricity	15,500	15,357	16,000
Bottled Gas	3,000	2,006	2,500
Fuel Oil	17,000	9,318	17,000
PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT	\$163,478	\$173,368	\$187,983
TRANSPORTATION			
Field Trips	2,200	510	3,500
TRANSPORTATION	\$2,200	\$510	\$3,500

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
LONG TERM DEBT			
Interest	951	-	-
Water Loan Interest	391	668	370
Principal	38,622	38,622	-
Water Loan Principal	701	13,039	722
LONG TERM DEBT	\$40,665	\$52,330	\$1,092
SECONDARY REGULAR ED			
Prof Svs - Section 504	-	48,680	9,285
In State Tuition	649,222	456,478	644,223
Prior Yr Excess Tuition	4,566	1,187	-
Tuition Out VT	14,726	-	-
Private School Tuition	220,889	263,912	288,950
SECONDARY REGULAR ED	\$889,403	\$770,257	\$942,458
SPECIAL EDUCATION			
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL ED			
IA B Tarbell -	-	-	-
IA K Cronin .50	19,588	4,876	10,190
IA SpEd C Mahoney	19,356	20,825	20,147
Group Health Insurance	16,257	12,791	11,419
Fica & Medi	2,979	1,750	2,321
Municipal Retirement	1,558	1,437	1,213
Workmans Comp	582	285	599
Unemployment	61	180	63
Dental/Eye Care	1,000	478	900
Sped SU	298,480	100,534	-
Misc. Expense	-	-	758
Assessment	19,150	79,345	83,646
SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$379,011	\$222,501	\$131,256
EARLY EDUCATION			
Teacher J Kreilkamp .50	27,617	27,617	27,617
IA K Bryne .53	8,297	-	-
IA K Cronin .50	-	9,877	10,190
Group Health Insurance	14,422	14,516	13,606
Fica & Medi	2,747	2,659	2,892
Municipal Retirement	-	260	408
Dental/Eye Care	500	550	550
Supplies	450	431	450
Books & Periodicals	100	55	100
EARLY EDUCATION	\$54,133	\$55,964	\$55,812
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
Psych Services	3,000	-	-
OT Services	1,869	-	-
PT Services	3,749	-	-
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$8,617	\$-	\$-
VOCATIONAL PROGRAM			
Act 68 Voc Tuition Grant	17,872	17,872	18,018
Act 68 Tuition	12,276	12,276	13,654
VOCATIONAL PROGRAM	\$30,148	\$30,148	\$31,672

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>	
CO-CURRICULAR				
Sports Coaches	1,400	2,100	1,400	
Odyssey Coaches	750	250	750	
Sports Corrdinator	500	500	500	
Fica & Medi	203	214	203	
Professional Services	300	-	300	
Supplies	300	-	300	
Wellness	300	-	300	
CO-CURRICULAR	\$3,753	\$3,064	\$3,753	
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM				
Homework Club	25,000	20,605	25,000	
Fica & Medi	1,913	1,555	1,913	
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	\$26,913	\$22,160	\$26,913	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,393,217	\$2,109,717	\$2,242,007	\$-

FOOD SERVICE REPORT

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>	
FOOD SERVICE REVENUE				
Fund Transfer - GF	17,471	20,980	18,054	
Miscellaneous Sales	17,000	10,278	12,500	
Federal Lunch Subgrant	19,500	25,770	22,000	
FFVG Reimbursement	3,750	2,533	3,750	
FOOD SERVICE REVENUE	\$57,720	\$59,560	\$56,304	
FOOD SERVICE EXPENSE				
Asst Cook	-	5,358	5,185	
Cook L Myette	28,769	24,404	22,701	
Subs	-	388	-	
Insurance Buyback	1,000	740	740	
Fica & Medi	2,201	2,363	2,190	
Municipal Retirement	1,151	1,006	908	
Dental/Eye Care	500	-	480	
Prof Services - Kelly	1,000	-	1,000	
Supplies	1,500	2,293	1,500	
Supplies - Food	16,000	17,920	16,000	
Supplies - Food - Breakfa	5,000	4,790	5,000	
Computer Software	300	299	300	
Dues & Fees	300	-	300	
FOOD SERVICE EXPENSE	\$57,721	\$59,560	\$56,304	
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND BALANCE	\$-	\$-	\$-	

* FY2018 will conclude the operation of the Middletown Springs School District.

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CHILD FIND NOTICE

The Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union and each of the member school districts (Ira, Middletown Springs, Poultney, and Wells) are responsible for the provision of a free and appropriate public education for every child with an educational disability ages 3-21 living within a member town.

We are searching for any child including those birth through 2 years of age who might be eligible for and in need of special education and related services help. Anyone can and should make a referral of any child living in one of these towns they believe may be eligible for special education. They can do so by contacting in writing or by telephone:

The Principal of the school which the child is or will be likely to attend
OR
The Superintendent of Schools
Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union
168 York Street
Poultney, Vermont 05764
Tel: 287-5286

Referral information will be handled in confidence. The referral may lead to an evaluation of the child to determine if he or she is eligible for and in need of special education. If the answer is yes, an individualized educational plan will be developed and implemented by a multi-disciplinary team of people including the child's parents.

Please. If you suspect a child residing in one of these towns may be in need of special education, make a referral.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union and its member districts, will not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities including vocational education and special instruction as and to the extent provided by law.

The following person(s) have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the specified school district's non-discrimination policies:

Poultney School District:

Kristen Caliguiri, Principal PES, 96 School Circle, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 287-5212
Joe DeBonis, Jr, Principal PHS, 154 East Main Street, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 287-5861

Middletown Springs School District:

Rick Beal, Principal, 15 Schoolhouse Road, Middletown Springs, VT Tel: 235-2365

Wells School District:

Lisa Mattison, Principal, 36 MWA Loop, Wells, VT Tel: 645-0386

Additional inquiries regarding the provisions of the federal law related to children or adults with handicapping conditions or disabilities impacting the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union or its member districts including Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act can be obtained by contacting the Superintendent of Schools, Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union, 168 York Street, Poultney, VT 05764, Tel: 802-287-5286.

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

Report of the Superintendent

I would like to introduce myself as the Superintendent of the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union. As the new Superintendent, I have been impressed with the community spirit of Middletown Springs Elementary School, and the support and pride of the community for their school.

The communities of the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union have been undergoing tremendous challenges and change since the passage of Acts 46 and 49. The past year was devoted to merger activities, including the merger proposal with Middletown Springs and Wells, to become part of a "side by side" district merger with Quarry Valley Unified Union School District (a merger of Poultney, West Rutland and Proctor School Districts). The merger plan was approved by the Vermont State Board of Education and approved by the voters of Wells and Middletown Springs in April. The newly merged district, named Wells Springs Unified Union School District, will be fully operational on July 1, 2018. The district will operate both Wells Village School and Middletown Springs Elementary School as PreK-6 schools, and pay tuition on behalf of its 7-12 students, with full school choice for these students.

The new district will be part of the newly formed Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union (GRCSU), which was approved by the Vermont State Board of Education on August 30, 2017. The GRCSU will be composed of Wells Springs Unified Union School District, Quarry Valley Unified Union School District, Ira Town School District and Rutland Town School District.

