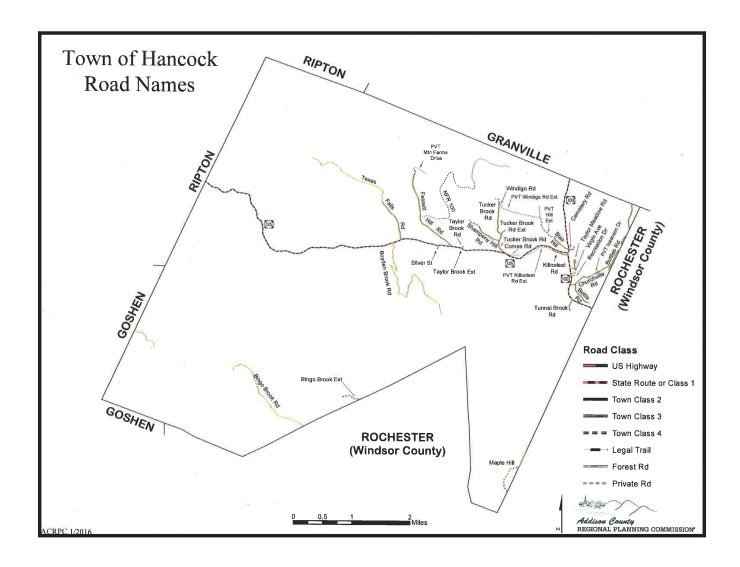
Annual Town Report for

Hancock, Vermont



Town Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

Town Meeting to be held at the Town Hall Tuesday, March 3, 2020, at 10:00 AM

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

We have examined and prepared the reports of the Town Officers for the 2018–2019 Fiscal Year as presented to us and verify them to be correct to the best of our knowledge. Many thanks to Becky Klein for her assistance with the NEMRC accounting system. We also thank Jody Troumbley, Janet Jesso, and Roger Comes for their assistance.

Geraldine Twitchell, Chair; Eva Jesso; and Rose Juliano

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An Invitation

To All Townspeople and to Any Other Interested Parties

Please join us on historic Town Meeting day. The annual Town Meeting will be held at the Hancock Town Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 2020. The meeting will be called to order at 10:00 AM.

Only legal voters of the Town of Hancock are able to vote, but any and all are welcome to meet with your neighbors, discuss your views, and become better acquainted with your local municipal body.

For any questions, please contact the Town Office at 767-3660. Or visit us at 1027 VT RT 100 to become a registered voter.

Town of Hancock

Informational Sheet

Town Office Hours

2–5 p.m. Monday; 9–2 Tuesday; 9–12p.m Thursday (other times by appointment)

Select Board Meetings

6 p.m. 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the Town Office

Contact Information

Town Clerk & Town Treasurer 767-3660 Email: townclerk@hancockvt.org

Recycling

Company: ABLE Waste Management, 802-672-3569

Location of Dropoff: Next to Hancock Building Supply/Town Sand Pile

Time/Date of Dropoff: 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 2nd and 4th Saturdays

Town Website

www.hancockvt.org

Please visit our Town Website to keep up to date with agendas, meeting minutes, contact information, and forms.

ORINANCE FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS
Pursuant to Article 24 V.S.A. §2291 (10) and 24 V.S.A. § 1974 (a), the
Selectmen of the Town of Hancock hereby adopt the following ordinance relating to the regulation of keeping of dogs and providing for their leashing or restraint within the Town of Hancock.

- DEFINITIONS: A dog "running at large" shall mean a dog which is not (a) on a leash, or (b) on or within a vehicle, or (c) on the property of its owners or his agent, or (d) clearly under the verbal command of its owner or his agent, or (e) nunting with its owner or his agent.
- A person shall not allow a dog to run at-large within the limits of the Town of Hancock. ď
- A person shall not permit any female dog "in heat" to be outside a building or outside a fenced enclosure. က်
- A person shall not permit a dog to bark excessively, or to otherwise become a public nuisance, or to create a disturbance. 4
- The Hancock Town Animal Control Officer shall be the chief enforcement office of this Ordinance. Ď,
- reasonable methods for catching and impounding a dog in violation of this The Animal Control Officer and any law enforcement officer may use all Ordinance, including the use of tranquilizing and marking apparatus. ö.
- The Animal Control Officer or any law enforcement officer may impound a dog found in violation of this Ordinance at the pound, and upon complaint, shall impound any dog found in violation of this Ordinance.
- The procedure for claiming or releasing a dog from the pound shall be as follows: ထ
- owner, if the dog is licensed. The dog shall be held for three (3) days after Upon delivery to the pound, the pound attendant shall notify the dog's the owner is notified, unless claimed earlier,
- If the dog is unlicensed, the pound attendant shall notify the radio station of the dog's description, and the dog shall be held for three (3) days after the first broadcasting of the dog's description, unless claimed earlier. ď

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- If the owner does not claim the dog within the three (3) day period, the dog shall be given to whoever pays the pound fees, rabies shots, and any other necessary fees. ပ
- If no person claims the dog, the dog may be humanely destroyed, and the Town shall pay all necessary fees.

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- No dog shall be release from the pound until it is properly licensed, and all cound and other charges are paid ш
- dog's board, all fees for licensing, and all other necessary charges and expenses benefit of the Town the sum of Ten dollars (\$10) to compensate the Town for its incurred by the pound. In addition, such person shall pay to the pound for the A person claiming the dog from the pound shall pay a reasonable fee for the reasonable expenses in enforcing this Ordinance. တ်
- A person who violates this Ordinance shall be fined not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100) 9
- If any part of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, such holding shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect. £
- This Ordinance shall be effective as agreed May 1, 1974 and adopted by the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Hancock herein. 4

TOWN OFFICERS OF HANCOCK, VT 2019-2020

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Agent to Convey Real Estate

(1 year) James Leno

Auditors (3 year)

First, expires 2020 Geraldine K. Twitchell

Second, expires 2021 Rose Juliano

Third, expires 2022 Eva Jesso (appointed) VACANT

Budget Committee (3year)

First, expires 2020 Eva Jesso
Second, expires 2021 Maurice Eaton
Third, expires 2022 Marjorie Ross

Cemetery Commission (3 year)

First, expires 2020 Maurice Eaton Second, expires 2021 Larry Bettis

Third, expires 2022 Geraldine K. Twitchell

Constable (1 year)
Delinquent Tax Collector (1 year)

Grand Juror (1 year) Justices of the Peace VACANT Jaime Morin John Ross

Roger Comes Maurice Eaton

Marjorie Ross Monica Collins

John Ross

Library Trustees (5 year)

First, expires 2020 Rose Juliano Second, expires 2021 Eva Jesso

Third, expires 2022 Jody Troumbley
Fourth, expires 2023 Margaret Rogal
Fifth, expires 2024 Gretchen Perera

Listers (3 year)

First, expires 2020 VACANT

Second, expires 2021 Wendell Thurston
Third, expires 2022 Donald Crickard

Moderator (1 Year) James Leno

Road Commissioner (1 year) James Leno (appointed)

GHUD School Board (3 year)

First, expires 2020 Sara Deering (appointed)
Second, expires 2021 Samantha Sheehan

Third, expires 2022 Stacey Peters

Select Board (3 year)

First, expires 2020 Second, expires 2021 Third, expires 2022 Town Agent (1 year)

Town Clerk (3 year) expires 2022 Town Treasurer (3 year) expires

2022

WRVA Board Member (1 year)

John Ross Daniel Perera Monica Collins Daniel Perera Jody Troumbley

Jody Troumbley

John Ross

APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

E-911 Coordinator

Asst. Town Clerk/Treasurer

Asst. Town Clerks Civil Defense

Emergency Management Energy Coordinator

Fence Viewers

Fire Warden Health Officer

Deputy Health Officers

Inspector of Wood, Shingles &

Lumber

Animal Control Officer Septic/Sewage Officer

Solid Waste/Recycle Coordinator

Stagecoach Board Member

Town Service Member

Tree Warden Weigher of Coal

Planning Commission

(6 years)

John Ross Janet Jesso

Eva Jesso and Janet Jesso

James Leno Jacques Veilleux

VACANT Daniel Perera

John Ross

Garrett Troumbley Jonathan Deering Shelley Twitchell

John Ross Monica Collins Daniel Perera

Thomas Patterson

VACANT

Richard Andrews

VACANT

Wendell Thurston

VACANT

Garrett Troumbley

John Ross

Monica Collins Forrest Patterson Kenneth Troumbley Samantha Sheehan Scott Gillette

Monica Collins

Stacey Peters Scott Gillette

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Representatives

WARNING OF ANNUAL MEETING TOWN OF HANCOCK, VERMONT MARCH 3, 2020

The legal voters of the Town of Hancock, VT are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall in said town on **Tuesday March 3, 2020 AD at 10:00** a.m. to act on the following business, viz.

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

Article 2: To elect all officers as required by law:

- Selectboard Member three year term (by ballot)
- Lister three year term (by ballot)
- Auditor- three year term (by ballot)
- Auditor 2 year term (by ballot)
- Constable one year term
- Collector of Delinquent Taxes one year term
- Grand Juror one year term
- Town Agent one year term
- Cemetery Commissioner three year term
- Road Commissioner one year term (by ballot)
- Library Trustee five year term (by ballot)
- Advisory Budget Committee three year term
- Agent to Convey Real Estate one year term
- White River Valley Ambulance Representative one year term

Article 3: Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$27,783.54 to the following social service agencies pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691:

Green-Up Vermont	\$50.00
Vermont Adult Learning	\$115.00
WomenSafe	\$500.00
Valley Food Shelf	\$500.00
Stagecoach	\$558.00
Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$800.00
Park House	\$500.00
Clara Martin Center	\$595.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT/NH, Inc.	\$1475.00
Quin–Town Senior Center	\$2,797.00
White River Valley Ambulance (\$63 per capita)	\$19,380.00
Granville Volunteer Fire Dept. First Responders \$ per capita)	\$323.00
Vermont Rural Fire Protection task Force	\$100.00
Addison County Restorative Justice	\$90.54
TOTAL	\$27,783.54

Article 4: To hear and act upon the reports of the Hancock Town Officers.

Article 5: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to apply the remaining balance in the General Fund of FY 19-20 to reducing the next fiscal year's amount to be raised by taxes.

- Article 6: Shall the voters authorize the Town Treasurer to collect current taxes pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 4791, and if so, to set the payment dates. The dates being of four equal installments dated August 15, 2020; November 15, 2020; February 15, 2021 and May 15, 2021.
- Article 7: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to borrow funds in anticipation of taxes to be received to meet the expenses of said town.
- Article 8: Shall the Town of Hancock appropriate the sum of \$378,323 to pay the current expenses for the general and highway funds for the ensuing twelve months, with 2020 2021 taxes becoming delinquent after May 15th 2021 and with the County and State taxes to be paid from the general fund.
- Article 9: To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before said meeting.

