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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 contributions.

Tom Brazier	Selectboard
Robyn L.D. Hall	Collector of Delinquent Taxes; Finance Director/Town Administrator
Marlene Betit	EMES School Director
Sue Chickering	U-32 School Director
Don Welch	Town Auditor
Lyn Blackwell	Planning Commission
Tim Carver	Planning Commission
Rob Chickering	Planning Commission; Justice of the Peace
Anne V. Sherman	Funding Request Study Committee; Municipal Building Committee
Mary Ann Cerasoli	Trustee of Public Funds
Elliott Morse	Town Health Officer
Susan Kittredge	Town Service Officer
Carl Etnier	Town Sewage Officer
Chris Reed	Town Fire Warden
Paul Cate	Town Tree Warden
Mike Garand	Ancient Roads Committee
Rick Barstow	Forest Committee
Chris Grimard.....	Forest Committee
Cliff King	Municipal Building Committee
Sylvia Tosi	Rally Day Committee
Darlene Grundy	Rally Day Committee
Tim Bigelow	Recreation Board
Kevin McCollister	Recreation Board
Bob Morey	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Jeff Biron	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Laura Brown	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Tim Carver	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Richard Czaplinski	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Erik Esselstyn	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Carl Etnier	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Rick Hopkins	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Stephen Miracle	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Cherie Staples	Wastewater Advisory Committee
Deb Wolf	U32 Clerk

EAST MONTPELIER TOWN/SCHOOL FORUM
SATURDAY, February 28, 2009
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 3, 2009

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 MODERATOR for 1 year	MICHAEL H. DWORKIN
TOWN CLERK for 3 years.....	TERESA “TERRI” CONTI
(Vote for One)	KATINA JOHNSON
TOWN TREASURER for 3 years	TERESA “TERRI” CONTI
(Vote for One)	KATINA JOHNSON
SELECTBOARD MEMBER for 3 years	PETER HILL
SELECTBOARD MEMBER for 2 years	DONALD WELCH
LISTER for 3 years	ROSS HAZEL
LISTER for 2 years	RENÉE CARPENTER
AUDITOR for 3 years	MARLENE BETIT
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS for 3 years	TERESA “TERRI” CONTI
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS for 2 years	DENISE M. BROWN
TOWN LAW AGENT for 1 year.....	NO CANDIDATE
TOWN GRAND JUROR for 1 year	NO CANDIDATE
FIRST CONSTABLE for 1 year	SANDY F. CONTI
SECOND CONSTABLE for 1 year	PAUL HAYNES
COLLECTOR OF	
DELINQUENT TAXES for 1 year.....	KAREN (McCARTHY) GRAMER
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER for 5 years.....	GARY E. HUDSON
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 3 years.....	JOHN “JACK” PAULY
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 3 years.....	MARK LANE
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 3 years.....	JEAN VISSERING
PLANNING COMMISSIONER for 1 year	KEN SANTOR
EM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	ROSIE LAQUERRE
EM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 2 years...	MICHELE “BOYD” LENO
(Vote for One)	PHILLIP HEINZ



East Montpelier Fire Department announces new ambulance transport service. For more information, see page 68.

TOWN OFFICERS

ELECTED

Town Moderator: 1-year term; Expires 2009 Michael Dworkin

School District Moderator: 1-year term; Expires 2009 Michael Dworkin

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

Town Treasurer: 3-year term; Expires 2009 Teresa “Terri” Conti

Selectboard:

3-year term; Expires 2009 Stephen Jerome

1-year term; Expires 2009 Donald Welch

3-year term; Expires 2010 Tracy M. Phillips

2-year term; Expires 2010 Duane Wells

3-year term; Expires 2011 Rob Chickering

Listers: 3-year term

Expires 2009 Ross Hazel

Expires 2009 (*appointed*) Renée Carpenter

Expires 2010 Earl Montague

Auditors: 3-year term

Expires 2009 (*appointed*) Cherie Staples

Expires 2010 Deborah Fillion

Expires 2011 Putnam Clayton

Trustees of Public Funds: 3-year term

Expires 2009 Teresa “Terri” Conti

Expires 2010 Sylvia Tosi

Expires 2011 None

First Constable: 1-year term; Expires 2009 Sandy F. Conti

Second Constable: 1-year term; Expires 2009 Paul Haynes

Town Law Agent: 1-year term; Expires 2009 Dennis Carver

Town Grand Juror: 1-year term; Expires 2009 None

Collector of Delinquent Taxes: 1-year term; Expires 2009 ... Karen (McCarthy) Gramer

Planning Commission: 3-year term

Expires 2011 Seth Gardner

Expires 2011 Richmond “Rick” Hopkins

Expires 2011 Gene Troia

Expires 2009 Mark Lane

Expires 2009 John “Jack” Pauly

Expires 2009 (*elected to fill 1 yr. of 3-yr. term*) Jean Vissering

Expires 2009 (*appointed to replace Rob Chickering*) Kenneth Santor

Expires 2010 (*resigned*) Rob Chickering

Expires 2010 Kim Watson

Expires 2010 Carol Welch

Cemetery Commissioners: 5-year term

Expires 2009 Gary Hudson

Expires 2010 Elliott Morse

Expires 2011 Maurice Cerutti

Expires 2012 Pauline Coburn

Expires 2013 Frederick C. Strong

Elementary School Directors:

Expires 2009; 3-year term	Julie Rochat
Expires 2009; 2-year term	John J. Audy, Jr.
Expires 2010; 3-year term	Andrea “Andi” Colnes
Expires 2010; 2-year term	Trevor Lewis
Expires 2011; 3-year term	Janice Aldrich

