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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.

Martin K. Miller	Town & School District Moderator
Sylvia M. Tosi	Town Clerk & Treasurer
Martha Holden	Selectboard
Deborah Fillion	Planning Commissioner
Shirley M. King	Town Auditor
Brian Bishop	EMES School Director
Joe Buley, Jr.	EMES School Director
Norma Raymond	Collector of Delinquent Taxes
Ross Haverstick	Zoning Administrator
Jane Grinde	Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer
MaryAnn Cerasoli	Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer
Cliff King	Rally Day Committee
Shirley King	Rally Day Committee
Sara Pearson	Rally Day Committee
Bill George	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Art Montague	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Dave Burley	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Andy Shapiro.....	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Kathleen Audy	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Bruce Bjornlund	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Diana Chace	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Rick Hopkins	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Rick Hopkins	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Edie Miller.....	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Brian Phillips	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee
Frank Pratt	EMFD Facilities Steering Committee

EAST MONTPELIER TOWN/SCHOOL FORUM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2007

9:30 A.M. at the East Montpelier Elementary School

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NAMES TO BE PRINTED ON THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Town/School Meeting — Tuesday, March 6, 2007

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:

TOWN MODERATOR for 1 year	MICHAEL H. DWORKIN
SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR for 1 year	MICHAEL H. DWORKIN
SELECTBOARD MEMBER for 3 years	SETH B. GARDNER
(Vote for not more than one)	TRACY M. PHILLIPS
LISTER for 3 years	EARL MONTAGUE
AUDITOR for 3 years	DEBORAH FILLION
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS for 3 years	SYLVIA M. TOSI
TOWN LAW AGENT for 1 year	DENNIS CARVER
TOWN GRAND JUROR for 1 year	NO CANDIDATE
FIRST CONSTABLE for 1 year	SANDY F. CONTI
SECOND CONSTABLE for 1 year	PAUL HAYNES
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 3 years	TIM CARVER
(Vote for not more than three)	ROB CHICKERING
	REAL OUMET
	KIM B. WATSON
	CAROL WELCH
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER for 5 years	PAULINE COBURN
COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES for 1 year	KAREN (McCarthy) GRAMER
(Vote for not more than one)	ROBYN L.D. HALL
E.M. ELEM. SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	ANDREA (Andi) COLNES
E.M. ELEM. SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 2 years	JOHN J. AUDY Jr.
U-32 SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	VIRGINIA (Ginny) BURLEY



Thanks, Marty & Norma!

Marty Miller served as our Moderator for the last twenty-two Town Meetings. That's quite a record. One of the people who witnessed every one of those years, and then some, was Norma Raymond, our Collector of Delinquent Taxes for twenty-one-and-a-half years. Norma has not missed a single Town Meeting starting in 1950!



Martin K. Miller
Town & School Moderator
1984–2006



Norma Raymond
Collector of
Delinquent Taxes
1985–2006



Taking care
of business...



TOWN OFFICERS

ELECTED

Town Moderator: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Michael Dworkin

School District Moderator: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Michael Dworkin

Town Clerk: 3 years; Expires 2009 Teresa “Terri” Conti

Town Treasurer: 3 years; Expires 2009 Teresa “Terri” Conti

Selectboard: 3 years

Expires 2007 Edith Miller

Expires 2008 Thomas Brazier

Expires 2009 Stephen Jerome

Listers: 3 years

Expires 2007 Earl Montague

Expires 2008 Rosendo Cueto, Jr.

Expires 2009 Ross Hazel

Auditors: 3 years

Expires 2007 Deborah Fillion

Expires 2008 Pauline Coburn

Expires 2009 Don Welch

Trustees of Public Funds: 3 years

Expires 2007 Sylvia Tosi

Expires 2008 Mary Anne Cerasoli

Expires 2009 Teresa “Terri” Conti

First Constable: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Tim Meehan

Second Constable: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Paul Haynes

Town Law Agent: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Dennis Carver

Town Grand Juror: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Burr Morse

Collector of Delinquent Taxes: 1 year term; Expires 2007 Norma Raymond

Elementary School Directors:

Expires 2007; 3 years Matthew Curtis

Expires 2007; 2 years Bill Kaplan

Expires 2008; 3 years Janice Aldrich

Expires 2008; 2 years Marlene Betit

Expires 2009; 3 years Julie Rochat

U-32 School Directors: 3 years

Expires 2007 Virginia “Ginny” Burley

Expires 2008 Sue Chickering

Planning Commission: 3 years

Expires 2007 Tim Carver

Expires 2007 Robert Chickering

Expires 2007 Carol Welch

Expires 2008 Marilyn “Lyn” Blackwell

Expires 2008 Richmond “Rick” Hopkins

Expires 2008 Kenneth Santor

Expires 2009 Mark Lane

Expires 2009 John “Jack” Pauly

Expires 2009 Tracy M. Phillips

Cemetery Commissioners: 5 years

Expires 2007	Pauline Coburn
Expires 2008	Frederick C. Strong
Expires 2009	Gary Hudson
Expires 2010	Elliott Morse
Expires 2011	Maurice Cerutti

Justices of the Peace: 2 years; 2/2007–2/2009

Janice Aldrich	Peter R. Hill
Rob Chickering	Sally S. Longhi
Sue Clayton	Florence C. Morse
Ruth Farnham	Rebecca Reed
David Grundy	Janice Waterman

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

Town Board for the Abatement of Taxes:

Board of Civil Authority plus Listers and Town Treasurer

APPOINTED

Collector of Lease Land Rent (1 year; exp. 2007)	Terri Conti
Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer	Sherry Culver
Assistant Town Clerk and Treasurer	Denise Brown
Town Administrator	Lisa Rice
Road Foreman	Mike Garand
Town Attorney	Bruce Bjornlund
Zoning Administrator (3 years; 2009)	C. Bruce Johnson
Interim Collector of Delinquent Taxes: (11/06–3/6/07)	Robyn Hall
Sewage Officer (1 year; 2007)	Carl Etnier
Acting Sewage Officer (1 year; 2007)	Richard Czaplinski
Town Health Officer (3 years; 2008)	Burr Morse
Town Service Officer (1 year; 2007)	Susan Kittredge
Animal Control Officer (1 year; 2007)	Tim Meehan
Assistant Animal Control Officer (1 year; 2007)	Elliott Morse
Pound Keeper (1 year; 2007)	Tim Meehan
Town Fire Warden (5 years; 2009)	Chris Reed
Assistant Fire Warden (5 years; 2009)	Bill George
Assistant Fire Warden (5 years; 2010)	John Boucher
Emergency Management Coordinator (1 year; 2007)	Bill George
Town Tree Warden (1 year; 2007)	Paul Cate
Regional Planning, Town Representative (1 year; 2007)	Tim Carver
Alternate (1 year; 2007)	Martha Holden
Transportation Advisory Committee Rep (1 year; 2007)	Frank Pratt
Central Vermont Transit Authority Board Rep. (3 years; 2009)	David Grundy
Solid Waste District Representative (1 year; 2007)	Steve Jerome
Alternate (1 year; 2007)	Ginny Callan

Wrightsville Beach Recreation District Rep. (3 years; 2009) Chris Grimard
 Four Corners Schoolhouse Assoc. Rep. (1 year; 2007) Steve Jerome
 Green Up Coordinator (1 year; 2007) Bill Merrylees
 Fence Viewer (1 year; 2007) Marcia Pauly
 Fence Viewer (1 year; 2007) Mark Lane
 Inspector of Coal, Wood and Shingles (1 year; 2007) Austin Cleaves
 E.M. Fire Department Facilities Committee Representative Don Welch

State Police Community Advisory Board: 1 year; expires 2007

Don Welch Carol Welch Ann Karlene Kroll Stephen Kroll

Forest Committee: 3 years

Paul Cate, *Chair* (2007) Earle Ellingwood (2007)
 Rick Barstow (2008) Chris Grimard (2008) Mark Lane (2008)
 Harry "Burr" Morse, Jr. (2009) Steven J. Sinclair (2009)

Zoning Board of Adjustment: 3 years

Jeff Cueto (2007) Clifton King (2007) Wm. Gray Ricker, IV (2007)
 Sandy Conti (2008) Steven Kappel (2008) Jane Grinde (2008)
 Rich Curtis, *Chair* (2009) Patrick Biggam (2009) Mark Lane (2009)

Recreation Board: 3 years

Terri Conti, *Co-Chair* (2009) Patrick McCoy, *Co-Chair* (2009)
 Jan Aldrich (2008) Tim Bigelow (2008) Ed Deegan (2009)
 Active members: Dave Burley, Ellen McGurn, Brian Lusignan

Conservation Fund Advisory Committee: 3 years

Dennis Carver (2007) Austin Cleaves (2007) Michael Dworkin (2007)
 Brian Lusignan (2008) Susan Chickering, *Chair* (2008)
 Arlene Goodrich (2009) Charles Johnson (2009)

Funding Request Study Committee: 1 year; Expires 2007

Lyn Blackwell, *Chair* Rhoda Chickering Anne V. Sherman
 Allen Ploof Frank Pratt

Rally Day Committee: 1 year; Expires 2007

Matthew Curtis, *Co-Chair* Janice Waterman, *Treasurer*
 Deborah Fillion, *Co-Chair* Sylvia Tosi Hobie Guion
 Barbara Brown Bill Merrylees Colin McCaffrey Paul Cate
 Bill Jordan Helen Jordan Erica Zimmerman Darlene Grundy
 Rhoda Chickering Sally Longhi Julia Haynes

Wastewater Advisory Committee: No term set

Bob Morey, *Chair* Jeff Biron Richard Czaplinski Laura Brown
 Tim Carver Erik Esselstyn Carl Etnier Rick Hopkins
 Stephen Miracle Cherie Staples

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER
ARTICLES OF WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 6th, 2007

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 sixth (6th) day of March, 2007 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).

Town Moderator, 1 year term
School District Moderator, 1 year term
Selectboard Member, 3 year term
Lister, 3 year term
Auditor, 3 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
Collector of Delinquent Taxes 1 year term
Cemetery Commissioner, 5 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term
EM Elementary School Director, 3 year term
EM Elementary 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 raise the sum of \$1,252,498.97 as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses for fiscal year 2008 (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008). (To be voted by Australian Ballot).

- ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town raise \$150,000.00 for the Capital Reserve Fund. (To be voted by Australian Ballot).
- ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to:
- 1) finance an amount not to exceed \$40,000 toward the purchase of a new Town Highway Dump Truck.
 - 2) expend an amount not to exceed \$65,000 from the existing Capital Reserve Fund towards said purchase.
- (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town raise \$25,321.00 for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. (To be voted by Australian Ballot).
- ARTICLE 7: Shall bonds of the Town of East Montpelier in an amount not to exceed Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,800,000.00) be issued for the purpose of constructing a fire station for use by the East Montpelier Fire Department and for making improvements to the Templeton Road Fire Station, the total estimated cost of said improvements being Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,800,000.00), and the issuance of said bonds being conditioned upon the approval of a fire service interlocal contract between the Town of East Montpelier and the Town of Calais. (To be voted by Australian Ballot).
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of Taxes.
- ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town authorize all property taxes for the fiscal year 2008 to be paid to the Treasurer, without discount in two installments and received at the East Montpelier Municipal Building as follows: The first installment will be due on or before 5 PM Thursday November 15, 2007 and the second installment will be due on or before 5 PM Thursday May 15, 2008.
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town raise a sum not to exceed \$10,700 to be expended by the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during 2008 fiscal year.
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town raise a sum not to exceed \$2,500 for the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association operating expenses for fiscal year 2008.

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town raise the amounts listed below as recommended by the Town's Funding Request Study Committee, or what other amounts, for the following organizations for fiscal year 2008.

a) Battered Women's Services and Shelter	\$ 675
b) Central Vermont Community Action Council.....	400
c) Central Vermont Council on Aging.....	1,464
d) Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice	3,000
e) Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center	250
f) Community Connections	2,500
g) Family Center of Washington County.....	400
h) Green Mountain Transit	1,100
i) Green Up Vermont	150
j) Onion River Food Shelf	400
k) People's Health and Wellness Clinic.....	950
l) Project Independence	500
m) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275
n) Sexual Assault Crisis Team	200
o) U-32 Project Graduation.....	200
p) Vermont Center for Independent Living	200
q) Washington County Diversion Program	300
r) Washington County Youth Services Bureau	400

Total: \$13,364

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town of East Montpelier enter into a fire service inter-local contract with the Town of Calais and the East Montpelier Volunteer Fire Department under which debt service on fire station improvement bonds issued by the Town of East Montpelier shall be allocated.

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town of East Montpelier add two additional members to its Selectboard, for a total of five members. At the March 2008 Town Meeting, the two additional members will be elected with the initial term of the first additional member to be for one year and initial term for the second additional member to be for two years. At the end of their initial terms, the two additional members will be elected for two-year terms. (Petitioned article.)

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town continue offering local farmers' contracts, the costs of which are borne entirely by East Montpelier, when a state program offering equal benefits is available with costs shared statewide.

ARTICLE 16: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to accept and to spend grant funding received during the fiscal year 2008 without a vote of the Town.

ARTICLE 17: To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

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9:30 A.M. at the East Montpelier Elementary School**

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Dated at East Montpelier, Vermont, this 1st day of February, 2007.

East Montpelier Selectboard:

EDITH MILLER, *Chair*

THOMAS BRAZIER

STEVE JEROME

East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, 1st day of February A.D. 2007 at 3:15 p.m. Received the foregoing East Montpelier Annual Town Meeting Warning for posting as required by law. — **Attest: Teresa E. Conti, Town Clerk**



Town Meeting 2005. Photo by Allyson Barrieau.

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Change and transition were the hallmarks of this year. In 2006 we experienced turnover in a majority of the positions that operate out of the Municipal Office on a regular basis as well as others whose tireless work on behalf of the Town is less visible (because they don't have offices) but no less important. In addition, we are in the midst of a change in fiscal year and have yet to embark on a change in our accounting system.

We've survived all the transition well, and here we are, at the beginning of a new year, with a lot more knowledge and experience and prepared to go forward in a much more confident manner.

Anyone who has visited the Municipal Office will have noticed that only our trusty Lister, Rosie Cueto, remains in the same position and at the same desk as in the prior year. The one other familiar face is that of new Town Clerk/Treasurer, Terri Conti, who had worked as assistant in earlier years. Terri has worked with extraordinary energy and enthusiasm to take on her new responsibilities and hired Sherry Culver and Denise Brown to help her. Together they are learning all the ins and outs of the many tasks of the Clerk/Treasurer, adding their own ideas and experience to streamline processes and utilize new technologies that seem to change at an ever more rapid pace. Last year, the voters approved a budget that included having many of our accounting functions processed by an employee of an accountants' firm. In the end, Terri and her assistants felt it was better to undertake the hands-on experience themselves before determining whether any outside help is needed.

Our Town Administrator, Lisa Rice, had just joined us about this time last year and has done a good job of learning the many aspects of her job—which is one the Selectboard depends on heavily.

In the fall, we heard the unhappy news that Norma Raymond—whose attendance at EVERY East Montpelier Town Meeting starting in 1950 must be some sort of state or national record—was moving 3 miles away which placed her outside the East Montpelier boundary lines. We were forced—with enormous regret—to accept Norma's resignation as Collector of Delinquent Taxes. After a very productive search process which surfaced several qualified candidates, we appointed Robyn Hall as our new CDT. The soundness of our decision is already apparent as Robyn has taken on the 2006 work without missing a step. We are very pleased that she is running for election to the office at this year's Town Meeting.

In the midst of all the change, the Town is moving ahead on many fronts. We have several groups of dedicated citizens working very hard on projects that will have significant impact on East Montpelier's future. The East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative (EMSLI) obtained \$22,000 from two grant sources and is moving ahead with its work relating to housing opportunities for East Montpelier seniors (see p. 43). The Wastewater Advisory Committee is completing its work as this report is being written and will hold public meetings prior to Town Meeting

day (pp. 54–55). You see on page 66 and in Articles 7 and 13 the results of the extensive work of the East Montpelier Fire Department Facilities Committee. The members of these committees have accomplished an incredible amount of work and have devoted enormous amounts of time to their projects. On behalf of all citizens of East Montpelier, we thank them for their interest and dedication. By the time you read this, we hope that another group of citizens will be researching all “ancient roads” in East Montpelier—those are roads that may not be in current use or even show up on current maps but historically belong to the Town. We also hope to attract some citizens to examine our needs for more space in our municipal office.

As usual there are various road projects underway. A year ago, we thought that Muddy Brook road would be paved by now. Due to turnover in the road crew (more changes), that project was delayed and will be done this year. The Center Road will see a large new culvert, and we hope to increase regular maintenance of our paved roads this year or next. We are very disappointed to hear that the intersection project in East Montpelier Village will be delayed further. We are working actively with our state legislators and the Agency of Transportation to bring more clarity about a course of action for this project.

The Planning Commission is moving closer to its goal of an updated zoning bylaw that, while wholly different in format from the earlier version, should clarify our regulations. That will be a welcome addition for the many applicants who are seeking to develop properties in East Montpelier. Those applicants are now working with our new Zoning Administrator, Bruce Johnson, who brings a great deal of know-how and experience to that position.

East Montpelier is overdue for a reappraisal of its property to assure us that our real estate is assessed fairly in relation to other towns, but even more importantly that there is equity among assessments *within* East Montpelier. At the same time we will convert to an automated assessment system which will help with the calculation of values once the appropriate information is entered. Data entry will start during 2007 and the reappraisal itself will take place in 2008.

We encourage you to take part in the pre-Town Meeting Forum on Saturday, February 24th, at 9:30 a.m. and Town Meeting itself on March 6 at 9:30 a.m. The pre-meeting forum will serve as the official, legally required informational meeting on the Fire Station bond issue as well.

EDIE MILLER, *Chair*
TOM BRAZIER
STEVE JEROME



TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER REPORT

As I sit here and write my first town report as Town Clerk and Treasurer, I am awed at how time has passed since I took on these two roles at last Town Meeting. I am so thankful that I learned as much as I did from my predecessor while I was the Assistant. I have found that with all the new personnel here at the Town Offices, I have been the one with some history to try to recall things. Personnel changes include new office assistants, road crew employees, town administrator, zoning administrator, and septic officer.

This year's change in the property tax billing to accommodate the change to a fiscal year was perhaps our largest hurdle. The one tax billing with two installment due dates was confusing, but in the end, has worked out fine so far.

There have been some changes in the laws and state statutes that pertain to the many responsibilities of the Town Clerk and Treasurer. Perhaps the most enduring one pertains to the maintenance of a town's land records. The Land Recordings are a steady responsibility of the Town Clerk. We began the year with the later part of book # 91 and ended with book #95, not to mention Permit Book #2 and Lien Book #6, as well as the permit manuals and mobile home index. We received 1,119 items for recording—ranging from warranty deeds, mortgages, and permits (state and local) to various other documents. This resulted in the recording of more than 2,240 pages! Thank goodness for the new roller shelves that allowed a little more room in the vault.

Restoration of the Land Records continued with the microfilming of books #86 thru #92, as well as Permit Book Vol #1. We also had the pleasure of a visit from the Genealogical Society of Utah for a couple days to digitize some of the older vital records and land records dating back to the early 1900's. Most of the towns in the state allowed the Society to image their records. In return, we received the imaged records on a CD.

Our Town Voter Checklist, both on the town level and the statewide level, requires constant maintenance. The General Election in November brought a record number of voters to the polls. Our town had a turnout of 1,452 voters—69% of our 2,094 registered voters. This higher-than-usual turnout was experienced not only throughout the entire state but the country as well. I have been contemplating the possibility of processing motor vehicle registrations. I have yet to connect with the Department of Motor Vehicles to pursue this venture.

Homestead Declaration filings for your property will again be a factor when filing your income taxes. **Please make sure you file your Homestead Declaration by April 17, 2007.**

Remember that the town office has long been a source of information for many things: town history, research on your own property or family genealogy, dog licenses, voter registration, marriage and civil union licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, notary services, land postings, road and trail maps, town ordinances, town events scheduling—the list goes on! You are always welcome!

— TERESA “TERRI” CONTI, *Town Clerk & Treasurer*

CASH FUND BALANCE RECONCILIATION

Actual Revenues & Expenses:	2005	2006
Beginning Balance	\$ 146,404.49	\$ 23,235.42
Total Revenues	1,312,354.89	1,494,042.49
Total Expenses	<u>(1,435,523.96)</u>	<u>(1,340,484.30)</u>
Surplus	<u>\$ 146,404.49</u>	<u>\$ 176,793.61</u>

December 31, Assets:	2005	2006
Cash Drawer	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Minimum Balance for Sweep Account ...	27,000.00	27,000.00
Money Market Sweep Account	<u>127,521.62</u>	<u>336,503.35</u>
Total Cash Assets	<u>\$ 154,646.62</u>	<u>\$ 363,628.35</u>

Cash/Fund Balance Reconciliation:	2005	2006
Total Cash	\$ 154,646.62	\$ 363,628.35
Less Taxes Owed to School	(132,628.38)	(195,663.32)
Transfer in & out of Special Accounts:		
Cemetery Fund	1,245.17	(6.47)
Special Bridge & Culvert Fund	(1.62)	(177.39)
Town Forest Fund	1.13	1.13
Carlton Smith Recreation Fund		175.77
Sandy Pines Comm. Dev. Fund		9,269.70
Hunting and Fishing License	(27.50)	(39.50)
Employee Benefits		<u>(394.66)</u>
Reconciled Cash Surplus	<u>\$ 23,235.42</u>	<u>\$ 176,793.61</u>

Breakdown of Reconciled Cash Surplus:

Cash Drawer	\$ 125.00
Minimum Balance for Sweep Account	27,000.00
2007 Taxes Paid in Advance	108,785.49
2006 Tax Overpayment (to be refunded)	4,477.85
Available Cash on Hand (to FY08 budget, pg.16)	<u>36,405.27</u>
	<u>\$ 176,793.61</u>

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

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER REVENUES

CASH & RECEIPTS:	2006 Budgeted (1/1/06-12/31/06)	Actual 2006	Over (Under) 2006	Transition Budgeted (1/1/07-6/30/07)	Proposed FY08 (7/1/07-6/30/08)
AVAILABLE CASH ON HAND:	\$ 23,235.42	23,235.42			36,405.27
NON-TAX RECEIPTS:					
Recording/copy fees.....	18,000.00	20,469.00	2,469.00	9,000.00	18,000.00
Vault fees.....	4,000.00	5,045.41	1,045.41	2,000.00	4,000.00
Zoning fees.....	5,500.00	6,669.00	1,169.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
Sewage fees.....	2,000.00	1,372.00	(628.00)	1,200.00	0
Dog licenses	2,600.00	2,734.00	134.00	2,000.00	2,600.00
Liquor licenses	100.00	150.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
Late H131 filer fees.....	200.00	299.09	99.09	0	0
Education retention fees.....	3,500.00	3,991.00	491.00	0	4,000.00
School Share town expenses	8,500.00	8,500.00	0	0	8,500.00
State aid highways	125,000.00	125,139.96	139.96	60,000.00	125,000.00
Miscellaneous income.....	1,500.00	977.25	(522.75)	500.00	500.00
Interest/sweep account	5,000.00	22,371.30	17,371.30	500.00	10,000.00
Interest/delinquent taxes.....	6,000.00	13,190.64	7,190.64	3,000.00	6,000.00
Penalty delinquent taxes.....	10,000.00	17,114.06	7,114.06	5,000.00	10,000.00
Current use hold harmless.....	40,000.00	51,627.00	11,627.00	0	51,000.00
Lister's Grant Education	0	394.43	394.43	0	0
Traffic fines	20,000.00	14,306.90	(5,693.10)	10,000.00	11,000.00
State PILOT program/Land access	2,500.00	2,696.45	196.45	0	2,700.00
Green Up	250.00	225.00	(25.00)	250.00	225.00
Ancient Road Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	1,500.00
Center Road Project Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	85,500.00
Vtrans grant for Muddy Brook Rd paving	71,520.00	0	(71,520.00)	0	57,216.00
Waste water study reimbursement	20,000.00	14,776.12	(5,223.88)	5,000.00	0
Election Equipment Grant	0	340.51	340.51	0	0
Reimbursement 06' basement flood.....	0	1,464.11	1,464.11	0	0

Reimbursement U-32 Revote	0	1,663.00	1,663.00	0	0
East Montpelier Senior Living Grants (2)	0	0	0	0	22,000.00
SUBTOTAL NON-TAX RECEIPTS	346,170.00	315,516.23	(30,653.77)	101,550.00	425,841.00

TAXES:

Current Taxes:					
Select board Budget	976,674.00			405,041.19	1,504,409.46
Other Money Articles	149,837.00			3,950.00	53,385.00
Total Current Taxes	1,126,511.00	967,323.11*	(159,187.89)	408,991.19	1,557,794.46

*Includes \$108,785.49 of 2007 taxes paid in advance

Delinquent Taxes:					
Current Year	N/A	79,726.00		N/A	N/A
Prior Years	N/A	131,477.15		N/A	N/A
Total Delinquent Taxes:	N/A	211,203.15	211,203.15	N/A	N/A

TOTAL TAXES

1,126,511.00	1,178,526.26	52,015.26	408,991.19	1,557,794.46
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GRAND TOTAL CASH & RECEIPTS

\$1,495,916.42	1,517,277.91	21,361.49	510,541.19	2,020,040.73
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TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY

	2004	2005	2006	1/07-6/07	7/07-6/08
Selectboard w/o Articles	1,313,190.08	1,279,851.65	1,346,079.42	506,591.19	1,512,860.24
Less: Available Cash on Hand	87,944.70	146,404.49	23,235.42	0	36,405.27
Subtotal	1,225,245.38	1,133,447.16	1,322,844.00	506,591.19	1,476,454.97
Less: Proposed Non-Tax Receipts	313,891.00	245,045.00	346,170.00	101,550.00	425,841.00
Municipal Proposed for Tax w/o Articles	911,354.38	888,402.16	976,674.00	405,041.19	1,050,613.97
Plus Articles	139,752.00	171,781.00	149,837.00	3,950.00	201,885.00
Total Town Current Taxes	\$1,051,106.38	1,060,183.16	1,126,511.00	408,991.19	1,252,498.97

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER 2007-2008 BUDGET

EXPENDITURES:	Budget 2006 (1/1/06-12/31/06)	Actual 2006	Under (Over) 2006	Transition 2007 Budget (1/1/07-6/30/07)	Proposed FY08 (7/1/07-6/30/08)
GENERAL EXPENSES:					
Town Officers:					
Assistant Town Clerk	22,639.40	32,442.13	(9,802.73)	11,900.00	23,660.00
Assistant Town Clerk II	4,800.00	6,819.34	(2,019.34)	2,500.00	5,382.00
Delinquent Tax Collector	10,000.00	11,510.24	(1,510.24)	5,000.00	13,000.00
Health Officer	750.00	750.00	0	0	750.00
Municipal Assistant	750.00	576.00	174.00	0	0
Selectboard	2,250.00	2,250.00	0	0	2,250.00
Sewage Officer	2,650.00	963.00	1,687.00	1,150.00	1,500.00
Town Administrator	25,688.00	26,751.71	(1,063.71)	13,500.00	28,392.00
Town Clerk/Treasurer	36,326.08	34,375.64	1,950.44	19,000.00	35,360.00
Total Town Officers	105,853.48	116,438.06	(10,584.58)	53,050.00	110,294.00
Employee Benefits/Insurances:					
Health Insurance	58,918.23	45,186.25	13,731.98	30,000.00	48,000.00
Long Term Disability	1,040.00	1,081.92	(41.92)	600.00	1,178.64
Municipal Retirement	12,869.16	9,900.01	2,969.15	6,646.00	13,088.50
Social Security/Medicare	22,700.00	22,631.05	68.95	11,000.00	25,136.83
Supplemental Accident Insurance	0	0	0	0	2,500.00
Town Liability Insurance	2,869.00	0	2,869.00	0	5,892.00
Unemployment	550.00	150.00	400.00	0	1,641.00
Workers Compensation	9,494.00	3,748.63	5,745.37	0	28,692.00
Total Employee Benefits/Insurances	108,440.39	82,697.86	25,742.53	48,246.00	126,128.97
Law Enforcement Expenses:					
Community Advisory Board	100.00	100.00	0	0	100.00
Constable/Animal Control	2,000.00	2,000.00	0	0	2,000.00