Hancock Selectboard:

Monica Collins, Chair Date

Daniel Perera Date

John Ross Date

Hancock Town Office Received and Recorded by

<u>Cum</u> Jesso Assistant Town Clerk

dated this <u>30⁻⁴²</u> day of January 2020

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	FY	19	FY 20	FY 21
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget
10-5-18-540.00 Advertising	600.00	2,951.50	600.00	2,000.00
10-5-18-650.00 Computer	700.00	0.00	1,000.00	500.00
10-5-19-810.00 Bethel/Royalton Landfill	3,400.00	3,578.84	3,600.00	3,600.00
10-5-19-811.00 County Taxes	2,000.00	1,407.78	2,000.00	1,500.00
10-5-19-812.00 VLCT Dues	1,355.00	1,355.00	1,408.00	1,355.00
10-5-19-812.01 VMCTA Dues	65.00	0.00	70.00	0.00
10-5-19-812.02 Two Rivers Ottaquechee	468.00	468.00	481.00	468.00
10-5-19-812.03 Homeward Bound	400.00	450.00	400.00	450.00
10-5-22-360.00 Sheriff Patrol	10,000.00	9,034.29	8,000.00	10,000.00
10-5-61-431.00 Bldg Maint/Repairs/Wtr Test	15,000.00	15,276.40	15,000.00	6,200.00
10-5-61-530.00 Telephone	2,000.00	2,460.40	2,000.00	2,400.00
10-5-61-622.00 Electricity	6,000.00	5,388.22	6,300.00	6,000.00
10-5-61-622.01 Street Lights	4,000.00	3,581.58	4,200.00	4,000.00
10-5-61-624.00 Fuel Oil	10,000.00	10,498.47	10,000.00	10,000.00
10-5-65-521.00 Insurance	20,000.00	13,615.85	20,000.00	15,000.00
10-5-65-526.00 Workers Comp Insurance	1,500.00	2,176.90	2,800.00	2,200.00
10-5-70-313.00 Flood Loan - Principal	25,000.00	24,916.75	25,000.00	25,000.00
10-5-70-313.01 Flood Loan - Interest	0.00	5,864.77		5,500.00
10-5-70-313.02 Fire Station - Principal	20,000.00	15,080.74	20,000.00	15,000.00
10-5-70-313-03 Fire State - Interest	0.00	3,919.26		5,000.00
Appropriations				
10-5-95-950.00 Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	
10-5-95-950.01 Vermont Adult Learning	115.00	0.00	115.00	
10-5-95-950.02 Women Safe	500.00	0.00	500.00	
10-5-95-950.03 John Graham Shelter	350.00	350.00	350.00	
10-5-95-950.04 Valley Food Shelf	500.00	500.00	500.00	
10-5-95-950.05 Stagecoach	500.00	500.00	508.00	
10-5-95-950.06 Capstone	300.00	300.00	0.00	
10-5-95-950.07 Centeral Vermont Council of	800.00	800.00	800.00	
10-5-95-950.08 Park House	500.00	500.00	500.00	
10-5-95-950.09 Clara Martin Center	595.00	595.00	595.00	
10-5-95-950.10 VNA of Vermont/New Hamp	1,475.00	1,475.00	1,475.00	
10-5-95-950.11 Quin Town Senior Center	2,587.00	2,587.00	2,716.00	
10-5-95-950.12 White River Valley Ambulan	20,349.00	20,830.26	20,349.00	
10-5-95-950.13 Granville Vol. Fire Dept.	1,280.00	1,580.00	1,280.00	
10-5-95-950.14 VT Rural Fire Protection	100.00	100.00	100.00	
10-5-95-950.15 Addision Restorative Justi	120.00	120.00	0.00	
10-5-96-815.00 Cemetery Commission Exp	5,500.00	4,268.09	5,500.00	6,100.00
10-5-96-815.01 Fire Department Expense	10,000.00	10,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
10-5-96-815.03 Library Expenses	19,350.00	18,255.75	19,900.00	17,500.00
10-5-96-815.04 Building Maint. Capital Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
10-5-96-815.06 Reappraisal Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
10-5-96-815.07 Highway Capital Project Fun-	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
Town Road Basic Maint. Taxes to be raised				10,000.00
Road Commissioner's Budget (Forest Recpt)			45,000.00	45,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	356,209.00	343,862.92	409,897.00	378,323.00

Statement of Taxes Raised for Year Ending - June 30, 2019

Grand Lis	t:	Tax Rate:	Tota	d:
Municipal	\$356,478.00	\$0.9993	\$	356,228.47
School-Homestead	\$130,810.00	\$1.6325	\$	213,547.33
School-Non-Homestead	\$207,617.70	\$1.5905	\$	330,215.95
Total Taxes to be Raised			\$	899,991.74

Total 18-19 Tax R:\$2.63 Homestead Total 18-19 Tax R:\$2.59 Non-Homestead

LIBRARY REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

BEGINNING BALANCE: \$ 6,952.20

Income Received:

Town Of Hancock (Budgeted) \$ 19,900.00

Transfer from Restricted Account

Total Income: \$ 26,852.20

Total Expenses: \$ 18,255.75

ENDING BALANCE: \$ 8,596.45

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT - NOT TOWN FUNDED

BEGINNING BALANCE \$0.00

Income Received

Donations \$404.00

Fundraisers \$563.73

Total Income \$967.73

Total Expenses \$366.00

ENDING BALANCE \$601.73

CEMETERY TRUST FUND REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 2018 - JUNE 2019

Certificate of Deposit:

Beginning Balance 07/01/18 \$ 13,268.32
Interest Accumulated \$ 99.61

Ending Balance 04/19/2019 \$ 13,367.93

Savings Account:

 Beginning Balance 07/01/18
 \$ 3,984.61

 Perpetual Care
 \$

 Cemetery Lot
 \$

 Interest Accumulated
 \$ 8.75

 Ending Balance 06/30/19
 \$ 3,993.36

ROAD COMMISSIONER MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$ 1,003.81
Income Received:	
Forestry Receipts FY 17/18	53,851.00
Forestry Receipts FY 18/19	55,045.00
State of VT Trans. Aid	16,726.45
Grant in Aid	1,816.00
Interest	110.74
Total Income:	127,549.19
Expensed out:	
Labor	206.25
Equipment rentals	701.25
Equipment and Supplies	37.40
Road Maintenance	5,697.00
Road improvements	900.00
Transferred to Highway Capital Project	65,000.00
Total Expenses:	72,541.90
ENDING BALANCE:	\$ 56,011.10

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

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Income Received:		
Town of Hancock (Budgeted)	\$	10,000.00
Total Income:		
	\$	10,000.00
Expenses:		
911 Phone Charges	\$	1,074.46
Gas/Repairs		4,712.90
Equip/Supplies		2,370.42
Radio/Radio Repairs		433.32
Misc.		533.12
Sub Total		9,124.22
Fire Dept. Bldg./Equip. Fund Transfer Out		875.78
Total Expenses		10,000.00
ENDING BALANCE	\$	

RESTRICTED ASSETS for FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

Beginning Balance:	\$ 3,233.96
Income: Interest Earned	\$ 1.48
Expenses:	\$ (4,025.00)
Ending Balance:	\$ (789.56)

HONOR ROLL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

Beginning	g Balance:	\$	2,014.23
Income:	Interest Earned	\$	3.05
	Deposit	\$	50.00
Expenses	:	\$	(132.13)
Ending Ba	alance:	nce:	

LIBRARY FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 01, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

Beginning Balance:	\$ 3,560.75
Income: Interest Earned	\$ 1.78
Expenses:	
Ending Balance:	\$ 3.562.53

STOVE ACCOUNT FOR FY JULY 1, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

Beginning Balance:	\$	
Income: Interest Earned	\$	
Expenses:	\$	
Ending Balance: Closed	\$ -	

SANCTUARY ACCOUNT FOR FY JULY 1, 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

Beginning Balance:	\$ 2,600.00
Income: Interest Earned	\$ 4.89
Expenses:	\$::=
Ending Balance:	\$ 2,607.30

Highway Capital Project Fund:

Beginning Balance 07/01/18 Interest Accumulated Town Contribution Churchville Culvert Project RD Comm drawoff Withdrawl Ending Balance 06/30/18	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	
Ending Balance 06/30/16	Ψ	234,290.02
Hancock Reappraisal Money Market:		
Beginning Balance 07/01/18	\$	6,496.23
Interest Accumulated		2.98
Deposit	\$	4,193.00
Service Charges	\$ \$ \$	<u> </u>
Ending Balance 06/30/18	\$	10,692.21
Building Maintenance Fund:		
Beginning Balance 07/01/18	\$	34,592.24
Interest Accumulated		26.37
Town Contribution	\$	10,000.00
Withdrawal	\$ \$ \$ \$	(20,700.00)
Ending Balance 06/30/19	\$	23,918.61
Hancock Scholarship Fund:		
Beginning Balance 07/01/18	\$	659.84
Interest Accumulated		0.74
	\$	660.58
Ending Balance 06/30/19		
Fire Dept. Building/Equipment Fund		
Beginning Balance 07/01/18	\$	1,710.81
Interest Accumulated	\$	2.56
Town Contribution		\$10,000.00
Income Expense	¢	\$875.78 (10,000.00)
Ending Balance 06/30/19	\$ \$	2,589.15
Hancock Tax Mapping	•	200 00
Beginning Balance07/01/18 Expenses	\$	266.00
Ending Balance 06/30/19	\$ \$	266.00
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GOVERNMENT BONDS REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 2018-JUNE 2019

Series HH Bonds:

D3963456HH \$ 500.00 D3963457HH \$ 500.00

Currency: \$ 7.50

As authorized by the selectboard the principal amount of the matured bonds has been reinvested into a CD at the Randolph National Bank. The interest earned being deposited into the Money Market Account.

Hancock's U. S. GOVERNMENT BONDS: a short history

Up until 1965 the following paragraph was included with the bonds report giving a short explanation of how they came into being -

"Because all, or parts, of various lease lots have been sold to the federal government to be incorporated in the Green Mt. National Forest, the selectmen have seen fit to set up the following trust fund. The revenue received from this fund is expected to reimburse the town for the loss of the annual lease money."

The funds began around 1940. The cash balance shown above also comes from the sale of the lease lots.

