

The Town of Middletown Springs VERMONT



**Annual Report
of the Town Officers
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018**

REMINDER

THE WELLS SPRINGS BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

DATE & TIME: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2019 AT 6:00 PM
LOCATION: MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
15 SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD, MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS, VT

**THE BOARD WILL PRESENT THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET
TO THE PUBLIC AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.**

Please join us in support of your schools!

For information on final Middletown Springs School District
and Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union financials, please visit

<http://bit.ly/2FXSvq7>

ON THE COVER

Ray Marcy

April 10, 1929 - April 14, 2018

Ray Marcy was born in Middletown Springs on April 10, 1929. He was the sixth of ten Marcy children that resided on a small farm on Coy Hill Road, and he attended the Middletown Springs School when it serviced grades 1 - 12.

As your typical old-time Vermonter, Ray embodied the definition of a hard work ethic; this was only backed up by his actions - and by his words which, as those who loved him will tell you, were few. He served in the Army during the Korean War and worked at the Marcy Brothers gas station in Poultney upon his return. He spent an additional 29 years working at General Electric in Rutland.

When he wasn't working, Ray could be found dancing. He took any opportunity he could to attend the many local barn dances and, on one particular evening, met his sweetheart. He would go on to build a house on South Street where many family memories would be made and treasured for years to come.

His joy in life was spending time with his family both in and out of the woods. The simple pleasure of riding around on his John Deere lawnmower was also something that was known to put a smile on his face.

There was nowhere else Ray would have rather been than in the small town of Middletown Springs, and little did he know just how much his wealth of knowledge, old-town stories, and few choice words resonated with his family and friends. He is missed deeply and would be truly humbled by the lives he never knew he touched.

Town of Middletown Springs

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**Town of Middletown Springs
2017 TOWN OFFICERS**

Moderator:	1 Year	2019	Kimberly Bushnell
Town Clerk:	3 Years	2021	Laura Ann Castle
Town Treasurer:	3 Years	2021	Jennifer Talke Munyak
Town Agent	1 Year	2019	Vacant
First Constable	1 Year	2019	Vacant
Delinquent Tax Collector*:	3 Years	2019	Debra House
School Moderator:	1 Year	2019	Kimberly Bushnell

Selectboard:

Carl P. Haynes	3 Years	2021
Herb Childress	3 Years	2020
Christopher Fenton	2 Years	2020
Patricia Kenyon	3 Years	2019
Terry Redfield	2 Years	2019

Middletown Springs School Directors:

Clarence Haynes	3 Years	2019
Jennelle Carr	3 Years	2019
Meredith Morgan	2 Years	2019
Sarah Haley	3 Years	2019
Chris Smid	2 Years	2019

Wells Springs Unified Union School District Board Members:

Meredith Morgan (MTS)	3 Years	2021
Clarence Haynes - Chair (MTS)	3 Years	2020
Laura Burch (Wells)	3 Years	2020
Courtney Bishop (Wells)	2 Years	2019
George Gonda (MTS)	Appointed	2019
Rachel Martelle (MTS)	Appointed	2019
Eric Montbriand (Wells)	Appointed	2019

Road Commissioner:

William Reed	3 Years	2021
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Listers:

Randolph Kniffin	3 Years	2020
Sally Achey	3 Years	2021
Patricia Hemenway	3 Years	2019

Auditors:

Sarah Grimm	3 Years	2021
Melissa Chesnut Tangerman	3 Years	2020
Juanita Burch-Clay	3 Years	2019

Library Trustees:

Kristal Haynes Hier	3 Years	2021
Alida Tarbell	3 Years	2021
Diane Rosenmiller	3 Years	2020
Patricia McWilliams	3 Years	2020
Beth Miller	3 Years	2019

Town Grand Juror:

David Munyak	1 Year	2019
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Trustee of Copeland Church Fund:

Daniel McKeen	1 Year	2019
Dale Carr	1 Year	2019
Rita Hansen	1 Year	2019

**Town of Middletown Springs
2018 TOWN OFFICERS**

Trustee of Copeland Cemetery Fund:

Alida Tarbell	1 Year	2019
Alice Hoisington	1 Year	2019

Trustee of Louis Fund & Other Public Monies:

Alice Hoisington	3 Years	2021	(resigned)
Patricia McWilliams	3 Years	2021	
Lois Dansereau	3 Years	2020	

Planning Commission:

Hilary Solomon	3 Year	2019
Thomas Hurcomb	3 Years	2020
John Arsenault	3 Years	2020

Justices of the Peace: (Elected November 6, 2018 - all are 2 year terms)

Elizabeth Cooper
Patricia Hemenway
Martha Heitkamp
Nora Rubinstein
Leslie Silver

*Delinquent Tax Collector Laura Castle resigned May 2018; Debra House appointed November 2018

APPOINTMENTS

Fence Viewer:

The Selectboard will hold this collectively until 2019

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

Glen Moyer and Terry Redfield will hold until 2019

Tree Warden:

Terry Redfield will hold until 2019

Conservation Commission:

Elizabeth Cooper	4 Years	2022
Richard Kniffin	4 Years	2020
Tasha Turan	4 Years	2020
Steve Harrington	3 Years	2019
Vacant	3 Years	2019

Health Officer:

Carl Haynes	3 Years	2020
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Animal Control Officer:

Chris Fenton will hold until 2019

Fire Warden:

James Reed	5 years	2023
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Service Officer:

Vacant

Constable:

Vacant

Emergency Management Director:

Herb Childress will hold until 2019

Weigher of Coal, Timber, and Shingles:

Vacant

Rutland Regional Transportation Council:

Bill Reed will hold until 2019

**Town Representative to Rutland Regional Planning
Commission:**

Tom Hurcomb

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	1st Wednesday of the month	6:00 p.m.	Alternates Wells/MTS School
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 18/19:

Q3 - March 15, 2019

Q4 - June 15, 2019

For FY 19/20:

Q1 - September 16, 2019

Q2 - December 16, 2019

Q3 - March 16, 2020

Q4 - June 15, 2020

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

Town of Middletown Springs

STATE OF VERMONT ELECTIONS MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

In 2016 the Elections Management Platform was launched. This streamlined the elections administration process, providing voters with greater access to voter specific information.

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

Transfer Station Hours

6:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

"Fort Dumpster", located on Fire House Lane, is open for trash disposal and Zero-Sort recycling every Monday and Saturday from 6 :00 a.m. to 12:00 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 4, 2019 (Green Up Day)

Saturday, October 5, 2019

6:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Large waste and scrap metal will be collected on two Saturdays in 2019, 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 13, 2019	Rutland Town*	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
May 11, 2019	Fair Haven**	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
October 12, 2019	Rutland Town*	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

* Rutland Town Transfer Station, 218 Northwood Park, off Post Road Extension, Rutland

** Fair Haven Transfer Station, 175 Fair haven Avenue (off West Street), Fair Haven

2019 HW Contractor - EnPro Services of Vermont

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.

Town of Middletown Springs
VITAL RECORDS

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Place	Name of Child	Parents
March 2, 2018	Rutland	Dean Francis James Czachor	Mya Alice May Christman Gregory Steven Czachor
May 14, 2018	Rutland	Charles Emette Adams III	Kathryn Brooks Wise Charles Emette Adams II
May 23, 2018	Middlebury	Wesley John Skaza	Jennifer Lindsey Connell Justin John Skaza
October 31, 2018	Rutland	Allie Grace Haynes	Angela Susan Kasuba Eric Ralph Haynes
December 16, 2018	Rutland	Uilliam Ethan Carter	Amanda McKeen Carter Kenneth Leon Carter II

DEATHS

Date of Death	Name	Age	Place of Death
November 15, 2017	David N. Spring	69	Rutland, VT
April 14, 2018	Raymond Vincent Marcy	89	Middletown Springs, VT
June 22, 2018	William P. Diehl	70	Middletown Springs, VT
September 29, 2018	Mary Sandra Granger	81	Middletown Springs, VT

MARRIAGES

Date	Spouse	Place of Marriage
August 11, 2018	Kaylie Elizabeth Smith Scott Lloyd Fowler	Middletown Springs, VT
October 2, 2018	Elaina Lee Cross Daryl Howard Haynes	Wells, VT
October 13, 2018	Gretchen Leah Burrell John Jay Krejsa	Poultney, VT

Town of Middletown Springs

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

We still continue to maintain the many tasks in our little office. Two years ago we added a tabulator to assist with our elections. The tabulator has proved to save time for all involved and has generally created a more efficient and reliable system. This year's Town Clerk training was held in Killington.

Smaller 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 now maintained online with the Election Division.

Please remember that 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 113 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 2019 licenses are now available at the Town Clerk's Office.



Good dogs at Halfling Dog Boarding, Daisy Hollow Road



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

White River Junction VA Medical Center
215 North Main Street
White River Junction, VT 05009
866-687-8387 (Toll Free)
802-295-9363 (Commercial)

In Reply Refer to: 405/00

November 29, 2018

Dear Veteran,

The White River Junction VA Medical Center is attempting to contact all Veterans in our catchment area of Vermont and New Hampshire who are not enrolled or are enrolled and no longer utilizing our services. If you currently receive our services, please pass this note on to a Veteran who may benefit.

We offer a wide variety of services including assistance to Veterans who are homeless or unemployed to providing primary and specialty care. We have a robust mental health department offering one-on-one counseling, peer support, group sessions, and more. There is a designated treatment area for our women Veterans at the Women's Comprehensive Care Clinic; a safe space.

The White River Junction VA Medical Center has seven community based outpatient clinics. They are located in Bennington, Rutland, Brattleboro, Newport and Burlington, Vermont; in New Hampshire we offer services in Keene and Littleton. We are here to serve all Veterans, please do not hesitate to contact us, if for no other reason than to register/enroll with us in case of future need.

Our eligibility office in White River Junction can be reached at 802-295-9363 extension 5118. A single form - VA form 10-10EZ - and a copy of the DD214 is all that is needed.

The American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars have full time service officers that are knowledgeable about our programs. These independent organizations serve all Veterans including nonmembers in processing disability and pension claims. They can be reached in White River Junction at:

American Legion	802-296-5166
Disabled American Veterans	802-296-5167
Veterans of Foreign Wars	802-296-5168

Thank you for your service to our nation. On behalf of the White River Junction VA Medical Center team, we look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,

Laura Miraldi
Acting Medical Center Director

Vermont Department of Health 2019 Local Report

At the Vermont Department of Health our twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters.

State of Vermont Department of Health
Rutland District Office 300 Asa Bloomer State Office Building 88 Merchants Row Rutland, VT 05701
802-786-5811 HealthVermont.gov

Your local office is in Rutland at the address and phone number above. Available to help individuals and families at worksites, schools, town meetings, or by appointment, we work hard to provide you with knowledgeable and accessible care, resources, and services. We also partner with local organizations and health care providers to ensure we're equipped to respond to the community's needs. In 2018, we worked in partnership with communities to:

- Donate almost 300 pairs of adult and children's snowshoes to loan out at 21 free public libraries throughout Rutland County through a 3-4-50 grant.
- Increase capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking and reduce prescription drug misuse and marijuana through Regional Prevention Partnerships (RPP) and our local Partners for Prevention community network.
- Prevent and control the spread of infectious disease. In 2018 we spent \$13,729,406 on vaccines provided at no cost to healthcare providers around the state to make sure children and adults are protected against vaccine-preventable diseases. We also responded to 244 cases of infectious disease.
- Promote wellness by focusing on walking and biking safety, reducing tobacco exposure, and increasing access to healthy foods through the implementation of local projects and municipal strategies.
- Support healthy families by helping kids stay connected with providers and dentists following transfer into foster care.
- Serve families and children with the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Education and Food Supplementation Program. In 2018, we served over 1300 families in Rutland County.
- Provide trainings on Help Me Grow to Healthcare and Early Childhood Education Providers to support improved access to resources and services for parents and families with young children.
- Share new data and reports including the Vermont Lead in School Drinking Water Testing Pilot Report which is helping Vermonters understand and address the risk of lead in school drinking water, and the Injury and Violence in Vermont report, which is shedding light on the risk of suicide among youths.
- Work with businesses in planning and starting worksite wellness strategies to improve on-the-job opportunities for health for local residents, including creating Breastfeeding Friendly locations to support growing families.
- Work with local partners, including, schools, hospitals, and emergency personnel, to ensure we are prepared to distribute medicine, supplies, and information during a public health emergency.
- Improve understanding of how to stay healthy at work, home, and in the community through initiatives and resources related to 3-4-50, Help Me Grow, WIC, Building Bright Futures, Be Tick Smart, 802Quits, and the Breastfeeding Friendly Employer project.

Learn more about what we do on the web at www.healthvermont.gov
Join us on [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/VDHRUTLAND/](https://www.facebook.com/VDHRUTLAND/)
Follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont

RUTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TOWN REPORT FOR 2018

The Rutland County Sheriff's Department, in cooperation with the Towns of Middletown Springs, Danby, Ira and Tinmouth, entered into a cooperative patrol services agreement that assigned one deputy to the four-towns on a full time, 40 hour per week basis. The assigned deputy splits his time between the towns, as calls for service and needs dictate.

This agreement has worked well, and we would like to see it continue in the future. It gives responsibility for the area to one patrol deputy and allows the deputy to shift from town to town to answer calls and do follow-up investigations. We know that the criminal activity is not dictated by town lines, and the geographic locations of these towns makes is advantageous for all to conduct patrol activities in this manner.

	Tinmouth	Ira	Danby	MTS
Traffic Tickets	63	72	72	111
Warnings	10	16	11	8
Traffic Stops	63	80	79	95
Fines	\$9415.00	\$8767.00	\$10708.00	\$16,756.00

(Motor vehicle stats include work done under GHSP grants hours)

Incidents	29	6	68	42
Arrests	7	2	7	7
911 Hangups	1	0	0	1
Crashes	0	2	2	0
Assists	9	1	13	6
Citizen Dispute	0	0	1	1
Vin Inspection	2	2	3	4
Animal Comp	3	2	12	3
Theft	1	1	1	1
Vandalism	0	0	2	1
Property Watch	0	5	9	2
Suspicious	1	2	1	2
Littering	0	1	1	1

It has been and continues to be an honor for our department to serve the citizens of Rutland County. Please remember, if you have an emergency call 9-1-1. If you have a question or a non-emergency call at anytime, you can call our office direct at 802-775-8002, visit our web site at Rutlandsheriff.net or email me, Sheriff Stephen Benard, direct at stephen.benard@vermont.gov.

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



• **Appropriation request #7 on 2019 Town Warning**

Town of Middletown Springs **SELECTBOARD REPORT**

2018: a year complete with new obstacles, hurdles and hills to overcome, which the Board took in stride. Each member is more than willing to do their part and address the issues that are requested or mandated of us. The State is continually adding requirements for municipalities to deal with, which all take time and personnel.

The Auditors continued with implementation of new policies and procedures to streamline the municipal tenets, interactions and operation. A contract was signed with an accounting firm to audit the Town's financial status and procedures, the first external review since 2012.

The Town's budget is primarily funded through property taxes. To monitor that, the Board appointed Debra House as Delinquent Tax Collector for remainder of the year to regulate the town's revenue and assist with property tax oversight.

Properties around the Middletown Springs Elementary School were conveyed to the Wells Springs Unified Union School. The school is now operating under the direction of the new unified school board.

The Building Committee continues its quest to finalize the Town Office and Library project. A "Listening Tour" was organized with multiple meetings which allowed members of the community to ask questions, comment and express concerns regarding the project. The information gathered during the tour will be available for review soon, with response to the questions and concerns addressed. A planning and usage study of the West Street property was ordered, to possibly house a Town facility.

The Transfer Station hosted two successful "Large Dumpster Days" this year. Recycling efforts continue to reduce our operating costs for solid waste management. "Fort Dumpster" was due for recertification this year and that is currently in progress.

Our Highway Department completed two bank stabilization projects with guardrails, one on Buxton Avenue and one on Haley Road. Norton Road now has two natural bottom concrete box culverts for stream crossings. A natural bottom arched culvert was installed at stream crossing on Spruce Knob Road. The majority of the funding for these projects was from VTRANS and Better Back Roads grants. A representative of the Agency of Natural Resources was on site to oversee the projects.

Looking forward there are issues to be addressed regarding the Town's facilities: their inefficiencies, inadequacies and nonexistence. There will be much more activity on this in the near future. There comes a time when we need to take care of the things that have been set aside for later.

I would like to express my thanks to all that volunteered or took part for the good town and its members. It is an honor to work with a group of people that are genuinely interested in wellbeing of the community and its future.

Signed,
Chris Fenton, Selectboard Chair

Town of Middletown Springs
REPORT OF THE AUDITORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 - 2018 (FY18)

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, 2018 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, 2018.

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, treasurer's report and procedures, movement of funds to and from the reserve accounts at end of fiscal year, town trust funds, and internal financial controls.
- We reviewed the transactions and accounts related to the Garron Road project and grant.
- We worked with the treasurer, town clerk, and others to improve cash handling procedures.
- We reviewed actions taken on recommendations from previous auditor reports.

Actions Taken FY18:

Reviewed the FY17 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 move to a fiscal year ending on June 30, to improve documentation of investment decisions, and to use a clear template for annual reporting.

- Made recommendations, in the FY17 report, concerning general policies and procedures, trust funds, and external auditing.
- Had one auditor regularly attending Select Board meetings.
- Implemented a cash receipts procedure and continued to refine it.
- Made periodic checks on the procedure with the Treasurer.
- Reviewed and updated the VLCT internal financial controls checklist for municipalities (last done in 2013.)
- Reviewed and reported on sheriff activity and the disbursement of funds from tickets.

Priorities:

Town auditors may focus on different aspects of the town finances each year, as part of a rotating review of the overall system. Ongoing priorities include cash handling procedures, clarity of trust fund reporting, and timely delinquent tax collection. A current priority is preparation for an external audit. Future priorities may be set depending on auditor availability or at the request of the Select Board.

Hours:

In FY18, the three auditors between them worked a total of approximately 94 paid hours and 89 volunteer hours.

Town of Middletown Springs
REPORT OF THE AUDITORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 - 2018 (FY18) continued...

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, 2018, and the results of its operation for the year then ended. These findings are based on documents relative to FY18 received as of November 13, 2018.