E-911 Dispatch	4,677.00	4,585.00	92.00	2,338.50	4,800.00
Vermont State Police	20,698.80	18,706.58	1,992.22	10,600.00	23,000.00
Total Law Enforcement	27,475.80	25,391.58	2,084.22	12,938.50	29,900.00
Town Meeting & Elections:					
Ballot Clerks/Election Workers	1,100.00	1,268.00	(168.00)	400.00	400.00
Election Equipment	3,400.00	5,786.39	(2,386.39)	1,250.00	1,250.00
Town Report Printing and Mailing	3,186.00	3,862.45	(676.45)	3,320.00	4,000.00
Total Town Meeting & Elections	7,686.00	10,916.84	(3,230.84)	4,970.00	5,650.00
Accounting and Legal Fees					
Additional Services	2,500.00	0	2,500.00	0	2,000.00
Contracted Bookkeeping Services	18,600.00	2,392.00	16,208.00	0	0
External Audit	7,400.00	8,948.00	(1,548.00)	8,000.00	8,000.00
Internal Audit (Town Auditors)	2,916.00	5,066.86	(2,150.86)	2,916.00	4,000.00
Town Attorney	3,000.00	2,210.96	789.04	1,500.00	2,000.00
Total Accounting & Legal Fees	34,416.00	18,617.82	15,798.18	12,416.00	16,000.00
Municipal Building:					
Custodial	2,200.00	1,882.00	318.00	1,100.00	2,200.00
Electricity	1,600.00	1,918.99	(318.99)	800.00	1,800.00
General Expenses	1,500.00	792.14	707.86	500.00	800.00
Ground Maintenance/Landscaping	1,100.00	542.30	557.70	200.00	800.00
Heating Fuel	2,500.00	3,777.91	(1,277.91)	1,250.00	4,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance	1,300.00	5,208.60	(3,908.60)	5,350.00	16,700.00
Rubbish/Recycling	500.00	359.69	140.31	250.00	500.00
Security	7,000.00	0	7,000.00	0	250.00
Telephone	2,300.00	2,417.94	(117.94)	1,200.00	2,500.00
Water (Crystal Springs)	900.00	794.83	105.17	450.00	800.00
Total Municipal Building	20,900.00	17,694.40	3,205.60	11,100.00	30,350.00

EXPENDITURES (cont.)	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Under (Over)	Transition 2007 Budget	Proposed FY08
Municipal Operations:					
Advertising	1,500.00	1,399.55	100.45	0	1,400.00
Copier Lease	1,704.00	1,883.12	(179.12)	825.00	2,400.00
Equipment Purchases (over \$200)	2,340.00	1,239.50	1,100.50	500.00	1,200.00
Gifts/Special Occasions	500.00	0	500.00	0	500.00
Mileage/Travel Expense	1,100.00	0	1,100.00	0	1,200.00
Off Premise Record Storage	0	0	0	0	924.00
Office Supplies	7,000.00	6,595.25	404.75	3,700.00	7,000.00
Postage	3,800.00	2,702.55	1,097.45	2,000.00	3,000.00
Printing	1,500.00	842.05	657.95	0	800.00
Property and Casualty Insurance	11,455.00	0	11,455.00	0	23,414.00
Restoration/Preservation	1,500.00	1,500.00	0	750.00	4,000.00
Street Lights	4,400.00	3,814.95	585.05	2,200.00	3,900.00
Subscriptions/Memberships	0	0	0	0	700.00
Town Record Maintenance/Vault Expenses	1,000.00	508.06	491.94	450.00	1,600.00
Total Municipal Operations	37,799.00	20,485.03	17,313.97	10,425.00	52,038.00
Loans and Interest.....					
Equipment Loan Payment	29,717.00	29,716.01	0.99	0	0
Paving Bond	98,685.00	98,685.00	0	2,200.00	92,183.00
Tax Anticipation Interest	6,500.00	17,615.89	(11,115.89)	0	10,000.00
Total Loans & Interest	134,902.00	146,016.90	(11,114.90)	2,200.00	102,183.00
Computers/Office:					
Equipment/Hardware Purchases	3,880.00	887.20	2,992.80	2,050.00	500.00
General Services/Maintenance	3,800.00	4,327.43	(527.43)	2,000.00	4,000.00
Software	500.00	0	500.00	0	1,500.00
Total Computer	8,180.00	5,214.63	2,965.37	4,050.00	6,000.00

Planning and Zoning.....					
Advertising & Media	1,100.00	827.60	272.40	550.00	1,000.00
Draft Zoning Regulations	1,000.00	0	1,000.00	0	0
Mileage & Supplies	385.00	534.46	(149.46)	200.00	500.00
Planning Commission Recording Secretary	0	160.00	(160.00)	0	1,200.00
Postage & Mailing	330.00	252.13	77.87	160.00	300.00
Zoning Administrator Payroll	11,500.00	12,762.50	(1,262.50)	6,760.00	21,216.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	0	0	0	0	500.00
Total Planning and Zoning	14,315.00	14,536.69	(221.69)	7,670.00	24,716.00
Listers.....					
Listers Payroll	20,000.00	14,748.00	5,252.00	10,000.00	15,000.00
Mileage and Supplies	2,500.00	142.08	2,357.92	1,350.00	2,500.00
Re-Appraisal	0	0	0	0	0
Services	1,500.00	0	1,500.00	750.00	1,000.00
Tax Appeals/Abatements	500.00	0	500.00	0	500.00
Tax Map Maintenance	1,650.00	1,350.00	300.00	0	1,650.00
Total Lister Expenses	26,150.00	16,240.08	9,909.92	12,100.00	20,650.00
Education & Training:					
Highway Personnel (4)	1,000.00	185.00	815.00	520.00	500.00
Listers	200.00	225.00	(25.00)	250.00	250.00
Other Town Officers	500.00	190.00	310.00	0	200.00
Planning & Zoning	650.00	55.00	595.00	300.00	150.00
Town Administrator/Selectboard	700.00	394.00	306.00	300.00	400.00
Town Clerk/Treasurer	600.00	120.00	480.00	250.00	150.00
Total Education & Training	3,650.00	1,169.00	2,481.00	1,620.00	1,650.00
Dues and Fees					
Ambulance Service	63,000.00	64,675.00	(1,675.00)	12,600.00	75,400.00
CV Economic Development	900.00	900.00	0	0	900.00
CV Regional Planning Commission	2,450.00	2,449.10	0.90	2,450.00	2,449.10

EXPENDITURES (cont.)	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Under (Over)	Transition 2007 Budget	Proposed FY08
CV Solid Waste Mgt. District	8,218.16	8,218.10	0.06	0	8,236.70
Displaced Canine Services	800.00	0	800.00	0	800.00
Northern Vermont Resource Council	75.00	0	75.00	0	75.00
State Education Tax Reconciliation	3,700.00	7,388.00	(3,688.00)	0	9,700.00
VT League Cities & Towns	2,546.00	2,546.00	0	2,600.00	2,659.00
Washington County Expense	19,363.00	19,363.00	0	20,000.00	20,000.00
Wrightsville Beach District	1,160.10	1,160.00	0.10	1,160.00	1,160.00
Total Dues & Fees	102,212.26	106,699.20	(4,486.94)	38,810.00	121,379.80
Budget Requests					
Fire Department	107,175.00	107,175.00	0	37,547.69	125,312.00
Recreation Board	3,000.00	3,000.00	0	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Budget Requests	110,175.00	110,175.00	0	40,547.69	128,312.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	742,154.93	692,293.09	49,861.84	260,143.19	775,251.77
GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS					
Ancient Roads Grant	0	0	0	0	1,500.00
Center Road Project Grant.....	0	0	0	0	95,000.00
EMSLI* 2007 Municipal Planning Grant 1	0	0	0	0	15,000.00
EMSLI* 2007 VT Community Fund Grant 2	0	0	0	0	7,000.00
Muddy Brook Road Project Grant.....	71,520.00	0	71,520.00	0	71,520.00
Wastewater Facilities Study Grant.....	20,000.00	25,373.50	(5,373.50)	5,000.00	0
TOTAL GRANTS & SPECIAL PROJECTS**	91,520.00	25,373.50	66,146.50	5,000.00	190,020.00

* EMSLI = East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative, Inc.

** see Revenues (pp. 16-17) for offsetting Grant income

HIGHWAY BUDGET

Highway Operations:

Chloride	26,000.00	23,978.28	2,021.72	14,100.00	29,640.00
Crack Sealant	10,500.00	9,993.75	506.25	0	10,500.00
Culverts	1,750.00	504.73	1,245.27	0	6,000.00
Diesel	30,000.00	37,913.28	(7,913.28)	13,000.00	45,000.00
Equipment Rentals	0	4,621.00	(4,621.00)	0	7,000.00
General Supplies	32,410.00	12,531.31	19,878.69	15,584.00	25,000.00
Gravel	85,000.00	83,579.70	1,420.30	43,575.00	91,000.00
Green Up Expenses	600.00	647.12	(47.12)	350.00	625.00
Guardrails	4,700.00	0	4,700.00	0	4,900.00
Haz Mat disposal	0	775.70	(775.70)	0	650.00
Pavement Management	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Road Maintenance	0	750.00	(750.00)	0	750.00
Road Fabric	0	3,500.00	(3,500.00)	3,100.00	3,500.00
Roadside Mowing	0	4,600.00	(4,600.00)	0	4,800.00
Salt	33,600.00	33,241.14	358.86	16,640.00	24,944.00
Sand	50,400.00	50,300.26	99.74	25,000.00	32,000.00
Signs	1,500.00	972.46	527.54	780.00	1,500.00
Stabilization Fabric	0	1,674.37	(1,674.37)	0	2,200.00
Uniforms	2,532.00	2,418.00	114.00	1,250.00	2,514.00
Weather Reporting	0	1,284.00	(1,284.00)	1,500.00	1,872.00
Total Highway/Operations	278,992.00	273,285.10	5,706.90	134,879.00	294,395.00

Town Garage Expenses:

Electricity	2,400.00	1,412.17	987.83	1,400.00	1,320.00
General Expenses	0	1,982.34	(1,982.34)	0	2,000.00
Heating Fuel	5,000.00	4,200.00	800.00	3,500.00	5,000.00
Repairs and Maintenance	0	619.20	(619.20)	0	2,800.00
Rubbish	0	1,088.84	(1,088.84)	0	1,100.00
Security	0	200.00	(200.00)	0	200.00
Telephone/Communications	1,200.00	1,887.09	(687.09)	600.00	1,900.00
Town Garage Renovation	20,000.00	851.98	19,148.02	350.00	31,000.00
Total Garage Expenses	28,600.00	12,241.62	16,358.38	5,850.00	45,320.00

EXPENDITURES (cont.)	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Under (Over)	Transition 2007 Budget	Proposed FY08
Highway Labor:					
Summer	76,000.00	65,526.81	10,473.19	38,169.00	79,040.00
Winter	77,724.49	70,166.37	7,558.12	39,750.00	80,833.47
Total Highway Labor	153,724.49	135,693.18	18,031.31	77,919.00	159,873.47
Vehicle Equipment/Repairs	46,200.00			22,800.00	28,000.00
'90 Loader		2,081.42			
'93 Cat Loader		2,706.78			
'00 Ford 550 Dump Truck		7,345.22			
'02 International Dump Truck		8,814.18			
'05 International Dump Truck		4,539.20			
'06 John Deere Grader		539.40			
'72 Ford Fire Truck (EMFD)		150.00			
'85 Case Excavator		885.85			
'88 John Deere Backhoe		226.00			
'95 International Pumper/Tanker(EMFD)		32.00			
'98 MorBark Brush Chipper		0			
'99 International Dump Truck		2,591.20			
Vehicle-Supplies/Oil/Grease		10,016.44			20,000.00
York Rake/teeth	4,888.00	5,669.55			
Total Equipment Repairs	51,088.00	45,597.24	5,490.76	22,800.00	48,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY BUDGET	512,404.49	466,817.14	45,587.35	241,448.00	547,588.47
TOTAL SELECTBOARD BUDGET	1,346,079.42	1,184,483.73	161,595.69	506,591.19	1,512,860.24
Voted Articles:					
Cemetery Commission	9,500.00	9,500.00	0	2,250.00	10,700.00
'06 John Deere Grader -	0	16,100.00	(16,100.00)	0	0
Capital Reserve Fund	80,000.00	80,000.00	0	0	150,000.00

Conservation Fund	10,000.00	0	0	0	0
Fire Department Facility Planning	18,750.00	8,914.10	9,835.90	0	0
Four Corners Schoolhouse	2,500.00	0	0	1,500.00	2,500.00
Kellogg-Hubbard Library	16,923.00	0	0	0	25,321.00
Total Voted Articles	137,673.00	143,937.10	(6,264.10)	3,750.00	188,521.00
Funding Requests:					
Battered Women's Services and Shelter	675.00	675.00	0	0	675.00
Central Vermont Community Action	400.00	400.00	0	0	400.00
Central Vermont Council on Aging	1,464.00	1,464.00	0	0	1,464.00
Central Vermont Home Health Hospice	2,800.00	2,800.00	0	0	3,000.00
Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center	0	0	0	0	250.00
Community Connections	2,500.00	2,500.00	0	0	2,500.00
Family Center of Washington County	0	0	0	0	400.00
Green Mountain Transit	1,000.00	1,000.00	0	0	1,100.00
Green-Up Vermont	100.00	0	100.00	0	150.00
Homeshare of Central Vermont	250.00	250.00	0	0	0
Union River Food Shelf Inc.	150.00	150.00	0	0	400.00
People's Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc.	950.00	950.00	0	0	950.00
Project Independence	0	0	0	0	500.00
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275.00	275.00	0	0	275.00
Sexual Assault Crisis Team	200.00	200.00	0	0	200.00
Twin Valley Seniors, Inc.	500.00	500.00	0	0	0
U-32 Project Graduation	200.00	200.00	0	200.00	200.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	0	0	0	0	200.00
Washington County Diversion Program	300.00	300.00	0	0	300.00
Washington County Youth Service Bureau	400.00	400.00	0	0	400.00
Total Funding Requests	12,164.00	12,064.00	100.00	200.00	13,364.00
Total Voted Articles & Funding Requests	149,837.00	156,001.10	(6,164.10)	3,950.00	201,885.00
GRAND TOTAL TOWN EXPENSES	1,495,916.42	1,340,484.83	155,431.59	510,541.19	1,714,745.24

EAST MONTPELIER 2006 TAXES RAISED

Tax Rate:

Homestead Liability	\$ 2.0996
Non-Residential	\$ 2.0897
Town	\$ 0.7430

Homestead Tax Rate **\$ 2.8426**

Non-Residential Rate **\$ 2.8327**

Municipal Grand List	\$ 1,516,188.00
Homestead Grand List	1,088,379.00
Non-Residential Grand List	430,941.00



Taxes to be raised at Homestead Tax Rate	\$ 2,285,160.55
Taxes to be raised at Non-Residential Tax Rate	900,537.41
Total School Tax to be raised	3,185,697.96**
Taxes to be raised at Town Tax Rate	1,126,527.68
TOTAL	4,312,225.64
Less Lease Land (UVM/WCGS)	(60.03)
Total Amount Taxes	\$ 4,312,165.61*



Status of 2006 TAXES as of 11/16/06

Collected	4,047,758.04
Uncollected	264,410.29
TOTAL	\$ 4,312,168.33*



2006 EDUCATION TAX BREAKDOWN

Total Due School	\$ 3,192,745.71**
Less town portion	(3,991.00)
Less total education tax paid in 2006	(2,993,091.39)
Balance due school district (within 120 days)	\$ 195,663.32

* Difference due to rounding.

** The discrepancy in these figures results from the changes in the tax rate between the Residential & Non-Residential Rate of Taxes under which the School Taxes are figured. If the Homestead HS-131 form was not filed by April 15, 2006, but filed after the tax bills were prepared, updates were sent to us by the State and a new tax bill was prepared reflecting the change in status.

DELINQUENT TAXES

	Taxes Due Jan. 1, 2006	Paid In 2006	Abated 2006	Balance Due Dec. 31, 2006
2001	407	0	0	407
2002	412	0	0	412
2003	892	474	0	418
2004	9,844	9,215	629	0
2005	128,329	123,621	984	3,723
	<u>\$ 139,884</u>	<u>\$ 133,310</u>	<u>\$ 1,613</u>	<u>\$ 4,960</u>
2006 Del. Taxes Submitted to Collector on 11/16/06 *	264,410	113,644	3	150,763
	<u><u>\$ 404,294</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 246,965</u></u> **	<u><u>\$ 1,616</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 155,713</u></u>
Interest on Delinquent Tax		<u>13,630</u>		
Total Delinquent Taxes and Interest collected in 2006		<u><u>\$ 260,595</u></u>		

* *The elected Collector of Delinquent Taxes, Norma Raymond, submitted her accounts to the Town Auditors for review upon her resignation in November. The audited books were handed over to the appointed Collector, Robyn Hall, prior to the tax due date of November 15, 2006.*

** *Total "Paid In 2006" includes \$35,760.92 of Delinquent Taxes collected in December 2006 but not deposited until January 4, 2007.*

TAXPAYER NOTE

Property taxes must be received in the Town Treasurers office by 5 p.m. on the due date which will be Thursday, Nov. 15, 2007, and Thursday, May 15, 2008 for this coming tax 07/08 year. This due date and time is voted on at Town Meeting each year. **NO postmarked tax payment dated the tax due date but received after the tax due date are accepted.** They are turned over to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes.

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Notes Payable	2007 Balance	Interest Rate	Due in transitional FY07		Due in FY08		Balance
			Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	
1997 Paving Project Bond:							
6/1/07 Interest Payment.....	2,182	4.850%	2,182	0	2,182		
12/1/07 Interest Payment.....	2,183	4.850%				2,183	
12/1/07 Principal Payment	90,000					90,000	0
	<u>\$ 92,182</u>		<u>2,182</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$ 2,182</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Debt Service:

Jan.1–June 30, 2007 (FY07).....	2,182
July 1–Dec. 31, 2007 (FY08).....	92,183
FY09 and thereafter.....	<u>0</u>
	94,365
Less Interest Portion:	<u>(4,365)</u>
Total Debt.....	<u>\$ 90,000</u>

Notes re: Bond #1-48-3599-7

Paving Bond debt schedule is determined by the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank.

Paving Project Bond payments on principal are @ \$90,000 per year over 10 years.

Interest averages 4.530% over the life of the loan. Final payment is due 12/1/2007.

TOWN SALARIES AND BENEFITS

	2006 Salary <i>(not including benefits)</i>
TOWN OFFICE	
Sylvia Tosi	\$ 22,592.64
Teresa Conti	33,925.13
P. Jane Grinde	1,701.34
Sherry Culver	13,548.00
Denise Brown	5,118.00
Lisa Rice	28,921.71
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	\$ 105,806.82
ROADS	
Michael Garand	48,092.86
Anthony Williams	22,222.70
Frank Campbell	34,633.21
Jeffrey Booth	8,732.84
Gordon Blow	16,504.69
Michael Ricker	5,386.88
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	\$ 135,573.18
OTHER	
Thomas Brazier	750.00
Stephen Jerome	750.00
Edith Miller	750.00
Norma Raymond	11,510.24
Rosendo Cueto	13,178.00
Ross Hazel	1,570.00
Carl Etnier	963.00
David Coburn	576.00
C. Bruce Johnson	4,200.00
Ross Haverstick	8,562.50
Deborah Fillion	3,716.24
Pauline Coburn	865.00
Shirley King	555.00
Don Welch	60.00
Timothy Meehan	1,000.00
Elliott Morse	1,250.00
Paul Haynes	500.00
Kristi Flynn	160.00
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	\$ 50,915.98
CEMETERY	
Elliott Morse	1,870.00
Allen Ploof	1,537.50
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	\$ 3,407.50
TOTAL 2006 SALARIES	\$ 295,703.48
TOTAL 2006 BENEFITS*	\$ 82,697.86
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TOTAL 2006 SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 378,401.34
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* Benefit packages may include: FICA (Social Security), Medicare, Retirement, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, payment in lieu of Health Insurance, Long-Term Disability, and Workers' Compensation Insurance, Federal/State Unemployment.
In addition, 2006 cost of uniform services for the road crew was \$2,418.00.

TOWN PROPERTY

LAND, BUILDINGS, AND CEMETERIES

Town Office	0.60 acres	Cate Cemetery	0.67 acres
Town Garage	24.20 acres	Cutler Cemetery	2.70 acres
Town Salt Shed	1.50 acre	Doty Cemetery	2.80 acres
Town Fire Station	1.00 acre	Quaker Cemetery	0.42 acres
Town Forest	96.36 acres	Tinkham Cemetery	0.20 acres
Recreation Field	12.00 acres	Village Cemetery*	2.70 acres
Coburn Covered Bridge		Wheeler Cemetery	1.30 acres

*Note: EMES and 18 acres belong to the
East Montpelier Elementary School District*

**Includes former Town Hall lot*

VEHICLES, ETC.

(Information as of January 1, 2007)

		Mileage	Hours
2006	John Deere 772D Grader	N/A	348
2005	International 7600 Dump Truck Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	29,609	2,706
2002	International 2574 Dump Truck Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	82,094	6,426
2000	Ford 550 Dump Truck One Way Plow and Sand Spreader	84,209	N/A
1999	International 4900 Dump Truck Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	78,837	7,361
1998	MorBark Brush Chipper	N/A	716
1995	International Pumper / Tanker	20,174	1,436
1993	Caterpillar 928 Front End Loader	N/A	8,519
1990	Caterpillar 140G Grader	(traded in for new)	
1988	John Deere 210C Backhoe	N/A	3,607
1985	Case Excavator	N/A	6,877
1972	Ford 900 Fire Truck	36,866	N/A
1982	Ford Chloride Truck	96,802	N/A

PASS THROUGH ACCOUNTS

Dog State Rabies Program	\$ 462.00
State Dog Spay / Neuter Program	924.00
Marriage and Civil Union Licenses	182.50
Fish & Wildlife	595.00



TOWN AND FIDUCIARY FUNDS SUMMARY

The Town and Fiduciary Funds are held in separate bank accounts. 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.

- Town Funds are raised by taxes.
- Fiduciary Funds come from various sources. Any monies provided from tax revenues as voted at Town Meeting are noted accordingly.

Town Funds (see Detailed Reports on pp. 31–33):

Special Bridge and Culvert Projects Reserve Fund,
Land Conservation Fund, Capital Reserve Fund.

Fiduciary Funds (see Detailed Reports on pp. 34–38):

Grand List Reappraisal Fund, Veterans Memorial Fund,
East Montpelier Fireworks Fund, Carlton C. Smith Recreational Fund,
Town Forest Fund, Sesquicentennial Fund, Cemetery Trust Fund,
Sandy Pines Community Development Fund.



SPECIAL BRIDGE AND CULVERT PROJECTS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 1,093.92
Interest	24.75
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 1,118.67</u>



LAND CONSERVATION FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 39,230.75
Interest on CDs	1,475.61
Interest on savings account11
2006 Town Meeting, Art. 13	10,000.00
To VLT for Clark property (see pp.47–49)	(5,000.00)
To VLT for Fairmont property (see pp.47–49)	(10,000.00)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 35,706.47</u>

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2006	\$ 184,984.12
CD – Beginning Balance	177,013.41
CD interest earned	4,658.40
Capital Distributions from CD (grader)	(160,000.00)
CD deposit – 2006 Town Meeting, Art. 5.....	80,000.00
CD – Ending Balance.....	101,671.81
Money Market – Beginning Balance	7,970.71
Money Market interest earned	165.23
Money Market – Ending Balance	8,135.94
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	\$109,807.75



CAPITAL RESERVE BALANCE

Allocated Funds:		Contrib. Year
Road Department Trucks	\$ 40,000	2005–2006
Road Department Heavy Equipment	160,000	2002–2006
Road Department Buildings	0	2005
Capital Distributions in 2006	(160,000)	
Fire Dept. AED Monitor	6,000	2005–2006
Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus	7,000	2004–2006
Fire Dept. Trucks	44,000	2004–2006
Paving	196	
Interest earned in prior years	7,788	
Interest earned 2006	4,824	
Dec. 31, 2006 Total	\$ 109,808	



2006 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Purchase of New Grader: Portion withdrawn from

Capital Reserve Fund – 2006 Town Meeting, Art.6 \$ 160,000

Total 2006 Capital Reserve Distribution \$ 160,000

Capital Reserve Program							
Contributions	2006	6-mo. 2007	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12
Road Dept. Trucks	\$ 15,000	0	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Road Dept. Heavy Equip.	30,000	0	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	50,000
Fire Dept. AED Monitor	3,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fire Dept. Breathing App.	3,000	0	10,000	15,000	14,000	10,000	10,000
Fire Trucks	29,000	0	40,000	40,000	26,000	30,000	30,000
Paving*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Annual Contrib.	\$ 80,000	0	150,000	180,000	190,000	165,000	165,000

Capital Improvement Program							
Distributions	2006	6-mo. 2007	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12
Road Dept. Trucks	\$ 0	0	65,000	65,000	0	160,000	0
Road Dept. Heavy Equip.	160,000	0	0	125,000	0	0	100,000
Fire Dept. AED Monitor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fire Dept. Breathing App.	0	0	0	0	0	56,000	0
Fire Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	180,000	0
Paving*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Annual Distrib.	\$160,000	0	\$65,000	190,000	0	396,000	100,000

NOTES:

2006: Heavy Equipment: Grader Replacement after trade-in \$176,100. \$160,000 from Capital Reserve; \$16,100 paid out of General Fund.

2008: Truck - Ford 550 1 ton total price \$103,000 finance \$38,000

2009: Road Department Truck - 6 wheeler est. price \$109,000 finance \$44,000

2009: Heavy Equipment - replace excavator and backhoe with one machine

2011: EMFD Breathing apparatus to work with new truck

2011: Fire Department Truck - \$270,000 engine - 2/3 pd by East Montpelier

2011: 10-Wheel Truck Replacement

2012: Loader Replacement

* Paving will become a yearly maintenance amount in the regular budget starting with 2009

GRAND LIST REAPPRAISAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 67,747.57
Interest on CDs	1,837.34
Received from State of Vermont	11,153.00
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 80,737.91</u>



VETERANS MEMORIAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 430.84
Interest	1.30
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 432.14</u>



EAST MONTPELIER FIREWORKS FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 304.81
Interest91
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 305.72</u>

This account was opened in 2003 and funded with donations from townspeople and local businesses to help offset the costs of fireworks on Rally Day.



CARLTON C. SMITH RECREATIONAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$51,480.53
Interest on CD and Savings	1,880.28
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 53,360.81</u>

Per Carlton C. Smith Bequest, the \$50,000 CD principal cannot be used. Interest is transferred to a Savings Account where it is available for use as intended.

