

EAST MONTPELIER TOWN/SCHOOL FORUM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2002
9:30 a.m. at the
East Montpelier Elementary School

The Citizens of East Montpelier are invited to attend a Public Hearing and Informational Meeting concerning Australian Ballot Articles and other Warned Articles for the March 5, 2002, Town Meeting and School Meeting. Candidates for Town and School Offices will be introduced. This will be the only opportunity to discuss the Town Budget, as it will be voted on by Australian Ballot. School District will be first on the Agenda at the Forum, as well as at Town Meeting.

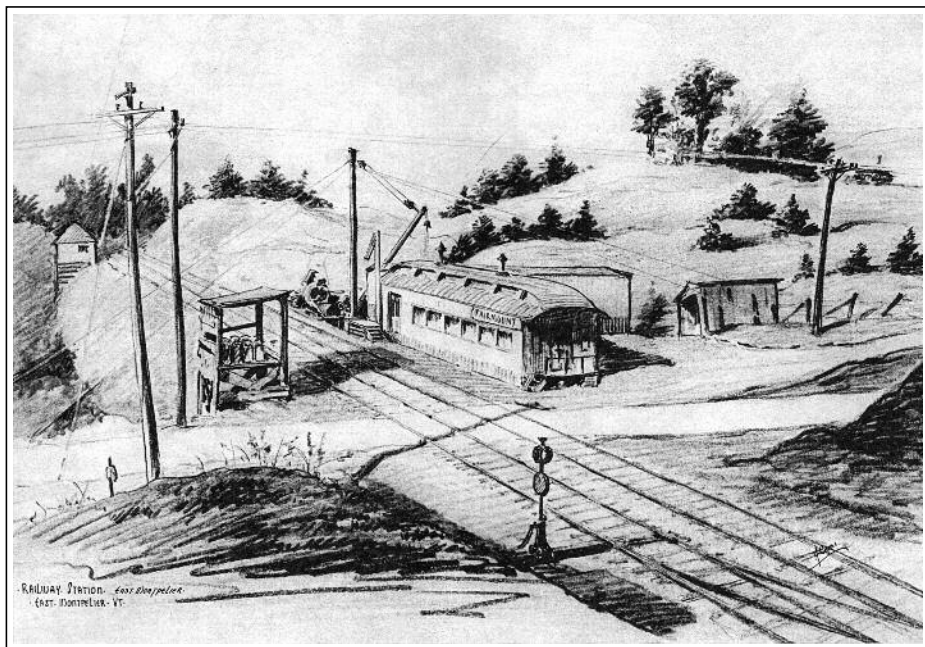
NAMES TO BE PRINTED ON THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Town/School Meeting — Tuesday, March 5, 2002
Australian Ballot Voting
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

U-32 Australian Ballot voting will also take place at the above time.

OFFICE FILED FOR:

MODERATOR for 1 year	Marty Miller
SELECTPERSON for 3 years	Tom Brazier
LISTER for 3 years	Rosendo Cueto
AUDITOR for 3 years	Tracy M. Phillips
AUDITOR for 2 years	Deborah Fillion
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS for 3 years	Virginia Hopkins
TOWN LAW AGENT for 1 year	Dennis Carver
TOWN GRAND JUROR for 1 year	Tim Carver
FIRST CONSTABLE for 1 year	Dennis Carver
SECOND CONSTABLE for 1 year	Timothy Meehan
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 3 years	Marilyn "Lyn" Blackwell
(Vote for not more than Three)	Tim Carver
	Richmond "Rick" Hopkins
	Real Ouimet
	Kenneth Santor
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER for 5 years	Pauline Coburn
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	Janice Aldrich
(Vote for not more than One)	Stuart Friedman
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 2 years	Nancy Thomas
U-32 SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	Tony Klein



“Old East Montpelier Railroad Station”

1942 colored crayon sketch by Al Comi of Barre, Vermont



Courtesy of Austin Cleaves

In Appreciation

We, the townspeople, thank the following citizens for their years of public service to our town. Many of the people listed here have served, or continue to serve, in other town offices as well. We appreciate their generous contributions to our community.



Carroll Witham, Jr.	Cemetery Commission	1990–2001
Dave Hudson	Planning Commission	1992–2000
Conrad Ormsbee	Solid Waste District Rep.	1995–2001
Steve Connor	Recreation Board	1996–2001
Cheryl Rus	EMES School Board	1997–2001
Tim Carver	Planning Commissioner	1998–2001
Jim Hanna, Jr.	Auditor	1998–2001
Lisa J. Rice	EMES School Board	1999–2001
Paul Erlbaum	Green Up Coordinator	2000–2001
Gen Chapell	Auditor	2000–2001
Deborah Fillion	Board of Adjustment, Sec.	2000–2001
Tim Meehan	Four Corners Schoolhouse Rep.	2000–2001



TOWN OFFICERS

ELECTED

Moderator (1 year) Martin K. Miller

Town Clerk and Treasurer:

Sylvia M. Tosi Term Expires 2003

Selectboard:

Thomas Brazier Term Expires 2002

Tim Meehan Term Expires 2003

Edith Miller Term Expires 2004

Listers:

Rosendo Cueto, Jr. Term Expires 2002

James V. Goodall Term Expires 2003

Earl Montague Term Expires 2004

Auditors:

James Hanna (resigned) Term Expires 2002

Deborah Fillion (appointed) Term Expires 2002

Claire Pierce (appointed) Term Expires 2002

Holly Edwards Term Expires 2003

Gen Chapell (resigned) Term Expires 2004

Trustees of Public Funds:

Kelly Codling Term Expires 2002

Pauline E. Coburn Term Expires 2003

Sylvia Tosi Term Expires 2004

First Constable (1 year term; expires 2002) Dennis Carver

Second Constable (1 year; 2002) Timothy Meehan

Town Law Agent (1 year; 2002) Dennis Carver

Town Grand Juror (1 year; 2002) Tim Carver

School Directors, East Montpelier Elementary School:

Janice Aldrich (3 years) Term Expires 2002

Nancy Thomas (2 years) Term Expires 2002

Anna Saxman (3 years) Term Expires 2003

Lucy Ferrada (2 years) Term Expires 2003

Robert J. Riggen (3 years) Term Expires 2004

School Directors, Union District 32 (3 years):

Anthony "Tony" Klein Term Expires 2002

Virginia "Ginny" Burley Term Expires 2004

Cemetery Commissioners (5 years):

Pauline Coburn Term Expires 2002

Frederick Strong Term Expires 2003

Gary Hudson Term Expires 2004

Elliott Morse Term Expires 2005

Maurice Cerutti Term Expires 2006

Planning Commission (3 years):

Maurice Brown	Term Expires 2002
Tracy Phillips	Term Expires 2002
Kenneth Santor	Term Expires 2002
Deborah Fillion, Sec.	Term Expires 2003
Peter Hill	Term Expires 2003
John “Jack” Pauly	Term Expires 2003
Robert Chickering	Term Expires 2004
Dave Sparrow	Term Expires 2004
Carol Welch, Chair	Term Expires 2004

Justices of the Peace (2 years; 2/2001–2/2003):

Janice Aldrich	Theresa Goslant
Dennis Carver	Harry “Burr” Morse, Jr.
Ruth Farnham	Rebecca Reed
David Grundy	

Board of Civil Authority: Town Clerk, Selectboard, and Justices of the Peace

Town Board for the Abatement of Taxes:

Civil Board of Authority plus Listers and Town Treasurer

APPOINTED

Collector of Lease Land Rent (1 year; 2002)	Sylvia M. Tosi
Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer	Pauline Coburn
	Virginia L. Hopkins
Town Administrator	Marlene Betit
Road Foreman	Michael Garand
Town Service Officer (1 year; 2002)	Susan Kittredge
Pound Keeper (1 year; 2002)	Dennis Carver
Delinquent Tax Collector (1 year; 2002)	Norma Raymond
Fence Viewers (1 year; 2002)	Marcia Pauly
	Sherwood Morse
Town Tree Warden (1 year; 2002)	Paul Cate
Inspector of Coal, Wood and Shingles (1 year; 2002)	Austin Cleaves
Town Health Officer (3 years; 2003)	Chris Reed
Regional Planning, Town Representative (1 year; 2002)	Edward Blackwell
Alternate (1 year; 2002)	Tracy Phillips
Transportation Advisory Committee Representative	
To Regional Planning Commission (1 year; 2002)	Frank Pratt
Zoning Administrator (3 years; 2004)	Gene Troia
Wrightsville Beach Recreation District Rep. (3 years; 2002)	Didi Swenson
Town Attorney	Bruce Bjornlund
Solid Waste District Representative (1 year; 2002)	Steve Jerome
Alternate (1 year; 2002)	Nona Estrin
Sewage Officer (1 year; 2002)	Richard Czaplinski

Forest Fire Warden (5 years; 2004) Chris Reed
Assistant Forest Fire Warden (5 years; 2004) Bill George
Emergency Coordinator (1 year; 2002) Bill George
Four Corners Schoolhouse Assoc. Rep. (1 year; 2002) Edie Miller
Green Up Coordinator (1 year; 2002) Bill Merrylees
C.V. Revolving Loan Fund Rep. (1 year; 2002) Bonnie White

Forest Committee (3 years):

Janet MacLeod (2002)	Paul Cate (2004)
Harry “Burr” Morse, Jr. (2003)	Earle Ellingwood (2004)
Steven J. Sinclair (2003)	

Zoning Board of Adjustment (3 years):

Patrick McCoy	Term Expires 2002
Anne V. Sherman	Term Expires 2002
Fred Strong	Term Expires 2002
Claudia Bristow, Chair	Term Expires 2003
Ginger Hopkins	Term Expires 2003
Sue Mahoney	Term Expires 2003
Jeff Cueto	Term Expires 2004
Earle Ellingwood	Term Expires 2004
Clifton King	Term Expires 2004

Recreation Board (3 years):

Jon Dunkling	Term Expires 2002
Chrissie George	Term Expires 2002
Ellen Magurn	Term Expires 2002
Gene Troia	Term Expires 2002
Dave Burley	Term Expires 2003
Terri Conti, Co-Chair, Treas.	Term Expires 2003
Ed Deegan	Term Expires 2003
Ginger Hopkins, Co-Chair	Term Expires 2003

Conservation Fund Advisory Committee (3 years):

Susan Chickering	Term Expires 2002
Brian Lusignan	Term Expires 2002
Charles Johnson	Term Expires 2003
Dennis Carver	Term Expires 2004
Michael Dworkin	Term Expires 2004
Leonard Wilson	Term Expires 2004

Funding Request Study Committee (1 year; 2002):

Lyn Blackwell	Anne V. Sherman
Deborah Fillion	Frederick Strong
Tracy Phillips	

East Montpelier Revolving Loan Fund Committee (appointed in 2001):

Bruce Bjornland	Dave Grundy
Dave Coburn	Paul Manghi
Ed Deegan	

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER
WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 5, 2002

The legal voters of the Town of East Montpelier, Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the East Montpelier Elementary School in said Town, on Tuesday, the fifth (5th) day of March, 2002, at 9:30 A.M. to transact the following business and to vote by Australian Ballot from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on those Articles so noted:

ARTICLE 1: To elect all necessary officers for the ensuing year. (To be voted by Australian Ballot).

Moderator, 1 year term, Town & School District
Selectman, 3 year term
Lister, 3 year term
Auditor, 3 year term
Auditor, 2 year term
Trustee of Public Funds, 3 year term
Town Law Agent, 1 year term
Town Grand Juror, 1 year term
First Constable, 1 year term
Second Constable, 1 year term
Cemetery Commissioner, 5 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
School Director, 3 year term
School Director, 2 year term
U-32 School Director, 3 year term

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of several Town Officers and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to have all taxes paid to the Treasurer, without discount, on real estate, as provided by law, received at the East Montpelier Municipal Building, on or before 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 15, 2002.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town raise the sum of \$741,688.84 as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses. (To be voted by Australian Ballot.)

- ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town appropriate \$95,000 for the Capital Reserve Fund. (To be voted by Australian Ballot.)
- ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to expend \$30,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund to build a Salt Shed adjacent to the Town Garage. (To be voted by Australian Ballot.)
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town appropriate \$6,290 for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for General Operating expenses during 2002.
- ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,000 to the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of town cemeteries during 2002.
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town appropriate a sum not to exceed \$4,830 for the Four Corner Schoolhouse Association 2002 operating expenses.
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town appropriate the amounts listed below as recommended by the Town's Funding Request Study Committee, or what other amounts, for the following organizations:
- a) Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice Agency ... \$2,600
 - b) Central Vermont Community Action Council 400
 - c) Vermont Center for Independent Living 200
 - d) Washington County Youth Services Bureau 400
 - e) Central Vermont Council on Aging 1,100
 - f) Retired Senior Volunteer Program 275
 - g) Battered Women's Services & Shelter 675
 - h) CVTA Wheels 400
 - i) Green Up Vermont 100
 - j) U-32 Project Graduation 200
 - k) People's Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc. 500
 - l) Washington County Court Diversion Program 150
 - m) Vermont Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired 100
 - n) Woman Centered 250
 - o) Twin Valley Senior Center 400
 - p) Onion River Arts Council 200
- Total \$7,950
- ARTICLE 12: Shall the town expend funds in the amount of \$20,000 for the East Montpelier Elementary School woodchip storage facility. Dollar source: Town Forest. (To be voted by Australian Ballot.)

- ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town appropriate a sum not to exceed \$9,999 to add to the existing Conservation Fund.
- ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town of East Montpelier appropriate the sum of \$4,050 in a one time allocation to provide Hepatitis B inoculations for all members of the East Montpelier Fire Department.
- ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town of East Montpelier appropriate the sum of \$5,400 in a one time appropriation to provide physical exams and respiratory exams for all members of the East Montpelier Fire Department to comply with National Fire Protection Association requirements.
- ARTICLE 16: Shall the Town exempt from taxation the so-called former railroad station property on Route 14 now owned by East Montpelier Trails, Inc. and East Montpelier Gully Jumpers, Inc.
- ARTICLE 17: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to expend funds from the Town Forest Fund for other purposes than Town Forest maintenance and expenses.
- ARTICLE 18: To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

A Public Informational Hearing concerning the Australian Ballot Articles and pre-Town Meeting Forum to discuss all other Articles and meet candidates for offices, will be held at the East Montpelier Elementary School on Saturday, February 23, at 9:30 A.M., to which the citizens of the Town are invited.

Dated at East Montpelier, Vermont, this 24th day of January, 2002.

East Montpelier Selectboard:
THOMAS H. BRAZIER, *Chair*
EDITH A. MILLER
TIMOTHY F. MEEHAN

East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, 28 January A.D. 2002 at 9:30 o'clock a.m.
Received the foregoing East Montpelier Annual Town Meeting Warning for posting as required by law.

Attest: SYLVIA M. TOSI, *Town Clerk*

SELECTBOARD'S REPORT

The East Montpelier Selectboard continues to deal with a number of complex and challenging issues. We would like to thank our fellow town officers for the hours they have spent on local issues and remind our citizens that there are a number of positions available in our local government. If you are interested in serving as a Town officer please complete the volunteer application in the Town Report.

During 2001 the Selectboard has worked with the Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission on Setback amendments, the Sign Ordinance, and the Telecommunications Interim By-Law. Additionally, the Selectboard amended the Town Traffic Ordinance to include a speed limit of 35 m.p.h. on Fair Road.

We are happy to report revenues in excess of estimates and \$75,289.41 will be used to offset 2002 taxes. Some of the revenue increase is due to grant receipts from the Agency of Transportation (Vtrans) for two road projects. Additionally, recording fees were up because of refinancing activity and an increase in the number of pages required for mortgage documents.

Our year to date expenses for roads indicate we are over expended by \$114,000.00. However, these over expenditures are offset on our revenue page. One example is the '01 dump truck purchase under 2001 expenses which is offset by loan proceeds and the down payment on the revenue page. We have included notes to the road budget for clarification purposes.

A new box culvert was installed on Center Road at the brook crossing between the Ormsbee Farm and the Butler Farm. This project was necessary as the existing stone culvert was failing in several places. As required by the Vtrans program, safety standards were taken into account and as a result new guardrails were installed on site. The total cost of the project was \$57,064.25; we budgeted \$20,000 for the Town's portion and received a Vtrans grant reimbursement of \$40,500.00 (see revenue page). Therefore only \$16,564.25 of the \$20,000 budgeted was utilized.

As part of our ongoing paving program Gallison Hill Road was reground and reclaimed as additional road base and 4 inches of new pavement was laid out. We received a Vtrans grant of \$30,000.00 and utilized Capital/paving reserve for the balance of the project.

We continue to work with Vtrans on a variety of bridge and intersection projects in East Montpelier including:

- Replacement of concrete bridge (Bridge #68) and redesign of the adjoining Route 2 & 14 intersection. The project is in the design process and the decision was made to move the bridge just north of the present location. A third lane and traffic lights have also been requested by the Selectboard;
- The replacement of the concrete bridge by Delairs Carpet Barn on Route 2 (Bridge #74) is due to occur in the next two years;
- The metal bridge in North Montpelier ("Singing" bridge – Bridge #71) will

also be replaced and the small concrete bridge on Route 14 (Bridge #69) by Bragg Farm; and

- Route 2 & 14 intersection (adjacent to Municipal Building) redesign.

This year we also applied for and received a grant from the Better Backroads program of \$1,122.00 used for a written road inventory, condition survey and management plan that provides an overview of the state of our roads and an initial capital plan. Consultants Bob Merchant and Joe Landry completed the plan with the assistance of Road Foreman Mike Garand. Both consultants stated they were impressed with the quality and maintenance of East Montpelier's roads.

We are happy to note that last July the Selectboard nominated Road Foreman Mike Garand as the Vermont Municipal Highway Person of the Year.

The Vermont Municipal Highway Person of the Year must demonstrate the following qualities:

- A commitment to professionalism in the highway field;
- Outstanding public service to his/her municipality; and
- Involvement in local community service activities.

The Selectboard nominated Mike because he is truly committed to a high quality work product and fiscal responsibility. Many communities in Vermont were not able to hold Town Meeting 2001 as scheduled due to a severe Blizzard. However, East Montpelier's Town Meeting was business as usual because the road crew had worked from the wee hours of the morning keeping the roads traversable. Mike also worked with the Recreation Committee to add a much-needed second access to our Recreation field parking lot.

Mike's community service includes 28 years as a member of the East Montpelier Fire Department serving ten of those years as Chief and seven more at his current rank of Deputy Chief. He has coached softball and basketball for town youth and is a member of the East Montpelier First Response Squad, The Vermont State Firefighters Association, and serves on the Town Plan Road Subcommittee. We feel Mike gives 110% to the community in whatever capacity he is serving.

On September 27, 2001 at the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Annual Town Fair our **Road Foreman Mike Garand was presented the Vermont Municipal Highway Person of the Year. Congratulations Mike!**

TOM BRAZIER, *Chair*
TIM MEEHAN
EDIE MILLER



TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER'S REPORT

This year of 2001 has seen a few changes in the Town Clerk's Office with regard to our Vault storage. A new Lateral Storage System was installed which consists of a double set of shelves, the front set of shelves being on rollers that you can move from side to side to access the shelving in the back.

Over the summer, files from two four-drawer filing cabinets were transferred to the new shelves in the vault, as well as vital records and older Land Record books.

All of the Zoning Permits from 1971 through 2000 are now in notebooks and available for access by those who do land records research. This is required by State Statute.

Presently, Land Record Book 71 is being filled with Warranty and Mortgage Deeds and other documents. Books are being filled faster because during the year, mortgage deed pages were doubled from 7 or 8 pages to 15 or 16 pages.

Restoration of Town Meeting Book 1862 through 1884 and School District Nine minutes 1851 through 1893 was completed. School District Nine is where the present Town Clerk's Office is located. Land Records Books 53 through 57 were microfilmed and these microfilms are left in storage with the Public Records Division in Middlesex in case we ever need to restore our records.

Property Taxes in the amount of \$3,336,813.67 were collected in the office this year. The School has received 75% of this amount collected, \$2,502,610.25. The 75% is the part of school taxes that makes up the total tax due. The remaining amount of the total school payment \$115,721.75, which is delinquent, will be paid over the next 120 days as allowed by State Statute. On November 16, \$176,586.68 were reported as delinquent to Norma Raymond, Delinquent Tax Collector.

A note to taxpayers: Property taxes must be received in the office by 5:00 p.m. on the date taxes are due. This date is usually November 15. This is voted on at Town Meeting each year. No postmarked tax payments dated the tax due date but received after the due date are accepted. They are turned over to the Delinquent Tax Collector.

If anyone would like to come in and do research of their property, please come in and we'll be glad to get you started in the right direction. You are welcome anytime our office is open: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

— SYLVIA M. TOSI, *Town Clerk & Treasurer*

2001 BUDGET – CASH FUND BALANCE RECONCILIATION

Actual Revenues & Expenses:	2000	2001
Beginning Balance	\$ 92,659.98	2,230.18
Total Revenues	921,940.63	1,313,717.12
Total Expenses	(1,012,370.43)	(1,240,657.89)
	=====	=====
Surplus	\$ 2,230.18	\$ 75,289.41
 December 31, Assets:	 2000	 2001
Cash Drawer	\$ 125.00	125.00
Checking Account	27,000.00	27,000.00
Money Market Account	100,605.18	163,886.16
	=====	=====
Total Assets	\$ 127,730.18	\$ 191,011.16
 Cash/Fund Balance Reconciliation:	 2000	 2001
Total Cash	\$ 127,730.18	191,011.16
Less Taxes Owed to School	(125,500.00)	(115,721.75)
	=====	=====
Reconciled Cash Surplus	\$ 2,230.18	\$ 75,289.41

NOTE: The Town of East Montpelier reports its financial transactions on the cash basis.

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER **2002 REVENUE**

CASH & RECEIPTS:	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	(Under) Over	Selectboard Proposed 2002
TOTAL CASH ON HAND:	92,659.98	2,230.18	2,230.18	0.00	75,289.41
NON-TAX RECEIPTS:					
Recording/Copy Fees	12,841.62	14,400.00	19,034.74	4,634.74	16,000.00
Zoning Fees	4,414.00	4,200.00	4,594.00	394.00	4,400.00
Sewage Fees	1,505.00	1,800.00	1,560.00	(240.00)	1,600.00
Dog Licenses	2,778.00	2,800.00	2,929.00	129.00	2,800.00
Liquor Licenses	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
School Share Town Expenses	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	8,500.00
State Aid Highways	112,102.16	116,903.00	117,571.05	668.05	105,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	12,314.90	2,000.00	1,069.67	(930.33)	1,500.00
Interest on Sweep Account	14,582.16	13,500.00	11,368.75	(2,131.25)	11,000.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	7,562.64	6,500.00	12,420.36	5,920.36	8,000.00
Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	10,116.85	11,000.00	14,244.75	3,244.75	11,000.00
State Land/Access and Pilot Program	525.00	525.00	1,463.00	938.00	525.00
Current Use Hold Harmless	28,614.00	23,900.00	30,512.00	6,612.00	30,000.00
Insurance Claim Truck	0.00	0.00	2,616.99	2,616.99	0.00
Traffic Fines	13,582.50	9,000.00	17,914.00	8,914.00	12,000.00
VCDP Management Income/Fairmont	0.00	7,394.86	7,394.86	0.00	7,394.86
FEMA - Tropical Storm Floyd	8,912.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Better Backroads Grant - Road Inventory	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,122.00
Vtrans Grant for Gallison Paving	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
Vtrans Grant for County Road Culvert	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64,000.00
Vtrans Grant for Center Road Culvert	0.00	0.00	40,500.00	40,500.00	0.00
Trade-in 1994 dump truck ¹	0.00	23,000.00	20,000.00	(3,000.00)	0.00
*01 Dump Truck Loan Proceeds	0.00	0.00	73,810.00	73,810.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL NON-TAX RECEIPTS	\$235,450.83	\$242,522.86	\$414,603.17	\$172,080.31	\$284,941.86

CASH & RECEIPTS:	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	(Under) Over	Selectboard Proposed 2002
TAXES:					
Current Taxes:					
Selectboard Budget		779,358.54	0.00		741,688.84
Other Money Articles	0.00	102,072.00	0.00		138,519.00
Total Current Taxes	\$561,882.85	\$881,430.54	\$718,481.67	(\$162,948.87)	\$880,207.84
Delinquent Taxes:					
Current Year	55,921.81	N/A	56,328.83		N/A
Prior Years	68,685.14	N/A	124,303.45		N/A
Total Delinquent Taxes	\$124,606.95	N/A	\$180,632.28	\$180,632.28	N/A
TOTAL TAXES	\$686,489.80	\$881,430.54	\$899,113.95	\$17,683.41	\$880,207.84
GRAND TOTAL CASH & RECEIPTS	\$1,014,600.61	\$1,126,183.58	\$1,315,947.30	\$189,763.72	\$1,240,439.11

¹ \$5,500 credit received as a reduction of purchase price.

**TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER
2002 BUDGET**

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL EXPENSES:

	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	Under (Over)	Department Proposed	Proposed 2002
Town Officers:						
Town Clerk.....	29,999.84	31,200.00	31,800.00	(600.00)	32,760.00	32,760.00
Assistant Town Clerk	18,777.00	19,036.16	19,591.00	(554.84)	20,766.72	20,766.72
Substitute Town Clerk	3,578.01	4,160.00	3,404.46	755.54	4,326.40	4,326.40
Auditors	998.00	2,000.00	1,738.00	262.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Selectboard	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
Town Administrator	16,380.00	17,035.20	17,362.80	(327.60)	20,009.60	20,009.60
Health Officer	750.00	750.00	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00
Delinquent Tax Collector.....	11,846.97	12,000.00	14,244.75	(2,244.75)	18,000.00	18,000.00
Comprehensive Salary Evaluation.....	0.00	4,000.00	2,250.71	1,749.29	0.00	0.00
Total Town Officers	84,579.82	92,431.36	93,391.72	(960.36)	101,362.72	101,362.72
Employee Benefits:						
Social Security/Medicare	15,701.78	16,463.46	16,813.35	(349.89)	18,117.82	18,117.82
Municipal Retirement	8,686.51	8,838.27	8,695.27	143.00	9,424.93	9,424.93
Unemployment	1,074.00	1,374.00	1,374.00	0.00	1,966.00	1,966.00
Health Insurance	22,086.00	23,462.48	21,687.88	1,774.60	23,334.08	23,334.08
Total Employee Benefits	47,548.29	50,138.21	48,570.50	1,567.71	52,842.83	52,842.83
Law Enforcement:						
Constable	750.00	750.00	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00
E-9-1-1 Dispatch.....	4,000.00	4,120.00	4,000.00	120.00	4,350.00	4,350.00
Sheriff's Patrol.....	1,413.56	3,000.00	1,866.38	1,133.62	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Law Enforcement	6,163.56	7,870.00	6,616.38	1,253.62	8,100.00	8,100.00

Town Meeting & Elections:				
Ballot Clerks	894.58	400.00	378.25	21.75
Town Report & Printing	3,060.87	3,300.00	3,142.03	157.97
Ballot Equipment	2,453.02	900.00	942.52	(42.52)
Total Town Mtg./Elec.	6,408.47	4,600.00	4,462.80	137.20
Electricity:				
Town Office	989.75	1,128.00	1,182.58	(54.58)
Street Lights	4,138.69	4,298.00	4,285.64	12.36
Town Garage	1,670.36	1,600.00	1,450.56	149.44
Total Electricity	6,798.80	7,026.00	6,918.78	107.22
Telephone:				
Town Office	1,945.25	2,100.00	2,208.86	(108.86)
Town Garage	1,037.71	1,200.00	1,145.43	54.57
Total Telephone	2,982.96	3,300.00	3,354.29	(54.29)
Insurance & Bonds				
	10,200.00	25,508.44	23,915.11	1,593.33
Legal Fees				
	3,575.92	4,000.00	1,693.45	2,306.55
Outside Audit	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,150.00	50.00
Office Supplies:				
Postage	2,493.23	2,700.00	2,592.87	107.13
Restoration	0.00	1,000.00	913.00	87.00
Supplies	4,328.70	5,000.00	5,572.41	(572.41)
Equipment	618.13	550.00	681.00	(131.00)
Vault Storage	0.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00
Total Office Supplies	7,440.06	17,750.00	18,259.28	(509.28)
				10,100.00

	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	Under (Over)	Department Proposed	Proposed 2002
Printing & Advertising	1,812.23	2,500.00	2,102.60	397.40	2,500.00	2,500.00
Computer:						
Services	1,670.01	1,500.00	2,264.02	(764.02)	2,150.00	2,150.00
Equipment/Software	649.89	1,800.00	1,364.95	435.05	840.00	840.00
Total Computer	2,319.90	3,300.00	3,628.97	(328.97)	2,990.00	2,990.00
Municipal Building:						
Payroll	264.00	450.00	216.00	234.00	250.00	250.00
Water Cooler	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	140.00
Rubbish/Recycling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
Water	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.00	840.00
Custodial	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,716.00	1,716.00
Fuel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,652.00	1,652.00
General Expenses	6,601.20	5,000.00	4,935.87	64.13	500.00	500.00
Repairs	2,940.92	7,300.00	5,172.00	2,128.00	5,919.00	5,919.00
Total Municipal Building	9,806.12	12,750.00	10,323.87	2,426.13	11,317.00	11,317.00
Miscellaneous:						
General	490.96	425.00	731.73	(306.73)	700.00	700.00
Tax Map Maintenance	1,175.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00	1,325.00	1,325.00
In Service Training	907.00	1,240.00	880.00	360.00	1,000.00	1,240.00
Total Miscellaneous	2,572.96	2,915.00	2,861.73	53.27	3,025.00	3,265.00
Planning & Zoning:						
Zoning Payroll	4,067.00	5,000.00	3,880.60	1,119.40	5,555.00	5,555.00
Planning Commission	590.30	700.00	478.25	221.75	700.00	700.00

Board of Adjustment	45.00	200.00	121.11	78.89	200.00	200.00
Advertising	587.52	700.00	624.63	75.37	700.00	700.00
Misc.	553.65	600.00	198.99	401.01	600.00	600.00
Total Planning & Zoning	5,843.47	7,200.00	5,303.58	1,896.42	7,755.00	7,755.00
Sewage Officer - Payroll	992.00	1,500.00	1,028.00	472.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Misc.	125.25	200.00	118.50	81.50	200.00	200.00
Total Sewage Officer	1,117.25	1,700.00	1,146.50	553.50	1,700.00	1,700.00
Listers:						
Salaries	9,010.00	11,000.00	9,525.00	1,475.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
Supplies	375.86	500.00	46.00	454.00	500.00	500.00
Services	373.50	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Total Listers	9,759.36	12,000.00	9,571.00	2,429.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Tax Appeals/Abateements	854.77	750.00	118.00	632.00	1,890.00	1,890.00
Loans & Interest:						
Tax Anticipation Interest	6,406.66	7,500.00	11,193.59	(3,693.59)	10,000.00	10,000.00
Town Office Reno-Loan/Int	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Loans & Interest	29,616.24	7,500.00	11,193.59	(3,693.59)	10,000.00	10,000.00
Dues & Budget Requests:						
CV Regional Planning Comm.	1,927.80	1,928.00	1,927.80	0.20	2,191.30	2,191.30
Northern VT Resource Council	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
CV Economic Development	900.00	900.00	900.00	0.00	900.00	900.00
Washington County Expense	18,298.00	18,633.00	18,344.00	289.00	17,318.00	17,318.00
Vt. League Cities & Towns	1,355.00	1,398.00	1,398.00	0.00	1,676.00	1,676.00
Recreation Board	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Wrightsville Beach Dist	694.32	694.32	694.32	0.00	799.18	799.18

	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	Under (Over)	Department Proposed	Proposed 2002
Ambulance Service	46,576.00	47,712.00	44,304.00	3,408.00	51,560.00	51,560.00
CV Solid Waste Mgt. Dist.	3,354.00	4,696.00	4,695.60	0.40	5,413.80	5,413.80
Fire Department	73,987.50	81,867.00	81,867.00	0.00	93,321.25	93,321.25
Displaced Canine Services	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	(100.00)	1,300.00	1,300.00
K-H Library Capital Campaign	0.00	16,290.00	16,290.00	0.00	16,290.00	16,290.00
Special Projects	0.00	30,000.00	30,577.54	(577.54)	0.00	0.00
Total Dues & Budget Requests	151,192.62	208,268.32	205,198.26	3,020.06	193,919.53	193,919.53
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES:	393,792.80	474,707.33	461,780.41	12,926.92	461,082.08	465,232.08

HIGHWAY EXPENSES:

Summer Roads						
Labor	49,927.22	55,000.00	52,056.05	2,943.95	59,785.18	59,785.18
Operations	24,463.24	26,385.25	14,868.91	11,516.34	25,000.00	25,000.00
Chloride	14,664.44	19,000.00	20,654.70	(1,654.70)	20,000.00	20,000.00
Gravel	81,336.55	82,000.00	68,572.78	13,427.22	82,000.00	82,000.00
Guardrail	1,500.00	4,350.00	0.00	4,350.00	4,350.00	4,350.00
Pavement Crack Sealing ¹	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	(10,000.00)	10,000.00	10,000.00
County Road Culvert ²	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	80,000.00
Center Road Culvert ³	0.00	20,000.00	57,064.25	(37,064.25)	0.00	0.00
Special Projects	24,638.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Summer Roads	196,529.62	206,735.25	223,216.69	(16,481.44)	281,135.18	281,135.18

¹ Annual Expense previously charged to Paving Reserve.

² \$64,000 – Vtrans Reimbursement 2002 – see Revenue page.

³ \$40,500 – Vtrans Reimbursement 2001 – see Revenue page.

Winter Roads					
Labor	49,548.75	51,878.00	51,749.53	128.47	55,186.32
Operations	3,141.51	3,800.00	1,413.22	2,386.78	3,800.00
Salt	24,858.98	26,000.00	26,987.83	(987.83)	26,000.00
Sand	36,200.64	38,000.00	37,051.84	948.16	38,000.00
Total Winter Roads	113,749.88	119,678.00	117,202.42	2,475.58	122,986.32
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance					
Misc. Repairs & Maintenance	23,896.76	40,000.00	23,482.09	16,517.91	40,000.00
1994 Dump Truck (Sold to EMFD)	788.99		770.39		0.00
1996 Dump Truck	1,961.38		6,281.13		0.00
1999 Dump Truck	921.89		2,404.91		0.00
2000 1 Ton Truck	0.00		2,855.20		0.00
2001 Ten Wheeler	0.00		79.64		0.00
Chipper	116.81		0.00		0.00
Grader	7,221.46		5,112.02		0.00
Loader	1,573.25		(163.05)		0.00
Backhoe	175.00		0.00		0.00
Chevy Blazer (Sold in 2000)	54.09		0.00		0.00
Total Equipment	36,709.63	40,000.00	40,822.33	(822.33)	40,000.00
Other Road Expenses					
Gas, Fuel, Oil & Grease	24,699.03	22,315.00	29,303.53	(6,988.53)	25,000.00
'97 Paving Bond	126,400.00	119,025.00	119,025.00	0.00	115,155.00
'99 Dump Truck Note	17,327.47	17,001.00	17,000.54	0.46	16,674.00
'01 Dump Truck down payment	0.00	23,000.00	24,606.72	(1,606.72)	0.00
'01 Dump Truck Purchase	0.00	0.00	75,388.00	(75,388.00)	0.00
'01 Dump Truck Note	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,079.53
Resurfacing - Gallison Hill Road4	0.00	0.00	30,088.25	(30,088.25)	0.00
Culvert Inventory/Condition Survey	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00

	Actual 2000	Budget 2001	Actual YTD 12/31/01	Under (Over)	Department Proposed	Proposed 2002
Road Inventory/Condition Survey	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,208.00	2,208.00
Green-Up Day	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
Signs	3,414.00	1,200.00	102.00	1,098.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
In Service Training	283.00	450.00	50.00	400.00	450.00	450.00
Total Other Road Exp.	172,123.50	182,991.00	295,564.04	(112,573.04)	192,566.53	192,566.53
TOTAL HIGHWAY BUDGET	519,112.63	549,404.25	676,805.48	(127,401.23)	636,688.03	636,688.03
TOTAL SELECTBOARD BUDGET	912,905.43	1,024,111.58	1,138,585.89	(114,474.31)	1,097,770.11	1,101,920.11

⁴ \$30,000 – Vtrans Reimbursement 2001 – see Revenue page.

VOTED ARTICLES:

Capital Reserve Fund	64,500.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00	95,000.00	95,000.00
K-H. Library Capital Campaign *	16,290.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
K-H. Library Operating Support	2,000.00	4,097.00	4,097.00	0.00	6,290.00	6,290.00
Four Corners Schoolhouse	2,475.00	2,825.00	2,825.00	0.00	4,830.00	4,830.00
Cemetery Commission	6,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Conservation Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,999.00	9,999.00
Fire Department – Hep. B Shots	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,050.00	4,050.00
Fire Department – Exams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,400.00	5,400.00
Total of Individual Voted Articles	91,265.00	93,922.00	93,922.00	0.00	130,569.00	130,569.00

* Kellogg-Hubbard Library Capital Campaign approved by voters in 2000,
payable in four installments, also appears under Dues & Budgets Requests.

FUNDING REQUESTS:

Battered Women's Serv/Shelter	675.00	675.00	0.00	675.00	675.00
Central Vermont Community Action	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Central Vermont Council on Aging	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice ..	2,600.00	2,600.00	0.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
ELF Program	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Family Center of Washington County	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Green Up Vermont	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Northern VT Resource Conserv.	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Onion River Arts Council	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
People's Health Clinic	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275.00	275.00	0.00	275.00	275.00
Twin Valley Senior Center	0.00	300.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
U-32 Project Graduation	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
VT Assoc. for the Blind & Visually Impaired	150.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Vermont Cares	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Vermont Firefighters & Police Memorial ..	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wash. County Court Diversion Program	150.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
Wash. County Youth Services Bureau	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Wheels Transportation	250.00	300.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Woman Centered	200.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Total of Funding Request Article	8,200.00	8,150.00	0.00	7,950.00	7,950.00
TOTAL VOTED ARTICLES	99,465.00	102,072.00	0.00	138,519.00	138,519.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,012,370.43	\$1,126,183.58	(\$114,474.31)	\$1,236,289.11	\$1,240,439.11

TOWN SALARIES AND BENEFITS PAID

	Salary	Total**
TOWN OFFICE		
Sylvia Tosi	\$ 31,875.71	\$ 37,861.05
Pauline Coburn	19,833.28	23,904.64
Marlene Betit	17,936.05	21,201.61
Virginia Hopkins	<u>3,404.46</u>	<u>3,664.90</u>
	\$ 73,049.50	\$ 86,632.20
Overtime		
ROADS		
	Hours	
Michael Garand	505.5	43,028.45
Anthony C. Williams	459.5	31,747.80
Frank Campbell, II	469.0	<u>30,388.80</u>
		\$ 105,165.05
		\$ 137,763.19
OTHER		
Thomas H. Brazier	750.00	807.38
Edith Miller	750.00	807.38
Timothy Meehan	750.00	807.38
Norma Raymond	14,244.75	15,334.47
Rosendo Cueto	8,240.00	8,870.36
Earl Montague	540.00	581.31
James Goodall	745.00	801.99
Eugene F. Troia	2,762.50	2,973.83
Richard Czaplinski	1,028.00	1,106.64
Holly Edwards	560.00	602.84
James Hanna	482.00	518.87
Genevieve Chapell	588.00	632.98
Nathan Edwards	108.00	116.26
Virginia Hopkins	269.37	289.98
Dennis Carver	750.00	807.38
John Mears	216.00	232.52
Chris Reed	<u>750.00</u>	<u>807.38</u>
	\$ 33,533.62	\$ 36,098.95
CEMETERY		
Kevin P. Wilkinson	1,296.00	1,395.14
Elliott Morse	1,195.00	1,286.42
Max Levine-Wilkinson	<u>105.00</u>	<u>113.03</u>
TOTAL CEMETERY	<u>\$ 2,596.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,794.59</u>
TOTAL TOWN & CEMETERY	<u>\$ 214,344.17</u>	<u>\$ 263,288.93</u>

** *Benefit packages may include: FICA (Social Security), Medicare, Retirement, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, payment in lieu of Health Insurance, and/or Uniforms. Other costs of the employer for Federal/State Unemployment and Workers' Compensation Insurance are not included as benefits. These costs for 2001 are approximately \$5,961.00.*

DELINQUENT TAXES

	Balance Due Jan. 1, 2001	Paid In 2001	Abated 2001	Balance Due Dec. 31, 2001
1991	65.92	0.00	0.00	65.92
1992	75.20	0.00	0.00	75.20
1993	80.96	0.00	0.00	80.96
1994	82.24	0.00	0.00	82.24
1995	31.50	0.00	0.00	31.50
1996	32.70	0.00	0.00	32.70
1997	1,969.70	0.00	0.00	1,969.70
1998	9,132.25	5,564.52	0.00	3,567.73
1999	32,094.18	25,534.47	638.00	5,921.71
2000	106,986.09	93,204.46	684.40	13,097.23
	<u>\$ 150,550.74</u>	<u>\$ 124,330.45</u>	<u>\$ 1,322.40</u>	<u>\$ 24,924.89</u>
Submitted to Collector 11/16/01	176,586.68	56,328.83	0.00	120,257.85
	<u>\$ 327,137.42</u>	<u>\$ 180,632.28</u>	<u>\$ 1,322.40</u>	<u>\$ 145,182.74</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Interest on Delinquent Tax		12,420.36		
		<u>\$ 193,052.64</u>		
		=====		

SUMMARY:

Delinquent Taxes

Uncollected as of January 1, 2001	\$ 150,550.74
2001 Delinquent Taxes Submitted to Collector 11/16/01	176,586.68
	<u>\$ 327,137.42</u>
Delinquent Taxes Collected and Submitted to Treasurer	180,632.28
Uncollected as of December 31, 2001	145,182.74
Abated	1,322.40
	<u>\$ 327,137.42</u>
Total Delinquent Taxes and Interest Collected in 2001	<u>\$ 193,052.64</u>

TAXES RAISED

2001 Tax Rate \$2.56

Statewide School \$1.07 • Local School \$.84 • Town \$.65

Municipal Grand List	\$ 1,370,486.43*
School Grand List	\$ 1,372,456.43*
(includes cable TV lines \$1,984.00)	
Taxes Raised at \$2.56 Tax Rate*	\$ 3,513,400.35
Less Lease Land (UVM/WCGS)	(63.16)
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Total Taxes	<u>\$ 3,513,337.19</u>

Sources of Taxes

2001 Real Estate Taxes Collected	\$ 3,336,813.67
2001 Delinquent Taxes	
Collected as of Dec. 31, 2001	56,328.83
Uncollected as of Dec. 31, 2001	120,257.85
	<hr/>
	176,586.68
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	\$ 3,513,400.35
Less Lease Land (UVM/WCGS)	(63.16)
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Total Taxes	<u>\$ 3,513,337.19</u>

* These figures represent adjustments made to Grand List after tax rate was set.

2001 DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES

Amount calculated due to School District as follows:

Tax Rate:		Percentage
State Liability	\$ 1.07	42%
Local Liability	.84	33%
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total School Tax	\$ 1.91	75%
 Town	 \$.65	 25%
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total School/Town Taxes	\$ 2.56	100%

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State Liability	\$ 1,471,866.00
Local Liability	1,146,466.00
	<u> </u>
Total School Tax	\$ 2,618,332.00
 Total Town Tax	 881,430.34
	<u> </u>
Total School/Town Taxes	\$ 3,499,762.34*
	<u> </u>

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Collected by November 15, 2001	\$ 3,336,813.67
x School Percentage75
Amount Due School District (20 days)	2,502,610.25
Balance Due School District (within 120 days)	115,721.75
	<u> </u>
Total School Tax	\$ 2,618,332.00
	<u> </u>

Total Collected by Nov. 15, 2001	\$ 3,336,813.67
Delinquent Taxes Nov. 16, 2001	176,586.68
	<u> </u>
Total Taxes	\$ 3,513,400.35*
	<u> </u>

* Difference is in rounding the tax rate to accommodate amount to be raised.

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Notes Payable	DUE IN 2002					
	2001 Balance	Interest Rate	Interest Amount	2002 Total	2003 Est'd.	2004 Est'd.
1999 Dump Truck:						
VT Agency of Transportation	16,346	2.00%	328	16,674	0	0
Interest					0	0
2001 Dump Truck:						
VT Agency of Transportation	73,810	2.00%	1,477	24,604	24,603	0
Interest					984	0
1997 Paving Project Bond:						
6/1 Interest Only Payment			12,577	12,577	10,597	8,572
12/1 Interest Payment			12,578	12,578	10,598	8,573
12/1 Principal Payment	540,000			90,000	90,000	90,000
	<u>\$ 630,156</u>		<u>26,960</u>	<u>157,910</u>	<u>136,782</u>	<u>132,241</u>
Debt Service:						
2002.....	157,910					
2003.....	136,782					
2004.....	132,241					
2005.....	102,960					
2006.....	98,685					
2007 and thereafter **	<u>94,365</u>					
	722,943					
Less Interest Portion:	(92,787)					
Total Debt	<u>\$ 630,156</u>					

NOTES:

- 1.) Interest rates on notes are for current year and are subject to change in future years.
 2.) Paving Bond debt schedule is determined by the Vermont Bond Bank — interest averages about 4.530% over life of the loan. Final payment is due 12/1/2007.
 ** 3.) Balance includes principal and interest on Paving Project Bond. Paving Project Bond payments on principal are @ \$90,000 per year over 10 years.

PASS THROUGH ACCOUNTS

Dog State Rabies Program	\$ 483.00
Marriage and Civil Union Licenses	165.00
Fish & Wildlife	922.50



TOWN AND FIDUCIARY FUNDS SUMMARY*

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* These funds may be spent only for the specific purposes for which they were intended and are not available for the general expenses of the Town.

** These Town and Fiduciary Funds are held in separate bank accounts.

– Town Funds are raised by taxes.

– Fiduciary Funds come from various sources. Some monies might be provided from tax revenues as voted at Town Meeting.

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000		\$ 70,367.80
CD Interest	3,620.48	
Money Market Interest	28.75	
Article 6 at Town Meeting, 2001	80,000.00	
		83,649.23
Withdrawn for paving	(22,879.50)	
Penalty posted in error by the bank	(616.44)*	(23,495.94)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001		<u>\$ 130,521.09</u>

* Bank will post correction in FY2002



CAPITAL RESERVE

Allocated Funds:		Contrib. Year
Fire Dept. Breathing App.	\$ 20,000.00	1998–2001
Fire Dept. Trucks	60,000.00	1998–2001
Salt Shed	30,000.00	2000–2001
Road Dept. Trucks	16,508.95	2001
Paving (see below)	0.00	
Interest earned 2001	3,649.23	
Interest earned in prior years	979.35	
Dec. 31, 2001 Total**	<u>\$ 131,137.53</u>	

** Capital Reserve CD & Money Market combined

Paving Distribution 2001 – Gallison Hill Project

Beginning Balance Paving Reserve 12/31/00	\$ 53,630.85
Interest Earned Paving Reserve 2001	901.40
Cap. Reserve Account Paving Bal. (incl. int.)	7,967.75
Cap. Reserve Contrib. 2001 for Paving	10,000.00
State of Vermont Grant Reimbursement	30,000.00
TOTAL	<u>102,500.00</u>
Less: Gallison Hill Paving Project	<u>(102,500.00)</u>
	0.00

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2002–2007

Contributions to Capital Projects	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus	5,000	5,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Fire Dept. Trucks	35,000	35,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Salt Shed	0	0	0	0	0	0
Road Dept. Trucks	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Road Dept. Heavy Equipment.....	15,000	15,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Paving	15,000	18,000	21,000	47,445	51,720	56,040
Total Annual Contributions:	\$95,000	98,000	102,000	128,445	132,720	137,040

REPAVING FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 52,389.57
Interest	2,142.68
Transferred to Town Sweep Checking Account*	(54,532.25)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	<u><u>\$ 0.00</u></u>

* Note: The Repaving Fund was combined with “Paving” in the Capital Reserve Account and the Repaving Fund account was closed.



SPECIAL BRIDGE AND CULVERT PROJECTS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 26,545.74
Interest	63.28
Expenses	
Transfer to checking (special project)	(5,628.00)
Transfer to checking (special project)	(19,917.74)
	<u>(25,545.74)</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	<u><u>\$ 1,063.28</u></u>



CARLTON C. SMITH RECREATIONAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	
Bequest from Carlton C. Smith (CD)**	\$ 50,000.00
Savings	5,501.58
	\$ 55,501.58
Interest Earned	
CD	2,675.75
Savings	106.16
	<u>2,781.91</u>
	<u><u>\$ 58,283.49</u></u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	
CD	\$ 50,000.00
Savings	8,283.49
	<u><u>\$ 58,283.49</u></u>

** Per Carlton C. Smith Bequest, the principal of CD cannot be used. Interest is transferred to Savings Account where it is available for use as intended.

LAND CONSERVATION FUND

Begininning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 30,938.59
Interest	1,310.89
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Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	\$ 32,249.48
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ACT 200 PLANNING FUND

Begininning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 2,455.18
Interest	39.49
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	\$ 2,494.67
Expenses	
Town Plan meeting	(36.93)
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Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	\$ 2,457.74
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VETERAN'S MEMORIAL FUND – SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Begininning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 417.53
Interest	6.72
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Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	\$ 424.25
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TOWN'S PORTION OF SCHOOL EXPENSES

	2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Projected
Elementary School	\$ 1,129,154.00	\$ 1,212,764.00	\$ 1,294,486.00
U-32 High School	\$ 1,314,044.00	\$ 1,405,567.00	\$ 1,448,157.00
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Total	\$ 2,443,198.00	\$ 2,618,331.00	\$ 2,742,643.00

TOWN SWEEP CHECKING ACCOUNT

(7-Day Account)

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 127,605.18
Income	
Account Interest	8,322.34
CD Interest	3,046.41
3 Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN)	450,000.00
State Aid for Roads	117,571.05
Gallison Hill Road Grant	30,000.00
Center Road Grant	40,500.00
Loan to purchase new dump truck	73,810.00
Trade in 1994 dump truck	20,000.00
Traffic Fines	17,914.00
From Cemetery Trust Fund, Forest Fund, Act 200 Fund	10,847.83
From Fairmont Farm Community Development Fund	7,394.86
From Capital Reserve (for paving)	22,879.50
From Repaving Fund	54,532.25
State Current Use Hold Harmless	30,512.00
State Land/Access and Pilot Program	1,463.00
VLCT (insurance claim on truck)	2,616.99
School Share of Treasurer Expense	5,500.00
Fees and Licenses	28,217.74
Property Taxes	3,336,813.67
Delinquent Property Taxes (incl. interest & penalties)	207,297.39
Misc. Income	1,069.67
Total Income	<u>4,597,913.88</u>
Expenses	
Town's Portion of School Expenses	(2,628,110.25)
Repayment of TAN (with interest)	(461,193.59)
Repayment of loan for dump truck (with interest)	(75,606.72)
Cemetery Trust Fund, Forest Fund, Act 200 Fund	(10,847.83)
Warned Articles (as voted)	(102,072.00)
Other (2001 Town Budget, Misc.)	(1,129,085.65)
Total Expenses	<u>4,406,916.04</u>
Ending Balance*	<u><u>\$ 190,997.84</u></u>

* \$27,000 is restricted. Its interest pays for the sweep account service.

TOWN LAND, BUILDINGS, AND CEMETERIES

Town Office and	0.60 acres	Cate Cemetery	0.67 acres
Town Garage and	24.20 acres	Cutler Cemetery	2.70 acres
Town Fire Station and	1.00 acre	Doty Cemetery	2.80 acres
Town Forest	96.36 acres	Quaker Cemetery	0.42 acres
Elementary School and ...	18.00 acres	Tinkham Cemetery	0.20 acres
Recreation Field	12.00 acres	*Village Cemetery	2.70 acres
Coburn Covered Bridge		Wheeler Cemetery	1.30 acres

**Includes former Town Hall lot.*



TOWN VEHICLES, ETC. (Information as of January 1, 2002)

		Mileage	Hours
2002	International 2574 Dump Truck		
	Sand Spreader and Plow and Wing	10,421	575
1999	International 4900 Dump Truck		
	Sand Spreader and Plow and Wing	42,635	3,523
1996	International 4900 Dump Truck		
	Sand Spreader and Plow and Wing	7,109	90,598
2000	Ford 550 Dump Truck		
	One Way Plow and Sand Spreader	19,011	N/A
1993	Caterpillar 928 Front End Loader	N/A	5,204
1990	Caterpillar 140G Grader	N/A	7,709
1998	MorBark Brush Chipper	N/A	501
1972	Ford 900 Fire Truck	33,806	N/A
1995	International Pumper / Tanker	12,367	783
1988	John Deere 210C Backhoe	N/A	3,136

TOWN FOREST FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000

Savings	\$ 3,370.47	
CD	<u>36,581.67</u>	\$ 39,952.14

Interest Earned

Savings	60.18	
CD	<u>1,701.60</u>	1,761.78

Expenses

Austin Cate	122.50	
Paul Cate	60.00	
Tovar Cerulli	45.00	
Chris Keitel	62.50	
Robinson Morse	57.50	
Jean Vissering	<u>40.00</u>	(387.50)
		<u>\$ 41,326.42</u>

Ending Balance – December 31, 2001

Savings	3,043.15	
CD	<u>38,283.27</u>	\$ 41,326.42



RESTORATION FUND*

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 1,151.07
Interest	<u>12.55</u>
	\$ 1,163.62
Expenses	
Reimbursement to General Fund for 2001 restoration	<u>(393.00)</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	<u>\$ 770.62</u>

* Note: Previously, one dollar from receipts for every page recorded by the Town Clerk was deposited into this account for restoration of town records. Beginning with the 2000 budget, a line item for Restoration has been added to the general budget. The Restoration Fund account will be spent down to a zero balance and retired.

GRAND LIST / REAPPRAISAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 22,236.96
Interest on Chittenden CD (March 2001)	1,094.29
Received from State of Vermont	<u>7,875.00</u>
	\$ 31,206.25



FAIRMONT FARM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 37,726.19
Payments from Fairmont Farms	36,974.28
Interest	<u>1,572.34</u>
	38,546.62
Expenses:	
Administrative Costs to Town	7,394.86
Administrative Costs to VT Dept. of Housing & Community Affairs	<u>7,394.86</u>
	(14,789.72)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	\$ 61,483.091

NOTE RECEIVABLE

The Town of East Montpelier was awarded \$218,000.00 from the Vermont Community Development Program which was loaned to Fairmont Farms at five (5%) percent per annum. The loan is to be amortized over seven (7) years. The principal and interest payments began February 1, 2000. The repayment schedule is eighty-four monthly payments of \$3,081.19 each. The payments received are deposited in a separate Town account and funds will be used for community development as outlined by state and federal statutes.

In 2001, the East Montpelier Selectboard appointed an East Montpelier Revolving Loan Fund (EMRLF) Management Committee. The EMRLF Management Committee, with assistance from the Town Administrator, will be responsible for the operation of the Loan Fund (loan repayments) received from Fairmont Farms, Inc., as established by Grant Agreement 0197/95IG(22). The Town may make loans or grants available for eligible activities, including public facilities, public services, housing rehabilitation, or economic development.

For more information on this topic, see the annual report of the EMRLF Management Committee on pages 51–52.

SANDY PINES / VT EPA / SRF

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 1.00
Reimbursement – Housing Foundation, Inc.	2,000.00
Disbursement – Bond Note to Chittenden Bank	<u>(2,000.00)</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	\$ 1.00

Total amount of Loan – \$10,000 repayable over five (5) years (1998–2002) at zero (0%) percent interest.

Balance of Loan Due – December 31, 2000	\$ 4,000.00*
2001 Loan Payment received from Housing Foundation, Inc. and forwarded to Chittenden Bank	<u>(2,000.00)</u>
Balance of Note Payable – December 31, 2001	\$ 2,000.00

* Last year's report stated the Balance Due as \$3,800.00 This was an error carried over from the 1998 report which included a \$200.00 Housing Foundation disbursement. The statement above rectifies this error.

NOTE: This account is used to hold and disburse funds related to engineering services and project estimates, plus loan repayment, for the sewage replacement project.



SANDY PINES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000	\$ 1.00
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001	<u>\$ 1.00</u>

NOTE RECEIVABLE

The Town of East Montpelier was awarded a grant of \$318,900.00 from the Vermont Community Development Program to fund the replacement of the sewage systems of Sandy Pines Mobile Home Park. The Town loaned the money to the Housing Foundation, Inc., owners of the park at three (3%) percent per annum amortized over thirty (30) years. The project was completed in 1999.

Principal and interest payments shall begin September 1, 2004. Monthly installments shall be in the amount of \$1,319.20 each, with the balance of any remaining indebtedness due and payable on June 1, 2022.