Based on our observations and testing, we find that

- Record-keeping and reporting by the treasurer is accurate, efficient and clear.
- The Select Board continues to develop and publish effective policies that support the town's financial stability.
- Some current systems and procedures in the town clerk's and delinquent tax collector's office have been inefficiently or inadequately implemented and could potentially result in lost revenue and/or a cost to the town. With the appointment of a new delinquent tax collector in November 2018 we expect improvement in that area.
- The accounting for the grant-funded Garron Road project was well-tracked and transparent, with appropriate communication between the treasurer and the road commissioner.
- The town's internal financial controls, as reviewed in the VLCT checklist, have greatly improved since the auditors looked at them in 2013.
- Cash handling procedures, while improved, need further refinement to meet VLCT standards.
- 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.

Concerns and Recommendations:

General Policies and Procedures:

- As in previous years, we recommend that new town officers read and sign off on their understanding of town policies.

Trust Funds:

- For FY18 we asked 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. The Public Monies and Copeland Memorial Church Fund have done this for the current report.
- As in the FY13, FY14, FY15, FY16 and FY17 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. The Copeland Milk Fund and Copeland Memorial Cemetery Fund do not.
- As in the FY13, FY14, FY15, FY16 and FY17 reports, we recommend that the Trustees and/or the Select Board 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, FY16, and FY17 reports, 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:

- The auditors support the Select Board's decision to move forward with an external audit. The firm of Sullivan, Powers & Co., P.C. has been engaged to complete an audit by the spring of 2019.

Respectfully approved and submitted by Auditors: *J. Burch-Clay, M. Chesnut-Tangerman, and S. Grimm*
January 23, 2019

**Town of Middletown Springs
DELINQUENT TAX BREAKDOWN**

**DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018**

	<u>Tax Year 2004/2005</u>	<u>Tax Year 2005/2006</u>	<u>Tax Year 2006/2007</u>	<u>Tax Year 2007/2008</u>	<u>Tax Year 2008/2009</u>	<u>Tax Year 2009/2010</u>	<u>Tax Year 2010/2011</u>	<u>Tax Year 2011/2012</u>	<u>Tax Year 2012/2013</u>	<u>Tax Year 2013/2014</u>	<u>Tax Year 2014/2015</u>	<u>Tax Year 2015/2016</u>	<u>Tax Year 2016/2017</u>	<u>Tax Year 2017/2018</u>
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	1,921,270
Abatelements & Adjustments	(1,477)	(3,829)	(2,654)	1,644	(3,751)	(3,118)	(1,614)	(591)	(494)	(11,147)	0	7,230	1,117	(5,415)
Received in FY 2005	1,189,673													
Received in FY 2006	34,270	1,355,570												
Received in FY 2007	1,066	22,005	1,444,977											
Received in FY 2008	1,191	2,692	38,390	1,453,246										
Received in FY 2009			37,606	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	1,785,061				0	0	0	0
Received in FY 2012						5,675	26,024	1,790,212			0	0	0	0
Received in FY 2013						5,073	9,778	23,040	1,870,104		0	0	0	0
Received in FY 2014						34	17,178	26,169	55,930	1,919,825	0	0	0	0
Received in FY 2015						-	2,368	0	504	7,586	1,826,415			
Received in FY2016								1,287	396	14,618	30,687	2,054,794		
Received in FY2017										1,316	1,901	30,990	1,967,583	
Received in FY2018							142	141	136	1089	3912	5372	19311	1,845,997
Principal Delinquency As of June 30, 2018	63	66	129	129	146	165	533	529	5114	14153	12784	18702	26755	69858
Grand Total Delinquent Taxes (Principal Only) as of June 30, 2018														149,125

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2018 GRAND LIST ABSTRACT (411) FOR FY 18/19

(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 Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	138	23,644,500	17,311,300	6,333,200	23,644,500
Residential II R2	205	55,826,900	37,158,800	18,668,100	55,826,900
Mobile Homes-U MHU	9	121,600	38,400	83,200	121,600
Mobile Homes-L MHL	16	1,871,800	855,400	1,016,400	1,871,800
Seasonal I S1	5	209,000	0	209,000	209,000
Seasonal II S2	28	3,735,500	375,700	3,359,800	3,735,500
Commercial C	6	967,300	0	967,300	967,300
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	1	1,616,400	0	1,616,400	1,616,400
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	6	495,800	0	495,800	495,800
Miscellaneous M	54	3,158,000	0	3,158,000	3,158,000
TOTAL LISTED REAL	475	95,077,100	57,676,000	37,401,100	95,077,100
P.P. Cable	1	529,263		529,263	529,263
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	1	529,263		529,263	529,263
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		95,606,363	57,676,000	37,930,363	95,606,363
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	0/0	0	0	0	0
Veterans >10K		0			
Total Veterans		0	0	0	0
P.P. Contracts	1	529,263			
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			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	2/1	785,863	0	256,600	256,600
FarmStab Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv(voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total FarmStabContr	0/0	0	0	0	0
Current Use	68/68	6,603,200	1,840,300	4,762,900	6,603,200
Special Exemptions	0		0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		7,389,063	1,840,300	5,019,500	6,859,800
Total Exemptions		7,389,063	1,840,300	5,019,500	6,859,800
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		882,173.00			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			558,357.00	329,108.63	887,465.63
NON-TAX	14 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411				

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**General Fund Balance Sheet
Year Ending June 30, 2018**

ASSETS

Cash - unrestricted	78,853
Cash - restricted	144,642
Delinquent taxes receivable (principal only)	154,540
Due To/From Other Accounts	-

TOTAL ASSETS

\$378,035

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Payroll taxes/retirement payable	6,857
Property tax credits payable	6,854
Total Liabilities	13,711

Fund Balance - unrestricted	219,681
Fund Balance - restricted	144,642
Total fund balance	364,323

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

\$378,035

**Statement of Taxes Raised
Principal Only
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018**

2018 GRAND LIST as of 7/20/2017 - 411 Report **\$88,381,900**

1% of Grand List 883,819

Allocation

Town Tax Rate	0.3525	311,546
Highway Tax Rate	0.3400	300,498
School Tax Rates:		
Resident	1.4754	672,804
Non-Resident	1.4620	636,421

Total Taxes Assessed	1,921,270
	(5,415)

Abatements & Adjustments

Less: Current Year Taxes Collected	1,845,997
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Current Year Taxes Receivable as of June 30, 2018 **\$69,858**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SUPPORTING SCHEDULE OF RESTRICTED FUND CASH FLOW
FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

	Equipment	Paving	Recycling	Reappraisals	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, 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	\$ 542,666
<u>Receipts</u>																	
Interest	456	183	14	402	-	61	325	13	-	-	1,372	-	-	-	-	18	1,473
Record Surcharge Surplus																	1,372
Municipal Tax Stabilization Reserve																	0
MuniFac - Town Building Res Income							52,500										52,500
Highway Surplus																	28,341
Cemetery Surplus					28,341												0
Record Preservation Surplus																	0
Bridge Reserve																1,000	1,000
Audit Reserve															5,000		5,000
Reappraisal Income	40,000	40,000	788	4,646													4,646
Capital Improvements Move to reserve																	80,788
TOTAL RECEIPTS	40,456	40,183	802	5,047	28,341	61	52,825	13	-	-	1,372	-	-	-	5,000	1,018	175,119
<u>Expenditures</u>																	
Town Building Expenditures ****																	0
Highway Surplus							29,201										29,201
Cemetery Expenses										550							550
Record Preservation Expenses												3,100					3,100
Computer Tech Expense														465			465
Paving Expense																	0
Total Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,201	-	-	550	-	3,100	-	465	-	-	33,315
Balance as of June 30, 2018	\$ 108,088	\$ 67,308	\$ 2,919	\$ 59,967	\$ 96,630	\$ 44,054	\$ 219,398	\$ 9,683	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,626	\$ 10,226	\$ 19,677	\$ 147	\$ 1,939	\$ 15,000	\$ 18,806	\$ 684,469

***** see Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve Detail Schedule for Year Ending 6/30/2018

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**Detailed Addendum to Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve Account
For Year Ending June 30, 2018**

	Amount
Balance as of June 30, 2017	195,773.57
RECEIPTS:	
Town Allotment	50,000.00
Energy Charette Grant	2,500.00
Interest Earned	325.13
TOTAL REVENUE	52,825.13
EXPENDITURES:	
Endyne Inc	632.00
Erikson Consulting	2,900.00
GMP	104.53
Green Screen Graphics/Supplies	212.38
Hallam ICS	1,400.00
JFPCS	11,520.00
Long Trail Engineering	3,090.00
Sellers Treybal	8,422.08
Zero By Degrees	920.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	29,200.99
Municipal Facilities Town Building Reserve balance as of 6/30/18	219,397.71

**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

	2017-2018 Budget	2017-2018 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Taxes			
Current Taxes Assessed/Received	1,921,270	1,845,997	(75,273)
School \$ from Town	1,006,507	987,953	(18,553)
State VT	317,494	328,879	11,385
Adjustments	(13,883)	(12,129)	(1,754)
Town Taxes - Current	611,152	541,294	(69,859)
Other Revenues			
Delinquent Tax		30,106	30,106
Interest on Delinquent taxes	5,000	11,153	6,153
Penalties on Delinquent taxes	4,000	2,542	(1,458)
State of Vermont - Highway	48,000	48,575	575
State of Vermont - Current Use	40,000	43,940	3,940
Licenses & Permits	6,000	7,216	1,216
Cramton Fund - receipts	2,000	2,360	360
Copeland Milk Fund - receipts	6,000	6,000	-

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

	2017-2018 Budget	2017-2018 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES cont.			
Interest	200	327	127
Recycling Receipts	500	500	-
Transfer Station Fees	17,000	23,976	6,976
 Total OTHER Revenue	 128,700	 176,696	 47,996
TOTAL REVENUE (Net taxes plus Other)	739,852	717,990	(21,863)
 EXPENDITURES			
General Government			
Salary - Town Clerk	26,500	26,500	0
Salary - Town Treasurer	14,100	14,100	-
Salary - Delinquent Tax Collector	3,600	3,600	-
Salary - Selectboard	3,200	3,200	-
Salary - Constable	-	-	-
Salary - Listers	8,000	7,404	596
Salary - Animal Control Officer	250	250	-
Law Enforcement	10,000	9,604	396
Salary - Auditors	1,000	2,003	(1,003)
Payroll Taxes	6,000	5,544	456
Independent Audit (Reserve)	5,000	5,000	-
Salary - Assistant Town Clerk	3,000	1,421	1,579
Salary - Assistant Town Treasurer	-	-	-
Clerical	600	-	600
Computer Technology (Reserve)	3,500	3,500	-
Elections	2,000	3,169	(1,169)
Street Lights	4,800	4,442	358
Telephone	3,000	3,079	(79)
Office Rent	5,100	5,100	-
Office Supplies	2,500	1,167	1,333
Copier Expense	750	1,461	(711)
Bank Charges	-	-	-
Town Report	3,000	3,981	(981)
Record Preservation (Reserve)	-	-	-
Education/Conferences	500	270	230
Mileage	100	-	100
Town Office Security	500	323	177
Postage	2,000	1,363	637
Legal	7,000	6,106	894
Website Maintenance	150	165	(15)
Office Maintenance	100	-	100
Tax Map Updates	1,000	-	1,000
Lister Expenses	1,000	235	765
Solid Waste - Contract	31,000	30,252	748
Solid Waste - Wages	10,000	10,535	(535)
Solid Waste - Other	1,000	875	125
Solid Waste - Electric	1,500	1,360	140
SubTotal Solid Waste	43,500	43,022	478
Solid Waste State Plan	3,200	3,166	34
Insurance - Property & Liability	17,500	17,657	(157)
Insurance-Unemployment	500	550	(50)

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FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

	2017-2018 Budget	2017-2018 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES cont.			
Insurance - Workmen's Comp.	15,000	18,407	(3,407)
Unemployment Claims (reimbursed fr 2016/2017)		(4,386)	4,386
Miscellaneous	200	450	(250)
VLCT - Dues	1,830	1,829	1
Planning Commission Dues	925	925	-
Rutland County Tax	7,000	6,695	305
Public Notices	500	259	241
Old Cemetery (Reserve)	2,000	2,000	-
Library	22,000	22,000	-
Town Property Maintenance	1,000	1,410	(410)
Town Building (Reserve)	50,000	50,000	(0)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	283,405	276,970	6,435
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	-	-	-
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	200	200	-
Rutland County Humane Society	125	125	-
R.S.V.P.	200	200	-
Poultney/Mettowee Watershed	500	500	-
Neighbor Works	500	500	-
ARC	-	-	-
Rutland CO Parent/Child Center	750	750	-
VT Assn of Blind	-	-	-
American Red Cross	-	-	-
Mentor Connector	200	200	-
Child Advocacy Center	400	400	-
Pleasant View Cemetery Assoc.	1,500	1,500	-
Regional Marketing Initiative	745	745	-
Memorial Day Parade	500	491	9
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	90,562	90,553	9
Highway			
Payroll Class II	2,500	4,411	(1,911)
Payroll Class III	42,500	34,580	7,920
Payroll Maintenance	6,000	9,642	(3,642)
Payroll Winter II	4,000	4,340	(340)

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

	2017-2018 Budget	2017-2018 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Highway cont.			
Payroll Winter Ill	28,000	24,882	3,118
Payroll Winter Maintenance	5,000	9,272	(4,272)
Payroll Tax	9,000	8,383	617
Payroll Administrative	2,500	4,355	(1,855)
Payroll Holiday	1,800	3,048	(1,248)
Payroll Comp Used	2,000	1,305	695
Payroll Sick Pay		636	(636)
Payroll Vacation	2,700	3,845	(1,145)
Payroll Personal		-	-
Payroll Building Maintenance & Grounds	2,200	1,110	1,090
Subtotal Highway Payroll	108,200	109,808	(1,608)
Road Commissioner	4,500	4,475	25
Highway Mileage		340	(340)
Insurance - Health	14,500	7,568	6,932
Traffic Control	500	-	500
VMERS	3,200	3,095	105
Garage - Rent	3,600	3,600	-
Garage - Electric	450	447	3
Garage - Heat	2,550	2,011	539
Garage - Phone	700	614	86
Computer Technology	1,000	657	343
Equipment-(Reserve)	40,000	40,000	-
Consulting	500	-	500
Property Rental	2,400	2,400	-
Gravel - Bank run	4,000	-	4,000
Gravel - Processed	19,000	7,818	11,182
Riprap	2,000	4,292	(2,292)
Road Fabric	1,500	-	1,500
Culverts	3,000	4,589	(1,589)
Street Signage	2,000	394	1,606
Miscellaneous	3,000	2,757	243
Bridge Repair (Reserve)	1,000	1,000	-
Mowing	4,000	3,408	593
Resurfacing/Cold Patch	1,000	291	709
Sand	18,000	20,755	(2,755)
Salt	15,000	12,228	2,772
Calcium	3,500	-	3,500
Guardrails	5,000	-	5,000
Tree Trimming	2,500	-	2,500
Highway Fees/Permits		200	(200)
Highway Surplus (Reserve)	-	28,340	(28,340)
Paving (Reserve)	40,000	40,000	-
Garron Road Project - Grant Funded		(3,257)	3,257
Repairs/Parts - Grader	5,000	7,275	(2,275)
Repairs/Parts - 1 Ton GMC 2012	2,500	2,923	(423)
Repairs 7400 2003 Red Dump		-	-
Repairs/Parts - Backhoe John Deere	5,000	407	4,593
Repairs/Parts/Other	300	-	300
Sander/Plow - 1 Ton GMC 2012	2,000	1,891	109

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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

	2017-2018 Budget	2017-2018 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Highway cont.			
Repairs/Parts/Purchase - Small Equipment	3,000	1,629	1,371
Repairs/Parts 1984 Loader	1,000		
Sander/Plow - 7600 International	3,000	5,685	(2,685)
Gas/Diesel/Fluids	21,000	18,383	2,617
Repairs/Parts 7600 International	3,500	8,131	(4,631)
Repairs/Parts - 2016 Freightliner	1,000	3,773	(2,773)
Sander/Plow 2016 Freightliner	2,000	4,338	(2,338)
Repairs/Parts JCB Backhoe		980	
Contract Labor - Hauling	7,000	1,498	5,503
Contract Labor - Rental	7,000	-	7,000
Contract Labor-Plowing	250	298	(48)
Contract Labor - Other	250	600	(350)
Total Highway Expenditures ALL	370,400	355,637	14,763
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES (town plus highway)	744,367	723,160	21,207

**HIGHWAY PROJECT 90% Grant Funded
GARRON ROAD
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018
Grant applied for & managed by Bill Reed**

CONTRACTED WORK

Lafayette Highway	3,803.60	
Seamans, J	540.00	
Waite's Foundation	66,180.00	
		70,523.60

MATERIALS & FEES

Ferguson Waterworks	532.88	
McLellan, C	2,990.00	
Rutland Herald	258.84	
Smith, D	1,000.00	
State of Vermont	200.00	
		4,981.72
PAYROLL		4,384.38

SUBTTL of above EXPENDITURES

79,889.70

(accounted for in Ledger Category 1-4-05-20 - Garron Rd)

VTrans Grant Award Received

(83,147.14)

TOTAL (as shown in Ledger Category 1-4-05-20 - Garron Rd)

(3,257.44)

ADDITIONAL GRANT EXPENDITURES ALLOWED BY VTRANS:

PAYROLL	4,278.58
EQUIPMENT USEAGE	8,417.43

GRAND TOTAL PROJECT

92,585.71

VTRANS SHARE OF PROJECT	8,3147.14	90%
TOWN SHARE OF PROJECT	9,438.57	10%
TOTAL PROJECT	92,585.71	

**Town of Middletown Springs
SELECTBOARD ORDERS ITEMIZED**

**JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018
Net Expenditures**

Achey, S	4,551.91	Grimm, S	681.22
Achey, S reimbursement	49.48	Hadeka Stone	3,312.00
Adirondack	1,003.95	Haley, M	180.00
Airgas	271.36	Hallam ICS	1,400.00
Aldermans	1,383.96	Heitkamp, M	45.00
Apex Software	235.00	Hemenway, P	1,442.66
Arsenault, J reimbursement	169.03	Highwinds Leasing	1,002.25
B&B	130.00	Hubbard	27,334.80
BB Chain	1,685.00	IDS	128.09
BCBSVT	7,616.51	Irving Energy	2,011.33
Beattie, M reimbursement	15.25	JFPCS	11,520.00
Blanchard, R	297.50	Kenyon, P	794.65
Bruttomesso, R reimbursement	240.64	Keyes, L	1,233.63
Burch-Clay, J	827.69	Keyser Energy	6,981.32
Business Card Services (computer)	787.12	Kniffen, R	866.86
Byrnes Truck & Equipment	24.78	Kofile Preservation	3,084.62
Capital Improvements, Reappraisal	4,645.50	LaFayette	3,803.60
Cargill	12,227.78	LHS Associates	2,451.40
Carrara's	175.00	Liftech	782.14
Casella Construction	1,124.00	Long Trail Engineering	3,090.00
Casella Recycling	2,790.78	Lyle Welding	490.00
Castle, L	23,309.37	Marcell Oil	1,0317.26
Castle, L reimbursement postage	546.10	Martelle Property	670.00
Chesnut-Tangerman, M	328.99	Mason, T	7,700.62
Child First Advocacy Center	400.00	McGann, G	350.00
Childress, H	1,056.25	McLellan, C	19,240.00
Childress, H reimbursement	137.67	McWilliams, P	57.50
Clark, B	14,770.66	Mentor Connector	200.00
Collaboration 133	149.99	Mid-State Appliance	240.00
Combined Insurance	108.72	Middletown Springs Fire Department	72,500.00
Countryside Lock	323.35	Middletown Springs Historical Society	5,100.00
Dean, N	65.00	Middletown Springs Public Library	22,000.00
DEAR Inc	1,800.00	Middletown Springs School District	987,953.43
DeBonis Landscaping	1,445.00	Miller, E	1,995.00
Doran Brothers	1,260.00	Mountain View Equipment	61.25
Earles Truck Repair	11,969.64	Moyer, G	9,002.53
Eastern Sales	128.11	Moyer, G reimbursement	55.43
Endyne Inc6	32.00	Moyer, L	92.26
Erickson Consulting	2,900.00	Neighborworks	500.00
Fairfield	10,800.65	NEMRC	2,035.91
Fastenal	440.23	Nortrax	39.84
Fenton, C.	828.15	Parker, R	18,897.93
Ferguson Waterworks	5,213.93	Pete's Tire Barn	2,224.80
Fioretti, A	888.80	Pleasant View Cemetery	1,500.00
First Response	4,000.00	Postmaster	1,027.67
Frank and Joe's Auto Repair	223.75	Poultney Auto Supply	2,605.38
Garland's Agway	303.90	Poultney Community League	400.00
Gilmore Home Center	38.18	Poultney Mettowee Watershed	500.00
GMP	6,379.90	Poultney Rescue Squad	4,300.00
Gerald Whie Sales & Service	196.70	QPR	290.95
Goodway Document Svcs	15.00	Quick Print of Rutland	1,761.00
Grants Village Store	71.94	RAVNA	1,500.00
Green Mountain Timber Frame	1,800.00	Redfield, T	1,548.22
Green Screen Graphics	197.13	Redfield, T reimbursement	250.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	Reed, D	2,400.00

**Town of Middletown Springs
SELECTBOARD ORDERS ITEMIZED**

JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

Net Expenditures

Reed, W	48,913.70	Underwood, J	7.04
Reed, W - mileage	890.06	United States Treasury	41,210.24
Reed, W reimbursement	49.94	Up and Running Info Tech	540.00
Regional Ambulance Service	375.00	Viking-Cives	21.10
RSVP	200.00	VLCT	1,829.00
Rubinstein, N	60.00	VLCTPACIF	36,064.50
Rutland Reg COC	745.00	VLCTUI	550.00
Rutland Area Community Services	867.00	VMERS	5,028.90
Rutland County Sheriff's Dept	10,104.10	VT Center for Independent Living	100.00
Rutland Herald	517.68	Vt Department of Labor	278.78
Rutland Humane Society	125.00	VT Dept of Liquor Control	70.00
Rutland Parent Child Center	750.00	VT Department of Taxes	4,652.80
Rutland Regional Planning Commission	925.00	VT Digital	1,902.00
Rutland Women's Network	200.00	VT RCDC	100.00
Seamans, J	540.00	VT State Treasurer	865.00
Sellars Treybal Engineers	8,422.08	VTEL	3,692.73
Silver, L	40.00	Waite Excavation	312.50
Smith, D	1,000.00	Waite's Foundation	66,180.00
Squier, H	162.50	Wallingford Crushed Stone	173.68
Staples	961.56	Webber, Chapman & Kupferer	6,106.15
State of Vermont	425.00	Wescott	45.00
State of Vermont ANR-DEC	200.00	Westside Napa Auto Parts	570.92
Sunnyside Sand & Gravel	12,005.00	Wholesale Distributors	1,337.00
SW Agency on Aging	750.00	Williams Hardware	471.70
SWAC	3,964.11	Winmill Equipment CO	6,382.69
Talke Munyak, J	12,380.53	Winning Image Graphix	340.00
Talke Munyak, J reimbursement	31.87	Zero By Degrees	920.00
Tarbell, R	510.00		
Treasurer, County of Rutland	6,694.82		



Boiling sap at Middletown
Springs Historical Society's
2018 Maple Festival

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 GENERAL BUDGET

	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Budget (Proposed)
Revenue				
Tax Related				
Delinquent Tax	\$0	\$30,106	\$0	\$60,000
Interest-Delinquent Taxes	\$5,000	\$11,153	\$5,000	\$10,000
Penalties-Delinquent Taxes	\$4,000	\$2,542	\$4,000	\$5,000
Tax Sale Attorney Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Tax Related	\$9,000	\$43,801	\$9,000	\$75,000
State of Vermont				
Vermont Highway	\$48,000	\$48,575	\$48,000	\$48,000
Vermont Current Use	\$40,000	\$43,940	\$40,000	\$40,000
Vermont Other/Grants	\$0	\$0		\$0
Traffic Fines	\$0			\$0
Total State of Vermont	\$88,000	\$92,515	\$88,000	\$88,000
Fees and Permits				
Fees and Permits	\$6,000	\$7,216	\$6,000	\$6,000
Total Fees & Permits	\$6,000	\$7,216	\$6,000	\$6,000
Other Revenue				
Recycling Receipts	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$750
Reimbursements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cramton Fund	\$2,000	\$2,360	\$2,000	\$2,000
Copeland Fund	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Interest-Investments	\$200	\$327	\$200	\$300
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer Station Fees	\$17,000	\$23,976	\$20,000	\$20,000
Special Trash Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Insurance Claims	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Other Revenue	\$25,700	\$33,164	\$28,700	\$29,050
Total Revenue	\$128,700	\$176,696	\$131,700	\$198,050
General Government				
Salaries				
Town Clerk	\$26,500	\$26,500	\$27,000	\$27,000
Town Treasurer	\$14,100	\$14,100	\$14,400	\$17,000
Tax Collector	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,900
Selectboard	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$5,200	\$5,200
Constable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Listers	\$8,000	\$7,404	\$8,000	\$8,000
Animal Control Officer	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
Law Enforcement	\$10,000	\$9,604	\$20,250	\$0
Accounting/Auditors	\$1,000	\$2,003	\$1,500	\$1,500
Payroll Taxes	\$6,000	\$5,544	\$6,000	\$6,000
Independent Audit	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Assistant Town Clerk	\$3,000	\$1,421	\$1,500	\$3,000
Assistant Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Salaries	\$80,650	\$78,625	\$92,700	\$76,850
Other				
Clerical	\$600	\$0	\$600	\$0
Computer Technology	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,000	\$3,000
Elections	\$2,000	\$3,169	\$4,000	\$4,000

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 GENERAL BUDGET

General Government - Other cont.

	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Budget (Proposed)
Street Lights	\$4,800	\$4,442	\$4,800	\$4,500
Telephone/Internet	\$3,000	\$3,079	\$3,000	\$3,000
Office Rent	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$5,100
Office Supplies	\$2,500	\$1,167	\$2,500	\$2,000
Copier Expense	\$750	\$1,461	\$1,500	\$1,500
Bank Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Town Report	\$3,000	\$3,981	\$3,000	\$4,000
Record Preservation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conferences	\$500	\$270	\$750	\$500
Mileage	\$100	\$0	\$200	\$800
Office Security	\$500	\$323	\$500	\$500
Postage	\$2,000	\$1,363	\$1,500	\$2,000
Legal	\$7,000	\$6,106	\$7,000	\$7,000
Interest Expense	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Website Maintenance	\$150	\$165	\$500	\$400
Office Maintenance	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tax Map Updates	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
Lister Expenses	\$1,000	\$235	\$500	\$500
Total Other	\$37,600	\$34,361	\$39,450	\$38,800
Solid Waste				
Solid Waste Contract	\$31,000	\$30,252	\$31,000	\$20,000
Solid Waste Wages	\$10,000	\$10,535	\$10,200	\$11,000
Solid Waste Other	\$1,000	\$875	\$1,500	\$1,000
Solid Waste State Plan	\$3,200	\$3,166	\$3,200	\$3,200
Solid Waste Electric	\$1,500	\$1,360	\$1,500	\$1,500
Solid Waste Non-Regular Trash Disposal				\$3,000
Solid Waste Recycling				\$8,000
Total Solid Waste	\$46,700	\$46,188	\$47,400	\$47,700
Insurance				
Property & Liability	\$17,500	\$17,657	\$18,000	\$18,000
Unemployment	\$500	\$550	\$750	\$550
Workers' Compensation	\$15,000	\$18,407	\$17,250	\$18,000
Unemployment Claims	\$0	-\$4,386	\$0	\$0
Total Insurance	\$33,000	\$32,228	\$36,000	\$36,550
General Expenses				
Miscellaneous	\$200	\$450	\$500	\$500
VLCT Dues	\$1,830	\$1,829	\$1,850	\$1,900
Planning Commission Dues	\$925	\$925	\$975	\$975
Rutland County Tax	\$7,000	\$6,695	\$7,000	\$7,000
Public Notices	\$500	\$259	\$500	\$1,500
Old Cemetery	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$3,000
Firehouse facilities reserve	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
Library	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$22,660	\$25,650
Town Property Maintenance	\$1,000	\$1,410	\$1,000	\$1,500
Conservation Commission	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500
Municipal facilities reserve (transfer station)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500
Total General Expenses	\$35,455	\$35,568	\$62,985	\$75,025

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 GENERAL BUDGET

General Government cont.

	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Budget (Proposed)
Corner Property				
Reserve Fund for Town Facilities	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total Corner Property	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total General Government	\$283,405	\$276,970	\$328,535	\$324,925

Highway

Payroll				
Payroll Class II	\$2,500	\$4,411	\$2,500	\$2,250
Payroll Class III	\$42,500	\$34,580	\$38,000	\$39,000
Payroll Maintenance	\$6,000	\$9,642	\$6,000	\$7,500
Payroll Winter II	\$4,000	\$4,340	\$3,000	\$3,000
Payroll Winter III	\$28,000	\$24,882	\$28,000	\$30,500
Payroll Winter Maintenance	\$5,000	\$9,272	\$7,500	\$8,200
Payroll Taxes	\$9,000	\$8,383	\$8,000	\$8,750
Road Commissioner	\$4,500	\$4,475	\$4,500	\$4,500
Health Insurance	\$14,500	\$7,568	\$16,000	\$16,500
Traffic Control	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500
Payroll-Administrative	\$2,500	\$4,355	\$2,500	\$4,500
VMERS Employer	\$3,200	\$3,095	\$3,200	\$6,750
Payroll-Holiday	\$1,800	\$3,048	\$1,800	\$4,750
Payroll-Comp Time Used	\$2,000	\$1,305	\$2,000	\$2,000
Payroll-Sick Pay	\$0	\$636	\$0	\$1,300
Payroll-Vacation	\$2,700	\$3,845	\$2,700	\$4,500
Payroll-Personal Days	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Road Commissioner-Mileage	\$0	\$340		\$800
Total Payroll	\$128,700	\$124,177	\$126,200	\$145,300

Garage

Rent	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600
Electric	\$450	\$447	\$450	\$450
Heat	\$2,550	\$2,011	\$2,500	\$2,500
Phone	\$700	\$614	\$700	\$700
Computer Technology	\$1,000	\$657	\$300	\$300
Building & Grounds Maintenance	\$2,200	\$1,110	\$2,000	\$2,000
Capital Improvements, Road Equipment	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$18,000
Consulting	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500
Property Rental	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
Total Garage	\$53,400	\$50,839	\$57,450	\$30,450

Road Maintenance

Bank Run Gravel	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$3,000
Processed Gravel	\$19,000	\$7,818	\$15,000	\$15,000
Rip Rap	\$2,000	\$4,292	\$2,000	\$2,000
Road Fabric	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
Culverts & Catch Basins	\$3,000	\$4,589	\$3,000	\$3,000
Street Signage	\$2,000	\$394	\$1,500	\$1,000
Miscellaneous	\$3,000	\$2,757	\$3,000	\$3,000
Mowing	\$4,000	\$3,408	\$4,000	\$3,000
Bridge Repairs & Debt	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Resurfacing	\$1,000	\$291	\$500	\$500
Sand	\$18,000	\$20,755	\$18,000	\$22,000

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 GENERAL BUDGET

Highway - Road Maintenance cont.

	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Budget (Proposed)
Salt	\$15,000	\$12,228	\$15,000	\$15,000
Calcium	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
Guardrails	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$3,000
Tree Trimming	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Garron Road Project	\$0	\$3,257	\$0	\$0
Backhoe Payment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$27,000
Highway Surplus	\$0	\$28,340	\$0	\$0
Highway Public Notices	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Paving Reserve	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Construction Permits/Highway Fees	\$0	\$200	\$3,000	\$3,000
Transfer to Highway Capital Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
Total Road Maintenance	\$124,500	\$122,815	\$120,000	\$166,500

Repairs & Parts

Grader	\$5,000	\$7,275	\$5,000	\$5,000
GMC 2012 1-ton	\$2,500	\$2,923	\$3,500	\$3,500
Deere Backhoe	\$5,000	\$407	\$0	\$0
Other	\$300	\$0	\$300	\$0
Sander/Plow 1-ton	\$2,000	\$1,891	\$2,000	\$1,500
Small Equipment Repair & Purchase	\$3,000	\$1,629	\$3,000	\$3,000
Loader	\$1,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
Sander/Plow 7600	\$3,000	\$5,685	\$3,000	\$3,000
Gas, Diesel, & Fluids	\$21,000	\$18,383	\$20,000	\$20,000
7600 International	\$3,500	\$8,131	\$3,500	\$5,000
Freightliner	\$1,000	\$3,773	\$1,500	\$3,000
Sander/Plow Freightliner	\$2,000	\$4,338	\$2,000	\$2,000
JCB Backhoe	\$0	\$980	\$1,000	\$2,000
Total Repairs & Parts	\$49,300	\$55,415	\$47,800	\$51,000

Contract Labor

Hauling	\$7,000	\$1,498	\$7,000	\$4,000
Rental	\$7,000	\$0	\$6,000	\$4,000
Plowing	\$250	\$298	\$250	\$500
Other	\$250	\$600	\$250	\$500
Total Contract Labor	\$14,500	\$2,396	\$13,500	\$9,000

Total Highway	\$370,400	\$355,642	\$364,950	\$402,250
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Appropriations

Poultney Rescue Squad	\$4,300	\$4,300	\$4,300	\$4,300
First Response	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Visiting Nurses' Association	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Vermont Green Up	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Rutland Mental Health Services	\$867	\$867	\$867	\$867
Southwestern VT Council on Aging	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Center BROCC	\$0	\$0	\$200	\$200
VT Center for Independent Living	\$100	\$100		\$100
Aiken/VT RCDC	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Poultney Community League	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
Rutland Regional Ambulance Service	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$375
Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Ass'n	\$72,500	\$72,500	\$79,500	\$79,500

Town of Middletown Springs
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 GENERAL BUDGET

Appropriations cont.

New Story	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Budget (Proposed)
Rutland County Humane Society	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125
RSVP	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Poultney-Mettowee Watershed	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Neighborworks	\$500	\$500	\$400	\$400
ARC/Advocacy•Resources*Community	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500
Rutland County Parent/Child Center	\$750	\$750	\$100	\$100
VT Association of the Blind	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$300
American Red Cross	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250
Mentor Connector	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Child First Advocacy Center	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
Pleasant View Cemetery Association	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Regional Marketing Initiative	\$745	\$745	\$745	\$745
Memorial Day Parade	\$500	\$491	\$500	\$500
Front Porch Forum	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150
Total Appropriations	\$90,562	\$90,553	\$97,962	\$98,212



Memorial Day Parade

Town of Middletown Springs
COPELAND MEMORIAL CEMETERY FUND

TRUSTEES' REPORT
December 31, 2018

Beginning Balance--January 1, 2018

Investments Market Value	\$55,074.29
Fixed Income	\$75,601.43
Other	\$30,769.72
Total	\$161,445.44

Income	
Portfolio	\$4,794.26

Expenses	
Portfolio	\$2,719.26

Net Gain (Loss)	-\$6,357.51
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Ending Balance--December 31, 2018

Bank Deposits	\$16,957.00
Equities	\$41,285.88
Fixed Income	\$61,103.58
Other	\$27,303.18
Total	\$146,649.64

TRUSTEES

Alida Tarbell
Alice Hoisington

COPELAND MEMORIAL CHURCH FUND

COMMITTEE REPORT
June 30, 2018

<u>Calendar Year</u>	2016	2017	Jan. - June 2018
Beginning Balances	213,279.09	220,888.93	245,106.66
Additions and Withdrawals	0.00	0.00	
Income	12,365.62	9,693.03	5,123.89
Taxes, Fees and Expenses	(3,039.79)	(2,950.94)	(1,640.83)
Net Gain (Loss)	(1,715.99)	17,366.06	(5,397.94)
Distributions	0.00	0.00	
Ending Balances	220,888.93	245,106.66	243,191.78

Committee Members:

Rita Hansen, Daniel McKeen, Dale Carr

Town of Middletown Springs
COPELAND MILK FUND

TRUSTEES REPORT – 2018

BEGINNING BALANCE.....January 1, 2018

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

TOTAL: **\$ 512,897.45**

INCOME:

Interest Credited (April 2018)	\$ 8,933.35 (National Life Group)
Investment Account Dividends/ Reinvestments	17,169.05 (Sentinel Investments)
Interest Income	1.10 (Citizens Money Market)

TOTAL INCOME: **\$ 26,103.50**

EXPENSES:

Town of Middletown Springs	\$ 6,000.00
Producer Distribution	6,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	100.00
Investment Plan Management Fees	2,787.48 (National Life Group)

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$ 14,887.48**

INVESTMENT SUMMARIES

HOLDINGS AS OF 12/31/2018:

National Life Group	\$294,932.00
Touchstone Investments	198,820.66
Citizens Money Market (Checking)	3,866.52

TOTAL PORTFOLIO VALUE **\$497,619.18**

TRUSTEES:

Carl P. Haynes
Terry Redfield
Rodney Tarbell

Town of Middletown Springs
PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The trustees of the Pleasant View Cemetery Association once again offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to the voters of the town of Middletown Springs for your generous support of our 2018 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 5-th and 6-th grade classes 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 couldn't do it without the amazing support from Cathy Colvin, our Secretary/Treasurer for some 40-plus years!!