TOWN FOREST FUND

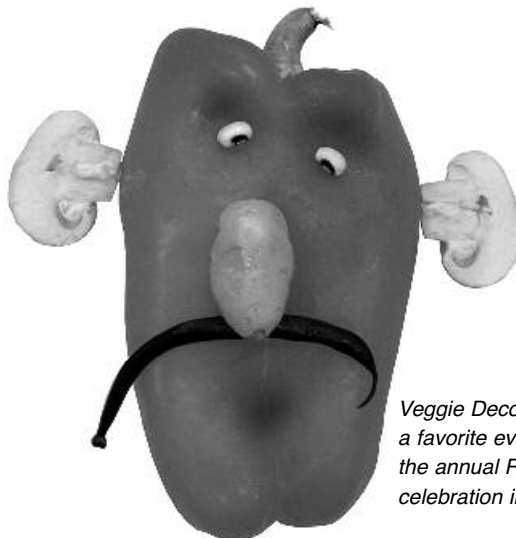
Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 23,161.25
Interest on CD and Savings	<u>1,091.56</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u><u>\$24,252.81</u></u>



SESQUICENTENNIAL FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 1,613.06
Interest	4.15
Income.....	14.00
Expense for Restoration of Book #17	<u>(706.00)</u>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006	<u><u>\$ 925.21</u></u>

Opened in 1998 and funded with proceeds from sales of commemorative plates, calendars, buttons, and envelopes for the purpose of restoring Town records.



*Veggie Decorating:
a favorite event at
the annual Rally Day
celebration in September*

EAST MONTPELIER CEMETERY COMMISSION

Pauline Coburn was elected chair and Frederick Strong was named clerk for 2006. It is our intention that the graves of all veterans be marked with a flag. Flag holders have been purchased and placed by the graves of known veterans. Please advise the commission if a grave has been missed.

Goals for 2007 include:

- Repair the fence at the Clark cemetery.
- Repair broken monument at the Wheeler cemetery.
- Replace the fence with cedar posts connected by plastic chain at the Peck cemetery.
- Repair leaning and broken tombstones in the Tinkham cemetery.
- Improve the landscaping in the Quaker and Tinkham cemeteries.
- Paint fence at the Cutler cemetery.
- Repair broken monuments at the Village cemetery.

There were few lot sales in 2006, and the return on our investments remained low again this year. The wet season kept Allen Ploof and Elliott Morse busy with general upkeep. Trees that were blown down at the Wheeler and Cate cemeteries were cut up and removed. As a result of all of these factors, we must ask the town for \$8,700 in order to maintain the town cemeteries for the fiscal year ahead and \$2,000 to start preparing for replacement of the primary lawn tractor, for a total request of \$10,700 for FY08 (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008).

The commissioners thank:

Robert Vivian for continuing to mow the White cemetery.

Pauline Coburn for hosting the commission meetings.

Allen Ploof for his tireless efforts and thoughtfulness.

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

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 82,120.17
Income	
Vote – 2006 Town Meeting, Art. 16	\$ 9,500.00
Sale of Lots and Perpetual Care	4,000.00
Sale of old lawn mower	250.00
	<u>13,750.00</u>
Interest Income:	
Chittenden – Savings	37.94
Chittenden – CD	2,000.81
Banknorth – Savings	1.81
Banknorth – CD	469.35
	<u>2,509.91</u>
Care of Cemeteries Expense (see Orders below)	(8,323.70)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006.....	<u><u>\$ 90,056.38</u></u>

BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2006

Savings Accounts:	
Chittenden Account	\$ 16,642.36
Banknorth Account	789.02
	<u>17,431.38</u>
Perpetual Care Funds — CD Accounts:	
Chittenden	51,125.00
Banknorth	21,500.00
	<u>72,625.00</u>
Total Funds.....	<u><u>\$ 90,056.38</u></u>

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S ORDERS

Mowing Payroll	\$ 3,816.58
Tree Removal (Wheeler Cemetery)	700.00
Flags and Markers	500.00
Parts, Supplies and Repairs	1,307.12
Used Cub Cadet Lawn Tractor	2,000.00
	<u>8,323.70</u>
Total Expenses	<u><u>\$ 8,323.70</u></u>

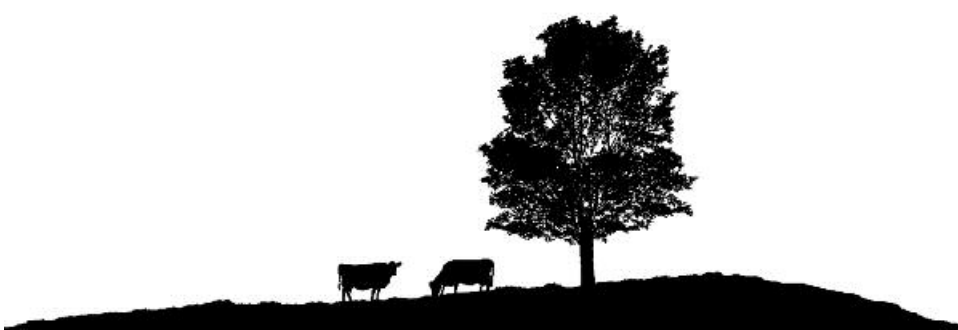
SANDY PINES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005	\$ 18,539.40
Interest	705.75
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Ending Bank Balance – December 31, 2006	\$ 19,245.15
Amount due to General Fund for payment made to Housing Foundation, Inc.	(9,269.70)
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Adjusted Balance – December 31, 2006	\$ 9,975.45
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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.

Repayment Terms: Principal and interest payments began September 1, 2004. Monthly installments are in the amount of \$1,319.20 each, with the balance of any remaining indebtedness due and payable on June 1, 2022. Under the Vermont Community Development Program rules, half of the principal collected will be turned over to the State.

Repayment Deferral: In 2004, the Vermont State Housing Authority (VSHA), which owns the park and is responsible for upkeep and maintenance, asked the Selectboard to grant a deferral of repayment and to extend the life of the loan. The VSHA proposed to use the loan payments (\$15,830 per year) for the repair and upgrade of the water and electrical systems (estimated to cost \$85,000). On August 15, 2005, the Selectboard signed an agreement granting a 5.5-year deferral. Loan repayment will resume in 2011.



LISTERS REPORT

Another year has come and gone. Taxes have gone up! Yes, but not because property values assessments have changed. We only change assessments when additions are added, land is acquired, new construction or if a part of a building has been removed.

To all property owners that have had building permits, Listers will visit your property before April 1, 2007 and change of appraisal notices mailed soon after. Listers do not visit inside of a building with out permission and the owner present.

East Montpelier again has had a year where properties have sold for much more than the listed value. Therefore, our Common Level of Appraisal, CLA, has dropped from .6889 to .6089 which greatly affects our school tax. We, like all assessors in Vermont, totally disagree with the way the CLA is used to compute school taxes.

The Town has contracted with the Vermont Appraisal Company to do a complete reappraisal in the year 2008 for the 2009 Grand List. Refer to the box at right for a clear picture of what has happened with the CLA since the reappraisal of 1996.

We thank all the property owners for their courtesy and help during our visits. Also, we thank the office staff, who keep us abreast of permits, survey maps and help answer questions when the Listers are not in the office.

We will keep you informed of what is happening in the Listers office through the "Signpost."

— ROSENDO CUETO
ROSS HAZEL
EARL MONTAGUE

CLA	
1996	100.20%
1997	100.34%
1998	100.93%
1999	99.99%
2000	100.35%
2001	100.35%
2002	98.69%
2003	87.67%
2004	77.38%
2005	68.91%
2006	60.89%

See pp. 40–41
for more on this
subject.

ABSTRACT OF THE GRAND LIST — 2006 EQUALIZATION STUDY*

School Dist. 65

Category	Property Count	ED Form 411 Listed Value	CUSE Value	Education Listed Value Excl. CUSE	Municipal Listed Value Excl. CUSE	Applied Ratio	Education Equalized Value	Municipal Equalized Value	COD	Average List Value Incl. State Exemption
Residential I	456	55,010,500	0	55,010,500	55,010,500	62.34	88,242,701	88,242,701	14.55	120,637
Residential II	373	65,994,700	383,700	65,611,000	65,611,000	58.14	113,406,830	113,406,830	17.13	185,353
Mobile Homes - U	61	1,297,200	0	1,297,200	1,297,200	100.60	1,289,463	1,289,463	12.36	21,266
Mobile Homes - L	49	3,128,000	0	3,128,000	3,128,000	72.54	4,312,104	4,312,104	12.87	63,837
Vacation I	6	673,500	0	673,500	673,500	62.56	1,076,566	1,076,566	0.00	112,250
Vacation II	2	151,900	0	151,900	151,900	62.56	242,807	242,807	0.00	75,950
Commercial	50	9,848,800	0	9,848,800	9,848,800	62.85	15,670,326	15,670,326	0.00	196,976
Commercial Apts.	3	1,992,000	0	1,992,000	1,992,000	62.85	3,169,451	3,169,451	0.00	664,000
Industrial Plants	3	2,670,500	0	2,670,500	2,670,500	62.85	4,249,006	4,249,006	0.00	890,167
Utilities - E	5	3,029,100	0	3,029,100	3,029,100	58.68	5,162,065	5,162,065	0.00	605,820
Utilities - O	2	53,000	0	53,000	53,000	62.85	84,328	84,328	0.00	26,500
Farms	15	2,355,800	236,100	2,119,700	2,119,700	62.85	3,715,254	3,715,254	0.00	372,140
Miscellaneous	131	5,413,800	140,600	5,273,200	5,242,700	62.85	8,594,169	8,545,641	27.57	49,927
Total Real Prop.	1,156	151,618,800	760,400	150,858,400	150,827,900		249,215,072	249,166,543		
Personal Property: Cable Inventory				313,200	0	100.00	313,200	0		
Machinery & Equipment				Inv. Exempt	0	100.00	Exempt	0		
				M&E Exempt	0	100.00	Exempt	0		
Total Personal Property				313,200	0		313,200	0		
GRAND TOTAL (Real and Personal Property)				\$151,171,600	\$150,827,900	60.89	\$249,528,272	\$249,166,543	22.97	Townwide COD
Listed Value of Contracts and Exemptions										
Total Approved VEPC:	0	Total Municipal Contracts (Owner Pays Ed. Tax): 0								
Total Approved TIF District:	0	Total Special Exemptions Value: 0								
Total Non-Approved Exemptions:	30,500	Total Land Use Reduction Value: 7,525,600								
Total Grandfathered Exemptions:	371,700	Total Veterans Exemptions: 100,000								

*from the Certified Final Computation Sheet, State of Vermont - Division of Property Valuation and Review, December 13, 2006

2006 PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Seller	Buyer	Location	Property	Sale Price
Emerson Est.	McDonald	Sandy Pines Dr.	MHU	\$ 17,500.00
Fortin	Roberts	Sandy Pines Dr.	MHU	39,000.00
Bowman	Murray	School House Rd.	6.90 ac	8,800.00
Tofani	Peck	Coburn Rd	26.70 ac & dwl	310,000.00
Christiansen	Brock	Hammett Hill	1.10 ac & dwl	108,500.00
Hamel	Jilandharn	Kelton Rd.	1.20 ac & dwl	196,000.00
Guilmette	Tucker	Center Rd.	3.10 ac & DwI	336,750.00
Legare	Christiansen	US Rte 2	3.07 ac & Comm	312,500.00
Denell, LLC	Russo	North St.	3.20 ac & dwl	239,000.00
High Bay of EM	Hazelton Co.	Packard Rd.	2.20 ac & Comm	1,200,000.00
Henning	Matzelle	North St	0.52 ac & dwl	235,000.00
Gordon	Lamson	County Rd.	7.00 ac & dwl	204,500.00
Danforth	Northrup	US Rte 2	3.16 ac & dwl	256,115.00
Holm	Petrella	Old Farm Rd.	10.50 ac & dwl	410,000.00
Brunelli	Mathews	County Rd.	77.00 ac & dwl	505,000.00
Delgreco, Est	Millington	Vt. Rte 14N	3.14 ac & Camp	35,000.00
Roberts	Shannon	Robinson Rd.	MHU	23,000.00
Gordon	Cate	County Rd.	6.80 ac	27,000.00
Mascitti	Gibbs	VT Rte 14S	0.25 ac & dwl	118,000.00
Clark Trust	Vt. Land Trust	Codling & Wheeler Rd	71.1 ac	162,000.00
Garletts	Gibbs	Kelton Rd	0.59 ac & dwl	58,000.00
Mullikin	Rosen	North St	1.00 ac & dwl	263,000.00
Morse Estate	Trombley	VT Rte 14S	1.60 ac & dwl	152,000.00
Hale	Hale	Horn of the Moon Rd	4.40 ac	27,000.00
McNaughton	Soyka	Sibley Rd	7.00 ac & dwl	425,000.00
Strassberger	Laquerre	US Rte 2	12.00 ac & dwl	182,000.00
Duso	O'Vitt	Kelton Rd.	7.00 ac & dwl	202,000.00
Myers	Cummings Farm	Cummings Rd	10.90 ac & dwl	367,500.00
Ihleky	Thompson	Bliss Rd.	3.00 ac & dwl	385,000.00
Matheson	Myers	Pine Ridge Rd.	0.63 ac & dwl	298,300.00
Lewis	Castonguay	County Rd.	1.50 ac & dwl	180,000.00
Hale	Rogers	North St.	0.21 ac	1,000.00
Grimard	Taylor	Horn of the Moon Rd.	3.80 ac	40,000.00
Goddard	Kobb	North St.	26.65 ac	75,000.00
Austin	Cochran	US Rte 2	3.69 ac & dwl	262,000.00
Bailey	Gordon	US Rte 2	1.45 ac	60,000.00
Parker	Coughlin-Mol	Cherry Tree Hill	3.06 ac	445,000.00
Goddard	Eyler	North St.	5.30 ac & dwl	380,000.00
Guyette	Woodworth	VT Rte 14N	1.93 ac & dwl	176,500.00
Urang	Yahm	Bliss Rd.	8.20 ac & dwl	350,000.00
Carr	Prengler	Center Rd.	3.49 ac & dwl	410,000.00
Morse	Pecor	Coburn Rd.	3.00 ac & dwl	204,000.00
Vincent	Hopkins	VT Rte 14N	2.10 ac & dwl	165,000.00
Fitch	Betasite	County Rd.	11.10 ac	25,000.00

COMMUNITY CAPITAL

Community Capital, formerly known as Central Vermont Revolving Loan Fund (CVRLF), provides flexible and creative financing that seeds business start-ups and fuels expansion, enabling business owners to build the sales, credit, and experience needed to secure full bank financing in the future. A community-based nonprofit lender, Community Capital serves qualified micro and small businesses, particularly those that are owned by or offer employment opportunities to low-to-moderate income individuals.

Small Business Financing: Community Capital offers three flexible commercial financing options to match the short-term, seasonal, and long-term borrowing needs of businesses: Steps to Success Microcredit Loan up to \$5,000, a Revolving Line of Credit up to \$25,000, and a Traditional Amortizing Business Loan up to \$50,000.

Business Management Assistance: In addition to offering financing, Community Capital offers its borrowers Business Management Assistance which includes access to local consultants for hands-on business management and industry assistance. We also offer a Business Education Grant program which helps borrowers cover the cost of attending business workshops and trade shows to advance business success.

Special Small Business and Home Rehab Loans Available to Qualifying East Montpelier Residents and Businesses

Community Capital and Central Vermont Community Land Trust administer loan funds for the benefit of East Montpelier residents and businesses:

- a small business loan fund for East Montpelier residents and new or existing businesses located in East Montpelier; and
- an owner-occupied housing rehabilitation loan fund for East Montpelier property owners.

The money for these loan funds comes from loan repayments made by Fairmont Farms to East Montpelier. The loan was made in 1995 by East Montpelier to Fairmont Farms in support of local community and economic development and was funded by a grant from the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP Grant #0197/95CA(10)). The Fairmont Farms loan, having completely paid off at the end of 2006, has established a revolving loan fund worth \$196,865 that is designated for East Montpelier. This loan fund is now operated in partnership by Community Capital and the Central Vermont Community Land Trust (CVCLT).

Interested parties are encouraged to call Loan Officer Chris Rottler (479-0167) at Community Capital for business loans or Homeownership Director Clarence Davis (476-4493) at the Central Vermont Community Land Trust for housing rehabilitation loans.

EAST MONTPELIER SENIOR LIVING INITIATIVE (EMSLI)

Mission Statement:

The East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative (EMSLI) exists to promote the preservation and creation of safe and affordable housing opportunities for senior citizens within our town. To realize its goals, EMSLI may:

- develop and execute a plan to raise awareness among the citizens of East Montpelier regarding programs and services available to aid seniors living in existing housing;
- seek and accept gifts, grants, and loans;
- acquire land and buildings to develop and manage housing facilities.

At this time last year, our committee conducted a Town-wide survey, distributed in the *Signpost* and at Town Meeting. We heard back from more than 180 households. Your responses confirmed the importance of our mission and yielded ideas that ranged from creating senior apartments to developing intergenerational co-housing to providing services that would help seniors stay in their own homes.

Since then, meeting regularly twice a month, EMSLI has hosted guest speakers from various regional organizations in order to learn more about services and programs that are available to help us now and with future planning. We also met with other town committees and continued our field trips to nearby towns with success stories of their own. In addition, we adopted bylaws and filed papers of non-profit incorporation with the Secretary of State.

In September, EMSLI applied for funding to undertake a feasibility study for the provision of senior housing in town. With help from Will Giblin of the Central VT Community Land Trust and Laurie Emery of the Central VT Regional Planning Commission, our proposal succeeded in attaining for East Montpelier a \$15,000 Municipal Planning Grant and a \$7,000 grant from Vermont Community Fund. The project, now underway, will include market analysis, review of alternative options to assist seniors in existing housing, assessment of ownership and management issues, site selection criteria, facility design, financing options, and citizen participation. The final report will include suggestions for the next steps EMSLI and our Town can or should take.

Anyone with an interest in the future of our community—especially if you have experience with planning, housing, financial, or legal matters—is invited to come to an EMSLI meeting. Now would be a great time to see for yourself what's happening as we move forward. We have published a Request for Proposals and will be hiring a consultant to help us. But our success will rely on input from local people.

**EMSLI meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month
at the Town Clerk's Office at 6:30 p.m.**

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The growth trend continued unabated in 2006 with 20 new home applications and a similar number of building lots created. We also had our first Planned Residential Development proposal in a number of years, a six-unit complex to be built off of Dillon Road. Another recent trend continued as well—turnover in the zoning administrator position. Ross Haverstick served into August, Deb Fillion kindly filled in for two months, and then I took over in October. I expect the growth trend to continue in 2007, but I intend to reverse the other trend and be here to help East Montpelierites navigate the zoning process.

Zoning Applications Submitted in 2006

20	New Dwellings
1	Replace Mobile Home
28	Garages and Accessory Buildings
12	Home Alterations/Additions/Repairs
10	Porches and Decks
2	Home Occupation Permits
5	New Commercial Structures/Uses
10	Commercial Alterations/Additions/Repairs
1	Planned Residential Development
10	Subdivision/Boundary Adjustments
17	Access/Right-of-Way Permits
9	Sign Permits
1	Permit Time Extension
126	Total

Over the past few months I've had the opportunity to work with the members of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. East Montpelier is very fortunate to have so many dedicated citizens willing to serve on these oft-contentious boards. I'd especially like to commend the Planning Commission members, the elected guides for the growth and development of our town. The PC is meeting nearly every week for three or more hours, some weeks working on the new draft zoning regulations and other weeks focusing on individual subdivision and site plan applications. These volunteers deserve a great deal of credit for their efforts and sacrifices for our community.

— C. BRUCE JOHNSON, *Zoning Administrator*



TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER PERMIT FEES — eff. 9/18/06

Note: Fees include \$7.00 permit recording & cost of publishing warning where applicable.

Access Permits (curb cut)	\$35.00
Additions and Alterations, Residential (<i>includes decks and porches</i>)	35.00
Agricultural Projects, Commercial <i>Written notification & State approval required; NC</i>	
Agricultural Projects, Non-commercial	35.00
Board of Adjustment Hearing (<i>plus application fee, except as noted</i>)	75.00
Building Construction, Residential (<i>plus septic & access, as needed</i>)	75.00
Fill or Excavation, Residential (<i>when State or Federal permit is required</i>)	35.00
Garage, Utility Shed, Accessory Units	35.00
Home Occupation (<i>no hearing fee</i>)	35.00
Pools	35.00
Right-of-Way Permit (development road)	35.00
Signs	35.00
Subdivision (<i>includes hearing fee</i>)	20.00 per parcel plus 110.00
Subdivision: Boundary Adjustment (<i>includes hearing fee</i>)	110.00
Town Plan — <i>No charge to residents and property owners</i>	5.00
Zoning & Subdivision Regulations — <i>No charge as per above</i>	5.00

Commercial Facilities	<i>includes hearing fee</i>
Commercial Applications (up to 10,000 sq. ft.)	* 170.00
Commercial (more than 10,000 sq. ft.)	* 295.00
Commercial Additions (up to 5,000 sq. ft.)	* 110.00
Commercial Additions (5,000 to 10,000 sq. ft.)	* 130.00
Fill or Excavation (<i>when State and/or Federal permits are required</i>)	110.00
Change of Use	110.00

Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Wireless Telecommunications Interim Bylaw	5.00
Wireless Telecommunications Facility, compound footprint	* .12 per sq. ft. 170.00 minimum
Additions/Alterations when footprint is increased	* .12 per sq. ft. 170.00 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>
Inground: Agricultural/Residential	85.00	45.00
Inground: Commercial	100.00	55.00
Mound, at-grade, sand filter, other	135.00	70.00
System requiring a State Waste Water Permit	50.00	50.00
Recertification if not built in two years	35.00	35.00

PLANNING COMMISSION

The main focus of the Planning Commission's efforts during 2006 has continued to be the updating of town Zoning and Subdivision Regulations. Adopted in 1982, our local bylaws are inconsistent in some areas with revised state standards passed in 2004 and with some recent legal decisions as well. Vague language in our current regulations is confusing for townspeople and makes the planning commission's work more difficult than necessary. The aim of this project is to make the regulations consistent with the Town Plan and Vermont law and easier for townspeople to understand and use.

Late in 2003, East Montpelier was awarded an \$11,400 grant by the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development to assist in this work. During the first half of 2004 our consultant, Burnt Rock Associates of Waitsfield completed its contract with the town to provide a complete recommended draft of Zoning and Subdivision regulations for our town. Since then, usually holding two extra meetings each month, the Planning Commission has been discussing, debating, and revising Burnt Rock's recommended text, section by section. Although the Commission anticipates no major substantive changes to existing rules, nonetheless the work is detailed and the process, at times, tedious. The Planning Commission has established a timetable for completion of this project that will invite public reaction to the revised regulations and delivery to the Selectboard in 2007. In addition to this work, the Commission will need to initiate an update of our Town Plan that is required in 2008.

In addition to this major undertaking, the Commission has also held 21 sketch plan reviews, approved 9 subdivisions, and 12 commercial permits.

Again this year we had turnover in the position of Zoning Administrator. Ross Haverstick left after filling the role for about a year due to his primary job transfer to Utah. Once again Deborah Fillion filled in on an interim basis. In September we hired Bruce Johnson, a highly qualified town resident, as our permanent, part-time Zoning Administrator.

The Planning Commission holds its regular meetings on the first and third Thursday evenings of the month at 7:30 in the Town offices. We do our work on the revision of the Zoning Regulations on the second and fourth Thursday evenings. We encourage all citizens to attend or contact any commission member with comments or questions.

— ROB CHICKERING, <i>Chair</i>	
RICK HOPKINS, <i>Vice Chair</i>	LYN BLACKWELL
TIM CARVER	MARK LANE
JACK PAULY	TRACY PHILLIPS
KEN SANTOR	CAROL WELCH

CONSERVATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

One project closed during 2006 while another remains on the horizon for early in 2007. The Clark family sold the development rights on their 72-acre farm to the Vermont Land Trust (VLT) for a total of \$182,500. The farm has been in the Clark family for over sixty years and is located at the end of Codling Road. Visible from Route 2, the land is a combination of hay meadow and pasture. The property also includes over three-quarters of a mile of frontage along the Winooski River.

In addition to selling a conservation easement, the Clarks also transferred a trail easement to allow for future extension of East Montpelier's trail system. The Clarks are currently working with VLT to conserve an abutting 150 acres of forest that, when crossed by the trail, will link the town's trail system to U-32 High School and the future Cross Vermont Trail. When completed, this statewide trail will run through Montpelier and East Montpelier, mostly on the old Montpelier-Wells River railroad bed.

The Vermont Land Trust helped the Clarks conserve their land through the use of a conservation easement. An easement helps landowners voluntarily limit development on productive farmland and forestland, and other meaningful natural and community places. Landowners continue to own, manage, and pay taxes on the remaining (lowered) value of land and can sell their land; however, the conservation easement permanently remains on the property. The agricultural parcel is currently leased to Seth and Michelle Gardner of the McKnight Farm. The VLT submitted an application to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund



Photo: Deborah Fillion

for \$177,500 and to the East Montpelier Conservation Fund for the remaining \$5,000 toward purchase of development rights and a relatively new “Agricultural Affordability Option” which ensures that conserved land sold in the future for active farming will be affordable to farmers.

The second project* (expected to close in February of 2007) is a 159-acre piece of agricultural land along Route 2 across from the former Tofani Furniture building. This land contains segments of the old Montpelier-Wells River railroad bed, the potential location for the future east-west running Cross Vermont Trail, and Fairmont Farm has agreed to allow the old rail bed on their land to be used for this trail in the future. It is also prime agricultural land that has been farmed for two hundred years and securing the development rights makes it possible to continue to use it this way. Funds to purchase the development rights on this parcel will come primarily through a grant from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, in addition to \$10,000 from the Conservation Fund.

The Committee remains indebted to town residents for their support of the Fund, allowing East Montpelier to be a state leader in the conservation of important agricultural lands, active farming, important wildlife areas, open and scenic land, and recreational opportunities (including walking, hunting, snowmobiling, and cross-country skiing). These are all elements essential to the rural character of our town.