In March, School Board Directors were elected for the Wells Springs Unified School District. They are: Courtney Bishop, Laura Burch, Sue Burke, Chris Smid, Clarence Haynes, Meredith Morgan and Sarah Haley. They had their first organizational Meeting in June, and have been meeting monthly to prepare for the transition to the new structure. This includes hiring all of the staff for the GRCSU, developing budgets for the new supervisory union and Wells Springs, creating policy and making many decisions so that the transition will be as smooth as possible. I sometimes jokingly refer to the operation of these two boards working at the same time as "parallel universes". The current Wells Board is making sure that business continues as usual for Wells Village School. The new board is getting ready to open its doors on July 1. Some of the changes you will see regarding this year's annual March Town Meeting and vote will include:

- The Middletown Springs Annual Report will only contain reports on the past year. In February, mailed notices will be sent to all residents about the availability of the budget and how to obtain it.
- Two Wells Town School Board seat will be elected as usual. These positions and the other Middletown Springs School Board positions will continue until December 31, 2018, in case there is any unfinished business for the Middletown Springs Town Board after the merger begins on July 1.
- There will also be an election of three (3) year terms for the Well Springs Unified Union Board: One Wells representative, one Middletown Springs representative and one At-Large representative. An At-large representative can be elected from either town.
- The Middletown Springs Board will report as usual at their Annual Meeting on March 5.
- The Wells Springs Board will hold an annual meeting on the last Wednesday of February, which will be February 28. Information about the budget will also be presented.

Finally, I would like to recognize all of the hard work of a number of individuals who have been dedicated to making Middletown Springs Elementary School a great place for children: your current board members Clarence Haynes, Meredith Morgan, Chris Smid, Sarah Haley and Jennelle Carr and Principal Rick Beal, as well as all of the teachers and staff at Middletown Springs Elementary School. In addition, many thanks and best wishes go to Dr. Joan Paustain, who retired in June after many years of service to the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith Pullinen
Superintendent

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

Director of Student Support Services Annual Town Report

Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union (RWSU) provides special education programming in accordance with the **Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA)** and the **Vermont Agency of Education Special Education Rules and Regulations**, which ensures that all students with disabilities have available to them a **free and appropriate public education** in **the least restrictive environment** that emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet their unique needs and prepare them for further education, employment and independent living.

As of December 1, 2017 our Child Count for special education recognized 117 (Prek-12) eligible students in a multitude of disability categories including Autism, Developmental Delay, Emotional Disturbance, Hard of Hearing, Learning Impaired, Other Health Impaired (such as chronic health impairments, attention deficit or attention deficit with hyperactivity), Specific Learning Disabled, Speech or Language Impaired and Traumatic Brain Injured.

RWSU provides special education services for identified 3 & 4 year old students along with their regular education peers typically through grade 12, or in some instances through the time the student turns 22.

Beyond direct instruction, many students also need to access related services such as Speech and/or Language instruction, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Counseling. Any one or a combination of services may be necessary to address the needs of the whole child. However, for a very small percentage of our students, specialized instruction may not be enough, and a special day program may be required. Also, on occasion, a student may require a residential treatment facility to meet their needs.

To be legally compliant, each eligible child is provided with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Depending on the need, a student may require any combination of the services detailed above. We are legally required to provide a free and appropriate public education to each student on an IEP and we must do it in the least restrictive environment possible.

Finally, I would like to recognize the efforts of all our Special Educators, Instructional Assistants and Service Providers. They are professional and dedicated to meeting the student's needs. They take their responsibilities with the students very seriously and they consistently exceed expectations. I am very fortunate to have such a wonderful staff at RWSU.

Sincerely,

Tammy Rescott
Director of Student Support Services
Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

GENERAL FUND BUDGET	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSMNT			
Ira	30,400	30,400	33,214
Middletown Springs	96,361	96,361	96,765
Poultney	292,890	292,890	288,613
Wells	112,091	112,091	122,435
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSMNT	\$531,742	\$531,743	\$541,026
ITN ASSESSMENTS			
Middletown Springs	84,001	50,450	50,491
Tinmouth	50,703	17,152	18,040
Wells	62,326	62,326	75,458
ITN ASSESSMENTS	\$197,031	\$129,929	\$143,990
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME			
Miscellaneous Income	-	1,208	-
Misc - Fingerprinting	-	515	-
Interest Income CB Checki	-	57	-
Misc. Billback	-	10,000	-
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$-	\$11,779	\$-
SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT			
Ira	3,330	3,330	3,213
Middletown Springs	19,150	19,150	14,460
Poultney	67,442	67,442	60,250
Wells	24,979	24,979	23,297
SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT	\$114,901	\$114,901	\$101,220
SPECIAL ED BILLBACKS			
Special Ed Billbacks	-	346,544	336,482
Middletown Springs	54,778	-	-
Poultney	197,616	-	-
Wells	75,972	-	-
SpEd-SVS-BILLBACK	\$328,366	\$346,544	\$336,482
EEE ASSESSMENT			
Poultney	81,175	81,175	-
EEE ASSESSMENT	\$81,175	\$81,175	\$-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,253,216	\$1,216,071	\$1,122,718
EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT			
Travel	200	-	-
Supplies	200	495	200
Dues & Fees	500	-	500
EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT	\$900	\$495	\$700
TECHNOLOGY			
Tech Crdntr G Styles .40	26,265	27,203	27,729
Group Health Insurance	3,179	3,160	2,978
Fica & Medi	2,009	2,081	2,121
Dental/Eye Care	194	-	194
Travel	1,350	699	1,350

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RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

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Supplies-Tech Related	4,000	2,576	4,000
Dues & Fees - Spam Filter	4,500	899	4,500
TECHNOLOGY	\$41,498	\$36,618	\$42,872
ADMINISTRATION			
Admin Asst J Hughes	39,390	40,581	41,594
Board Secretary	1,000	900	1,000
Group Health Insurance	7,948	7,945	7,444
Fica & Medi	3,090	3,091	3,258
Municipal Retirement	1,616	1,623	1,664
Dental/Eye Care	485	260	485
Legal Fees	6,000	29,689	6,000
Legal Fees - Special Ed	4,000	-	4,000
Repair/Maint Services	2,500	2,158	2,500
Insurance	2,500	3,163	2,840
Communications	7,000	6,471	7,000
Advertising	2,500	2,843	2,500
Travel	700	229	700
Supplies	4,000	4,259	4,000
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	350	170	350
ACT 46 Expense	-	4,962	-
ADMINISTRATION	\$83,078	\$108,345	\$85,335
SUPERINTENDENT			
Superintendent J Paustian	115,960	118,855	118,859
Superintendent J Pullinen	-	-	-
Buyback	-	-	-
Group Health Insurance	15,623	13,962	14,753
Fica & Medi	8,871	8,978	9,093
Life Insurance	1,240	1,240	1,240
Dental/Eye Care	485	485	485
Travel	2,250	2,184	2,250
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	5,000	4,715	6,500
SUPERINTENDENT	\$149,429	\$150,419	\$153,180
FISCAL SERVICES			
Payroll/Bene L Alderman	33,501	34,515	35,378
RSWSU Treasurer	1,917	1,954	2,024
Business Mgr L Milazzo	75,190	77,446	79,381
AP/AR Clerk K Marino	32,547	33,522	34,359
Group Health Insurance	36,838	36,828	35,178
Fica & Medi	10,951	10,486	11,562
Municipal Retirement	5,650	5,891	5,965
Workmans Comp	3,497	1,838	3,498
Unemployment	504	434	504
Dental/Eye Care	1,455	1,426	1,455
Prof Svs - Finger Print	-	520	-
Audit	6,600	6,600	6,600
Repair & Maint Svs	-	-	2,000
Repair & Maint - Tech Rel	2,000	2,009	-
Travel	2,250	1,578	2,250
Supplies	2,000	1,520	2,000
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	1,250	1,081	1,250

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RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