We are grateful that there are many folks who walk through and enjoy this peaceful setting on a regular basis, and several other folks who also walk their pets and let them enjoy the freedom of this serene 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 on or around anyone's final resting place.

Thanks again to the voters of Middletown Springs during 2018, and please consider this report to serve as our request to be on the 2019 Town Meeting Day ballot again this year. We respectfully request another appropriation of \$1,500.00 for FY 2019/20 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
Don Marcy/Alida Tarbell/Art Castle/Alice Hoisington

Town of Middletown Springs
PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT
December 31, 2018**

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 2018	\$3,170.85	
Dividends from Perpetual Care Stock	1,040.60	
Arthur & Daisy Cramton Trust	1,269.44	
Burials	3,400.00	
Donation	200.00	
M. LaBate Memorial	260.00	
R. Marcy Memorial	1,320.00	
Town Appropriation--2018-2019	1,500.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$12,160.89

DISBURSEMENTS

Green Mountain Boys Landscaping--mowing & trimming	\$4,800.00	
Arthur Castle--Burials	600.00	
Community Bank--Perpetual Care	200.00	
DeBonis Landscaping--opening graves	1,000.00	
MSES 6th Grade Class--Help with Spring cleanup	150.00	
USPS--Stamps	\$20.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$6,770.00

BALANCE ON HAND, DECEMBER 31, 2018	\$5,390.89
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PERPETUAL CARE INVESTMENTS

445 Shares George Putnam Fund	\$8,285.90	
240 Shares Foot Locker	12,768.00	
Community Bank--Money Market	3,573.56	
Community Bank--CD	36,588.51	
TD Bank--CD	35,049.03	
TD Bank--Barker Mehuron Account	10,301.72	
		\$106,566.72

TRUSTEES

*Alida Tarbell
Arthur Castle
Terry Redfield
Donald Marcy
Alice Hoisington*

Town of Middletown Springs
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONIES

Louis Library Fund*

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>FY18</u>
Beginning Balance - Investments			
Net Account Balance	499.51	941.83	118.17
Securities	19,934.52	21,345.95	23,685.67
Total Portfolio Equity	\$20,434.03	\$22,287.78	\$23,803.84
Begin. Bal. Checking Acct.	\$130.46	\$130.52	\$259.76
Income From			
Dividends	867.54	1,203.14	576.41
Checking	0.06	.10	.13
Total Income	\$867.60	\$1,203.24	\$576.54
Distributions			
MTS Library	520.52		*650.00
<i>*Payment Feb. 23, 2018</i>			
Ending Balance June 30, 2018 - Investments			
Portfolio			
Net Account Balance	941.83	118.17	603.65
Securities	21,345.95	23,685.67	23,433.10
Total Portfolio Equity	\$22,287.78	\$23,803.84	\$24,036.75
End Bal. Checking Account	\$130.52	\$259.76	*\$0

* Funds from checking were put back into portfolio.



Snack time during summer story hour

Town of Middletown Springs
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONIES

Henderson Fund*

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>FY18</u>
Beginning Balance - Investments			
Portfolio			
Net Account Balance	1,279.78	1,921.33	310.30
Securities	49,965.22	53,663.32	59,811.43
Total Portfolio Equity	\$51,245.00	\$55,584.65	\$60,121.73
 Beg. Bal. Checking Account	 \$105.81	 \$105.91	 \$2,940.99
 Income From			
Dividends	854.99	\$3,130.90	1,497.38
Credit Interest			.34
Checking	0.10	.10	.56
Total Income	\$855.09	\$3,131.00	\$1,498.28
 Distributions	 <u>2016</u>	 <u>2017</u>	 <u>FY18</u>
Scholarship 1	250.00	0	\$500.00
Scholarship 2	250.00	0	
Scholarship 3	250.00	0	
Total	\$750.00	0	*\$500.00
 <i>*payment date Feb. 21, 2018</i>			
Ending Balance - Investments			
Portfolio			
Net Account Balance	1,921.33	310.30	2,633.29
Securities	53,663.32	59,811.43	59,169.86
Total Portfolio Equity Total	\$55,584.65	\$60,121.73	\$61,803.15
 End Bal. Checking Account	 \$105.91	 \$2,940.99	 *\$500.19

* Funds from checking were put back into portfolio

Town of Middletown Springs
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONIES

Matthews/Bigelow Fund

Calendar Year	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>FY18</u>
Beginning Balance - Investments			
Portfolio			
CD /Securities	22,881.70	23,387.09	23,502.48
Beg. Bal Checking Account	25.20	25.42	25.53
Income From			
CD / Securities	504.86	505.39	251.06
Checking	0.10	.11	.05
Total Income	\$504.96	\$505.50	\$251.11
Distributions			
MTS First Response	302.92		380.00
Total	\$302.92		*\$380.00
<i>*payment date March 5, 2018</i>			
Ending Balance - Investments			
Portfolio			
CD / Securities	23,386.45	23,502.48	23,258.15
Total Portfolio Equity	\$23,386.45	\$23,502.48	\$23,258.15
 End Bal. Checking Account	 \$25.30	 \$25.53	 \$25.47

* Upon review of the Henderson and Louis Library accounts, errors continue to be discovered with the bank which we continue to rectify. The Town Auditors are aware of the process and have been working with the Trustees for a clear report.

Trustees: Alice Hoisington, Lois Dansereau

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

MSVFD 2018 Year in Review

It has been a very productive and positive year for the members of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department. We had an increase in call volume compared to 2017. MSVFD was dispatched for several motor vehicle accidents, chimney fires, structure fires, lightning strikes, assistance to EMS, trees on wires, a rescue call for a logger fallen in the woods, and several fire alarm and carbon monoxide alarms. MSVFD also responded to several mutual aid calls to assist surrounding towns.

In regards to mutual aid calls, 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 across the nation. Our small towns have to rely on each other. We work together on scenes, and we train together. Some of the trainings that the MSVFD participated in during 2018 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.

On the day of April 16, 2018, members of MSVFD decided to remain in station after a call on the Garron Road for trees and wires down. As many of you recall, this was the day of the wind and ice/sleet storm that hit Middletown Springs. Members of MSVFD took time off from their employment to drive around clearing trees and assisting GMP as they were needed. These acts of service were not dispatched calls. The firefighters, as a group, just knew they needed to help as much as they could.

MSVFD participated in the 49th annual Memorial Day Parade and hosted the concession stand on the green. Along with the concession stand the MSVFD also hosted a raffle with 5 giveaways. MSVFD hosted a gun raffle fundraiser in November. The MSVFD also hosted "Halloween at the Firehouse." This is the fourth 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 the community. On November 24, 2018, MSVFD organized a bus trip to New York City. The bus trip was a brand new fundraiser which was a lot of fun. It was a success. We are proud to say the bus tickets were sold out one month in advance of the trip.

Breakfast with Santa was once again the biggest event for the MSVFD. Breakfast with Santa was held at the Middletown Springs Elementary School this year. The change in venue took place for several reasons. Parking had become an issue at the firehouse. It was safer for the children to hold the event at the school. Lastly, the event is for the children, so it just made sense to host the event at the school. Santa visited with children outside the school, and he made his way to the decorated multipurpose room 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 56 children received a personalized letter from Santa approximately one week prior Christmas. A "Come Paint with Me" event was held at the firehouse on December 1st. This event was organized by the MSVFD and Simply Said By Priscilla. It was a very entertaining and relaxing event. 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.

The membership of the MSVFD and the MSVFD Board of Trustees are actively working on a building facility to better house our existing fire apparatus. 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. We are proud to say that these trucks are in excellent condition. 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.

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

Our community is very important to MSVFD. We have hosted several community events in the past three years, and we will continue to do so. The dinners are the only time in our busy lives that we have the opportunity to sit and talk with community members, and the dinners are always free to the community. MSVFD hosted three community dinners throughout the year. We do plan to continue the community dinners in 2019.

Thank you for your support, and we hope to continue to build relationships within our department and community in 2019.

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

Building Notes

The membership of the Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department, in conjunction with the trustees of the MSVFD Fire Association, have determined that the need for a new building to serve the Fire Department and house our valuable equipment is immediate and necessary. While the existing building has served the Department very well for many years, its design limitations and functional constraints outweigh the practicality of modifications or renovations to bring the structure into a more efficient and user-friendly operating mode.

While we have investigated the possibility of additional renovations/additions to the existing structure in order to house the new ladder truck on site, we have determined that this would be cost-prohibitive. Coupled with the ongoing need for a new roof, heating system improvements, and general space and usage limitations, the most rational option is an entirely new structure in place of the existing building. We remain confident that construction of an entirely new, energy-efficient steel building is the most cost-effective methodology for housing our fire-fighting equipment deep into the 21st century.

Despite the current shared facilities housing the Town's sand and salt piles, as well as the transfer station, the current site smack dab in the very center of town is nearly ideal. We are hopeful that the Town will eventually house the sand/salt piles and transfer station at a more suitable, permanent location sooner rather than later, which would free up additional working space and enhance the existing location even more.

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

Note: Appropriation Request #19 on 2019 Town Warning

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

Profit & Loss

January through December 2018

Ordinary Income

Contributions	460.70
First Response Rental	2,400.00
F.R. Income	6,804.67
Fund Drive	3,975.00
Insurance Claims	5,288.66
Insurance Refund	110.00
Town Annual Payment	74,250.00

Total Income **\$ 93,289.03**

Gross Profit **\$ 93,289.03**

Expense

Accounting Services	540.00
Building Maintenance	2,173.50
Diesel/Gas	3,278.67
Dispatcher	5,450.00
Dues	110.00
Electric	2,700.95
Equipment Maint & Repair	1,966.86
Fund Raising 2018	4,096.22
Garage Rental 535	2,400.00

Expense continued

Heating Fuel	9,812.99
Heating Fuel Garage Rental	1,169.84
Insurance	14,797.00
Ladder Testing	1,105.55
New Equipment	3,877.13
New Vehicle - 534 - 2015	2,899.40
Office Supplies/Postage/Stationary	715.67
Propane	408.42
Radio Repair	527.54
Telephone	2,515.66
Training	366.00
Turnout Gear	7,902.66
Vehicle Maintenance #531	8,201.74
Vehicle Maintenance #532	1,806.03
Vehicle Maintenance #534	9,589.89
Vehicle Maintenance #535	2,260.19

Total Expense **\$ 90,671.91**

Net Ordinary Income/(Loss) **\$2,617.12**

Net Income **\$2,617.12**

Bank Balances

	Balance 12/31/2017	Balance 12/31/2018
General Operation Checking	3,812.05	1,264.20
General Operation Money Market	13,763.71	19,690.59
Fire Truck Replacement	1,715.69	1,717.42
Fire Truck Money Market	4,494.89	4,499.41
Fire Truck Reserve Funds	3,342.73	3,343.54
Total	27,129.07	30,515.16

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS FIRST RESPONSE

Annual Report 2018

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

During the past 12 months we've responded to approximately 30 calls, several fewer than normal this year. Those type of calls include medical assessments, trauma related injuries, motor vehicle accidents and Fire Department stand-bys. Our average response time was 11.4 minutes. Our current roster consists of only 4 members – 3 EMT's and 1 EMR (Emergency Medical Responder). From those members alone we have approximately 70 years of experience in the field. We've logged collectively over 100 man hours in training and on-scene time. The national and local state EMS agencies have mandated the continuing education requirement of 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, and via the Vermont State EMS office.

We are always actively seeking new membership – any previous medical experience is helpful but not required. Our membership is at a low of only 4 members. District 10 / Regional Ambulance annually offers an entry level Emergency Medical Responder course later, approximately 80 classroom hours every Fall. We can offer a prospective recruit the required training through locally held courses or sessions. Please contact Training Officer James Reed at 802-235-2060, or through our parent organization Poultney Rescue Squad or any active member for details.

For the past few years, we've been able to level fund our budget, given our largest expense is an annual rent of \$2400 to the Middletown Springs Fire Department. We continue to 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 2018

Receipts:

Memorial Contributions	100.00
Town Allocation	4,000.00
Money Market Interest	60.01
Bigelow/Mathews	380.00

TOTAL

\$ 4,540.00

Disbursements:

Middletown Sp Fire Assoc. (Rent)	2,400.00
Postal Services	0
Vehicle Maintenance	76.62
Supplies	0

TOTAL

\$ 2,476.62

Checking Balance as of Dec. 31, 2018

\$ 7,859.38

Money Market Balance as of Dec. 31, 2018

\$ 29,845.96

Note: Appropriation Request #9 on 2018 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
POULTNEY RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

2018 Report Poultney Rescue Squad, Inc.

Poultney Rescue Squad, Inc is a paid staff and volunteer agency that consists of 5 paid employees and 9 volunteers. Poultney Rescue was quite busy this year responding to 508 calls in 2018. The breakdown of calls is listed below:

Calls in Poultney	286
Calls in Middletown Springs	50
Calls in Hampton	48
Calls in Tinmouth	1
Mutual Aid given to surrounding towns	117

Poultney Rescue Squad has 2 full-time and 3 part-time emergency care providers. Chad Geno is stepping down from his full-time position as Advanced EMT/Training Officer to a part-time employee. Chad is going onto his 7th year at PRS. James Reed is taking over the Training Officer position as an EMT and is a full-time employee. James is going onto a 2-year combined employment at PRS. Dylan Manning is going onto his 2nd year as an employee at PRS. Dylan has gone from full-time to part-time as a driver. JR Ovitt is the newest addition to paid staff and is part-time as an Advanced EMT. JR will be completing his first year. Katrina Davenport is going onto her 3rd year at PRS as an EMT/full-time employee. Katrina has taken over the role of Administrator.

Poultney Rescue has completed the transition from a PRS Membership Board to a Public Board of Directors that consists of our new President: Walter Ducharme, Vice President: Kathy Stephenson, Secretary/Treasurer: Deb Hoisington. We look forward to the new beginnings here at PRS. I'd like to thank Beth Winter (past president/member) for all of the hard work and dedication to not only Poultney Rescue, but to our EMS community as a whole. After 23 years, she has decided to step down as an emergency care provider at PRS. We thank her for her many years of service!

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

You will notice the Thrift Shop did not break even for the fiscal year. This was due to the Thrift Shop being closed down in September for some upgrades. Within the six weeks it was shut down, over 3 ½ tons of broken merchandise and stained/soiled clothing was discarded. The Shop re-opened for the Poultney yard sale days with a Bag Sale which was a huge success. The official re-opening of the Thrift Shop was on October 27th with new hours of operation: Wednesday-Friday 10am-3:30pm and Saturday 10am-4pm. Please stop by and look at the fresh new changes of the Poultney Thrift Shop!

Poultney Rescue is looking into purchasing a new ambulance in 2019. As shown in the financial report, a lot of money had to go into maintenance for our older ambulance in 2018.

I'd like to thank the members of Poultney Rescue Squad & Middletown First Response for their time and dedication. I would also like to thank our communities and the people we serve for your continuing support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katrina Davenport
Administrator PRS

Note: Appropriation Request #8 on 2019 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
POULTNEY RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

Profit and Loss Statement January - December 2018

Income

Insurance	\$201,771.47
Town Funding -Hampton	\$1,200.00
Town Funding - Middletown Springs	\$3,225.00
Town Funding - Tinmouth	\$700.00
Town Funding - Poultney	\$18,165.00
Subscriptions	\$18,680.00
Thrift Shop	\$9,986.63
Donations/Fundraisers	\$8,638.47
Rodeo/Special Events	\$5,500.00
Interest	\$277.35

Total Income **\$268,143.92**

Expenses

Ambulance Tax	\$4,397.70
Bank Fee	\$826.49
Bounced Insurance Checks	\$2,010.80
Building	\$3,599.99
Communications	\$3,191.00
Equipment Replacement	\$210.06
Facilities and Equipment	\$206.43
Operations	\$25,953.52
Legal and Prof. fees	\$7,012.50
Insurance	\$37,437.31
Membership	\$7,381.58
Payroll Expense	\$118,016.57
Interest Expense	\$1,013.45
Utilities	\$7,591.11
Vehicle Maint/Gas/Fuel	\$27,568.48
Ambulance Loan	\$13,032.60
Thrift Shop Operating Expenses	\$10,269.62

Total Expenses **\$269,719.21**

Net Loss **(\$1,575.29)**

Note: Appropriation Request #8 on 2019 Town Warning

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 2018, especially with Herb Childress, with whom we worked on numerous emergency management initiatives for the town.

Our Emergency Management planner assisted the town with two emergency management plan updates: the Local Emergency Operations Plan and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Additionally, we worked with Herb Childress to strengthen the town's overall local emergency management program.

RRPC used the South Lake Champlain Tactical Basin Plan and stormwater plans and reports to find the town's water quality projects to add to the state's master database of priority projects.

RRPC also provided technical assistance to the town by helping with a Better Roads Category A road erosion inventory, by providing grant writing assistance, and by assisting with enhanced energy planning.

RRPC is a resource for towns. We provide the tools and information towns need to make informed decisions about land use, economic development, energy, transportation, emergency management and more.

RRPC is a platform for ideas. We create opportunities through our monthly meetings and provide communal space for people to learn and share ideas.

RRPC inspires a vision for the future. A cornerstone of our work is the Regional Plan, which articulates a vision for the land use, development, and growth in the Rutland region. We are conducting a comprehensive update to this plan and are excited to unveil the new document in 2019.

The Opera House | 67 Merchants Row | Rutland, Vermont
P.O. Box 965 | Rutland, Vermont 05701
RutlandRPC.org | (802) 775-0871
Cooperative planning in the region

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PLANNING COMMISSION

During 2018 the Planning Commission continued its work on implementing elements of the Town Plan. Key items undertaken include the following which are discussed further in this report:

- Orchard Road Solar Project
- Creative Economy Project

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 twenty items of correspondence containing motions, notices and regulatory decisions regarding the project. We will continue to do so in 2019.

The volunteer Creative Economy Committee, chaired by Kathy Letendre, continued meeting on a quarterly basis with the Planning Commission throughout 2018. 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 and have been effective at advancing the interests of the smaller towns in the region. The Commission is expected to request a similar amount for 2019. 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 Committee. In June the RRPC adopted a revised energy plan for the region. The Middletown Springs Commission worked closely with and monitored the Energy Plan work done by the Regional Commission. State approval was received in September, enabling the RRPC to approve town energy plans. In 2019 the Middletown Springs Commission will review our current energy plan and begin its update for review by voters and ultimately by the RRPC.