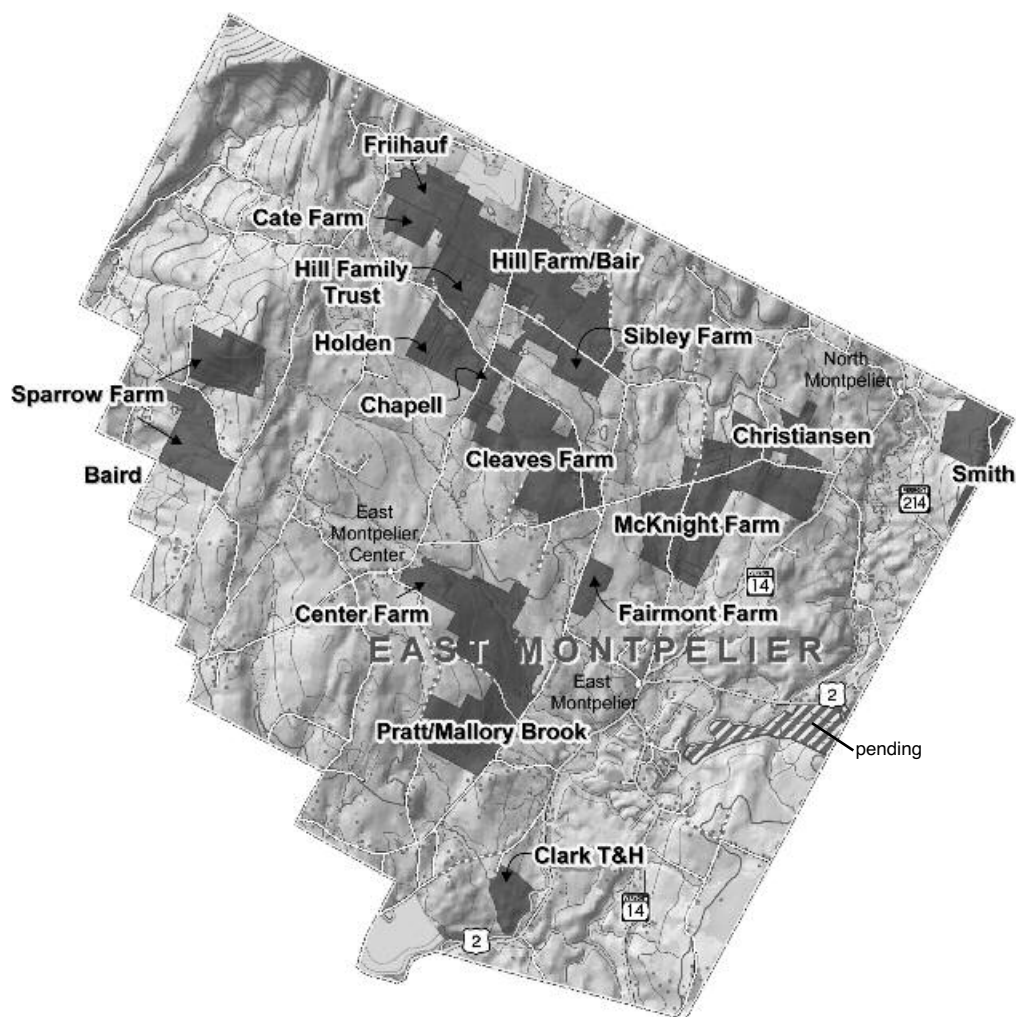
CONSERVATION FUND SUMMARY

Date	Project	Town Funds	Total Amount	Acres
12/7/90	Cleaves Farm	\$ 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
10/12/04	Mallory Brook/Pratt	15,000	400,000	481
6/15/06	Clark Farm	5,000	177,500	72
Total Completed Projects		\$ 116,795	\$ 1,937,838	2,056
*2/15/07	Fairmont (pending)	10,000	316,092	159
Projected Total		\$ 126,795	\$ 2,253,930	2,215

The Land Conservation Fund balance currently is \$35,706.47.

— SUE CHICKERING, *Chair*
DENNIS CARVER AUSTIN CLEAVES
MICHAEL DWORKIN ARLENE GOODRICH
CHARLES JOHNSON BRIAN LUSIGNAN

Conserved Lands in East Montpelier



RECREATION BOARD

The recreation field continues to be a popular place for sports—practices and games as well as family and individual activities. We are always glad to see or hear of the outdoors fun enjoyed by the Community. The annual Easter Egg hunt was successful with almost 250 children seeking out the hidden 700+ eggs filled with candy and treasures. Another year of Swimming Lessons at *First in Fitness* provided more than 25 East Montpelier children the important fundamentals of water safety. Many of the children who participate in the program further their water safety and swimming skills. The extremely wet spring put a stunted growth on the community perennial flower garden near the parking entrance. Hopefully, this coming spring will bring life for the many donated plants.

The plans to construct new bleachers and repair the dugouts and backstop for the Softball Field did not get completed this past year. The quotes are being obtained for the backstop and fence. The work on the infield this year made quite an improvement. A lot of thanks to Patrick for the work on the inner and outer field, especially the brush-hogging around the perimeter. Thanks, Pat!

As always, the Recreation Board tries to maintain a safe and attractive field for the use and enjoyment of the community. Please respect the rights and consideration of others. We always welcome new members to join the Board. New ideas and new energy would ensure the integrity of community recreation.

TERRI CONTI, *Co-Chair*
JAN ALDRICH
BRIAN LUSIGNAN

PATRICK McCOY, *Co-Chair*
DAVE BURLEY
ED DEEGAN

TIM BIGELOW

RECREATION BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance – December 31, 2005		\$ 6,115.47
Income		
Town Appropriation	\$ *	
Swim Proceeds	625.00	
Rally Day T-shirt Sales	152.00	
Onion River Soccer	400.00	
		1,177.00
Expenses		
Swim Program	\$ 0.00	
Easter Egg Event	205.75	
Recreation Field	1,275.31	
P & P Septic Service	700.00	
C V Memorial Civic	500.00	
		(2,681.06)
Ending Balance – December 31, 2006		\$ 4,611.41
Adjusted Balance*		\$ 7,611.41

* Town Appropriation of \$3,000 received in 2007

EAST MONTPELIER TRAILS

East Montpelier Trail's planned 18 mile permanent multi-use loop-trail keeps growing! During this last year many of you enjoyed the new Mallory Brook walking trail on Chris Pratt's land, and if you went more than once, not only suffered the various gullies and muddy spots, but also saw the problems begin to disappear. The 44 foot rustic bridge structure over the brook gained cedar decking and a rail, thanks to volunteers Charles Johnson, Ken Hertz, landowner Chris Pratt, and Camilla Welhaven. The worst muddy spot on the west side of the bridge was transformed into a rock cross-drain, and rock "turnpiking," and one steep gully was made easy to descend, through the magic of volunteers from the U-32 track team, parents, and teachers, and others under the leadership of Greg Western from Cross Vermont Trails. We've applied for a continuation grant from the Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation, to complete work this summer.

We're working to acquire the second of two easements on Clark land (the wooded portion east of U-32). This will link us from Mallory Brook to the trail terminus at U-32 and the connection with Cross Vermont Trail section along the Winooski River. Karen Freeman wrote and submitted a grant to purchase these easements, to the Dept of Transportation (Enhancement Grant), on behalf of East Montpelier Trails, the Land Trust, and the Housing and Conservation Board. We did not get it this round, but feel that it will pass in a future round.

Down on the Winooski, work continues on the Cross Vermont Trails East Montpelier section. CVT has consistently gotten grants to push ahead on this challenging section, year by year. Completion, with a bridge over the river and connection to Montpelier Bike Path East, is still a few years off, and progress on the cutting of a trail, between the river and Route 2, is impressive.

A new trail map is due, to be distributed, as always, at the Town Clerk's office. We need to get that out before the walking season starts.

Finally, the trail group is a lot of fun to work with. The job description is wide open, from trail building and repairs, map making, getting signs on trails, to working on easement acquisition, grants and landowner contacts. We eat cookies at meetings and we always welcome new blood, so don't be shy—give us a call.

— NONA ESTRIN 223-7745
RICK HOPKINS 229-4375
KIM KENDALL 223-4856
KEVIN McCOLLISTER 223-6930
SUE RIGGEN 223-4262
MARY STONE 223-2319
JAMIE SHANLEY 223-4856
CARROLL WITHAM, JR. 223-2881
SANDY WOODBECK 229-0734

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH RECREATION DISTRICT

Recent investments to improve the Wrightsville Beach Day Use Area continue to pay off. Despite some flooding problems, the 2006 season witnessed record attendance and revenues for the Beach thanks to improved grounds and facilities, and more recreation options. The District continued its popular canoeing and kayaking program, improved and expanded hiking trails, and attended to its ambitious maintenance program. It also hosted a variety of day camps and community programs.

The Wrightsville Beach Day Use Area provides a low cost, high quality, and now diverse recreational experience for residents of our member towns (Montpelier, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester). It is widely used and appreciated by families, community groups, and visitors. The Board of Directors is committed to maintaining and improving the overall recreational experience for all beachgoers. This requires continuing investment in the facility for maintenance, operations and capital improvements even as operating costs continue to rise. The increased user fees resulting from facility improvements have allowed the District to freeze municipal dues assessments at \$.45 per capita for the 2007 season, for a total of \$1,160.10 for the Town of East Montpelier.

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

<i>Revenues:</i>		Prior year's balance	8,176	
		Washington Electric	9,500	
		Seasons passes/user fees	15,067	
		Municipal assessments	5,960	
				38,703
<i>Expenditures:</i>		Personnel	18,229	
		Maintenance	2,414	
		Operating	4,287	
				(24,930)
Operating Fund Balance				\$ 13,773

The District's 2007 budget calls for revenues of \$37,725 and expenditures of \$34,592. The increase in expenditures reflects salary raises and more hours for the Beach Manager and staff, as well as planned maintenance projects and capital improvements, including repairing the entrance road and parking lot improvements.

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

— RICHARD MILLAR, *Chair, Montpelier*
CHRIS GRIMARD, *E.M. Representative*

KELLOGG-HUBBARD LIBRARY

Since the Kellogg-Hubbard completed its expansion in 2001, it has become what is known as a “third place” – not home, not work or school – but a place where people can go to meet their neighbors, read, catch up on paperwork, listen to a lecture, work on a resume, join a book group, and much more. With technology often keeping people more isolated from one another, it appears that the simple presence of a comfortable, friendly public space which is open to all has become increasingly important. The library is where our youngest children learn to love reading, and it’s where people of all ages can engage in learning and in civic discussion.

The library is in the process of a financial restructuring that has posed a challenge for the library board, the staff, and our community. Our budget has been stretched by the need to keep such a busy library safe and secure. The library board has embarked on an ambitious three-year program to help the library reach financial sustainability. This plan includes cutting costs, increasing the library’s endowment, encouraging state funding for public libraries, and bringing our tax support to a sustainable level.

We have been heartened by the tremendous concern and support of the community as we tackle these financial challenges. People have opened their check-books, offered their services and their talents, attended our fundraising events, bought raffle tickets, and happily paid their library fines. It is the people in this community who make the library what it is!

Library use by East Montpelier Residents:

Approximately 1,000 East Montpelier residents have registered for library cards, including about 270 children. In 2006, East Montpelier residents borrowed over 18,000 items from the Kellogg-Hubbard. In addition, they brought their children to pre-school story times, attended classes and lectures, reserved meeting space, applied for jobs using library computers, met with their tutors, read the newspaper, picked up their children here after school, and asked the librarians to find all kinds of information for them. We at the library are privileged to provide such a wide range of services to the people in our community and we thank you for your support!

— *HILARI FARRINGTON, Library Director*
MARTIN HAHN, Executive Director

EAST MONTPELIER WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Town of East Montpelier has a goal to protect the quality of our rivers, streams, and drinking water; to protect people's investments in their property; and to make sure that wastewater treatment capacity is adequate for any future growth.

In 2005, the Town obtained planning funds from the State Department of Environmental Conservation to hire a consultant that would assess the need for, and determine potential wastewater treatment solutions for the villages of North and East Montpelier. The Wastewater Advisory Committee (WAC) designed a community questionnaire form and mailed it to owners of property in both villages. Committee members designed a request for proposal from engineering firms and advertised in newspapers. We received seven written proposals for consideration and ultimately selected Forcier Aldrich & Associates (FA&A) from Essex Junction as the consultant for this project.

In October 2006, FA&A presented their first draft report to the Wastewater Advisory Committee. The report presented the Town with a summary of results garnered from a community questionnaire survey distributed by the WAC, information gathered during on-site soil evaluations, detailed maps of the study areas for both villages, the results of the Central VT Regional Planning Commission's build-out analysis, and identification of potential areas for off-site or cluster systems. This report presented information after having approximately 30% of the study project completed.

WAC members met October 9, after having time to study the draft report individually in detail, to discuss the presentation, to compare notes of the written report and prepare feedback comments to FA&A.

In November, FA&A presented the next phase in the study titled "a short list of alternatives." Again, the WAC met to review and provide feedback comments to FA&A. At this point, we concluded FA&A should incorporate a wastewater management action plan recommendation in the study's final report.

FA&A presented a report titled "cost estimates for alternatives" on December 6, 2006. The committee met to review and provide feedback comments to FA&A. Approximately 60% of the study project work was completed.

The committee and FA&A held a public meeting at the East Montpelier Town Clerk's office on January 3, 2007. This advertised meeting was an opportunity for "interested community members to offer input before the consultants' final draft report was prepared."

FA&A is scheduled to present their final draft report, including conclusions and recommendations, on February 7, 2007, at the East Montpelier Elementary School gymnasium. FA&A evaluated and provided estimated costs for seven options. The consultants' primary recommendation is for the Town to prepare a detailed wastewater management action plan.

The Selectboard has multiple copies of the consultants' final report available at the Town Office for public review.

Committee members want to express sincere thanks to Terri Conti and Lisa

Rice for their supportive work throughout this process, and to the Selectboard for their guidance. We also wish to thank Art Montague, Bill George, and Dave Burley for their participation on the committee.

	BOB MOREY, <i>Chair</i>	
JEFF BIRON	LAURA BROWN	TIM CARVER
RICHARD CZAPLINSKI	ERIK ESSELSTYN	CARL ETNIER
RICK HOPKINS	STEPHEN MIRACLE	CHERIE STAPLES




FOOD COLLECTION PLANNED FOR TOWN MEETING

People in East Montpelier who need food can go to the Onion River Food Shelf in Marshfield or to the Montpelier Food Pantry.

The **Onion River Food Shelf** was set up by collaborating churches in East Montpelier, Cabot, Calais, Plainfield, and Marshfield and is intended for residents in those towns. A Board of volunteers runs and staffs the food shelf. Diana Fielder of East Montpelier is the secretary/treasurer of the Board. She and her husband, Malcolm Fielder, staff the food shelf once a month. The Onion River Food Shelf is open Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and is located on the second floor of the Schoolhouse Common in Marshfield. If a food emergency arises, Winnie Munding at 426-3254 will see that enough food is provided to get through the crisis. An average of 36 people from East Montpelier are served each month. Enough food is provided to last for three days.

The **Montpelier Food Pantry** is located in the Trinity Methodist Church and is open from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday. It was established primarily for Montpelier residents, but will also serve residents from surrounding towns. Those using the Food Pantry for the first time are asked to register at the office of Bethany Church. In the past year, Montpelier Food Pantry has served at least 24 people with East Montpelier addresses. The records are kept according to zip code, so there may well be other East Montpelier people who do not have a 05651 address who were served by the Food Pantry.

Both food shelves are members of the VT Food Bank and receive monthly orders from the warehouse in Barre Town. These orders are paid for by cash donations from churches, individuals, and organizations. They also depend heavily on donated food: as much as 40% contributed locally during the holidays.

 **The Jean Cate Community Fund Committee is organizing a collection of non-perishable food at Town Meeting to be given to these two food shelves which serve East Montpelier residents. So please place a few cans or packages of wholesome food next to your Town Report and be ready to bring them all to Town Meeting. Your attendance AND your food will add to our sense of community.**

FUNDING REQUEST STUDY COMMITTEE

Our committee reviews requests for financial support from local non-profit organizations that serve people in East Montpelier and recommends appropriations to the selectboard. In reviewing applications, the committee considers the nature of the services provided, the number of residents served, the availability of other funding sources, and each organization's unique ability to meet critical community needs. These appropriations acknowledge and encourage valuable local services and strengthen our community connections.

Last year voters agreed to appropriate \$9,664 as recommended by this committee to support 15 organizations. This year the committee received requests for a total of \$15,419 from 18 organizations, excluding the Kellogg-Hubbard Library, which appears separately on the warning. We are recommending appropriations to support 17 organizations for a total of \$13,114.* This recommendation includes a \$2,500 appropriation for Community Connections, which received the same appropriation from the town under separately warned items in the past two years.

The 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 and skills or to make 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 meal and transportation services, legal advice, case management, and advocacy for Central Vermont elders. (\$1,464; \$1,464; **\$1,464**)

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. For a more detailed description of CVHHH services, see p. 61. (\$2,800; \$2,800; **\$3,000**)

Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center (229-5900) operates the community skating facility and provides opportunities for families to enjoy healthy recreation through public skating activities. (Supported through the E.M. Recreation Board in 2006.) (**\$250**)

* *Recommendations were amended by the Selectboard in the final Article of Warning.*

Community Connections (223-3456) provides afterschool, vacation, and summer programming for pre-school and school-age children, including mentoring and youth outreach, and creates opportunities for children to learn from community members. See pp. 78–79 for annual report. (\$2,500; \$2,500; **\$2,500**)

Family Center of Washington County (828-8765) provides services for children and families, including preschool, after school activities, playgroups, parent education, home visits, and child care support services. (\$300; \$0; **\$400**)

Green Mountain Transit (formerly **Wheels Transportation**) (223-7287) is a community transportation service that matches requests for rides from local residents with available transport, including vans, volunteer drivers, and van/pools. (\$1000; \$1000; **\$1,100**)

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 Food Shelf, Inc. (223-6548) provides emergency meals for three days for those in need in East Montpelier, Plainfield, Calais, Marshfield, and Cabot. See p. 55 re: Town Meeting food collection. (\$150; **\$400**)

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. See also p. 63. (\$950; \$950; **\$950**)

Project Independence (479-3630) provides therapeutic rehabilitation, meals, and recreation programs at a nonresidential facility in Barre, in an effort to enable elders and people with disabilities to remain independent. (\$500; \$0; **\$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**)

Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington Co. (476-1388; hotline: 479-5577) provides hotline, emergency medical assistance, shelter, counseling, advocacy and legal advice for victims of sexual violence. (\$200; **\$200**)

Vermont Center for Independent Living (229-0501) provides services and advocacy for people with disabilities; and assists disabled people to lead active and productive lives with as great a degree of independence as possible. (**\$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; saving tax dollars that would have been spent in court. (\$300; \$300; **\$300**)

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**)

LYN BLACKWELL
ALLEN PLOOF

RHODA CHICKERING
FRANK PRATT

ANNE SHERMAN

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOL HOUSE ASSOCIATION

The Four Corners School House is one of East Montpelier's gems. For the last several years it has been home to the East Montpelier Pre-School. We said good bye as the pre-school held its last class in June 2006 then moved to the East Montpelier Elementary School. In many ways the Four Corners School House was the perfect space for the Pre-School. The FCSH Board of Directors are happy that many children played, learned, and were nurtured in the School House. We wish the pre-school well in its new surroundings.

The Four Corners School House has received a face-lift. Fitch Floors did a great job sanding the floors. The floors are so pretty we ask that people remove their boots to keep the floors clean. Fowlers pumped the septic tank and we don't anticipate a return trip for a few years. The interior was painted by Pitz Quattrone and soon the piano will also receive a new coat of paint. Mel Fielder helped us out with gutter and drainage work. Caccicio Heating replaced a motor just before the cold season arrived. We are happy to have Evan Crandell mow the lawn, a job he's held for years. The Shea boys kept the snow shoveled last year and Alice Curchin has taken over those duties this year. The upkeep and maintenance of the School House is an important duty of the Board.

The Four Corner School House is the community's building. Town organizations and committees use the building for free. East Montpelier residents who want to rent the space pay \$20 per day and out of town residents pay \$30 per day. The Four Corner School House is a smoke-free and alcohol-free space. Elaine Manghi is our rental specialist and can be reached at 229-5811 in the **early** evening or at Manghi's Bakery during the day.

This year two memorable events took place at the Four Corners School House: a concert by musicians from Ireland hosted by Hilari Farrington and Benedict Koehler in November and the Third Annual Community Carol Sing and Cookie Swap with Joe Davidian in December.

Changes in the Board: We say good bye to two long-term board members: Hobie Guion and Rachel Senechal. Neither can remember exactly how long they have been members of the board, but agree Hobie has been a member for a longer period of time. Hobie and Rachel have truly enjoyed the people with whom they've served on this board.

Submitted by the FCSH Board of Directors

RHODA CARROLL
PAULINE COBURN
BARBARA DALL
DIANA FIELDER
HOBIE GUION
ELAINE MANGHI
RICK MELEADY
ROSE RILEY
RACHEL SENECHAL

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance – Dec. 31, 2005 \$ 8,393.90

Income

Town Appropriation (2006 Article 18)	\$ 2,500.00
WCSU (preschool use)	1,800.00
Rentals & Donations	760.00
Insurance refund	<u>296.00</u>

5,356.00

Expenses

Electricity	\$ 649.83
Fuel Oil	1,899.29
Janitorial Services	1,857.50
Insurance	979.00
Mowing	240.00
Snow removal	50.00
Supplies & Postage	226.99
Septic cleaning	300.00
Furnace maintenance.....	290.00
Painting	<u>950.00</u>

(7,442.61)

Ending Checking Account Balance – Dec. 31, 2006 \$ 6,307.29



Sing-a-long at the Four Corners School House.

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, including amendments to Chapter 117, Vermont's Planning and Development law. During this year, significant time was spent by staff working with member municipalities on the mechanics of implementing amendments made to Chapter 117 and updating flood hazard bylaws to meet the latest requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

The CVRPC also focused on implementing goals contained in the Regional Plan and the Regional Transportation Plan. Our Transportation Advisory Committee continued to evaluate the regional inter-modal transportation needs and problems and make recommendations to the State Transportation Agency on projects that should be included in the Agency's five-year capital program. We were also involved in the review of regionally significant Act 250 development projects. CVRPC continues to work on the development of regional and local pre-disaster mitigation plans, population and housing growth projections, and review and approval of town plans as required by statute. CVRPC also completed assessments on three brownfield sites in the Region and is looking for additional commercial/industrial sites that may be contaminated and would qualify for a brownfields assessment. As an outgrowth of the Central VT Economic Collaborative, CVRPC has been analyzing undeveloped parcels in proximity to existing sewer infrastructure to see if a greater housing density would be appropriate.

CVRPC assisted the Town with flood hazard bylaws review, pre-disaster mitigation planning and mapping, fluvial geomorphology assessment of the Upper Winooski River, development potential maps, waste water study maps and analysis, culvert inventory, traffic counts, assisted the East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative with its municipal planning grant application, and provided administrative assistance to the Wrightsville Beach Recreation District of which East Montpelier is a member.

CVRPC continues to work with local officials to provide GIS mapping, including planning maps for a variety of projects and municipal plans, bicycle and pedestrian path suitability maps, and maps of the Region's natural resources. The Commission also provides model bylaws and assists municipalities in the administration of grants, particularly for the Vermont Community Development Program. For more information on CVRPC, visit www.centralvtplanning.org.

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*
TIM CARVER, *Commissioner*

CENTRAL VERMONT HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE

Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice (CVHHH) is a 95-year-old not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association governed by a local voluntary Board of Directors. Serving the residents of 23 Central Vermont towns in the comfort and privacy of their own homes, CVHHH is committed to providing comprehensive, high-quality home health and hospice care to all Central Vermonters, regardless of their ability to pay, geographic remoteness or complexity of health care needs. The agency also promotes the general welfare of local community members with long term care and health promotion activities including flu and pneumonia vaccinations, health screenings, foot care clinics, and caregiver support. In addition to direct patient care, our hospice program offers comprehensive bereavement services and volunteer training.

CVHHH Services in East Montpelier Jan 1–Dec 31, 2006

Program	# of Visits
Home Health Care	
Skilled & High-Technology Nursing	444
Home Health Aide Service	253
Physical Therapy	111
Occupational Therapy	21
Speech Therapy	4
Medical Social Service	40
Hospice Care	
Nursing	78
Aide Service	159
Therapy	44
Long Term Care	
Care management	49
Aide and Attendant Care	701
Maternal Child Health	26
TOTAL VISITS	1,930
TOTAL PATIENTS	58

Town funding will help ensure CVHHH continues these services in East Montpelier through 2007 and beyond. For more information contact Eileen Blake, President/CEO, or Barbara Butler, Community Relations Director, at 223-1878.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (VDH)

VDH works to protect, improve and promote the health of Vermonters. The following are some of VDH's services available to residents of East Montpelier.

Emergency Preparedness: VDH is actively working with local, state and federal agencies to assure a rapid and effective response to public health threats or emergencies. When needed in an actual event, Local Health Offices can operate vaccination or other clinics to distribute medications to prevent infections. In July 2006, VDH coordinated an exercise to respond to a pandemic influenza simulation in order to evaluate the effectiveness of our emergency response plans.

Food & Lodging Inspections: VDH public health sanitarians inspect all eating establishments to decrease the risk of food borne disease outbreaks. The 5 greatest risks for food borne outbreaks are: keeping food too long at improper temperatures, inadequate cooking, contaminated equipment, food from an unsafe source, and poor personal hygiene among food handlers. Of the 8 establishments in East Montpelier, 9 inspections were completed in 2005. Most recent inspection scores are at www.HealthyVermonters.info — select “Program List;” scroll down to “Division of Health Protection;” select “Restaurant Inspection Scores.”

Reportable Disease Case Investigations: Infectious diseases are a major source of illness, disability, and death in the U.S., accounting for 25% of all doctor visits each year. The Health Department investigates all cases of reportable infectious disease, such as meningitis, hepatitis, pertussis (whooping cough) and infectious diarrhea to determine their source, recommend control measures. In 2005, VDH investigated 246 cases of disease in Washington County.

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): During 2005, 45 women, infants and children living in East Montpelier received foods, health screening and individualized nutrition education through this program. Average value of foods provided is \$40/person per month.

Town Health Officer Program: Every town in Vermont has a Town Health Officer who is nominated by the Selectboard and appointed by the Commissioner of Health. Town health officers work on a variety of environmental and health issues and respond to calls on diverse public health concerns, including animal bites, West Nile virus, rental code complaints and septic systems. VDH supports Health Officers with training, information and technical assistance. From July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006, the Health Department assisted your town health officer and Town of East Montpelier residents 6 times.

Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: Vaccine-preventable disease rates are at their lowest level ever. In 2005, Vermont recorded reports of 693 cases of varicella disease (chicken pox); 90 cases of pertussis disease (whooping cough); and no reports of measles, mumps, rubella, polio or tetanus. Disease levels, while a chief outcome of interest, are a late indicator of the soundness of the immuniza-

tion system. Immunization levels are a better indicator than vaccine-preventable disease rates for determining whether a problem exists with immunization delivery. Immunization levels for Vermont children, while high, still fall short of the 90 percent coverage goal. During 2005, the Health Department distributed childhood vaccines to healthcare providers in the Barre District valued at \$316,629.63

West Nile Virus (WNV) Surveillance: WNV is a virus that is spread by mosquitoes. VDH records all reports of dead birds and tests certain species. In 2006 27,026 mosquitoes had been collected and identified, of which 13,701 were tested. No VT mosquito pools tested positive for WNV. As of 11/14/06, no horses had been reported as testing positive for WNV. From 6/12/06 to 10/20/06, 90 dead birds were reported in Washington County, 8 were tested and 0 were found to be infected with WNV. No probable human cases of WNV were reported.

If you would like more information about these and other Health Department activities or if you have a public health concern, please call the Barre District Office at 802-479-4200. For information about public health, VDH initiatives, publications, and news releases, go to **www.HealthyVermonters.info**



PEOPLE'S HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC

The Mission of the People's Health & Wellness Clinic is to provide primary health care and wellness education to uninsured and underinsured central Vermont residents who could not otherwise afford these services. Patients must have income at or below 225% of the federal poverty level. In calendar year 2006, we provided a total of 1,828 visits to 638 central Vermont residents.

People from the Town of East Montpelier visited our clinic 28 times.

We assist with lab referrals and diagnostic testing costs, provide free pharmaceuticals, and assist with enrollment in health programs such as VHAP, Ladies First, prescription drug assistance programs, and smoking cessation and diabetes education classes. More than 60 volunteers of both traditional and alternative medicine provided their clinical services free of charge.

For information, to schedule an appointment or to become a volunteer, call the Clinic, Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 479-1229. Clinic hours vary and are by appointment only.

Thank you again for your continued support of the People's Health & Wellness Clinic.

—PETER D. YOUNGBAER, *Director*

CENTRAL VT STATE POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

CVSPCAB is made up of representatives from the 18 Central Vermont towns for which the Middlesex Barracks of Vermont State Police is the primary law enforcement agency. CVSPCAB works to increase understanding and awareness among towns of State Police and law enforcement issues and provides ways to advocate better for public safety. CVSPCAB facilitates communication between towns and their law enforcement agencies about law enforcement issues, between neighboring towns about common problems, and between towns and their residents about local citizen initiatives and concerns.