GENERAL FUND BUDGET	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
Misc. Expenditures	6,136	-	-
FISCAL SERVICES	\$222,285	\$217,646	\$223,403
PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT			
Prof Services - Cleaning	1,500	1,582	1,500
Repair & Maintenance	-	96	-
Building Rent	32,803	32,803	33,786
Supplies	250	65	250
PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT	\$34,553	\$34,546	\$35,536
ITN ART PROGRAM			
ITN Art T MacDonald .40	25,533	25,883	26,949
Insurance Buyback	825	825	825
Fica & Medi	1,953	2,043	2,125
Tuition Reimbursement	908	2,109	908
Dental/Eye Care	267	-	267
Prof Serv - Kelly Service	500	596	500
ITN ART PROGRAM	\$29,986	\$31,457	\$31,573
ITN PHYSICAL EDUCATION			
Teacher T Tinsley .80	47,850	-	-
Group Health Insurance	12,427	-	-
Fica & Medi	3,660	-	-
Tuition Reimbursement	1,320	-	-
Dental/Eye Care	388	-	-
TSA Match	957	-	-
Prof Serv - Kelly Service	500	-	-
ITN PHYSICAL EDUCATION	\$67,102	\$-	\$-
ITN MUSIC PROGRAM			
ITN Music M Barron .40	29,012	29,012	29,737
BuyBack	-	825	825
Fica & Medi	2,219	2,282	2,338
Tuition Reimbursement	908	-	908
Dental/Eye Care	267	-	267
Prof Srvs - Kelly Service	500	-	500
ITN MUSIC PROGRAM	\$32,906	\$32,119	\$34,575
ITN HEALTH SERVICES			
Nurse A Ridlon .50	22,563	-	-
Nurse C Bongartz .50	-	30,000	30,750
Insurance Buyback	750	750	750
Fica & Medi	1,783	2,352	2,410
Tuition Reimbursement	825	-	825
Dental/Eye Care	243	-	243
OPEB Retirement	-	1,097	1,097
Repair & Maintenance	-	115	-
Travel	500	-	500
Dues & Fees	150	-	150
ITN HEALTH SERVICES	\$26,813	\$34,314	\$36,724

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CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

GENERAL FUND BUDGET	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
ITN COUNSELOR			
Counselor N Houde	36,000	35,933	36,831
Buy back	1,050	175	1,050
Fica & Medi	2,834	2,762	2,898
Tuition Reimbursement	-	720	-
Dental/Eye Care	340	340	340
Dues & Fees	-	295	-
ITN COUNSELOR	\$40,224	\$40,224	\$41,118
SPECIAL ED ADMINISTRATION			
SpEd Drctr T Rescott .75	56,393	58,084	59,536
Admin Asst R Putnam	29,640	-	-
Asst K Burchfield .47	-	12,615	13,991
Insurance Buyback	2,625	2,550	1,825
Fica & Medi	6,782	5,931	5,764
Municipal Retirement	1,186	-	-
Workmans Comp	7,749	7,144	7,981
Unemployment	277	238	285
Tuition Reimbursement	1,238	950	1,238
Dental/Eye Care	849	485	849
Repair & Maintenance	2,000	1,440	2,000
Communications	1,350	1,626	2,000
Advertising	750	260	750
Supplies	500	315	2,500
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	750	1,893	2,500
Misc. Expenditures	2,814	-	-
SPECIAL ED ADMINISTRATION	\$114,901	\$93,530	\$101,220
SPEECH SERVICES			
Speech Services H Weeden	85,932	88,510	90,723
Speech Services K Stedman	90,508	93,223	95,554
Speech Services K Riley	31,975	31,975	32,774
Group Health Insurance	7,767	7,720	7,293
Fica & Medi	15,944	15,797	16,757
Dental/Eye	243	485	243
Misc. Expenditures	8,010	-	-
SPEECH SERVICES	\$240,378	\$237,711	\$243,343
OT SERVICES - ELEM			
OT Services B Tyler .60	31,812	35,595	34,865
Buyback	900	900	900
Fica & Medi	2,502	2,657	2,736
Dental/Eyecare	291	-	291
OT SERVICES - ELEM	\$35,505	\$39,152	\$38,792
PT SERVICES - ELEM			
PT M Duffy .80	38,350	52,667	40,488
Group Health Benefits	9,374	12,494	8,852
Fica & Medi	2,934	3,512	3,097
Retirement	1,534	2,107	1,620
Dental/Eyecare	291	175	291
PT SERVICES - ELEM	\$52,482	\$70,956	\$54,347

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Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

GENERAL FUND BUDGET	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18*</u>
EEE DIRECT SVS			
Teacher S Kinney .60	38,370	41,970	-
IA D Ellis .60	11,908	12,619	-
IA EEE D Silvestri (.50)	8,036	-	-
IA A Ray .60	-	10,814	-
Insurance Buyback	-	1,800	-
Group Health Insurance	4,742	3,792	-
Fica & Medi	4,461	5,027	-
Workmans Comp	477	439	-
Unemployment	33	28	-
Tuition Reimbursement	990	-	-
Dental/Eye Care	291	582	-
TSA Match	767	1,083	-
Prof Svs - Kelly Services	2,000	690	-
Supplies	1,500	665	-
Dues & Fees	100	52	-
Rentals & Leases	7,500	7,500	-
EEE DIRECT SVS	\$81,175	\$87,062	\$-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,253,215.59	\$1,214,593.20	\$1,122,718.39
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-	\$1,478	-

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Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

SPECIAL ED BUDGET

	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18
SPECIAL ED REVENUE			
VT LEAS Excess Cost	-	-	49,500
Ira Special Ed Rev	34,062	18,051	10,295
Middletown Springs Sped R	298,480	160,730	69,188
Poultney Sped Revenue	920,984	811,878	277,293
Wells Sped Revenue	266,278	309,612	134,943
Special Ed Block Grant	-	-	292,236
Intensive Reimbursement	-	-	506,127
Extraordinary Reimburseme	-	-	53,100
EEE Preschool Grant	-	-	54,915
State Placed Revenue	-	-	18,000
SPECIAL ED REVENUE	\$1,519,804	\$1,300,271	\$1,465,597
Ira Special Ed			
Psych Evaluations	1,500	-	-
Ira Excess Cost	14,962	15,082	16,800
Ira Excess Cost	17,600	2,969	13,500
Ira Special Ed	\$34,062	\$18,051	\$30,300
Middletown Springs Special Ed			
Direct Instruction			
MSES Teacher - Pettis	45,349	45,349	45,349
Insurance	20,824	20,699	19,599
Fica & Medi	3,469	3,232	3,469
Tuition Reimbursement	-	-	1,500
Dental & Eye	500	-	485
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	4,000	3,069	4,000
Supplies	800	264	800
Books & Periodicals	300	55	300
Dues & Fees	500	996	500
Professional Services	15,500	-	4,000
Speech Services	36,057	17,385	29,056
Supplies	300	-	300
OT Services	5,606	4,409	6,465
PT Services	7,497	5,077	9,881
Excess Cost	148,778	60,195	84,650
Professional Services	9,000	-	-
Middletown Springs Special Ed	\$298,480	\$160,730	\$210,354
Wells Special Ed			
Direct Instruction			
Wells Teacher - Grossarth	56,956	58,249	58,249
Teacher K Loomis	-	-	44,979
Insurance	15,623	15,441	29,170
Fica & Medi	4,357	4,282	7,897
Tuition Reimbursement	1,500	-	3,000
Dental & Eye	550	465	1,100
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	10,000	8,730	7,000
Equipment Repair	250	-	250
Advertising	250	-	250
Travel	100	-	100
Supplies	1,500	508	1,500
Dues & Fees	500	411	500
Summer School	1,000	865	1,000

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Town of Middletown Springs
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SPECIAL ED BUDGET