SURETY BONDS FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 2018-JUNE 2019

Through the Town's insurance policy with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, all town officials and town employees are covered under a blanket policy for up to \$500,000.00 for the fiscal year of July 2018 through June 2019.

Town of Hancock Delinquent Taxes as of June 30, 2019

Property Owner	Year	Amount	Paid after 6/30/2019	Property Owner	Year	Amount	Paid after 6/30/2019
Boutwell, Steven	2012-2013	418.63		Laplante, Shellie	2015-2016	1,890.49	Paid
Boutwell, Steven	2013-2014	382.04		Laplante, Shellie	2016-2017	2,735.68	Paid
Boutwell, Steven	2014-2015	349.36		Laplante, Shellie	2017-2018	2,894.86	Partial Paid
Boutwell, Steven	2015-2016	368.92		Laplante, Shellie	2018-2019	2,544.12	
Boutwell, Steven	2016-2017	444.52		Hilliker, Andrew	2017-2018	725.54	Paid
Boutwell, Steven	2017-2018	469.63		Hilliker, Andrew	2018-2019	660.06	Partial Paid
Boutwell, Steven	2018-2019	412.98		Hubbard, Karin	2018-2019	1,469.49	Paid
Bowen, Amanda Wick	2018-2019	24.14	Paid	Kolesnik, John	2018-2019	2,272.09	
Burnham, Richard	2018-2019	42.30	Paid	Massucco, Daniel	2018-2019	64.54	Paid
Kelly, Brenda Lee	2015-2016	571.87	Paid	McDonnell, Dale	2015-2016	4,777.09	Partial Paid
Kelly, Brenda Lee	2016-2017	1,313.04	Paid	McDonnell, Dale	2016-2017	7,526.58	
Kelly, Brenda Lee	2017-2018	1,388.17	Paid	McDonnell, Dale	2017-2018	5,866.03	
Kelly, Brenda Lee	2018-2019	614.20	Paid	McDonnell, Dale	2018-2019	2,569.60	
Buker, Jerry	2018-2019	1,274.80		Meyer, Bernard	2004-2012	2,643.73	
Carden, Elsie	2018-2019	584.93		Meyer, Bernard	2012-2013	758.39	
Carden, Howard	2018-2019	821.10		Meyer, Bernard	2013-2014	691.65	
Cowen, Richard	2018-2019	104.89	Partial Pd	Meyer, Bernard	2014-2015	632.98	
Cogley, Beulah	2018-2019	277.65		Meyer, Bernard	2015-2016	679.18	
Curtis, Leland Life Estate	2014-2015	2,665.26		Meyer, Bernard	2016-2017	495.12	
Curtis, Leland Life Estate	2015-2016	3,944.12		Meyer, Bernard	2017-2018	701.20	
Curtis, Leland Life Estate	2016-2017	3,609.56		Meyer, Bernard	2018-2019	606.40	
Curtis, Leland Life Estate	2017-2018	3,819.30		Deering, Jonathan	2018-2019	5,073.64	paid
Curtis, Leland Life Estate	2018-2019	2,452.67		Denis, James	2016-2017	551.14	Paid
Deering, Jon	2016-2017	6,789.86	Partial Paid	Denis, James	2017-2018	1,512.62	Partial Paid
Deering, Jon	2017-2018	11,909.13		Denis, James	2018-2019	1,167.32	
Deering, Jon	2018-2019	10,032.34		Gifford, Jackie	2018-2019	277.84	Paid
Deering, Jon	2016-2017	496.08	Paid	Resnik, Virginia	2018-2019	2,437.53	Paid
Deering, Jon	2017-2018	2,987.92	Paid	Robson, Richard	2018-2019	159.37	Paid
Deering, Jon	2018-2019	2,584.34	Paid	Seeger Valley Inc.	2018-2019	7,749.73	Paid
Delorm, Daniel	2018-2019	18.61	Paid	Merrill, Gordon	2018-2019	103.86	Paid
Tuggle, Clyde	2018-2019	410.59	Paid	Willson, David IV	2018-2019	19.27	Paid
Cartier, Matthew	2018-2019	3,124.46				104,413.57	
Cannon, John	2018-2019	272.71					
Eaton Partnership	2018-2019	1,709.42					
Brown, Timothy	2015-2016	205.81					
Brown, Timothy	2016-2017	2,344.24	Paid				
Brown, Timothy	2017-2018	2,426.64	Partial Paid				
Brown, Timothy	2018-2019	2,001.34					
Collins, Monica	2017-2018	57.46					
Fournier, David	2018-2019	555.79					
Cowen, Richard	2018-2019	541.21	Partial Paid				
Gerber, William	2018-2019		Partial Paid				
Hall, Jane	2018-2019	272.40	Paid				

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We would like to begin by thanking all those who serve as elected officials and who volunteer their time to the town. Your hard work is what makes this town function. Thank you for all you do.

Highlights of the year include

- Consultation with a professional accounting firm who have helped us to implement best practices. They will be assisting us throughout the coming fiscal year to review our books and ensure that all our internal controls are working. Our local auditors will remain; reconciling warrants and checks on a monthly basis.
- Thanks to James Leno for taking over the role of Road Commissioner
- The Planning Commission continues to work to update the Town Plan.
- The USDA granted us \$42,000 to repair and improve the front access to the Town Offices and Library. The work is expected to be complete by early summer. This work will repair the concrete steps, improve the parking lot and improve drainage from the road. This is a reimbursement grant. We are working with Vermont Integrated Architecture of Middlebury who will be designing and managing the project, and with TR Fellows Engineering of Rochester.
- We will be researching the possibility of throwing up Texas Falls Road beyond the last privately owned property. That would ensure town road maintenance for all homes on the road. The Forest Service would then take over maintenance of the road beyond that point. This is still at the research stage so no commitments or plans have been made. Any changes will need to be put before the town in a series of public hearings and meetings so there will be plenty of time to be heard on this issue.
- The Town will be updating its Hazard Mitigation Plan in the coming year and we will need volunteers to help. This plan, which must be revised every few years, ensures that we have a plan of action in place in the event of another emergency, natural or otherwise. If you are interested in emergency planning, the environment, and health and safety, look for an announcement in the next few months.

As always, we need volunteers to fill open positions – particularly the Planning Commission. We are all busy and these positions do not necessarily pay but they do contribute significantly to making this town a community. We hope you will join us.

Select board meetings are open to all and take place on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month at 6pm at the Town Clerk's office. We look forward to having you share your concerns and ideas with us. If you cannot make the meeting, please contact us to share your thoughts.

Respectfully submitted,

Hancock Select Board — Monica Collins, Chair, John Ross, and Daniel Perera

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It's been a year of learning and meeting new community members! Thank you to all who have welcomed me into the town office this year. Janet Jesso, Eva Jesso, Monica Collins, and many others have helped my transition into the town clerk and treasurer position happen as seamlessly as possible. Thank you!

Our new NEMRC software generated the financial reports you hold in your hands. This fiscal year was the first full year of NEMRC use. You'll notice that although the reports look different, they contain the same information as the old format. All of us at the town office have embraced the changes brought about by the new software and are moving forward with enthusiasm; we hope you can do the same! We have appreciated your patience as we continue to learn this new software.

The work in the vault continues—we have spent endless hours sorting, organizing, and filing records. Many thanks to Eva Jesso; her wealth of knowledge regarding the town is priceless! The importance of our historical documents cannot be overlooked. We will continue to sort boxes of documents, organizing and preserving them to the best of our ability.

Our town website and Facebook page are good resources—please check them out!

We look forward to another great year of growth and positive energy.

Respectfully submitted, *Jody Troumbley*

Hancock Free Public Library Report

We've been in our new space for two years and it has enabled us to hold many more programs and events.

We are a member of the Inter Library Loan system CLOVER. Inter library loans are made through this program for any resources that we don't have at the HFPL. We also belong to the Green Mountain Consortium and have access to Listen Up Vermont, an online service for e-books and audiobooks. Come into the Library to sign-up for your access number to begin using this free service.

The Library has many free and discounted passes to area museums around Vermont. Stop by and ask about how you can borrow them for your next museum visit!

In conjunction with the Friends of the HFPL during the last year we have had two Vermont Humanities Council Speakers Bureau events, one in March and one in October. The library works closely with the Friends group. See their report for more information.

In cooperation with the Hancock Recreation Committee, we sponsor monthly STEM programs the first Saturday of every month at 9:30am. This program is in its second year.

We also hold a Knit 'n Stitch group to encourage handcrafts and companionship. This takes place the first Thursday of the month.

Watch the Herald of Randolph for additions to our collection of books and digital media.

The Library is open Wednesday 12:30-5:30pm; Thursday 12:30-6:30pm; and Saturday 9am-noon.

Hancock Library Trustees: Eva Jesso, Chair Margi Rogal, Treasurer Gretchen Perera, Secretary Rose Juliano Jody Troumbley

Caroline Meagher, Librarian

2019 HANCOCK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

We had 17 calls this year. $2 \sim$ smile in house from wood stoves, $1 \sim$ house fire Leland Curtis), $3 \sim$ power lines down - 1 on Churchville and 2 on Rte 125, $3 \sim$ car accidents, $1 \sim$ Fire alarm (Snowbowl), $1 \sim$ missing person (Johnson Care Home, $1 \sim$ smoking washer.

Mutual aid to Granville - 2 car accidents, 1 house fire, 1 lift assist.

Mutual aid to Rochester - 1 house fire.

We also did some in house training. We were giving the opportunity to burn a house on Rte 125 for training. With a lot of paperwork to do to make this happen, it was a very successful training with Hancock, Rochester, and Granville Departments. Thank you to Neil Gibbs for doing most of the paperwork.

It was also our auction year. We had a couple of houses to get donations from, which was a big help to the department. The auction was a big success. Thank you to everyone who gave and bought stuff. We used some of the money raised to purchase new fire-fighting tools.

We have received a donation from a residence with smoke in the house to purchase some hand tools to keep on our pumper truck.

I would like to thank The Lions Club for their donation which we used to purchase some new helmet lights for our interior firefighters.

The fire department now has a Facebook page. You can go on and see what we have been doing. Please visit and like our page. I will try to keep it up to date.

Last, I would like to thank all the members of the fire department.

Chief ~ Jacques Veilleux

1st assist ~ Ken Troumbley Joe Shaw Andrew Bordanaro Chet Baxter Jr firefighter ~ Garrett Brown 2nd assist ~ Ricky Andrews Captain ~ Jordan Champney Thomas Veilleux Jon Deering Sec./Treas. ~ Renee Veilleux Garrett Troumbley Ryan Veilleux Training officers ~ Tim Ryan Veilleux Brown and Kevin Hewitt Brandon Stone Rob Deering

Friends of the Hancock Free Public Library - 2019 Report

The Friends of the Hancock Free Public Library formed in 2012 to support the Hancock Free Public Library (HFPL). During this time, we've shown that support in a variety of ways including holding programs and events and buying books and materials.