The Commission encourages all townspeople to attend our meetings, usually held on the first Monday of every month at 4:30 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 continues to make progress toward realizing the goal of a new, highly functional Town Office/Library building.

Our work in 2018 included:

- Review of the Preliminary Estimate documents
- Working with Engineering consultants on questions arising from the estimate review
- Fire Safety Plans Review (sprinkler system not necessary for current planned use)
- Engaged professional fundraising consultant
- Grant research and applications

The committee started the year working through the preliminary estimate documents. The details of the preliminary estimate are essential for us to search for in-kind donations and opportunities to raise money for specific parts of the project. The preliminary estimate included a total cost for the building as drawn of \$2.1 million. The information in the estimate is essential to our fundraising efforts, bonding, and planning the construction phase of the project.

The committee also put together information required for letters of interest to several potential grants. While, so far those efforts have not been fruitful, they have honed our strategies for future grant opportunities.

Late summer, the committee requested that the Selectboard engage with CPG Enterprises to help with fundraising and community outreach. The Selectboard asked that the scope of the listening tour be expanded to include all of the town's infrastructure needs. The listening tour was completed in late November and a summary is posted on the town's website (link in the left sidebar). As a direct result of the listening tour report, the Selectboard is planning a special vote sometime in late spring of this year.

The Building Committee continues to meet on the first Wednesday and third Thursday of the month at the Library. We welcome your attendance and participation.

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

Town of Middletown Springs MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Historical Society was founded in 1969 to create and maintain the Mineral Springs Park. In 1971 the Society began the on-going restoration of the Adams House, the Historical Society building, providing space for the Town Office, Library (until 1979) and other public uses.

This year the Society is celebrating 50 years of accomplishment, including: the designation of the Middletown Springs Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places in 1985, documented in our new book Middletown Springs Historic District; the ongoing research and restoration of the Old Cemetery; and the placement of the Vermont Roadside Historic Site marker for A.W. Gray at the corner of South Street and Montvert Road.

Future projects include construction of a barn at the Mineral Springs Park to display examples of farm machinery made in Middletown by A.W. Grays Sons and by Eugene Gray.

Recent acquisitions for the museum collections include photos and artifacts from the Gardner-Rogers Homestead. A discussion at the Open House in October with local residents who had worked there in the 40s, 50s and 60s resulted in a recording and a transcript documenting some of their amusing and informative memories.

Over 65 memberships in town and about 180 others throughout the country support the Society's efforts and further its mission. Membership is open to all, and members receive the Society's newsletter as well as discounted building rental for family gatherings. Seven new memberships were recorded in 2018.

We invite everyone interested in preserving the heritage of Middletown Springs to join us!

2019 Events

*Maple Festival - Sun., March 17; Strawberry Festival - Sun., June 23;
Annual Meeting - Sun., Sept. 15; Museum Open House - Sun., Oct. 6.*

Trustees for 2018-2019 are: Hakan Brosnan, Taina Ehrlich, Pat Hemenway, Bud Krouse, Jon Mathewson, and David Wright

Respectfully submitted,
David P. Wright, President

Mission Statement

- adopted 12/05/09

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

- adopted 12/5/09

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 and businesses 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.

Middletown Springs' Creative Economy Project is actively involved with the Regional Marketing Initiative and, since the favorable votes on Town Meeting Days in 2017 and 2018 to support the regional program, Kathy Letendre and Tom Hurcomb have been active members in the regional group. The regional group leader Mary Cohen (Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce) also came to Middletown Springs and met with Middletown's Creative Economy group and Planning Commission. Our aim is to have Middletown Springs and other small towns well represented in regional efforts like the Regional Marketing Plan.

In 2018-19, the Regional Marketing Initiative and marketing firm are collecting stories of local residents throughout the county to include in the marketing campaign. Middletown Springs' representatives have been active in the committee work to inform us of unique assets of Middletown Springs, including the arts, agriculture, businesses, and residents. There is a link to Middletown Springs on the realrutland.com website with two stories showcasing people in the town, with more planned. We seek to tell authentic stories of people of Rutland County, and answer the question "Why Rutland County?".

In addition, the Regional Marketing Initiative's advertising agency had their videographer visit Middletown Springs and take video footage at the Town Green, the school, and other town locations. This footage is part of the TV and video marketing efforts showing the places to live in the county.

Thanks to funders, including businesses, communities and nonprofit groups, we have reached millions of people through the campaign so far, highlighted the beauty and opportunities that abound here, and started to change the way Rutland County is viewed and talked about in Vermont and the Northeastern US.

The Regional Marketing Initiative is a multi-year project funded by municipalities and businesses large and small throughout Rutland County who believe we will have a much greater impact if we pool our resources. The Initiative supports the economic development goals contained in the Middletown Springs Town Plan.



Steven and Kyle Querrey with and Anne-Marie Mahar on trail overlooking Lake

Town of Middletown Springs CREATIVE ECONOMY

CREATIVE ECONOMY REPORT

2018 was a productive year for the Creative Economy team. During the first half of the year, we had the terrific support of Tori Fischer, a Castleton University senior, as our creative economy intern. Tori significantly enhanced our online presence -- designing a creative economy webpage, ramping up our Town's Facebook happenings page, and promoting several Middletown events. Using video, photography, graphic design, a giveaway, and social media, we shared key Middletown Springs' events with a wider audience. For example, the video about our 49th annual Memorial Day parade reached over 2,700 people. We saw a 33% increase in the number of people now following our Middletown Springs' Happenings page on Facebook, making our promotion of key events and fundraisers here more impactful.

The team continued its involvement in two traditional and hallmark town events – the Memorial Day Parade and the annual Holiday Craft Fair.

Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony: With the support of Alice Hoisington and Cheryl Mahoney, an ad hoc Parade committee organized parade participants, the poster/poetry/essay contest for students, the ceremony, and the post-parade events and food sale on the Green. The Memorial Day Parade Committee welcomes anyone and everyone who wants to make the 50th annual Middletown Springs parade & ceremony in 2019 extra special.

Holiday Craft Fair: Under the leadership of Maureen Labate and Beth Miller, the creative economy group provided support in a number of areas for the 29th annual Craft Fair on December 2. The table fees, raffle, and food sale's proceeds will benefit the 50th anniversary of the Memorial Day Parade.

Additionally, the Creative Economy team continued to represent Middletown Springs in the ongoing Rutland Regional Marketing Initiative to further support the Town's and region's economy.

We expect to participate in all these activities again in 2019. Thanks to the many volunteers who contributed time and creativity to these many projects supporting the Town's economic vitality and success...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.



Mahar Maple Farm

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. Community 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. Conservation Commission and other community experts periodically lead seasonal hikes in Sullivan Woods 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.

2018 has been a relatively quiet year for MSCC. Members Elizabeth Cooper, Steve Harrington, Richard Kniffen, and Tasha Turan met for summer and fall 'meetings' on the Sullivan Woods trail as we did trail maintenance and put up new trail markers. MSCC is in the midst of planning projects for the coming year with a focus on updating a 10-year plan for Sullivan Woods making the property more accessible and user friendly year-round for casual visitors and school students. The Commission welcomes ideas and 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 a MSCC member to find out more.

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

Contact us:

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

4th of July Festivities



Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

The mission of the Middletown Springs Public Library is to be a community doorway to reading, resources and life long learning and to be a center for people, ideas and culture.

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.

The Library's ongoing and special programs included: story hour, toddler time, book discussions, knitting circle, forums, and presentations. The regularly scheduled Toddler Time continues to fill 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.

Fiscal Year 2017-2018 by the numbers:

- 7638 – books, movies, and games were available for circulation
- 2245 – visits were made to the library
- 199 – different patrons checked item(s) out of the library
- 435 – the most items checked out by an individual patron
- 2284 – the number of different titles which circulated
- 3939 – the total number of times those items went out
- 62 – programs were offered to adults & children
- 759 – people attended programs at the library during this fiscal year
- 188 – books were borrowed from other libraries for our patrons
- 98 – books were lent to other libraries

459 people hold ACTIVE library cards: 120 children and 338 adults. This is significantly more than half of the town's residents. Library card holders have access to the library's physical collection as well as to free downloadable audiobooks and e-books. They have access to free online classes and information databases including Heritage Quest for genealogical research.

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 who 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 and women is critical to the success of our endeavors. The Friends of the Library remains active, providing support in time, muscle, and dollars.

The new statewide inter-library loan system along with the Courier system has streamlined the ILL process making it relatively easy to borrow items from other libraries for our patrons as well as to lend to other libraries.

We anticipate the library will continue to grow in service to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Bushnell
Library Director

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report
July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

	FY 17/18 Budget	FY 17/18 Actual	FY18/19 Budget	FY 19/20 Budget
Income				
Town Allotment	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,660.00	25,650.00
Louis Library Fund	275.00	1,171.00	650.00	1,000.00
FOL Contribution	1,000.00	91.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Fines/Fees/Payments	50.00	66.00	50.00	50.00
Donations	260.00	431.00	290.00	300.00
Fundraising	6,500.00	8,408.00	7,600.00	8,500.00
Carpet Fundraising		1,323.00		
State of Vermont	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	37.00	11.00	37.00	0.00
Total Income	30,172.00	33,501.00	32,287.00	37,000.00
Expenses				
Librarian	14,040.00	11,700.00	14,742.00	15,912.00
Assistant Librarian	5,200.00	5,200.08	5,460.00	5,824.00
Payroll Taxes	1,540.00	1,903.00	2,940.00	3,500.00
Education	100.00	0.00	100.00	400.00
Library Materials	4,000.00	3,608.82	4,000.00	5,300.00
Heat	800.00	1,114.91	800.00	1,100.00
Electricity	1,000.00	1,271.72	1,000.00	1,000.00
Telephone / Internet	505.00	553.00	505.00	550.00
Automation Services	439.00	439.00	650.00	439.00
Supplies	215.00	160.09	215.00	100.00
Postage / ILL Courier	500.00	804.00	400.00	800.00
Snow Removal / Mowing	800.00	1,185.00	800.00	1,000.00
Membership Due	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Publicity	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Programs	25.00	16.00	25.00	25.00
Facility Maintenance	350.00	555.00	300.00	500.00
Carpet installation		2,682.64		
Fixtures	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Technology / Computers	300.00	257.94	300.00	400.00
Miscellaneous	46.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Reserve	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Total Expenses	30,135.00	31,501.20	32,287.00	37,000.00



Teddy Bear Breakfast Story Hour

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Final Report of the Board Chair for the Middletown Springs School District

As the Chair of the Middletown Springs School District Board, it is my pleasure to provide the community with a final update. As approved by the voters of Middletown Springs, the Middletown Springs School District ceased to exist June 30th 2018. The final two meetings of the Middletown Springs Board were held at the end of August to transfer the existing fund balances and sign the deeds as appropriate. The final meeting to accept the audit report was held in November 2018.

It is with mixed emotion, that I submit this final report of the Middletown Springs School District, as it is an end of an era for the town. Change is never easy, but I believe that the consolidation with the Wells Town School District, to become the Wells Springs Unified Union School District, was the best course of action for the town school district. It has been my honor to serve as a Board member for over twenty years, and prior to my tenure two of my brothers as well as my mother and my grandmother served on the school board.

From now on, school budgets will be discussed at the annual Unified Union School District meeting, which will happen one week prior to town meeting. The actual voting to elect school directors and approve the school budgets will happen at the respective town meetings in Wells and Middletown.

I thank the voters of Middletown Springs for their support over the past one-hundred plus years. I also thank all of the people who have served as board members as well. I appreciate your time and work on behalf of our students.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence K. Haynes
Board Chair
Middletown Springs School District Board

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

REVENUE REPORT

REVENUES

	Budget FY 18	Actual FY18
LOCAL REVENUE		
Prior Year Carryover	\$197,012.96	\$197,012.96
VT LEA Tuition	-	\$3,178.00
Tuition Refund	-	\$1,301.61
Interest Income	\$7,000.00	\$11,076.80
SU Assessment Refund	\$8,837.26	\$8,837.26
Miscellaneous Income	-	\$1,782.91
	\$212,850.22	\$223,189.54
STATE REVENUE		
Act 68 Res/Non-Res Ed. Ta	\$1,887,798.85	\$1,887,798.00
Healthcare Recapture	-	\$(4,785.00)
From State to Tech Center	\$18,017.77	\$18,017.77
Small Schools Grant	\$86,486.00	\$88,300.00
State placed rev	\$15,353.18	\$37,421.20
	\$2,007,655.80	\$2,026,751.97
SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE		
Intensive	\$21,500.85	\$21,499.35
P/Y Intensive Adjustment	-	\$721.03
	\$21,500.85	\$22,220.38
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,242,006.87	\$2,272,161.89
FUND TRANSFERS		
Fund Transfer - Food Ser	\$18,053.94	\$24,376.64
Fund Transfer - Capital M	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
	\$53,053.94	\$59,376.64
ELEMENTARY REGULAR ED		
Teacher J Newton .70	-	\$24,290.00
Teacher S Lantman	\$58,675.00	\$60,799.00
Teacher J Rocque-Tifft	\$46,570.00	\$48,946.00
Teacher A Williams	\$42,438.00	\$43,711.00
Teacher L Wilkins	\$26,093.60	\$27,850.11
Teacher J Kreilkamp .50	\$27,616.50	-
Teacher T Haskins .40	\$17,570.80	-
Teacher K Severance .50	-	\$24,584.91
Teacher D McConville	\$65,309.00	\$67,268.00
Substitutes	-	\$85.00
Insurance Buyback	\$2,100.00	\$1,500.06
Group Health Insurance	\$53,715.00	\$34,536.22
HRA	-	\$5,880.00
Fica & Medi	\$21,907.53	\$21,708.43
Tuition Reimbursement	\$6,000.00	\$3,450.00
Dental/Eye Care	\$2,650.00	\$1,661.90
OPEB Retirement	\$1,097.00	\$4,473.21
Prof Svs-Kelly Svs	\$12,000.00	\$24,444.26
Section 504 Services	\$3,000.00	\$20,034.19
Repair/Maint Services	\$5,000.00	\$3,232.87
Student Insurance	\$375.00	\$375.00
General Supplies	\$8,500.00	\$8,487.84

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

	Budget FY 18	Actual FY18
Supplies - Computer	\$3,500.00	\$4,120.99
Books & Periodicals	\$6,500.00	\$2,752.57
Dues & Fees	\$2,000.00	\$3,209.00
Misc Expenditures	\$33,378.17	-
	\$445,995.60	\$437,400.56
ITN ART PROGRAM		
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	\$11,176.73	\$11,481.04
Supplies	\$500.00	\$477.32
	\$11,676.73	\$11,958.36
ITN MUSIC PROGRAM		
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	\$12,572.55	\$12,572.56
Supplies	\$500.00	\$427.95
	\$13,072.55	\$13,000.51
GIFTED & TALENTED		
Supplies	\$2,000.00	-
Dues & Fees	-	\$135.00
	\$2,000.00	\$135.00
SUMMER SCHOOL SERVICES		
Summer School Teacher	\$3,500.00	\$3,315.00
Fica & Medi	\$267.75	\$253.59
	\$3,767.75	\$3,568.59
ITN HEALTH SERVICES		
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	\$14,689.70	\$14,689.72
Repairs & Maintenance	\$75.00	-
Supplies	\$500.00	\$294.43
	\$15,264.70	\$14,984.15
ITN COUNSELOR		
Prof Svs-RSWSU Assessment	\$17,622.03	\$19,710.04
Supplies	\$200.00	\$74.96
	\$17,822.03	\$19,785.00
ED MEDIA SERVICES		
Repairs/Maint/Tech	\$1,500.00	-
Supplies	\$3,500.00	\$8,466.75
Computer Software	\$1,500.00	\$1,169.00
Dues & Fees	\$1,500.00	-
	\$8,000.00	\$9,635.75
LIBRARY SERVICES		
IA Library K Carr .38	\$8,668.80	\$9,191.53
Fica & Medi	\$663.16	\$703.21
Supplies	\$150.00	\$157.78
Books & Periodicals	\$900.00	\$803.83
Dues & Fees	\$200.00	\$99.00
	\$10,581.96	\$10,955.35

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

	Budget FY 18	Actual FY18
BOARD OF EDUCATION		
Board Member	\$2,200.00	\$2,850.00
Recording Clerk	\$720.00	\$443.33
Fica & Medi	\$223.38	\$251.96
Workmans Comp	\$4,772.99	\$6,222.00
Unemployment	\$387.23	\$2,385.00
Prof Svs - Consultant	\$1,500.00	-
Audit	\$4,200.00	\$5,000.00
Legal Services	\$5,000.00	\$123.75
Advertising	\$400.00	\$68.16
Supplies	\$150.00	\$55.00
Dues & Fees	\$1,600.00	\$2,260.89
Act 46 Expense	-	\$875.40
	\$21,153.60	\$20,535.49
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE		
RSWSU Assessment	\$96,764.54	\$96,764.56
	\$96,764.54	\$96,764.56
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE		
Principal R Beal	\$74,867.24	\$77,877.24
Admin Asst S Rosso	\$37,578.20	\$40,200.18
Substitute Secretary	\$1,500.00	\$3,561.26
Insurance Buyback	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Group Health Insurance	\$7,613.55	\$5,912.53
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$8,831.58	\$8,945.68
Life Insurance	\$1,632.00	\$1,567.94
Municipal Retirement	\$1,503.13	\$1,728.03
Tuition Reimbursement	\$3,000.00	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$1,100.00	\$600.00
Prof Svs-Kelly Svs	\$2,000.00	\$61.04
Professional Services	-	\$959.45
Communications	\$5,000.00	\$4,909.64
Printing & Binding	\$200.00	\$146.88
Travel	\$400.00	\$439.67
Supplies	\$600.00	\$81.64
Books & Periodicals	\$20.00	\$71.00
Computer Software	\$900.00	\$1,293.75
Dues & Fees	\$2,000.00	\$1,232.95
	\$150,245.70	\$152,138.88
FISCAL SERVICES		
Treasurer	\$900.00	\$1,400.00
Fica & Medi	\$68.85	\$107.10
Supplies	\$150.00	\$216.20
Dues & Fees	\$50.00	-
Interest	\$7,000.00	\$7,571.92
	\$8,168.85	\$9,295.22