WELLS SPECIAL ED continued...	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18*
Fica & Medi	77	64	150
Professional Services	18,500	-	5,000
Speech Services	45,071	52,156	54,480
Supplies	750	64	750
OT Services	6,540	11,023	11,314
PT Services	18,744	20,306	14,822
Psych services	7,500	-	-
Excess Cost	76,510	133,695	119,150
Special Ed Transportation	-	3,354	-
Wells Special Ed	\$266,278	\$309,612	\$360,661

Poultney Elementary Special Ed

Direct Instruction			
PES Teacher - Thompson-Du	43,949	43,949	43,949
PES Teacher Pyenta	39,970	-	-
PES Teacher S Kinney .40	25,580	27,980	25,580
PES Teacher - Pease	47,684	47,684	48,974
Subs	-	1,500	-
Insurance	52,710	33,962	30,364
Fica & Medi	12,025	9,127	9,065
Tuition Reimbursement	6,000	1,450	6,000
Dental & Eye	1,649	565	1,164
TSA Match	512	509	512
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	25,000	21,515	25,000
Professional Services	3,580	3,750	4,000
Advertising	-	-	-
Excess Cost	9,150	117,654	124,000
Supplies	1,500	1,866	1,500
Books & Periodicals	1,500	1,029	1,500
Dues & Fees	500	468	500
Misc. Expenditures	(60,570)	-	5,626
Summer School	3,100	3,765	2,000
Fica & Medi	237	288	153
Prof Services	18,900	10,436	19,000
Evaluations	37,500	5,325	-
Speech Services	111,177	118,800	101,696
Supplies	500	-	500
OT Services	15,884	16,534	12,931
PT Services	13,121	10,153	9,881
Transportation	-	44,230	35,000
Poultney Elementary Special Ed	\$411,157	\$522,539	\$508,895

Poultney High School Special Ed

Direct Instruction			
PHS Teacher - Chase	43,772	43,772	45,062
PHS Teacher - Kerber	45,150	45,150	45,150
PHS Teacher - Coloutti	46,395	46,395	46,395
PHS Teacher - Burch	47,728	-	-
New Hire (.50 FTE)	-	-	22,490
Buyback	1,500	3,000	3,000
Insurance	44,260	15,441	18,265
Fica & Medi	14,118	10,407	12,400
Tuition Reimbursement	6,000	-	6,000

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Town of Middletown Springs
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SPECIAL ED BUDGET

POULTNEY ELEM SPECIAL ED cont.	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18*	
Dental & Eye	1,940	970	1,698	
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	25,000	10,022	25,000	
Travel	250	-	250	
Excess Cost	60,400	6,917	19,500	
Supplies	2,500	2,729	2,500	
Books & Periodicals	3,000	2,246	3,000	
Dues & Fees	500	890	500	
Summer School	500	-	500	
Fica & Medi	38	-	38	
Clinician R Osborn .50	32,557	32,557	32,557	
Insurance	3,951	3,951	3,680	
Fica & Medi	2,491	2,491	2,491	
Dental & Eyecrae	243	-	243	
Annuity	651	-	-	
Professional Services	37,500	8,400	-	
Speech Services	48,076	49,258	58,112	
OT Services	934	2,205	1,616	
PT Services	1,874	2,538	4,941	
Transportation	38,500	-	-	
Poultney High School Special Ed	\$509,827	\$289,340	\$355,387	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,519,804	\$1,300,271	\$1,465,597	
FUND BALANCE	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-

* FY2018 will conclude our participation in the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union.

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Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice

In 2016, Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) provided Rutland County residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From infants with hi-tech needs to our most senior population facing end-of-life care, we continued to bring medically necessary healthcare wherever it is needed, regardless of a client's ability to pay, location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

Last year, RAVNAH's dedicated staff made more than 126,780 visits to 3,281 patients. In the town of Middletown Springs, we provided 825 visits to 23 individuals. We thank you for your past support. With your vote of confidence, we will continue to meet our mission to enhance the quality of life of all we serve.
(802) 775-0568

• **Appropriation request #11 on 2018 Town Warning**

Green Up Vermont

Green Up Vermont, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, continues to proudly carry on the tradition of Green Up Day. Green Up Vermont is not a State Agency. With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's unique annual tradition of taking care of our state's lovely landscape and promoting civic pride. Green Up Vermont also focuses on education for grades K-2 by providing two free activity booklets to schools and hosts its annual student poster design and writing contests for grades K-12.

Mark your calendars for the next **Green Up Day, May 5, 2018**. Join with people in your community to clean up for Green Up Day, always the first Saturday in May. www.greenupvermont.org

• **Appropriation request #12 on 2018 Town Warning**

Rutland Mental Health Services

In the year 2017, 28 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. Services provided to town residents include individual counseling for children, adults and families with substance abuse treatment services, emergency/crisis services and developmental disability services.

During fiscal year 2016, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 669 hours of services to twenty one Middletown Springs residents. We value our partnership with the Town of Middletown Springs in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

(802) 775-2381 www.rmhsccn.org

• **Appropriation request #13 on 2018 Town Warning**

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging

The Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging helps individuals 60 years and older to meet the challenges of aging. It provides meal support, case management, information and assistance, and other social support. In 2017 in Middletown Springs the Council helped provide 1,303 meals to the homes of 8 elders, 202 meals were provided to 7 elders at area luncheon sites, and SVCOA case management staff helped 8 elders with assessments and addressing needs.

Senior HelpLine staff provide telephone support, Medicare and health benefit counseling, legal service assistance, information about elder issues, nutrition education and counseling, outreach services, transportation assistance and caregiver support.

Senior HelpLine (800) 642-5119

• **Appropriation request #14 on 2018 Town Warning**

Bennington/Rutland Opportunity Center (BROC)

Bennington/Rutland Opportunity Center serves thousands of people with low income or living in poverty with services and programs. Over the past year, BROC Community Action has demonstrated a strong community impact in the Town of Middletown Springs by assisting 41 individuals with food, housing counseling, heating and utility assistance, as well as forms assistance for benefits, budget and tax preparation. Additionally, one home/unit was weatherized to increase energy efficiency and two individuals worked on starting a small business with our business counselor through our Micro Business Development Program.

• **Appropriation request #15 on 2018 Town Warning**

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Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force

The Vermont Rural Fire Protection program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property, and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. During the 19 years of the program, at least 1015 grants totaling well over \$2.2 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

In 2015 we began considering applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year. 213 Vermont communities have benefited from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

(802) 828-4582 / www.vacd.org

•Appropriation request #16 on 2018 Town Warning

Poultney Community League

On behalf of the Poultney Community League I would once again like to express my appreciation to the town of Middletown Springs for your continued support. Your yearly contribution helps with our efforts to sustain a fun, educational, and character building softball, baseball and T-ball program with league teams throughout the spring and summer.

We attribute much of the success of the league to the participation of families and community members through generous contributions of money, time, and equipment.

Your consideration of a contribution would be once again highly appreciated. Thank you for your support. We look forward to another wonderful season! **•Appropriation request #17 on 2018 Town Warning**

Regional Ambulance Service, Inc.

The Regional Ambulance Service provides necessary medical service. "Medic One" or one of our advanced life support equipped ambulances meets incoming patients who require advanced support when need and requested. Our "Medic One" is a vital part of our goal of "Serving People 1st with Pride, Proficiency, and Professionalism". Last year, in addition to our 9,155 ambulance calls, "Medic One" responded to 233 intercept calls.

The Middletown First Response is a valuable and professional community resource. Our staff works closely, as a team, with your community ambulance and first response personnel.

Business: (802) 773-1746.