In 2019, the Friends applied for, and received two Vermont Humanities Council Speakers Bureau grants. The first speaker was Michael Lange whose program, "The Many Meanings of Maple" was held in March and was very well received. The second speaker, Howard Coffin led a talk on "Vermont, 1800 and Froze to Death: The Cold Year of 1816" in September in front of a full house.

The Friends sponsored a Beading Workshop in July. Another event, hosted by the Friends, is in its second year and is the popular Knit 'n Stich which takes place on the first Thursday of the month from 6-7pm, generally just during the colder months.

In November, the Friends sponsored a free bird drawing program for children by the Birds of Vermont Museum in Huntington, VT. This program was very popular.

If you'd like to help support the Friends, there are many ways to do so:

- The Friends sponsor a book sale cart with books in all genres at the Library.

 Money raised helps add to the collection and supports programs and events.
- There is a book discussion group, Valley Readers, which has been going strong for seven years. The group meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm and anyone is welcome to join.
- Our Adopt an Author program is in its third year and is a fun way to expand the collection. Ask at the HFPL how you can take part.
- A nice way to remember a loved one, or honor a friend or family member, is to donate to the Friends. The money is used for books and programs to support the HFPL. Friends is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
- Friends of the Hancock Free Public Library has a Facebook page with information on events and activities so please "like" the page to keep up with the latest happenings.
- Consider joining the Friends group. Donation levels start as low as \$10/year.

If you'd like more information on the Friends, please contact Jill Jesso-White, President, at 767-4128.

Hancock Town Pride - Annual Report for 2019

Formed in 2012, Hancock Town Pride had another busy year working towards its three goals of beautifying the town, holding events and activities and fostering community spirit. We have a Facebook page where we post events and announcements. Please "like" our page!

In January we worked with the Huntington House Inn to hold a very successful Silent Auction. A big thanks to all the area businesses and individuals who donated items for people to bid on.

We continued our annual tradition of distributing sunflower seeds to anyone interested at the Memorial Day parade. Thanks to Ross Parker and Denise Chapin for the donation of seeds. We also handed out sunflower seedlings planted and donated by Meg Brown so a big thanks to her as well. We planted the beautiful planters at the base of the bandstand and the wooden barrels with flowers at various locations around town. Thanks to all our volunteer waterers who helped with the flowers all summer. All the sunflowers around town look great.

We donated funds to the Hancock Recreation Committee to go towards the purchase of a toddler swing on the playground at the municipal building. It got lots of use and was a great addition.

We had an active summer concert series on the Hancock Town Green in 2019, with six evenings of music on the bandstand. July's concerts opened with The Michele Fay Band, based in Ripton, followed by the rockabilly music of The Starlight Rhythm Boys. Then the unique sound of steel drums filled the valley when The Panhandlers performed. August brought the return of The Pete Seeger Memorial Concert, featuring Camp Killooleet musicians as well as singers and instrumentalists from the valley. Greg Ryan assembled some topnotch players for a performance of The Greg Ryan Band, and the series concluded with a Full Moon Concert featuring a full roster of popular local performers. We were pleased that the Hancock Volunteer Fire Department and the Hancock Recreation Committee offered hot dogs, drinks, salads and desserts at every concert. We will continue to offer this free concert series in 2020 and invite everyone to bring folding chairs and enjoy the great music and beautiful outdoor setting. It's a wonderful evening out for all ages!

This year we erected a permanent sign for the Hancock Town Green which was used to advertise each week's concert. We'll have flowers planted around it for 2020 to make it look even better.

We again put together a crew of volunteers in August to provide support to the runners of the 100 on 100 Relay Race at their stop on Route 100 in Hancock. We received a donation for doing this and it's another way we raise needed funds. We're always looking for volunteers to help us with this! If you're interested, please let us know because we're signed up to do it again in 2020.

In early December we gathered to make evergreen sprays to hang on our municipal buildings and the bandstand. They looked very festive through the holiday season.

We always welcome new members to join us! We'd love to hear your ideas and feedback as we work toward adding to the beauty and community spirit of our town.

Respectfully Submitted, Hancock Town Pride Jill Jesso-White, President

HANCOCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Hancock Historical Society (HHS) reorganized in 2016 and is an official 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. We're settled into our new location (the former Hancock Free Public Library) and are busy sorting and cataloging our collection.

Two Open House were held. The first one was on May 25, 2019 and focused on celebrating our Veterans. The second one was October 12, 2019, which gave people a chance to come visit and see our artifacts and ask questions.

In January 2020 the HHS presented at the Quin Town Center for Senior Citizens. Everyone enjoyed looking at the photos and articles on display.

We invite everyone to come to meetings, come to events and just visit our building. To keep track of the HHS meetings and activities, like our Facebook page.

Officers for the HHS are: Eva Jesso, President, Gretchen Perera, Vice President, Jody Troumbley, Secretary and Roger Comes, Treasurer.

2019 Hancock Recreation Committee Town Report

The Hancock Recreation Committee believes that recreation is crucial to people's quality of life, improving both physical and social health and strengthening communities. We sincerely appreciate the assistance and support of the Hancock Fire Department, The Hancock Free Public Library, Friends of the Hancock Free Public Library, and Hancock Town Pride. It is our hope in 2020 to begin a community conversation around recreation space and what we as a town would like to see created to further enhance our quality of life. Stay tuned!

In 2019 we collaborated with a number of community organizations throughout our valley to create the White River Valley Calendar (wrvcalendar.com). If you haven't visited it yet take a moment to check it out. To date there are 12 organizations participating. If you'd like to learn more about how you can participate in the calendar contact us at hancockreccommittee@gmail.com. We also received a donation from Hancock Town Pride that allowed us to purchase a bucket swing for the playground. In 2019, we also held a number of events including:

- Pick-up Soccer Games July August we had a number of children and a few parents come out to join us.
- Mid-Summer Block Party On Saturday July 13th we had a number of community members, join us for some summer fun. There was a bounce house, face painting, a bbg, pie baking contest, and splash zone.
- Valley Story Hour On Saturday September 7th we held our 2nd Valley Story Hour. Several families joined us for stories around town. They voted on their favorite story which was donated to the Hancock Free Public Library for others to enjoy!
- Community Pot Luck Game Night We had a number of community members come out and join us for a night of delicious food and lots of board game fun.
- Trunk or Treat In 2019 we moved our Trunk or Treat event to the Saturday afternoon before. We were graced with beautiful weather and once kids were done trick-or-treating through our trunk or treat lot (including a visit to the table hosted by the Hancock Free Public Library), they played games on the lawn.
- Tree Lighting & Holiday Event On Saturday November 30th a number of community members gathered at the Town Hall for some holiday fun. There were several musical performances, a delicious dinner provided by the HRC and crafts and cookie decorating.
- STEM Days at the Hancock Free Public Library probably one of the most exciting programs are the STEM Days which are a collaborate effort between the Rec Committee and the Hancock Free Public Library. We made balloon powered race cars, had a Lego day, made natural egg dye, compared physical reactions vs. chemical reactions, and did an egg drop.

In 2019 we were again grateful for the opportunity to sell refreshments at the Hancock Town Pride summer concert series. Committee volunteers and local businesses have provided many donations to make these events a reality. We couldn't do any of this without their support.

In 2020 we have a number of upcoming events we hope community members will join us for:

- STEM Days at the Hancock Free Public Library the first Saturday of the month from 9:30 10:30. February will be Moon Rovers, March Lego Day, April Sound Explorations, May Egg Drop.
- **February 8** Community Game Night Pot Luck from 5:00 7:00, we invite community members to join us for a pot luck and an evening of their favorite board games.
- March 21 Murder Mystery Pot Luck Dinner. We invite community members to join us for a pot luck dinner followed by a group game based on the board game Clue!
- May 9 Back to Roots Pot Luck Dinner 5:00 7:00. We invite community members to bring a dish representing their heritage.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Anderson, Hancock Recreation Committee Chair

TOWN FUNDS REQUEST

John V. Craven Community Services Center Vermont Adult Learning - Addison Middlebury, Vermont 05753 282 Boardman Street AGENCY NAME: ADDRESS:

David Roberts, Regional Director droberts@vtadultlearning.org CONTACT INFORMATION; CONTACT PERSON:

802-388-4392, ext. 1011

We provide adults with basic skills instruction in reading, writing and math, GED prep and testing, a high school diploma program, and classes for English Language Learners.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

\$115.00 HANCOCK RESIDENTS SERVED: AMOUNT REQUESTED FY19; AMOUNT REQUESTED FY20:

SOURCES OF INCOME/EXPENSES IN PERCENTAGES* (Fiscal Year 2018: July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019):

1412

TOTAL SERVED STATEWIDE:

\$429,602 82.67% 1.16% 7.64% 8.51% 0.02% TOTAL Salaries and benefits Major Expenses Office expenses Programs Facilities Other \$429,602 80.99% 11.10% 5.17% 0.75% 1.36% .63% Rec'd from grants & other: Rec'd from municipal tax: Rec'd from federal taxes; Rec'd from United Way Rec'd from state taxes; Rec'd from donations: Sources of Income

TOTAL 100.00%

*This data portains to the Middlebury site only, not VAL as a whole.

100.00%

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

goals and enhance their quality of life. We work with each student to develop an individualized learning plan that includes a transition to further education or employment. We offer GED testing, programs for completing a high school diploma, basic skills instruction in reading, writing, and math and classes for English Language Learners (ELL). Instruction is also available to students who need skill preparation for college or employment purposes. Vermont Adult Learning (VAL) offers a variety of learning opportunities to help adults achieve their educational

VAL also offers WorkKeys® certification, a nationally recognized career readiness certificate based on "real world" skills that employers look for in employees. In addition, we are contracted by the Vermont Department of Children and Families to place and support Reach-Up participants in unsubsidized work experiences. Our programs are free and confidential

We are grateful to the townspeople of Hancock for supporting the services we provide,

Kerri Duquette-Hoffman, Executive Director 24-hour Hotline: 802-388-4205 Business: 802-388-9180 info@womensafe.net WomenSafe, Inc.

www.womensafe.net

Last year WomenSafe staff and volunteers provided the following total services:

- 4,800 in-person meetings/phone calls to 515 people.
- Worked with caregivers of a total of 325 children exposed to violence.
- 213 supervised visits and monitored exchanges for 23 children. 0
- Prevention Programming reached: 0
- 2,572 adults and youth through 355 workshops.
- 948 adults and youth through 32 events.
- 75 volunteers donated 8,691 hours of services.