ABSTRACT OF THE GRAND LIST OF THE TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER

School Dist. 65

Category	Property Count	ED Form 411 Listed Value	CUSE Value	Education Listed Value	Municipal Listed Value	Applied Ratio	Education Equalized Value	Municipal Equalized Value	Average List Value Incl. State Exemption
Residential I	434	48,813,500	0	48,813,500	48,813,500	100.19	48,720,930	48,720,930	112,474
Residential II	333	56,676,209	504,053	56,172,156	56,172,156	97.60	58,055,829	58,055,829	177,239
Mobile Homes - U	62	1,236,400	0	1,236,400	1,236,400	99.09	1,247,755	1,247,755	19,942
Mobile Homes - L	53	3,064,100	0	3,064,100	3,064,100	99.09	3,092,239	3,092,239	57,813
Vacation I	5	477,200	0	477,200	477,200	99.09	481,582	481,582	95,440
Vacation II	3	624,000	0	624,000	624,000	99.09	629,731	629,731	208,000
Commercial	46	9,052,500	0	9,052,500	9,052,500	99.39	9,108,059	9,108,059	196,793
Commercial Apts.	3	1,992,000	0	1,992,000	1,992,000	99.39	2,004,226	2,004,226	664,000
Industrial Plants	4	2,842,500	0	2,842,500	2,842,500	99.39	2,859,946	2,859,946	710,625
Utilities - E	5	2,479,200	0	2,479,200	2,479,200	91.16	2,719,614	2,719,614	495,840
Utilities - O	2	53,000	0	53,000	53,000	99.39	53,325	53,325	26,500
Farms	18	3,821,916	804,749	3,017,167	3,017,167	98.15	3,877,446	3,877,446	344,093
Miscellaneous	144	5,964,118	198,585	5,765,533	5,765,533	98.15	6,072,098	6,072,098	48,729
Total	1,112	137,096,643	1,507,387	135,589,256	135,589,256		138,922,780	138,922,780	
Personal Property (Cable)				198,400	0	100.00	198,400	0	
Personal Property (Inventory)				Exempt	0	100.00	Exempt	0	
Personal Property (Machinery & Equipment)				Exempt	0	100.00	Exempt	0	
Total Personal Property				<u>198,400</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>198,400</u>	<u>0</u>	
Total Real and Personal Property				135,787,656	135,589,256		139,121,180	138,922,780	
Exemptions (Voted before June 30, 1997)							Exempt	79,368	
Stabilization Agreements (Voted before June 30, 1997)							Exempt	408,738	
Exemptions (Voted after June 30, 1997)							0	0	
Stabilization Agreements (Voted before June 30, 1997)							0	0	
GRAND TOTALS				\$135,787,656	\$135,589,256	98.69	\$139,121,180	\$139,410,886	11.22 Townwide COD
Actual Tax Rate				Effective Tax Rates (Equalized)					
Town (Municipal)		.65		Municipal Tax Rate	0.6323		Total Municipal Taxes Assessed		\$2,622,335.32
School (State + Local)		1.91		School Tax Rate	1.8849		Total School Taxes Assessed		881,430.34
Total Actual Tax Rate		2.56		Total Effective Tax Rate	2.5172		Certified to State		\$139,121,000

REPORT FROM THE LISTERS

East Montpelier raises education and municipal funds through local property taxes. The taxes are based on the Grand List compiled by the Listers of the municipality. It is interesting to note that 82.47% of the taxes raised were paid by local residents, the highest percentage in Washington County.

We are required to appraise all taxable properties at fair market value. However, listing values often do not reflect fair market value as the real estate markets are always changing and because town wide reappraisals are not conducted annually. Town wide reappraisals are required by the State of Vermont if the common level of appraisal (CLA) falls below 80%. This past year our CLA fell slightly from 100.35% to 98.69%.

In order to treat all properties fairly, it is necessary to bring all grand list to fair market value. Fair market value is the price a property is likely to bring if sold on the open market. Therefore, deriving a ratio of listed values to sale prices on recent arms length transactions and applying that ratio to similar properties will render a good estimation of total fair market values of our town. The listed values to sales values ratios are computed by the Vermont Tax Department. Equalization studies have been performed by the department since 1963. From that study is derived the common level of appraisal.

During the past listing year, April 1, 2000, to March 31, 2001, the Town had 113 transfers of properties. We also had 108 changes, 25 new dwellings, decks, garages, sheds, etc. Since April 1, 2001, we have had permits for 19 new dwellings plus usual additions and changes to properties. During the past listing year our grand list increased by \$2,972,328 due to the construction that took place.

We thank all residents of the town for their cooperation and courtesy during our inspections. Because of the work load, appointments are made only to view inside of properties. When we inspect outside improvements, we always leave a note that the Listers have been there. We will continue to take photos of dwellings during the year to update our listing cards.

— ROSENDO CUETO
JAMES GOODALL
EARL MONTAGUE

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

2001 ANNUAL REPORT

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2000		\$ 74,487.23
Income		
Vote – 2001 Town Meeting, Art. 10	\$ 7,000.00	
Sale of Lots and Perpetual Care	<u>2,300.00</u>	
		9,300.00
Interest on Savings:		
East Montpelier Cemetery – 12/31/01	142.84	
Howard Bank – For CD – 10/31/01	<u>39.82</u>	
		182.66
Interest on CD's:		
Chittenden Trust – 12/31/01	1,850.94	
Howard Bank – 10/31/01	<u>920.62</u>	
		2,771.56
Care of Cemeteries Expense		<u>(10,423.40)</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001		<u><u>\$ 76,318.05</u></u>

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS – BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2001

Savings Accounts:		
East Montpelier Cemetery	\$ 6,749.87	
Interest on Howard Bank CD	<u>3,593.18</u>	
		\$ 10,343.05
CD Accounts:		
Chittenden	45,975.00	
Howard Bank	<u>20,000.00</u>	
		65,975.00
Total Perpetual Care Funds		<u><u>\$ 76,318.05</u></u>



CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S ORDERS

Mowing	\$ 2,804.11
Fence Painting and Repair	742.62
Tombstone Repair	4,125.00
Tombstone Cleaning	1,000.00
Parts and Supplies	722.47
Equipment Replacement Fund	479.20
Tree Removal	450.00
Contingency	<u>100.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 10,423.40

EAST MONTPELIER CEMETERY COMMISSION

The East Montpelier Cemetery Commission met nine times during 2001. Pauline Coburn was elected Chair and Frederick Strong was named Clerk.

Cemetery upkeep is a continuous challenge. Fallen, leaning and broken gravestones were repaired in the Cate, Village, and Cutler cemeteries. Gravestones were cleaned in portions of the Cutler and Village cemeteries. This program will continue as budgeted. A general cleanup of the Tinkham cemetery was also completed, and an area was staked out for additional cremation lots. Gary Hudson cut up and removed downed tree limbs at the Cutler cemetery.

Fence repairs were completed in the Wheeler cemetery. The Cate cemetery fence was repaired and painted. The Society of Friends straightened the Quaker cemetery fence posts. The Cemetery Commission has taken on the responsibility for upkeep of the Quaker and Peck cemeteries.

A DR Trimmer® mower was purchased to aid in upkeep of the more primitive cemeteries; Clark, Tinkham, Wheeler, and Peck.

Goals for the coming year include:

- Repairing fences at the Village and Quaker cemeteries,
- Repairing leaning and broken tombstones in the Tinkham cemetery, as funds allow,
- Removing the dead elm tree in the Quaker cemetery,
- Obtaining funds to install decorative fence on the road frontage of the Doty cemetery.

There continues to be a decrease in the number of lot sales, and the return on our investments is limited. As a result, we will ask the town for \$5,000 in order to maintain the town cemeteries for the season ahead.

The commissioners thank Bradford Lane for continuing to mow the White cemetery. Thanks to him the cemetery looked neat and well kept throughout the past growing season.

— PAULINE COBURN, *Chair*
MAURICE CERUTTI
GARY HUDSON
ELLIOTT MORSE
FREDERICK STRONG

FRIENDS OF THE WINOOSKI RIVER
— SURVEY —

Do you own land by a stream or brook on the Winooski River or a tributary?
(This includes Bennett Brook, Sodom Pond Brook, and the Kingsbury Branch.)

Do you care about flooding, property loss, good fishing, and clean water?

Friends of the Winooski River is a local non-profit group that works with landowners and communities who need help with assessing and restoring their streambanks. Stable, vegetated streambanks are an effective way of controlling flooding, and reducing property loss and river instability. They also promote good habitat for fish and wildlife. FWR can help organize streambank restoration work at no cost to the landowner.

To find out how you can help improve water quality, habitat, and river stability in the Upper Winooski watershed, please complete and return this survey to:

Friends of the Winooski River
153 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602
Phone: (802) 223-8080 Email: fwr@sover.net.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I own land by the ☐ Winooski River
- ☐ Bennett Brook
- ☐ Sodom Pond Brook
- ☐ Kingsbury Branch
- ☐ Other (name) _____
- ☐ Don't know/unnamed
- ☐ I would be interested in talking with FWR about the condition of my river banks.
- ☐ I would like to help out on a local river conservation project. Keep me posted.

Thank you!

REPORT OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Building activity was brisk once again this year with 101 applications for permits compared to 106 in 2000. From discussion with the public, it is apparent that the price of land continues to increase in Town with strong demand for building lots for single-family homes. Although there were only fourteen new dwelling applications this year, a number of new homes permitted in late 2000 were built out in the summer of 2001.

During the past year I have minimally covered the bases as a very part time Zoning Administrator. If the Town wishes to continue to have and enforce Zoning we should consider making this a permanent part time position. Currently a twenty five to thirty hour week would probably be required to adequately cover the job. We are not providing adequate information for Act 125 (the Bianchi Bill) nor am I doing any enforcement. The only enforcement actions I am taking are when I receive a complaint from a resident. Basically I am only processing permits and answering calls. Our permits from the past are organized by name and year. A better system would be to file by block and lot. To certify that a property has all its permits in place one has to search the Zoning records year by year by name looking for permits. This is a very time consuming task. Currently each time a property sale occurs in town I am supposed to verify for the attorneys that the property is in compliance with the local zoning regulations.

The Planning Commission has been hard at work updating and revising the Town Plan, and I'm sure would welcome any suggestions and ideas from townspeople. The Town Plan is an excellent first step but only a first step in planning for our Town's future. Our Zoning regulations were written more than twenty years ago for a rural agricultural community. Frankly they are dated and unwieldy, encouraging big houses on large lots rather than planned development. We are also operating under interim regulations for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities. Hopefully we can complete the Town Plan in the coming year and move on to updating our local regulations.

If we continue adding fourteen to twenty new houses a year we will soon become predominantly a bedroom community. At the current pace we can expect that at some point in the next ten years we will have to expand our elementary school and other Town services; roads, Fire Protection, Town Offices, etc. Although we have a high proportion of conserved land we should be looking to the future in terms of what kind of community we want East Montpelier to be. We have avoided the rapid development of Williston but 14 to 20 houses a year will inexorably change our landscape in the next ten years. Folks should be aware that we are no longer a small farm community, our population now exceeds 2,500 people and growing. The time to talk about what our Town should look like is now! Please let your Planning Commissioners know what type of community you want to live in.

— EUGENE TROIA, *Zoning Administrator*

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

The Planning Commission has been very active this year — reviewing and approving subdivisions and site plans, revising sign regulations, writing limited setback rules for non-conforming lots, working with the Selectboard to create an Interim Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Bylaw, and updating the Town Plan.

Local sign regulations were revised to make them easier to understand and to administer. After two public hearings, the Selectboard adopted them.

At the request of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, we worked with them to write an amendment to Article IV (new Section 6) that creates a limited exception for certain developed, preexisting small lots. The purpose of this new section is to relax the need for zoning variances for preexisting non-conforming property in East Montpelier, specifically those properties that are less than three acres and are located in Zones D and E where they do not meet the current minimum lot size requirements. We have held public hearings on this new regulation and have forwarded it to the Selectboard for action. There are copies of the regulation available for review at the Town Clerk's Office.

The Planning Commission assisted the Selectboard in updating the Permit Fee Schedule to include fees for new activities and to reflect more accurately the cost of doing Town business. The new schedule is printed on the facing page.

The Planning Commission composed an Interim Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Bylaw for East Montpelier which the Selectboard adopted in August. We reviewed many sample bylaws that were already in effect and some that were in the planning stages and picked what we thought would apply to our Town. The Bylaw will be in effect for two years while we make necessary refinements in order to establish a permanent Bylaw to be added to the zoning regulations.

Last spring, the Planning Commission formed a subcommittee to work with townspeople on an update of our Town Plan. Many of our neighbors have pitched in, drafting pages on subjects they know and care about. The East Montpelier Town Plan is a detailed mission statement and five-year community program. It chronicles a bit of our history, describes our present resources, envisions our future, and describes the steps necessary to reach our goals. The Plan provides guidelines for our officials as they administer town business, apply zoning regulations, and draft capital and operating budgets. It plays an essential role in Act 250 hearings, representing our local interests. This Town Plan subcommittee will be surveying the townspeople during the first quarter of 2002 to gauge citizen preferences on issues and goals. Your input is important to us.

The Planning Commission meets every first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office. We encourage any citizen interested in our activities to attend our meetings.

— CAROL WELCH, *Chair*

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER PERMIT FEES — ADOPTED 11/26/01

Note: The following fees include \$7.00 permit recording plus cost of publishing a warning where applicable.

Access Permits	\$35.00
Addition, Residential	35.00
Agricultural Projects, Commercial	<i>No charge but written notification & approved State Permit required</i>
Agricultural Projects, Non-commercial	35.00
Board of Adjustment Hearing	75.00
Building Construction, Residential	75.00
	<i>plus any other applicable fees</i>
Copy of Town Plan	5.00
Copy of Zoning Regulations (includes Subdivision Regulations)	5.00
Decks and Porches	35.00
Fill or Excavation, Residential (when State or Federal permit is required)	35.00
Garage, Utility Shed, Accessory Units	35.00
Home Occupation	35.00
Planning Commission Hearing	75.00
Pools	35.00
Signs	35.00
Subdivision	10.00 per unit plus 75.00
Subdivision: Boundary Adjustment	75.00

Commercial Facilities

Commercial Applications (10,000 sq. ft. or less)	*	135.00
Commercial (more than 10,000 sq. ft.)	*	260.00
Commercial Additions (5,000 sq. ft. or less)	*	75.00
Commercial Additions (more than 5,000 sq. ft.)	*	95.00
Fill or Excavation (when State and/or Federal permits are required)		75.00

Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Wireless Telecommunications Interim Bylaw		5.00
Additions/Alterations when facility footprint is increased	* .12 per sq. ft. of compound footprint; 135.00 minimum	
Additions/Alterations when facility footprint is increased	* .12 per sq. ft. of compound footprint; 135.00 minimum	
Additions/Alterations when footprint is not increased	*	135.00

* Additionally, all reasonable fees shall be charged to applicants for independent assessment which the Selectboard, Planning Commission, and/or Board of Adjustment deem necessary. Selectboard shall make final decision if boards and applicant cannot reach agreement on fees.

Sewage System Permit Fees

	<i>New Construction</i>	<i>Replacement</i>
Sewage Permit: Inground	85.00	45.00
Sewage Permit: Mound and Other Systems	135.00	70.00
System which requires a State Waste Water Permit	50.00	50.00
Recertification if not built in two years	25.00	25.00

REPORT OF THE SEWAGE OFFICER

In the year 2001 there were 25 applications for sewage disposal permits; 21 were approved, others are pending. One application for an alternative system was not recommended for approval to the Selectboard because there are technical changes being proposed to the on-site wastewater disposal regulations that will affect how approval of alternative systems will be made. More on this later.

Seven applications (7 lots) were for new construction and four were for replacement of failed systems. Eleven applications were to recertify permits that were about to expire two years after issuance. Three applications were to modify systems as follows: to expand an existing mound system to accommodate another bedroom, to change the design for a previously approved sand filter system to a mound system, and to modify an in-ground system design because construction in a subdivision encroached on the approved leach field area.

	Number of Applications	Number of Lots	Type of System			Constructed in 2001
			Mound	In-ground	Other	
Replacement	4	4	3	1	0	3
New Construction	7	7	1	5	1	3
Recertification	11	11	-	-	-	-
Modification	3	3	2	1	-	3
Totals	25	25	6	7	1	9

This year I served on a technical advisory committee set up by the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation to review the state of the art of on-site sewage disposal and make recommendations for changes to the existing state rules governing design of the systems. Public hearings were held on the proposed rule changes which, in some form, become effective in 2002. Under consideration is to allow systems on steeper slopes (increased from 20% to 30%, or from about 11 to 17 degrees). The new rules provide for alternative treatment systems that treat waste water to a higher degree than does the septic tank. This will allow disposal to land and soils with heretofore more limiting conditions (high seasonal water table as little as 12 versus 24 inches and bedrock at 18 versus 24 inches). Larger septic tanks would be required (1500 versus 1000 gallons) for better settling, plus many other changes.

Obviously these changes will allow development to occur on some lands that were previously unsuitable. The proposed rules and parallel state legislation (S.27) would eliminate the 10-acre exemption and give towns five years to plan for development and make any zoning changes felt necessary to develop the town as townsfolk desire before the changes go into effect. We'll know more in the year 2002 about how all this eventually shakes out.

Remember that there is information about applications and the important work of system operation and maintenance at the town office. Feel free to give me a call anytime if you have any questions.

— RICHARD CZAPLINSKI, *Sewage Officer*

CENTRAL VERMONT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The mission of the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District is to help its 22 member communities to reduce waste, reuse and recycle. In FY 2001, staff set new goals for these primary program areas. We set out to work toward achieving both measurable results, such as increased recycling and resident participation rates, as well as the kinds of qualitative results that grow out of hands-on educational workshops and one-on-one interactions.

It's certainly challenging to help member communities understand why it's so important to reduce, reuse and recycle waste, and why illegal burning and dumping and the use of toxic products present serious health risks. But we believe that concerted educational outreach will encourage sound environmental actions, and will help diminish the quantity and toxicity of the region's solid waste.

Here are some of the highlights of the District's work in FY 2001. Please contact us at 802-229-9383 for more information about specific programs and services. Copies of our six-page FY 2001 Annual Report are also available.

- **Illegal Dumping Prevention** — Nine new Adopt-A-Site sites were cleaned and adopted with strong community support
- **Illegal Burning Prevention** — Developed educational program to explain the dangers of burning for human and environmental health. Material distribution begun in member communities.
- **Recycling** — Collected more than 1,480 tons of recyclables at 11 District staffed and volunteer depots, in addition to 79 tons of tires, 271 tons of metal, 94 pounds of PCB's, and 1,004 tons of trash.
- **Hazardous Waste** — Nine collections (May through October) utilized by 360 households and 29 businesses. Distributed educational materials to help residents reduce use of hazardous materials, and reduce disposal fees and quantities
- **Business Technical Assistance** — Coordinated a seminar for Auto Body businesses for help in complying with air, water, solid, and hazardous waste regulations. Conducted 16 on-site waste assessments to help reduce waste and the use of toxic materials in municipal buildings.
- **School Programs** — Reached 1,700 students in 10 District towns with theater and in-class education programs.
- **Speakers Bureau** — Developed and led Art & the 3Rs Papermaking Workshop and DeTox Family Workshop. The DeTox Workshop helps families understand the hazards of toxic household products and that safer alternatives work.
- **Reuse** — The biannual Clothing Drop 'N Swaps diverted 62 tons of clothing from disposal; 2,718 residents took part in the events. Business Co-Op Ads helped promote 15 participating local reuse businesses.
- **Junk Car Assistance** — Helped 97 residents from 18 member communities recycle 140 vehicles for FREE.
- **Green Up Day Grants** — 21 member communities were awarded an average of \$257 per town for Green Up activities.

CONSERVATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

2001 was the second year that we had no requests for funding from the Conservation Fund since 1990. East Montpelier has been very fortunate over the past decade to have been able to conserve a great deal of agricultural and open scenic lands. This has been accomplished through the generosity of community members and landowners, willing to sacrifice some of their own personal assets for the benefit of future generations through their conservation efforts. These efforts have provided the town with more recreational and scenic opportunities and allowed some farms to remain operational, thus keeping the land open and in agricultural use.

It is also evident that the number of building permits continues to increase. East Montpelier is a prime location for people to settle and we can all see the impact of this development on the hillsides and on the main roads during rush hour. This makes our efforts even more important.

Less than a week before this report was drafted, a major conservation project appeared on the horizon, with the potential to conserve a large tract of land that supports deer and bear habitat, the continuation of the proposed town trails, a substantial amount of forest, a beautiful brook, and a working farm. The Advisory Committee is in the process of reviewing this application and we request that the town appropriate additional funds to support these efforts. We realize that economic times are hard on everyone, but an opportunity of this importance and magnitude is rare. We hope to provide more specific details on Town Meeting Day.

Again, the Conservation Fund Advisory Committee wants to extend its sincere appreciation and gratitude to the residents of East Montpelier for its continued support of conservation efforts in our town. Without this interest and commitment, we would not be able to enjoy the scenic, agricultural, and recreational opportunities to the extent that we can today.

Respectfully submitted,
SUE CHICKERING

Conservation Fund Summary

Date	Project	Town Funds	Amount	Acres
12/7/90	Cleaves	\$ 32,000	\$ 301,968	285
5/14/93	Bair/Chapell	4,000	264,030	479
10/13/94	Sparrow Farm	31,000	307,975	163
6/28/96	Frihauff/VLT	5,000	106,470	167
10/24/96	Sibley Farm	10,000	229,895	172
6/16/99	Christiansen Farm	14,795	150,000	237
Total	6 projects	\$ 96,795	\$ 1,360,338	1,503

The Land Conservation Fund currently has a total of \$32,249.48

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Michael Dworkin, Dennis Carver, Brian Lusignan,
Leonard Wilson, Charles Johnson, Sue Chickering

EAST MONTPELIER TRAILS REPORT

East Montpelier Trails, Inc. is a not-for-profit, non-governmental entity that works to build and maintain a multi-use trail system within the Town. We currently maintain approximately 8 miles of trail and propose to add new mileage in coming years. Funding is obtained from private and State grant programs, private donations and other sources such as the Carlton Smith Fund. The group consists of 6 to 12 board members who meet about 10 times per year. We currently have 8 board members.

Apart from the Esther Salmi Trail, a small section heading east from the County Road just south of Haggett Road, we have added no new trail since the Sparrow Farm section opened in 1996. However, we are pursuing some new easement possibilities toward the ultimate goal of a 20-plus mile loop through the heart of East Montpelier (tying into the City of Montpelier trail system to complete the loop). A possible route for this loop is depicted on our trail brochures in the green boxes at the trailheads or available at the Town Clerk's office. The loop includes our town's section of the Cross Vermont Trail, which will roughly parallel Route 2. We are currently working on routing and funding for this section.

With help from VAST and its local group, the Gully Jumpers, East Montpelier Trails purchased about one acre of land fronting the east side of Rt. 14 about 1 mile south of East Montpelier village. The land straddles the rail bed used by the Cross-Vermont Trail. This acquisition protects an important trailhead and allows for continued use of the site for off-road parking. We are considering another parcel for off-road parking on the County Road at the Esther Salmi trailhead. We have proposed to the Selectboard that our tax burden be excused in consideration of the public safety these parking areas provide.

Maintaining established trails in the forest is usually easy, but we have over a mile of trail in open field and brambles. These sections can become nearly impassable without mowing or trimming. This job will be a lot easier in 2002 thanks to the generous donation of a sickle bar mower by Martha Holden, and its refurbishing by Sandy Woodbeck.

We are in the process of revising our trail map. Stone Environmental, Inc. of Montpelier has collected accurate trail location data as part of their community service program. We now want to take the next step and use the data to produce a new map. We are trying to accomplish this through community service volunteer effort, in which Stone would help another group, such as a group at U-32 High School, use the data to produce the map.

If you have an interest in trails and want to become involved, we welcome new members. Or, you may want to join one of our half-day work parties – watch for notices in the Signpost. For more information please contact Jamie Shanley (223-4856) or Chris Abrams (223-4038). See you on the trails!

CENTRAL VERMONT REVOLVING LOAN FUND

November 1, 2000 – October 31, 2001

The purpose of the Central Vermont Revolving Loan Fund is to stimulate enterprise development and employment opportunities, and to create and retain jobs by making financing available for business start up and expansion within and for the benefit of the Central Vermont region.

The Central Vermont Revolving Loan Fund began in 1995 when 19 Central Vermont municipalities joined together through an Interlocal Agreement. There are now 20 municipalities that are members — Barre City, Barre Town, Cabot, Calais, East Montpelier, Fayston, Marshfield, Middlesex, Montpelier, Northfield, Orange, Plainfield, Roxbury, Waitsfield, Warren, Washington, Waterbury, Williamstown, Woodbury, and Worcester. Northfield Town joined the Interlocal Agreement in August 2000. Each municipality appoints a representative to the Governing Board of the Fund.

During the fiscal year reported, 115 people inquired about financing opportunities through the fund. Thirteen submitted complete applications for consideration by the Loan Committee of the CVRLF. A total of six loans were disbursed totaling \$107,996, which in turn leveraged \$23,500 in other financing. Three of the six disbursed loans were second loans to existing borrowers located in Montpelier, Berlin, and Barre Town. The remaining three were loans to start-up businesses located in Berlin, Waterbury, and Waitsfield.

The CVRLF has three sources of funds to lend to businesses in Central Vermont (1) funds from a US Department of Housing and Urban Development Special Purpose Grant, which was available for lending in May 1999; (2) funds from a Vermont Community Development Program grant awarded to the Town of Middlesex and consortium members, Washington and Montpelier on behalf of the CVRLF; and (3) revolved funds from the original capitalization grant secured by Senator Patrick Leahy in 1996. Other services offered by the CVRLF include referrals to local business technical assistance providers and post loan technical assistance.

The CVRLF is also a recent recipient of a grant from the US Department of the Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions Fund. With assistance from the Fund over the next two years, the CVRLF will be able to strengthen its infrastructure and programs to better serve the entrepreneurs of Central Vermont.

Staffing for the CVRLF is provided under contract with Central Vermont Community Action and consists of Fund Manager Emily Kaminsky and new Loan Administrator Deb Mares. As of August 1, 2001, the CVRLF began to underwrite, analyze, and service its own loans. Funds are available for lending in the Central Vermont area. Interested parties within the Central Vermont region are encouraged to call Fund Manager Emily Kaminsky at Central Vermont Community Action at 479-1053 to request a loan application abstract package and further information.

EAST MONTPELIER REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

Over the past several years, the Town has received two grants from the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP); the first of which was to make a loan of \$218,000 to Fairmont Farms for improvements to their dairy facilities, the second was for a loan of \$318,900 to the owners of Sandy Pines Mobile Home Park for improvements to the park. Repayments from the loans come back to the Town. The Closeout Agreement (agreement) signed in June 2000, with the State Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the administering agency for this program, stipulates that the repayments of principal and interest would be used to capitalize the East Montpelier Revolving Loan Fund (EMRLF).

Management Committee

A management committee, composed of several Town residents and assisted by the Town Administrator, is to be responsible for the operation of the loan fund. The committee will have authority to set priorities, determine loan terms and conditions, and approve loans and grants. It is to establish internal policies and guidelines for the EMRLF.

The Selectboard created this committee in April, 2001, appointing thereto Bruce Bjornlund, David Coburn, Ed Deegan, David Grundy, and Paul Manghi. The committee held four meetings between May and November. The time at these meetings was occupied with becoming acquainted with the task assigned and the rules for the use of the money in the RLF. The Fund Manager for the Central VT Revolving Loan Fund attended one meeting and gave a briefing on the policies under which they operate. The committee is considering the possibility of using their services for the administration of economic development loans.

Capital in the EMRLF

Payments on the Fairmont loan began in February 2000, with the final payment scheduled for January 2007. The Sandy Pines loan payments begin in September 2004 and will run until June 2022, at which time there will be a balloon payment of the remaining principal. After returning to the State 25% of the net receipts, the funds available to the town will amount to about \$30,000 per year starting in 2000. From 2005 to 2007, the amount will be just over \$42,000. From then until 2022, it will be \$12,600. Over the life of these two loans, the gross income will amount to about \$712,566.

Potential Uses of these Monies

The federal law (24 CFR §570.500) defines all gross income received by a VCDP grantee — in this instance the Town of East Montpelier—including loan principal, loan interest, bank account interest, as “program income.” The funds remain program income forever, irrespective of how many times they are re-loaned.

Under the policies of the VCDP, the Town is allowed to use up to 20% of the

program income from the loans for eligible program management and general administration costs. After being reduced by these costs, the income is subject to an annual assessment of 25%; this amount to be paid to the State for reuse in the VCDP. The Town would use the balance of the receipts to make loans or grants available for eligible activities; including public facilities, public services, housing rehabilitation, or economic development. The funds are to be used to benefit low- and moderate-income persons in the Town.

The Committee has not made any recommendations as to what purposes this income should be put. A brief survey will be distributed at Town Meeting to see what the town's people might want to see done and this will be used to guide the Committee in its deliberations.



TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

The Town Forest Committee continues its work sharing the cost and labor of managing the trees and shrubs at the Town Offices and the Elementary School. The school program includes educational work with the students.

During 2001, the Committee planted white pine seedlings in the Town Forest where timber harvest and wind storms had reduced the tree crown area considerably. The plantings were extended into areas of poor-quality hardwood at the edge of the pine stand at the forest's southwest corner.

The Town Forest Fund (see page 35) has grown through timber sales and interest earned. Our mission is to apply those funds to projects that are related to forestry and forest products. At this year's Town Meeting, the Committee is recommending an allocation of \$20,000 to the Elementary School in order to help cover the costs of the new wood chip storage facility that they propose to build.

PAUL CATE
EARLE ELLINGWOOD
JANET MACLEOD
BURR MORSE
STEVE SINCLAIR

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH RECREATION DISTRICT

The Beach has been undergoing an ambitious “rebuilding program” over the past year. Under the supervision of new manager, Martin Patterson, several important improvements were undertaken this summer, including:

- Installation of new grilles
- Replacement of lost, stolen or dilapidated picnic tables
- Resurfacing/Maintenance of entrance road
- Reopening of hiking trails
- Aesthetic improvements to entrance
- Installation of new sand

These improvements, combined with warm, sunny weather, helped boost user fees by 60% over figures for the previous year. The Board of Directors is committed to continuing to improve the overall recreational experience for beachgoers. More users, higher revenues, and a more attractive facility will be the natural outgrowth of this process.

Another sign of a renaissance at the Beach is the fact that the Board now has full representation from all four “member towns” (East Montpelier, Middlesex, Montpelier, and Worcester). This comes after several years of thin attendance.

The following figures summarize the District’s financial operations from January 1 through year end:

<i>Revenue:</i>	Washington Electric	\$ 9,500
	Seasons passes/user fees	3,893
	Municipal assessments	4,000
	Prior year’s balance	8,012
	Total Revenue	\$ 25,405
<i>Expenditures:</i>	Personnel	\$ 13,242
	Maintenance	5,100
	Operating	4,666
	Capital Improvements	1,843
	Total Expenditures	\$24,851

The District’s 2002 budget calls for revenue of \$17,705 and expenditures of \$22,016, drawing from the previous year’s reserves to make up the difference. Municipal assessments will remain at \$.31 per capita (well below the District’s authorized limit of \$.50 per capita) but increase slightly based on the use of newly available 2000 Census figures.

The Board would like to thank the community for its continued support of Wrightsville Beach.

— RICHARD MILLAR, *Chair, Montpelier*

EAST MONTPELIER RECREATION BOARD

The Recreation Board for the Town of East Montpelier took on several projects this year, many of which will improve the recreation potential for all members of the community for many years to come. The biggest change, as many of you may have noticed, is the new one-way entrance and exit at the field.

The town road crew worked relentlessly by clearing brush, installing culverts to improve drainage, and grading the new drive all in time for the fall soccer season. The parking area was increased and a temporary fence put up to delineate the parking from the playing fields. We appreciate all their hard work on behalf of the recreation needs of the town. Another improvement was the addition of two small storage sheds. These will house fall sports equipment and spring equipment respectively. A bike rack was also installed for the many kids that ride to the field.

New soccer goals were installed and the soccer field was moved a bit to accommodate the new entrance. We will be hosting fall soccer through the school and spring league soccer will be able to use the field in the future.

Once again we sponsored swimming through First in Fitness. A spring and summer program were offered, reaching more than fifty children. Adults are encouraged to take part as well so please feel free to pursue your swimming safety needs through our program.

Rally Day was great fun this year. The Recreation Board sponsored refreshments in the evening before the fireworks. I think many spectators appreciated a cool drink and ice cream on such a fine evening. The Swenson's out did themselves again this year. We are very fortunate to have them as a part of our community and lucky to have Rally Day as a kick-off to fall and to remind us that community is so important.

One of the biggest improvements for next year will be a permanent parking barrier. This will make for a safer playing area and more security for the field as well. In the spring we hope to host an Easter egg hunt and perhaps a winter gathering as well.

We encourage new members any time (meetings are held on the third Monday of most months) and we welcome ideas for recreation that will reach all members of our community. East Montpelier has a great deal to offer its residents. The playing fields can be used to host family gatherings, pick-up games and other organized events. Contact us if you would like to use them. Please get out and enjoy the wonderful surroundings that we are blessed with. Join us!

TERRI CONTI
GENE TROIA
ED DEEGAN

GINGER HOPKINS
JAN ALDRICH
ELLEN MAGURN

DAVE BURLEY
JON DUNKLING
CHRISSIE GEORGE

RECREATION BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

Begininning Balance – December 31, 2000

Checking Account	\$ 2,605.28
Savings Account	626.57

\$ 3,231.85*

Income

Town Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00
Swim Proceeds	1,470.00
Rally Day	50.00
Miscellaneous Income	50.00
Interest on Savings	6.38

4,576.38

Expenses

Swim Program	\$ 900.00
Field Expenses	2,818.89
Port-O-Let Rental	570.33
Donations	100.00
Gift Certificates	50.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	50.00
Withdrawal from Savings	48.00

(4,537.22)

\$ 3,271.01

Ending Balance – December 31, 2001

Savings	\$ 2,686.06
CD	584.95

\$ 3,271.01

* When the Recreation Board budget was prepared for the YR2000 Town Report, the Town Auditors assumed that the beginning balance reported included both the savings account and the checking account end-of-year balances for 1999. That assumption was incorrect. We have rectified that error in this year's Town Report. The Town Auditors do not audit the books of the Recreation Board.

REPORT OF THE 2002 FUNDING REQUEST COMMITTEE

One week after the terrible events of September 11, 2001, this committee met to review requests for financial support from local non-profit organizations that nurture, protect, and enrich our community. As the news was filled with stories of people working together to help each other, it reminded us that we should never underestimate the importance of community. The funding we give at Town Meeting acknowledges and encourages valuable contributions and strengthens our connections.

At last year's Town Meeting, the voters of East Montpelier agreed to spend \$8,150 as recommended by this Committee to support 18 organizations that serve our residents. In response to a separately warned item, the voters also granted the Kellogg-Hubbard Library's request for \$4,097 toward their operating expenses.

This year the Funding Request Committee recommends contributing to 16 organizations for a total of \$7,950, out of \$10,159 requested. In reviewing the applications, the Committee considered such things as the nature of the services provided, the number of town residents served, availability of other funding sources, and each organization's unique ability to meet critical community needs. The Kellogg-Hubbard Library has requested an increase in funding and the Committee and Selectboard have once again put this request before the voters as a separately warned item. For more information, see the Library pages in this report.

Following are this year's funding recommendations (in bold) along with the amounts approved in the previous two years. Please feel free to contact these organizations to volunteer your own time, skills, or additional financial contributions.

Battered Women's Services and Shelter (223-0223; Hotline: 223-0855) serves families of Washington County in cases involving domestic abuse. The Shelter provides safe homes, emotional support, food and clothes, and a 24-hour hotline. (\$675; \$675; **\$675**)

Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc. (479-1053 or 800-639-1053) helps low-income people become economically self-sufficient, providing fuel, child care, food, job referrals, adult basic education, and more through the Child Care Food Program, Community Economic Development Programs, Emergency Fuel Program, Family/Community Support Services, Farmworkers, Head Start and Early Head Start, Weatherization, Welfare-to-Work, Community Action Motors, and Working Wheels. (\$400; \$400; **\$400**)

Central Vermont Council on Aging (479-0531) provides community and home-delivered meals, legal advice, transportation to and from doctors, senior advocacy, and a senior companions program to empower persons sixty years of age and older for independent living. (\$1,100; \$1,100; **\$1,100**)

Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice (223-1878) provides home health and hospice services. Town funds help those not covered by insurance or whose insurance does not cover needed health care services. (\$2,600; \$2,600; **\$2,600**)

Green Up Vermont (229-4586) uses town funds to provide biodegradable

bags, posters, publicity, and information for town chairpersons to promote roadside cleanup and litter control. (\$100; \$100; **\$100**)

Onion River Arts Council (229-9408) conducts arts programs in schools, community festivals, and support for local artists. (\$200; \$200; **\$200**)

People's Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc. (479-1229) provides basic primary and preventative care to the uninsured and underinsured by conventional and holistic caregivers who volunteer their services. (\$500; \$500; **\$500**)

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program for Central Vermont and Northeast Kingdom (828-4770) matches retired and senior volunteers with organizations (hospitals, schools, and nonprofits) that can use their skills. Funds help offset travel expenses, insurance, and volunteer training. (\$275; \$275; **\$275**)

Twin Valley Senior Center, Inc. (563-2231) provides meals for seniors at a local site and Meals on Wheels for those unable to attend. (\$0; \$300; **\$400**)

U-32 Project Graduation (229-0321) is sponsored by the senior class at Union 32 High School to provide a drug- and alcohol-free graduation celebration for students. (\$200; \$200; **\$200**)

Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired (800-639-5861) provides training, support, and adaptive equipment to help visually impaired Vermonsters of all ages to live active, independent lives. (\$150; \$100; **\$100**)

Vermont Center for Independent Living (229-0501) is dedicated to helping disabled persons lead active and productive lives with as great a degree of independence as possible. (\$200; \$200; **\$200**)

Washington County Diversion Program (229-0536) offers first-time offenders a one-time opportunity to take responsibility for their offenses by compensating crime victims, volunteering community service hours to local organizations, and saving tax dollars that would have been spent in Court. (\$150; \$150; **\$150**)

Washington County Youth Services Bureau — Boys and Girls Club (229-9151) helps youths and their families create healthy conditions in their lives. Emphasis is on problem resolution; crisis intervention; individual and family counseling; and substance abuse prevention, early intervention, and treatment. (\$400; \$400; **\$400**)

Wheels Transportation (223-2882) is a community transportation broker that matches ride requests with available resources: including buses, vans, volunteer drivers, car/vanpools, and financial assistance. (\$250; \$300; **\$400**)

Woman Centered (229-6202) serves women of all ages, offering education, crisis response, resources and referrals, workshops, support groups, and Girls First! mentoring. (\$200; \$250; **\$250**)

2002 Funding Committee Members

LYN BLACKWELL
DEBORAH FILLION
TRACY PHILLIPS
ANNE SHERMAN
FRED STRONG

KELLOGG-HUBBARD LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

What's in it for me?

Books are only the beginning at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library, one of the busiest libraries in Vermont. The three-story, 18,450 sq. foot building is open six days a week all year. We do this with a full-time equivalent staff of just over eight people. With such minimal staff we still manage to offer public Internet computers, computer tutoring, three public meeting rooms that can be booked by any non-profit group, a comfortable place for our senior citizens to enjoy, a safe and welcoming after-school environment for our children, educational programs and concerts, two floors of books for adults and children, a large collection of audio books for all ages, home delivery to shut-ins, events and programs for children from pre-school through young adult, and a friendly, highly-trained staff to help.

Why not cut tax support and charge people to use the library?

When the library held group discussions to talk about our future, several people commented that it's important to keep public library services free so that the people who most need the library won't be barred from using it because of cost. From our first-hand experience, we can think of many families, seniors, and young adults who would find a membership charge a barrier and would stop using the library. Free service gives people from every walk of life a chance to educate themselves and their children, and it makes our community a better place for all. Like any other public service such as police and fire departments, if only the people who used it paid for it, the service could not be sustained. We all make a contribution so that the service will be there if we or someone we know needs it. This is the whole premise behind public library service in this country.

How much are we being asked to pay for library services?

We have one of the lowest rates of tax support among libraries in Vermont. Thanks to our endowment and local fund-raising, only 19% (or \$83,500) of the Library's total projected budget for 2002 will be funded by tax support. But tax support is still very crucial to us. In response to your requests, we are offering more services and longer hours, which translates to an increase in our requests. However, the amount we are requesting is still very small! This year Montpelier residents are being asked to contribute \$7.46 per capita. Surrounding towns that do not fund their own local library are being asked for \$2.44 per capita. To put this in perspective, in 2000 the average per capita tax support of town libraries in Vermont was \$17.81.

Expanded Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.*

Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

*Children's library closes at 5:30 except Thursday.

Closed 1pm on Saturdays during the summer.

For more information call 223-3338.

Direct line to Children's Library: 223-4665.

How many people from East Montpelier borrow library materials? *

Since July, 2001, 307 East Montpelier residents have registered to borrow.

How many library materials have they borrowed between July and December 2001? 3,481 items.

What would be the cost of buying that number of books and audio tapes?

\$87,025 (average list price of \$25 per item).

***Please note:** Only about 25% of our borrowers are in the new computer system; we should have more accurate figures for you next year. Also note that there are adults and children from the community who use the library frequently without borrowing.

Coming in the next year:

This year we applied for and won two major grants that will give us the chance to offer more services than we could otherwise have afforded. A two-year mobile literacy grant awarded jointly to our library and the U-32 library will allow us to purchase and stock a bookmobile that will go out to communities, senior centers, and recreation programs. CVTA Wheels will also be a partner in the project to expand library services beyond our walls. We also received a Library Incentive Grant from the Freeman Foundation to make our library more relevant to everyone in the communities we serve. The grant will include money to update our book collection, expand our audio and video collections, purchase more large print books, expand our young adult collection, and offer more free educational programs. Neither of these grants allows us to use the money to fund our normal operating costs.

Respectfully submitted,

HILARI FARRINGTON, *Director*

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) is a consortium of 23 towns and cities in Washington County and western Orange County. CVRPC provides a forum in which municipalities work together to address regional issues and opportunities. It also offers its member communities professional assistance with local planning efforts through its experienced and knowledgeable staff.

This past year, the Commission initiated, completed, and/or continued work on several projects of regional and local interest, including development of a commercial and industrial sites database done in cooperation with the Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation and the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce. The Commission is continuing to focus on quality of life issues that need to be addressed in the next Regional Plan, and is involved in the review of regionally significant Act 250 development projects and the local designation of growth centers. In addition, the Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee annually evaluates the regional inter-modal transportation needs and problems and makes recommendations to the Transportation Agency on projects that should be included in the Agency's five year capital program. In the past year, CVRPC initiated several intersection and safety studies in the region, including studying the Route 2/302 corridor in Berlin and Montpelier, the Route 63/64 corridor in Berlin, Barre, and Williamstown, and the Route 2/100 intersection in Duxbury/Moretown/Waterbury. CVRPC also assisted each community with updating their rapid response plan for emergency management and held a workshop on managing disasters. CVRPC is also involved in the development of the Central Vermont bike and pedestrian path, as well as housing forums to look at ideas for developing affordable housing.

CVRPC provided assistance to East Montpelier by working with the Wrightsville Beach Recreation District, doing traffic counts, assisting in the scoping of the Route 2 and VT 14 intersection and bridges, developing wireless telecommunication facilities model bylaws, and assisting in the rewriting of the Town Plan.

CVRPC continues to work with local officials to provide GIS mapping, including tax parcel maps and road name maps, as well as planning maps for a variety of projects and municipal plans, including bicycle path suitability maps, and maps of the region's natural resources. CVRPC assisted in the development of telecommunication facilities bylaws that can be used as a stand-alone ordinance or as an amendment to existing zoning bylaws. CVRPC is also working on a grant to develop web-based planning tools.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another year of serving our member communities and the Central Vermont Region.

— SUSAN M. SINCLAIR, *Executive Director*
ED BLACKWELL, *Commissioner*

VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) was organized 34 years ago to meet the education, advocacy, and group purchasing needs of cities and towns in Vermont. Proudly, today we are still a member-driven organization independent of state and federal government. We continue to depend on the membership of local governments for our sole support. Cities and towns around the state thank you for that support again this year. We are governed by a thirteen member board of directors, all of whom are local officials. This year Bill Shepeluk, Municipal Manager in Waterbury, is president of VLCT.

If you are newly elected this Town Meeting, congratulations!

Please plan to use VLCT as a resource.

VLCT puts considerable effort into providing education for its members, an effort that is increasing in 2002. In addition, VLCT provides handbooks on specific subjects to guide local officials in the discharge of their responsibilities. Staff travel on request to member towns to provide technical assistance on topics such as insurance packages, personnel recruitment, mediation and negotiation. Thousands of questions are answered every year from virtually every member municipality about almost any local government subject you can imagine. The *VLCT News* and *Weekly Legislative Report* provide municipal officials with up-to-date legislative coverage along with articles of special interest on topics such as workplace safety, court cases affecting local governments, and municipal planning and zoning. Interested persons may access that information and much more through VLCT's web site (www.vlct.org).

VLCT offers to municipalities insurance "trust" programs that save local taxpayer dollars every year because member municipalities pool their resources to purchase insurance coverage. In 2000 and 2001, the VLCT Health Trust held insurance rate increases to 10%, well below statewide trends, thus saving member municipalities hundreds of thousands of dollars. The VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) returned another \$412,000 to its 232 member municipalities, and the VLCT Unemployment Insurance Trust returned \$188,000 to its members.

VLCT also represents the interests of local government in the Legislature, using VLCT's *Vermont Municipal Policy*. This policy is developed by four committees of local officials and adopted by vote of member cities and towns at the VLCT annual meeting, held September 27, 2001 in Killington. Each city and town is entitled to a vote at the annual or any special meetings.

CENTRAL VERMONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

So much has happened in the past year and in the past two months that affect this Country and ripple out to this area that it is difficult to know just where to begin. Prior to September 11, the national economy had been slowing down dramatically while the Central Vermont economy had proved to be quite resilient. This is still true to some extent. While some businesses are experiencing some softness in sales others are still looking at expanding. More businesses are still finding it difficult to find workers than those laying off employees. The diversity of the Central Vermont business base has helped. Unemployment is slightly higher than a year ago but still at a historically low level. Workforce development is still at the forefront of CVEDC's efforts and we are working closely with area businesses and the CV Workforce Investment Board on this issue.

Housing for people at all levels of income is a serious problem. CVEDC held a housing forum in May with over fifty people in attendance. These included developers, bankers, permit specialists, economists and service providers. For more information about the meeting contact the CVEDC office. A follow up meeting will be held to focus on specific issues.

While recruitment of new businesses to the Central Vermont region is always on the agenda most of our time and energy are focused on helping existing businesses to grow and prosper. We have processed two SBA 504 loans for expanding businesses this year and worked with the Vermont Economic Development Authority on three other financing packages. We assisted two CV businesses with applications for incentives through the Vermont Economic Progress Council.

CVEDC will work with the Central Vermont Workforce Investment Board to develop a "Learn to Earn" career awareness program for area high school students this year. This program is an excellent way for students to find out about the excellent job opportunities right here in Central Vermont. The CV business community has been especially helpful in this effort in the past.

The Small Business Development Center Specialist that works out of the CVEDC office continues to provide Central Vermont residents with information concerning starting a new business or in the case of an existing business, marketing, financing or other information to assist their business. Just over 160 CV residents received assistance this year.

Our web site continues to grow and we encourage you to visit the site at www.central-vt.com/cvedc

We appreciate the support given to CVEDC by the Town of East Montpelier over the years and look forward to continuing our successful relationship with the Town in the future.

— RICHARD ANGNEY, *Executive Vice President*

CENTRAL VERMONT COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

For 37 years, Central Vermont Community Action has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington counties and of nine towns in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland counties with programs and services designed to help families work toward better lives. This year, CVCAC worked with nearly 9,000 individuals in 3,563 households through the Child Care Food Program, Community Economic Development Programs, Emergency Fuel Program, Family/Community Support Services, Farmworkers, Head Start and Early Head Start, Weatherization, Welfare-to-Work, Community Action Motors, and Working Wheels.

Our work is focused on offering long-term support to families trying to get out of poverty, while providing short-term assistance to those facing poverty's most immediate effects. We believe in the power of forming partnerships with families and with other community-based organizations to work together toward finding real solutions to the barriers to becoming economically self-sufficient. We believe that this approach represents everyone's best chance to strengthen our local communities.

Central Vermont Community Action is proud of its work in the last year, during which we have considerably expanded and strengthened our family services and economic development programs. We maintain offices in Bradford, Morrisville, and Randolph in addition to our central office in Barre, through which all our services can be accessed. We will continue to work collaboratively with community groups as we face the challenges of the next few years.

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In our most recently completed program year, Central Vermont Community Action helped 104 individuals in 31 East Montpelier families with program services and emergency assistance.

Fifty-four people benefited from the subsidized meals provided to day care homes; one person participated in the programs of Community Economic Development (including the Micro-Business Development Program, Tangible Assets, and the Central Vermont Revolving Loan Fund); one was helped through the Emergency Fuel Program, and 24 through Family/Community Support Services. Five people were helped through having their homes weatherized to reduce energy costs; one participated in the Working Wheels Program; one was assisted through our Farmworker Program and four households were issued cars through Community Action Motors.

Community Action uses a formula for our funding requests to all towns based on population, number of residents served, and dollars spent in each community. Based on that formula, we are requesting \$400.00 from the citizens of East Montpelier to support Community Action. Your support is critical to our work, and the Board and staff of Community Action are most grateful for your help.

Central Vermont Community Action Council is supported in part by the towns we serve.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE REPORT

The Four Corners Schoolhouse experienced unprecedented community use and rentals this past year. We earned \$735 in rentals which ranged from dance lessons, music and drama rehearsals, a men's group, ski club, a weaver's group and a wedding. Community groups who enjoyed our building were the East Montpelier Historical Society, Gully Jumpers (who made a donation to FCSH), Rally Day Committee, WCSU Preschool meetings and Open House, EMES school directors, and monthly Four Corners Board meetings. We were pleased to have East Montpelier children attend Preschool three days per week and Playgroup two days a week at FCSH for a second year. The children's creative surroundings made other community members smile when attending meetings at Four Corners during the school year. East Montpelier residents may rent the Four Corners Schoolhouse for \$15 per day and non-residents for \$25 per day. East Montpelier community groups and committees have free use of the building. Elaine Manghi is scheduler for building use and can be reached each evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at 229-5811.

Special activities in 2001 sponsored by Four Corners Schoolhouse:

- Three whist parties held on April 28, September 29, and October 21
- Open House for Pre-School on May 9th
- Rally Day Memory Hour: "Keeping Bees, Then and Now"

Building Issues:

- Conducted water testing due to sediment
- Fuel odor in building twice during the year
- Fire door was adjusted to open easily
- Furnace venting system improved
- Hired a handyman
- Installed exterior lighting and additional interior electrical outlets
- Redesigned handicap ramp which will be constructed in Spring 2002
- Requesting additional Town appropriation to refinish flooring (Article 10)

Votes of Interest

- All three Board members whose terms expired in April 2001 were re-elected for three year terms. They are Paul Cate, Stanley Christiansen, and Elaine Manghi.
- Officers who were re-elected were: Rachel Senechal, President; Hobie Guion, Vice-President; Marion Codling, Clerk/Treasurer.
- On September 12, the board voted that the WCSU Preschool and Playgroup may use the FCSH for another two years, September 2002 to June 2004.

—RACHEL SENECHAL, *President*

**** 2002 Annual Meeting:**

Wednesday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. All townspeople are invited to attend.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE FINANCIAL REPORT

Begininning Balance – December 31, 2000		\$ 3,056.49
Income		
Town Appropriation (Art. 11)	\$ 2,825.00	
School Board (preschool use)	2,250.00	
Rentals	735.00	
Donations	115.00	
Interest	16.18	
		5,941.18
Expenses		
Electricity	\$ 772.53	
Fuel Oil	1,426.10	
Janitorial Services	1,245.00	
Insurance	309.00	
Mowing	133.00	
Maintenance & Repairs	507.82	
Postage	20.00	
Miscellaneous	47.33	
		(4,460.78)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2001		<u><u>\$ 4,536.89</u></u>



TOWN FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

I would like to thank all the folks in town who put off burning brush during the driest part of this last summer and fall. With the lack of rain, conditions in Vermont were ripe again in 2001 for serious wildland fires. These conditions threatened not just brush but valuable timber, wildlife and rural homesteads. Any fires that might have started could have become more serious with the low water levels in many ponds and streams. I know that for everyone who called to discuss obtaining a permit there were others who decided not to burn on their own. In spite of the generally dry conditions we were able to safely issue over 300 permits on days when risk was low.

Remember, permits are free but are required by state statute for all outside burning except: cooking/camp fires and when snow is on the ground. Permits can be written for natural materials only. It is illegal to burn painted wood, plywood, cardboard, plastic, garbage and similar refuse. If you have any questions, please feel free to call so we can discuss them. The best time to call for permits are the evening before or first thing on the morning you desire to burn. Thank you.

For permits call: Fire Warden CHRIS REED 223-7707
Key Man BILL GEORGE 223-7741

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

The first nine months of 2001 were very uneventful as the Town's Emergency Management Coordinator. I did attend two seminars during that time period which dealt with town and disaster planning. I also applied to attend a two-week course in January 2002 at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) training facility in Emmetsburg, Maryland. This course centered around town emergency planning. I was accepted but was put on a waiting list for the next offering later this year. I have been accepted to attend the National Fire Academy in June, for a two-week course at the National Fire Academy, to learn how to utilize better the National Fire Incident Reporting System in town planning.

After the tragedy of September 11, a new emphasis was placed on disaster planning centered around terrorism. The Vermont Emergency Management Agency (VEMA) is presently upgrading its training schedule to train all town emergency coordinators how to revise their town plans to deal with the new terrorist and biological threats. Even though the terrorist threat appears to be a remote possibility in small town Vermont, this new emphasis will benefit the planning for non-terrorist and natural disasters that could happen. Hopefully, one of the benefits would be federal funding for local disaster planning and preparedness.

Plans for 2002 include: Continued work on the town plan, further education, and the application for federal funding if and when it becomes available. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 223-7741 or by email at EMFD@AOL.COM.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. GEORGE, JR., *Emergency Coordinator*

RABIES CLINIC

Thursday, March 21

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

East Montpelier Fire Station

Rt. 14 (across from WEC)



\$7.00 per animal

Questions? Call 454-7147

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD

2001 was a record-setting year for the East Montpelier Fire Department. We responded to 83 fire calls and 174 emergency medical calls for a total of 257 calls. This is up 25.3% from last year's total of 205. Here's a breakdown for 2001:

Type of Call	E. Montpelier	Calais	Mutual Aid	Total
Structure	5	7	12	24
Medical	95	32	3	130
Motor vehicle accidents	37	4	3	44
False alarms	8	4	2	14
Outdoor fires	18	2	3	23
Misc.	12	4	6	22
Total	175	53	29	257

Membership has risen to 37 members, including the addition of Bill Amell, Toby Talbot, Chris Tuller, and Kevin Hudson. We have also welcomed three junior members: Cole and Cory Bliss, and Jason Wong (Cole and Cory are the sons of Capt. Mike Bliss). They are an enthusiastic addition to the department.

The year 2001 was also a busy one for fire trucks. We took our 1967 tanker truck out of service and purchased from the Town of East Montpelier a used 1993 plow truck and refitted the tanker body to it. We now have a shiny new-to-us tanker. We donated our old 1967 chassis to the Town highway department which is using it to spread chloride on the town's roads.

We also received a donation of a used 1982 oil truck from Conti Oil, which we have converted to a second tanker truck for the department. It needs a paint job but runs well and provides another source of water available to fight fires.

We have taken over the rest of the space at Station 2 from Washington Electric, just in time to make room for our extra truck. We are happy to have the extra space down in the village as quite a few of our calls are in that area.

We installed a new dry hydrant on Max Gray Road this year providing us with quick access to water in the area.

Training continues to be a focus for the department. Tuesday nights are busy with hands-on training with all our gear and apparatus. One night a month is dedicated to emergency medical training. We also have had joint training with area departments, getting to know other firefighters and learning to work together.

We remind all residents to install smoke detectors in your homes — they are important fire prevention tools. And check the batteries every year!