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

	Budget FY 18	Actual FY18
PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT		
Custodian D Tatro	\$38,792.00	\$40,185.08
Sub Custodian	\$500.00	\$960.88
On call Stipend	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Group Health Insurance	\$7,613.55	\$5,822.40
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$3,120.59	\$3,179.85
Municipal Retirement	\$1,611.68	\$1,667.45
Dental/Eye Care	\$600.00	-
Prof Services	-	\$570.55
Water Quality	\$1,750.00	\$1,315.00
Repair/Maint Services	\$75,000.00	\$150,210.99
Refuse Removal	\$3,500.00	\$3,705.93
Snow Plowing	\$4,000.00	\$5,295.00
Lawn Care Service	\$1,500.00	\$2,035.00
Insurance	\$6,995.57	\$6,412.00
Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$8,314.31
Electricity	\$16,000.00	\$17,775.72
Bottled Gas	\$2,500.00	\$2,269.28
Fuel Oil	\$17,000.00	\$8,946.12
	\$187,983.39	\$261,215.56
TRANSPORTATION		
Field Trips	\$3,500.00	\$1,386.57
	\$3,500.00	\$1,386.57
LONG TERM DEBT		
Water Loan Interest	\$370.14	-
Water Loan Principal	\$722.11	-
	\$1,092.25	-
SECONDARY REGULAR ED		
Prof Svs - Section 504	\$9,285.00	\$29,455.15
In State Tuition	\$644,222.94	\$515,015.11
Prior Yr Excess Tuition	-	\$1,062.83
Private School Tuition	\$288,950.02	\$276,122.50
	\$942,457.96	\$821,655.59
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL ED		
IA B Tarbell	-	\$21,141.58
IA K Cronin .50	\$10,189.72	\$2,799.29
IA SpEd C Mahoney	\$20,147.40	\$21,143.70
Group Health Insurance	\$11,419.00	\$7,377.51
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,320.79	\$3,245.81
Municipal Retirement	\$1,213.48	\$1,978.97
Workmans Comp	\$599.41	\$222.00
Unemployment	\$62.59	\$126.00
Dental/Eye Care	\$900.00	-
Sped SU	\$69,187.64	\$55,895.47
Misc. Expense	\$758.00	-
	\$116,798.03	\$114,980.33

Town of Middletown Springs
MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

	Budget FY 18	Actual FY18
SPECIAL ED ADMINISTRATION		
Assessment	\$14,457.98	\$14,460.00
	\$14,457.98	\$14,460.00
EARLY EDUCATION		
Teacher J Kreilkamp .50	\$27,616.50	-
Teacher K Severance .50	-	\$24,585.09
IA K Cronin .50	\$10,189.73	\$2,821.78
Group Health Insurance	\$13,606.00	\$8,534.00
HRA	-	\$525.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,892.18	\$2,016.53
Municipal Retirement	\$407.59	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$550.00	-
Supplies	\$450.00	\$441.83
Books & Periodicals	\$100.00	\$99.12
	\$55,812.00	\$39,023.35
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
Speech Services	-	\$5,423.84
PT Services	-	\$2,854.00
	-	\$8,277.84
VOCATIONAL PROGRAM		
Act 68 Voc Tuition Grant	\$18,017.77	\$18,017.77
Act 68 Tuition	\$13,654.31	\$13,186.80
	\$31,672.08	\$31,204.57
Co-Curricular		
Sports Coaches	\$1,400.00	\$700.00
Odyssey Coaches	\$750.00	-
Sports Corrdinator	\$500.00	\$500.00
Fica & Medi	\$202.73	\$91.81
Professional Services	\$300.00	-
Supplies	\$300.00	-
Wellness	\$300.00	-
	\$3,752.73	\$1,291.81
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM		
Homework Club	\$25,000.00	\$19,132.03
Fica & Medi	\$1,912.50	\$1,445.09
	\$26,912.50	\$20,577.12
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,242,006.87	\$2,173,606.80
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-	\$98,555.09

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSMNT		
Ira	\$33,213.78	\$33,213.80
Middletown Springs	\$96,764.54	\$96,764.56
Poultney	\$288,612.96	\$288,612.96
Wells	\$122,435.10	\$122,435.12
	\$541,026.38	\$541,026.44
 ITN ASSESSMENTS		
Middletown Springs	\$50,491.30	\$58,453.36
Tinmouth	\$18,040.19	-
Wells	\$75,458.20	\$91,382.24
	\$143,989.69	\$149,835.60
 MISCELLANEOUS INCOME		
Miscellaneous Income	-	\$2,146.46
Interest Income CB Checki	-	\$49.91
Misc - Fingerprinting	-	\$444.00
	-	\$2,640.37
 SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT		
Ira	\$3,213.33	\$3,213.32
Middletown Springs	\$14,459.98	\$14,460.00
Poultney	\$60,249.94	\$60,249.92
Wells	\$23,296.64	\$23,296.64
	\$101,219.89	\$101,219.88
 SpEd-SVS-BILLBACK		
Special Ed Billbacks	\$336,482.43	\$344,106.71
	\$336,482.43	\$344,106.71
 TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,122,718.39	\$1,138,829.00
 EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT		
Supplies	\$200.00	-
Dues & Fees	\$500.00	\$500.00
	\$700.00	\$500.00
 TECHNOLOGY		
Tech Crdntr G Styles .40	\$27,729.27	\$27,938.99
Group Health Insurance	\$2,977.60	\$1,841.50
HRA	-	\$420.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,121.29	\$2,092.62
Dental/Eye Care	\$194.00	\$20.95
Travel	\$1,350.00	\$216.55
Supplies-Tech Related	\$4,000.00	\$1,545.40
Dues & Fees - Spam Filter	\$4,500.00	\$1,180.98
	\$42,872.16	\$35,256.99

*FY2018 concludes our participation in the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union

Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
ADMINISTRATION		
Admin Asst J Hughes	\$41,593.99	\$43,199.80
Board Secretary	\$1,000.00	\$1,739.97
Group Health Insurance	\$7,444.00	\$5,732.10
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$3,258.44	\$3,348.47
Municipal Retirement	\$1,663.76	\$1,655.94
Dental/Eye Care	\$485.00	\$190.00
Professional Services	-	\$170.00
Legal Fees	\$6,000.00	\$13,505.94
Legal Fees - Special Ed	\$4,000.00	\$1,645.00
Repair/Maint Services	\$2,500.00	\$2,175.22
Insurance	\$2,840.08	\$4,135.00
Communications	\$7,000.00	\$6,868.64
Advertising	\$2,500.00	\$547.13
Travel	\$700.00	\$182.79
Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$4,500.63
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	\$350.00	\$245.00
ACT 46 Expense	-	\$2,634.97
	\$85,335.27	\$93,526.60
SUPERINTENDENT		
Superintendent J Paustian	\$118,859.00	-
Superintendent J Pullinen	-	\$126,205.00
Buyback	-	\$1,500.00
Group Health Insurance	\$14,753.00	-
Fica & Medi	\$9,092.71	\$9,769.46
Life Insurance	\$1,240.00	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$485.00	\$485.00
Travel	\$2,250.00	\$2,077.51
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	\$6,500.00	\$3,990.00
	\$153,179.71	\$144,026.97
FISCAL SERVICES		
Payroll/Bene L Alderman	\$35,377.88	\$37,221.07
RSWSU Treasurer	\$2,024.38	\$2,474.51
Business Mgr L Milazzo	\$79,381.13	\$81,061.05
AP/AR Clerk K Marino	\$34,358.51	\$35,733.44
Group Health Insurance	\$35,178.00	\$25,979.63
HRA	-	\$4,200.00
Fica & Medi	\$11,562.34	\$11,169.09
Municipal Retirement	\$5,964.70	\$6,145.58
Workmans Comp	\$3,497.54	\$3,921.00
Unemployment	\$503.67	\$179.00
Dental/Eye Care	\$1,455.00	\$1,423.70
Professional Services	-	\$835.35
Prof Svs - Finger Print	-	\$552.00
Audit	\$6,600.00	\$11,500.00
Repair & Maint Svs	\$2,000.00	\$2,909.46
Travel	\$2,250.00	\$2,603.09

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Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

FISCAL SERVICES cont.	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$1,679.96
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	\$1,250.00	\$245.00
	\$223,403.15	\$229,832.93
 PLANT OPERATIONS & MAINT		
Prof Services - Cleaning	\$1,500.00	\$1,629.00
Building Rent	\$33,786.06	\$33,787.32
Supplies	\$250.00	\$99.68
	\$35,536.06	\$35,516.00
 ITN ART PROGRAM		
ITN Art T MacDonald .40	\$26,948.90	-
Insurance Buyback	\$825.00	-
Fica & Medi	\$2,124.70	-
Tuition Reimbursement	\$907.50	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$266.75	-
Prof Serv - Kelly Service	\$500.00	\$614.15
Purchased Services	-	\$18,569.58
	\$31,572.85	\$19,183.73
 ITN MUSIC PROGRAM		
ITN Music M Barron .40	\$29,737.25	\$21,722.40
BuyBack	\$825.00	-
Fica & Medi	\$2,338.01	\$1,661.81
Tuition Reimbursement	\$907.50	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$266.75	-
Prof Svcs - Kelly Service	\$500.00	\$61.42
	\$34,574.51	\$23,445.63
 ITN HEALTH SERVICES		
Nurse C Bongartz .50	\$30,750.00	\$30,848.40
Insurance Buyback	\$750.00	\$750.03
Fica & Medi	\$2,409.75	\$2,417.30
Tuition Reimbursement	\$825.00	\$299.00
Dental/Eye Care	\$242.50	-
OPEB Retirement	\$1,097.00	\$1,253.00
Repair & Maintenance	-	\$114.75
Travel	\$500.00	\$190.75
Dues & Fees	\$150.00	\$295.00
	\$36,724.25	\$36,168.23
 ITN COUNSELOR		
Counselor N Houde	\$36,830.71	\$52,872.00
Buy back	\$1,050.00	-
Group Health Insurance	-	\$7,659.48
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,897.87	\$3,968.48
Tuition Reimbursement	-	\$600.00
Dental/Eye Care	\$339.50	\$480.00
	\$41,118.08	\$66,629.96

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Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
SPECIAL ED ADMINISTRATION		
SpEd Drctr T Rescott .75	\$59,536.38	\$60,757.53
Admin Asst Sped D Morse	-	\$1,030.75
Asst K Burchfield .47	\$13,991.25	-
Admin Assist McGuiness	-	\$9,400.75
Insurance Buyback	\$1,825.00	\$1,997.64
Fica & Medi	\$5,764.48	\$5,598.84
Workmans Comp	\$7,981.15	\$7,960.00
Unemployment	\$285.38	\$364.00
Tuition Reimbursement	\$1,237.50	-
Dental/Eye Care	\$848.75	\$612.22
Professional Services	-	\$2,637.50
Repair & Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$1,650.15
Communications	\$2,000.00	\$1,697.51
Advertising	\$750.00	\$156.40
Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$120.36
Dues, Fees, Mtng, Conf	\$2,500.00	\$1,424.85
	\$101,219.89	\$95,408.50
SPEECH SERVICES		
Speech Services H Weeden	\$90,722.75	\$90,364.98
Speech Services K Stedman	\$95,553.58	\$94,422.31
Speech Services K Riley	\$32,774.38	\$33,024.00
Group Health Insurance	\$7,292.50	\$4,740.53
HRA	-	\$1,050.00
Fica & Medi	\$16,757.38	\$16,492.75
Dental/Eye	\$242.50	\$357.50
	\$243,343.09	\$240,452.07
OT SERVICES - ELEM		
OT Services B Tyler .60	\$34,864.97	\$25,819.29
Substitute	-	\$6,580.00
Buyback	\$900.00	\$900.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,736.02	\$2,514.93
Dental/Eyecare	\$291.00	-
	\$38,791.99	\$35,814.22
PT SERVICES - ELEM		
PT M Duffy .80	\$40,487.76	\$53,218.89
Group Health Benefits	\$8,851.80	\$8,542.03
HRA	-	\$1,680.00
Fica & Medi	\$3,097.31	\$3,623.74
Retirement	\$1,619.51	\$2,127.84
Dental/Eyecare	\$291.00	\$480.00
	\$54,347.38	\$69,672.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,122,718.39	\$1,125,434.33
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-	\$13,394.67

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RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

SPECIAL ED BUDGET

	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
VT LEAS Excess Cost	\$49,500.00	\$45,329.00
Ira Special Ed Rev	\$10,295.37	\$5,159.94
Middletown Springs Sped R	\$69,187.64	\$55,895.47
Poultney Sped Revenue	\$277,293.25	\$284,740.93
Wells Sped Revenue	\$134,942.74	\$90,079.32
Special Ed Block Grant	\$292,236.00	\$292,236.00
Intensive Reimbursement	\$506,126.62	\$444,722.57
Extraordinary Reimburseme	\$53,100.00	\$31,167.29
EEE Preschool Grant	\$54,915.00	\$54,915.00
State Placed Revenue	\$18,000.00	\$10,613.28
	\$1,465,596.62	\$1,314,858.80
 Ira Special Ed		
Ira Excess Cost	\$16,800.00	\$15,940.81
Ira Excess Cost	\$13,500.00	\$9,075.11
	\$30,300.00	\$25,015.92
 Middletown Special Ed		
Direct Instruction		
MSES Teacher - Pettis	\$45,349.00	\$47,638.05
Insurance	\$19,598.57	\$15,324.45
HRA	-	\$2,100.00
Fica & Medi	\$3,469.20	\$3,392.95
Tuition Reimbursement	\$1,500.00	\$1,590.00
Dental & Eye	\$485.00	-
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	\$4,000.00	\$3,970.8
Professional Services	-	\$1,320.00
Exces cost	-	\$15,362.10
Supplies	\$800.00	\$190.91
Books & Periodicals	\$300.00	\$210.10
Dues & Fees	\$500.00	\$686.82
	\$76,001.77	\$91,786.20
 Support Services		
Professional Services	\$4,000.00	\$320.00
Speech Services	\$29,055.89	\$16,901.52
Supplies	\$300.00	-
OT Services	\$6,465.33	\$4,875.71
PT Services	\$9,881.34	\$5,708.00
	\$49,702.56	\$27,805.23
 Secondary		
Excess Cost	\$84,650.00	\$57,553.70
	\$84,650.00	\$57,553.70
 Wells Special Ed		
Direct Instruction		
Wells Teacher - Grossarth	\$58,249.00	\$60,650.00
Teacher K Loomis	\$44,979.00	\$52,872.00
Insurance	\$29,170.00	\$14,600.22
HRA	-	\$3,150.00
Fica & Medi	\$7,896.94	\$8,402.79

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SPECIAL ED BUDGET

WELLS SPECIAL ED. cont.	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
Tuition Reimbursement	\$3,000.00	\$750.00
Dental & Eye	\$1,100.00	\$383.00
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	\$7,000.00	\$7,044.51
Equipment Repair	\$250.00	-
Advertising	\$250.00	-
Travel	\$100.00	\$618.46
Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,591.68
Dues & Fees	\$500.00	\$838.64
Summer School	\$1,000.00	\$1,225.00
Fica & Medi	\$150.00	\$93.71
	\$155,144.94	\$152,220.01
Support Services		
Professional Services	\$5,000.00	-
Speech Services	\$54,479.80	\$27,119.20
Supplies	\$750.00	\$298.49
OT Services	\$11,314.33	\$13,001.90
PT Services	\$14,822.01	\$14,269.99
	\$86,366.14	\$54,689.58
Secondary		
Excess Cost	\$119,150.00	\$64,593.96
	\$119,150.00	\$64,593.96
Poultney Special Ed		
Direct Instruction		
PES Teacher - Thompson-Du	\$43,949.00	-
PES Teacher S Kinney .40	\$25,580.00	-
PES Teacher - Pease	\$48,974.00	\$51,414.00
Teacher S Gay	-	\$37,392.00
PES Teacher L Roberts	-	\$16,779.00
Insurance	\$30,364.00	\$22,452.91
HRA	-	\$3,150.00
Fica & Medi	\$9,065.48	\$7,848.99
Tuition Reimbursement	\$6,000.00	\$5,145.00
Dental & Eye	\$1,164.00	-
TSA Match	\$511.60	-
OPEB Retirement	-	\$1,253.00
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	\$25,000.00	\$35,399.72
Professional Services	\$4,000.00	\$11,023.64
Advertising	-	\$87.15
Excess Cost	\$124,000.00	\$147,242.26
Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$2,058.33
Books & Periodicals	\$1,500.00	\$250.95
Dues & Fees	\$500.00	\$953.90
Misc. Expenditures	\$5,626.00	-
Summer School	\$2,000.00	\$400.00
Fica & Medi	\$153.00	\$30.60
	\$329,887.08	\$342,881.45

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Town of Middletown Springs
RUTLAND SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

SPECIAL ED BUDGET

	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
Support Services		
Prof Services	\$19,000.00	\$34,281.50
Speech Services	\$101,695.61	\$108,476.82
Supplies	\$500.00	\$133.36
OT Services	\$12,930.66	\$14,627.14
	Budget FY18	Actual FY18
PT Services	\$9,881.34	\$17,123.99
Transportation	\$35,000.00	\$39,860.73
	\$179,007.61	\$214,503.54
Direct Instruction		
PHS Teacher - Chase	\$45,062.00	\$46,478.00
PHS Teacher - Kerber	\$45,150.00	\$46,329.00
PHS Teacher - Coloutti	\$46,395.00	\$47,637.00
New Hire (.50 FTE)	\$22,489.50	-
Buyback	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.12
Insurance	\$18,265.00	\$10,958.53
HRA	-	\$2,100.00
Fica & Medi	\$12,400.38	\$10,760.74
Tuition Reimbursement	\$6,000.00	\$375.00
Dental & Eye	\$1,697.50	\$595.00
Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	\$25,000.00	\$10,828.64
Travel	\$250.00	\$262.39
Excess Cost	\$19,500.00	\$6,678.00
Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$1,861.63
Books & Periodicals	\$3,000.00	\$412.06
Dues & Fees	\$500.00	\$717.02
Summer School	\$500.00	-
Fica & Medi	\$38.25	-
	\$251,747.63	\$188,993.13
Support Services		
Clinician R Osborn .50	\$32,557.00	\$33,596.50
Insurance	\$3,680.00	\$3,744.00
HRA	-	\$525.00
Fica & Medi	\$2,490.61	\$2,570.09
Dental & Eyecrae	\$242.50	-
Speech Services	\$58,111.78	\$51,526.49
OT Services	\$1,616.33	-
PT Services	\$4,940.67	\$2,854.00
	\$103,638.89	\$94,816.08
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,465,596.62	\$1,314,858.80
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-	-

*FY2018 concludes our participation in the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union

**Town of Middletown Springs
WELLS SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Report of the Board Chair
February, 2019**

As Chair of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District Board, I am pleased to provide the two communities we serve, Middletown Springs and Town of Wells, an update on the Board's work, as we oversee the education of all children residing in our communities.