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In Hancock, WomenSafe provided:

- Advocacy services to at least 2 residents* including the parents of at least 5 children exposed to violence.
- 12 presentations to 292 students and 4 adults at MUMS which may serve Hancock students.
- * For safety, some people do not share their town of residence.

Corrected Central Vermont Council on Aging Appropriation Request for Hancock for Fiscal Year 2019-20 December 6, 2019

Mission Statement:

CVCOA supports older Vermonters to live with dignity and choice.

Amount of Request: \$800 — (Level Funding)

Date: December 6, 2019

Central Vermont Council on Aging is the primary agency serving older Vermonters aged 60 and over as well as their families and caregivers throughout the 54 towns of Central Vermont. We are a private nonprofit that assists these elders to remain independent for as long as possible. All services are made available to our clients at no charge, without regard to health, income or other resources.

The funding provided by the 54 Central Vermont towns we serve is essential to Central Vermont Council on Aging, and directly serves its mission of supporting elders and family caregivers in leading self determined, healthy and dignified lives in their homes and communities. We accomplish this by connecting seniors to a wide array of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive.

The financial support from the town of Hancock helps to ensure that the resources are available to support the well-being of older Vermonters in the town of Hancock. Please review the report of services that accompanies this request for a list of some of the many services that we make available to the seniors in your town.

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

Central Vermont Council on Aging Report of Services to Hancock FY18 December 6, 2019

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

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

Some of the options we make available include:

- CVCOA Help Line (800) 642-5119 has the answers to hundreds of common questions from elders, families and caregivers.
- Information & Assistance staff counsel elders and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, and more.
 - Case Managers work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement and coordinate individualized long-term care plans.
- Nutrition Services oversees the menu development and technical assistance for home-delivered and Community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals.
 - State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, Medicare & You workshops, and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans.
- Family Caregiver Support promotes the well-being of the family members serving as caregivers to loved ones, including administration of the Dementia Respite Grant.

During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 35 Hancock residents. Case Manager Kathryn Schenkman is designated to work directly with the seniors in Hancock.

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



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PO Box 356, 1 L Street, Randolph, Vermont 05060 Phone 802-728-3773, Fax 802-728-6232 www.stagecoach-rides.org

October 21, 2019

Hancock, VT 05748 PO Box 100

Dear Selectboard Members,

On behalf of Stagescech Transpotation Services, I am writing to thank you for the Town of Hancock's generous support last year. In FY19, your support helped us provide 112,671 rides including 2,595 trips for Hancock Residents through our Dial-A-Ride and fixed route bus systems.

The state and federal grants which primarily fund these rides require us to raise Stagecoach's requests of towns account for less than 1/4 of the 20% requirement. To help us meet this requirement, we respectfully request funding of \$588 for FY21 to be placed before the Hancock voters for up to 20% of the cost of the programs through "local match" dollars. consideration.

We are requesting this contribution because;

- Handock residents can access bus services to employment and shopping centers in Montpelier, Randolph, White River Junction, and Hanover-Lebanon NH;
- Stagecoach provides for seniors, persons with disabilities, and other vulnerable populations to access a variety of destinations including grocery shopping, medical appointments, errands, and social events; Hancock residents can utilize transportation alternatives that 'n
- Stagecoach provides transportation to Senior Citizens from their home in Hancock to Gifford Adult Day and the Quin-Town Senior Center for meals and social events,

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request – we greatly appreciate iti

Sincerely,

Jim Moulton Exacutive Director

STAGECOACH TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC. A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization

CLARA MARTIN CENTER

Child and Family Services Ayers Brook, Randolph, VT 05060 (802) 728-4466	Community Support Services 24 South Main St., Randolph, VT 05060 (802) 728-6000	Adult and Children Outpatlent Services 1483 Lower Plain Rd., Bradford, VT 05033 (802) 222-4477
Farmhouse P O Box 278, Dradford, VT 05033 (802) 222-4477	East Valley Academy 579 VT Rte. 14 So., East Randolph, VT 05041 (802) 728-3896	Central VT Substance Abuse Services (CVSAS) 100 Hospitality Orive, Berlin, VT 05601 (802) 223-4156
Safe Haven 4 Highland Ave., Randolph, VT 05060 (802) 728-5233	Regional Alternative Program Norwich Avenue, Wilder, VT 05088 (802) 295-8628	Wilder PO Box 816, Wilder VT 05088 (802) 295-1311
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Clara Martin Center provides a	multitude of services throughout great	Clara Martin Center provides a mulfitude of services throughout greater Orange County to best meet the needs of community
members in a holistic approach.	These include individual, couples, and gre	members in a holistic approach. These include individual, couples, and group therapy and services for co-occurring mental health and
substance abuse. We also offer	psychiatric consultations and evaluati	substance abuse. We also offer psychiatric consultations and evaluations and medication management services. Services are
confidential and include:		

Alcohol and other drug treatment 24-hour emergency system Vocational Services Hospital Diversion Walk-in Clinic Respite Care AA A A A A School and Home-based services Community resource assistance Short-term crisis intervention **Outpatient Counseling** Education for families Psychiatric Services

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greater Orange County area for the last 50 years.

Clara Martin Center is your local community mental health agency, providing behavioral health and substance abuse services to the

Clara Martin Center's broad range of programs serve children, families, couples and individuals. Services are confidential and include counseling, psychiatric services, consultations, short term crisis intervention, school and home-based services, education for families related to emotional and behavioral challenges, community resource assistance, hospital diversion, respite care, housing, vocational services, alcohol and other drug treatment, a walk-in clinic and 24 hour emergency services.

challenges of the communities we serve. Recent events in our communities have spotlighted opiate use, where Clara Martin Center is at the forefront of this epidemic, providing help to those in the community dealing with this problem. Anyone can get help through our Substance Abuse programming by simply walking through our doors, or calling 728-4466. With 50+ years of experience and leadership under our belt, Clara Martin Center remains positioned to rise to meet the needs and

to engage and connect with youth in order to intervene and/or treat substance abuse and mental health issues that impact their ability to thrive in the world. This program aims to reduce the risk factors for youth by helping them to obtain and keep stable housing, jobs, and Prevention programming for at-risk teens through Clara Martin Center's TAY (Transition Age Youth) puts clinicians out on the street build skills to achieve long term success in their lives for themselves and others.

For more information about Clara Martin Center services, visit our website at www.claramartin.org.

FY18 TOTAL SERVED AT CMC		TOTAL SERVED Hancock	
Children & Family Services	545	Children & Family Services	2
School Services	110	School Services	0
JOBS	106	JOBS	1
Adult Services	658	Adult Services	2
CSP Services	166	CSP Services	0
Supportive & Transitional Housing	56	Supportive & TransItlonal Housing	0
Substance Abuse Services	497	Substance Abuse Services	2
Corrections Services	7.1	Corrections Services	0
Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	430	Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	2
Access	1236	Access	7
Total Served - unduplicated	2270	Total seen:	11
CVSAS	296	CVSAS	1

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH Home Health, Hospice and Skilled Pediatric Services in Hancock, VT

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, nonprofit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay. VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

Between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019 VNH made 194 homecare visits to 8 Hancock residents. This included approximately \$5,152 in unreimbursed care to Hancock residents.

- Home Health Care. 87 home visits to 6 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- Hospice Services: 107 home visits to 2 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

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

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

Sincerely,

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Hilary Davis, Director Community Relations and Development (1-888-300-8853)

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens PO Box 113

1097 Route 100 Hancock, VT 05748

802-767-3763 quintownsnretr@myfairpoint.net

Oct 28, 2019

To the Town of Hancock Select Board/Budget Committee:

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens is based in Hancock and since 1972 has given the senior citizens in our valley a place to go for onsite meals on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at noon. We also provide nutritionally balanced meals delivered to homebound members through our Meals on Wheels program. But the much-appreciated reimbursement we receive from the Central Vermont Council on Aging just isn't enough to meet our needs.

The Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens is requesting a donation from each of the surrounding towns that comprise Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens. Our request from Hancock is \$2716.00 for the coming year. We have supplied over 5,300 meals this past year to seniors at the center and through our Meals on Wheels program. Our doors are open to meet our seniors' needs. We create a warm and inviting atmosphere for our seniors to socialize, we serve local foods as much as possible, and we provide nutrition information and education. Our Meals on Wheels program not only provides healthy meals to seniors but also provides us with an opportunity to perform a wellness check for our senior neighbors. If our Meals on Wheels clients are not home or don't answer the door when we attempt to deliver their meals, we follow up with them later in the day and/or call their emergency contact so they can check in as well.

Our donation request will cover a portion of our operating budget not reimbursed by our contract with the Central Vermont Council on Aging. Therefore, each contributing town and its citizens become participants in the successful operation of our program, which provides quality meals and social enrichment for our aging neighbors and relatives within our five communities.

We continue to supplement our funds with a very successful annual appeal each fall and have increased our search for grants and other fundraising events. We would be glad to meet with you if you have any questions. Thank you for your generous support in the past and for considering our current request.

Sincerely,

Quin-Town Board of Directors

Board of Directors

~ Natalie Clook, President ~ Kent Butterfield, Vice President & Treasurer ~
Members: Annette West, Bev Allen, Marjorie Foley, Michael Perkowski, Linda Reed
Staff

Stati ~ Jody Troumbley, Executive Director ~ Brigitte Smith, Cook ~ Lynda Settlers, Assistant Cook ~ Marjorie Foley, Dishwasher ~



emergency medical service and ambulance transport agency serving the towns of Barnard, Bethel, Braintree, Brookfield, Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Randolph, Rochester and Stockbridge. We depend on billing income and the municipal contributions from your communities to provide quality emergency Thank you, neighbors, for your continued support of White River Valley Ambulance. We are a non-profit

licensure level the state issues. This allows us to operate with an advanced skill set, which improves the outcome of our patients in our rural communities. White River Valley Ambulance maintains two Paramedic level staffed ambulances 24/7, 365 days a year. From January 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019 White River Valley Ambulance responded to 1,342 emergency calls and transfers. White River Valley Ambulance is designated as a Vermont Critical Care Paramedic service, the highest

Over the past year we have held an EMT and an AEMT class to help increase the number of qualified responders in our communities with First Response squads, and WRVA. We hosted school field trips throughout the year to show and explain how Emergency Medical Services operate. We have held numerous CPR and First Aid courses throughout the past year as well.