We are saddened by the loss of one of our founding members, Henry Brazier. Our thoughts are with his family and our chief, Tom Brazier.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN AUDY, *President*
TOM BRAZIER, *Chief*

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD

Category	2001 Budgeted	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
Administrative	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,719.43	\$ 1,800.00
Audit	1,020.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Building 1	515.00	555.72	515.00
Building 2	306.00	0.00	1,500.00
Annual Fee Station 2	300.00	0.00	650.00
Bookkeeping	2,500.00	2,290.00	2,500.00
Treasurer	600.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Cellular Phone	280.00	333.26	280.00
Diesel	460.00	832.46	1,200.00
Dispatch	7,500.00	6,617.52	7,500.00
Dues	450.00	100.00	450.00
Electric Station 1	1,500.00	1,161.00	1,500.00
Electric Station 2	510.00	393.69	1,000.00
Snow Plowing	600.00	570.00	600.00
EMS Supplies	1,530.00	819.03	2,000.00
Equipment Repair	2,040.00	3,402.04	2,500.00
Firefighting Supplies	4,000.00	8,713.34	5,000.00
Gasoline	1,020.00	1,728.37	1,500.00
Heating Oil, Station 1	1,403.00	2,732.32	2,000.00
Heating LP, Station 2	1,275.00	1,986.76	2,500.00
Insurance	23,000.00	19,705.00	25,000.00
Legal	255.00	250.00	250.00
Bank Charges	100.00	117.22	100.00
Chaplain's Fund (Misc)	0	504.81	500.00
Office Supplies	1,530.00	2,007.89	1,700.00
Personal Gear	3,580.00	3,449.93	6,000.00
Postage	154.00	36.00	0
Radio Repair	1,224.00	1,266.09	1,300.00
Radio Replacement	2,198.00	3,812.95	3,000.00
Refreshments	892.00	1,380.23	900.00
Stipend	9,400.00	12,200.00	9,400.00
Telephone	663.00	505.38	650.00
Truck Repairs	7,850.00	8,662.46	8,000.00
Training	1,020.00	1,760.22	1,020.00
Truck Replacement	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Rescue Payment	17,280.00	17,280.00	17,280.00
Dry Hydrants	0	1,146.21	0
Subtotal Operating	\$ 109,155.00	\$ 120,039.33	\$ 123,095.00
HEP B Shots			5,400.00
Physicals			7,200.00
Total Proposed Budget			\$ 135,695.00

Additional Unbudgeted Expenditures

from Rescue Truck Account	\$ 5,650.00	
from Truck Replacement Account	41,085.20*	
from Donations Account	<u>15,475.86</u>	
		<u>\$ 62,211.06</u>
* Includes \$40,000 of Restricted Truck Replacement Funds from 1998–2001		

**EAST MONTPELIER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET ASSETS CASH BASIS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001**

Unrestricted Assets		
Checking Account	\$ 11,280.46	
Donations Account	8,859.24	
Contingency Account	<u>37,115.16</u>	
		57,254.86
Restricted Assets**		
Capital Account	341.89	
Training Account	1,816.77	
Rescue Truck Account	1,874.54	
Truck Replacement Account	<u>705.93</u>	
		<u>4,739.13</u>
		<u>\$ 61,993.99</u>
** Plus Fire Dept. funds in Capital Reserve on page 30.		

EMFD BUDGET SUMMARY		
Beginning Balance (December 31, 2000)		\$ 100,805
Revenues		
East Montpelier (75% of budget)	81,867	
Calais (25% of budget)	27,288	
East Montpelier warned article	5,000	
Calais warned article	5,000	
Donations, interest, misc.	<u>13,400</u>	
		132,555
Expenses		
Budgeted	109,155	
Unbudgeted	<u>62,211</u>	
		(171,366)
Ending Balance (December 31, 2001)		<u>\$ 61,994</u>

ENHANCED 9-1-1 BOARD REPORT

Statewide System Operations

The following information is from the period 1 January 2001 to 30 November 2001:

Total 9-1-1 Calls Received	187,173
Total Cellular 9-1-1 Calls Received	49,097
Total Abandoned 9-1-1 Calls	9% of total (average)
Average Time to Answer	4 seconds

The enhanced 9-1-1 network continues to perform within established benchmarks. The E-911 Board has installed two new Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) at the Rutland and Rockingham State Police Barracks. The 9-1-1 service area is the same as the State Police consolidated dispatch service area. Preexisting arrangements for police, fire and EMS dispatch are not affected. The Department of Public Safety now operates three PSAPs under the oversight of the E-911 Board. Six other PSAPs are located at Springfield PD, Hartford PD, Montpelier PD, Lamoille County Sheriff, Saint Albans PD, and Shelburne PD.

Please Post Your House Numbers

The E-911 Board continues to hear from local emergency responders that many people have not yet posted their 9-1-1 addresses on their businesses and homes. If you have not already done so, please post your 9-1-1 address where it can be seen by responders, even at night. Some neighborhoods have a confusing mixture of old and new numbers, so if you have not taken down your old number and replaced it with your new number, please do so right away. Your life or that of someone you love may depend on it.

If you have any questions about your E-911 address, please contact me by phone at 223-3313 or by email at <eastmontpe@adelphia.net>.

— MARLENE BETIT, *E-911 Coordinator*

— VITAL STATISTICS —

BIRTHS

Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Parents
Emily Louise Burroughs	F	October 27, 2000	Jane M. Choquette
Cheyenne Sierra Croteau	F	November 18, 2000	Kathleen Ann Muennik
Katherine Grace Benedict	F	December 12, 2000	Shelly Lynne Derr
Samuel Kent Bigglestone	M	January 12, 2001	Valerie Lynne VanCuren
Joseph Anthony Breer	M	February 2, 2001	Virginia Lee Anne Basile
Isabel Rich Hall	F	February 12, 2001	Bonnie Rich
Taryn Elizabeth Tremblay	F	March 3, 2001	Elizabeth Dell
Lily Jones Parker	F	April 3, 2001	Bethany Sue Guyette
Cade Robert Bedell	M	April 8, 2001	Michelle Marie Palmer
Madison Celia Audy	F	April 11, 2001	Kathleen Celia Tremblay
Gabriel Ruth Dunkling	F	May 1, 2001	Jill Marie Tanner
Ashlyn Taylor Liimatainen	F	May 22, 2001	Karen Sue Mattson
Kylie Jade Martin	F	June 22, 2001	Karen Ann Jollota
Shamus Joel Johnson	M	July 12, 2001	Kimberly Anne Flint
Camden Tate Ritchie	M	August 13, 2001	Julie Jennings
Kolby Michael Tanner	M	August 29, 2001	Linda Santiago
Dave Rowan Osborn Liebermann	M	August 31, 2001	Karen Marie Liebermann
Logan Richardson Carbo	M	September 2, 2001	Kelly Sue Higgins
Jacob Francis Ehret	M	September 25, 2001	Rose Sze-Ming Wu
Joshua Douglas Ehret	M	September 25, 2001	Rose Sze-Ming Wu
Brodie Cole Frazier	M	September 28, 2001	Diane Matheson
Bree-Anna Nicole Day	F	October 29, 2001	Mary Ellen Cathy
Olivia McKenna Thiemann	F	November 15, 2001	Carol Ann McKenna
			Peter A. Burroughs
			William Joseph Croteau Jr.
			Anthony Moses Benedict
			D. Kent Bigglestone
			Cary Alan Breer
			Richard Hiram Hall Jr. II
			Mark Ernest Tremblay
			Todd Leon Parker
			Bryan Robert Bedell
			John Joseph Audy, Jr.
			Mark Todd Dunkling
			Derick Joseph Liimatainen
			Patrick Steven Martin
			Nicholas Joel Johnson
			Alan Joseph Ritchie Jr.
			Michael Lawrence Tanner
			Thomas Robert Osborne
			Trevor James Carbo
			Roger Eugene Ehret
			Roger Eugene Ehret
			Timothy Joseph Frazier
			Christopher C Day
			Michael John Thiemann

MARRIAGES

Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence	Date of Marriage
Gregory William McNaughton	East Montpelier	Ricka Jean Dailey	East Montpelier	Jan. 13, 2001
Scott Allen Raymond	East Montpelier	Mona Lisa Whittemore	Barre	Apr. 15, 2001
Raymond J. Ertle	Boynton Beach, FL	Darlene F. Willey	Boynton Beach, FL	June 23, 2001
Paul Wesley Haynes	East Montpelier	Julia Elizabeth Longhi	East Montpelier	June 30, 2001
James Clemont Bellino	East Montpelier	Carol Lyn Rose	East Montpelier	July 7, 2001
Timothy Scott Joslyn	East Montpelier	Rhoda Carroll	East Montpelier	July 27, 2001
Joshua Richard Scribner	East Montpelier	Tracy Alyn Cano	East Montpelier	Aug. 4, 2001
Clifford J. Hickman	East Montpelier	Abigail M. Wilson	East Montpelier	Aug. 25, 2001
Carlton Marshall Etnier	East Montpelier	Diana Fletcher Chace	East Montpelier	Sept. 2, 2001
Raymond Jay Edgley	East Montpelier	Anne Alden Loucks	East Montpelier	Oct. 7, 2001
Stephen Paul Jerome	East Montpelier	Lois Ann Polento	East Montpelier	Oct. 20, 2001

DEATHS

Name	Age	Date of Death
James McInnes Galloway Jr.	59	January 31, 2001
Ellen C. Hill	80	February 23, 2001
Henry Alfred Brazier	78	October 22, 2001
Enrico Pastore	92	April 1, 2001
Marah Loretta Hawkins	88	April 2, 2001
Blossom O. Rodger	88	April 9, 200
Byron G. Hill	70	April 29, 2001
Raymond R. Tellier	74	June 18, 2001
Samuel S. Starr	83	June 25, 2001
Reginald Laundry	76	July 1, 2001
Bernard E. Kiser	90	July 27, 2001
Harold E. Bean	77	August 4, 2001
Ida K. Bradshaw	94	October 5, 2001
Charles Ralph Towne	78	November 2, 2001
Ronald J. Woodward	76	November 27, 2001

POPULATION AND VOTING RECORDS

2000 Census: East Montpelier Residents — 2,578

Year	Total Registered	AB Australian Ballot	FV AB/FV Percentage	Floor Vote
Town Meeting:				
2001	1,993	513	26% / 8%	156
2000	1,832	727	40% / 0%	0
1999	1,805	511	28% / 0%	0
1998	1,777	671	38% / 0%	0
1997	1,768	511	29% / 10%	173
1996	1,622	521	33% / 16%	263
1995	1,691	588	35% / 10%	170
1994	1,608	495	31% / 17%	265
1993	1,672	609	37% / 14%	228
1992	1,664	619	39% / 16%	256
1991	1,580	594	38% / 16%	250
1990	1,480	538	36% / 20%	300
1989	1,550	571	37% / 13%	199
1988	1,402	473	34% / 7%	105
1987	1,425	384	27% / 11%	160
Primary Election:				
2000	1,892	724	38%	
1998	1,777	432	23%	
1996	1,689	145	9%	
1994	1,628	469	29%	
1992	1,537	345	23%	
1990	1,513	418	28%	
1988	1,456	711	49%	
1986	1,357	338	25%	
General Election:				
2000	2,020	1,530	76%	
1998	1,806	1,299	72%	
1996	1,777	1,323	75%	
1994	1,682	1,190	71%	
1992	1,671	1,428	86%	
1990	1,572	1,152	73%	
1988	1,557	1,255	81%	
1986	1,422	1,062	75%	

VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter Registration is now done in several ways since the “Motor Voter Bill” came into effect as a requirement under the National Voter Registration Act of 1993.

When you renew your driver’s license or are obtaining a new driver’s license, you can register to vote by filling out the appropriate section on the Motor Vehicle License application used by the Department of Motor Vehicles. You can also register at the Department of Social Welfare, Department of Aging and Disabilities and the Department of Health, as well as at the Town Clerk’s Office.

You must be 18 years of age or older and take the Voter’s Oath if you have not taken it before. If you register by means of any of the State Departments listed above, that part of the form is sent to us by the Secretary of State’s Office, and the Town Clerk then processes it as before by presenting it to the Board of Civil Authority. After acceptance, the voter will receive a copy of his/her original application with the acceptance section completed.

The cut-off date for registering to vote in the State of Vermont is the second Saturday preceding any election. The Town Clerk’s Office is open from 10:00 a.m. until noon of that Saturday.

VOTER’S OATH: Do you solemnly swear (or affirm) that whenever you give your vote or suffrage, touching any matter that concerns the state of Vermont, you will do it so as in your conscience you shall judge will most conduce to the best good of the same, as established by the Constitution, without fear of favor of any person.

If you have any further questions, you may contact the Town Clerk Sylvia M. Tosi at 802-223-3313.

FUNCTIONAL ELEGANCE: BARNS OF EAST MONTPELIER

*(Excerpted from a presentation at Vermont Expo 2001
by the East Montpelier Historical Society)*

Pre 1850: As the settlement of the town — then Montpelier — began in the 1790's, most families were self-sufficient; keeping a few cows, sheep, and pigs. Oxen pulled the plow and the wagon. Planting, mowing, handling of fodder, milking the cow, and spreading manure was done by hand. There were few farm implements available and little money to buy those that were.

The 1850 U.S. Census showed the East Montpelier population to be 1,447. The Agricultural Census of the same year recorded 154 farms in town. All of these had some type of structure in which to house their animals and protect the feed. Not much remains of the barns of that era. They were absorbed into larger barns, torn down (sometimes for the materials they contained), burned, or simply succumbed to the weather. One can see vestiges of what were undoubtedly some of the first barns in the form of used timbers and traces of earlier structures weathered into the sides of existing buildings. We can only guess at what they looked like.

1850–1890: The era after the Civil War saw major changes in agriculture; changes that began to make it possible to make a living running a farm.

This revolution in agriculture was characterized by the change from hand power to horse power. Farm implements became both available and affordable: Sulky plow; Spring-tooth harrow; Sickle-bar mowing machine; Mechanical reaper; Hay rake.

Milking was still done by hand. One person could milk only about 20 cows so this kept the size of dairy herds small. A surprising number of barns built during this era still remain. Some were expanded and remodeled to meet the changing need of the farm but it is still possible to see how they must have looked when first built. They are simple and functional but display a classical elegance of line and form. It is obvious they were built with pride and care.

1890–1950: The second agricultural revolution began in the 1890's as horse power began to give way to the gasoline engine and hand-labor to the electric motor. Of major significance for the dairy farmer was the development of the milking machine. With this device, one person could milk 40-50 cows a day.

By 1890, a number of East Montpelier farms were becoming quite prosperous. It was possible to afford labor saving equipment and to pay hired help. Dairy herds were becoming larger — several farms having upwards of 50 milking cows. To house these larger herds and the feed they needed took bigger barns. A few of these barns remain and there are photos of some that have been destroyed by fire. Many of these barns exhibit a style and elegance far beyond what was necessary to keep a cow out of the weather.

Into these barns went such details as the farmer could afford. These were de-

signed to make the hard work of running a farm as easy as possible. They were also designed to exhibit to the world that here was a farmer who took great pride in his profession.

How many forks-full does it take to fill a barn? Horses provided the power to cut the hay and pull it to the barn on a wagon. However, every ton of hay was moved by hand. And it took about 100 tons of hay to carry 40 head of cattle through the winter.

Each fork-full moves about ten pounds of hay. From the field to the cow could require that one fork-full be moved about 12 times. Thus, to harvest, store and feed 40 head for a winter, the farmer could handle 12,000 forks-full of hay.



Slayton Farm.



Arthur Coburn Farm.



Christiansen Farm.

Photos from the East Montpelier Historical Society collection

CENTRAL VERMONT CRIME STOPPERS

Serving Washington County and adjacent towns.

Central Vermont Crime Stoppers helps get criminals off the streets in Washington County and adjacent towns. The program is run by a citizen board and works as a joint effort between media, law enforcement and the community.

Information from the public is often the key that solves a case. However, before citizens will come forward with crime information, they must first realize they have information about a crime and they must feel safe in reporting this information. By working with the media and law enforcement to publicize various crimes, Crime Stoppers helps citizens recognize that something they saw or heard may be connected with a crime. By providing an anonymous tip line, citizens can report their information anonymously, without fear of retribution or further involvement. Crime Stoppers callers will never be asked their name and they will not have to testify in court.

Citizens with crime information call the Crime Stoppers tip line. The citizen remains anonymous during this call. The information is then relayed to the investigating agency. If the tip results in an arrest and arraignment, Central Vermont Crime Stoppers will authorize payment of a cash reward up to \$1,000. The amount of the reward is determined on a case by case basis.

Central Vermont Crime Stoppers is funded through donations from individuals and businesses within the communities we serve. We do not receive any state or federal funding. Donations are used to pay cash rewards to tipsters and cover other operating expenses.

During the first ten months of 2001 we published information on over 25 crimes and received 18 tips, of which two resulted in arrests.

For more information about the program, call us at 476-5545, extension 602 or visit www.centralvtcrimestoppers.org. To report crime information, call our tip line toll free within Vermont at 800-529-9998. Remember, we want your information, not your name.



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January 16, 2002

Selectboard
Town of East Montpelier
P.O. Box 157
East Montpelier, VT 05651

Dear Selectboard:

We have recently completed our audit of the Town of East Montpelier's year ended December 31, 2001 cash basis financial statements. We would like to take this opportunity to relay some of our observations, findings, and recommendations noted during this audit.

Financial Performance

The Town of East Montpelier ended the year with a cash basis General Fund fund balance of \$75,289; Special Revenue cash basis fund balance of \$302,339; and a Fiduciary cash basis fund balance of \$134,601.

General Fund

The General Fund balance of \$75,289 is undesignated and available for future expenditures. The General Fund revenues were greater than expenditures by \$73,059 which was \$75,289 better than budgeted. Exhibit C of the financial statements shows the budget to actual variances for the General Fund. Some of the larger variances were as follows:

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 881,431	\$ 899,114	\$ 17,683
Intergovernmental	146,303	153,598	7,295
Fines and penalties	20,000	32,144	12,144
Expenditures:			
Summer roads	207,935	182,907	25,028
Gas, fuel, oil and grease	22,315	29,304	(6,989)
Interest payments	60,181	42,480	17,701
Other financing (uses) sources	64,000	91,578	(27,578)

Special Revenue Fund

The Special Revenue funds consist of revenues restricted for various purposes. In the financial statements Schedule 1 shows, in detail, the balance of these funds as of December 31, 2001 and Schedule 2 reflects the activity for the year.

Fiduciary Funds

The Fiduciary funds consist of the Carlton C. Smith Recreation Fund and the Cemetery Trust Fund. Schedule 3 and 4 show in detail the fund balances as of December 31, 2001 and the activity for the year.

Accounting/Recordkeeping

Overall, we were pleased with the Town's accounting and recordkeeping. The following are a few items we noted that should be considered:

- Currently, each Special Revenue fund is accounted for separately in the accounting system. In addition, there is a cash account for each fund. We suggest that cash accounts be consolidated and the accounting systems continue to be utilized to track how much cash is for each fund. This would eliminate reconciling and tracking approximately 12 cash accounts. Additionally, consolidating the accounts could provide a larger rate of return due to additional investment opportunities.
- The revenue for some of the Special Revenue funds are being posted to the Fund Balance accounts. These revenues should be posted to the fund's revenue account. This will provide reports reflecting the beginning fund balance on the balance sheet and the current year's revenues separately.
- The following accounts were not accounted for or kept current on the accounting system:
 - Sandy Pines Project special revenue fund

We suggest that all Town activity be reported on the accounting system and kept current so that management will have an accounting for all activities.

General Fixed Asset Account Group

Our audit report no longer reflects the departure regarding the Statement of General Fixed Assets on the financial statements since the Town has gathered and provided the information to be reflected on the financial statements this year. We were pleased to see that this process was done in light of the fact that GASB 34 (see below comment) will require this information.

Cash versus Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting

Currently, your financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting. Normally, financial statements of Towns are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting reflects revenue when received and expenditures when paid. The modified accrual basis reflects revenues when earned and expenditures when incurred with a few exceptions. We recommend the board consider converting the Town's financials to the modified accrual basis.

Financial Reporting Model

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) approved GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. This Statement makes dramatic changes to the way you will be required to report financial information at year end. To be in compliance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles the following financial statements and supplemental information will be required.

- Management's discussion and analysis
- Government wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
- Notes to financial statements
- Required supplemental information, if applicable.


GASB 34 has different effective dates depending on the size of the entity. For your entity, it will be effective for the year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004.

We were pleased to see the Town's management is already working on this implementation.

If needed, we are available to assist in implementing any of these ideas. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us.

We also want to take this opportunity to thank you and the staff of the Town of East Montpelier for their assistance during our audit.

Sincerely,



Jane M. Burroughs, CPA

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

Your auditors have examined the accounts of the Town Officers for the indicated period and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, find they represent fairly the financial condition of the Town as reported herein.

The Town School District records and accounts were examined by David H. Angolano, C.P.A., P.C., of Shelburne, Vermont. At the request of the Townspeople, the entire audit report is not included in the Town Report. This Town Report contains only the portion that Mr. Angolano said must be included. The full audit report is available at the school office.

We are excited and proud to have received the Award of Outstanding Achievement "Superior in Vermont" for the 2000 Town Report. The James P. Taylor Memorial Town Report Contest, sponsored by the University of Vermont Extension Service, evaluates annual reports from towns throughout the State.

Please contact the Town Office if you are interested in helping to put together next year's Town Report.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLLY EDWARDS
DEBORAH FILLION
CLAIRE PIERCE



WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to report on the educational and financial status of Washington Central Supervisory Union. WCSU is comprised of Berlin, Calais, Doty, East Montpelier, Rumney Elementary Schools and U-32 Junior-Senior High School. As a supervisory union, our goal is to provide the highest quality educational opportunities for approximately 2,000 students PreK through Grade 12.

To meet this goal we have focused on: improving curriculum, instruction and assessments; enhancing school climate and safety; recruiting and retaining high caliber staff; and providing educational and financial leadership to assist us in working more efficiently as an integrated PreK-12 educational system.

Vermont School Quality Standards

WCSU is committed to meeting and maintaining Vermont School Quality standards in all areas. These standards include implementing standards-based curriculum, instruction and assessments at all grade levels; collecting school and student data to create action plans to improve student performance; and reporting on school and student performance to the community.

Standards-based Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Under the leadership of Tim Flynn, Director of Curriculum, we launched a major initiative last year to identify which standards were taught and assessed at each grade level and/or course and to identify gaps or overlap in our instruction. Currently teachers are working to develop curriculum and assessments in their classrooms that align with the standards and ensure all students receive high quality standards-based instruction.

WCSU has developed a comprehensive PreK-12 Assessment Plan. This plan includes local, state, and national assessments. These assessments provide data to assess how well students in WCSU are doing, identify areas we need to address, and most importantly guide our instruction to ensure increased outcomes and accountability. WCSU teachers and administrators deserve credit and appreciation for their relentless focus on this critical work.

Reporting Student Progress

Each school prepares an annual school report to provide parents and community members with student assessment results. These reports are mailed out to all residents in late February and are available in each school. We recognize there is always room for improvement, and are proud of all our students' achievements. Our commitment is to continuous improvement.

Strategic and Action Planning

Each school has developed a long range strategic plan and an annual action plan.

The purpose of these plans is to establish short and long-term goals for our schools and monitor our progress. School teams made up of staff, parents, community and school board members meet on a regular basis to review and revise plans. The teams review student performance and other school data to set targets and strategies to improve performance. Teams from each of our schools meet annually to review district data and to share resources. These joint supervisory union meetings have provided the opportunity to review supervisory union needs, trends and plan professional development throughout the supervisory union.

Professional Development

WCSU has a Professional Development Council comprised of teachers and administrators from each school. This council is responsible for planning professional development opportunities for staff to improve student performance. They have created a three-year plan focusing on four main areas: literacy, school climate, collegueship, and standards-based instruction and assessment.

WCSU recognizes the importance of providing professional development opportunities for all staff. Over the past year, professional development was provided for teachers, support staff, administrators, and new board members.

Special Services/Early Intervention

Lee Sease, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services, oversees our special education programs. There are currently 211 students receiving special education services in WCSU. Although we provide a continuum of services to meet the needs of students, our primary goal is to accommodate instruction within the classroom by working in collaboration with classroom teachers. In accordance with Act 117, each school has developed Educational Support Systems and Educational Support Teams to ensure each student has the necessary support for academic success.

Last year the Vermont Department of Education conducted a comprehensive assessment of all our special education services and Act 117/Educational Support Systems. We are pleased to report this audit found WCSU providing excellent services. Credit goes to our outstanding special education staff.

Medicaid Reimbursement/Summer School

Over the past two years, WCSU has actively pursued obtaining Medicaid reimbursement funds. These funds are currently supporting literacy instruction for PreK-3, social skills training, a home school coordinator, and an expanded summer school program. Last summer, under the direction of teacher, Michaela Martin, almost 100 students, who did not meet the Vermont standards in literacy and math, attended summer school programs in their home school. Barbara Saxe, teacher at U-32, coordinated a U-32 summer program along with Denise Joy, teacher, who coordinated a social skills camp for 15 teenagers. We would like to thank Michaela, Barbara, Denise and the other WCSU teachers and staff that helped create a most successful summer school program. With both Medicaid

funds and our Community Connection Grant, we hope to continue to expand summer school programs.

Early Education Programs

WCSU is extremely proud of its Early Education and preschool programs. These programs are available to children ages 3-5 on a tuition basis and all students with a disability or who are at-risk on a tuition-free basis. The program includes a preschool at Berlin, East Montpelier, Doty and Calais Elementary Schools. In addition, all five elementary schools provide playgroups and home visits where appropriate. Much credit for these outstanding programs goes to Kate Rogers, Director of the Early Education Programs, for her expertise and commitment to young children, their families and to the entire preschool staff.

Fiscal Services and Grants

Lori Bibeau, Business Administrator for WCSU, manages and oversees all the central office fiscal and business operations. Under Lori's leadership and watchful eye, the financial status of all our schools and central office is in excellent condition. Lori works closely with central office and school administrators, school directors and town officials to develop and monitor school budgets. Our goal is to ensure quality educational services for our students and contain costs. We participate in joint bidding and purchasing, which has resulted in numerous cost savings for everyone. It is also important to note that although the WCSU budget includes costs for district-wide programs and preschool salaries and costs, each elementary school receives revenues back for these programs.

Lori also oversees all financial aspects of the U-32 renovation and construction project. Although project costs came in higher than anticipated, we have been able to invest earnings and are pleased to report we will be returning money to taxpayers by reducing the bond payment over the next several years.

WCSU continues to actively pursue grant funding. These grants allow us to provide additional learning opportunities for students and provide staff development opportunities for staff while not placing additional burdens on our taxpayers. Some of the most significant grants we have received in the past year include: Consolidated Federal Grants, IDEA B Preschool Grant, Goals 2000, a technology, and an assessment grant. In addition, along with Washington Central Friends of Education, we have received grants to support School-To Work initiatives, Kidnets (Service Learning), and a New Directions Grant to reduce drug and alcohol use among our youth.

Century 21 Grant- Community Connections Grant

This year the WCSU and the Montpelier School District jointly applied and received a 1.5 million dollar grant to provide after school and summer school programs in each of our communities. The goals of this grant are to: 1) expand educational opportunities for students not meeting the standards and enhance enrichment opportunities for all students; 2) to reduce high-risk behavior in our

youth, particular the use of drugs and alcohol; and 3) to expand the school's role as a resource available to all community members. We are most fortunate to have been awarded this exciting grant for a three-year period.

Technology

Most of our schools have developed technology plans to address short and long-range goals to better utilize technology within our schools. Dennis Beloin, Director of Technology at U-32, Lee Ellen Mason, WCSU Network Administrator and Chip Hedler, Technology Coordinator for Rumney work to coordinate and address the technology needs throughout WCSU.

Under Dennis' leadership we have linked each of our schools and the central office through a wide-area network (WAN). This network allows all our schools to share and track student and personnel records and has improved our financial and accounting systems. Further, we have developed a WCSU web site which links to each of the excellent school web sites, along with links to school closing information and job recruiting postings. We encourage you to check out our web sites and give us feedback on how these sites can further meet the needs of our students and community.

WCSU District-Wide Committees

To help us work more efficiently as a PreK-12 educational system, we have established several district-wide committees with representatives from each school. Last year we established a WCSU policy committee for the purpose of developing common policies, and a WCSU transportation committee as a means to offer more efficient transportation services. This year we have added an early education committee to review our early education programs and study full-day kindergarten as well as a foreign language committee to research and make recommendations to the boards with regards to providing foreign language instruction in elementary school. Each committee meets on a regular basis and provides the boards with updates, draft policies, written reports and other information to assist them in programmatic and budgetary decisions.

U-32 Addition and Renovation Project

The U-32 addition and renovation project is a major and exciting initiative for WCSU. We are pleased to report the project continues to stay on time and within budget. A special tribute and thanks needs to be extended to Jon Winston, Project Director, for his vision, commitment, and day-to-day oversight of this extensive project. Truly, without Jon's tremendous effort this project would not be where it is today.

We all anxiously await the completion of this new and expanded facility and the expanded educational opportunities it will provide for students and community members. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this project in making it a reality.

Quality Staff

Recruiting and maintaining quality staff continues to be a top priority. WCSU currently employs 210 certified staff and 165 support staff who, along with parents and the community at large, are responsible for the education of our approximately 2000 students in grades PreK-12. WCSU has a multi-year teacher contract that offers teachers competitive salaries and benefits. Further, it provides for quality professional development opportunities, an active supervision and evaluation system, a mentoring program to support all teachers in their first three years of teaching, and an incentive for teachers to apply for National Board Certification.