•Appropriation request #18 on 2018 Town Warning

NewStory (formerly Rutland Women's Shelter)

The Board and Staff are proud to announce that the Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter is now known as NewStory Center. For 38 years NewStory Center has helped families in Rutland County with services that range from emergency shelter to legal advocacy. Over the last year, 924 women, men, and children were supported through direct services such as emergency shelter, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, case management, clinical services, and the 24/7 crisis hotline. Additionally, we provided training and technical assistance to our community partners, including local law enforcement, to ensure a more effective community response to domestic and sexual violence.

The Board and Staff of NewStory Center thank the voters of Middletown Springs for their support of our agency. Thanks to you, we are able to continue to provide comprehensive services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault from your town. www.nscvt.org; Crisis: 802-775-3232 Office: 802-775-6788

•Appropriation request #20 on 2018 Town Warning

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Rutland County Humane Society

The Rutland County Humane Society is dedicated to advocating for and working towards a responsible and humane community. We provide shelter and adoption opportunities for pets who are homeless and promote animal welfare through community programs that benefit both animals and people.

RCHS acts as the coordinator for animal cruelty cases in Rutland County and works to provide relief for victims of animal neglect and abuse. We provide information and referral services to people dealing with animal issues.

The RCHS shelter is the largest program of the agency, taking in more than 1,400 animals in FY2016-17.

Our agency is funded through fees for service, town funding, donations and special events. We thank those who support our operations, including the Town of Middletown Springs

From July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, the Rutland County Humane Society took in eleven (11) animals from Middletown Springs.

Please call us at 483-9171 if you would like further information about the Rutland County Humane Society.

•Appropriation request #21 on 2018 Town Warning

RSVP & The Volunteer Center

RSVP and The Volunteer Center is an "Invitation to Serve" program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service.

Locally, RSVP/VC is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services serving the people of Rutland County with 803 volunteers. From April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, RSVP/VC volunteers provided 148,669 hours of community service. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals \$3,630,497.

Currently in Middletown Springs RSVP/VC volunteers donate their services to the following non-profit organizations: Rutland Regional Medical Center, Hand for Hope, Killington Music Festival, Rutland County Schools, Salvation Army, Interage Adult Day Program, Benson Village Schools, Pawlet Library, Young at Heart Senior Center, One-2-One, Bridges and Beyond, RSVP Bone Builders, and RSVP Operation Dolls & More. Currently, there are Bone Builders classes offered in Middletown Springs FREE of charge to area residents. 802-775-8220

•Appropriation request #22 on 2018 Town Warning

Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District

Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resource Conservation District (PMNRCD) is a non-profit organization with a mission to develop programs that will facilitate the conservation of soil and clean water. PMNRCD has been providing environmental support, education, and outreach to the 14 towns in the district watershed for over 70 years. In addition to a five-member board, three employees staff the District: District Manager, Hilary Solomon; Agricultural Outreach Specialist Jennifer Alexander; and Agricultural Technician/Tree Planting Crew Leader, Anya Beale. In 2017 PMNRCD provided the following programming to the Poultney Mettowee watershed:

- Environmental Education Opportunities in 6 area schools including Middletown Springs
- Stormwater Management
- Agricultural Programs
- Champlain Valley Native Plant Restoration Nursery Partnership

The Poultney-Mettowee watershed consists of all the lands that drain to the Poultney or Mettowee Rivers and their tributaries. Both the Poultney and Mettowee Rivers drain to South Lake Champlain. (802) 287-8339 www.pmnrcd.org

•Appropriation request #23 on 2018 Town Warning

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NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont

NeighborWorks of Western Vermont, a nonprofit, is a one-stop-shop providing all the answers and support homebuyer and owners need—homebuyer education, budget and credit coaching, realty, lending, home repair loans and project management, NeighborWorks H.E.A.T. Squad for comfort and energy savings, reverse mortgage counseling, and foreclosure prevention.

In our service area of Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties, 418 Low-cost, Comprehensive HEAT Squad Energy Audits were completed on buildings; 139 Home Energy Improvement Projects were completed and homeowners received a rebate check from Efficiency Vermont; 79 Energy Loans were issued; 49 Down Payment Assistance Loans were made to help homebuyers make it over the 20% down payment barrier, and 35 Rehab Loans, a total of 710,446, were made to homeowners to make health and safety upgrades to their homes.; 291 homebuyers attended our Homebuyer Education Course (a 150% increase over 2016); Assisted 19 households in finding their dream home with our RealtyWorks service

We look forward to your support of our organization and our work with the residents of Middletown Springs. 802-438-2303, www.nwwvt.org

•Appropriation request #24 on 2018 Town Warning

ARC Rutland Area

ARC Rutland Area's mission is to advocate for the rights of individuals and families with Developmental Disabilities to be regarded as valued citizens with the same entitlements as a non-disabled individual, including the right to lifelong opportunities for personal growth and full participation in the community. We promote programs that are derived from our name; Advocacy, Resources and Community opportunities.

ARC helps the local Self Advocates Becoming Empowered - Rutland group with their monthly meetings and reaching yearly goals, the Rutland Family Support Network with their listserv. We do Representative Payee work for about 55 people; read material from and comment on the State meetings on disabilities and attend the local standing committee at CAP. We currently provide transportation for our members to some of our dances, the self advocacy monthly meetings, and the Aktion Club meetings, a community service club for adults living with disabilities. Thank you for supporting all these efforts.

www.ARCRutlandArea.org 802-775-1370

•Appropriation request #25 on 2018 Town Warning

Rutland County Parent/Child Center

The Rutland County Parent-Child Center (RCPCC) is a private community based non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and meeting the needs of children and families throughout Rutland County. RCPCC's mission is "to nurture Children and Families through Supportive, Positive Educational, Experiences that enhance their Success in our Community". RCPCC provides all services at no cost, with the exception of childcare, which is minimal for lower income families.

We provide childcare services in Brandon and Rutland. Additionally, the RCPCC provides family centered services to families and children birth to five years, such as: Literacy based playgroups; Early intervention programs; Teen parent education; Support for young families on public assistance; Parent education classes; and Traditional housing for pregnant and parenting teens (POISE).

Some of these programs serve families from all socio-economic levels, but as a priority, RCPCC seeks out those in need to bring services into their homes and communities.

In 2016, RCPCC served 10 members from your community. www.rcpcc.org / 802-775-9711
www.rcpcc.org 802-775-9711

•Appropriation request #26 on 2018 Town Warning

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Founded in 1926 with the assistance of Helen Keller, VABVI's mission is to enable blind and visually impaired Vermonters to achieve and maintain independence. We serve people with vision loss from birth to end of life. We provide services free-of-charge to our clients of all ages in each of Vermont's 14 counties. We are the only private non-profit organization in the state to provide comprehensive support and services to the growing population of visually impaired Vermonters. VABVI empowers our adult clients to make the living and care choices that work best for them individually including the option to continue living independently. For every dollar we spend 91 cents goes directly to our client services.

It's clear to us at VABVI that our mission and services will continue to play a critical role in the lives of many Vermonters well into the future. We are working harder than ever to ensure that all Vermonters know that we are here to support anyone living in Vermont who is experiencing vision loss.

www.vabvi.org Katie Shappy - 800-639-5861 ext. 219

•Appropriation request #27 on 2018 Town Warning

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The American Red Cross of Vermont & New Hampshire Upper Valley

The American Red Cross is on call to help our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year serving individuals, families and communities with disaster response services. In fiscal year 2017 the Red Cross provided vital services to the community, responding to 206 emergencies, assisting 163 military and their families, training over 1200 volunteers, collecting 45,000 pints of local blood, and providing free babysitter training to over 250 youth.

Vermont: (800) 660-9130.