New in 2006 was support for individual towns' Neighborhood Watch programs, funded by a grant from Homeland Security through Central Vermont's Local Emergency Planning Committee #5 (LEPC#5). There is an on-going initiative in East Montpelier to establish a town-wide Neighborhood Watch program. For more information, contact one of your town representatives listed below.

The Trooper Appreciation Day picnic in September 2006 found troopers and their families mingling with CVSPCAB members and their families, all eating large quantities of delicious food. Events like this help to bridge the gap between law enforcement and civilians—troopers usually interact with civilians at their worst moments, so it's good to balance that with an enjoyable social event. Word has it that several troopers, attending at the urging of their station commander, were surprised at what a good time they and their families had.

More information: http://www.dps.state.vt.us/vtsp/cab_middlesex.htm

*East Montpelier Representatives: CAROL & DON WELCH
ANN & STEPHEN KROLL*

“A” Troop Middlesex Barracks: Annual Crime & Police Service Report for East Montpelier

	Violent Crime				Property Crime				Other		Traffic Incidents				Misc.			
	Murder/Manslaughter	Sexual Assault	Robbery	Assault (aggravated/simple)	Burglary	Larceny/Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Other Property Crime	Illegal Drug Incident	Disorderly Conduct/Other	Fatal Crash	Accident Investig. (DMV)	Motor Vehicle Incident	DUI Incident	Runaway Juvenile	Death Investigation	Misc. Service Call	
'06	0	0	0	10	11	19	2	25	11	40	1	35	65	10	3	0	194	426
'05	0	1	0	8	17	23	2	18	6	22	0	34	47	12	4	3	196	393
+/-	0	-1	0	2	-6	-4	0	7	5	18	1	1	18	-2	-1	-3	-2	33

Note: One reported incident may have multiple components; for example, a car accident may involve “Accident Investigation” and “DUI Incident,” but is reported only in the DUI column.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Throughout 2006 most of the emergency planning throughout the United States and the State of Vermont centered on the possibility of a pandemic. This emergency coordinator attended many seminars sponsored by the Vermont Department of Emergency Management and the Department of Health. This training centered on “what if” a pandemic whether it is caused by the flu or other illness, should occur. Surely, it would be a strain not only to take care of the ill but also to maintain a state of normalcy for those that are not and provide the emergency services that they would need.

Throughout 2007, more planning will be undertaken with emergency plans being drawn up and tested. Also in 2007 East Montpelier officials and employees will be asked to take National Incident Management System (NIMS) courses. These courses are mandated to maintain the town’s eligibility in acquiring federal and state grants.

In 2004, 2005 and 2006 serious attempts to acquire an emergency electrical generator for the elementary school and the municipal office were made. Again, these efforts bore no fruit. A major source of funding, Homeland Security Grant program, was redirected to fund the planning and design of a statewide communications system. Other grants were found but upon research were found to require large matching funds from the town. Research and effort will again be directed into acquiring and installing these generators.

If you should have any questions regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to call me at 223-7741.

— BILL GEORGE, *Emergency Operations Coordinator*



TOWN HEALTH OFFICER

2006 has been a busy year for myself as your Health Officer. As it is my first year, I have had to learn the complexity of the job.

I have attended one statewide seminar on Asian Flu and all the local State Health training sessions. New health regulations are issued periodically and then I am notified. The biggest one this year is putting more effort into the NO TRASH BURNING law. A person can now be fined \$500.00 and if the fine is not paid, they can lose their drivers license and their fishing & hunting privileges. Our State Health people are very helpful.

Most of the complaints I received concerned septic matters or landlord-tenant situations.

I hope to learn more and do a better job in 2007.

If you have concerns about possible public health hazards, please call me at 223-6279.

— ELLIOTT MORSE, *Health Officer*

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

In 2005, at the fire department's request, a committee was appointed by the Calais and East Montpelier select boards to investigate the current and future needs of the fire department. The committee worked for an entire year and reported to the select board the following:

- A study of call responses showed that a high percentage of responses come from the village station. This indicates the desirability of a new station in the East Montpelier village area near the intersection of Routes 2 and 14, keeping the Templeton Road station as a second station to serve the western sides of both towns.
- Neither existing station meets current standards for firefighter health and safety.
- Both stations lack showers for decontamination of hazardous materials.
- Fire trucks are stored tight to the doors. Firefighter access to gear and trucks is extremely tight and is considered hazardous to the safety of the members.
- Fire trucks are routinely moved outside to allow access to spaces.

In March 2006, both towns voted articles approving \$25,000 for schematic design and site evaluation. A building committee consisting of fire department members and town residents formed to prepare for a bond vote in March 2007.

A request for proposal was sent out and from 17 applicants, Scott and Partners architects and DeWolfe Engineering were selected to do conceptual design and site evaluation. Three sites were considered and two sites are still under consideration.

A program of space needs was developed with the fire department and a building of 9,400 square feet was agreed upon. After deciding on construction details, a professional construction estimator evaluated the estimated cost of the building and Scott and Partners developed an estimate of the total cost for the project of \$2.8 million (\$2,800,000.00).

A bond article has been drafted with the help of both select boards and is being offered for approval on March 6th.

Expenditures through 12/31/06 from \$25,000 approved last Town meeting:

Advertising for RFP	\$835.50
Scott and Partners	7,830.00
DeWolfe Engineering	2,000.00
Total	<u>\$10,665.50</u>

Paid by East Mont. to date	\$ 7,987.00
Paid by Calais to date	2,668.50

— RICK BARSTOW, <i>EMFD</i>	DON WELCH, <i>East Montpelier</i>
TY ROLLAND, <i>EMFD</i>	HELEN JOHNKE, <i>Calais</i>
TOBY TALBOT, <i>EMFD</i>	DAVE PARAHA, <i>Calais</i>
JON WINSTON, <i>EMFD</i>	

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Call volume decreased 7.5% this year, from 3,040 to 2,812 calls. Long-distance transfer volume continues to increase with a call volume of 488 compared to 440 calls for service in the preceding year. Local transfers decreased from 1,101 to 969; emergency calls decreased from 1,939 to 1,843. Mutual aid responses decreased slightly this year from 232 to 210 calls.

The MICU (Mobile Intensive Care Unit) began service to CVMC in April 2003, with advanced life support equipment and specially trained personnel: a critical care nurse, critical care paramedic, and an EMT driver. It has been difficult locating and retaining nurses for the hours scheduled. Findings indicate that approximately 80% of critical care transports could safely be transported by critical care paramedics alone. This would reduce delays and cancellations due to lack of personnel. Barre Town EMS employs six critical care paramedics.

In preparation for Hurricane Rita's landfall, FEMA asked for ambulances throughout the country to provide up to 30 days of emergency support. Barre Town EMS joined a convoy of 14 ambulances that departed Brattleboro for the Gulf Coast on September 22, 2005. Three teams deployed for a total of 34 days.

Personnel: The Public Education and Training staff continue to offer three community education programs to the citizens and schools in the service area; the programs are:

- the "File of Life" pertinent medical and emergency contact information;
- the "What To Do Until The Ambulance Arrives" a program for 8-10 year-olds;
- the "Healthy Homes Initiative" an awareness program for recognizing environmental and safety hazards for families with young children.

The Explorer Post established four years ago has nine teenagers working hard at training, riding along with the crews, and participating in scouting special events, such as the annual Norwich Regional Camporee each fall. The post charter requires that they be completely self-sufficient; the Town only supplies the meeting place and the medical training. They purchase their own equipment and uniforms. They meet weekly in the evening from 6:00 to 8:00. Anyone 14 years or older, and having completed the eighth grade, are welcome to attend a meeting and see what EMS Exploring is all about.

Vermont Homeland Security has mandated specific training in Incident Command System this year. All full-time staff and auxiliary crews have completed training of NIMS 700 and ICS 100 level; as well as many part-time staff. ICS 200 will be offered in December 2006 as well. The courses describe how EMS is to function in the Incident Command System during a catastrophic event.

We now maintain paramedic coverage 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. Each full-time crew is staffed with an Advanced Intermediate EMT and a Paramedic. Two of these crews are on-duty every 24-hour shift, in Berlin and East Barre.

Equipment: We often have four or five ambulances in the field taking calls, doing local and long-distance transfers, and emergency calls. Call volume, hours of operation and road conditions have increased the wear and tear on the exist-

ing units. A vehicle replacement proposal was approved and implemented in the fall of 2005. The final plan proposed the purchase of five new Ford E450 Super-Duty ambulances from Medix EV in Elkhart, Indiana. The vehicles were delivered and put into service in January 2006. Ambulance 2 was replaced in the fall of 2004. This was a refurbished box on a 2005 Ford E450 SuperDuty chassis.

The EMS Dept received a \$21,810 Homeland Security Grant in 2005. We purchased a fourth Life Pac 12 defibrillator, as well as an oxygen manifold for the Mass Casualty Incident trailer capable of delivering oxygen to 9 patients simultaneously. The trailer has enough supplies to treat approximately 125 casualties with various other injuries. EMS also purchased six new dual-band mobile radios for the ambulances. These radios permit the crews to monitor and contact if necessary, the police mobile units or the Barrack’s dispatch.

— DAVID JENNINGS, *EMS Director*

2006 Ambulance Service fees paid: \$64,675.00
2007 Ambulance Service fees budgeted: \$75,400.00



TOWN FIRE WARDEN

Despite having nearly forty inches of rain during the 2006 Fire Season, Vermont still experienced 118 wildland fires, compared with the 10 year average of 129. All of those fires were the result of human activity with the greatest number, 55 being caused by brush fires that had been left unattended or otherwise escaped control. This should remind us that along with obtaining a burn permit anyone engaged in outside burning needs to use good judgement, monitor conditions constantly, and never leave a fire or hot coals unattended.

Burn permits can be written only for natural materials. The burning of household trash, most building materials and other refuse is unlawful as well as unhealthy. These items can not be burned in open piles, burn barrels or in wood stoves inside buildings. Violators can be fined up to \$500 and lose their hunting and fishing licences.

Please call for a permit either a day or two before, or early on the morning of the day you intend to burn. Your cooperation will help make East Montpelier a safer and healthier place to live.

For Permits Call: CHRISTOPHER REED, *Fire Warden* 223-7707
JONATHAN BOUCHER, *Key Man* 223-7902
BILL GEORGE, *Key Man* 223-7741

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD

The EMFD, once again, would like to thank the residents of East Montpelier and Calais for their continued support. 2006 figures show a steady call volume with the majority of the responses for medical emergencies.

Type of Call	East Montpelier	Calais	Mutual Aid	Total
Fire	9	3	10	22
Medical	108	32	14	154
Other	26	10	8	44
2006 Call Totals	143	45	32	220

EMFD participates in a mutual aid system. This is a system of preplanned responses from EMFD and other area fire/EMS departments and is based on the need and location of the incident. The mutual aid system ensures an effective and timely response to any major emergency. EMFD activated the mutual aid system this summer for a major fire in the village. Fire departments from Plainfield, Barre City, Woodbury, Berlin, Montpelier, and Worcester all provided assistance to this incident. Although the building was heavily damaged, it will be renovated.

We have a group of fire department members continuing to seek grants when appropriate. In years past we have been awarded sizeable grants which allowed us to purchase and upgrade essential equipment.

Last year, EMFD established a “building committee” charged with developing a plan, location, and cost estimates for a new fire station. Details of this committee will be in the building committee report. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members for the long hours and tireless work that has been put into this project. The building committee members are: Assistant Chief Ty Rolland, Firefighter Toby Talbot, Firefighter Rick Barstow, and Firefighter John Winston. There are also three community members which need recognition. Those are Don Welch and Dave Parah and Helen Johnke. Once again, thank you for all the work you have done.

Finally a couple of safety notes. Please install smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in your house and test them every month. These detectors, undisputably saves lives. Also the use of seat belts is one of the most effective ways to not only survive a motor vehicle accident, but also walk away from it uninjured.

— JOHN AUDY, *Fire Chief*
GREG PELCHUCK, *President*

2005 Call Totals	217	66	28	311
2004 Call Totals	187	75	13	275
2003 Call Totals	164	84	25	273

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD

Category	2006 Budgeted	2006 Actual	2007 6-month	2007–2008 Budgeted
East Mont Contrib	\$107,175.00	\$107,175.00	\$56,321.25 **	\$106,537.50
Calais Contrib	35,725.00	35,725.00	18,773.75 ***	35,512.50
	<u>\$142,900.00</u>	<u>\$142,900.00</u>	<u>\$75,095.00</u>	<u>\$142,050.00</u>
Admin	3,600.00	3,600.00	1,800.00	3,600.00
Audit	1,500.00	1,600.00	800.00	1,700.00
Building 1	3,200.00	861.36	750.00	2,000.00
Building 2	1,500.00	116.39	750.00	1,500.00
Annual fee Sta 2	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
Bookkeeping	2,700.00	2,875.00	1,340.00	3,000.00
Treasurer	1,200.00	1,200.00	600.00	1,200.00
Cell Phone	850.00	915.78	450.00	1,000.00
Diesel	3,000.00	2,808.17	1,500.00	3,000.00
Dispatch	8,000.00	6,778.92	4,000.00	8,500.00
Dues	500.00	566.50	500.00	500.00
Elec Sta 1	1,000.00	977.21	600.00	1,000.00
Elec Sta 2	650.00	610.11	350.00	650.00
Snow plowing	750.00	720.00	350.00	750.00
EMS supplies	3,000.00	2,398.01	1,500.00	3,000.00
Equip repair	5,000.00	6,183.40	2,500.00	5,000.00
Firefight supplies	5,000.00	8,443.37	2,500.00	5,000.00
Gasoline	500.00	245.91	250.00	500.00
Heating oil Sta 1	3,500.00	2,668.61	2,000.00	4,000.00
Heating LP Sta 2	3,500.00	4,496.85	2,000.00	4,000.00
Insurance	32,000.00	29,571.18	26,000.00	32,000.00
Legal	250.00	337.50	0.00	750.00
Bank charges	150.00	125.56	75.00	150.00
Chaplin fund	400.00	150.84	200.00	400.00
Office supplies	2,000.00	2,278.50	1,000.00	3,000.00
Personal gear	5,000.00	10,764.27	2,500.00	5,000.00
Postage	350.00	504.87	150.00	350.00
Radio repair	3,000.00	1,886.33	1,750.00	3,000.00
Radio replace	1,300.00	1,736.00	650.00	1,300.00
Refreshments	2,000.00	1,288.09	1,000.00	2,000.00
Stipend, matching	9,400.00	9,400.00	0.00	9,400.00
Telephone	650.00	907.01	400.00	650.00
Truck repairs	10,000.00	12,650.44	5,000.00	10,000.00
Training	3,000.00	2,912.13	1,500.00	3,000.00
Transfer Truck replace *..	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Equipment lease	7,300.00	7,876.72	7,280.00	4,000.00
Physicals	5,500.00	(62.28)	2,000.00	5,500.00
Turnout maint	1,000.00	229.02	400.00	1,000.00
Total †	<u>\$142,900.00</u>	<u>\$141,271.77</u>	<u>\$75,095.00</u>	<u>\$142,050.00</u>

* \$10,000 transferred to Truck Replacement Account on p. 71 (see also pp. 32–33)

** Allocated by Selectboard: \$37,547.69; Deficit of \$18,773.56

*** Already paid by Calais in 2006 budget (Dec. payment \$17, 862.50)

† East Montpelier contributes 75% of these Totals; Calais contributes 25%

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, CASH BASIS

	12/31/05*	12/31/06**
Unrestricted Assets		
Checking Account	\$ 13,483.94	\$ 25,795.63
Donations Account	1,551.81	5,546.83
Contingency Account	<u>40,767.31</u>	<u>21,602.06</u>
	\$ 55,803.06	\$ 52,944.52
Restricted Assets		
Capital Accounts: Physicals/Hep B Shots....	8,702.36	7,575.41
Truck Replacement Account †	<u>39,459.82</u>	<u>49,673.59</u>
	\$ 48,162.18	\$ 57,249.00
Total Assets	<u>\$ 103,965.24*</u>	<u>\$ 110,193.52**</u>

* 2005 totals updated from audited final report.

** Unaudited balance as of Dec. 31, 2006.

† See also: Town's Capital Reserve contributions to Fire Dept. projects on pp.32-33.

EMFD BUDGET SUMMARY

Beginning Balance (December 31, 2005)	\$ 103,965.24
Revenues	
East Montpelier (75% of budget)	107,175.00
Calais (25% of budget)	35,725.00
Donations	5,005.40
Insurance	1,883.02
Interest	435.34
Homeland Grants 2005	15,123.82
Misc Income	70.00
Capital Income	<u>2,000.00</u>
	167,417.58
Expenses	
Operating budget	141,271.77
Donations expense	2,111.18
Ins. Reimb. expense	1,631.02
Homeland Security 2005	6,307.24
Capital Expenses	3,368.09
Unbud truck	<u>6,500.00</u>
	(161,189.30)
Ending Balance (December 31, 2006) **	<u>\$ 110,193.52</u>

** Unaudited balance as of Dec. 31, 2006.

NOTE: EMFD accounts are not audited by the Town Auditors.

— VITAL STATISTICS —

BIRTHS

Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Parents
Kearston Pecor	F	January 28	Amber Godin & Branden Pecor
Hughes Gilbert	M	March 5	Priscilla & André Gilbert
Eliza Gilbert	F	March 5	Priscilla & André Gilbert
Selah Northrup	F	March 9	Amanda & Casey Northrup
Madyson Scribner	F	March 14	Tracy & Joshua Scribner
Wyatt Sancibrian	M	March 26	Nicole & Marc Sancibrian
William Ibey	M	June 6	Heather & Andrew Ibey
Abigail Leighty	F	July 14	Emily & Levi Leighty
Kameron Graves	M	July 28	Terri Stridsberg & Scott Graves
Cierra Campbell	F	August 17	CJ Boardman & Clint Campbell
Daniel Yaeger	M	August 31	Cherie & Joseph Yaeger
Mason Harvie	M	September 14	Sarah Harvie & Benjamin Salas
Landon Giroux	M	October 29	Rachel Metayer & Jason Giroux
John Trollinger	M	October 29	Rebecca & John Trollinger
Zachary Brown	M	October 31	Kimberly & Michael Brown
Paul Winters	M	November 26	Jennifer & Paul Winters

DEATHS

Name	Age	Date of Death
Dorothy Howard Morse	90	January 15
Lawrance J. Nolan	60	January 23
Loretta May Morse	65	February 15
Eva D. Ordway	90	April 5
Marlene Sue Willard	51	April 14
Royal Jay Bartrum	63	April 28
Robert T. Carver	90	June 7
Thomas William Benton	65	June 27
George Elmer Hood	60	July 29
Susan M. Lavelle	52	July 31
N. James Clark	68	September 16
Dean Shattuck	82	October 5
Frieda Marie Battles	92	November 6
Hugh C. Hawkins	91	December 4

* In addition to those recorded in the Town Records,
other townspeople who died in 2006:

Cole G. Patchen	23	August 22
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MARRIAGES

Groom, Residence	Bride, Residence	Date
Jeffrey Santor, E. Montpelier	Sarah B Spidle, E. Montpelier	February
James G Grundy, E. Montpelier	Nancy J Bruce, E. Montpelier	March
John W Trollinger, E. Montpelier	Rebecca A Clark, Barre Town	April
Shane E Casey, No. Montpelier	Anastacia Parnitzke, No. Montp.	June
Paul D Winters, E. Montpelier	Jennifer Busconi, E. Montpelier	July
Giora Proskurowski, Cataumet MA	Catherine M Rob, Cataumet MA	July
Daniel P Perry, E. Montpelier	Brittany Thresher, E. Montpelier	July
James H Hanna Jr, E. Montpelier	Ella May S Speer, E. Montpelier	July
Christopher Quesnel, E. Montpelier	Sara L Pearson, E. Montpelier	August
Patrick M Seitz, E. Montpelier	Nicole M Claflin, E. Montpelier	August
Scott J Sibley, E. Montpelier	Jodi L Blondin, E. Montpelier	September
Jeffrey J Cirignano, E. Montpelier	Larae D Lafoe, E. Montpelier	October



Lyra's painting inspired by artist Mary Cassatt.



Famous Artists in Art History

Children each selected an artist, studied their biographies, made a copy of a piece of work by the artist, and used colored pencils and tempera paint to finish these wonderful paintings. Some were displayed at the T.W. Wood Art Gallery in January; others can be seen on the corridor walls of the Elementary School. Enjoy the show!

—Heidemarie Holmes-Heiss, EMES art teacher



Batchelder Associates, PC

To The Selectboard
Town of East Montpelier
East Montpelier, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Montpelier, Vermont as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. 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 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 opinions.

As described in Note 1, the Town of East Montpelier, Vermont, prepares its financial statements on a modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position - modified cash basis of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Montpelier, as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position - modified cash basis and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of the Town of East Montpelier taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary schedules as listed in the Table of Contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required parts of the financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 and 2 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the modified cash basis financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the modified cash basis financial statements taken as a whole.

Batchelder Associates, PC

January 24, 2007
Batchelder Associates, PC
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TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT

The Town 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.

In addition, Batchelder Associates, PC, of Barre were engaged to audit the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Town of East Montpelier, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006. Their audited financial statements will be available for public inspection at the Town Office when they are completed in early February.

The Town School District records and accounts were examined by David H. Angolano, C.P.A., P.C., of Shelburne, Vermont. The full independent audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, is available at the East Montpelier Elementary School and at the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town Auditors would like to thank Jane Burroughs for volunteering an afternoon of her expert help.

DEBORAH FILLION
PAULINE COBURN
DON WELCH
January 31, 2007



*Painting by Eliza G.
Inspired by Mary Cassatt*



*Painting by Ceres
Inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe*

POPULATION AND VOTING RECORDS

2000 Census: East Montpelier Residents = 2,578

2004 Vermont Dept. of Health Statistics = 2,657

Year	Total Registered	AB Australian Ballot	FV AB/FV Percentage	Floor Vote
Town Meeting:				
2006	2,059	674	33% / 12%	249
2005	2,076	626	30% / 8%	160
2004	1,984	807	41% / 8%	164
2003	2,011	525	26% / 8%	167
2002	1,973	587	30% /	
2001	1,993	513	26% / 8%	156
2000	1,832	727	40% /	
1999	1,805	511	28% /	
1998	1,777	671	38% /	
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
Primary Election:				
2006	2,066	423	20%	
2004	2,053	224	11%	
2002	1,995	394	20%	
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%	
General Election:				
2005	2,097	1,450	69%	
2004	2,116	1,569	74%	
2002	2,029	1,300	64%	
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%	

VOTER REGISTRATION

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

Renewal of your Driver’s License or obtaining a new driver’s license will give you the opportunity to 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 Disability and the Department of Health.

You can also register at the Town Clerk’s Office during office hours: Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 12 Noon.

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 our office by the Secretary of State’s Office, and the Town Clerk then processes it with others received of recent date.

New Voter Registration Applications have been issued that now require you to add your VT DMV issued Driver License. No. or Personal I.D. No. (VT PID#) on the voter application. If neither of these are available, the last four (4) digits of your Social Security Number will be required. If any of these are not available, the Office of the Secretary of State will issue a unique identifying number for the voter’s use.

Voter approval to allow the Town Clerk to add names to the checklist was given at Town Meeting in 2003. After approval, 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 Monday before any election. The Town Clerk’s Office is open from 10:00 a.m. until noon for Voter Registration on the second Monday before any election.

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 or favor of any person.

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



EAST MONTPELIER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Community Connections, now beginning its 6th year offering quality out-of-school time programs for kids in East Montpelier, Berlin, Calais, Middlesex, Worcester, and Montpelier, served more than 1,360 children last year. They participated in reading and homework clubs, computer, recreational activities, arts and crafts, outdoor fun, snowboarding, canoeing, field trips, and more.

The East Montpelier Community Connections program continues to be an integral part of the school community. Last year 130 (65%) East Montpelier Elementary School students participated in a wide variety of afterschool programs and 43 students went to Community Connections summer camp. Community education was equally popular as over 80 people attended these programs. One highlight was our 6th annual Wreath Making Workshop that more than 45 adults and kids attended!

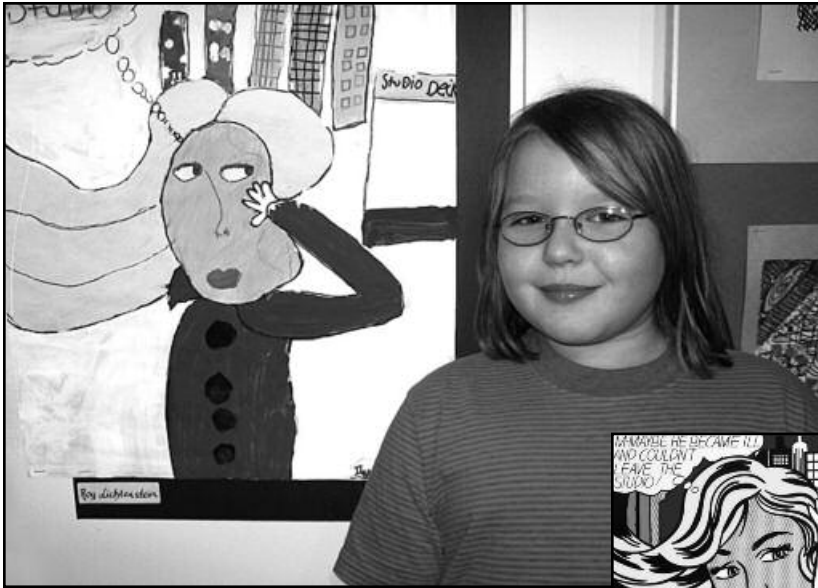
Kids got active and were introduced to local resources through cross country skiing at Morse Farm and swimming at First in Fitness. They learned about cooking from our school cooks at Healthy Desserts and The Science of Food. They worked with community members to build a fence around our garden beds at Rally Day. Two teachers ran a Power Walkers club that taught healthy choices and also got kids moving. Kids loved Fort Building in the Woods and learned new skills at EarthWalk Outdoor Survival Skills, One-Wheeled Wonders and Stilting workshops. They used hand and power tools to create games, gifts and fun projects at Woodworking Basics.

The Community Connections PEP wellness program hosted several community events designed to get people moving. Over 350 community members participated in Stomp in the Park snowshoeing, Classroom Cup trail-walking, cross country skiing, unicycling, Nordic walking, bike safety fairs, wellness public forums, and a showing and discussion of the film Super Size Me.

Race car rally, nature investigations, river-tubing, hiking, dance, arts and crafts, Legos, biking, and Phun Physics are just some of the things kids did this summer at Community Connections summer camps. There were eight continual weeks of camps for elementary-aged children with two camp choices each week, as well as middle school camps including: road and mountain biking, film-making, jewelry, kayaking, herbal creations, Rock and Roll, and Unique Vermont. Diverse camps were enjoyed by 184 kids where they learned new skills, were exposed to new things, and made new friends.

In addition to out-of-school time programming, Community Connections spearheads key youth-mentoring initiatives. Our nine-year-old Girls First/Boyz First mentoring program now has 31 pairs in the community-based program, another 14 in the school-based setting (including some high school peer mentors), and 38 Montpelier High School students in the PLAY peer mentoring program. Some of our pairs have been together for more than 5 years!

Our Youth Outreach Coordinator works with 31 out-of-school youth, and those who are at risk of dropping out of school, to explore alternative education



Tiffany's painting inspired by artist Roy Lichtenstein.



options and employment opportunities, and guide them in making healthy life choices. Twenty-eight of them are in the Alternative Diploma Program and are working towards graduating high school.

In addition, \$72,000 in direct services were provided to children from Washington Central Supervisory Union through U-32 Community Connections. It's the goal of Community Connections to ensure that programs are accessible to all families. Last year over \$71,000 in direct services were provided to East Montpelier children through Community Connections. The town of East Montpelier contributed \$2,500 and user fees totaled over \$25,000. The rest came from Community Connections grants.