We are pleased to have Rick Beal as Principal of Middletown Springs Elementary School and Lisa Mattison who serves as Principal of Wells Village School. They each lead a dedicated staff of professional teaching and support personnel. As of July 1, 2018, the Superintendent of the Greater County Supervisory Union is Dr. Debra Taylor. We appreciate the leadership of outgoing Interim Superintendent Judy Pullinen who assisted us in the transition process. Your school board members are Courtney Bishop, Vice Chair, Meredith Morgan, Clerk, Laura Burch, George Gonda, Rachel Martelle, and Eric Montbriand and are very dedicated to our school system. They continue to give generously of their time attending meetings and advocating for our school system. They have been doubly busy this year throughout the transition to our newly merged district, Wells Springs UUSD, and newly unified supervisory union, Greater Rutland County SU.

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union Board, representing eight schools and four districts, began operation on July 1, 2018. Our focus has been oversight of the transition as Rutland Southwest and Rutland Central Supervisory Unions unified. We have accomplished much over the past year as a Board, we have adopted a unified set of policies, centralized technology networks and support, implemented regional special education system and initiated negotiations with our union groups.

The Wells Springs Unified Union School District Annual report provides information concerning the school budget including the warning, reports of the school board, superintendent, and principals. Additionally, the report details a list of all staff by school, enrollment information, and the unified union school district and supervisory union budget proposals.

The warning will ask voters to approve a budget and open school director positions for representatives of Middletown Springs and Town of Wells on the Wells Springs UUSD Board. The overall budget for the Wells Springs UUSD is \$4,818,578. The equalized pupil cost for the Wells Springs UUSD is \$16,104.

The Wells Springs Unified Union School District Board is very aware of current economic challenges faced by members of our communities. We also recognize the necessity of implementing educational standards in order to ensure that our students are prepared for 21st century careers. At the same time we feel strongly in the importance of investing in our children's education to ensure our communities and state continue to prosper. The board will continue its conservative fiscal management of school funds and its insistence on high quality education for the children of our communities. We anticipate that the Wells Springs UUSD merger will allow us to gain efficiencies and enhance student opportunities at all grade levels.

Both the Middletown Springs and Wells Town School District completed their oversight of our schools on June 30, 2018. We appreciate the significance of this change and we honor the work of the retiring board members who have supported the growth and development of our students through their leadership over many years.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clarence K. Haynes, Chair
Wells Springs Unified Union School District

Town of Middletown Springs WELLS SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

2019 Report of the Wells Springs UUSD Principals

Middletown Springs Elementary School and the Wells Village School are in their first year as the Wells Springs Unified Union School District and as part of the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union. 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.

The state is moving towards a system of multiple measures from the VT Education Quality Standards that will increase the success of schools. 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. Last fall, all the schools in the GRCSU and the central office went through the Integrated Field Review (IFR) to look at evidence collected and to visit the schools to observe classrooms and interview students, parents and staff.. The IFR is an important way of getting an outside view of our educational practice by educational peers and helping us reflect on identified areas of success and improvement.

Wells and Middletown Springs are moving towards a learner-centered model of instruction. The ultimate goal of the model is to help students become self-directed learners. We are very excited with how our staff is adapting and developing instruction so students have choice in how and what they learn. Some examples at Middletown Springs are the Maker Space that is being set up for 3rd-6th grades and the development of a similar space in the library. Another example is core instruction in reading and math being taught with some of the students working independently on their own learning opportunities with choice. At Wells, many classrooms are moving towards a centers-based model to help differentiate for student needs and provide additional choices for students. In addition, the Wells teaching faculty is piloting a new proficiency-based reporting system to help track and communicate student progress in real time.

The students have had many, varied learning opportunities over the past year. Middletown was fortunate to receive support from the Friends for Education to help bring a week-long dance residency to the school. During the week, the students developed dance movements that were performed for parents and community members at a showcase performance. The Middletown students once again had an opportunity to participate in the Winter Sports Program with a choice of skiing, snowboarding, or ice skating with support from the Friends for Education (FFE) and a grant from the Share Winter Foundation. Because of the unavailability of busing, the students were not able to participate last year. However, the funding remains in place and the busing situation has been resolved for the upcoming season. Students in grades K-6 attended fine arts performances as part of Castleton State University's "Arts Reach" program.

Other enrichment opportunities included: school garden supported by community volunteers, Odyssey of the Mind, an all-school field trip to VINS, Trout in the Classroom, and the annual sixth grade trip to Washington, D.C., as well as opportunities for students to work in the school garden during the afterschool and summer programs. We are always open to finding new learning experiences for the students.

Wells students were also able to access many enrichment programs thanks to the support of our PTO, the Modern Woodmen of America, and many parents and community volunteers who generously make these experiences possible for our students. In the past year, Wells students explored a vernal pool at the Delaney Woods and enjoyed a special lunch at the Lakeside Park for field day, visited the Larson's farm through the Dairy in the Classroom program, hosted the Vermont Symphony Orchestra, and experienced many athletic opportunities through our school- based athletics program and our JISP skiing, snowboarding and skating program. We also were fortunate to work with UVM Master Gardener, Fred Thompson, on our Farm-to-School program. Mr. Thompson presented information about soil and plant health during our science classes and visited the school weekly as part of the afterschool program and the summer program to work in the garden with students. We are also grateful for the continued support of the many volunteers who support our literacy efforts by preparing take-home book bags for our students or reading with children during the school day.

The physical structures of both schools are assets that require ongoing upkeep for the benefit of the communities. New vinyl siding for the addition, replacement windows, and flooring were completed at Middletown Springs

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this year. At Wells, we expanded the preschool classroom to allow for full day programming for 3 and 4 year olds 5 days per week. We are also in the process of renovating the basement to house our library, music and art classrooms, as well as a new Makerspace in the coming months. Both schools made security upgrades that were 75% funded by a state school safety grant. These improvements demonstrate a commitment by our communities to maintain the school buildings as assets for the future.

We both continue to have a great sense of pride in being part of the Wells Spring learning communities. We 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 our schools, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely submitted,

Lisa Mattison, Principal, Wells Village School

Rick Beal, Principal, Middletown Springs Elementary School

Town of Middletown Springs
GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

February, 2019

Dear Parents, Guardians and Community Members,

This has been an exciting year! We are proud to introduce our newly unified Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union, which began official operation on July 1, 2018. Transitions have been our focus during the year as we implement the voter-approved governance unification resulting from several years of planning. Our new school system includes Ira, Quarry Valley, Rutland Town and Wells Springs School Districts.

We would be remiss if we did not take this opportunity to recognize the hard work of our school board members, in particular, our retiring school districts. As a result of GRCSU unification, the Rutland Southwest Supervisory Union and Rutland Central Supervisory Union concluded their oversight of their respective school districts on June 30, 2018. As a result of the merger of the Wells Springs and Quarry Valley School Districts, five town school boards concluded their work last June as well: Middletown Springs Town School District, Wells Village School District, Poultney Town School District, Proctor Town School District and West Rutland Town School District.

The years of board member stewardship of our town schools represents a long history which we must honor as we transition to our new school system. While all of our schools continue to serve children and families in our communities, our school district board and supervisory union board governance has unified. We remain committed to achieving stronger schools and communities through newly forged partnerships across our communities. Together we are better!

Last year, our excellence in education was recognized by the Agency of Education as we were featured in a video demonstrating best practices in Vermont which is now posted on the state website. In December, we were honored by a visit of the Integrated Field Review Team from the Agency of Education. They are charged with providing us with feedback concerning our implementation of the Education Quality Standards which are required of all school systems in Vermont. We are pleased with their feedback. One area in which we received commendation was that of Safe and Healthy Schools. Here we were pleased to learn that students and parents across our supervisory union speak highly of teachers, support staff and administrators within their buildings and feel they are safe and well-supported. Staff embrace a growth mindset about addressing the changing needs of our students both academically and socially. Students in all our schools are cooperative and well-disciplined. They have performed many acts of kindness to help others in our communities. This overarching spirit of cooperation and generosity is the hallmark of our schools' cultures.

Last year during our transition work with school boards, teachers, support staff and administrators we developed our GRCSU vision and mission. **Our GRCSU Vision is to L.E.A.D.** - Learn, Explore, Aspire, Discover. **Our GRCSU Mission** is to create an engaged learning community by empowering students to:

Learn collaboratively and independently.

Explore their own passions and choose their own pathways.

Aspire to achieve success.

Discover their own roles as contributing local and global community members.

Instruction & Learning: Instruction in GRCSU schools is moving toward ceding agency to students by ensuring they have choice around how, where, and when to access and demonstrate evidence of their learning. Teachers are working to provide opportunities for students to identify where they are and where they're going in their learning, self-reflect on their learning, and learn cooperatively with and from each other.

This year we are fortunate to have assembled a team of grant-funded Innovation Coaches to help teachers identify individual goals and entry points into transforming their instruction. They provide embedded, ongoing support for teachers to meet those goals while building in opportunities for them to reflect on new learning. Coaches are working with teachers to create project-based lessons, performance-based assessments, and self-directed learning opportunities. Unlike typical workshops or conferences, our coaches provide ongoing, personalized support to teachers, a professional learning model that is research-based and proven to help transform practice.

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GRCSU teachers also draw on their unique areas of expertise and learn cooperatively with and from each other. Each Tuesday afternoon, they examine student performance data, identify student needs, and share strategies in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). These meetings are scheduled synchronously across GRCSU districts so that teachers from different schools can collaborate and share their experience.

Future Planning: Our excellent educational opportunities will grow and expand in our newly unified school system. We will continue to implement student-centered learning in proficiency-based, personalized environments where all students learn at high levels. New educational opportunities began as early as July 1, 2018, such as centralized technology and joint educational program offerings, and our future will continue to unfold in a positive and productive manner as our Board and administration engage in a process to build our collective future plan for years to come.

Community Outreach: As we build our new school system, we understand that community outreach and parent partnerships continue to be very important. There are several ways that we look forward to building these robust connections. First, we are updating our GRCSU websites and plan to embed our schools' social media and superintendent blog to allow for real time information sharing and feedback. We will continue to publish and distribute online our school principal monthly reports to keep our community apprised of the great work underway in our schools. Our principals are utilizing Twitter to share essential information concerning school and student success stories - and there are many! When you see an administrator at a school/community event (such as athletic matches, school music performances, parent teacher conferences and school board meetings), please feel free to reach out to any of us with your ideas or to ask a question. Of course, you may call or email any time!

District Annual Reports and Budget Presentations: Each school board will hold public meetings to present the annual education budget for voter approval. Mark your calendars for these important meetings: Quarry Valley Unified Union School District Annual Meeting on Tuesday, February 26; Wells Springs Unified Union School District Annual Meeting on Wednesday, February 27; Ira School District Town Meeting on March 4; and Rutland Town School District Town Meeting on March 4. Through our community outreach and engagement efforts, annual reports, forums and annual meetings, we hope all of you will become familiar with our school budgets and the important educational programs and plans they support. Our schools are an investment in our students and our future.

Thank you for your continuing support of all our students. Remember, we have a remarkable history and a promising future. We look forward to excellence in our schools and students into 2020 and beyond!

Yours in Education,

Debra J. Taylor
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Adam Rosenberg Assistant Superintendent
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Please remember to vote on Town Meeting Day, March 5, 2019. For more information visit our website: www.grcsu.org, call 802-775-4342 or email us at your convenience.

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GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

**Wells Spring School District
2018/19 Enrollments**

Elementary Enrollment			
Grade	Wells Village School	Middletown Springs Elementary School	Total
Pre-K	11	13	24
K	13	7	20
1	11	5	16
2	14	8	22
3	5	8	13
4	13	9	22
5	13	8	21
6	7	7	14
Total	87	65	152

Middletown Springs Elementary Enrollment as of September 24			
Enrollment by Grade			
PK	13		
K	7		
1	5	combined with 2nd for the afternoons	
2	8		
3	8	combined with 4th	
4	9		
5	8	combined with 6th	
6	7		
Total	65		

Secondary Enrollment							
Grade	Granville High School	Poultney High School	Mill River High School	Long Trail School	Burr & Burton	Other Secondary Schools	Total
7	5	5	5	4	-	1	20
8	4	8	8	3	-	-	23
9	5	4	4	2	-	2	17
10	8	8	7	3	-	2	28
11	3	2	2	1	3	2	13
12	3	2	1	4	2	4	16
Total	28	29	27	17	5	11	117

Town of Middletown Springs
GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

Director of Student Support Services Annual Town Report February, 2019

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union (GRCSU) 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, 2018 our GRCSU Child Count for special education recognized 286 (Pre-k - 12) eligible students with disabilities 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.

GRCSU 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 alternative program may be required. 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 so in the least restrictive environment possible.

Finally, we would like to recognize the efforts of all our Special Educators, Instructional Assistants and Service Providers. They are professionals dedicated to meeting the students' needs. They take their responsibilities very seriously and they consistently exceed expectations. If you have any questions, please contact the GRCSU central office at 802-775-4342.

Sincerely,

Christine Kamm, Director of Student Support Services, Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union
Tammy Rescott, Assistant Director of Student Support Services, Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union

Town of Middletown Springs
GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

CHILD FIND NOTICE

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union (GRCSU) and each of the member school districts (Ira, Quarry Valley (Poultney, Proctor and West Rutland) Wells Springs (Middletown Springs and Wells) and Rutland Town) 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 in which the child is or will be likely to attend OR the Superintendent of Schools of Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union, 16 Evelyn Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701, Tel: 775-4342.

Referral information will be handled in confidence. Any information obtained during child find is confidential as required in Rules 2365.2 - 2365.15 "Confidentiality of Information and Student Records". 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 multidisciplinary 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 Greater Rutland County 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. If you have questions regarding the school system's non-discrimination policies, please contact the GRCSU Director of Student Services or the Principal in the school where you reside. Additional inquiries regarding the provisions of the federal law related to children or adults with handicapping conditions or disabilities impacting the Greater Rutland County 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, Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union, 16 Evelyn Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701, Tel: 802-775-4342.

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VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region

In 2017, 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 147,928 visits to 3,342 patients. In the town of Middletown Springs, we provided 1,047 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 #10 on 2019 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 4, 2019**. Join with people in your community to clean up for Green Up Day, always the first Saturday in May. www.greenupvermont.org

• **Appropriation request #11 on 2019 Town Warning**

Community Care Network - Rutland Mental Health Services

In the year 2018, 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, substance abuse treatment services, emergency/crisis services and developmental disability services.

During fiscal year 2018, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 2,527 hours of services to seventeen 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 #12 on 2019 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 2018 in Middletown Springs the Council helped provide 1,247 meals to the homes of 7 elders, 88 meals were provided to 7 elders at area luncheon sites, and SVCOA case management staff helped 5 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 #13 on 2019 Town Warning**

BROC Community Action In Southwestern Vermont

BROC Community Action serves thousands of people with low income or living in poverty with services and programs. Over the past year, BROC Community Action has provided substantial assistance to residents in the Town of Middletown Springs. 40 individuals in 23 families were assisted including receiving food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, heating and utility assistance, as well as forms assistance for benefits, budget and tax preparation. Each year nearly 10,000 people seek assistance from BROC to meet the basic needs of their families and to provide a path forward.

802-775-0878 www.broc.org

• **Appropriation request #14 on 2019 Town Warning**

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Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force

The Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps towns identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to help finance the costs of construction. During the 20+ years of the program, nearly 1100 grants totaling \$2.5 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

The Town of Middletown Springs & Volunteer Fire Departments has received 7 grants totaling over \$24,000 over the years to help improve rural fire protection for the community through this program. For more information please contact Troy Dare at 802-828-4582 or dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com – www.vacd.org (802) 828-4582 / www.vacd.org

•Appropriation request #16 on 2019 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 2019 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 9,299 ambulance calls, "Medic One" responded to 185 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 2019 Town Warning

NewStory

For 39 years NewStory Center (formerly Rutland Women's Shelter) has been the single agency in Rutland County supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence by working to end the cycle of violence through support, education, prevention, and collaboration.

During FY18, NewStory Center served 784 women, men, and children through direct services such as emergency shelter, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, case management, clinical services, and the 24/7 crisis hotline. Additionally, we provide 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 2019 Town Warning

Front Porch Forum

What fuels a healthy democracy? Informed and engaged citizens. Today, technology can impede communication with an overload of noise and misinformation, which spurs often disrespectful screen-to-screen debates. In contrast, Vermont neighbors and thousands of their local public officials post and read about local issues and political matters on Front Porch Forum. Open and civil discussion on FPF leads to people being better informed and getting more involved in their communities. This helps support a healthy local democracy.

Every day on Front Porch Forum we see actions, small and large, taken by empowered and informed individuals who have a stake in the future and well-being of their neighborhoods. The result is a stronger community and stronger local democracy.

•Appropriation request #34 on 2019 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.

RGHS Rutland County works with law enforcement to provide relief for victims of animal neglect and abuse. We provide information and referral services to people dealing with animal issues.

The RGHS shelter is the largest program of the agency, taking in more than 1,320 animals in 2018.

Our agency is funded through fees for service, town funding, donations and special events. We thank those who support our operations. We only save lives with your help. In 2018, the Rutland County Humane Society took in 35 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 2019 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 July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, 796 RSVP/VC volunteers provided 177,712 hours of community service. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals \$4,451,686.

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 2019 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 planting of 5,000 native trees throughout the Poultney Mettowee watershed free of charge through programs such as Trees for Streams, American Forests, and PUR Project

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 2019

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. 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 2019 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 2019 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 51 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 2019 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 2019 Town Warning

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Founded in 1926 with the assistance of Helen Keller, VABVI's mission is to help Vermonters with visual impairments to be more independent, cultivate adaptive skills and improve their quality of life. 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. This included 130 adult clients and 20 students in Rutland County.

As the "baby Boomer generation ages, the number of Vermonters currently blind or visually impaired is expected to increase, 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 2019 Town Warning

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The American Red Cross of Vermont & New Hampshire Upper Valley

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping local communities prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters, most commonly home fires.

Our work also includes the collection and supply of blood and blood products throughout the United States, emergency communication services for Military Service Members and their families, training courses for emergency preparedness, as well as certification courses for Licensed Nurse Assistants, babysitting, and First Aid/CPR.

Vermont: (800) 660-9130.