•Appropriation request #28 on 2018 Town Warning

The Mentor Connector

The Mentor Connector has just completed another outstanding year of commitment to young people by increasing and strengthening mentoring throughout Rutland County. Over the past 10 years, the Mentor Connector has assisted hundreds of Rutland County youth to increase school performance, skills, and self-worth through trained and professionally supported mentors. 90% of our matches claim their mentor relationship has helped them improve their self-esteem while 85% said it helped them refrain from drugs or alcohol.

The Mentor Connector has guided 5 youth in Middletown Springs over the past year to increase life skills school performance, and workforce readiness. We actively work with many community members, businesses, schools, and local organizations to advocate and support mentoring.

www.mentorconnector.com (802) 775-3434

•Appropriation request #29 on 2018 Town Warning

Child First Advocacy Center

The Child First Advocacy Center (CFAC) of Rutland County is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing a safe and supportive environment to assist victims and their families in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence.

CFAC, a fully accredited member of the National Children's Alliance, serves victims and their non-offending family members with the structure of a central agency through which reports of suspected child abuse cases can be channeled for investigation and victim recovery.

In 2016, CFAC served 245 children and families in Rutland County. We were able to provide services and support to at least 10 families in Middletown Springs as they began their recovery from the effects of child abuse. (802) 747-0200

•Appropriation request #30 on 2018 Town Warning

The Regional Marketing Initiative

The Regional Marketing Initiative is a collaboration among the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce (RRCC), the Rutland Economic Development Corporation (REDC), and municipalities across Rutland County. The ultimate goal is to grow the economy in our region. Joint efforts are required to embark on a multi-year, multi-faceted regional marketing plan that will slow, stop and then reverse population decline that is projected for the future of our county. This reversal is essential to the economic livelihood of our Region, a livelihood that will provide our population with the benefits of a community that can support families who wish to live, work, play and stay in Rutland County.

The Regional Marketing Initiative is a region-wide structure that provides oversight that is clearly outlined, where roles are defined, where strategies and activities are transparent, and where opportunities for public input are available and welcomed, leading to public confidence and trust in the process. The Regional Marketing Initiative is a multi-year project funded by municipalities and businesses large and small throughout Rutland County and is supportive of the economic development goals contained in the Middletown Springs Town Plan.

802-770-7061

•Appropriation request #32 on 2018 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
SCHOOL PRE-TOWN MEETING

March 6, 2017

The Moderator (Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson) called the meeting to order at 9p.m. Roberts Rules will apply.

School Board Members:

Clarence Haynes
Sarah Haley
Chris Smid
Rick Beal – Principal

Meredith Morgan
Jennell Carr

Joan Paustain, Supt.

Article 1 To elect school district officers as provided by law:

School Director for 2 Year Term
School Director for a 3 Year Term
Moderator – 1 Year

No questions

The Supt. Joan Paustain explained that we are currently 6.23% down in our budget. Special Education expenses have moved to the Supervisory Union which will not affect the overall spending. We had a surplus of \$196,000 last year and have been able to make the last payment on the Bond. The common level CL is 100%. We have an \$10,076 increase over last year.

Article 2: Shall the covers of the Middletown Springs School District approve the school board to expend \$2,207,006.87, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?

No questions.

Article 3: Shall the voters of the Middletown Springs Town School District approve the school board to transfer \$35,000 of the FY16 surplus into a Capital Maintenance Fund?

This is a one time article this year. We hope to put some money away to invest into the future

Article 4: To transact any other lawful business.

ACT 46 – The study committee has worked very hard and we hope this will pass. We feel that this is the best solution for Middletown Springs. If all 5 towns pass this vote Middletown School District will not exist and a new district will be formed. If it does not pass we will have a revote within 30 days.

The Moderator introduced our Representative Robin Chesnut-Tangerman explained that we have 30 new members in the House so we are moving slow. The cell tower should be functional by the end of July.

When you come to vote tomorrow you will receive 5 pieces of paper and some are doubled sided. We will be using our tabulator which will take a little extra time to vote.

Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. March 7, 2017.

Meeting recessed until 7a.m. March 7, 2017 at the Firehouse.

Attest:

Laura Castle, Town Clerk

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RESULTS OF SCHOOL BALLOT

Article 2	Yes – 213	No – 124	Blank – 11	Spoiled - 1
Article 3	Yes – 231	No – 102	Blank – 15	Spoiled - 1

School Moderator – 1 Year

Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson – 293	Write-In – 1	Blank – 53	Spoiled - 1
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School Director - 3 Years

Sarah Haley – 296	Write-In – 0	Blank – 52	Spoiled – 1
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School Director – 2 Years

Christopher Smid – 283	Write-in - 2	Blank – 63	Spoiled - 1
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MERGER BALLOT RESULTS

Article 1 Yes – 242 No – 55 Blank – 5 Spoiled - 1

School Director Resides in Town of Wells – 1 Year

Shane Reed - 27	Blank – 131
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School Director Resides in Town of Wells – 2 Years

Courtney Bishop - 216	Blank – 132
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School Director Resides in Town of Wells – 3 Years

Laura Burch - 218	Blank – 128
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**School Director Resides in Town of Wells or
Town Middletown Springs – 1 Year**

Sue Buirke - Wells - 39	Blank - 39
Meredith Morgan - 270	

School Director Resides in the Town of Middletown Springs – 1 Year

Meredith Morgan - 239	Write-in - 3	Blank - 52
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School Director Resides in the Town of Middletown Springs – 2 Years

Sarah Haley - 305	Blank - 43
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School Director Resides in the Town of Middletown Springs – 3 Years

Clarence Haynes - 286	Write-in - 4	Blank - 58
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Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

March 6, 2017

The Moderator Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Selectboard Members:

Terry Redfield-Chair
Herb Childress
Patricia Kenyon
Christopher Fenton
James Webber (absent)

Town Meeting started in 1762. It has been 100 years since women started voting. We are here to share information, ask questions and be able to make decisions. Roberts Rule of order will apply.

Article 1: To elect Town Officers as provided by Vermont Law.
No questions.

Article 2: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs accept the report prepared by the Town Auditors?

The goal the past few years is to clean up some little bits and pieces and also make recommendation for an outside audit. We will make some recommendations on the process of cash flow in the Town Office. If you have any questions, just send me an email. We should recognize Jim Georg for his years of service.

Article 3: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs approve the revised Town Plan prepared by the Planning Commission and proposed by the Selectboard?

The Planning Commission has been working 22 months on the revised plan. Some minor changes have been made.

Article 4: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$283,405 for the general operation of the town, the sum of \$222,705 to be raised by taxes on the 2017 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

We have some information on the table regarding some errors in the report. You can also view these on Front Page Forum.

Article 5: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$370,400 for the care and maintenance of highways, the sum of \$222,705 to be raised by taxes on the 2017 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018?

No questions.

Article 6: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs approve that the Selectboard enact the proposed ordinance pertaining to junk and junk vehicles?

No questions.

Article 7: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs approve that the Selectboard enact the proposed ordinance pertaining to the operation of all-terrain vehicles on public roadways?

There is some concern that ATVs will destroy local farmland and roads.

Article 8: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to set the time of Town Meeting each year to meet the expectations of business to be conducted?

The Selectboard would like to be able to set the time of the meeting each year depending on the length of the ballot. The time of 7: 30p.m. was set in 1974

Article 9: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs establish a reserve fund to be called the Municipal Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund to be used to reduce unanticipated tax increases due to general fund cost overruns in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804 to be funded with any surplus up to \$5,000 from the current fiscal year General Fund budget?

The Selectboard would like to establish this fund so any surplus each year can be added to reduce

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TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

town taxes. This would help to level the budget.

Article 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to fund the Reserve Fund for Town Municipal Facilities with any remaining non-allocated General Fund surplus from the current fiscal year?