A recent poll by The Afterschool Alliance found significant public support for afterschool programs. Eighty-two percent of voters agree that there should be some type of organized activity or safe place for children and teens to go after school every day that provides opportunities for them to learn. "Voters know that afterschool programs keep kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families," said Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant. "Americans recognize that these programs provide tremendous benefits. Too many students are alone, unsupervised and at risk when the school day ends."

We appreciate East Montpelier's commitment to the provision of quality out-of-school time programming. For more information, please contact Guy Viens, East Montpelier Community Connections Coordinator, at 223-7936 ext. 305, or via email at <gviens@u32.org>

**REPORT OF THE TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
JULY 1, 2004 – JUNE 30, 2005**



**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE REPORT**

I am pleased to have this opportunity to report on the educational and financial status of Washington Central Supervisory Union (WCSU). WCSU is comprised of Berlin, Calais, Doty, East Montpelier, and Rumney Elementary Schools, as well as U-32 Middle and High School. As a supervisory union, our goal is to provide the highest quality educational opportunities for the 1,700 students we serve Pre-K through grade 12.

To meet this goal, we have continued to focus on: improving curriculum, instruction, assessment and professional development; enhancing school climate and safety; expanding our early education programs; improving technology and financial services to our member schools; and recruiting and retaining high caliber staff. Below I will highlight some of our work and accomplishments over the past year.

Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Professional Development: Under the leadership of Dr. Carole Freeman, our Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Professional Development, our schools have continued to focus on literacy and math, as well as expanding the focus to science and foreign language. Carole meets regularly with teachers, administrators and the various district-wide committees to build upon the work of aligning curriculum, instruction and assessments with the Vermont Standards. This year teachers in all of our elementary schools are working on preparing a written curriculum document in all content areas to be available to parents.

Last year, all WCSU schools met the academic goals in reading, writing, and mathematics set for them by the Vermont Department of Education as mandated by the federal *No Child Left Behind* legislation. These goals, called Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), are based upon student performance across our schools on the State assessments. All WCSU schools met AYP, and in most areas, WCSU students performed above the State average on all assessments.

Over the last few years, WCSU has developed a process using each school's Educational Support Team as the structure for individualized planning for the educational needs of those students who exceed the Standards. This year, we are using some funds from our Consolidated Federal Grant to hire a part-time teacher leader to assist Educational Support Teams in developing appropriate plans and assist teachers in changing classroom practice to better meet the needs of those students who have EST plans.

School Climate and Safety: All WCSU schools are committed to providing a safe and supportive school environment in which all students are treated with respect. At the elementary schools, the Responsive Classroom Program is integrated into daily instruction. At all levels, there is a focus on respecting differences, anti-bullying and anti-harassment.

Each of our schools has a school crisis team. They have developed a school emergency and crisis plan and have practiced emergency evacuation drills on a regular basis. Many of our schools have met with Town Select Boards to coordinate emergency plans.

Early Education Programs: Pre-school students in each of the WCSU communities are served through a combination of school-based and supervisory union-based programs. Each school has its own on-site preschool program that is accredited through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). In addition, WCSU provides several comprehensive Early Childhood Education Programs. These programs include a Family, Infant and Toddler Program for children 0 to 2, an Early Education Initiative Program and an Essential Early Education Program for preschoolers with disabilities and at-risk of school failure. In all, WCSU schools and the supervisory union serve approximately 125 early education students.

Each elementary school receives state revenues for its school-based preschool program. Thus, the preschool programs are under the direct supervision and within the budget of the town school district. This allows better alignment of curriculum and staff development, helping our youngest children be better prepared for early success in school. WCSU continues to fund special education and other support services for our preschoolers with special needs across the supervisory union. Our collective efforts in early education are an excellent investment in the future success of our students.

Special Services: Nancy Thomas serves as our Director of Special Services and oversees the continuum of services WCSU provides to meet the needs of the approximately 200 students receiving special education services. Over the past few years we have seen a significant rise in our state placed students, students with autism, and students with intensive needs. Under Nancy's leadership, we closely monitor our special services needs and costs for at-risk students. A supervisory union-wide computerized system is used that allows for the documentation, record keeping and data management to be done more efficiently and effectively. In addition, a staff study group is examining new strategies to collaboratively meet the needs of our increasing number of students with autism.

WCSU continues to strive to accommodate instruction within the classroom by working in collaboration with classroom teachers. Each school has developed an Educational Support System, including Educational Support Teams (EST) and a pyramid of assistance, to ensure each student has the necessary support for academic success.

Fiscal Services: Lori Bibeau, Business Administrator, manages and oversees all WCSU fiscal and business operations. Last year the total funds processed through WCSU, including school budgets, grants, food programs, capital improvement funds and construction projects, totaled \$34,755,203. Lori works closely with central office and school administrators, school directors, and town officials to develop and monitor school and central office budgets, grant funds, and special projects. Further, she aggressively seeks out revenue sources and investment opportunities.

Over the past several years, all of our schools have been looking more closely at their per pupil costs. This year the per pupil costs (combined elementary and high school) for our five towns range from \$10,698 to \$11,384. The state per equalized pupil average from 2006-07 budgets is \$10,464.

In an effort to reduce school spending and contain local taxes while still maintaining programs, WCSU participates in joint bidding and purchasing for fuel, supplies, transportation and technology, which has resulted in a significant cost savings.

Technology: I am pleased to announce that Jeff Arey was hired in June as our new WCSU Director of Technology. Jeff comes to WCSU from NECI where he served for 8 years as their IT Administrator. Jeff's experience and expertise are helping us improve the educational use of technology and increase operational efficiencies. Currently Jeff is reviewing our entire system and specifically working to improve the speed of our network connections.

Technology leadership and vision are critical to successful integration of technology in a school system. WCSU has had an ongoing district-wide technology committee. This year, WCSU was selected to participate in a professional development grant, called VT Lead IT, to help us develop a comprehensive 3-year technology plan for each of our schools and the central office.

All WCSU schools and the central office are linked through a wide-area network (WAN). This network allows all our schools to share and track student and personnel information. Technology also provides enhanced communication with our constituents. A WCSU web site (www.wcsuonline.org) provides district-wide information and links to each of our school web sites.

Improving Collaboration Among WCSU Schools: Last year WCSU received a grant from the Vermont Department of Education to help us study and identify ways to enhance collaboration among our six school districts. The purpose of this work was to help us provide better and more cost-efficient experiences for students PreK-12. WCSU has been moving in this direction over the past several years and has been successful in establishing the following: a unified teacher contract, a unified "Blue Ribbon System" for teacher and para-educator evaluations, a WCSU Professional Development Council, a coordinated system for mentoring new teachers, a unified bus contract, and joint bidding on selected supplies—oil and paper to name a few.

As we look to the future, with declining enrollments, changing demographics, and rising costs, as well as increased expectations, we need to continue to look for creative ways to collaborate among WCSU schools. The results of an outside audit conducted last year related to this study indicate the need to clarify roles and responsibilities as one means to working more efficiently across all schools. We are currently engaged in this work.

Central Office Facilities: In an effort to reduce costs, WCSU has continued to explore several options for relocating the central office administrative and fiscal staff. These options include: renovating or constructing a building on the U-32 campus, purchasing a facility, seeking out other potential lease properties and joining with a neighboring district. Thus far none of these options have materialized or met final approval. The WCSU Board of Directors has established a reserve fund for a building project in anticipation of applying these funds towards a central office facility in the near future. I anticipate a building project committee will be reconvening soon. If any community members are interested in participating in this committee, please let me know as we welcome community involvement. In the meantime, WCSU continues to lease space across from the airport in Berlin, houses the preschool staff at Rumney and Berlin, and the technology staff at U-32.

Recruiting and Retaining High Quality Staff: Recruiting and retaining high quality staff continues to be a top priority. WCSU currently employs 196 teachers, 18 administrators, and 151 support staff, totaling 365 employees. Like school systems across Vermont and the nation, WCSU has many veteran staff members and administrators who are retiring. Last year WCSU said goodbye to two veteran administrators, Dot Blake, Principal of U-32, and Lowell VanDerlip, Principal of Berlin Elementary School, as well as other long-term employees. We welcomed Keith Gerritt, as Principal of U-32, Charles Watson, as Principal of Berlin Elementary and Adam Rosen, as Principal of Rumney Memorial School. In addition, we welcomed approximately 38 new staff members. To assist new staff, we have a mentor program for teachers in their first three years of teaching. Credit for the many accomplishments of our supervisory union goes to the efforts and commitment of our outstanding professional and support staff, as well as to our Administrative Leadership Team.

Parent and Community Involvement: Parent and community involvement is vital to quality schools and school improvement. WCSU is fortunate to have so many parents, community and board members involved in our schools and the education of our students. It takes our combined efforts to meet the diverse and growing needs of all our students and provide them with the educational opportunities to become life-long learners and caring and responsible citizens. Thank you to all the parents and community members supporting our schools and children.

— ROBBE BROOK, *Superintendent of Schools*

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.

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, 2006, the Washington Central Supervisory Union operated on approved general fund and special education budgets totaling \$1,171,290. The supervisory union ended fiscal year 2006 with a \$391,691 reserved fund balance. This fund balance is reserved as follows: \$69,825 operations, \$50,000 special education, \$48,783 capital and technology, \$223,083 building project fund.

For fiscal year 2007, the supervisory union budgets total \$1,206,320 and it is anticipated that the year will end in balance.

For fiscal year 2008, it is anticipated that the supervisory union general fund and special education budgets will total \$1,242,389.

— ROBBE BROOK, *Superintendent of Schools*



Painting by Christine



Painting by Halen

**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**

June 30, 2006

All Fund Types

	Governmental Funds		Proprietary Funds	
ASSETS	General	Special Revenue	Enterprise	Total Funds
Current Assets				
Cash	\$ 997,666	0	0	\$ 997,666
Accounts receivable - State	14,188	66,794	0	80,982
Accounts receivable - Federal	0	11,407	0	11,407
Accounts receivable - Other LEAs	0	0	0	0
Accounts receivable - Employees	2,553	0	0	2,553
Accounts receivable - Other	43,810	300	0	44,110
Due from other funds	30,533	534,961	79,668	645,162
Prepaid expenses	12,857	0	0	12,857
Total Assets	\$1,101,607	\$613,462	\$79,668	\$1,794,737
LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable - Other LEAs	10,499	0	0	10,499
Accounts payable - Other	32,388	55,185	0	87,573
Accrued expenses	2,375	10,313	0	12,688
Due to other funds	614,629	30,533	0	645,162
Deferred revenue	50,025	517,431	0	567,456
Total Liabilities	\$709,916	\$613,462	\$ 0	\$1,323,378
Fund Equity				
Fund Balance: Reserved	273,083	0	0	273,083
Fund Balance: Unreserved	118,608	0	0	118,608
Retained Earnings	0	0	79,668	79,668
Total Fund Equity	\$391,691	0	\$79,668	\$471,359
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$1,101,607	\$613,462	\$79,668	\$1,794,737

**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
BUDGET SUMMARY: FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008**

Anticipated Revenues:	Budget 2007	Budget 2008	Increase (Decrease)
Assessments	\$ 865,820	\$ 893,177	\$ 27,357
Earnings on Investments.....	11,500	20,212	8,712
State Placed Reimbursements	329,000	329,000	0
Early Education Program	0	0	0
Total Anticipated Revenues	1,206,320	1,242,389	36,069
Fund Balance Usage	0	0	0
Total Source of Funds	\$1,206,320	\$1,242,389	\$ 36,069
Expenditures:			
Instructional Svcs – State Placed Students	\$ 329,000	\$ 329,000	\$ 0
Early Education Program	41,440	29,324	(12,116)
Special Area Admin. Services	156,311	163,034	6,723
Instruction Develop. Services.....	98,144	109,363	11,219
Technology	54,706	60,245	5,539
Superintendent's Office & Admin. Costs	251,865	263,418	11,553
Fiscal Services	230,626	242,124	11,498
Operation & Maintenance of Bldg.....	44,228	45,881	1,653
Total Expenditures	\$1,206,320	\$1,242,389	\$ 36,069
Total Use of Funds	\$1,206,320	\$1,242,389	\$36,069

Washington Central Supervisory Union Budget Summary Fiscal Year 2007-2008

BUDGET 2007-2008 School	As of 12/20		Administrative Assessment	Curriculum Assessment	Technology Assessment	(See Note #1)		(See Note #2)		Total Assessment	Local Revenues	Net Assessments
	ADM	ADM %				Fiscal Services Assessment	Special Svcs Assessment	Early Educ. Assessment				
Berlin	207	12.9%	\$38,688	\$14,076	\$7,754	\$30,192	\$20,984	\$8,424	\$120,118	(\$19,336)	\$100,782	
Calais	118	7.4%	\$22,098	\$8,040	\$4,429	\$17,246	\$11,986	\$5,753	\$69,552	(\$11,986)	\$57,566	
East Montpelier	211	13.1%	\$39,431	\$14,346	\$7,903	\$30,772	\$21,387	\$6,585	\$120,424	(\$17,706)	\$102,718	
Middlesex	139	8.7%	\$26,050	\$9,478	\$5,221	\$16,374	\$14,129	\$5,311	\$76,563	(\$12,658)	\$63,905	
Worcester	73	4.5%	\$13,541	\$4,927	\$2,714	\$10,568	\$7,344	\$3,251	\$42,345	(\$7,070)	\$35,275	
Union 32	861	53.5%	\$160,779	\$58,496	\$32,224	\$125,472	\$87,204	\$0	\$464,175	(\$45,346)	\$418,829	
Total	1,610	100.0%	\$300,587	\$109,363	\$60,245	\$230,624	\$163,034	\$29,324	\$893,177	(\$114,102)	\$779,075	
BUDGET 2006-2007 School	ADM	ADM %	Administrative Assessment	Curriculum Assessment	Technology Assessment	Fiscal Services Assessment	Special Svcs Assessment	Early Educ. Assessment	Total Assessment			
Berlin	218	13.2%	\$39,187	\$12,989	\$7,240	\$29,466	\$20,687	\$9,606	\$119,175			
Calais	116	7.0%	\$20,854	\$6,912	\$3,853	\$15,680	\$11,009	\$8,890	\$67,198			
East Montpelier	217	13.1%	\$38,910	\$12,897	\$7,189	\$29,258	\$20,541	\$10,079	\$118,874			
Middlesex	141	8.6%	\$25,368	\$8,409	\$4,687	\$15,558	\$13,392	\$7,735	\$75,149			
Worcester	77	4.7%	\$13,841	\$4,588	\$2,557	\$10,408	\$7,307	\$5,130	\$43,831			
Union 32	879	53.3%	\$157,933	\$52,349	\$29,180	\$118,756	\$83,375	\$0	\$441,593			
Total	1,648	100.0%	\$296,093	\$98,144	\$54,706	\$219,126	\$156,311	\$41,440	\$865,820			

NOTES:

- 1) Allocation of Fiscal Services is based on purchased services.
- 2) Special Svcs & Early Educ. Programs generate revenues which offset these costs. The revenues are in the respective school's budget.

School Summary	Assessment Incr(Decr)
Berlin	\$943
Calais	\$2,354
East Montpelier	\$1,550
Middlesex	\$1,414
Worcester	(\$1,486)
Union 32	\$22,582
Total	\$27,357

WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
SALARY & BENEFIT PROJECTION
As of September 25, 2006

	WCSU Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits	Benefits include
Arey, Jeffrey	69,180	87,847	cost of: Retirement, Health Insurance, Section 125 Plan, Social Security/Medicare, Dental Insurance, Disability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance and Unemployment Insurance. * <i>This information is not comparable from year to year as several positions listed here are paid by grants and other funding sources. These funding sources vary in amount on an annual basis.</i> —WCSU
Bibeau, Lori	83,702	108,249	
Blondin, Patricia	41,447	57,836	
Breer, Virginia	36,561	52,763	
Brook, Roberta	102,351	115,931	
Carr, Ann	35,747	46,546	
Chevalier, Candy	41,259	48,654	
Cykon, Cynthia	32,705	50,086	
Dudley, John	1,440	1,564	
Freeman, Carole	76,073	88,016	
Green, Hilary	37,807	46,533	
Hull, Joanne	6,000	6,471	
Laquerre, Rosalie	35,976	54,916	
Marineau, Craig	42,888	50,432	
McDermet, Doug	27,507	37,886	
Mier, Louise	53,256	63,080	
Mishaan, Jessica	32,096	42,461	
Ormsby, Mary	37,251	52,260	
Powers, Bess	38,399	54,822	
Thomas, Nancy	80,357	91,259	
Wilson, Susan	17,278	26,676	
TOTALS *	\$ 929,280	\$1,184,288	
<i>Prior Year projected</i>	<i>\$ 843,134</i>	<i>\$1,058,099</i>	

**ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF BERLIN, CALAIS,
EAST MONTPELIER, MIDDLESEX AND WORCESTER**

Washington Central Supervisory Union (WCSU) offers Special Education services to eligible children age birth through twenty-one. Eligible students with disabilities are entitled to receive a free, appropriate, public education. WCSU may be unaware of all resident children and youths with a disability. If you know of a child who has a disability and is not in school or otherwise being educated at public expense, please notify us by contacting your local school principal or by calling or writing: Nancy Thomas, Director of Special Services, WCSU, 22 East View Lane, Barre, VT 05641, 802-229-0553 ext. 303.

EDUCATION SPENDING PER EQUALIZED PUPIL THREE PRIOR YEARS COMPARISONS

December 6, 2006 Estimates — Format as provided by DOE

District: East Montpelier		LEA: T065		County: Washington		S.U.: Washington Central	
Expenditures		FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008		
1.	Budget (local budget, excluding special programs reported in line 3, full tech expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$4,707,139	\$5,272,594	\$5,441,635	\$5,708,160	1.	
2.	Special revenue program expenditures (Federal dollars, restricted grants, etc. - included in FY05-FY08 budgets)					2.	
3.	Locally adopted or warned budget (including federal dollars)	\$4,707,139	\$5,272,594	\$5,441,635	\$5,708,160	3.	
4.	1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting					4.	
5.	2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting					5.	
6.	3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting					6.	
7.						7.	
8.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$4,707,139	\$5,272,594	\$5,441,635	\$5,708,160	8.	
9.	U32 High School UHSD #32					9.	
10.	No union elementary or junior high school assessment					10.	
11.	Prior year deficit reduction if not included in budgets					11.	
12.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$4,707,139	\$5,272,594	\$5,441,635	\$5,708,160	12.	
13.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data					13.	
14.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in local budget) - informational data					14.	
Revenues							
15.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 (tax revenues))	\$461,085	\$601,669	\$363,398	\$370,461	15.	
16.	Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60					16.	
17.	Special program revenues for federal programs (if not included in FY05 budget; included in FY06-FY08 budgets)					17.	
18.	Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues					18.	
19.						19.	
20.	Total local revenues	\$461,085	\$601,669	\$363,398	\$370,461	20.	
21.	Education Spending (Act 68 definition)	\$4,246,054	\$4,670,925	\$5,078,237	\$5,337,699	21.	
22.	Equalized Pupils	430.46	449.40	454.92	462.83	22.	
23.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$9,864	\$10,394	\$11,163	\$11,533	23.	
23a.	Less eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	759.52	804.29	787.48	789	23a.	
24.	Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)					24.	
25.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$9,864	\$10,394	\$11,163	\$11,533	25.	
26.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$11,533 / \$7,736)	145.059%	149.013%	152.291%	149.082%	26.	
27.	Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized (149.082% x \$0.90)	\$1,523	\$1,520	\$1,447	\$1,342	27.	
28.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	87.67%	77.38%	88.81%	90.88%	28.	
29.	Estimated homestead tax rate, actual (\$1,342 / 60.89%)	\$1,737	\$1,964	\$2,100	\$2,204	29.	
30.	Household Income Percentage for income sensitivity (149.08% x 1.80%)	2.76%	2.76%	2.74%	2.88%	30.	

The projected base education spending amount of \$7,736 is subject to Legislative approval. To technically comply with current law, the Commissioner of Taxes recommended a 5 cent reduction in the base education homestead tax rate. The income percentage cap is therefore 1.80%. Final figures are subject to Legislative

U-32 BUDGET SUMMARY: REVENUES

Description	Actual 2005-2006	Budget 2006-2007	Projected 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
REVENUES				
Tuition	\$ 100,043	\$ 121,630	\$ 183,420	\$ 161,820
Investment Income	164,749	20,000	118,261	73,261
Assessments	3,140,577	2,941,644	2,941,644	3,021,029
Educ Spending Rev *via Towns ..	6,580,494	6,935,353	6,935,353	7,319,339
Miscellaneous Income	136,836	236,964	223,087	224,195
Gen'l State Support Grant-prior yr	(\$3,899)	0	0	0
Transfer from Construction Fund..	81,049	54,759	54,759	27,738
SPED Mainstream Block Grant	0	259,334	259,334	273,040
Special Education Income	1,020,684	802,970	784,859	816,290
Subtotal Revenues	\$11,220,533	\$11,372,654	\$11,500,717	\$11,916,712
Fund Balance	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$11,220,533	\$11,372,654	\$11,500,717	\$11,916,712

U-32 BUDGET SUMMARY: EXPENSES

Description	Actual 2005-2006	Budget 2006-2007	Projected 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
EXPENSES				
Business Educ.	\$ 131,871	\$138,857	\$138,278	\$145,494
Driver Educ.	92,690	87,528	85,531	89,415
English	693,102	666,098	707,771	745,234
Acting, Dance, Visual Arts	251,414	264,175	252,009	265,165
Foreign Language	261,547	250,130	252,329	276,753
Technology Ed.	116,292	116,288	118,486	124,369
Living Arts	99,239	102,542	114,210	115,650
Music	194,018	204,406	208,320	216,999
Physical Ed.	292,611	308,424	303,021	316,645
Mathematics	618,750	646,007	614,610	647,996
Science	680,056	707,355	755,266	805,936
Social Studies	480,340	468,360	487,582	520,171
Instructional – Schoolwide.....	290,708	386,244	376,026	328,783
Other Instruction – 504	560	2,500	2,500	2,500
Middle School Programs	28,978	32,600	32,600	31,165
Co-Curricular Activities	533,655	557,193	552,866	558,614
Guidance Services	384,554	403,921	405,790	429,477
Health Services.....	91,803	98,975	98,768	103,864
Curriculum Services	53,055	52,349	52,349	58,496
Media Services	93,007	94,466	94,043	95,552

EXPENSES (cont.)	Actual 2004-2005	Budget 2005-2006	Projected 2005-2006	Budget 2006-2007
School Library Services	213,100	222,728	223,696	233,728
Technology Services.....	252,399	226,663	239,257	261,634
Board of Education	66,652	41,041	41,041	52,444
Office of Superintendent	146,781	157,933	157,933	160,779
Office of Principal	803,029	787,802	792,694	837,943
Fiscal Services	109,378	118,756	118,756	125,472
Auditing Services	3,700	3,700	3,700	4,100
Operation and Maintenance	985,377	1,009,587	1,009,853	1,030,905
Student Transportation Svcs.....	399,647	394,265	383,265	373,065
Transfers to Other Funds.....	1,095,957	1,033,497	1,033,497	1,036,360
Special Education	1,751,122	1,788,263	1,837,441	1,922,004
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$11,215,392	\$11,372,654	\$11,493,488	\$11,916,712

U32 Cost per Equalized Pupils

Historical Trends	Budget FY05	Budget FY06	Budget FY07	Budget FY08
Local Ed. Spending - Per State Formula	\$9,016,259	\$9,537,343	\$9,876,997	\$10,340,368
U32 Equalized Pupils: Av. Daily Membership	922.04	943.44	946.16	946.14
Local Ed. Spending Per Equalized Pupil	\$9,779	\$10,109	\$10,439	\$10,929
% Increase In Spending Per Equalized Pupil	3.38%	3.26%	4.69%	



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U-32 SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projection as of Oct. 3, 2006

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

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Antonucci, John	24,273	31,817	DeCicco, Sally	21,027	29,709
Ball, Kathleen	53,911	62,424	Decker, Anne	44,572	51,949
Barrows, Stephen	47,168	55,140	Dentith, Susan	55,773	66,269
Bartlett, Derek	24,806	34,068	Desch, Marguerite	52,050	62,197
Barton, Cindy	11,518	11,734	Destakasi, Bonnie	45,845	63,224
Bazis, David	38,399	51,881	Disenhaus, Nancy	22,309	24,284
Beebe, Larry	54,532	72,725	Ditmeyer, Christine	10,410	11,331
Bennett, Erik	34,386	41,160	Dolan, Paula	44,604	61,867
Bickford, Judy	55,773	64,551	Durgin, H. Herbert Jr.	24,680	33,923
Biggs, Betty	14,659	21,618	Eaton, Margaret	59,113	74,535
Blackburn, Christopher	43,363	60,510	Emery, Paula	25,273	32,911
Boomhower, Dan	54,532	64,912	Fair, Patricia	25,328	34,480
Boulanger, Chantal	24,680	33,677	Ferguson, Kristie	33,659	42,262
Brown, Ronald Jr	47,086	55,050	Ferris, Sheryl	23,543	30,709
Bruno, Barbarann	19,059	27,438	Fitch, Lesley	37,939	57,328
Budliger, Kurt	21,681	24,203	Flynn, Timothy	68,250	87,729
Burbach, Lisa	17,609	22,811	Fowler, Cathy	24,680	33,923
Byrd, Melanie	17,263	22,433	French, Adam	38,399	47,267
Cahill, Roy	29,441	44,203	Gaffney, Sandra	20,229	28,788
Cahill, Theresa	16,642	19,690	Gandin, Dan	47,086	64,582
Cameron, Nathalie	14,659	22,362	Gandin, Tracy	44,604	49,274
Carey, Bodo	48,327	65,939	Garand, Laura	17,955	24,266
Caron, James	39,640	56,232	Garand, Travis	14,659	20,464
Cate, Thomas	47,086	64,582	Garcia, Joan	21,626	35,186
Cate, Weston III	22,441	31,340	Garrity, Leigh	50,809	68,654
Chaloux, Sandra	39,640	46,907	Gerritt, Keith	88,000	108,914
Chaplin, Mark	60,792	79,572	Giroux, Ann	33,829	39,848
Chase, Betty	15,566	23,408	Gora, Peter	20,229	28,788
Cioffi, Barbara	42,122	55,952	Gordon, Maria	33,435	40,120
Clark, Bonnie	24,031	41,282	Grace, Caroline	40,881	48,264
Colangeli, Steven	37,158	53,496	Grantz, Christopher	38,399	47,267
Cook, Vicki	17,185	23,378	Greenberg, Joanne	32,719	39,052
Cooke, Ellen	50,872	68,723	Greene, Daniel	56,247	74,601
Crossett, Paula	42,122	59,153	Hall, Diane	30,443	45,359
Cueto, Linda	17,263	23,469	Hannigan, David	34,118	52,920
Dailey, Cynthia	33,951	44,619	Hayes-Colangeli,		
Dalmasse, Denise	58,338	67,356	Corinne	43,363	47,917
David, Beatrice	44,857	58,908	Heintz, Benjamin	42,122	59,153
Dean, Fletcher	18,314	31,366	Hilferty, John	37,158	53,723

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Hill, MaryEllen	23,376	32,419	Perry, Brittany	39,399	51,880
Horowitz, Michael	38,399	45,549	Petrella, Albert	39,712	50,371
Hoermann, Tammy	21,782	38,142	Phillips, Charles	21,466	28,317
Houston, Glenn	45,171	54,674	Pichette, Mark	43,231	52,551
Hungerford, Richard	41,962	53,682	Pollock, Pamela	17,263	22,433
Hurley, Kevin	25,414	39,425	Poplawski, Virginia	19,445	27,883
Jenkins, Jamie	38,398	54,537	Post, Deborah	20,628	27,207
Keys, Margaret	39,640	48,624	Randall, Nanci	21,466	30,215
Kiefer, Julie	45,845	60,024	Reardon, Michael	47,086	55,050
Keck, Eric	48,327	65,939	Riby-Williams,		
Kipnes, Jessica	32,448	42,934	Emmanuel	17,609	33,873
Klima, Judith	43,363	60,510	Saxe, Kenneth	50,809	56,060
Kobb, Jessica	17,263	25,366	Segar, James	55,773	61,490
Kohn-Saxe, Barbara	45,845	63,224	Segar, Kathleen	21,041	34,511
Kopecky, Barry	26,646	29,897	Simmons, Mary Ellen	46,944	56,187
Korecki-Moll, Barbara	42,122	55,952	Slopey, Brian	55,773	70,883
Ksepka, Michelle	17,609	33,873	Smetana, Jessica	39,640	48,624
Lamberti, Sheryl	18,519	33,811	Smith, Emily	33,698	41,078
Law, Michael	54,532	69,383	Snell, Elizabeth	37,305	47,819
Levine, Judd	47,086	55,050	Spannbauer, Christy	18,234	34,593
Lunn, Jeneane	40,881	57,568	Stevens, Debra	17,263	23,469
MacKenzie, Todd	42,122	51,339	St. Peter, Hollis	39,640	56,232
MacMartin, Roxana	21,466	34,513	Tolassi, Jane	55,773	70,883
Magoon, Heather	21,110	37,912	Trombly-Holcomb,		
Malloy, Janilyn	59,236	68,339	Arlene	30,443	45,359
Mayette, Sue Anne	54,532	72,725	Vandal, Norman	47,086	64,582
McAndrew, Shane	30,773	38,926	VanDeren, Lauren	31,738	42,066
McCann, Katherine	45,845	63,224	Verchereau-Staab,		
McCord, Denise	52,050	60,479	Suzanne	24,064	31,315
McKone, Thomas	70,000	89,643	Violette, Daniel	47,086	61,382
McLean, Emily	33,698	39,704	Volinsky, Sarah	42,122	51,339
McNaulty, William	25,160	32,579	Walker, Katherine	28,252	32,546
Mercer, Nancy	55,773	70,883	Wheelock, Ann	33,011	48,322
Mitchell, Spencer	42,387	54,351	Wiese, Kathy	55,774	74,083
Molina, Amanda	61,425	72,543	Williams, Christopher	43,363	50,978
Mooney, Mark	70,000	89,643	Wilmott, Margaret	53,291	61,837
Newcomb, Sharon	54,532	72,726	Wilson, Catherine	67,665	79,276
Nicholson, David	45,778	63,151	Wilson, Lori	5,164	5,621
Olson, George	27,887	35,314	Witherspoon, Tracey	43,363	60,510
Palmer, Victoria	43,820	61,009	Woodfield, Eleanor	37,669	51,673
Papineau, Amy	19,046	24,382			
Parrott, Diane	29,566	39,560	TOTALS	\$ 5,837,195	7,615,161
Parry, Arthur	31,571	39,659			
Peck, Douglas	8,895	9,728	inc(dec) from 2005	\$431,535	\$602,181
Pelletier, Kathleen	56,096	66,622		+8.0%	+8.6%

U-32 Assessment Calculation

Budget 2007-2008

Average Daily Membership(ADM)-not including tuition students.