•Appropriation request #28 on 2019 Town Warning

The Mentor Connector

Over the past 13 years, The Mentor Connector has matched over 1,000 vulnerable Rutland County youth with highly trained and supported mentors. 95% of our youth are living in poverty, 80% suffer from family instability, most are affected by violence and/or addiction. With additional resources such as a close mentor from The Mentor Connector these youth can begin to break the cycle of addiction and poverty.

Our highly skilled mentors use fun, teachable moments to transform each youth's life narrative. Every day we see the transformation from instability to hope. Each one-on-one mentor match uses an individualized program to enhance social-emotional, academic, and workforce development skills. This combination establishes goals and builds a network of support around each youth that remains a stable part of the youth's life.

www.mentorconnector.com (802) 775-3434

•Appropriation request #29 on 2019 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 2018, CFAC served 195 clients and 174 families in Rutland County. We were able to provide wrap around services and support to at least four families in Middletown Springs as they began their recovery from the effects of child abuse.

(802) 747-0200

•Appropriation request #30 on 2019 Town Warning

Vermont Center for Independent Living

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

Preliminary numbers for our FY'18 (10/2017-9/2018) show VCIL responded to over 3,700 requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. Services include interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings, as well as Peer Advocate Counselors and services.

Rutland Office, 60 Center St., Suite 1, Rutland, VT 05701, 802-779-9021, www.vcil.org.

•Appropriation request #15 on 2019 Town Warning

Town of Middletown Springs
SCHOOL PRE-TOWN MEETING

MARCH 5, 2018

The Moderator Chip Stevens called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

Members Present
Clarence Haynes
Jennell Carr
Meredith Morgan

The Meeting was called to order at 8: 10 p.m. The Warning was read by Clarence Haynes for Kimberly Mathewson.

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

Article 2: To transact any other lawful business

The question was asked as to who owned the school flag pole. This flag pole does belong to the school and is on town land. You will need to come to the School Board and let us know.

Patty Kenyon – Thank you for your hard work and a great job.

Meeting in Wells tonight and next year in M. S. A.

Each town in the district voted to join a Union District and the ballots taken to Wells for Tally.

New Supervisory Union Wells & Quarry
Stand alone – Ira & Rutland Town
Lewis Business mgn for new District
Principal will remain the same

The handout was in the Town Report which takes longer to reach the voters
The unified Union District has to have meeting which has to be warned 30-40 days
Is this something that can be in the Town Report

Estimated Tax Rate

We will remodel the whole Education Funding
Equilized Tax Rate 1.5498
M.S Tax Rate 1.47
The tax rate will not go up no more than 5%.
Current Tax at 1.47
CLA 1.827%

Wells rate 1.21; 1.33 next year

A 5 year tax rate History –
Could see tax rate decrease in next 5 years
Wells tax rate less they have students go to N y which is a lower rate
Will have budget changes for Act 46
We are not taxing Education Fund Tjos uear

Changes in House – have not heard from it yet

Tuition #'s effected
Proctor & West Rutland raised their tuition

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CLA – Property sells above/below
Lower c/a affected tax rate
CLA over 100 – House is over assessed
All sales for three years will affect the CLA

Motion Herb Childress to adjourn; Second Don Hemenway. Motion carried 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Castle
Town Clerk

WELLS SPRINGS UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

Special School District Meeting

June 6, 2018

The legal voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District consisting of the towns of Middletown Springs and Wells, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Middletown Springs Elementary School in said Town at five forty-five o'clock in the evening on Wednesday June 6, 2018, to transact the following business (Articles 1) not involving voting by Australian ballot.

In accordance with Title 17 Sec. 2662: "When any of the requirements as to notice or warning of an annual or special meeting have been omitted or not complied with, the omission or non-compliance, if the meeting and the business otherwise transacted as it is otherwise legal and within the scope of the municipal powers, may be corrected and legalized by vote at a regular meeting or special meeting of the municipality called and duly warned for that purpose."

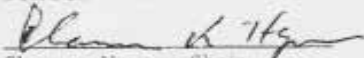
June 6, 2018

Article 1. Shall the action taken at the Meeting of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District, held on March 6, 2018, in spite of the fact that the warning incorrectly stated the Middletown Springs place of voting as the Middletown Springs Fire House instead of the Middletown Springs Historical Society, and any act or action of the municipal officers or agents pursuant thereto be readopted, ratified and confirmed.

Said persons and voters are warned and notified that voter qualifications, registration, absentee voting, and voter procedures shall be in accordance with Chapters 43 and 51 of Title 17 Vermont Statutes Annotated.

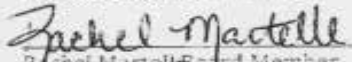
Dated at Wells, Vermont, May 2 2018.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS


Clarence Haynes, Chair


Courtney Bishop, Vice Chair


Laura Burn, Board Member

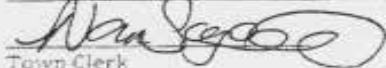

Rachel Martelle, Board Member


Sarah Haley, Clerk


Makenzie Gates, Board Member


Meredith Morgan, Board Member

Received for record and recorded prior to posting this 3 day of May, 2018


Town Clerk

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TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

March 5, 2018

The Moderator Chip Stevens called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectboard Members:

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

Representative Robin Chesnut-Tangerman spoke regarding some of the bills they are working on at this time. Presently they have 900 bills in the House and 300 in the Senate. One of the bills they are working on at this time is gun safety, and another one that would eliminate taxes on social security benefits. We have had a lot of debate over the last two years regarding drugs in Vermont and New Hampshire. The funding proposal to property taxes to income tax will need to wait until next year. They are working on the Hazard Waste bill which looks like it will be very expensive to operate. Act 46 has been delayed for a year.

The Moderator explained that we are gathered tonight to share information. Roberts Rules of order will apply, you will address the moderator and speak to the issue. You can speak on one article, need to be a resident and ask the question to me

The Warning was read by the Moderator.

Article 1: To elect Town Officers as provided by Vermont Law.

John Arsenault missed the deadline for filing a petition, but he will accept the nomination for Planning Commission. We do need new Planning Commission members.

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

We had one Auditor that did acknowledge our request last year, which did make our work easier. These petitions will all be a three year cycle. We do recognize the treasurer with her patience in working with us. The website is up to date.

Article 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

No questions

Article 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

We are working on keeping the Highway in a good financial status and also keep the roads in good order. We have been putting some money away each year to help in the future

Article 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?

A reserve fund already exists which will only be used in case of debt.

Article 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?

We do run a surplus. The 1st \$5,000.00 to tax stabilization and \$5,001.00 and up to reserve fund. The \$5,000 is in the Town Facilities and not for the Town Office.

Article 7: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs establish a reserve fund to be called the

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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?

We are putting \$25,000.--

Article 8: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to add \$8,500 to the budgeted contract with Rutland County Sheriff's Department, to increase law enforcement coverage for the Town?

In the budget this year we have \$11,500.00 for Police protection. We are in with Ira, Tinmouth and Danby for a total of 40 hours. The budget is our amount we have to pay for 10 hours per week.

Article 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?

No questions.

Article 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?

I just want to say that the First Response has been to my house and we would be in real deep trouble without them.

Motion and seconded to have Articles 11 – 33 together.

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 16: Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for the support of Vermont Rural Fire Protection Tax 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 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?

Article 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?

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Article 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?

Article 20: Shall 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

Article 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?

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Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

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I would like to publicly say Thank You to the Road Crew for the work that they do.

Voting tomorrow will be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Historical Room

Thanks to Robin & Melissa for the sound system and Thank you to the school for using the room

The new Middletown Springs Directory is available.

Motion by Herb Childress, 2nd by Donald Hemingway to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. – Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Castle

Town Clerk

Town of Middletown Springs
RESULTS OF 2018 BALLOT QUESTIONS

Ballot Articles	Yes	No	Blank	Spoiled
Article 2 Auditor's Report	287	23	9	0
Article 3 Town Budget	248	64	7	0
Article 4 Highway Budget	244	65	10	0
Article 5 Tax Stabilization	245	62	12	0
Article 6 Surplus to Facilities	220	84	15	0
Article 7 Fire Facilities Fund	193	122	4	0
Article 8 Sheriff's Contract	169	143	7	0
Article 9 Poultney Rescue Squad	287	27	5	0
Article 10 MS First Response	290	23	5	1
Article 11 RAVNA	258	50	11	0
Article 12 VT Green Up	255	56	8	0
Article 13 Rut. Mental Health	230	79	10	0
Article 14 SW VT Aging	243	70	6	0
Article 15 BROCC	219	92	8	0
Article 16 VT Rural Fire	250	60	8	1
Article 17 Poultney Comm. League	208	99	12	0
Article 18 Rut. Reg. Ambulance	268	39	12	0
Article 19 MS Fire Department	224	86	9	0
Article 20 New Story	222	87	10	0
Article 21 Rut. Humane Society	230	79	10	0
Article 22 RSVP/Volunteer Ctr.	200	107	12	0
Article 23 Poult-Mettowee Nat. Resources	196	114	9	0
Article 24 NeighborWorks	183	125	11	0
Article 25 ARC	200	102	17	1
Article 26 Rut. Parent/Child Ctr.	200	107	12	0
Article 27 VT Assn Blind	235	73	12	0
Article 28 American Red Cross	234	72	13	0
Article 29 Mentor Connector	160	135	16	0
Article 30 Child First Advocacy Ctr.	223	84	11	1
Article 31 Pleasant View Cemetery	251	56	12	0
Article 32 Regional Marketing	167	139	13	0
Article 33 MS Memorial Day Parade	238	70	11	0

Town of Middletown Springs
RESULTS OF 2018 TOWN MEETING

Elected Officials	Candidate 1	Candidate 2	Write In	Blank
Town Moderator	Kimberly Bushnell			
	282	—	0	39
Town Clerk	Laura Ann Castle	Beth Miller		
	182	137	1	1
Town Treasurer	Jenny Talke Munyak			
	280	—	2	38
Tax Collector	Laura Ann Castle			
	276	—	7	38
Selectman 3 year	Carl Haynes			
	189	—	21	111
Selectman 2 year	Chris Fenton			
	280	—	4	37
Road Commissioner	Bill Reed			
	264	—	9	48
Lister 3 year	Sally Achey			
	274	—	0	47
Auditor 3 year	Sarah Grimm			
	266	—	0	55
Library Trustee (2)	Kristal Hier	Alida Tarbell		
	245	262		135
Grand Juror	David Munyak	—		
	252		1	68
Copeland Cemetery Fund Trustee (2)	Alice Hoisington	Alida Tarbell		
	219	269	4	150
Louis Fund / Public Money Trustee (2)	Alice Hoisington	Patty McWilliams		
	218	263	0	161
School Director 3 year	Jennelle Carr	—		
	277			44

Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

WARNING

Town Meeting—Monday, March 4 and Tuesday, March 5, 2019

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 4, 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 5, 2019. At conclusion, the Informational Meeting will be recessed until 7:00 a.m. on the following day, March 5, 2019 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 5, 2019, 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 \$324,925 for the general operation of the town, the sum of \$232,375 to be raised by taxes on the 2019 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020?
4. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$402,250 for the care and maintenance of highways, the sum of \$296,750 to be raised by taxes on the 2019 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020?
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 authorize the Selectboard to expend \$20,250 to contract with the Rutland County Sheriff's Department, to provide law enforcement coverage for the Town?
8. 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?
9. 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?
10. 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?
11. 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?
12. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$867 for the support of Community Care Network/Rutland Mental Health Services determining that the program serves the residents of the town with counseling, substance abuse and emergency services?


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TOWN PRE-TOWN MEETING

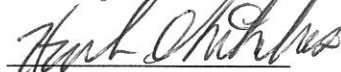
13. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$750 for the support of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging determining that the program serves the residents of the town with meal support, case management, information and other assistance?
14. Shall the voters 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?
15. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$100 for 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?
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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?
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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?
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34. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate \$150 for the support of Front Porch Forum determining that it provides communication services to the town's and region's residents?
35. To transact any other business proper to be before said meeting.

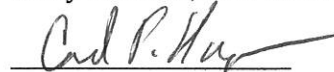
BOARD OF SELECTMEN: *January 31, 2019*


Christopher Fenton, Chair


Herb Childress, Clerk


Patricia Kenyon


Terry Redfield, Vice-Chair


Carl Haynes

*Received for filing this
1st day of February A.D.
2019 at 2 o'clock 09 minutes
Attest: Laura Castle
Town Clerk*

Town of Middletown Springs
SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

WELLS SPRINGS UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING
Annual School District Meeting

February 27 and March 5, 2019

The legal voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District consisting of the towns of Middletown Springs and Wells, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Middletown Springs Elementary School in said Town at seven o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, February 27, 2019, to transact any of the following business (Articles 1 – 6) not involving voting by Australian ballot. Upon the conclusion of the business not involving Australian ballot, the meeting is to be adjourned and reconvened in the respective polling places hereinafter named on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Middletown Springs and from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Wells at which time the polls will close, to transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot (Articles 7-8).

February 27, 2019

- Article 1. To elect a moderator for a term of one (1) year.
- Article 2. To hear the reports of the School Board and other District officials and act thereon.
- Article 3. To elect a treasurer for a term of one (1) year.
- Article 4. To elect a clerk for a term of one (1) year.
- Article 5. To hear a presentation from the School Board on the proposed 2019-20 budget.
- Article 6. To transact any other lawful business that comes before the meeting.

March 5, 2019

- Article 7. To elect one school director from the Town of Middletown Springs for a term of three (3) years.
To elect one school director from the Town of Middletown Springs for a term of two (2) years.
To elect one school director from the Town of Wells for a term of three (3) years.
To elect one school director from the Town of Wells for a term of two (2) years.
- Article 8. School Budget: Shall the voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$4,818,578, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?
It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,104 per equalized pupil which is 5.5% more than last year.

Said persons and voters are warned and notified that voter qualifications, registration, absentee voting, and voter procedures shall be in accordance with Chapters 43 and 51 of Title 17 Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Article 5 constitutes a Public Hearing.

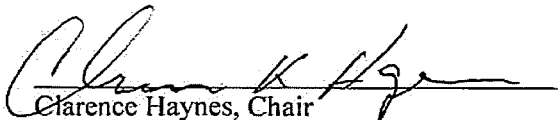
Polling Places and Times

Middletown Springs: Historical Society 7:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Wells: Town Hall 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

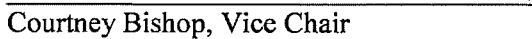
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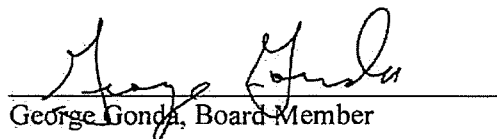
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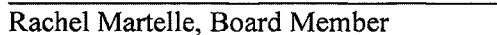

Clarence Haynes, Chair

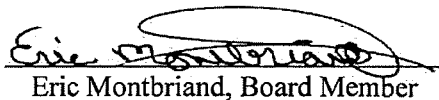

Laura Burch, Board Member


Courtney Bishop, Vice Chair

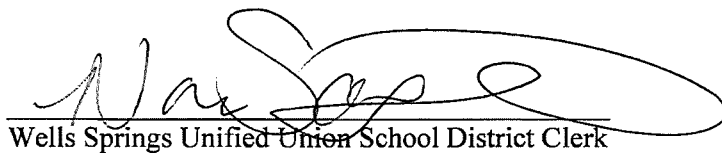

George Gonda, Board Member


Meredith Morgan, Board Clerk


Rachel Martelle, Board Member


Eric Montbriand, Board Member

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Wells Springs Unified Union School District Clerk

Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN MEETING NOTES

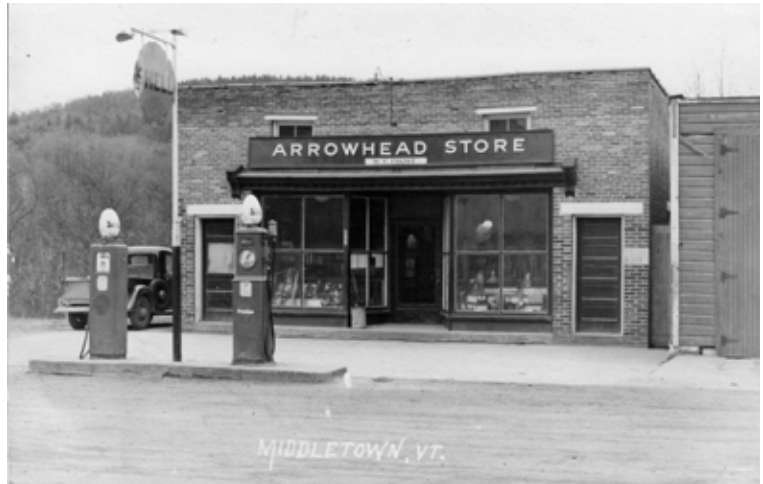
Town of Middletown Springs
TOWN MEETING NOTES

Town of Middletown Springs



waterfall off Route 133/140 and Daisy Hollow

Gardiner's
which eventually became "The Homestead"



The Arrowhead Store, run by Walton Frost, stood between Grant's Village Store building and the Green Garage, which was taken down recently as part of the Parkers' gas station site. It burned in the 1950s.



This is probably the interior of Walton Frosts' store that stood between what is now Grant's Village Store and the Green Garage on East St. It may, however, be the interior of his previous store, which burned in 1920

Photos courtesy of Middletown Springs Historical Society

To Keep Up With What's Happening In Town All Year Long

- Join **Front Porch Forum** (<http://frontporchforum.com>), the online list serve for Middletown Springs
- Subscribe to the **MiddleTOWN NEWSletter** published on or close to the first of the month. For a digital subscription write to middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com to have your email address added OR send \$6 (12 First Class stamps) to the Library to have a hard copy sent to you each month for a year.
- 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>

Notice to Voters of Middletown Springs and Wells

The Wells Springs Annual Report is available at the following locations:

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union
Middletown Springs Elementary School
Middletown Springs Town Clerk's Office
Wells Village School
Wells Town Clerk's Office
GRCSU.org

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DATES TO REMEMBER!

Wednesday, February 6: Wells Springs School Board Community Forum:
School Budget discussion - 5:30 p.m. (dinner provided), 6:15 p.m. meeting
Wells Village School

Wednesday, February 27: Wells Springs Board of School Directors Annual Meeting - 6:00 p.m. Middletown Springs Elementary School

Monday, March 4: Pre-Town Meeting - 6:30 p.m. at the School
Please bring this Town Report with you.

Monday, March 4: Deadline to vote by Early or Absentee Ballot
Town Office open until 5 p.m.

Monday, March 4: Deadline to Register to Vote
Town Office open until 5 p.m.

Tuesday, March 5: Town Meeting Vote!
Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Historical Society.