I am extremely pleased to announce that four WCSU teachers have already applied for and received this highest teacher certification achievement. Congratulations to Kathy Christy, a teacher at East Montpelier Elementary School, Diane Byrne and Claire Bruno, teachers at Berlin Elementary School, and Maggie Eaton, a teacher at U-32.

Credit for the many accomplishments I've listed in this report goes to the efforts and commitment of our outstanding professional and support staff as well as to our administrative leadership team. I feel fortunate to work with such outstanding, committed and caring educators who are truly here to serve our youth.

School Directors, Parent and Community Involvement

Last but not least, I feel most grateful for the 32 school directors, parents and community members for their on-going commitment, involvement and support to our children and schools. Parent and community involvement is vital to quality schools and school improvement. It takes our combined efforts to meet the diverse and growing needs of all of our students and provide them with the educational opportunities to become life-long learners and caring and responsible citizens. We are most fortunate to have such wonderful community members supporting our schools and children. Thank you all for helping us meet this important challenge. WCSU is committed to on-going improvement, and always welcomes your ideas and suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBBE BROOK
Superintendent of Schools
January 15, 2002

WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION

To the Residents of the Towns of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester:

In our capacity as public schools, the districts of the Washington Central Supervisory Union are required to locate, identify, and evaluate any child or student from birth and up who may require special education and related services in order to access and benefit from public education.

The Federal special education regulations define a **child with a disability** as a child having mental retardation, a hearing impairment including deafness, a speech or language impairment, a visual impairment including blindness, emotional disturbance, an orthopedic impairment, autism, traumatic brain injury, a health impairment, a specific learning disability, deaf-blindness, or multiple disabilities, and who requires specialized instruction and related services.

If you know of a child who might have a disability as described, please contact the principal of your local district or contact William Lee Sease, at 229-0553 ext. 308, if you live in the towns of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, or Worcester.

Evaluations will be conducted in accordance with the procedures described in §§300.530-300.535 of the Federal Regulations for Special Education and in accordance with the State Regulations for Special Education outlining the procedures for special education evaluations.



SUMMARY REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION

Submitted to the Town Auditors for the Towns of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester.

Pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 261(a)(10) on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Washington Central Supervisory Union, I hereby submit the following summary report of the financial operations of the supervisory union.

For the year ending June 30, 2001, the Washington Central Supervisory Union operated on approved general fund and special education budgets totaling \$875,406. The supervisory union ended fiscal year 2001 with a \$128,518 general fund balance and a \$75,000 special education fund balance.

For fiscal year 2002, the supervisory union budgets total \$950,362 and it is expected that the year will end in balance.

At this time, it is expected that the supervisory union general fund and special education budgets for fiscal year 2003 will total \$1,003,666.

The supervisory union does not receive state aid for special education or early education programs. Block grant, intensive reimbursement, and extraordinary reimbursements are received by the town school districts based on their specific allocation formulas.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBBE BROOK
Superintendent of Schools



**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
FISCAL YEAR 2002–2003
BUDGET SUMMARY**

	Budget 2002	Proposed Budget 2003
Anticipated Revenues:		
Assessments (<i>see below</i>)	\$ 695,262	\$ 719,276
Earnings on Investments	10,000	20,000
State Placed Reimbursements	120,000	120,000
Early Education Program	91,100	96,390
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Total Anticipated Revenues	916,362	955,666
Fund Balance Usage	34,000	48,000
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Total Sources of Funds	\$ 950,362	\$ 1,003,666
Expenditures:		
Instructional Svcs – State Placed Students	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000
Early Education Program	136,059	157,537
Special Area Admin. Services	136,279	140,597
Instruction Develop. Services	87,754	91,631
Technology	44,103	46,594
Superintendent's Office & Admin. Costs	199,750	206,134
Fiscal Services	196,074	209,921
Operation & Maintenance of Bldg.	30,343	31,252
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Total Expenditures	\$ 950,362	\$ 1,003,666
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Total Use of Funds	\$ 950,362	\$ 1,003,666

WCSU FY02–03 BUDGET SUMMARY: ASSESSMENTS

School	Average Daily Membership	ADM %	(See Note **) Admin. Assessment	Curriculum Assessment	Technology Assessment
Berlin	282	16.5%	\$35,096	\$15,104	10,319
Calais	121	7.1%	15,042	6,474	9,116
East Montpelier.....	243	14.2%	30,307	13,044	10,032
Middlesex	162	9.5%	20,184	8,687	2,177
Worcester	84	4.9%	10,500	4,519	8,843
Union 32	817	47.8%	101,777	43,803	6,107
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Totals	1,709	100.0%	\$212,906	\$91,631	\$ 46,594

** Allocation based on purchased services.

WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
SALARY & BENEFIT PROJECTION
AS OF DECEMBER 1, 2001

Benefits include costs of: Health Insurance, Retirement, Section 125 Plan, Social Security/Medicare, Dental Insurance, Disability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance, and Unemployment Insurance.

	WSCU Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		WSCU Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Bibeau, Lori	\$ 60,342	\$ 76,541	Hull, Joanne	33,951	45,007
Brook, Roberta	84,651	95,167	Laquerre, Rosalie	25,106	36,206
Caruana, Susan	13,895	17,194	Larrow, Benton	13,794	15,435
Carlson, Martha	8,502	12,497	Mason, Lee Ellen	34,890	40,137
Carr, Ann	23,064	29,362	Mier, Louise	43,351	46,884
Crandell, Rebecca	16,652	19,151	Parker, Bethany	23,278	26,330
Cykon, Cynthia	26,180	28,326	Powers, Bess	13,327	14,404
Fielder, Diane	8,475	9,159	Rogers, Kathy	33,784	43,748
Flinn, Kathleen	21,667	25,366	Rogers,	7,152	7,730
Flynn, Timothy	64,734	78,293	Teddie Lynn		
George, Danielle	8,438	9,120	Roya, Patricia	32,698	44,720
Graves, Julie	20,433	30,709	Sanders, Carol	6,130	6,624
Harris-Vincent, Catherine	2,625	2,837	Sease, William	67,226	75,099

Fiscal Services Assessment	Special Services Assessment	Early Education Assessment	Total Assessment
.....\$ 30,779	\$ 20,935	\$ 23,617	\$135,850
..... 13,192	8,972	8,579	61,375
..... 26,580	18,078	17,904	115,945
..... 10,980	12,040	3,047	57,115
..... 9,209	6,263	8,000	47,334
..... 89,261	60,709	0	301,657
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\$180,001	\$126,997	\$ 61,147	\$719,276

U-32 BUDGET SUMMARY

Description	Actual 2000-2001	Budget 2001-2002	Projected 2001-2002	Budget 2002-2003
REVENUES				
Tuition	\$ 134,023	\$ 123,000	\$ 100,423	\$ 142,000
Investment Income	113,250	30,000	37,444	40,000
Assessments	7,561,479	8,030,949	8,030,949	8,279,823
Miscellaneous Income	66,014	23,500	43,183	36,760
Special Education Income	582,927	512,677	600,083	565,131
Subtotal Revenues	\$8,457,693	\$8,720,126	\$8,812,082	\$9,063,714
Fund Balance		0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$8,457,693	\$8,720,126	\$8,812,082	\$9,063,714
EXPENSES				
Business Educ. Program	\$ 114,926	\$ 116,380	\$ 116,240	\$ 121,447
Driver Educ. Program	71,869	87,137	98,793	84,917
English Program	558,394	628,367	656,108	686,315
Acting, Dance, Visual Arts Prog.	165,173	171,485	175,025	181,498
Foreign Language Program	218,030	223,598	184,188	180,096
Technology Ed. Program	107,143	106,811	111,043	117,793
Living Arts Program	89,444	95,315	90,545	89,960
Music Program	147,781	154,409	153,633	176,289
Physical Educ. Program	219,701	220,617	224,490	236,629
Mathematics Program	438,867	467,206	460,405	482,227
Science Program	524,611	540,442	531,184	588,798
Social Studies Program	432,367	445,646	457,575	466,660
Misc. Instruc. – Schoolwide ..	149,559	154,049	169,640	159,231
Other Instruction – 504	0	0	28,071	26,283
Middle School Programs	20,233	22,800	22,800	24,240
Co-Curricular Activities	327,017	342,795	388,205	422,509
Other Prog. – Alternative	123,821	138,084	142,430	0
Guidance Services	302,729	318,494	314,512	334,108
Health Services	48,780	61,933	60,804	73,498
Educational Media Service	91,437	101,719	104,263	86,511
School Library Services	126,141	150,886	154,571	180,590
Technology Services	112,466	118,058	125,106	132,304
Board of Education Svcs	36,786	30,365	30,365	36,426
Office of Superintendent	137,368	146,701	146,701	151,687
Office of Principal Svcs	616,499	668,977	662,312	686,482
Fiscal Services	80,824	88,122	88,122	89,261
Auditing Services	1,600	2,000	2,600	2,600
Opn. and Maint. Plant Svcs ...	726,131	736,643	740,206	796,633
Student Transportation Svc	363,999	376,886	392,964	392,243
Transfers to Other Funds	873,664	856,676	972,920	856,676
Instructional Svc-Special Ed ..	1,080,374	1,147,525	1,249,121	1,199,803
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$8,307,734	\$8,720,126	\$9,054,942	\$9,063,714

UNION 32 HIGH SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projection As of December 1, 2001

Benefits include costs of: Health Insurance, Retirement, Section 125 Plan, Social Security, Dental Insurance, Disability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance, and Unemployment Insurance.

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Angell, Paul	\$ 44,023	\$ 51,244	Chaplin, Mark	\$ 50,844	\$ 63,382
Atkinson, Richard	14,059	18,722	Chase, Betty	12,632	16,451
Austin, Andrea	24,308	29,100	Cioffi, Barbara	39,716	49,320
Ayer, Mary	13,784	18,422	Clark, Debra	21,799	28,791
Badeau, Carlene	28,562	34,690	Clemente, Paul	13,784	18,422
Barrows, Steve	41,936	53,665	Cook, Vicki	13,941	17,937
Barton, Cindy	9,349	10,149	Cooke, Ellen	38,183	49,572
Bazis, David	28,119	33,865	Dailey, Cynthia	29,211	36,711
Beebe, Larry	45,827	57,910	Dalmasse, Denise	36,661	41,244
Beloin, Dennis	49,837	60,360	David, Beatrice	31,133	37,152
Benoir, Deborah	17,986	27,971	Dean, Fletcher	14,622	22,268
Blake, Dorothy	77,173	90,503	DeCicco, Sally	16,795	22,220
Book, Laura	12,555	15,920	DeForge, Joyce	44,412	51,668
Boomhower, Dan	44,412	51,668	Dentith, Susan	47,241	54,754
Brennan, Linda	17,868	21,596	Desch, Marguerite	40,582	47,491
Bruno, Barbarann	15,224	20,754	Disenhaus, Nancy	47,241	52,934
Buchovecky, Eric	38,316	49,717	Ditmeyer, Christine	40,582	47,280
Budliger, Amy	33,784	40,075	Dolan, Paula	39,716	51,244
Cameron, Natalie	11,899	14,991	Dorsey, Ellen	18,911	26,625
Carey, Bodo	37,686	49,030	Dunn, Janice	41,936	47,147
Caron, James	28,119	36,491	Dunn, William	49,618	62,045
Cate, Tom	43,351	55,209	Eaton, Margaret	48,877	61,230
Cate, Weston III	17,787	23,679	Emery, Paula	30,385	36,272
Chaloux, Sandra	36,800	46,065	Fair, Patricia	20,376	29,428

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total18722 Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Fisher, Bridgette	\$ 14,059	\$ 18,722	Jenkins, Jamie	\$ 33,322	\$ 44,332
Fitch, Leslie	29,754	40,807	Johnson, Emily	13,493	16,346
Fletcher, David	20,546	28,725	Joy, Denise	32,651	37,722
Fowler, Shirley	13,666	18,191	Kangas, Destiny	25,214	30,089
French, William	13,784	18,423	Keitel, Stephanie	47,241	59,452
Fried, Myrna	3,686	4,001	Kiefer, Julie	34,917	44,085
Gaffney, Sandra	16,153	20,975	Klima, Judith	32,651	38,839
Gandin, Dan	43,351	55,209	Kohn-Saxe, Barbara	33,784	45,987
Gandin, Tracy	41,436	47,304	Kopecky, A. Emel	17,146	20,809
Garand, Laura	14,347	17,755	Kopecky, Barry	54,919	67,288
Garand, Travis	11,049	14,069	Korecki-Moll, Barbara	39,402	48,977
Garcia, Joan	20,929	25,982	Ksepka, Michelle	13,784	21,354
Garrity, Leigh	38,316	49,717	Law, Michael	39,971	44,929
Gora, Peter	16,153	21,007	Luce, Marie	22,715	32,231
Grace, Caroline	29,252	34,014	Lunn, Jeneane	28,119	36,511
Grantz, Christopher	19,683	23,704	Mac Martin, Roxana	17,135	25,866
Greenberg, Joanne	36,662	42,576	Macke, Michael	14,138	19,005
Greene, Daniel	41,957	53,688	Malloy, Janilyn	48,203	58,578
Hall, Diane	23,963	33,655	Martin, Shawn	38,819	50,265
Hannigan, David	15,462	25,487	McCoig, Dava	17,397	27,328
Heath, Stephanie	26,986	32,628	McCord, Denise	35,504	41,835
Herrick, Amy	43,618	55,500	McKone, Thomas	45,827	57,910
Higgin, Dorothy	44,023	55,201	Mehuron, Mary	37,183	49,717
Hill, MaryEllen	18,676	29,657	Mercer, John	49,541	61,974
Houston, Glenn	26,855	37,499	Mercer, Nancy	47,241	53,636
Hungerford, Richard	34,399	42,287	Michaud, Heather	23,974	34,503
Huoppi, Ellen	19,833	25,021	Miller, David	34,917	41,311
Hurley, Kevin	21,527	30,765			

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Mohlman, Bonnevie	45,067	\$ 50,563	Satterlee, Bruce	\$ 11,183	\$ 11,835
Mohlman, Joseph	44,412	55,986	Saxe, Kenneth	39,449	44,435
Molina, Amanda	38,000	44,804	Segar, James	47,241	52,934
Nichols, Ginger	16,468	26,417	Segar, Kathleen	16,807	27,526
Noone, Karen	47,241	59,452	Slopey, Brian	47,241	57,528
Oakes, Dawn	15,839	20,920	Snell, Lizabeth	44,412	56,366
Olson, George	47,241	59,452	Stephens, Alan	8,620	9,403
Otterman, Amy	24,000	29,838	Stevenson, Ethan	34,918	40,194
Palmer, Victoria	32,651	43,537	Stevens, Debra	13,784	18,393
Parrott-Safford, Diane	22,570	29,135	St. Peter, Hollis	29,755	35,526
Peck, Douglas	7,218	8,197	Terhune, Jon	39,710	45,390
Pelchar, Susan	27,998	40,292	Thulman, Mary	14,060	16,932
Pelletier, Kathleen	48,680	56,323	Tolassi, Jane	47,241	57,528
Pelloni, Mary	25,132	31,600	Trombly-Holcomb, Arlene	25,513	37,457
Pelton, Seth	11,248	12,301	Truman, Diane	14,231	16,593
Percy, James	26,139	31,899	Vandal, Norman	36,050	47,245
Pitchette, Mark	32,518	37,310	VanDeren, Lauren	25,829	32,852
Poplawski, Virginia	15,525	24,029	Violette, Daniel	43,351	53,285
Post, Deborah	9,951	10,803	Volpini, Carolyn	12,134	16,528
Rackliff, Marilyn	29,211	36,711	Walker, Katherine	6,144	6,669
Randall, Nanci	17,475	23,323	Watson, Elaine	61,000	74,785
Razee, Sarah	32,651	40,043	Wheelock, Ann	18,228	24,087
Reardon, Michael	40,582	46,373	Wiese, James	14,922	16,627
Rexford, Alan	49,326	59,802	Wiese, Kathy Topping	47,241	61,007
Rexford, Piper	49,326	55,208	Wilmott, Margaret	44,412	50,551
Rice, David	13,784	21,354	Winston, Jonathan	53,710	64,584
Roche, Maria	30,385	35,250	Woodfield, Eleanor	43,351	55,145

MESSAGE FROM THE EMES SCHOOL BOARD

Your school board continues to be an active board. We had many events and committees this past year, working toward our continuous improvement goals. Some of committees are Math Action Planning, Out of School Time Activities, Policy Review, and several hiring teams.

We had several staff changes this year. Barbara Pelkey and Claire Pierce decided to retire. We wish them a very happy retirement. Lindy Johnson returned to her home state of Florida and Jennifer MacHarg was reassigned as our reading teacher. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome new staff: Christine Finch as our second grade teacher, Laura Giammusso as our third grade teacher, Christine Royer as our cook and food service agent, Jeanie Bess as our evening/summer custodian, Joanna Hagen as our long term music substitute, Judith Lindner as our school nurse, Susan DeForge as an Instructional Assistant, and Elizabeth Wirth as an Individual Assistant. We welcome Laurie Foster in her new role as our school guidance counselor and Guy Viens as a half time math teacher, funded through federal class size reduction grant, and our half-time Community Connections Learning Center Site Coordinator. We would like Pam Dunkling, music teacher, to know that our good wishes, thoughts, and prayers are with her through her illness. We hope she has a complete recovery and we will see her back at EMES next year!!

The Crisis Team plays an important role in our school. The 2001–02 school crisis team members are: Jennifer MacHarg, Anne Carter, Carolyn Pastore, Laurie Foster, Jaye Lindner, Laura Giammusso, and Carol Randall as staff representatives; Lucy Ferrada, and Elissa Best as parent representatives; and John Hall as the community representative. A school community crisis is a life changing event or circumstance that touches the lives of students and/or staff and could interfere with normal school routine or individual security. The purpose of the team is to help respond to the need of students and faculty at times of grief, loss, or other crisis in order to help them remain psychologically healthy and to prevent the development of later psychological problems. September 11th was such a time. Our crisis team met that day and planned support during this crisis and follow-up “check-ins” on student, staff, and family needs related to the event. Also, the crisis team planned support during the strike vote by the support staff. We thank this team for its important work.

The school’s Capital Improvement Committee is going strong. Members include Michelle McFadden, John Connor, Tracy Storey, Sue Sinclair, Rob Hall, Jon Dunkling, Ginny Callan, Lucy Ferrada, Rich Curtis, and Carol Randall. This committee was charged by the board to first conduct a needs assessment on facility improvement to support the instructional program of our school and provide a safe and healthy environment. and then develop a short and long term improvement/maintenance plan for EMES building and grounds. The committee conducted a building/grounds needs assessment; surveyed staff, parents, and community members; researched population and building trends in East Mont-

pelier; reviewed reports from past facilities studies; researched practical, creative, and cost effective ideas; and reported to the board monthly.

The Capital Improvement Committee broke out their work into two subgroups; health and safety issues, and wood chip storage expansion. It was found that we have several improvements that need to be addressed at our school. The board again charged the committee to prioritize the health and safety issues for immediate attention, and to develop a long term improvement plan. The existing floor plans had many inaccuracies and hadn't been updated properly. The board also authorized two computer aided design drawing projects for the floor plans/elevations and topographical survey for future work.

The top priorities that we would like to address are: hot water feeds and faucets to the bathrooms in the main hallway; increased exterior and emergency lighting, recommended by the State of Vermont Department of Labor; replacement of eleven classroom heater fans; and sheet vinyl flooring in hallways and vestibules which will improve air quality. We are seeking state and federal grants to help defray the costs to the town. The funding of health and safety improvements will be a separate article at town meeting.

We can no longer find a vendor to deliver half loads of wood chips required by our small wood chip storage bin. We are using strictly oil at this time. The wood chip storage subcommittee has put together a proposal to expand our current storage system. The expansion would save money over time. This will be a separate article for your vote at Town Meeting. We are applying for state grants for this project, too. As this message is written, we have received a favorable response from the state applications review. Both projects will be covered more thoroughly at Town Meeting.

The Washington Central Supervisory Union's Executive Committee continued the carousel meetings that were started last year. This is a very productive and cost-effective way to have presentations made to all six school boards at once, saving travel time for central office personnel and vendors. The boards break out to continue their own board meetings after the joint presentations. Something new the Executive Committee is trying this year is to have at least one meeting held at each of the schools. This gives the board members an opportunity to see the other schools and makes it easier for the members of each of the five towns to attend a supervisory union meeting.

Negotiations for the ESP (Educational Support Personnel) staff of East Montpelier, Berlin, and Calais School Districts have been going on for almost two years. Although the process hit some rough roads, the boards and support staffs of the three towns will go back to mediation at the end of January.

Budget development is a difficult job for the board. It is very hard to meet the needs of the students, the requirements of the state, and the needs of the taxpayers. We requested input from the community during a well-attended potluck supper/forum in November. Community members offered advice and opinions at our regular meetings. We were presented a petition to level fund the budget. We presented the final view of the budget, before it was adopted by the board and sent

to the printer, during a final forum. The board appreciates all of the input provided by our community. Our budget is up 4.85 % this year. We know it was a rough year financially for some people, and also know there are school programs that need to continue or begin. The FY03 budget includes a half time foreign language teacher. The Vermont's Framework of Standards and Learning Opportunities, adopted by our school, requires foreign language in elementary schools by 2004. The budget also includes a 9% health care increase and a new retirement benefit for the support staff, just to name a few contractual changes. The two additional articles for capital improvements that were described previously will be on the warning, also.

Many items that were considered but not added to the FY03 proposed budget will need to be addressed in the future in order to provide our students the opportunity to reach the high academic standards in the Vermont's Framework. We need to continue to address capital improvements for health and safety issues, including indoor air quality. Benefits of full day kindergarten have been studied in the WCSU, statewide, and nationally. This opportunity is a reality for children in some of the other towns in our supervisory union. We would like to have a better computer lab for the children of East Montpelier, but what would it look like and where would it be housed? These are just a few of the challenges facing us in the next few years.

The board thanks all the parent and community volunteers who help make our school so great. We urge community members to visit your school during the day and meet and greet the staff. The board also welcomes community members at our board meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

JANICE ALDRICH, *Chairman*

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The purpose of our school is to teach all children to become competent, caring citizens and lifelong learners, through a challenging and relevant curriculum. Our Continuous Improvement efforts are organized in three broad goals that support the East Montpelier Elementary School's mission. Specific actions toward these goals are planned and completed by a variety of committees and teams. Invitations to school community members for participation on many of these teams are published in our weekly school newsletter or minutes of the East Montpelier Board of School Directors. Participation by many dedicated people of diverse skills and interests has moved our action steps forward. This report provides highlights of our progress.

The first broad goal in the East Montpelier Elementary School Continuous Improvement Plan is *to increase achievement in all subject areas for all students*. Improved teaching and learning in math problem solving and concepts is an area of focus. This year, Kathy Topping, U-32 teacher and math consultant, is in our school weekly to work with students, classroom teachers and paraeducators on these challenging areas of mathematics. Our mentoring program for new teachers, including visits to other teachers' classrooms, is in place. A major initiative in the Washington Central Supervisory Union is the linking of standards in the *Vermont's Framework of Standards and Learning Opportunities* to specific grade levels for instruction and assessment. Currently, our teachers are discussing high quality standards-based units of study, assessment methods and criteria for student work that meets the standards. As a result, students in all of the WCSU elementary schools will have a quality foundation that will support their success in their elementary school experience as well as in their future at U-32.

The second goal is *to enrich the experiences of all children within our school community*. Our recent all-school study of habitats, an extension of this year's Environmental Learning for the Future (ELF) theme, is one example of enrichment during the school day. Students demonstrated learning in a variety of ways during the culminating event, Celebration of Learning. Our outside-of-school time learning opportunities are greatly enhanced through a federal 21st Century Learning Center grant. EMES is one of ten Community Connections Learning Centers in the Washington Central Supervisory Union and Montpelier schools that offer a wide variety of activities for learners of all ages. Currently, we have ninety students enrolled in after school programs such as drama, outdoor survival, cross country skiing, cooking, academic support/enrichment and yearbook! You are encouraged to participate in the adult programs and family events!

Our third goal is *to provide a safe, respectful environment in our school community*. An effective learning environment is built on safety and respect for each person. The all-school EMES PRIDE rules outline our expectations and provide

a reference for our daily work on positive behavior. Teachers, with the support of our guidance counselor, are implementing the *Second Step* anti-violence skills program. Some staff members have received training in the highly acclaimed *Responsive Classroom* approach to integrating social and academic skills in a caring school environment, and several others will attend a course during the summer. This year, the Capital Improvement Committee has developed a short- and long-term plan for facilities improvements based on health and safety needs, as well as efficiency and economy of the wood chip heating system. The committee has submitted applications for state and federal funding to help with the expense of these important improvements.

I thank each contributor to the continuous improvement of the East Montpelier Elementary School as a center for learning!

— CAROL RANDALL, *Principal*

EMES ENROLLMENT

Year	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1989–90	31	34	40	36	31	44	38	254
1990–91	26	34	37	40	35	34	43	249
1991–92	21	28	33	36	40	35	32	225
1992–93	36	23	29	38	37	43	40	246
1993–94	32	32	24	28	37	38	42	233
1994–95	22	33	30	24	30	38	39	216
1995–96	39	26	32	33	23	33	41	227
1996–97	37	41	31	33	37	24	33	236
1997–98	20	41	41	35	34	34	24	229
1998–99	32	24	41	40	35	32	37	241
1999–00	23	34	26	38	40	34	32	227
2000–01	21	26	37	30	45	41	34	234
2001–02	21	27	28	37	32	46	43	234

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Independent Auditors' Report

To The School Board
East Montpelier School District

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of East Montpelier School District, Vermont, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of East Montpelier School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

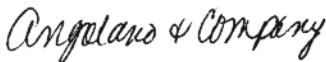
We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of East Montpelier School District, Vermont, as of June 30, 2001, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated July 11, 2001 on our consideration of East Montpelier School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of East Montpelier School District, Vermont taken as a whole. The individual fund schedule listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of East Montpelier School District.

Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.