WHAT WE DO MAY INTEREST YOU

- We are a professional ambulance service, with 10 full-time employees and multiple part-time staff. We staff two Paramedic level ambulance crews 24/7, 365 days a year.
- We provide primary 911 ambulance service to 10 communities, covering an area over 500 square
- We respond to more than 1,200 calls for help every year.
- We transport patients from Gifford Medical Center to other healthcare facilities each year, often providing Critical Care level transport services. We also provide Advanced Life Support transfer to other hospitals throughout the state
- We are a regional American Heart Association Training Center, providing CPR and First Aid courses to community members across central Vermont.

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In 2020, we will continue to push the boundaries of what is possible in rural, pre-hospital medicine by incorporating continuous quality improvement and excellence in education. We will continue to accept more transfers from other medical facilities throughout the state. This will maintain our call volume and help control the per capita rate, which will be \$60.00. This is a decrease from \$63.00 from 2019.

Let us enter 2020 by expressing how thankful we are for the numerous first responders, and fire departments who volunteer their time to help a neighbor in need. Your dedication and commitment to serve makes a difference in the lives of those who call for help. For that, we can never thank you enough.

3190 Pleasant St., Bethel, VT 05032 802-234-6800 www.wvra.org

GRANVILLE VOL. FIRE DEPARTMENT 5051 VT Route 100

Granville, VT 05747 Tel.: (802) 767-3033



"Proudly serving Granville, Vermont and the surrounding communities since 1951"

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Structure Fires	4		
Chimney Fires	0		
Outside/Wildland Fires	0		
Motor Vehicle Collisions	rs.		
Tree/Power Lines Down	2		
Flooding/Traffic Control	0	Other Town	
Fire Alarm Activations	2	Granville	24
Emergency Medical	141	Hanceck	44
Service Calls	4	Rochester	9.5
HAZ-MAT	0	Total Calls	161

Emerge	Emergency Response Roster	
Danial Sargeant, Fire Chief/EMR	Drake Hill	Lisa Lablanc
Brian Sargeant, Assistant Chief	Brennan Bordonaro, EMT	Lynne Smith
Theodore Smith, 2 nd Assistant Chief	Nancy Shaw, EMT	Kayla Stone
Harley Vadnais, Captain	Victor Ribaudo, EMR	Rebecca You
Kira Sargeant, Lieutenant	Cheyenne Smith, Cadet	Semous Dayle
Kerin Vadnais, Treasurer/EMT	Sophia Kwiatkowski, Cadet	
Auxili	Auxiliary Fire Department	
Dave Winborn	James Parrish Vi	Victoria Crowne
Tammi Beattie	Douglas Fuller Lyr	Lyndsay Sargeant
Luke McSweeney	Nathan Reinhold Bri	Brianna Ronssell
Nicholas Beattie Gre	Gregory Millard, EMR	Ryan Pease
Kent Doyle		



Vermont Rural Fire Protection Fask Force

(802) 828-4582 | dryhydranfguy@yahoo.com | www.vacd.org Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD) 170 Lower Sumner Hill Road, Sumner, ME 04292

December 15, 2019

Request for Town Appropriation, Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program Re:

Dear Board of Selectpersons, Town Clerks and Auditors:

program, over 1100 grants totaling \$2.6 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire installations, and find financial support to support the costs of construction. During the 22+ years of the On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

Over the past several years, the Rural Fire Protection Program has made a successful transition from the Northern Vermont and George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Councils to landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservations Districts, whose mission is to work with

including changing the name from Dry Hydrant Grant Program to Rural Fire Protection Program to better relocation, upgrades of existing RFP systems, and drafting site development are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project. New Rural Fire Protection systems along with repair, replacement, reflect the diverse range of projects we support. We have increased the maximum grant award amount We have made a number of adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program in recent years, revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks Department of Public Safety through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2019 was \$154,325, of which \$63,450 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covers site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Vermont

in town appropriations from almost 100 towns, with contributions still coming in. We are deeply grateful Rural Fire Protection Program. Since last year's appropriation request, we have received nearly \$10,000 we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the for this ongoing support. 215 Vermont communities have benefitted from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

or Jill Arace, Executive Director of VACD, with any questions you may have. Our contact information is Enclosed please find a summary report for the Rural Water Supply Grant Program, as well as an invoice. W-9 and tax form 990 from VACD in case they are required. Please feel free to contact me, Troy Dare, provided below. If you would like to receive this appropriation request by mail instead of by email, please contact Troy Dare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Maclay, Chair Thomas Macley

Troy Date, Program Manager & contact person Town Appropriation business (802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program

(802) 426-3265 | 83 creameryst@fairpoint net

Rural Fire Protection Task Force

Jill Arace, Executive Director

Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD) (802) 496-5162 | jill.arace@vacd.org

Rural Fire Protection Task Force Members:

Mike Greenia, Vermont Division of Fire Safety Bill Sanborn, Vice-Chair, Town of Maidstone Haley Pero, Senator Bernie Sanders' Office Lars Lund, VT Forest Parks & Recreation Fyler Hermanson, VT Enhanced 9-1-1 Fom Maclay, Chair, Marshfield VFD Christine Kaiser, Stowe VT

Town of Hancock Select Board:

The Valley Food Shelf is requesting an appropriation of \$500.00 to be voted on at the 2020 Annual Town meeting to assist in covering needs in the valley. The Food Shelf serves the towns of Granville, Hancock, and Rochester and is located in the basement of the Federated Church of Rochester which also serves as the fiduciary agent. The bulk of the food is purchased at the VT Food Bank in Barre. We are open monthly. In 2019 we served approximately 175 families and 378 individuals. We are expecting an increase in need for 2020 with food stamp cuts. The Food Shelf is only possible with donations we receive from the community. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

The Valley Food Shelf

The Federated Church of Rochester Please address and send checks to:

P.O. Box 197

Rochester, VT 05757-0197 with a notation for the Food Shelf

Addison County Restorative Justice Services

P. O. Box 861, 282 Boardman Street, Middlebury, VT 05753 Phone: 802-386-386-386-386-5754 Website: www.nerib.org

December 11, 2019

Addison County Restorative Justice services is requesting \$90.54 in support from the Town of Hancock in the 2020/2021 budget,

program participant develop empathy and accept responsibility while providing compensation of loss community in a positive way, and learn from their experience so as not to reoffend and cause harm to for the victims and compensation of resources for the community, Anyone given the opportunity to meeting the needs of the victim, the community and the program participant, The goal is to help the ACRJS provides community restorative justice responses focusing on the "balanced approach" in participate in our programs is supported to take responsibility for their actions, connect with the yet another person.

who have committed a crime and have a mental illness or substance use problem. All programs have the Restorative Panels, Reentry Navigation and Circles of Support and Accountability for those reentering goal for the participant of instilling a sense of belonging and commitment to contribute to the Addison Program to include the Driving with License Suspended Program, Safe Driving Program, Reparative the community from incarceration, Pretrial Monitoring and Tamarack for those community members County Community as positive, proactive member and to not create any more victims, essentially We have expanded our programs beyond Court Diversion and the Youth Substance abuse safety decrease crime in the county.

The following is a breakdown of the number of individuals from the Town of Hancock who were provided services through our agency in FY 2019

Court Diversion Youth: 0 Court Diversion Adult: 1

Reparative Restorative Panels: 0 Youth Substance Abuse Safety Programs: 1

Cosa: 0 Driving With License Suspended: 0

Reentry Navigation:0

Pretrial Services: 0

Safe Driving: 0 Tamarack: 0

Reparative Pretrial:0

Thank you for your continued support!

Ser a - S Sincerely,

Jean A. Stone B.A.

Executive Director

Addison County United Way Member Agency



Supportive Services for Veteran Families at the University of Vermont

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) at the University of Vermont Is dedicated to ending Veteran homelessness with permanent stable housing.

include those who are currently homeless, those who have been chronically homeless, or those with a homeless, and have very low or extremely low income. The most in need Veterans prioritized for help concepts that guide the work at UVM SSVF are housing first, crisis response, and Veteran household household including young children and/or with elderly members. The three core evidence based Eligible Veterans who have had active duty service, are literally homeless or at risk of becoming

Please post and share widely to any and all Individuals, Veterans, and/or service providers in your community who may encounter a Veteran in need.

Should you have additional questions, please call our main office at (802) 656-3232.

Respectfully,

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Hills Agricultural Science Building 105 Carrigan Drive, 217A University of Vermont Burlington, VT 05405



greenup@greenupvermont.org Montpelier, VT 05601-1191 (802) 229-4586 Vermont Green Up Inc. PO Box 1191

TOWN OF HANCOCK OCT 17 2019 RECEIVED

Town of Hancock P.O. Box 100 Hancock, VT 05748

Dear Town:

10/14/2019

Thank you for your past appropriation for Green Up Vermont, your help is crucial to sustain our mission of cleaning up our roadways and waterways. Your contribution is greatly appreciated! As Green Up rolls into our 50th year, we are again asking for your continued support for 2020.

For your convenience, below is an invoice in the amount you appropriated last year. Please note that many towns allocate money through their Road Line budget each year. The amount requested is based on town population:

0-1,000; \$50

- 1001 - 2000: \$100 - 2001 - 3000: \$150 - 3001 - 4,000: \$200

4,001 up: \$300

Green Up Vermont is a private, non-profit organization whose mission is to promote and organize a statewide clean-up day, always the first Saturday in May, and to raise public awareness for a litter free environment. Quick litter stats from 2019: 43 tons of litter and over 2,100 tires were collected. This data is from only about half of our participating towns that flied post-Green Up reports. We will be striving to obtain better statistics for 2020.

Mark your calendar for Green Up Day 2020, May 2nd and help us celebrate 50 years of keeping Vermont green! Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or comments. As the new Executive Director, I look forward to working with you. Thank you!

Executive Director Green Up Vermont 802-229-4586 | greenup@greenupvermont.org

996 Invoice #: Terms: Due on receipt

Amount

50.00

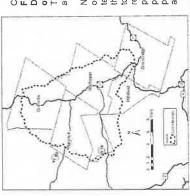
Vermont Green Up Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization

2020 Green Up Day Town Giving

Description

Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association 2019 Report to the Town of Hancock

conducted non-native invasive plant surveys, outreach and control projects along town roads and trails located in the Upper White River watershed. See map showing the project area boundary, below. 2019 was the seventh year that the Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association



Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation, Town CWMA partners include the Green Mountain National The members are working together to raise awareness Forest, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Vermont about and manage non-native invasive plants. of Rochester, and White River Partnership,

that native plants need to thrive. They have the potential properties and community roads through early detection property values. However, the community at large can tendencies, spreading rapidly and taking away habital originally from this area that have exhibited invasive recreational opportunities, biodiversity, wildlife, and Non-native invasive plants are plants that are not play a hand in controlling invasives on their own to negatively impact land and water resources,

2019 Summary:

CWMA Coordination

For the first time since 2011, no coordinator was hired, because we were unable to secure grant funding; in previous years, this position has always been paid for by grants.