This would put 5,000 in tax stabilization and balance to Municipal Fund. Any surplus over \$5,000 would go into Municipal Fund.

We have the motion & 2nd to group discussions on Article 11 thru 31. Approved by voice vote. The community members had no questions or comments on Articles 11 through 29.

Article 11: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Select Board to fund the Reserve Fund for Town Municipal Facilities with any remaining non-allocated General Fund surplus from the current fiscal year?

Article 12: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$4,000 for the support of Middletown Springs First Response determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and medical services?

Article 13: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$1,500 for the support of the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice determining that the program serves the residents of the town with home and community health services?

Article 14: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$50 for the support of the Vermont Green-Up Day determining that the program serves the residents of the town by provisioning and organizing Green Up Day?

Article 15: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$867 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services determining that the program serves the resident of the town with counseling, substance abuse and emergency services?

Article 16: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$750 for the support of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging determining that the program serves the residents of the town with meal support, case management, information and other assistance?

Article 17: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living determining that the program serves the residents of the town with services including Meals on Wheels and home handicap access?

Article 18: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for the support of Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force (formerly George D. Aiken RC&D Council) determining that the program serves the residents of the town with road and fire protection grant programs including the Better Back Roads grants and dry-hydrant grants?

Article 19: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$400 for the support of the Poultney Community League determining that the program serves the residents of the town with youth sports programs?

Article 20: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$375 for the support of the Rutland Regional Ambulance Service determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and transport services?

Article 21: Shall the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$72,500 for the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department determining that the program serves the residents of the town with fire protection and emergency response services?

Article 22: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for

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the support of the Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter determining that the program serves the residents of the town with a crisis hot line, domestic violence and rape assistance?

Article 23: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$125 for the support of Rutland County Humane Society determining that the program serves the residents of the town with care for neglected, abused and surrendered animals?

Article 24: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of RSVP and The Volunteer Center determining that the program serves the residents of the town with volunteering opportunities and services such as bone building classes?

Article 25: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$500 for the support of the Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District determining that the program serves the residents of the town with assistance to preserve natural resources?

Article 26: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$500 for the support of the NeighborWorks of Western Vermont determining that the program serves the residents of the town with home-buyer education and energy efficiency services?

Article 27: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of Mentor Connector determining that it enhances self-esteem and in-depth training.

Article 28: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of Child First Advocacy Center Determining that the program serves the residents of the town in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence?

Article 29: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$1,500 for the support and general operation of the Pleasant View Cemetery Association?

Article 30: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$250 for the support of Big Heavy World determining that the program serves the music community of the State of Vermont?

This is a new request this year.

Article 31: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$745 for the support of the Regional Marketing Initiative, a collaboration of the Rutland Regional Chamber of Commerce, Rutland Economic Development Corp., and municipalities around Rutland County, the goal of which is to grow the economy in our region, and determining that the program serves the residents of the town in a regionally funded marketing effort to support the town's and region's economy?

This is a new request this year. We have attended meeting of the Rutland Regional Marketing Initiative and feel they can be very helpful to our community.

Article 32: To transact any other business proper to be before said meeting?

The Rutland County Parent Child Center request for annual Funding did not reach us in time to be on the ballot. With a show of hands we would like to have your consent to include this on the ballot. The Moderator determined that consent was given. The Selectboard would like to encourage you to attend our meetings every 2nd & 4th Thursdays. We have a vacant position on the Trustee of Public Monies and you can write-in Lois Dansereau and Gene Bertsche.

Meeting was recessed at 8:40 P.M until 8 a.m. March 2, 2017 at the Firehouse.

Attest: *Laura Castle*, Town Clerk

Town of Middletown Springs RESULTS OF 2017 BALLOT QUESTIONS

March 7, 2017

Article 2:	Yes – 285	No – 48	Blank – 16	
Article 3:	Yes – 237	No – 84	Blank – 28	
Article 4:	Yes – 220	No – 117	Blank – 12	
Article 5:	Yes – 235	No – 100	Blank – 14	
Article 6:	Yes – 216	No – 116	Blank – 17	
Article 7:	Yes – 115	No – 225	Blank – 9	
Article 8:	Yes – 292	No – 42	Blank – 15	
Article 9:	Yes – 231	No – 101	Blank – 17	
Article 10:	Yes – 220	No – 113	Blank – 16	
Article 11:	Yes – 305	No – 38	Blank – 6	
Article 12:	Yes – 316	No – 26	Blank – 7	
Article 13:	Yes – 277	No – 62	Blank – 10	
Article 14:	Yes – 282	No – 58	Blank – 9	
Article 15:	Yes – 233	No – 101	Blank – 15	
Article 16:	Yes – 253	No – 85	Blank – 11	
Article 17:	Yes – 256	No – 80	Blank – 13	
Article 18:	Yes – 263	No – 73	Blank – 13	
Article 19:	Yes – 205	No – 125	Blank – 19	
Article 20:	Yes – 281	No – 57	Blank – 11	
Article 21:	Yes – 246	No – 91	Blank – 12	
Article 22:	Yes – 236	No – 97	Blank – 16	
Article 23:	Yes – 253	No – 85	Blank – 11	
Article 24:	Yes – 207	No – 129	Blank – 13	
Article 25:	Yes – 221	No – 120	Blank – 7	Spoiled-1
Article 26:	Yes – 189	No – 150	Blank – 9	Spoiled-1
Article 27:	Yes – 191	No – 148	Blank – 9	Spoiled-1
Article 28:	Yes – 251	No – 91	Blank – 6	Spoiled-1
Article 29:	Yes – 275	No – 70	Blank – 3	Spoiled-1
Article 30:	Yes – 146	No – 188	Blank – 14	Spoiled-1
Article 31:	Yes – 172	No – 164	Blank – 12	Spoiled-1



Middletown Springs Fire Department assists with the setting of holiday lights on the town green.

Town of Middletown Springs
RESULTS OF 2017 TOWN MEETING

Moderator – 1 Year

Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson – 289

Write-In - 3

Blank - 56

Town Agent – 1 Year

Write-In - 14

Blank - 334

First Constable – 1 Year

Write-In - 20

Blank - 328

Selectman - 3 Years

Carl P. Haynes – 143

Herb Childress – 187

Write-In – 2

Blank - 16

Selectman - 2 Years

Terry A. Redfield - 280

Write-In - 9

Blank - 59

Spoiled - 1

Listers-3 Years

Randolph (Randy) Kniffin - 268

Write-In - 3

Blank - 77

Spoiled - 1

Auditor - 2 Years

Melissa Chesnut-Tangerman

Write-In - 73

Blank - 276

Spoiled - 1

Auditor - 1 Year

Sarah Grimm

Write-In - 90

Blank - 258

Spoiled - 1

Library Trustee - 3 Years

Patricia (Patty) McWilliams - 268

Write-In -

Blank -

Diane Rosenmiller - 243

Write-In - 4

Blank - 66

Town Grand Juror - 1 Year

David Munyak - 265

Write-In - 2

Blank - 81

Trustee Copeland Church - 1 Year

Daniel McKeen - 297

Write-In - 2

Blank - 49

Trustee Louis Fund & Other Public Monies - 3 Years

Write-In - 79

Blank - 269

Planning Commission - 3 Years

Tom Hurcomb - 247

Write-In - 1

Blank - 100

Planning Commission - 2 Years

Hilary Solomon - 266

Write-In - 2

Blank - 80

Trustee of Copland Cemetery Fund - 1 Year

Write-In - 30

Blank - 266

Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

WARNING

Town Meeting—Monday, March 5 and Tuesday, March 6, 2018

The voters of the Town of Middletown Springs, in the County of Rutland, State of Vermont, who are legally qualified to vote at Town Meeting are hereby warned to meet at the Middletown Springs Elementary School (MSES) Multipurpose Room, in said Town, on Monday, March 5, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of being provided information and to allow for the discussion of the Articles to be voted on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. At conclusion, the Informational Meeting will be recessed until 7:00 a.m. on the following day, March 6, 2018 at which time business involving voting by Australian Ballot and voting required by law to be by ballot will be transacted at the Middletown Springs Historical Society dining hall.