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July 11, 2001

East Montpelier School District
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Groups
June 30, 2001

EXHIBIT I

ASSETS:											
Current Assets:											
Cash	\$ 19,856			\$ 1,084		\$ 6,431	\$ 2,084			\$	28,371
Accounts Receivable - State	40,891			913							41,975
Accounts Receivable - Other	1,787										2,700
Prepaid Expenses	20,847										20,847
Inventory				783							783
Due From Other Funds	3,829	\$ 2,247									6,076
Total Current Assets	87,210	2,247	2,780			6,431	2,084			\$	100,752
Other Assets:											
Fixed Assets			4,484					1,393,570			1,398,054
Amount to be Provided for											
Career Change Assistance									118,384		118,384
Accrued Leave Time									3,558		3,558
Retirement of Long-Term Debt									350,000		350,000
Total Other Assets			4,484					1,393,570	471,942		1,869,996
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 87,210	\$ 2,247	\$ 7,264			\$ 6,431	\$ 2,084	\$ 1,393,570	\$ 471,942		\$ 1,970,748
LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY:											
Liabilities:											
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,793		\$ 534							\$	4,327
Accounts Payable - State	2,400										2,400
Accounts Payable - Other LEAs	1,026										1,026
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	7,824										7,824
Deferred Revenue		\$ 2,247	602								2,849
Due to Other Funds	2,247		3,829								6,076
Amount Held for Agency Funds						\$ 6,431					6,431
Career Change Assistance									118,384		118,384
Accrued Leave Time Payable									3,558		3,558
Bonds Payable									350,000		350,000
Total Liabilities	17,290	2,247	4,965			6,431			471,942		502,875
Fund Equity:											
Investment in Fixed Assets							2,084	1,393,570			1,393,570
Fund Balances, Reserved	69,920		2,299								72,004
Retained Earnings - Undesignated			2,299				2,084				2,299
Total Fund Equity	69,920		2,299				2,084	1,393,570			1,467,873
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$ 87,210	\$ 2,247	\$ 7,264			\$ 6,431	\$ 2,084	\$ 1,393,570	\$ 471,942		\$ 1,970,748

East Montpelier School District
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Fund
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

EXHIBIT II

	Governmental Fund Types				Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Expendable Trust Fund	
REVENUES:						
Property Taxes	\$ 989,088					\$ 989,088
Interest Income	39,508				\$ 77	39,585
Donations					50	50
Miscellaneous	4,967					4,967
State	2,821,663					2,821,663
Federal	-	\$ 5,253	-	-	-	5,253
TOTAL REVENUES	3,855,226	5,253	\$ -	\$ -	127	3,860,606
EXPENDITURES:						
Direct Services	3,197,535	5,253	1,322		39	3,204,149
Support Services:						
Students	60,481					60,481
Instructional Staff	70,459					70,459
General Administration	50,715					50,715
Area Administration	132,386					132,386
Fiscal Services	24,659					24,659
Operation & Maintenance of Building	183,214		3,128			186,342
Transportation	78,147					78,147
Debt Service:						
Interest Charges				26,638		26,638
Principal Retirement	-	-	-	60,000	-	60,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,797,596	5,253	4,450	86,638	39	3,893,976
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	57,630	-	(4,450)	(86,638)	88	(33,370)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers In (Out)	(90,132)	-	369	86,638	-	(3,125)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(32,502)	-	(4,081)	-	88	(36,495)
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1, 2000	102,422	-	4,081	-	1,996	108,499
FUND BALANCE JUNE 30, 2001	\$ 69,920	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,084	72,004

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

East Montpelier School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
General Fund
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

EXHIBIT III

	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:				
Property Taxes - Regular		\$ 417,781	\$ 417,233	\$ (548)
Interest Income (Net of Expense)		10,000	39,508	29,508
Miscellaneous		-	4,967	4,967
State of Vermont:				
General State Aid - Regular		1,085,073	1,086,116	1,043
Sharing Pool		83,303	79,086	(4,217)
Transportation Aid		34,379	36,265	1,886
Capital Debt Reimbursement		7,082	10,365	3,283
Mainstream Block Grant		107,895	111,187	3,292
Intensive Reimbursement		37,557	46,684	9,127
Early Essential Education		17,993	17,390	(603)
Subtotal of Revenues		1,801,063	1,848,801	47,738
Property Taxes - U-32		571,745	571,855	110
State:				
General State Aid - U-32		1,132,292	1,132,292	-
Sharing Pool		105,878	105,768	(110)
Transportation Aid		38,770	43,534	4,764
Intensive Reimbursement - U-32		136,303	152,976	16,673
TOTAL REVENUES		<u>3,786,051</u>	<u>3,855,226</u>	<u>69,175</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Instructional Services 1100:				
Salaries - Regular	110	701,052	699,015	2,037
Salaries - Temporary	120	9,500	13,235	(3,735)
Health Benefits	210	81,495	84,209	(2,714)
Social Security	220	43,490	48,806	(5,316)
Retirement	240	5,417	1,857	3,560
Section 125	245	630	630	-
Worker's Compensation	250	2,499	968	1,531
Unemployment Compensation	260	1,732	382	1,350
Tuition Reimbursement	270	9,000	11,330	(2,330)

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EXHIBIT III

	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Dental Benefits	280	\$ 5,056	\$ 5,056	\$ -
Disability Benefits	285	2,655	2,915	(260)
Professional Education	320	3,030	1,291	1,739
Other Professional Services	330	2,700	-	2,700
Supplies	610	19,700	33,890	(14,190)
Books & Periodicals	640	5,235	2,865	2,370
Computer Software	670	2,690	547	2,143
Equipment	730	1,141	4,695	(3,554)
Subtotal		<u>897,022</u>	<u>911,691</u>	<u>(14,669)</u>
Essential Early Education 1200:				
Other Professional Services	330	<u>17,993</u>	<u>17,390</u>	<u>603</u>
Subtotal		<u>17,993</u>	<u>17,390</u>	<u>603</u>
Instructional Services - Special Ed. 1210:				
Salaries - Regular	110	177,454	186,709	(9,255)
Salaries - Temporary	120	4,000	2,333	1,667
Health Benefits	210	12,205	14,921	(2,716)
Social Security	220	13,820	14,140	(320)
Section 125	245	270	270	-
Worker's Compensation	250	639	415	224
Unemployment Compensation	260	443	98	345
Tuition Reimbursement	270	1,700	964	736
Dental Benefits	280	608	608	-
Disability Benefits	285	196	588	(392)
Other Professional Services	330	600	8,105	(7,505)
Supervisory Union Services	331	26,350	26,160	190
Supplies	610	2,000	2,413	(413)
Books & Periodicals	640	-	519	(519)
Equipment	730	-	700	(700)
Subtotal		<u>240,285</u>	<u>258,943</u>	<u>(18,658)</u>
Instructional Services - Enrichment 1400:				
Professional Services	330	1,250	1,550	(300)
Supplies	610	<u>2,600</u>	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,064</u>
Subtotal		<u>3,850</u>	<u>3,086</u>	<u>764</u>

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	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Guidance Services 2120:				
Salaries - Regular	110	\$ 20,850	\$ 21,000	\$ (150)
Health Benefits	210	4,193	1,761	2,432
Social Security	220	1,559	1,433	126
Section 125	245	30	30	-
Workers Compensation	250	74	48	26
Unemployment Compensation	260	51	11	40
Dental Benefits	280	192	192	-
Disability Benefits	285	83	148	(65)
Supplies	610	60	305	(245)
Books & Periodicals	640	250	-	250
Subtotal		<u>27,342</u>	<u>24,928</u>	<u>2,414</u>
Health Services 2130:				
Salaries - Regular	110	27,235	27,109	126
Health Benefits	210	2,122	5,453	(3,331)
Social Security	220	2,065	1,903	162
Section 125	245	30	30	-
Workers Compensation	250	96	63	33
Unemployment Compensation	260	67	15	52
Dental Benefits	280	256	256	-
Disability Benefits	285	109	115	(6)
Travel	580	25	-	25
Supplies	610	500	571	(71)
Books & Periodicals	640	-	38	(38)
Computer Software	670	122	-	122
Subtotal		<u>32,627</u>	<u>35,553</u>	<u>(2,926)</u>
School Library Services 2222:				
Salaries - Regular	110	46,504	37,632	8,872
Health Insurance	210	-	387	(387)
Social Security	220	2,877	2,749	128
Section 125	245	30	30	-
Worker's Compensation	250	129	83	46
Unemployment Compensation	260	89	20	69
Dental Benefits	280	320	320	-
Disability Benefits	285	145	140	5

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EXHIBIT III

	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Repairs & Maintenance	430	\$ 5,000	\$ 700	\$ 4,300
Communications	530	2,000	-	2,000
Supplies	610	3,500	1,725	1,775
Books & Periodicals	640	5,800	5,560	240
Audio Visual Materials	650	1,000	856	144
Computer Software	670	2,000	-	2,000
Equipment	730	250	400	(150)
Subtotal		<u>69,644</u>	<u>50,602</u>	<u>19,042</u>
Technology Services 2225:				
Supervisory Union Services	331	-	8,891	(8,891)
Repairs & Maintenance	430	-	570	(570)
Supplies	610	-	1,770	(1,770)
Computer Software	670	-	1,633	(1,633)
Equipment	730	-	6,993	(6,993)
Subtotal		<u>-</u>	<u>19,857</u>	<u>(19,857)</u>
Board of Education Services 2310:				
Technical Services	310	727	727	-
Official Svc Tax Collection	310	5,700	5,500	200
Professional Education Services	320	500	76	424
Other Professional Services	330	-	775	(775)
Legal Services	360	750	1,983	(1,233)
Fidelity Bond Premiums	523	80	80	-
Supplies	610	-	477	(477)
Dues & Fees	810	1,200	1,227	(27)
Subtotal		<u>8,957</u>	<u>10,845</u>	<u>(1,888)</u>
Office of Superintendent 2321:				
Supervisory Union Services	331	<u>40,072</u>	<u>39,870</u>	<u>202</u>
Subtotal		<u>40,072</u>	<u>39,870</u>	<u>202</u>
Office of Principal 2410:				
Salaries - Regular	110	93,693	97,252	(3,559)
Health Benefits	210	11,007	10,590	417
Social Security	220	7,108	7,318	(210)
Section 125	245	90	90	-
Workers Compensation	250	332	215	117

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EXHIBIT III

	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Unemployment Compensation	260	\$ 230	\$ 51	\$ 179
Tuition Reimbursement	270	1,500	921	579
Dental Benefits	280	320	320	-
Disability Benefits	285	217	410	(193)
Rentals & Leases	440	7,550	8,439	(889)
Communications	530	1,200	1,788	(588)
Advertising	540	1,500	1,520	(20)
Travel	580	50	-	50
Supplies	610	2,500	3,472	(972)
Subtotal		<u>127,297</u>	<u>132,386</u>	<u>(5,089)</u>
Fiscal Services 2520:				
Supervisory Union Services	331	23,421	23,459	(38)
Subtotal		<u>23,421</u>	<u>23,459</u>	<u>(38)</u>
Auditing Services 2526:				
Audit	370	1,200	1,200	-
Subtotal		<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>-</u>
Operation & Maintenance of Building 2600:				
Salaries - Regular	110	39,271	38,784	487
Salaries - Temporary	120	7,260	10,015	(2,755)
Health Insurance	210	9,127	9,200	(73)
Social Security	220	3,560	3,751	(191)
Section 125	245	60	60	-
Workers Compensation	250	164	107	57
Unemployment Compensation	260	114	25	89
Disability Benefits	285	-	173	(173)
Water Testing	411	2,100	3,191	(1,091)
Disposal Services	421	3,800	2,446	1,354
Snow Plowing	422	2,500	2,460	40
Lawn Care Services	424	900	29	871
Repairs & Maintenance	430	10,500	48,349	(37,849)
Other Purchased Property Services	490	3,000	2,552	448
Insurance	520	3,552	3,555	(3)
Communications	530	5,610	5,829	(219)
Travel	580	500	470	30
Supplies	610	7,500	10,871	(3,371)

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EXHIBIT III

	Object	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Electricity	622	\$ 28,049	\$ 23,582	\$ 4,467
Oil	624	3,325	9,857	(6,532)
Other Energy - Wood Chips	629	1,500	1,562	(62)
Equipment	730	6,660	6,346	314
Subtotal		<u>139,052</u>	<u>183,214</u>	<u>(44,162)</u>
Student Transportation Services 2700:				
Contracted Services	510	79,951	74,953	4,998
Field Trips	512	2,890	3,194	(304)
Subtotal		<u>82,841</u>	<u>78,147</u>	<u>4,694</u>
Subtotal of Expenditures		<u>1,711,603</u>	<u>1,791,171</u>	<u>(79,568)</u>
Instructional Services 1100:				
Union High School Assessment	562	1,848,685	1,853,449	(4,764)
Subtotal		<u>1,848,685</u>	<u>1,853,449</u>	<u>(4,764)</u>
Special Education 1210:				
Supervisory Union Services	331	136,303	152,976	(16,673)
Subtotal		<u>136,303</u>	<u>152,976</u>	<u>(16,673)</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>3,696,591</u>	<u>3,797,596</u>	<u>(101,005)</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		89,460	57,630	(31,830)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Transfer to Capital Project Fund		-	(369)	(369)
Transfer to Enterprise Fund		(2,000)	(3,125)	(1,125)
Transfer to Debt Service Fund		<u>(87,460)</u>	<u>(86,638)</u>	<u>822</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		-	(32,502)	(32,502)
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1, 2000		\$ -	\$ 102,422	\$ 102,422
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2001		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 69,920</u>	<u>\$ 69,920</u>

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East Montpelier School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes
in Retained Earnings - Proprietary Fund Type
Enterprise Fund - Food Program
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

EXHIBIT IV

Operating Revenue:		
Local Sources:		
Food Service Sales	\$ 30,519	
Total Operating Revenue		\$ 30,519
Operating Expenses:		
Personnel Services	16,631	
Employee Benefits	2,036	
Repairs and Maintenance	70	
Travel	69	
Supplies		
Bottled Gas	1,480	
Food	30,432	
Depreciation	584	
Commodities	2,659	
Total Operating Expenses		<u>53,961</u>
Operating Income (Loss)		(23,442)
Non-Operating Revenue (Loss)		
State Sources:		
Restricted Grants		
School Lunch Match	662	
School Breakfast Match	138	
Federal Sources:		
Restricted Grants		
School Breakfast Program	2,624	
School Lunch Program	11,028	
Commodities	2,659	
Total Non-Operating Revenue		<u>17,111</u>
Operating Income Before Transfers		(6,331)
Operating Transfers In (Out)		<u>3,125</u>
Net Income (Loss)		(3,206)
Retained Earnings, July 1, 2000		<u>5,505</u>
Retained Earnings, June 30, 2001		<u>\$ 2,299</u>

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East Montpelier School District
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund Type - Enterprise Fund
Food Program
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

EXHIBIT V

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net Income (Loss)		\$ (3,206)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net		
Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	\$ 584	
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable - State	129	
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable - Other	(913)	
(Increase) Decrease in Inventory	(96)	
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	534	
Increase (Decrease) in Deferred Revenue	602	
Increase (Decrease) in Due To Other Funds	<u>3,491</u>	
Total Adjustments		<u>4,331</u>
Net Cash Flows Provided By Operating Activities		1,125
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Purchase of Equipment		(1,125)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
None		<u>-</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash		-
Cash, July 1, 2000		<u>-</u>
Cash, June 30, 2001		<u>\$ -</u>

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East Montpelier School District
Notes to Financial Statements
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

East Montpelier School District's ("School District") is organized, according to State law, under the governance of the Board of School Directors to provide public education to the School District. Except where noted, the accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to governmental units.

The general-purpose financial statements of the School District have been prepared with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the authoritative standard-setting body for the establishment of governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of these accounting policies follow.

Reporting Entity:

This report includes all of the services provided by the School District to residents. In evaluating the School District's reporting entity in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, the Financial Reporting Entity, management has included all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of School District and that make up the School District's legal entity. Consistent with applicable guidance, the criteria used by the School District are financial accountability and the nature and significance of the relationship. The general-purpose financial statements herein do not include any other governmental entity since none are considered to meet these criteria.

Fund Accounting:

The School District uses several funds and account groups to account for its financial position and results of operations. A fund or account group is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses as appropriate established to record the financial position and result of operations of a specific activity. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The various funds and account groups are grouped in the general-purpose financial statements in this report, as follows:

Governmental Fund Types:

Governmental Fund Types are used to account for the ongoing general government activities of the School District that are financed with general government revenues.

East Montpelier School District
Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General Fund - The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds except for major capital projects) of specific revenue sources that are restricted or designated for expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Project Fund - The Capital Project Fund is used to account for all resources to be used for acquisition, construction or improvement of major capital facilities, infrastructure and equipment. Separate capital projects are (not) reported as separate funds.

Debt Service Fund - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the servicing of general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

Proprietary Fund Types:

Proprietary Fund - The Proprietary Fund types are used to account for activities on a fee-for-service basis in a manner similar to private commercial enterprises. The proprietary fund's Enterprise Fund consists of the Food Program.

Fiduciary Funds (Trust and Agency Funds):

Agency Funds and Trust Funds - The Agency and Trust Funds are used to account for assets held by the School District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other funds and/or governmental units.

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurements of results of operations.

The Expendable Trust Funds account for assets where both principal and interest may be expended. These are accounted for in essentially the same manner as Governmental Fund Types, using the same measurement focus and basis of accounting.

Account Group:

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term debt associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - General fixed assets account group is used to account for the property and equipment acquired for general government purposes, and are recorded as expenditures in the acquiring fund at the time of purchase.

East Montpelier School District
Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - General long-term debt account group accounts for the principal amount of long-term debt and other long-term obligations of the governmental funds.

The two account groups are not funds. They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

Basis of Accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounting and reported in the financial statements. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus.

The School District's governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. Accordingly, only current assets and liabilities are included on the balance sheet and the fund balances report only spendable resources. Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net assets. These funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are available and measurable and expenditures are recorded when the fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Revenues that are accrued include federal and state grants, property taxes, interest, and certain charges for current services. Other financing sources such as bond proceeds are recognized when the debt is issued or the transaction is completed.

The School District's proprietary fund type is accounted for using the economic resources measurement focus. Accordingly, these funds report all assets and liabilities on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net assets. These funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and become measurable and expenses are recognized when incurred, if measurable. The School District applies all applicable accounting and financial reporting standards of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in accounting and reporting for these funds.

The expendable trust fund is accounted for in essentially the same manner as the governmental funds, using the same measurement focus and basis of accounting. The agency funds are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. The assets of the agency funds are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting, and funds liabilities equal their assets.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of reporting cash flows, all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable:

The accounts receivable balances at year-end are from governmental entities, except in the proprietary funds, which may have some receivables from individuals, and no allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary.

Inventory:

Inventories consist of expendable items held for consumption. They are valued at cost on a first-in, first-out basis. In the governmental funds, the cost of inventories is recorded as an expenditure when individual items are purchased. Reported inventories are equally offset by a fund balance reserve to indicate that they do not constitute "available spendable resources" even though they are a component of net current assets.

Prepaid Items:

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future periods. In the governmental funds, the cost of prepaid items is recorded as an expenditure when the payments are made. In the proprietary funds, these items are recorded as prepaid items.

Long-term Obligations:

Long-term debt expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for at face value in the general long-term debt account group, not in the governmental funds. Debt proceeds are reported in a governmental fund as an other financing source, net of any premium or discount and issuance costs. Expenditures for the payment of principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized in the debt service fund when the payments are due.

Budgets:

The School District is required by state law to adopt a budget for the General Fund. The budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The operating budget is prepared by the Superintendent and Business Manager of the Washington Central Supervisory Union and approved by the East Montpelier School District School Board for presentation to the voters. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures by line item and the means of financing them. The budget is approved by School District Voters at a properly warned meeting. The voters vote on the total expense amount and not on the individual line items presented in these financial statements.

East Montpelier School District
Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Encumbrances:

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and Capital Projects Fund. Encumbrances are not liabilities and, therefore, should not be recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. For budgetary purposes, appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. The School District has elected to treat its encumbrances as liabilities for budgetary control purposes.

General Fixed Assets:

Fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date donated.

No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. Depreciation on all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method.

Memorandum Only Columns:

The total columns are captioned "memorandum only" because they do not represent consolidated financial information and are presented only to make financial analysis easier. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or cash flows in accordance with GAAP. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTE 2 - SICK LEAVE

It is the School District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick pay benefits. Such benefits must be used during employment; payments for the benefits are not made when the employees leave service unless otherwise provided for by contract. These amounts are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds because they are not expected to be paid with available financial resources. Instead, any liability is reported in the general long-term debt account group as accrued liabilities.

Teaching staff earn 15 sick days per year, and may accumulate a maximum of 90 days. Non-teaching staff earn 15 sick days per year, and may accumulate a maximum of 90 days.

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NOTE 2 - SICK LEAVE (CONTINUED)

A teacher who has served five years in the District and who retires pursuant to the Vermont Teachers Retirement Laws shall be paid \$10 per day of accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of 50 days. At June 30, 2001, 3 teachers qualified with a total of 150 accumulated days for a potential liability of \$1,500.

NOTE 3 - PENSIONS

VERMONT TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

All of the teachers employed by School District participate in the Vermont Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"), a statewide multiple-employer public employee retirement system covering all teachers in local school districts within the State of Vermont. The Vermont State statutes provide the authority under which benefit provisions and the State's obligation to contribute are established.

Required contributions to the system are made by the State of Vermont based upon a valuation report prepared by the System's actuary. TRS is a cost sharing public employee retirement system with one exception: all risks and costs are not shared by the School District but are the liability of the State of Vermont. TRS is funded through state and employee contributions and the School District has no legal obligation for paying benefits. The Vermont State Teachers Retirement System estimates the contributions on behalf of the School District's employees included in the teacher's retirement plan as required by Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 24 to be 4.5% or approximately \$38,316.

Vesting occurs upon reaching ten years of creditable service. Normal retirement requires the employee to be either 62 years of age or have 30 years of service. A member may receive a reduced benefit at age 55 with 10 or more years of service. A member that has 10 or more years of service and leaves teaching before age 55 is entitled to a vested retirement benefit payable at age 62 or a reduced amount at age 55.

Contributions by the employees are 3.4% of gross earnings and are withheld pre income tax by the School District. Such withholdings totaled \$28,958 during the year and were paid by the School District to the State of Vermont. The School District has no other liability under the plan. The School District's total payroll for all employees during the year was \$1,133,085, with \$851,461 of such amount related to employees covered by the retirement plan.

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NOTE 3 – PENSIONS (CONTINUED)

VERMONT TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

Additional information and ten-year historical trend information can be obtained from the separately issued Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

NOTE 4 – CAREER CHANGE PROGRAM

The School Board offered a career change program during the 2000-2005 school years only to teachers who have at least 15 years of full or part-time teaching service in Washington Central Supervisory Union by July 1 of the school year in which the program is offered.

The benefit package is as follows:

- (1) A cash payout that represents 100% of the teacher's current teaching salary with the district. The payout would be made in three equal payments on September 1 of the next 3 school years following the teacher's resignation.
- (2) Twelve months of 100% single health insurance coverage under the district's policy.

Four teachers have opted for this incentive. The liability to the District is as follows:

Cash Payout

For the year ending June 30, 2002	\$ 52,040
2003	52,040
2004	<u>14,304</u>
	<u>\$118,384</u>

NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The School District issues general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities, renovations, and equipment purchases. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the issuing entity. These bonds are generally issued as 20-year serial bonds with equal amounts of principal maturing each year.

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

The following is a summary of general obligation bonds & notes:

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, bond payable, interest at 7.2% paid semi-annually, Principal of \$40,000 due December 1 st of each year until 2009, then \$10,000 of each year until 2010, originally borrowed \$820,000 on July 27, 1995	\$330,000
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Chittenden Bank, technology bond payable, interest at 5.0% paid annually, Principal of \$20,000 due July 1 st of each year until 2002, originally borrowed \$60,000 on July 1, 1998	<u>20,000</u>
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Total Long-Term Debt	<u>\$350,000</u>
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The annual debt service requirement to maturity for general obligation bonds and notes including interest are as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
During the year ended June 30, 2002	\$ 60,000	\$23,277	\$ 83,277
2003	40,000	19,440	59,440
2004	40,000	16,560	56,560
2005	40,000	13,680	53,680
2006	40,000	10,800	50,800
Thereafter	<u>130,000</u>	<u>15,480</u>	<u>145,480</u>
Totals	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$99,237</u>	<u>\$449,237</u>

The following is a summary of changes in Long-term Debt:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Increase	Decrease	Balance June 30, 2001
VT Municipal Bond Bank	\$370,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$330,000
Technology Note	<u>40,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Totals	<u>\$410,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$60,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>

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NOTE 6 - CASH AND REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Cash deposits with financial institutions at June 30th amounted to \$28,371. As major revenues are received during the year bank deposits may temporarily exceed \$100,000.

There are three categories of credit risk that apply to the School District's bank balances:

1. Insured or collateralized with securities held by the government or by the government's agent in the government's name.
2. Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the government's name.
3. Uncollateralized.

The School District uses repurchase agreements to protect deposits not otherwise insured by the FDIC.

Balances held in each area are as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 8,511	\$41,731
Insured or registered or security held by School District or by the School District's agent in the School District's name	0	0
Uninsured and Unregistered:		
Collateral held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the School District's name	0	0
Collateral held by the counterparty, or its trust department or agent but not in the School District's name	19,160	45,016
Uncollateralized and Uninsured	<u>700</u>	<u>0</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$28,371</u>	<u>\$86,747</u>

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NOTE 6 - CASH AND REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The difference between the book balance and bank balance is due to reconciling items such as deposits in transit and outstanding checks. Due to higher cash flows at certain times during the year, the amount of uninsured, and not collateralized cash could have been much higher than at year-end.

Repurchase collateral agreements of \$45,016 are securities held by the bank's trust department or agent in the School District's name. Securities consist of municipal bonds, U.S. Government obligations and U.S. Government Agency Bonds.

NOTE 7 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES

The composition of amounts due to and from other funds as of June 30, 2001, is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Proprietary – Food Program	\$3,829
Special Revenue – Pres. Award – Math Science	General Fund	<u>2,247</u>
	Total	<u>\$6,076</u>

NOTE 8 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 2, 2001 the School District took out a Tax Anticipation Note for \$1,138,010 at 3.1% per year with Charter One Bank. The note matures on July 1, 2002.

NOTE 9 - COMMITMENTS

On May 23, 2001 the School District entered into an agreement with Transportation Rentals, Inc. for contracted bus transportation services through June 30, 2004. The contract calls for various costs for different routes, field trips, and activities. The minimum annual cost to the School District:

For the year ending June 30, 2002	\$74,621
2003	76,140
2004	77,672

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NOTE 9 – COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

The School District receives significant financial assistance from the U.S. government and the State of Vermont. Entitlement to the resources is generally based on compliance with terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable federal and state regulations, including the expenditure of the resources for eligible purposes. Substantially all grants are subject to financial and compliance audits by the grantors. Any disallowance as a result of these audits becomes a liability of the fund that receives the grant. As of year-end the School District estimates that no material liabilities will result from such audits.

NOTE 10 - RESERVED FUND BALANCES

Reserved fund balances represent amounts that must be used for specific purposes within that fund and cannot be spent otherwise without prior approval of funding source or School Board. Reservations at year-end are for the following:

General Fund:

Reserved at Discretion of Board	\$69,920
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NOTE 11 - ACCRUED VACATION & LEAVE TIME

Accrued vacation and leave time represent vested time earned by employees but not used. If the employee were to leave, this accrued time must be paid. Therefore, it is a liability to the School District at June 30, 2001. These amounts are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds because they are not expected to be paid with available financial resources. Instead, the liability is to be reported in the general long-term debt account group as accrued liabilities. The amount accrued but unrecorded at year-end was \$3,558.

NOTE 12 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the School District.

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NOTE 12 - RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

To provide dental insurance coverage Washington Central Supervisory Union established a separate fund from member contributions to pay administrative costs to Comprehensive Benefits Administrators for claims processing, and dental claims. Payment contributions are based on prior claims. No reserve has been established due to the limit on covered services. In the event that total contributions assessed to and made by all members result in an actual surplus or deferral, School District will adjust the next year's premiums.

In addition, East Montpelier School District is a member of Vermont School Boards Association Insurance Trust, Inc. (VSBIT) Medical Benefits, Workers Compensation and Unemployment Compensation Programs. VSBIT is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1978 to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont school districts and is owned by the participating districts.

To provide insurance coverage, VSBIT has established a self-funded fully insured program in conjunction with Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS). A portion of member contributions is used to purchase reinsurance and to fund a reserve required by the reinsurance. Contributions in excess of claims requirements, reserve fund requirements, reinsurance and administrative costs are returned to participants. The pooling agreement does not permit the pool to make additional assessments to its members.

To provide unemployment coverage, VSBIT has established a separate trust of funds from member contributions to pay administrative costs, unemployment claims, and provide excess reinsurance protection. Contributions are based on payroll expense and the previous two-year unemployment compensation experience. In the event that total contributions assessed to and made by all members result in an actual or projected financial deficit and VSBIT is unable to meet its required obligations, the Program will be terminated with each members assessed their proportionate share of the deficit.

To provide worker's compensation coverage, VSBIT has established a separate trust of funds from member contributions to pay administrative costs and workers compensation coverage. Contributions are based upon formulas applied to payroll expense. At the end of the coverage period, the members will be assessed or refunded any difference between estimated contributions and actual expenses.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of asset and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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NOTE 13 - FIXED ASSETS

Activity in the general fixed asset account group for the School District for the year was as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Additions	Retirements	Balance June 30, 2001
Building	\$ 956,529	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 956,529
Furniture & Fixtures	272,309	18,107	0	290,416
Library	<u>141,066</u>	<u>5,559</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>146,625</u>
Totals	<u>\$1,369,904</u>	<u>\$23,666</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,393,570</u>

The proprietary fund's food program depreciates its equipment using the straight-line method over ten years.

Activity in the fixed assets of the proprietary fund for the School District for the year was as follows:

Assets	Balance July 1, 2000	Additions	Retirements	Balance June 30, 2001
Equipment	\$20,458	\$1,125	\$0	\$21,583
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>16,515</u>	<u>584</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17,099</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 3,943</u>	<u>\$ 541</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$ 4,484</u>

NOTE 14 - OPERATING LEASES

On January 12, 1999 East Montpelier School District entered into a lease agreement with Business Credit Leasing (Symquest) for the lease of a copier. The total amount due is \$22,727 plus \$0.0075 per copy and is to be paid in monthly installments of \$378.75 over 5 years. The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under this lease.

During the year ended June 30, 2002	\$ 4,545
2003	4,545
2004	2,651
Thereafter	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$11,741</u>

Total lease payments made this year were \$8,439.

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NOTE 15 - RELATED PARTY

The School District has an ongoing financial responsibility to Washington Central Supervisory Union as defined in GASB 14, paragraph 71. Through Washington Central Supervisory Union's assessment process, the School District's responsibility increases to cover a share of any deficit and decreases to share in any surplus. Separate financial statements on Washington Central Supervisory Union are available from Washington Central Supervisory Union.

The School District is part of the Union 32 Union School District. Through the Union 32 Union School District assessment process, the School District's responsibility increases to cover any deficit and decreases to share in any surplus. Separate financial statements on Union 32 Union School District are available from Washington Central Supervisory Union.