Monitoring and Control

Green Mountain National Forest staff, with the help of Vermont Youth Conservation Corps., supported the CVMMA by hand-pulling 5,8 acres of wild chervil at Texas Falls and Boyden Brook.

While the infestations controlled represent only a fraction of known infestations, and many more are unmapped, they were chosen because they are either in strategic locations, or are relatively more feasible to control than others, or are part of an ongoing effort in those locations.

Education & outreach

in June, staff provided wild chervil management direction to landowners, towns, and road crews via Front Porch Forum

Interested landowners are encouraged to take action to control non-native invasive plants on their own properties, or to get involved with the Cooperative Weed Management Association. To get involved locally, contact ManyBeth Deller at the Green Mountain National Forest at <u>mdeller@is fed.us</u> or 802-767-4261 x 5524. To learn more about invasives in Vermont, visit the Vermont Invasives website:

http://vtinvasives.org

TRORC 2019 YEAR-END REPORT

The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is an association of thirty municipalities in east-central advocates for our members, we seek to articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while Vermont that is governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our member towns. As enhancing the Region's quality of life. The following are highlights from 2019:

Technical Assistance on Planning Issues
Our staff provided technical services to local, state and federal levels of government and to the Region's citizens, non-profits, and businesses. TRORC staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, bylaws and studies, and assisted towns with Municipal Planning Grant (MPG) applications

Water Quality

TRORC staff was involved in the development of the White River Tactical Basin Plan as well as assisting with public hearings to gain input from community members. TRORC also completed several water quality grant projects with our town and non-profit partners that focused on stormwater master planning, scoping green stormwater infrastructure projects, and promoting watershed resiliency

Creative Economy and Public Health

Council's Creative Network, and is on the Council's statewide steering committee. TRORC also worked on This year, TRORC obtained Federal grant funding to support the Region's creative economy. Staff hosted several Cornerstone Creative Community of Vermont (3CVT) steering committee meetings, as well as informational and networking events. TRORC continued to serve as the Zone Agent for the Vermont Art public health projects, including incorporating health-related goals and policies into town plans.

Emergency Management and Preparedness

TRORC conducted a statewide Hazardous Materials Flow Study to inform and update local emergency response plans. Our Local Emergency Planning Committee efforts with local emergency responders, organizations, and town officials continued meeting the needs of our first responders. TRORC assisted several communities with updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans.

Energy

working to support town Energy Committees on energy efficiency outreach and education with funding from energy goals to meet 90% of Vermont's energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. TRORC has begun TRORC assisted six towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to save money for communities and further the state Efficiency Vermont.

Transportation

towns to implement Best Management Practices (BMP) on municipal roads ahead of the state's forthcoming TRORC is managing the Municipal Roads Grants-In-Aid program in our Region. This provides funding for Municipal Roads General Permit provisions, Funding provides for projects including grass and stone-lined ditches, up sizing and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets.

Specifically in Hancock this past year, TRORC provided assistance on the Hancock Town Plan, met on the development of a Local Emergency Management plan and assisted the town with its development of an Enhanced Energy Plan,

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

Respectfully submitted, Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director Jerry Fredrickson, Chairperson, Barnard



MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING TOWN OF HANCOCK, VERMONT MARCH 5, 2019

James Leno opens the meeting at 10:08 a.m. and reads the Warning:

The legal voters of the Town of Hancock, VT, are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, March 5, AD 2019, at 10:00 a.m. to act on the following business, viz.

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited before voting begins.

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

John Ross nominates James Leno; Scott Gillette seconds. No further nominations. So voted.

Article 2 To elect all officers as required by law:

Town Clerk—three-year term (by ballot)

Rose Juliano nominates Janet Jesso. Janet declines and nominates Jody Troumbley. No further nominations. Assistant Clerk casts one ballot for Jody Troumbley as Town Clerk.

• Town Treasurer—three-year term (by ballot)

Rose Juliano nominates Janet Jesso. Janet declines and nominates Jody Troumbley. No further nominations. Assistant Clerk casts one ballot for Jody Troumbley as Town Treasurer.

• Select Board Member—three-year term (by ballot)

Dan Perera nominates Monica Collins. No further nominations. Clerk casts one ballot for Monica Collins as Select Board member.

• Lister—three-year term (by ballot)

Marge Ross nominates Don Crickard. No further nominations. Clerk casts one ballot for Don Crickard as Lister.

• Auditor—three-year term (by ballot)

Geraldine Twitchell nominates Elsie Carden. No further nominations. Clerk casts one ballot for Elsie Carden as Auditor.

Constable—one-year term

Janet Jesso nominates Cliff Morin; Garvi Jesso-White seconds. Cindy Leno nominates Joe Shaw; Linda Anderson seconds. Joe Shaw elected by hand vote.

• Collector of Delinquent Taxes—one-year term

Janet Jesso nominates Jamie Morin. No further nominations. So voted.

• Grand Juror—one-year term

Marge Ross nominates John Ross; Maurice Eaton Jr. seconds. No further nominations. So voted.

Town Agent—one-year term

Ianet Jesso nominates Dan Perera. No further nominations. So voted.

• Cemetery Commissioner—three-year term

Maurice Eaton Jr. nominates Geraldine Twitchell. No further nominations. So voted.

• Road Commissioner—one-year term (by ballot)

Dan Perera nominates Ken Troumbley; Keith Jesso seconds. Cindy Leno nominates Iames Leno; Joe Shaw seconds. Geraldine Twitchell moves to close.

Ballots cast: 36; 24 votes for Ken Troumbley; 12 votes for James Leno; 0 spoiled. Ken Troumbley declared elected.

• Library Trustee – five-year term (by ballot)

Geraldine Twitchell nominates Gretchen Perera. No further nominations. Clerk casts one ballot for Gretchen Perera as Library Trustee.

• Advisory Budget Committee—three-year term

Geraldine Twitchell nominates Marge Ross. No further nominations. So voted.

• Planning Commission—2 seats; six-year term

Geraldine Twitchell makes a motion to pass over. Dick Robson seconds. So voted.

• Agent to Convey Real Estate—one-year term

Marge Ross nominates James Leno. No further nominations. So voted.

• White River Valley Ambulance Representative—one-year term

Marge Ross nominates John Ross. No further nominations. So voted.

Article 3 Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$24,436.00 to the following social service agencies pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691.

Richard Robson moves to vote as a block; Geraldine Twitchell seconds. So voted as a whole. All funding requests approved.

Green-Up Vermont Vermont Adult Learning \$50

\$115

WomenSafe	\$500
John Graham Shelter	\$350
Valley Food Shelf	\$500
Stagecoach	\$508
Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$800
Park House	\$500
Clara Martin Center	\$595
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT/NH, Inc.	\$1,475
Quin-Town Senior Center	\$2,716
White River Valley Ambulance (\$63 per capita)	\$20,349
Granville Volunteer Fire Dept. First Responders (\$3.96 per capita)	\$1,280
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$100

Article 4 To hear and act upon the reports of the Hancock Town Officers.

Geraldine Twitchell moves to accept officers' reports; Steve Smyrychynski seconds. So voted.

Article 5 Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to apply the proceeds of the sale of the former Town Office, estimated at \$15,500 less fees, to the purchase of a generator for the Town Hall, a designated Red Cross emergency shelter.

Geraldine Twitchell moves to authorize; Scott Gillette seconds. Dan Perera stands to report that the Select Board has done further research that indicates that this may not the best use of these funds, or at the least a second generator would be needed to pump water from the School to the Town Hall as that's where the water comes from. Discussion ensues. Select Board recommends a "No" vote. Geraldine Twitchell calls the vote. "No" vote by a show of hands.

Article 6 Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to apply the remaining balance in the General Fund of FY 17–18 to reducing the next fiscal year's amount to be raised by taxes.

Geraldine Twitchell questions if the fiscal year is correct. The Moderator indicates that he believes so. John Ross moves to authorize; Scott Gillette seconds. So voted.

Article 7 Shall the voters authorize the Town Treasurer to collect current taxes pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 4791, and, if so, to set the payment dates. The dates being of four equal installments dated August 15, 2019; November 15, 2019; February 15, 2020; and May 15, 2020.

Scott Gillette moves to authorize; Geraldine Twitchell seconds. So voted.

Article 8 Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to borrow funds in anticipation of taxes to be received to meet the expenses of said town.

Geraldine Twitchell moves to authorize; Scott Gillette seconds. So voted.

Article 9 Shall the Town of Hancock appropriate the sum of \$380,059.00 to pay the current expenses for the general and highway funds for the ensuing twelve months, with 2019–2020 taxes becoming delinquent after May 15th, 2020, and with the County and State taxes to be paid from the general fund.

Geraldine Twitchell moves to accept article 9; Scott Gillette seconds. Scott Gillette moves to amend the amount to \$409,897.00 to include appropriations; Geraldine Twitchell seconds. So voted to approve budget of \$409,897.00.

Article 10 To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before said meeting.

Geraldine Twitchell brings up the fact that appropriations require an invoice to be paid.

Stacey Peters questions why we had no representative speaking today. Monica says that no one could accommodate the schedule this year.

Dorothy Robson announces the upcoming Town Pride summer concert series lineup.

Scott Gillette reminds everyone that the ECFiber network is up and running and people should look into the budget advantages of coming on board.

Richard Andrews questions the use of double lights at the Town Hall at night and expresses concern about the cost. The Select Board agrees to look in to the matter.

James Leno suggested that the fiscal year as stated in article 6 is a typographical error. The board will mark it as such and correct to FY 18–19 and contact VLCT.

Steve Smyrychynski moves to adjourn; Dan Perera seconds. The 2019 Annual Town Meeting adjourns at 11:17 a.m.

Attest:

July Turunder

HANCOCK SELECTBOARD RESOLUTION

Correction of Typographical Error in Article 6 of the Town Report
- Hancock Adopted April 16, 2019

Whereas, the Hancock Select board recognizes the typographical error it made in Article 6 of the 2019 town report noting "FY 2017-2018".

Whereas, this article should have instead read as follows:

"Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to apply the remaining balance in the General Fund of **FY 18-19** to reducing the next fiscal year's amount to be raised by taxes."

Whereas, this error occurred as a result of oversight, inadvertence or mistake on the part of the Select board.

Resolved, with the correction to this article as stated above, the Select Board hereby validates the actions taken at the Town Meeting on March 5, 2019 in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2662.