POLLS WILL BE OPEN MARCH 6, 2018, FROM 7:00 A.M. UNTIL 7:00 P.M.

1. To elect Town Officers as provided by Vermont Law.
2. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs accept the report prepared by the Town Auditors?
3. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$295,035 for the general operation of the town, the sum of \$235,835 to be raised by taxes on the 2018 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019?
4. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$364,950 for the care and maintenance of highways, the sum of \$292,450 to be raised by taxes on the 2018 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019?
5. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to fund the Municipal Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund with any surplus up to \$5,000 from the current fiscal year General Fund budget, to be used to reduce unanticipated tax increases due to general fund cost overruns?
6. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to fund the Reserve Fund for Town Municipal Facilities with any non-allocated General Fund surplus from the current fiscal year?
7. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs establish a reserve fund to be called the Reserve Fund for Volunteer Fire Department Facilities, to be used for the future design, construction, improvement, or relocation of the Fire Department facilities, and appropriate \$25,000 to this fund in the 2018-19 fiscal year?
8. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to add \$8,500 to the budgeted contract with the Rutland County Sheriff's Department, to increase law enforcement coverage for the Town?
9. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$4,300 for the support of Poultney Rescue Squad determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and transport services?
10. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$4,000 for the support of Middletown Springs First Response determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and medical services?
11. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$1,500 for the support of the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice determining that the program serves the residents of the town with home and community health services?
12. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$50 for the support of the Vermont Green-Up Day determining that the program serves the residents of the town by provisioning and organizing Green Up Day?
13. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$867 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services determining that the program serves the residents of the town with counseling, substance abuse and emergency services?
14. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$750 for the support of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging determining that the program serves the residents of the town with meal support, case management, information and other assistance?
15. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of the Bennington/Rutland Opportunity Center (BROC) determining that the program serves the residents of the town with assistance to persons living in poverty?

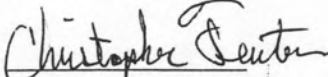
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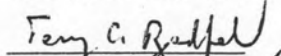
16. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for the support of Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force (formerly George D. Aiken RC&D Council) determining that the program serves the residents of the town with road and fire protection grant programs including the Better Back Roads grants and dry-hydrant grants?
17. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$400 for the support of the Poultney Community League determining that the program serves the residents of the town with youth sports programs?
18. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$375 for the support of the Rutland Regional Ambulance Service determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and transport services?
19. Shall the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$79,500 for the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department determining that the program serves the residents of the town with fire protection and emergency response services?
20. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of the NewStory Center (formerly Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter) determining that the program serves the residents of the town with a crisis hot line, domestic violence and rape-survivor assistance?
21. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$125 for the support of Rutland County Humane Society determining that the program serves the residents of the town with care for neglected, abused and surrendered animals?
22. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of RSVP and The Volunteer Center determining that the program serves the residents of the town with volunteering opportunities and services such as bone building classes?
23. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$500 for the support of the Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District determining that the program serves the residents of the town with assistance to preserve natural resources?
24. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$400 for the support of the NeighborWorks of Western Vermont determining that the program serves the residents of the town with home-buyer education and energy efficiency services?
25. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$500 for the support of ARC determining that it provides service to residents with developmental disabilities?
26. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for the support of Rutland County Parent/Child Center determining that it provides child care and recreational services to residents with younger children?
27. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$300 for the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired determining that it provides service to residents with vision loss?
28. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$250 for the support of the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont determining that it provides emergency services to residents of the town?
29. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$200 for the support of Mentor Connector determining that it enhances self-esteem and in-depth training?
30. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$400 for the support of Child First Advocacy Center determining that the program serves the residents of the town in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence?
31. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$1,500 for the support and general operation of the Pleasant View Cemetery Association determining that it provides preservation and maintenance of the cemetery?
32. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$745 for the support of the Regional Marketing Initiative, a collaboration of the Rutland Regional Chamber of Commerce, Rutland Economic Development Corp., and municipalities around Rutland County, the goal of which is to grow the economy in our region, and determining that the program serves the residents of the town in a regionally funded marketing effort to support the town's and region's economy?

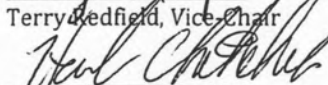
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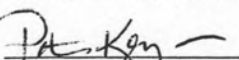
33. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$500 for the support of the town's Memorial Day Parade and Celebration determining that it commemorates the service of American military veterans?
34. To transact any other business proper to be before said meeting.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:


Christopher Fenton, Chair


Terry C. Redfield, Vice-Chair


Herb Childress, Clerk


Patricia Kenyon

James Webber

*Received for filing this 25th day
of January A.D. 2018 .*

*Attest: Laura Castle
Town Clerk .*

Town of Middletown Springs

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING Annual School District Meeting – March 5 and March 6, 2018

The legal voters of the Town School District of Middletown Springs, in the County of Rutland, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Middletown Springs Elementary School in said Town, on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of being provided information and to discuss the Articles which will be voted Tuesday, March 6, 2018. The informational meeting will be recessed until 7:00 a.m. the following day, March 6, 2018, to the Middletown Springs Historical Society Dinning Hall (please note this is a corrected location from the Fire House), at which time business of voting by Australian ballot and voting required by law to be by ballot will be transacted upon the following articles:

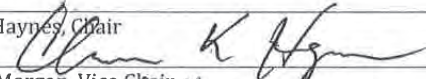

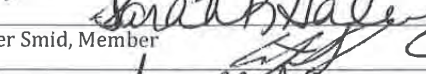


- **Article 1:** To elect school district officers as provided by law:
 - School Director for a 2-Year Term
 - School Director for a 3-Year Term
 - Moderator (1-Year)
 - School District Clerk for a 3-Year Term
 - School District Treasurer for a 3-Year Term

- **Article 2:** To transact any other lawful business.

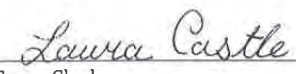
Please note: Due to the formation of Wells Springs Unified Union School District, the Middletown Springs Town School District will cease all operations and no longer exist as of December 31, 2018.

Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. March 6, 2018.

Dated at Middletown Springs, Vermont January 26, 2018 – **CORRECTED 2/1/2018**

Clarence Haynes, Chair	
Meredith Morgan, Vice Chair	
Sarah Haley, Clerk	
Christopher Smid, Member	
Jennelle Carr, Member	

A true copy Attested and duly
recorded as required by law.


Town Clerk
Laura A. Castle

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- Check the **Town's website** for information and links to resources. The website is being updated regularly. If there is something you are looking for and can't find there, let us know by emailing middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com. Visit the site at <http://middletownsprings.vt.gov>

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DATES TO REMEMBER!

- **Monday, March 5: Pre-Town Meeting - 6:30 p.m. at the School**
Please bring this Town Report with you.
- **Monday, March 5: Pre-School Meeting - 7:30 p.m. at the School**
Please bring this Town Report with you.
- **Monday, March 5: Deadline to vote by Early or Absentee Ballot**
Town Office open until 5 p.m.
- **Monday, March 5: Deadline to Register to Vote**
Town Office open until 5 p.m.
- **Tuesday, March 6: Town Meeting Vote!**
Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Historical Society.