The School District offers it's employees the opportunity to purchase a computer and have their payments deducted from payroll checks for a one-year period from the date of purchase. At June 30, 2001 one employee owes the School District for a computer purchase. The receivable was \$613.

East Montpelier School District
Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Funds
For The Year Ended June 30, 2001

Schedule 1

	Balance July 1, 2000	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance June 30, 2001
Assets:				
Cash	<u>\$ 5,271</u>	<u>\$ 15,399</u>	<u>\$ 14,239</u>	<u>\$ 6,431</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 5,271</u>	<u>\$ 15,399</u>	<u>\$ 14,239</u>	<u>\$ 6,431</u>
Liabilities:				
Amount Held for Agency Funds	<u>\$ 5,271</u>	<u>\$ 15,399</u>	<u>\$ 14,239</u>	<u>\$ 6,431</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projections As of December 1, 2001

Benefits include the costs of: Health Insurance, Retirement, Section 125 Plan, Social Security/Medicare, Dental Insurance, Disability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance, Unemployment Insurance.

	EMES Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
INSTRUCTIONAL		
Barrett, Maria	\$ 45,827	\$ 57,804
Berry, Michael	26,986	32,595
Bisson, Nancy	7,892	8,547
Christy, Kathryn	46,827	56,953
Cote, Gladys	44,412	52,770
Dunkling, Pamela	33,549	39,097
Finch, Christine	26,986	32,595
Gannon, Robin	47,241	59,343
Gariboldi, Lisa	31,518	40,306
Giammusso, Laura	30,385	35,173
Heiss-Holmes, Heidemarie	19,591	26,220
MacHarg, Jennifer	32,651	41,538
Moran, Steven	41,467	50,146
O'Hare, Jamie	47,241	59,343
Parker, Ann	14,922	15,616
Pastore, Carolyn	45,827	55,877
Pelkey, Barbara	14,304	17,432
Rob, Mary Ann	14,922	19,395
Tait, Rollinson	37,183	45,484
Towne, Stephen	28,366	33,809
Weiss, Benjamin	28,119	33,828
Subtotal Teachers	\$ 666,216	\$ 813,871
Badger, Jane	\$ 15,725	\$ 20,228
Brister, Jude	6,685	7,274
Hall, Linda	11,677	13,090
Subtotal Technical	\$ 34,087	\$ 40,592
Total Instructional	\$ 700,303	\$ 854,463
GUIDANCE		
Foster, Laurie	\$ 28,840	\$ 33,182
Total Guidance	\$ 28,840	\$ 33,182

	Projected Salaries	Salaries & Benefits
HEALTH SERVICES		
Linder, Judith	\$ 19,407	\$ 27,404
Total Health Services	\$ 19,407	\$ 27,404
LIBRARY		
Knoelder, Ellen	\$ 36,050	\$ 41,337
Brister, Jude	2,345	2,549
Total Library	\$ 38,395	\$ 43,886
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION		
Randall, Carol	\$ 59,981	\$ 73,206
Pauly, Marcia	17,450	19,545
Royce, Linda	25,607	32,131
Total School Admin.	\$ 103,038	\$ 124,882
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE		
Bess, Jeannie	\$ 16,796	\$ 18,277
Storey, Tracy	26,058	38,104
Total Oper. & Maint.	\$ 42,854	\$ 56,381
SPECIAL EDUCATION		
Carter, Anne	\$ 47,241	\$ 59,343
Mason, Kathleen	33,784	42,708
Towne, Stephen	3,152	3,749
Wilcox, Joy	18,896	20,595
Subtotal Teachers	\$103,073	\$126,395
Farnham, Ruth	\$ 19,216	\$ 21,519
Hall, Linda	5,005	5,628
Humphries, Carol	14,830	16,615
Phillips, Doris	19,194	24,107
Stone, Katherine	14,389	16,122
Wirth, Elizabeth	6,541	7,150
Subtotal Technical	\$79,175	\$ 91,141
Total Special Education	\$ 182,248	\$ 217,536
Subtotal General Fund	\$1,115,085	\$1,357,734
FOOD SERVICES		
Royer, Christine	\$ 20,131	\$ 27,194
Total Food Services	\$ 20,131	\$ 27,194
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	<u>\$1,135,216</u>	<u>\$1,384,928</u>

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET 2002-2003

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
REVENUES					
Property Tax – Elementary	\$ 417,781	\$ 417,233	\$ 496,394	\$ 491,572	\$ 542,919
Earnings on Investments	30,000	86,995	50,000	60,182	50,000
Interest Exp. on Invest	(20,000)	(47,487)	(40,000)	(35,182)	(40,000)
Misc. Income – Purch. Disc.	0	4,967	0	2,389	2,284
General State Aid – Block Grant	1,085,073	1,086,116	1,100,716	1,114,116	1,142,755
State Aid Sharing Pool	83,303	79,086	95,901	87,281	87,896
State Transportation Aid	34,379	36,265	35,882	32,087	35,024
State Transportation Aid – Prior Year	0	0	0	531	0
Capital Debt Aid	7,082	10,365	9,748	9,790	8,014
Mainstream Block Grant	107,895	111,187	110,681	110,681	114,359
Intensive Reimbursement	37,557	46,684	43,834	49,096	53,131
EEE (Early Essential Education).....	17,993	17,390	17,993	17,461	17,517
Subtotal Revenues	\$1,801,063	\$1,848,801	\$1,921,149	\$1,940,004	\$2,013,899
Fund Balance Usage	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,801,063	\$1,848,801	\$1,921,149	\$1,940,004	\$2,013,899

NOTE: Fund Balance Summary
Audited Fund Balance as of July 1, 2000
Use – FY00-01 (Fiscal Year 2000–2001)
Fund Balance June 30, 2001

\$ 102,422
(\$ 32,502)
\$ 69,920

* Adjusted at Town Meeting

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET 2002-2003

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
EXPENSES					
Instructional Services					
Salaries – Regular Professional	\$ 667,669	\$ 611,792	\$ 641,779	\$ 619,309	\$ 665,403
Salaries – Regular Technical	33,383	47,988	49,377	48,744	52,040
Salaries – Regular Retire	0	39,235	37,736	52,040	48,183
Salaries – Temporary	9,500	13,235	10,700	20,780	19,800
Health Benefits	81,495	84,209	83,678	91,722	91,010
Social Security/Medicare	43,490	48,806	51,297	52,904	53,873
Retirement Contributions	5,417	1,857	2,389	3,195	3,810
Section 125 Benefit	630	630	640	672	714
Workers Compensation	2,499	968	1,565	4,513	4,665
Unemployment Compensation	1,732	382	379	309	317
Tuition Reimbursement	9,000	11,330	11,000	11,000	11,000
Dental Benefits	5,056	5,056	5,024	5,501	5,501
Disability Benefits	2,655	2,915	4,124	3,462	3,616
Prof. Edu. Services – Inserv. Speakers	3,030	1,291	1,800	1,800	1,000
Prof. Edu. Services – Adm. Fee	0	0	3,431	3,431	4,770
Other Professional Svcs – ESL	2,700	0	0	0	0
General Supplies	19,700	33,890	30,810	30,810	30,810
Books and Periodicals	5,235	2,865	5,743	5,743	5,743
Computer Software	2,690	547	2,262	2,262	2,262
Equipment	1,141	4,695	1,573	1,573	1,573
Total Instructional Services	\$ 897,022	\$ 911,691	\$ 945,307	\$ 959,770	\$ 1,006,090

* Adjusted at Town Meeting

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Instructional Services – Enrichment					
Professional Svc. – ELF	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600
Professional Svc. After School Prog.	0	0	1,000	1,000	0
General Supplies	2,600	1,536	2,600	2,600	2,000
Total Instructional Services – Enrichment	\$ 3,850	\$ 3,086	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 3,600
Guidance Services					
Salaries – Regular Professional	\$ 20,850	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,926	\$ 21,926	\$ 30,083
Health Benefits	4,193	1,761	1,784	1,784	2,506
Social Security/Medicare	1,559	1,433	1,660	1,660	2,275
Section 125 Benefit	30	30	32	32	34
Workers Compensation	74	48	46	134	180
Unemployment Compensation	51	11	11	9	12
Dental Benefits	192	192	191	191	254
Disability Benefits	83	148	132	0	156
General Supplies	60	305	60	60	60
Books and Periodicals	250	0	250	250	250
Total Guidance Services	\$ 27,342	\$ 24,928	\$ 26,092	\$ 26,046	\$ 35,810
Health Services					
Salaries – Regular Prof. Oth	\$ 27,235	\$ 27,109	\$ 28,422	\$ 28,840	\$ 30,083
Health Benefits	2,122	5,453	6,268	6,126	6,602
Social Security/Medicare	2,065	1,903	2,115	2,148	2,232
Section 125 Benefit	30	30	32	32	34
Workers Compensation	96	63	60	174	180
Unemployment Compensation	67	15	14	11	11

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Dental Benefits	256	256	254	254	254
Disability Benefits	109	115	171	150	156
Travel	25	0	25	25	25
General Supplies	500	571	500	500	600
Books and Periodicals	0	38	221	221	190
Computer Software	122	0	350	350	0
Total Health Services	\$32,627	\$ 35,553	\$ 38,432	\$ 38,831	\$ 40,367
School Library Services					
Salaries – Regular – Professional	\$ 34,953	\$ 35,358	\$ 36,882	\$ 37,683	\$ 40,566
Salaries – Regular – Technical	2,660	2,274	2,281	2,345	2,460
Health Benefits	0	387	0	0	0
Social Security/Medicare.....	2,877	2,749	2,996	3,062	3,291
Section 125 Benefit.....	30	30	32	32	34
Workers Compensation.....	129	83	79	230	247
Unemployment Compensation	89	20	19	16	17
Dental Benefits	320	320	318	318	318
Disability Benefits	145	140	226	200	214
Repairs & Maintenance	2,000	700	2,000	2,000	2,000
General Supplies	1,300	1,725	1,300	1,300	1,400
Books and Periodicals	5,800	5,560	6,200	6,200	6,375
Audiovisual Materials.....	1,000	856	1,000	1,000	1,000
Computer Software	2,000	0	5,000	5,000	2,000
Equipment.....	250	400	500	500	750
Total School Library Services	\$ 53,553	\$ 50,602	\$ 58,833	\$ 59,886	\$ 60,672

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Technology Services					
Superv. Union Services	\$ 10,063	\$ 10,057	\$ 9,521	\$ 9,521	\$ 10,032
Repairs & Maintenance	3,000	570	3,000	3,000	3,000
Communications – Telephone	7,610	5,829	7,610	7,610	7,610
General Supplies	2,200	1,770	2,200	2,200	2,700
Computer Software	0	1,633	1,000	1,000	3,000
Equipment – Replacement	0	6,993	5,400	5,400	4,000
Equipment – Computer Lab	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment – Telephone System	0	0	0	0	0
Total Technology Services	\$ 22,873	\$ 26,852	\$ 28,731	\$ 28,731	\$ 30,342
Board of Education Svcs.					
Technical Svc. School Bd.	\$ 727	\$ 727	\$ 727	\$ 727	\$ 750
Official Svc. Tax Collect	5,700	5,500	5,700	5,500	5,700
Professional Educ. Svcs.	500	851	1,000	800	1,000
Legal Services	750	1,983	750	4,750	2,000
Fidelity Bond Premiums	80	80	80	80	90
Supplies	0	477	0	0	0
Dues & Fees	1,200	1,227	1,200	1,600	1,200
Total Board of Education Svcs.	\$ 8,957	\$ 10,845	\$ 9,457	\$ 13,457	\$ 10,740
Office of Superintendent					
Supervisory Union Serv. – Supt.	\$ 27,200	\$ 27,063	\$ 29,720	\$ 29,720	30,307
Supervisory Union Serv. – Curriculum	\$ 11,700	\$ 11,641	\$ 12,324	\$ 12,324	13,044
Total Office of Superintendent	\$ 38,900	\$ 38,704	\$ 42,044	\$ 42,044	\$ 43,351

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Office of the Principal					
Salaries – Regular – Admin.	\$ 54,238	\$ 55,027	\$ 57,455	\$ 59,981	65,379
Salaries – Regular – Clerical	39,455	42,225	42,345	43,657	45,735
Health Benefits	11,007	10,590	12,102	11,123	12,012
Social Security/Medicare	7,108	7,318	7,561	7,856	8,414
Retirement Contribution	0	0	0	1,292	1,805
Section 125 Benefit	90	90	96	96	102
Workers Compensation	332	215	211	611	669
Unemployment Compensation	230	51	50	41	45
Tuition Reimbursement	1,500	921	1,500	1,500	1,500
Dental Benefits	320	320	318	318	318
Disability Benefits	214	410	595	536	575
Rentals & Leases – Copier.....	7,550	8,439	8,100	8,100	8,100
Communications – Postage	1,200	1,788	1,200	1,200	1,200
Advertising	1,500	1,520	1,400	1,400	1,400
Travel	50	0	250	250	250
General Supplies	2,500	3,472	2,695	2,695	3,185
Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
Total Office of the Principal	\$ 127,297	\$ 132,386	\$ 135,878	\$ 140,656	\$ 150,689
Fiscal Services					
Supervisory Union Services	\$ 23,421	\$ 23,459	\$ 26,415	\$ 26,415	\$ 26,580
Total Fiscal Services	\$ 23,421	\$ 23,459	\$ 26,415	\$ 26,415	\$ 26,580
Auditing Services					
Audit Services	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,900
Total Auditing Services	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,900

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Operation and Maintenance – Plant					
Salaries – Regular Service	\$ 39,271	\$ 38,784	\$ 45,590	\$ 45,590	\$ 50,510
Salaries – Temporary	7,260	10,015	7,360	7,360	4,000
Health Benefits	9,127	9,200	9,730	8,934	9,708
Social Security/Medicare	3,560	3,751	4,051	4,027	4,170
Retirement Contributions	0	0	0	700	1,211
Section 125 Benefit	60	60	64	64	68
Workers Compensation	165	107	113	325	327
Unemployment Compensation	114	25	27	22	22
Disability Benefits	0	173	274	223	263
Other Professional Svcs.	0	0	0	5,456	0
Water Testing and Sewer	2,100	3,191	2,500	3,000	2,500
Disposal Services	3,800	2,446	3,000	2,500	3,000
Snow Plowing	2,500	2,460	2,500	2,500	2,500
Lawn Care Services.....	900	29	900	900	900
Repairs & Maintenance.....	10,000	48,067	7,885	7,885	9,400
Rep. & Maint. – Capital Project	0	0	0	0	0
Repairs & Maint. – Tractor	500	282	500	500	500
Other Purchased Svc – Early Edu.	3,000	2,552	3,000	3,000	3,000
Insurance	3,552	3,555	3,900	3,570	3,900
Travel	500	470	500	500	500
General Supplies	7,500	10,871	11,790	13,090	11,790
Electricity	28,049	23,582	30,973	26,673	30,973
Oil	3,325	9,857	8,580	8,580	10,000
Other Energy – Wood Chips	1,500	1,562	1,500	1,500	1,500
Equipment and Tractor.....	6,660	6,346	4,700	4,700	4,900
Total Operation and Maint. – Plant	\$ 133,442	\$ 177,385	\$ 149,437	\$ 154,599	\$ 155,642

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Student Transportation Services					
Student Transportation Services	\$ 79,951	\$ 74,953	\$ 83,446	\$ 74,621	\$ 76,140
Student Transp. Services – Field Trips.....	2,890	3,194	3,145	3,145	3,145
Total Student Transportation Services	\$ 82,841	\$ 78,147	\$ 86,591	\$ 77,766	\$ 79,285
Debt Service					
Interest	\$ 27,460	\$ 26,638	\$ 23,480	\$ 23,480	\$ 19,440
Principal.....	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	40,000
Total Debt Service	\$ 87,460	\$ 86,638	\$ 83,480	\$ 83,480	\$ 59,440
Fund Transfers					
Fund Transfer – Food Services & Floor....	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,494	\$ 2,000	\$ 14,750	\$ 3,000
Total Fund Transfers	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,494	\$ 2,000	\$ 14,750	\$ 3,000
Instr. Services – Student Sup. Services					
Salaries – Regular Professional.....	\$ 98,362	\$ 108,003	\$ 104,582	\$ 103,073	\$ 110,151
Salaries – Regular Technical	79,092	78,706	81,734	91,436	83,743
Salaries – Temporary	4,000	2,333	4,000	4,000	3,000
Health Benefits	12,205	14,921	18,926	18,885	20,678
Social Security/Medicare	13,820	14,140	14,427	15,037	14,909
Retirement Contribution	0	0	0	2,257	2,837
Section 125 Benefit.....	270	270	288	288	306
Workers Compensation.....	639	415	401	1,165	1,177
Unemployment Compensation.....	443	98	95	77	79
Tuition Reimbursement	1,700	964	1,700	1,700	1,700
Dental Benefits	608	608	604	604	604

Description	Budget 2001*	Actual 2001	Budget 2002	Projected 2002	Budget 2003
Disability Benefits	196	588	1,118	1,101	1,008
Other Professional Svcs – Psych/SLP	600	8,105	2,200	2,200	2,200
Other Professional Svcs – Gr 1	0	0	0	0	7,500
Supervisory Un Serv – Special Ed.	19,410	19,612	17,903	17,903	18,078
Supervisory Un Serv – Early Ed.	6,940	6,848	11,881	11,881	17,904
General Supplies	2,000	2,413	3,000	3,000	3,000
Books and Periodicals	0	519	0	0	0
Equipment.....	0	700	1,000	1,000	0
Total Instr. Services – Student Sup. Svc.	\$ 240,285	\$ 258,943	\$ 263,859	\$ 275,607	\$ 288,874
EEE (Early Essential Education)					
Other Professional Services	\$ 17,993	\$ 17,390	17,993	\$ 17,461	\$ 17,517
Total EEE	\$ 17,993	\$ 17,390	\$ 17,993	\$ 17,461	\$ 17,517
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,801,063	\$1,881,303	\$1,921,149	\$1,966,599	\$2,013,899
Profit (Loss)	(\$ 0)	(\$ 32,502)	\$ 0	(\$ 26,595)	(\$ 0)

* Adjusted at Town Meeting

EAST MONTPELIER TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

WARNING

The legal voters of the East Montpelier Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the **East Montpelier Elementary School** in East Montpelier on **Tuesday, March 5, 2002 at 9:30 A.M.*** to act on the following:

The polls for articles to be voted on by Australian ballot will open at 7 A.M. and close at 7 P.M. [17 VSA § 2561].

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing [16 VSA § 562(2)].

ARTICLE 2. To elect the following School Directors by Australian ballot [16 VSA § 423]:

One (1) School Director	Two (2)-year Term
One (1) School Director	Three (3)-year Term
One (1) U-32 Jr.-Sr. H.S. Director	Three (3)-year Term

ARTICLE 3. To hear and act upon the report of the Town School Directors [16 VSA § 563(10) and (11)].

ARTICLE 4. Will the School District adopt a budget not to exceed \$2,013,899.00 for the operation of the school for the ensuing year?

ARTICLE 5. Shall the audited fund balance as of **June 30, 2002** be held in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of funding operations and/or capital improvements [24 VSA § 2804]?

ARTICLE 6. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds and notes, not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year [16 VSA § 562(9)]?

ARTICLE 7. Shall East Montpelier Town School District borrow a sum not to exceed \$77,958.00, subject to reduction from available grants-in-aid, to make health and safety improvements to the Elementary School Building, to be repaid over a term not to exceed five (5) years?

ARTICLE 8. Shall East Montpelier Town School District borrow a sum not to exceed \$143,050.00, subject to reductions from available grants-in-aid and donations, to expand the Elementary School Building woodchip storage facility, to be repaid over a term not to exceed five (5) years?

ARTICLE 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

A meeting will be held on February 23, 2002 to provide information on the articles to be voted by Australian ballot at Town Meeting. The meeting [as required by 17 V.S.A. § 2680(g)] will be held at the East Montpelier Elementary School Cafeteria at 9:30 A.M.

The legal voters of East Montpelier Town School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Section 553 of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

School Directors

JANICE ALDRICH, *Chair*

NANCY THOMAS, *Vice Chair*

ANNA SAXMAN, *Clerk*

LUCY FERRADA

ROBERT J. RIGGEN

*** Please note time: The Town and School Meetings are now both being warned at 9:30 A.M. Both will convene and then one will be recessed until the completion of the other meeting. This will allow a quicker transition between meetings. This year, both the Town and School Meetings will be convened. The Town portion will be recessed until the conclusion of the School Meeting. At the conclusion of the School Meeting, the Town Meeting will be started immediately or after a short break.**

**ABSTRACT OF MINUTES
MARCH 6, 2001 TOWN MEETING**

SCHOOL

- Art. 1. Voted by Australian Ballot and elected Martin K. Miller, Moderator.
- Art. 2. Voted and elected School Directors for EMES (by Australian Ballot):
Robert Riggen - 3 years
Lucy Ferrada - 2 years
- Art. 3. Voted to hear report of School Directors: noted 3 teachers took early retirement; welcomed new teachers; thanked community volunteers; noted increase in school budget due to 18% increase in health insurance; new 5- year teacher contract; new items added to budget; new foreign language teacher desired for future; Capital Improvement Committee was set up to review building, grounds, wood-chip storage, air quality; full day kindergarten study by state and federal government; need better computer lab; held potluck supper and dessert community forum to finalize budget; had community forum for School Board candidates; noted professional development achievements of Kathy Christy; have expanded school building use; reviewed assessments of reading and math; drama club; safer, respectful environment in school. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 4. Voted for School District to adopt \$1,921,149.00 budget for the operation of school. Reasons for increase number of school days increased by 5 days; 18% increase in health insurance; increases in books, technology and software. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 5. Voted to have the audited fund balance held in reserve to be expended on funding operations and capital improvements. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 6. Voted to have School Board borrow money in anticipation of revenues. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 7. Transact any other business. Need volunteers to serve on committee to handle money paid by Fairmont Farm into Revolving Loan Fund.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

**ABSTRACT OF MINUTES
MARCH 6, 2001 TOWN MEETING
TOWN**

Art. 1. Voted and elected the following:

Moderator - 1 year	Marty Miller
Selectperson - 3 years	Edith Miller
Lister - 3 years	Earl Montague
Auditor - 3 years	Gen Chapell
Trustee of Public Funds - 3 years	Sylvia M. Tosi
Town Law Agent - 1 year	Dennis Carver
Town Grand Juror - 1 year	Tim Carver
First Constable - 1 year	Dennis Carver
Second Constable - 1 year	Timothy Meehan
Cemetery Commissioner - 5 years	Maurice Cerutti
Planning Commissioner - 3 years	Robert Chickering
Planning Commissioner - 3 years	Carol Welch
Planning Commissioner - 3 years	David Sparrow
School Director - 2 years	Robert Rikken
School Director - 2 years	Lucy Ferrada
U-32 School Director - 3 years	Virginia Burley

Art. 2. Voted to hear the reports of several Town Officers and to act thereon. It was pointed out the revenue page was missing from EMES budget in the town report. Copies will be made available at town clerk offices. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 3. Voted to have taxes paid to Treasurer on or before 5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 15, 2001. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 4. Voted to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 5. Voted to have Town raise the sum of \$779,358.54 for laying out and repairing highways and other necessary Town expenses. Passed by Australian ballot 421 – 76.

Art. 6. Voted to have Town appropriate sum of \$80,000 for Capital Reserve Fund. Passed by Australian Ballot 363 – 117.

Art. 7. Voted to authorize the Selectboard to purchase a new 16-yard dump truck and equipment at a cost not to exceed \$85,000 and to finance said purchase over a period of up to four years. Passed by Australian ballot 389 – 102.

Art. 8. Voted to authorize the Selectboard to expend \$70,000 from Capital Reserve Fund for paving Gallison Hill Road to be matched with State Grant. Passed by Australian Ballot 352 – 143.

- Art. 9. Warned request of \$4,700 for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for 2001 general operating expenses was amended to \$4,097. Second amendment to \$2,000. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$4097. Passed by paper ballot 99 – 57.
- Art. 10. Voted to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$7,000 to the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission to help maintain cemeteries. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 11. Voted to appropriate sum up to \$2,825 to Four Corners Schoolhouse Association 2001 operating expense. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 12. Voted to appropriate \$8,150 by Funding Request Study Committee for various service organizations. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 13. Voted on question, shall the Town appropriate a sum of \$6,500 in a one-time allocation to support the construction of the Twin Valley Intergenerational Community Center at Goddard College. Defeated by voice vote.
- Art. 14. Voted to call upon the Governor, Legislature, and the business community to Work toward economic development strategy that supports a livable wage for Vermonters.
- Art. 15. Voted to increase the number of Justice of the Peace Officers from seven to ten. Passed by show of Voter card count 69 – 47.
- Art. 16. Voted to expend \$5,000 from Capital Reserve to the East Montpelier Fire Dept. to refurbish the 1967 tanker truck. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 17. Voted to authorize the Selectboard to enter into 5 year property abatement contracts to attract new industrial and commercial development. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 18. Voted to table the vote on Article 23 tax abatement for land used for commercial farming.
- Art. 19. Voted to transact other business:
- Round of applause to acknowledge Town Road Crew getting us here.
 - Voice vote to support H.127 to allow discussion of Australian ballot items at Town Meeting.
 - Discussed application for 21st Century Community Center Grant. Voters were asked to complete a survey.
 - E.L.F. program was discussed, more volunteers are needed.
 - Recommendation alternating school/town meeting from year to year.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m..

ANIMAL LICENSE

All dogs and wolf-hybrids six months of age or older shall annually on or before April 1 be licensed. Also any dog that is acquired after April 1 or becomes six months old during the year shall within 30 days be licensed.

The fees for licensing a dog or *wolf-hybrid will be as follows:

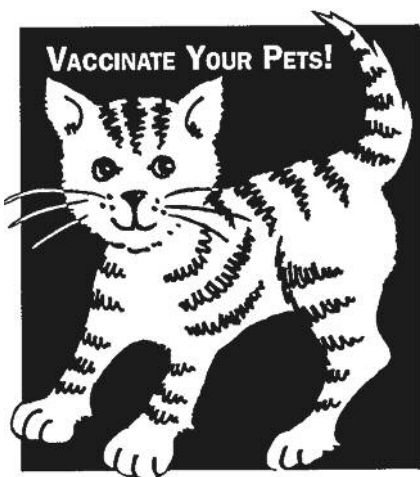
1. Neutered or spayed dogs or wolf-hybrids	\$4.00
Plus a \$1 fee for State Rabies Program	1.00
Total	\$5.00
2. All unneutered dogs or wolf-hybrids	\$8.00
Plus a \$1 fee for State Rabies Program	1.00
Total	\$9.00

* As per 20 V.S.A. §3581, January 1, 1995.

- A 50% penalty is charged for dogs/wolf-hybrids owned and not licensed by April 1st.
- To be licensed, all dogs/wolf-hybrids must be vaccinated against rabies by six months of age.
- A dog/wolf-hybrid under one year of age must be revaccinated within 12 months and then every 24 months thereafter.
- A certificate or certified copy stating the dog/wolf-hybrid has, within 24 months, been vaccinated against rabies by a duly licensed veterinarian shall be presented to the Town Clerk. (V.S.A. Title 20, Section 3581)

Point of Interest — Town Issued 523 Dog Tags in 2001.

These licenses generated \$3,412. The Town realized \$2,929 as \$483 was sent to the Vermont Rabies Program.



RABIES ALERT

Rabies is a disease that can kill animals and people.

- Vermont law requires rabies shots for all cats and dogs.
- Enjoy wildlife from a safe distance. Remember, rabid animals have been found in all Vermont counties.

Questions?

Call 1-800-4-RABIES

APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTEER POSITIONS ON TOWN BOARDS

The Town frequently looks for qualified individuals to serve on the Commissions or Boards listed below. In addition, there are other positions, as well as special committees, which may be appointed by the Selectboard periodically to study specific topics.

If interested, please fill out and detach. Send to Town Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651.

Name _____

Address _____
Street Town Zip

Present Employer _____

Address _____
Street Town Zip

Phone _____
Home Work

- Interest in serving on:**
- ☐ Conservation Fund Advisory Committee
 - ☐ Forest Committee
 - ☐ EM Revolving Loan Fund Committee
 - ☐ Funding Request Study Committee
 - ☐ Rally Day Committee
 - ☐ Recreation Board
 - ☐ Zoning Board of Adjustment
 - ☐ Other _____

Background/Experience: _____

Previous Boards or Committees served on: _____

Interests: _____

CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS

Please notify the Town Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651 regarding any change of name or address.

*Change of Name From: _____

To: _____

Change of Address to: _____

Signature of Property Owner/Voter

*Regarding a Change of Name on a Deed, we will
send you an official document to be signed by you.
If it is in regard to a change of name on the checklist,
you may use this form.

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