As of 1/17/07

Town Meeting

	2 Year ADM	%	Assessment	Assessment	TOTAL
Town:	Weighted	Of Total	FY 06-07	FY 07-08	Assessment
	Average	Assessment			Increase (Decrease)
Berlin	270	28.5%	\$849,512	\$861,217	\$11,705
Calais	143	15.1%	\$469,464	\$457,462	(\$12,002)
East Montpelier	279	29.5%	\$839,004	\$890,401	\$51,397
Middlesex	158	16.7%	\$492,005	\$504,143	\$12,138
Worcester	96	10.2%	\$291,659	\$307,806	\$16,147
Totals	946	100.0%	\$2,941,644	\$3,021,029	\$79,385

Washington Central Supervisory Union
Budget Information As of January 17, 2007

Using Proposed Budget Information WITHOUT Special Articles.

Town Meeting Proposed Budgets

Explanation of Tax Rate Changes From Budget 07 to Budget 08

Part #1 Impact of Common Level of Appraisal on Tax Rates

	Budget 06 December 2006 Common Level Of Appraisal	Budget 07 December 2005 Common Level Of Appraisal	Change	Local Homestead Addl Tax \$100K	Local Homestead Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	66.21%	71.63%	-5.42%	\$154	\$0.154	\$0.158	\$158
Calais*	59.99%	66.00%	-6.01%	\$210	\$0.210	\$0.211	\$211
East Montpelier	60.89%	68.91%	-8.02%	\$259	\$0.259	\$0.266	\$266
Middlesex	87.87%	96.13%	-8.26%	\$136	\$0.136	\$0.136	\$136
Worcester*	80.66%	90.00%	-9.34%	\$177	\$0.177	\$0.179	\$179

*Reappraisal in process.

Part #2 Impact of State-wide Tax Rate Reductions From \$.95 to \$.90 and \$1.44 to \$1.39

	Local Homestead Addl Tax \$100K	Local Homestead Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	(\$105)	(\$0.105)	(\$0.069)	(\$69)
Calais	(\$116)	(\$0.116)	(\$0.076)	(\$76)
East Montpelier	(\$109)	(\$0.109)	(\$0.073)	(\$73)
Middlesex	(\$80)	(\$0.080)	(\$0.052)	(\$52)
Worcester	(\$85)	(\$0.085)	(\$0.056)	(\$56)

Part #3 Impact of both Elementary & U32 Proposed FY 08 Budgets with Equalized Pupil Changes

	Local Homestead Addl Tax \$100K	Local Homestead Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	\$41	\$0.041	\$0.000	\$0
Calais	(\$23)	(\$0.023)	\$0.000	\$0
East Montpelier	(\$46)	(\$0.046)	\$0.000	\$0
Middlesex	(\$12)	(\$0.012)	\$0.000	\$0
Worcester	(\$7)	(\$0.007)	\$0.000	\$0

Total Combined Impact on Tax Rates-Equals Part 1 + Part 2 + Part 3

	Local Homestead Addl Tax \$100K	Local Homestead Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Tax Rate Impact	Local Nonresident Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	\$90	\$0.090	\$0.089	\$89
Calais	\$71	\$0.071	\$0.135	\$135
East Montpelier	\$104	\$0.104	\$0.193	\$193
Middlesex	\$44	\$0.044	\$0.084	\$84
Worcester	\$85	\$0.085	\$0.123	\$123

**Town of East Montpelier
Estimated Tax Calculations
As of January 17, 2007**

NOTE: Assumes East Montpelier Elementary and U32 Proposed Budgets.

With .5Teacher

\$0.90 \$1.39

Education Spending Per Eq Pupil	Base Ed Spending	District Spending Amt Adjustment	Percentage of Equalized Pupils	Equalized Homestead Tax Rate	Actual Homestead Tax Rate	Equalized Nonresid Tax Rate	Actual Nonresid Tax Rate
\$11,533.00	\$7,736	149.08%	462.83	\$1.342	\$2.204	\$1.390	\$2.283
\$11,163.00	\$7,330	152.29%	454.92	\$1.447	\$2.100	\$1.390	\$2.090
3.31%	5.54%		1.74%				

Town

**Projected Budget 0708
Budget 0607**

**Common Level
Of Appraisal**

FY99-00	100.93%	\$1.650	Tax Rate	\$1.650
FY 00-01	99.99%	\$1.820		\$1.820
FY 01-02	100.35%	\$1.910		\$1.910
FY02-03	98.69%	\$1.960		\$1.960
FY03-04	92.27%	\$2.060		\$2.060
FY04-05	87.67%	\$1.737		\$1.757
FY05-06	77.38%	\$1.964		\$1.951
FY06-07	68.91%	\$2.100		\$2.090
FY07-08	60.89%	\$2.204		\$2.283

As of January 17, 2007

**Local Tax Impact-Increase(Decrease)
Impact on a \$100,000 property**

\$0.104	\$0.193
\$104	

Projected Budget 0708

Penalty Amount Per State	\$12,594
Amount Per Town	\$10,744

REPORT OF THE EMES SCHOOL BOARD

Please stop by the school, pick up a visitor's pass, and walk the halls. When I do this, I'm thankful to the students for their eagerness and creativity and to the staff that guides them.

It is testament to our commitment to a healthy school community. Our focus on "Health and Wellness" is strong. We have an outstanding physical education teacher, Steve Towne, whose inspired teaching and coaching is helping keep our kids healthy and happy.

Our food service and quality has taken another step forward with the hiring of Reid Asaro, a professionally trained chef who'd been looking for a lifestyle change. The food program has evolved from one of needing annual bailouts to one creating a surplus. EMES now serves upward of 130 meals a day versus 80 a few years back. We had some 280 parents, family members, and neighbors turn out for our second annual community Thanksgiving Lunch—we hope to see you next year. Everyone is invited!

Music and art have grown through efforts toward whole-school integration: a teaching method that combines the arts (or any subject) with literacy, math, and science in a project format. The results are exceptionally well-researched and presented themed open-school shows or exhibits put on by the pupils and their teachers.

The school achieved academic test successes where state wide tests were applied. In reading and math, grades 3–6 were consistently more than 10% above state averages. 62% of 2nd graders achieved honors in state reading assessments.

Last year, the town heard news of deficit spending, staff cuts, and a history of increasing demands on the fund balance. This year, we come to you with a budget that increases at a responsible 1.37%, a rate lower than that of the cost of living. We come to you with a fund balance (also known as a contingency fund) that has not been depleted to pay for unexpected or rising costs. I am proud and pleased to report that the net result of the proposed school budget will be a \$.046 decrease in the tax rate (–\$46/\$100,000 of home value), **NOT INCLUDING CLA ADJUSTMENTS** as described below.

The difficult news for the town is that East Montpelier has yet to update its Grand List Appraisals. Real estate in our town has not been reappraised to be in compliance with the state requests. The state makes sure every town is paying its fair share into the education pool relative to its neighbors, *based on real estate value*. The process of evaluating real versus appraised real estate values on a statewide basis is called the **Common Level of Appraisal**, or **CLA**. Towns in line with statewide values hover around the 100% mark (96% to 103% to be specific), i.e., if a house is appraised at \$140,000 and it sells for around \$140,000 then a town is at 100% CLA, there is no tax impact because there is no discrepancy between real value and appraised value.

When a town falls below 80%, an alarmlike reaction is triggered at the state level. Consider this: East Montpelier currently sits at 60.89%, i.e., your house

may be appraised at \$140,000 but on average it's likely to sell for upward of \$230,000.

Because our grand list assessments have not been reworked, it is predicted that the state CLA will be enormous. It will continue to be large until the real estate market of East Montpelier crashes 30% to 40%, which is unlikely, or the town reassesses property values.

As a school board member and a parent of school-age children, I find the situation exceptionally frustrating. If real estate values were in line, the school portion of your tax bill would show a decreased tax rate of around 0.046. As it is, with the imbalance, your tax bill will show a rise of 0.104. (This number would be 0.15, but the school budget reduced it by 0.046. For detail, see graph below.) As a result of CLA the taxes will rise by \$104 per \$100,000 of home value.

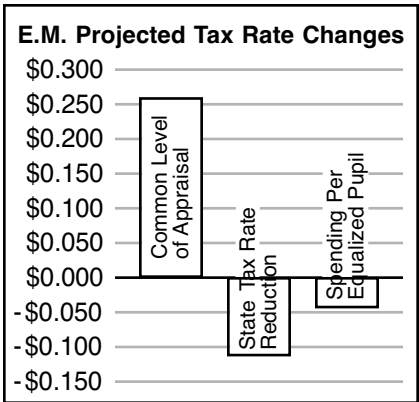
To close, I want to restate how important I believe it is for a community to stand behind its schools. It seems a community can support its schools in three important ways: First, and most obviously, through sending its children to the public schools. Second, through thoughtful, responsible use of taxes. Third, through personal participation, from pruning trees to sharing experiences and expertise in the classroom.

As the school's budgets get tighter and tighter, and they will, I ask the school teachers and administrators to develop ways to integrate the rich human and community resources we have in East Montpelier. Community involvement deepens the children's educational experiences. And to residents, I ask you to come forward with patience and a helping hand where possible. From volunteering to sell popcorn every Tuesday morning to mowing the lawn, your support and participation are an invaluable part of the social, financial, and educational health of our school.

It has been a great honor to serve as the Chair of the School Board for the last two years. As I step aside, I want to thank each and every one of you who supported, questioned, and debated, in big and small ways, the process of school governance.

The numbers in this report are based on the latest information available at time of printing.

— BILL KAPLAN, *Chair*



**Town of East Montpelier
Projected Tax Rate Changes
FY2007-2008**

Common Level of Appraisal	0.259
State Tax Rate Reduction	-0.109
Spending Per Equalized Pupil (school budget impact)	-0.046

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMBINED BALANCE SHEET: ALL FUND TYPES

June 30, 2006

	Governmental			Proprietary	Fiduciary		
		Special	Capital		Expendable		
ASSETS	General	Rev.	Project	Enterprise	Agency	Trust	Total
Current Assets	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
Cash	\$ 42,921	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$11,757	\$ 2,357	\$57,035
Accounts receivable - State	42,244	0	0	0	0	0	42,244
Acc. rec. - Other LEAs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acc. rec. - Employees	97	0	0	0	0	0	97
Accounts receivable - Other	59	0	0	1,836	0	0	1,895
Due from other funds	0	168	7,252	8,658	0	0	16,078
Inventory	0	0	0	815	0	0	815
Total Current Assets	85,321	168	0	11,309	11,757	2,357	118,164
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	11,705	0	0	11,705
Total Assets	\$85,321	\$168	\$7,252	\$23,014	\$11,757	\$2,357	129,869

LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable - Other	23,656	0	0	229	0	0	23,885
Due to other funds	16,078	0	0	0	0	0	16,078
Deferred revenue	0	168	0	984	0	0	1,152
Accrued Expense	516	0	0	0	0	0	516
Amount held for agency funds	0	0	0	0	11,757	0	11,757
Total Liabilities	40,250	168	0	1,213	11,757	0	53,388
Fund Equity							
Fund Balance: Reserved	0	0	7,252	0	0	2,357	9,609
Fund Balance: Unreserved	45,071	0	0	0	0	0	45,071
Retained Earnings: Undesignated	0	0	0	21,801	0	0	21,801
Total Fund Equity	45,071	0	7,252	21,801	0	2,357	76,481
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$85,321	\$168	\$7,252	\$23,014	\$11,757	\$2,357	129,869

EMES PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our school is a place where everyone is valued. Through shared responsibility, we will create a meaningful educational foundation for students to become lifelong learners.

We will provide an environment that fosters creativity where individual growth and uniqueness are encouraged. Our goal is for students to become contributing members of the community and to gain respect for themselves and for others.

The purpose of our school is to teach all children to become competent, caring citizens and lifelong learners, through a challenging and relevant curriculum.

The above statements are the mission and vision statements of EMES. They are statements that we, the EMES staff, believe in and work hard to bring to fruition. EMES has the good fortune of having a very talented and dedicated staff. It has been a real joy and pleasure to watch them work in collaboration with an involved and caring community. To be part of a school that is so community oriented and child centered is wonderful. That our school is so supported by parents and a community that is so school centered, it is truly a pleasure to be part of something so special. Most importantly, it is a great way to educate children and instill in them a lifelong love of learning and community.

Thus far, it has been a great year and it is my pleasure to share with you a few of the highlights. During the holiday season it was gratifying to see the many service projects that took place. The students (reflecting their parents no doubt) displayed a true sense of understanding by reaching out to help others less fortunate than them. Along with everything else we emphasize here at EMES, the cultivation of character and understanding is of great importance.

It is with great pleasure and much anticipation that we welcomed two new staff members to EMES; they are Guidance Counselor, Kristin Dickerson and Chef Reid Asaro. In a very short time both have had a positive and meaningful impact on our students and on our school culture.

Another big change this year is that we welcomed back the EMES Preschool. The Preschool had been housed at the Four Corners School House. As comfortable as that setting was, we are thrilled to once again have them under the same roof as the rest of our students, where we can work more closely together and have the pleasure of watching them grow.

We, the staff of EMES, have as one of our goals this year to look at and collectively improve student writing throughout the building. Towards that end we have been working together as a staff to share writing samples and different methodologies of writing instruction. We recognize the need for common understanding and consistent instructional practices throughout the grade levels. All of us here at EMES understand the importance of working collaboratively, through this belief we see a way to improve instructional practice as well as improve our school culture. Through the writing initiative we are looking forward to staff in-service activities and student workshops from Vermont's own, Natalie Kinsey-

Warnock, author of “The Bear That Heard Crying,” “As Long As There Are Mountains,” “In the Language of Loons,” and “The Canada Geese Quilt.” We are also looking forward to a visit from Vermont Singer/Song Writer Jon Gailmor.

Another school goal this year was to revamp our EST (Educational Support Team) program and make it the best in the State. A group of teachers worked with a representative from the Department of Education this past summer to learn and create an EST process that would have substance, meaning and show results. This team of teachers has worked hard, and has in collaboration, with the rest of the staff, and various parents, seen results. The bottom line is that it is now another effective tool in helping us meet the needs of our students.

We have been putting more emphasis on recess, recognizing its importance that this part of the day has in a student’s school life. We have also been having a series of forums or as I like to call them “Chew and Chats.” This is an opportunity for the community and the school to get together and talk about aspects of our school. This allows us to share hopes and visions, improve communication as well as share the complexities and logistics of virtually everything that takes place at EMES. The goal is mutual understanding so we can move forward together for the best interest of our children.

I have left out more than I have included. I have had the pleasure of seeing first hand the challenging yet stimulating learning taking place in the classrooms; and it is with much excitement that I look forward to what is still to come. Regardless of the event or the time of year it is the children that make our school so wonderful. If you want to see something special, children smiling, learning and growing as scholars and as people I invite you to stop in and spend a little time with us. To see the children enter this building everyday excited to learn and knowing that when they leave they will have learned something(s) they did not previously know is a great way to spend one’s day. Being part of EMES allows you to touch the future. It is with great pleasure and much pride that I get to tell people that I am the Principal of East Montpelier Elementary School.

— MITCHELL GOLUB, (*The proud*) *Principal of EMES*

CURRENT SCHOOL SERVICES:

- **63** students **31%** are eligible for free and reduced meals.
- An average of **46** students have school breakfast daily.
- An average of **131** students have hot lunch daily.
- **23** students receive special education services.
- **9** students have U-32 mentors.
- **24** fourth grade students participate in Beginner Band.
- **27** fifth and sixth grade students are members of the 5/6 chorus.
- **12** fourth grade students are members of the fourth grade chorus.
- **9** students participate in Jazz Band.
- **22** fifth and sixth grade students are in the Advanced Band.

EMES FACTS FOR 2005–2006

- There are **204** students enrolled in E.M. Elementary School as of Dec 31, 2006.
- There are **30** students enrolled in The East Montpelier Preschool as of Dec 31, 2006.
- Student daily attendance was **96%** for the 2005–2006 School Year
- Student daily attendance was **97%** from August 28th–December 31st 2006
- **100%** of our Kindergarten through sixth grade students received health screenings provided by our school nurse. Preschool screenings were done on an as needed basis.
- There were more than **3,200** visits to the school nurse’s office. **57** visits required medical referral in 2005–2006
- **63%** of 1st through 6th grade students participated in the fluoride program 2005–2006
- **23** students had Individual Education plans as of December 2006
- **3** new students were referred for evaluations from September–December 2006
- **12** new students referred from September 2005–September 2006
- **10** students have 504 plans as of December 2006
- **64%**, **130** of EMES students participated in Community Connections after-school programs in the 2005–2006 school year
- **21%** students participated in the 9 weeks of summer programs provided by Community Connections in 2006

EMES ENROLLMENT

as of October 1st

Year	PreK	EEE	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Grand Total	K–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	16	3	21	25	37	29	43	40	35	249	230
2001–02	18	1	21	26	27	37	31	45	43	250	231
2002–03	5	13	26	25	26	30	35	33	47	240	222
2003–04	20	3	27	29	24	26	28	32	36	225	202
2004–05	22	1	33	29	32	25	29	29	35	235	212
2005–06	23	3	30	28	27	31	26	27	29	224	198
2006–07	28	3	26	32	29	29	34	26	28	234	204

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projection as of Oct. 2, 2006

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

	Projected Salaries	Total Salaries and Benefits
INSTRUCTIONAL 1100:		
Barrett, Maria	\$ 55,773	73,878
Berry, Michael	40,881	57,600
Christy, Kathryn	56,773	71,814
Cote, Gladys	15,954	16,136
Dunkling, Pamela	37,669	48,988
Finch, Christine	37,158	45,822
Gannon, Robin.....	55,773	73,878
Gariboldi, Lisa.....	43,363	60,313
Giammusso, Laura.....	40,881	57,600
Holmes-Heiss, Heidemarie.....	26,018	36,383
MacHarg, Jennifer	17,345	24,020
Morrone, Jennifer	18,850	23,272
O'Hare, Jamie	55,773	73,878
Pastore, Carolyn	55,773	70,721
Quackenbush, Gary	42,122	58,956
Shedd, Ellen.....	43,363	60,313
Towne, Stephen	42,122	58,956
Weiss, Benjamin	43,363	52,605
SUBTOTAL TEACHERS.....	728,954	965,133
Hall, Linda.....	12,152	13,319
SUBTOTAL TECHNICAL.....	12,152	13,319
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL	741,106	978,452
GUIDANCE 2120:		
Dickerson, Kristin	31,712	37,516
TOTAL GUIDANCE	31,712	37,516
HEALTH SERVICES 2130:		
Wirth, Elizabeth.....	54,532	72,476
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	54,532	72,476
LIBRARY 2222:		
Knoelder, Ellen.....	48,327	56,382
TOTAL LIBRARY	48,327	56,382
SCHOOL ADMIN. 2410:		
Golub, Mitchell	78,795	98,313

Badger, Jane	23,209	34,799
Royce, Linda	31,920	41,119
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMIN.	133,924	174,231
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OPER. & MAINTENANCE 2540:		
Fletcher, David	28,292	40,355
Storey, Tracy	37,709	55,434
TOTAL OPER. & MAINT.	66,001	95,789
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SPECIAL EDUC. 1210:		
Carter, Anne	55,773	73,878
Mason, Kathleen	27,507	32,216
Taffel, Patricia	50,809	59,072
Wilcox, Joy	22,309	24,306
SUBTOTAL TEACHERS	156,398	189,472
Blodgett, Derrick	15,778	21,981
Deforge, Susan	16,448	18,015
Dittpm, Remee	16,028	17,553
Farnham, Ruth	21,664	33,110
Hall, Linda	8,145	8,940
Humphries, Carol	18,792	20,577
Jaworski, Elizabeth	17,787	19,387
Phillips, Doris	21,664	28,497
Sisson, Carrie	8,056	11,370
Stone, Katherine	18,457	24,991
Taylor, Katie	760	836
SUBTOTAL TECHNICAL	163,579	205,257
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUC	319,977	394,729
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PRE-SCHOOL 1200:		
Parker, Bethany	23,807	33,920
Brown, Kimberly	7,712	8,390
TOTAL PRE-SCHOOL	31,519	42,310
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Subtotal General Fund	1,427,098	1,851,885
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FOOD SERVICES:		
Asarp, Reid	21,740	31,315
TOTAL FOOD SERVICES	21,740	31,315
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TITLE I POSITIONS:		
Mcharg, Jennifer	26,018	36,202
Sisson, Carrie	8,013	10,956
TOTAL TITLE I	34,031	47,158
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TOTAL SALARIES & BENEFITS	<u>\$1,482,869</u>	<u>1,930,358</u>

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BUDGET 2007-2008

DESCRIPTION	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Final w/Spec Article Budget 2007	Projected 2007	TOWN MEETING Budget 2008	Budget 07- Budget 08 Incr/(Decr)	%
REVENUES							
TUITION FROM INDIVIDUALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	24,400	111,486	70,000	133,000	133,000	63,000	90.00%
INTEREST EXP.ON INVESTMENTS	(24,400)	(69,674)	(70,000)	(129,816)	(133,000)	(63,000)	90.00%
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME-Purchase Discount	2,053	2,094	2,053	714	714	(1,339)	-65.22%
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME-ERATE-Technology	3,000	3,737	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
STATE TRANSPORTATION AID REIMBURSEMT	32,072	31,980	32,352	31,403	31,403	(949)	-2.93%
SPED-MAINSTREAM BLOCK GRANT	128,622	128,622	63,966	63,966	63,024	(942)	-1.47%
SPED-INTENSIVE REIMBURSEMENT-Current Yr	131,897	157,816	240,658	224,217	248,625	7,967	3.31%
SPED-INTENSIVE REIMBURSEMENT-Prior Year	0	0	0	1,391	0	0	0.00%
EEE GRANT-PRESCHOOL	17,382	17,382	21,369	21,369	23,695	2,326	10.88%
EDUC. SPENDING REVENUES FROM STATE	2,003,025	2,005,926	2,261,159	2,261,159	2,290,037	28,878	1.28%
SUBTOTAL REVENUES	\$2,318,051	2,389,369	2,624,557	2,610,403	2,660,498	35,941	1.37%
FUND BALANCE USAGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$2,318,051	2,389,369	2,624,557	2,610,403	2,660,498	35,941	1.37%

NOTE: FUND BALANCE SUMMARY

FUND BALANCE AS OF 7/1	Audited \$ 51,182
USE	(6,111)
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE 6/30	\$ 45,071

EXPENSES

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	712,761	711,450	708,150	714,550	767,333	59,183	8.36%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH.	13,045	12,084	13,471	13,352	13,837	366	2.72%
SALARIES-REGULAR-RETIRE	15,794	15,954	15,954	15,954	0	(15,954)	-100.00%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	15,700	21,533	28,000	28,000	22,000	(6,000)	-21.43%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY-ESL	3,000	6,188	4,410	4,410	8,820	4,410	100.00%
HEALTH BENEFITS	145,983	154,652	163,461	164,223	196,732	33,271	20.35%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	54,787	54,505	55,508	55,980	59,493	3,985	7.18%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	648	648	612	612	756	144	23.53%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	7,570	8,247	8,109	8,555	8,818	709	8.74%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	365	384	369	288	629	260	70.46%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	8,000	10,836	8,000	8,000	12,000	4,000	50.00%
DENTAL BENEFITS	6,764	7,153	7,098	7,098	7,725	627	8.83%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	3,657	3,141	3,648	3,680	4,042	394	10.80%
PROFESSL-EDUC SVC-Inserv.Speakers.....	500	256	0	0	0	0	0.00%
PROF EDU SVC-ADMFEF FIELD TRIPS	4,820	2,936	4,820	4,820	4,931	111	2.30%
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES-EST	0	0	0	0	7,000	7,000	N/A
OTHER PROF SERVICES-DATA WAREHOUSE	0	0	0	0	1,600	1,600	N/A
GENERAL SUPPLIES & SOFTWARE	27,650	23,031	27,521	27,521	30,966	3,445	12.52%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	5,462	2,977	5,462	5,462	4,885	(577)	-10.56%
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$1,026,506	1,035,975	1,054,593	1,062,505	1,151,567	96,974	9.20%