Resolved and adopted this 16th day of April, 2019.

Signed:

Monica Collins, Chair

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Daniel Perera

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING TOWN OF HANCOCK, VERMONT JULY 17, 2019

James Leno opens the meeting at 6:01 p.m. and reads the Warning:

The legal voters of the Town of Hancock, VT, are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Wednesday, July 17, AD 2019, at 6:00 p.m. to act on the following business, viz.

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited before discussion begins.

Article 1: To determine the use of the \$14,725 proceeds from the sale of the old Town Clerk's office.

The Select Board recommendations for the use of the funds include:

- a. Put the proceeds toward developing a generator solution for the Town Office/Library building and the Town Hall
- b. Put the proceeds toward energy efficiency upgrades to the Town Hall and the Town Office/Library Building
- c. Put the proceeds toward upgrading the kitchen of the Town Hall
- d. Put the proceeds toward repairs or replacement of the furnace in the Town Hall
- e. Put the proceeds into the Town Building Maintenance Capital Fund

A motion was made by Monica Collins and seconded by Dan Perera to put option A to a vote. Dan explained that the cost of a generator is \$18,647. You would need two generators to get water from the town office to the town hall. This would obligate the town to spend more money to obtain an additional generator for the town office. We already have water and utilities at the firehouse, and the water there could be made potable, but Jack Ross says the FD doesn't have a commercial stove. Dan is not recommending option A.

Nonie Walker questions the article. Jim says anything that we vote on tonight has to be warned, and we can't make amendments. Discussion of the legality of the article ensues. Janet Jesso asks Nonie what her suggestion is, and Nonie responds that it would be to table and let the select board do more thinking. Monica states that the options were thought about and are viable.

Dan continues on to option E, placing the monies in the town building capital fund. He recommends this option because it allows money to go to any of the options or any other building maintenance issue that may arise as well as afford flexibility for emergencies.

Jack feels that option A is best. The town hall is the first shelter, the fire station is second. Jim (speaking as a voter and not moderator) says the FD water has issues only from lack of use. Dan says the water system at the fire station is being looked into and it would simply require regular testing just like the other town buildings. The water system and generator each would have yearly contract expenses in addition to the funds we currently have available.

Janet comments on option D: If we purchase a generator for the town hall the building still won't serve as an emergency shelter without a new furnace, which is in need of replacement.

Jim says maybe it would be best to table the vote until the annual town meeting. Monica responds by stating that the select board brought this to the town so the treasurer will know where to put the money.

Dan moves to pass on A. Voters vote to pass on A. Dan asks to move to option E. All of the items in A, B, C, and D can be looked into and addressed by the select board and the capital funds can be used for any of these options with a yes vote for option E. Marge Ross asks the fund balance. Marge asks about kitchen upgrade. Monica says kitchen upgrades should be looked into in conjunction with a grant. Marge asks about needed energy efficiency upgrades in an effort to cut down energy costs. Monica responds that it's an area that needs to be explored with grants and estimates. Keith Jesso moves to accept option E. Marge asks if we vote to put money in that fund whether we have to vote again at town meeting. The answer is no. The select board would then decide how the money is best spent. Janet seconds the motion. Voice vote. Moderator declares a yes vote for option E.

Article 2: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Monica speaks about the possibility of the forest service taking over Texas Falls road. She asked the forest service if it was interested. Chris Mattrick attended the recent select board meeting and indicated that the forest service would be in favor of taking over a portion of the road (just beyond the last private parcel to the end of the road). Conversation on the subject has just started. Nothing is being done; just discussion and

exploring options at this time. The voters would decide after hearings, public comment, etc. Jim elaborates on the benefits of having the forest service take over that section of the road. Monica mentions that this move would reduce the amount the town receives from the state for road aid and we would no longer have a schedule A agreement. Monica clarifies that we would own from Route 125 to just beyond the last privately owned parcel. Eva asks where FEMA paperwork from Irene is. It's not recorded in town office and needs to be there. Jim agrees that it should be in the office. However, it appears that the paperwork was never submitted to the town office.

Jack moves to adjourn; Dan seconds. The 2019 Special Town Meeting adjourns at 6:48 p.m.

Attest: Jody Troubles

Granville Hancock Unified District: School Directors Report, 2019

As of July 1, 2018, the Granville Hancock Unified District (GHUD) School Board replaced the Hancock and Granville School Boards as a result of the consolidation mandated in Act 46. This new 6-member Board is made up of 3 elected residents from each town. There is one combined budget for the district. The Board is responsible for tuitioning all students Pre-K through 12th grade to approved schools of their choice.

The annual meeting of the new School District was voted to take place on the second Tuesday in May, at 6:00 PM, alternating locations between Hancock and Granville. **This year's meeting will take place May 14 at the Hancock Town Hall at 6:00 PM.** The budget for the School District will be presented and voted on during this meeting, which will also include presentation of our full annual report. We look forward to seeing you there.

Respectfully Submitted,

Granville Hancock Unified District Board of Directors Stacey Peters, Ken Troumbley, Samantha Sheehan, Hancock Clayton Anderson, Erika Linskey, Trina Service, Granville

White River Valley Supervisory Union Superintendent's Report December 2019

Once again I am very pleased to address the residents and voters in the ten towns and six school districts that comprise the White River Valley Supervisory Union. Once all of the mergers were decided two years ago, it has been our task to make this new Supervisory Union an efficient and well run entity. I must say that this has not always been without its challenges, but the staff at the WRVSU and all the member districts have been engaged and worked hard toward building relationships across the Supervisory Union. I view the status of all of the work as a work in progress that seems to get better and better as we make policies and refine our work.

We have been working very hard to improve Curriculum Instruction and Assessment in all 8 buildings in the SU. Our school system educates all of the students from our 10 towns in a rigorous and relevant way addressing student interest while preparing students for life after high school. All students are supported, challenged and engaged with a personalized education built on strong relationships between and among students, teachers, families and community members.

Vermont as a state, adopted the Education Quality Standards and Act 77 which strives to personalize learning through proficiencies, personal learning plans, and flexible pathways. What this means for our students is that teachers, Pre-Kindergarten through graduation, will focus on good high quality classroom instructional practices. The class of 2020 will graduate demonstrating evidence of proficiency in content areas or the equivalent flexible pathway articulating the proficiency learned. In other words, for all of our students there will be a pathway to graduation, with alternatives for those students who struggle and enrichment for those students who exceed proficiency standards.

We have used a lot of time and effort and most of all resources to focus on literacy in the SU this year. We have expanded the time we spend on literacy and math each day in the classroom so that students get a minimum of 90 minutes for literacy and at least 60 minutes for math in grades PK- 6. We have employed a literacy coach to work with teachers so that the teachers are trained to use the materials we are employing. WRVSU has invested a large sum of money to purchase both new classroom instructional materials as well as money for classroom libraries in each classroom in every school. We have adopted two different curriculum approaches for this work so that we have more then one approach to improve literacy. The early signs show that these efforts are working and that more students are becoming proficient in reading during the first few months of this work.

The White River Valley Special Education Team has been focusing on the WRVSU literacy initiative this year. The collaborative effort in all of the schools to improve literacy will continue to be a focus for the next few years. Special education staff has participated in training in Direct Instruction in Reading, Wilson Language System and other literacy courses.

The Restorative Classroom program now has 3 classrooms. There is a K-2 classroom in South Royalton Elementary School, a 3-5 classroom in South Royalton Elementary School and a 6-8 classroom in White River Valley Middle School. These classrooms serve students from the schools in the SU that need special services; and they are designed to transition students back into the mainstream setting as soon as they are able to return. So far a high percentage of students have returned to their regular school classrooms after time in the Restorative Classroom.

I am very proud of the steps that we have made throughout the system to work towards a higher level of student achievement and classroom instruction. With the help of a dynamic teaching staff, committed administration, and supportive school board members, we will continue on the path of improvement guided by our strategic plan. I wish to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve the students of the White River Valley Supervisory Union over these past six years.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce C. Labs Superintendent of Schools White River Valley SU Granville Hancock Unified District Annual Meeting May 14, 2019 Call to order at 6pm Approved Minutes HANCOCK TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

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Article 1. Ken Troumbley moved to elect Jim Leno as moderator. Jack Ross seconded. Jack Ross moved to close nominations. Stacey Peters seconded. Nominations closed.

Article 2. Stacey Peters nominated Trina Service to clerk for special meeting. Ken Troumbley seconded. Jack Ross moved to close nominations. Clayton Anderson seconded. Nominations closed.

Article 3. Janet Perera nominated Jody Troumbley for School Board Treasurer. Stacey Peters seconded. Jack Ross moved to close nominations. Stacey Peters seconded. Nominations closed.

Article 4. Jack Ross moved to fix Board member salaries at \$500 per year per member. Nancy Demers seconded. Janet Perera moved to discuss salaries as not sufficient. Discussion ensued. Nancy Demers removed her second vote, Jack Ross removed his motion. Jack Ross moved to fix Board salaries at \$1000 per year per member, Janet seconded. Motion passed.

Article 5. Comments from Stacey Peters (GHUSD board chair), Bruce Labs (WRVSU superintendent) and Tara Wetherall (WRVSU business manager). Discussion of 8% increase in budget. Jack Ross moved to accept school directors and officers reports. Rose Juliano seconded. All in favor.

Article 6. Jack Ross moved to accept article 6. Nancy Demers seconded. All in favor.

Article 7. Jack Ross moved to approve budget as written. Linda Anderson seconded. Janet Perrera moved to adjust annual budget by \$3000 to reflect new board salaries. Linda Anderson seconded. Adjusted GHUSD budget of \$1,738,327 was approved, all in favor.

Article 8. Siobhan Neale nominated Clayton Anderson to serve for a term of 3 years representing Granville. Nancy Demers seconded. Bruce Hyde moved to close nominations, Juli Reiderer seconded. Nominations closed.

Clayton Anderson nominated Siobhan Neale to serve a term of 2 years representing Granville. Nancy Demers seconded. Bruce Hyde moved to close nominations. Kathy Werner seconded.

Nominations closed. Siobhan Neale nominated Meg Reinhold to serve a term of 1 year representing Granville. Kathy Werner seconded. Clayton Anderson moved to closed nominations. Nancy Demers seconded. Nominations closed.

Ken Troumbley nominated Samantha Sheehan to represent Hancock for a term of 1 year. Stacey Peters seconded. Stacey Peters moved to close nominations. Ken Troumbley seconded. Nominations closed.

9. Siobhan Neale moved to adjourn annual meeting. Jack Ross seconded. All in favor, Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Respectfully submitted, Trina Service