INSTRUCTIONAL SVCS-ENRICHMENT

PROFESSIONAL SVCS-ELF	1,600	1,600	1,680	1,680	1,680	0	0.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES-CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES	500	300	750	750	750	0	0.00%
TOTAL INSTRUCT. SVCS-ENRICH.	\$ 2,100	1,900	2,430	2,430	2,430	0	0.00%

DESCRIPTION	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007	Projected 2007	Budget 2008	Budget 07-08 Incr/(Decr)	%
GUIDANCE SERVICES							
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.....	31,822	30,859	31,973	33,990	44,885	12,912	40.38%
HEALTH BENEFITS	9,350	6,374	10,261	0	0	(10,261)	-100.00%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	2,310	2,135	2,307	2,600	3,434	1,127	48.85%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	36	36	36	36	40	4	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	319	364	337	337	451	114	33.83%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	16	17	16	16	33	17	106.25%
DENTAL BENEFITS	324	338	363	363	481	118	32.51%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	165	180	166	166	217	51	30.72%
GENERAL SUPPLIES.....	400	566	405	405	780	375	92.59%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	250	0	250	250	500	250	100.00%
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES	\$ 44,992	40,869	46,114	38,163	50,821	4,707	10.21%
HEALTH SERVICES							
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROF.OTH.....	33,886	51,312	49,240	54,532	56,673	7,433	15.10%
HEALTH BENEFITS	9,350	11,802	11,544	12,593	13,727	2,183	18.91%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	2,468	3,665	3,611	4,002	4,150	539	14.93%
SECTION125 BENEFIT	36	36	36	36	40	4	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	340	387	519	519	612	93	17.92%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	17	18	24	24	45	21	87.50%
DENTAL BENEFITS	324	338	408	408	433	25	6.13%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	176	245	256	284	295	39	15.23%
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES.....	990	808	1,020	1,020	1,120	100	9.80%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	0	0	0	0	145	145	N/A
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 47,587	68,611	66,658	73,418	77,240	10,582	15.88%

CURRICULUM SERVICES						
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-CURRICULUM	13,593	13,593	12,897	12,897	14,346	11.24%
TOTAL CURRICULUM SERVICES	\$ 13,593	13,593	12,897	12,897	14,346	11.24%
SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES						
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.....	48,903	48,994	50,949	51,175	53,572	5.15%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	3,741	3,499	3,898	3,915	4,098	5.13%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	36	36	36	36	40	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	464	528	506	506	545	7.71%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	23	25	24	24	40	66.67%
DENTAL BENEFITS	405	427	454	454	481	5.95%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	240	181	250	250	262	4.80%
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,000	970	500	500	1,500	200.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES.....	1,200	1,161	1,500	1,500	1,900	26.67%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	5,600	5,450	5,600	5,600	5,600	0.00%
AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS	1,000	941	500	500	500	0.00%
COMPUTER SOFTWARE	250	0	250	250	250	0.00%
TOTAL SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES	\$ 62,862	62,212	64,467	64,710	68,788	6.70%
TECHNOLOGY SERVICES						
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH & SUMMER	11,203	12,168	14,344	14,344	16,085	12.14%
HEALTH BENEFITS.....	3,406	0	0	0	0	0.00%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	857	771	1,097	1,097	1,230	12.12%
RETIREMENT BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	900	N/A
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	13	13	13	13	14	7.69%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	123	123	169	169	169	0.00%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	24	24	29	29	32	10.34%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	100	0	100	100	100	0.00%

DESCRIPTION

DESCRIPTION	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007	Projected 2007	Budget 2008	Budget 07-08 Incr/(Decr)	%
DENTAL BENEFITS	113	124	158	158	168	10	6.33%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	60	60	77	77	80	3	3.90%
SUPERV UNION SERVICES	7,178	7,178	7,189	7,189	7,903	714	9.93%
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	4,060	2,348	4,060	4,060	3,300	(760)	-18.72%
COMMUNICATIONS-TELEPHONE	9,970	9,060	9,970	9,970	9,970	0	0.00%
TRAVEL	50	0	50	50	50	0	0.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	3,500	3,797	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
COMPUTER SOFTWARE	2,500	49	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT - REPLACEMENT	3,000	2,745	2,240	2,240	3,800	1,560	69.64%
EQUIPMENT -TELEPHONE	0	2,736	0	0	0	0	N/A
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$ 46,157	41,196	45,496	45,496	49,801	4,305	9.46%

BOARD OF EDUCATION SVCS.

SALARIES-TEMPORARY-CLERICAL	0	605	660	660	660	0	0.00%
TECHNICAL SVC.SCHOOL BD	700	269	700	700	700	0	0.00%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	50	46	101	101	101	0	0.00%
OFFICIAL SVC TAX COLLECT	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0.00%
PROFESSIONAL EDUC SVCS	1,000	(600)	250	250	250	0	0.00%
LEGAL SERVICES	1,000	2,617	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
FIDELITY BOND PREMIUMS	200	200	200	200	200	0	0.00%
DUES & FEES	1,300	1,200	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION SVCS.	\$ 12,750	12,837	12,711	12,711	12,711	0	0.00%

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

SUPERVISORY UN SERV-SUPT	37,607	37,607	38,910	38,910	39,431	521	1.34%
TOTAL OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT	\$ 37,607	37,607	38,910	38,910	39,431	521	1.34%

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

SALARIES-REGULAR-ADMIN.....	65,000	77,302	78,795	78,795	81,868	3,073	3.90%
SALARIES-REGULAR-CLERICAL.....	53,332	53,207	55,448	55,129	57,302	1,854	3.34%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	600	497	600	600	600	0	0.00%
HEALTH BENEFITS	20,539	22,838	26,507	26,025	28,368	1,861	7.02%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	8,943	9,641	10,153	10,182	10,518	365	3.59%
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	917	916	959	959	995	36	3.75%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT.....	108	108	108	108	120	12	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	1,187	1,352	1,421	1,421	1,510	89	6.26%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.....	59	64	67	67	112	45	67.16%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT.....	1,200	175	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
DENTAL BENEFITS	810	854	907	907	962	55	6.06%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	615	433	698	698	724	26	3.72%
RENTALS & LEASES/REPAIRS-COPIER.....	7,994	7,994	7,994	7,994	7,500	(494)	-6.18%
COMMUNICATIONS-POSTAGE.....	1,600	1,472	1,700	1,700	1,800	100	5.88%
ADVERTISING.....	1,200	2,118	1,500	1,500	1,600	100	6.67%
TRAVEL.....	200	382	300	300	300	0	0.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES.....	1,185	1,317	1,350	1,350	2,020	670	49.63%
DUES & FEES	400	724	400	400	610	210	52.50%
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	\$ 165,889	181,394	190,107	189,335	198,109	8,002	4.21%

FISCAL SERVICES

SUPERVISORY UN SERV	\$28,024	\$28,024	\$29,258	\$29,258	\$30,772	\$1,514	5.17%
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	\$ 28,024	\$28,024	\$29,258	\$29,258	\$30,772	\$1,514	5.17%

AUDITING SERVICES

AUDIT SERVICES	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,900	\$300	11.54%
TOTAL AUDITING SERVICES	\$ 2,600	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,900	\$300	11.54%

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OPERATION & MAINT. PLANT

	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007	Projected 2007	Budget 2008	Budget 07-08 Incr/(Decr)	%
SALARIES-REGULAR-SERVICE	63,929	64,404	66,315	66,002	68,604	2,289	3.45%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	4,000	1,892	3,000	3,000	2,000	(1,000)	-33.33%
HEALTH BENEFITS	20,378	20,339	22,394	21,986	23,965	1,571	7.02%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	5,197	4,823	5,303	5,279	5,401	98	1.85%
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	1,089	1,088	1,133	1,133	1,175	42	3.71%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	72	72	72	72	80	8	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	681	776	730	730	763	33	4.52%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	33	37	34	34	56	22	64.71%
DENTAL BENEFITS	405	427	454	454	481	27	5.95%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	332	260	345	345	357	12	3.48%
WATER TESTING AND SEWER	2,500	3,180	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
DISPOSAL SERVICES	3,000	1,804	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
SNOW PLOWING	2,500	3,765	2,700	2,700	2,700	0	0.00%
LAWN CARE SERVICES	900	393	900	900	900	0	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE & DIU Recommend.	5,000	14,840	5,880	5,880	16,000	10,120	172.11%
REPAIRS & MAINT - FLOORING	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINT - TRACTOR	500	529	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
OTH PURCHASED SVC-Early Educ. & Preschool	3,815	3,750	0	0	0	0	0.00%
INSURANCE	6,645	7,866	8,845	7,465	8,845	0	0.00%
TRAVEL	450	429	570	570	600	30	5.26%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	12,000	10,285	12,500	12,500	13,000	500	4.00%
ELECTRICITY	26,973	25,546	28,988	28,988	28,988	0	0.00%
OIL	4,000	2,805	5,586	7,920	5,586	0	0.00%
OTHER ENERGY-WOOD CHIPS	5,900	3,750	5,900	5,900	5,900	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT: FLOOR MACHINE - Lease Purchase	1,600	0	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.00%
TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINT.PLANT	\$ 173,899	173,060	180,449	180,658	194,201	13,752	7.62%

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	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007	Projected 2007	Budget 2008	Budget 07-08 Incr/(Decr)	%
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SVCS	37,000	20,875	0	0	11,540	11,540	N/A
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-SPED	19,943	19,943	20,541	20,541	21,387	846	4.12%
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SVCS	0	16,508	22,000	19,074	19,074	(2,926)	-13.30%
TUITION-BAIRD	0	26,701	28,000	30,061	30,061	2,061	7.36%
TRAVEL	50	291	50	50	600	550	1100.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	4,300	3,655	4,375	4,375	4,700	325	7.43%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	50	24	50	50	500	450	900.00%
TOTAL INSTR.SVC-STUDENT SUP SVC	\$ 434,198	476,022	536,881	499,832	542,468	5,587	1.04%
EEE & PRESCHOOL							
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	23,408	22,578	23,117	23,807	25,135	2,018	8.73%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH.	7,225	7,211	7,913	7,712	8,020	107	1.35%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	0	360	0	0	0	0	0.00%
HEALTH BENEFITS	6,911	7,233	7,952	7,808	8,511	559	7.03%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	2,344	2,006	2,266	2,306	2,421	155	6.84%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	36	0	36	36	40	4	11.11%
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	229	323	327	327	358	31	9.48%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	55	15	15	15	27	12	80.00%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	570	0	570	570	570	0	0.00%
DENTAL BENEFITS	231	262	281	281	298	17	6.05%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	0	102	0	0	0	0	0.00%
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVIC	0	25	0	0	0	0	0.00%
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-EARLY ED	9,748	9,748	10,079	10,079	6,585	(3,494)	-34.67%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	1,000	491	900	900	1,130	230	25.56%
TOTAL EEE & PRESCHOOL	\$ 51,757	50,354	53,456	53,841	53,095	(361)	-0.68%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,318,051	2,395,480	2,624,557	2,585,415	2,660,498	35,941	1.37%
PROFIT(LOSS)	\$ 0	(6,111)	0	24,988	0	0	

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SIGNIFICANT CHANGES BUDGET 2008 vs. 2007

	Budget FY07	Budget FY08	Increase	%
Total Salary & Benefit items	\$1,970,116	\$2,077,050	\$106,934	5.14%
Total Non-Salary items	554,441	583,448	29,007	4.97%
Subtotal Expense Change	\$2,624,557	\$2,660,498	\$135,941	5.11%
One Percent of Total Expense Budget	\$26,246			
Cost per Equalized Pupil - Town	\$11,675	462.97	Equalized Pupils as of Dec. 29, 2006	
Cost per Equalized Pupil - EMES	\$12,425	184.31	Equalized Pupils as of Dec. 29, 2006	
Est. Tax Implication - Both U32 & EMES Spending-A	(\$0.02)			
Est. Tax Implication - CLA, Tax Rate Reduction-B	\$0.15			
Est. Tax Implication - Combined Total A+B	\$0.13			
Excess Spending Threshold	\$12,594			
E.M. Amount For Excess Spending Threshold	\$10,869			

TOWN AUDITORS' NOTE: The East Montpelier School District records and accounts were examined by David H. Angolano, C.P.A., P.C., of Shelburne, Vermont. The full independent audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, is available at the East Montpelier Elementary School, the East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, and the Washington Central Supervisory Union offices. Also available: Copies of the WCSU audit and the U-32 audit.

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 6, 2007 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.

ARTICLE 2. To elect the following School Directors by Australian ballot:

One (1) School Director	Two (2) Year Term
One (1) School Director	Three (3) Year Term
One (1) U-32 Director	Three (3) Year Term

ARTICLE 3. To hear and act upon the report of the Town School Directors.

ARTICLE 4. Will the School District adopt a budget not to exceed \$2,660,498.00 for the operation of the school for the ensuing year?

ARTICLE 5. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2007 in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of operating the school?

ARTICLE 6. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of the receipt of revenues for the school year?

ARTICLE 7. Shall the School District borrow a sum not to exceed \$47,000.00 to repair a portion of the school roof and subject to reduction from available grants-in-aid (up to 30% of project cost)? **State funds may not be available at the time the project is otherwise eligible to receive state school construction aid. The district is responsible for all costs incurred in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of state school construction aid.**

ARTICLE 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

A meeting will be held on February 24, 2007, 9:30 A.M. to provide Information on the articles to be voted by Australian ballot at Town Meeting. The meeting 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 early voter/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

WILLIAM KAPLAN, *Chair*

MATTHEW CURTIS, *Vice Chair*

MARLENE BETIT, *Clerk*

JANICE ALDRICH

JULIE ROCHAT

*** Please note time: The Town and School Meetings are 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, the School Directors' Meeting portion will be recessed until the conclusion of the Town Meeting. At the conclusion of the Town Meeting, the School Directors' Meeting will be started immediately or after a short break.**

SCHOOL TAX NOTICE

East Montpelier is starting the process of reappraising the real estate across the town to reflect market reality. This work is projected to be completed by 2009. Until the appraisals are closer to the actual market value, the state will continue to impose adjustments, all of which fall on the school side of our tax bill.

REMEMBER, that Act 68 provides significant tax prebates for all qualifying households earning less than \$110,000 a year. Many of these prebate checks go unclaimed each year. If you might qualify, but aren't sure how to file, free help is available at 1-866-828-2865.

U-32 SCHOOL DISTRICT

INFORMATIONAL COPY OF WARNING

Annual Meeting Union High School District No. 32, a municipal corporation consisting of the Town School Districts of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester, Vermont.

The eligible voters of the Union High School District No. 32 are hereby notified and warned to vote by Australian ballot on the following articles:

The legal voters of the Berlin Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Berlin Elementary School in Berlin Corner on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 2007 from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. to transact the following business:

The legal voters of the Calais Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Calais Town Hall in Gospel Hollow on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 2007 from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M. to transact the following business:

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, the 6th day of March, 2007 from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. to transact the following business:

The legal voters of the Middlesex Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Middlesex Town Hall in Middlesex on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 2007 from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. to transact the following business:

The legal voters of the Worcester Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Doty Memorial School on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 2007 from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. to transact the following business:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Clerk for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE 2. To elect a Treasurer for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE 3. To elect an Auditor for a term of three (3) years.

ARTICLE 4. To fix the annual compensation of district officers.

Auditors	\$200.00 each
Clerk	\$200.00
Directors	\$850.00 each
Chair	\$875.00
Treasurer	\$1,000.00

ARTICLE 5. Shall the Union High School District No. 32 adopt a budget of \$11,916,712.00 for the 2007–2008 school year?

ARTICLE 6. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors of Union District No. 32 to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2007 in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of operating the school?

ARTICLE 7. 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?

ARTICLE 8. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to create a capital improvement/replacement fund?

A meeting will be held on Monday, March 5, 2007 to provide information on the articles to be voted by Australian ballot at Town Meeting. The meeting will be held at U-32 in room 131 and will begin at 6:00 P.M.

The legal voters of Union High School District No. 32 are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Section 706(u) of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

— DEBORAH WOLF, *Clerk*

SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

VIRGINIA BURLEY, *Chair* (East Montpelier)
ROBERT B. LACLAIR, *Vice Chair* (Middlesex)
ALLEN GILBERT, *Clerk* (Worcester)
MARK BERRY (Berlin)
STUART SAVAGE (Calais)
SUSAN H. CHICKERING (East Montpelier)
THOMAS R. WILLIAMS (Berlin)

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2006 TOWN MEETING

Called to order at 9:30 a.m. and recessed until after the School District meeting.

Art. 1: Voted and elected the following by Australian Ballot:

Town Moderator – 1 Year	Michael Dworkin
Selectman, 3 year term	Stephen Jerome
Town Clerk, 3 year term	Teresa “Terri” Conti
Town Treasurer, 3 year term	Teresa “Terri” Conti
Lister, 3 year term	Ross Hazel
Auditor, 3 year term	Don Welch
Trustee of Public Funds, 3 year term	Teresa “Terri” Conti
Town Law Agent, 1 year term	Dennis Carver
Town Grand Juror, 1 year term	Burr Morse
First Constable, 1 year term	Tim Meehan
Second Constable, 1 year term	Paul Haynes
Delinquent Tax Collector, 1 year term	Norma Raymond
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term	Mark Lane
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term	John “Jack” Pauly
Planning Commissioner, 3 year term	Tracy M. Phillips
Cemetery Commissioner, 5 year term	Maurice Cerutti
EMES School Director, 3 year term	Julie Rochat
EMES School Director, 2 year term	Marlene Betit

Art. 2: Voted to hear the reports of several Town Officers and to act thereon.
Passed by voice vote.

Art. 3: Voted to have Town raise the sum of \$ 976,674.00, as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.
Passed by Australian Ballot, 554 – 106.

Art. 4: Voted to have Town raise the sum of \$ 405,041.19, as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses from Jan. 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. Passed by Australian Ballot, 548 – 103.

Art. 5: Voted to have Town raise \$80,000 for Capital Reserve Fund. Passed by Australian Ballot, 400 – 153.

Art. 6: Voted to authorize the Selectboard to:

(1) finance an amount not to exceed \$40,000 toward the purchase of a new grader; and (2) to expend an amount not to exceed \$160,000.00 from the existing Capital Reserve Fund towards said purchase. Passed by Australian Ballot, part (1): 510 – 134; part (2): 488 – 146.

- Art. 7: Voted to authorize the Selectboard to finance an amount not to exceed \$17,880 to fund the twenty percent (20%) of the Muddy Brook paving project that is not covered by State grants. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 8: Voted to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 9: Voted to authorize all property taxes for the calendar year 2006 to be paid to the Treasurer, without discount, and received at the East Montpelier Municipal Building on or before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2006. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 10: Voted to authorize all property taxes for the transition 6 months, January 1, 2007 – June 30, 2007, to be paid to the Treasurer without discount, and received at the East Montpelier Municipal Building on or before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2007. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 11: Voted to authorize twice-a-year installments of property tax payments to be paid to the Treasurer, without discount, on September 15th and March 15th starting on Friday, September 15, 2007. As of July 1, 2007 the Town's budget will cover the fiscal year from July 1 – June 30 as authorized by the voters at the 2005 Town Meeting (Article 18). Article amended from the floor to change tax due dates to November 15th and May 15th. Article approved as amended by voice vote.
- Art. 12: Voted to authorize the collection of interest on overdue taxes after the due date of the first installment in the amount of 1% per month or a fraction thereof in accordance with 32 V.S.A. §4873. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 13: Voted to have Town raise a sum not to exceed \$10,000 to add to the existing Conservation Fund. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 14: Voted to have Town raise a sum not to exceed \$18,750 to pay the costs of planning a new and/or renovated East Montpelier Fire Department facility. This sum will be used for schematic design and cost estimating, investigation of land suitability, and other preliminary expenses. Funds to be expended with the approval of the Selectboard. The appropriation to be made only if approved by both Calais and East Montpelier. (Request of EMFD Facilities Committee.) Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 15: Voted to have Town raise \$16,923 for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 16: Voted to have Town raise a sum not to exceed \$9,500 to be expended by the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during 2006. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 17: Voted to raise a sum not to exceed \$2,250 to be expended by the E.M. Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during 1/1/2007 through 6/30/2007. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 18: Voted to raise a sum not to exceed \$2,500 for the Four Corner Schoolhouse Association 2006 operating expenses. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 19: Voted to have Town raise a sum not to exceed \$1,500 for the Four Corner Schoolhouse Association 1/1/2007 through 6/30/2007 operating expenses. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 20: Voted to have Town raise \$9,664, to be distributed in the amounts listed below as recommended by the Town’s Funding Request Study Committee for the following organizations for 2006. Passed by voice vote.

- a) Battered Women’s Services and Shelter \$ 675
- b) Central Vermont Community Action Council..... \$400
- c) Central Vermont Council on Aging \$1,464
- d) Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice \$2,800
- e) Green Mountain Transit \$1,000
- f) Green Up Vermont \$100
- g) HomeShare of CentralVermont \$250
- h) Onion River Food Shelf, Inc. \$150
- i) People’s Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc. \$950
- j) Retired Senior Volunteer Program..... \$275
- k) Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County ... \$200
- l) Twin Valley Senior Center, Inc. \$500
- m) U-32 Project Graduation..... \$200
- n) Washington County Diversion Program..... \$300
- o) Washington County Youth Services Bureau \$400

Art. 21: Voted to raise \$200 for U-32 Project Graduation for 1/1/2007 through 6/30/2007. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 22: Voted to raise \$2,500 for student scholarships and to support student and community participation in the East Montpelier Community Connections Program. (Petitioned Article.) Passed by voice vote.

Art. 23: Voted on the following: Any sum of \$15,000 or more has to be voted on by Austalian ballot instead of the \$25,000 as previously approved on the floor per Art. 15 of Town Meeting 2005. (Petitioned Article.) Defeated.

Art. 24: Voted to authorize the Selectboard to accept and to spend grant funding received during 2006 and 2007 without a vote of the Town. Passed.

Art. 25: Voted that the Town instruct the Governor and our State Representatives and Senators to oppose: any use of the State Education Fund for purposes that are outside the law’s original intent to “make payments to school districts and supervisory unions for the support of education”; the shifting of existing State General Fund expense obligations to the Education Fund; and the reduction of any existing State General Fund revenue support to the Education Fund. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 26: Other business: Marty Miller expressed his thanks to the voters for their support during his 22 years as Moderator. Sylvia Tosi expressed her thanks to the voters for 23 years of support as Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES

MARCH 7, 2006 SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Meeting called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Art . 1: Voted by Australian Ballot and elected Michael Dworkin, Moderator.

Art . 2: Voted and elected School Directors for EMES (by Australian Ballot):
School Director – 2 Years Marlene Betit
School Director – 3 Years Julie Rochat

Art. 3: Heard the reports of the Town School Directors under Article 4.

Art. 4: Voted to adopt a budget not to exceed \$2,504,557 for the operation of the school for the ensuing year. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 5: Voted that the audited fund balance as of June 30, 2006 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. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 6: Voted to authorize the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of receipt of revenues for the school year. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 7: Voted to create an operational reserve fund under the control of the Board of School Directors, and appropriate thereto the sum of \$100,000 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006. Motion made to change the amount to \$50,000. After discussion, amendment was defeated by voter card. Article as written was then passed by voice vote.

Art. 8: Voted to add \$20,000 to the Capital Improvement Reserve Fund for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006.

Art. 9: Other business: Several people made short statements.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

RESULTS OF U32 AUSTRALIAN BALLOTS IN 2006

On May 23, 2006 there was a special election to determine

ARTICLE 1: In 2004 the voters authorized the borrowing of \$200,000 to purchase a central office facility to reduce central office administrative costs. Shall the voters approve, as an additional option, authorizing the Board to use these same funds for the renovations of a building? The results were: Yes: 243; **No: 576**. A total of 819 votes were cast.

Results for the vote on March 7, 2006 are

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Clerk for a term of one (1) year.

Deborah Wolf: 1,856 Write in: 21 Spoiled: 5 Blank: 326 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 2. To elect a Treasurer for a term of one (1) year.

Florence J. Young: 1,862 Write in: 10 Spoiled: 3 Blank: 333 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 3. To elect an Auditor for one (1) year of a three (3) year term.

Edward Deegan: 1,812 Write in: 10 Spoiled: 5 Blank: 381 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 4. To elect an Auditor for a term of three (3) years.

Peter Hood: 1,846 Write in: 6 Spoiled: 3 Blank: 353 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 5. To fix the annual compensation of district officers.

Auditors: \$200.00 each; Clerk: \$200.00; Directors: \$850.00 each;

Chair: \$875.00; Treasurer: \$1,000.00

Votes: **Yes: 1,610** No: 357 Blank: 241 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Union High School District No. 32 adopt a budget of \$11,372,654 for the 2006–2007 school year?

Votes: **Yes: 1,227** No: 908; Blank: 73 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 7. Will the School District authorize the Board of School Directors of Union District No. 32 to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2006 in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of operating the school? [24 VSA § 2804]

Votes: **Yes: 1,530** No: 580 Blank: 98 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 8. 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)]

Votes: **Yes: 1,529** No: 585 Blank: 94 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 9. Shall U-32 School District borrow a sum not to exceed \$275,000 subject to reduction from available grants-in-aid, to replace a portion of the school roof?

Votes: **Yes: 1,502** No: 614 Blank: 92 Total: 2,208

ARTICLE 10. In 2004 the voters authorized the borrowing of \$200,000 to purchase a central office facility to reduce central office administrative costs. Shall the voters approve, as an additional option, authorizing the Board to use these same funds for the renovations of a building?

Votes: **Yes: 1,185** No: 923 Spoiled: 1 Blank: 99 Total: 2,208

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 you are interested in getting involved, please fill out and return this form to **Town Administrator, Town Office, PO Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651** or call the Town Office at 223-3313.

Name _____

Address _____
Street Town Zip

Present Employer _____

Address _____
Street Town Zip

Phone _____
Home Work

- Interest in serving on:**
- ☐ Zoning Board of Adjustment
 - ☐ Conservation Fund Advisory Committee
 - ☐ Forest Committee
 - ☐ Funding Request Study Committee
 - ☐ Rally Day Committee
 - ☐ Recreation Board
 - ☐ State Police Community Advisory Board
 - ☐ Wastewater Advisory Committee
 - ☐ 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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ANIMAL LICENSES

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 3 or becomes six months old during the year shall within 30 days be licensed.

Fees for licensing a dog or wolf-hybrid are as follows:

Late fees
after 4/1

1. Neutered or spayed dogs or wolf-hybrids	\$4.00	\$6.00
Plus a \$1 fee for State Rabies Program	1.00	1.00
Plus a \$2 fee for State Spay/Neuter Program	2.00	2.00
Total	<u>\$7.00</u>	<u>\$9.00</u>
2. All unneutered dogs or wolf-hybrids	\$8.00	\$12.00
Plus a \$1 fee for State Rabies Program	1.00	1.00
Plus a \$2 fee for State Spay/Neuter Program	2.00	2.00
Total	<u>\$11.00</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>

Spaying or neutering certificates from veterinarian must be exhibited.

A current rabies vaccination certificate must be filed with the Town Clerk.

A current rabies vaccination means that:

- (1) a dog/wolf hybrid over 3 months of age or less than a year of age has been vaccinated.
- (2) a dog/wolf hybrid within 9 to 12 months of initial vaccination, animal must receive a booster shot.
- (3) a dog/wolf hybrid subsequent vaccination following initial vaccination shall be valid for 36 months. [V.S.A. Title 20, Section 3581(c)(1)]

RABIES CLINIC

Thurs., March 15, 2007

6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at

**Fire Station 2 on Rt.14 N
across from Town Offices**

2006: Town Issued 529 Dog Tags

These licenses generated \$4,132.

The Town realized \$2,734 as \$462 was sent to the VT Rabies Program and \$924 went to the VT Dog Spay/Neuter 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

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