U-32 School Directors: 3-year term

Expires 2010	Virginia “Ginny” Burley
Expires 2011	Emily Goyette

Justices of the Peace: 2-year term; 2/2009–2/2011

Janice C. Aldrich (R)	Sue Clayton (I)	Richard W. Curtis Jr. (R)
Ruth Farnham (I)	David Grundy (I)	Phil R. Leno (R)
Sally S. Longhi (R)	Florence C. Morse (R)	Becky Reed (I)
Janice Waterman (I)		

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

Assistant Town Clerks	Sheldon Codling; Paulie Coburn
Assistant Town Clerks and Treasurers	Denise Brown, Sylvia Tosi
Finance Director/Town Administrator (<i>resigned December 2008</i>)	Robyn Hall
Town Administrator (<i>appointed January 2009</i>)	Craig Kleman
Zoning Administrator (3 years; expires 2009)	C. Bruce Johnson
Acting Zoning Administrator	Deborah Fillion
Sewage Officer	C. Bruce Johnson
Town Health Officer (3 years; exp. 2009) (<i>resigned 2008</i>)	Elliott Morse
Town Health Officer (<i>appointed 2009</i>)	Dave Grundy
Town Service Officer (1 year; exp. 2009)	Robyn Hall
Animal Control Officer (1 year; exp. 2009)	Sandy Conti
Assistant Animal Control Officer (1 year; exp. 2009)	Elliott Morse
Pound Keeper (1 year; exp. 2009)	Sandy Conti
Town Fire Warden (5 years; exp. 2014)	John Boucher
Assistant Fire Warden (5 years; exp. 2014)	Bill George
Assistant Fire Warden (5 years; exp. 2010) (<i>resigned 2008</i>)	John Boucher
Emergency Management Coordinator (1 year; exp. 2009)	Bill George
Town Tree Warden (1 year; exp. 2009)	Steve Sinclair
Regional Planning, Town Representative (1 year; exp. 2009)	Tim Carver
Alternate (1 year; exp. 2009)	Tracy Phillips
Transportation Advisory Committee Rep (1 year; exp. 2009)	Frank Pratt
Central Vermont Transit Authority Board Rep. (3 years; exp. 2009)	David Grundy
Solid Waste District Representative (1 year; exp. 2009)	Ginny Callan
Wrightsville Beach Recreation District Rep. (3 years; exp. 2009)	Lisa Rice
Four Corners Schoolhouse Assoc. Rep. (1 year; exp. 2009)	None
Green Up Coordinator (1 year; exp. 2009)	Bill Merrylees

Fence Viewers (1 year; exp. 2009) Marcia Pauly; Mark Lane
 Inspector of Lumber, Wood and Shingles (1 year; exp. 2009) Austin Cleaves
 Weigher of Coal (1 year; exp. 2009) Stuart Hall

State Police Community Advisory Board: 1 year; expires 2009

Don Welch Carol Welch

Forest Committee: 3 years

Harry "Burr" Morse, Jr. (2009) Steven J. Sinclair (2009)
 Paul Cate, *Chair* (2010) Earle Ellingwood (2010) Mark Lane (2011)

Zoning Board of Adjustment: 3 years

Rich Curtis, *Chair* (2009) Mark Lane (2009) Ken Santor (2009)
 Jeff Cueto (2010) Clifton King (2010) Wm. Gray Ricker, IV (2010)
 Steven Kappel (2011) Jane Grinde (2011) Stanley Pierce (2011)

Recreation Board: 3 years

Patrick McCoy, *Co-Chair* (2009) Terri Conti (2009) Ed Deegan (2009)
 CJ Flynn, *Co-Chair* (2010) Dave Burley (2010) Jan Aldrich (2011)
 Kathy Richardson, *Treasurer* (2011) Rick Gordon (2011) Kris Bador (2011)

Conservation Fund Advisory Committee: 3 years

Arlene Goodrich (2009) Charles Johnson (2009)
 Dennis Carver (2010) Austin Cleaves (2010) Michael Dworkin (2010)
 Susan Chickering, *Chair* (2011) Brian Lusignan (2011)

Funding Request Study Committee: 1 year; Expires 2009

Lyn Blackwell, *Chair* Rhoda Chickering Lindy Johnson
 Allen Ploof Frank Pratt Charlie Catlin Sylvia Tosi

Rally Day Committee: 1 year; Expires 2009

Matthew Curtis, *Chair* Janice Waterman, *Treasurer*
 Rick Barstow Barbara Brown Deborah Fillion
 Bill Jordan Bill Merrylees Erica Zimmerman
Active members: Peter Burroughs, Hobie Guion, Colin McCaffrey, Sally Longhi

Municipal Building Committee: No term set

Tom Brazier Paulie Coburn Terri Conti
 Robyn Hall Steve Jerome Tony Klein
 Michelle McFadden Tracy Phillips Frank Pratt

Policy and Procedures Committee: No term set

Tom Brazier Tina Feeney Robyn Hall Steve Jerome
 Edie Miller Casey Northrup Tracy Phillips

Ancient Roads Committee: No term set

Lyn Blackwell Bruce Bjornlund Tom Brazier Dave Coburn
 Paulie Coburn Nona Estrin Karen Gramer Dave Hudson
 Steve Jerome Bruce Johnson Marty Miller Sandy Woodbeck

Energy Committee: No term set

Dave Grundy, *Chair* Paul Cate Rob Chickering James Eniti
 Carl Etnier Erik Esselstyn Rachael Grossman Bob Morey
 Cort Richardson Carol Rose Elinor Yahm

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER
ARTICLES OF WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 3rd, 2009

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 third (3rd) day of March, 2009 at 9:30 AM to transact the following business and to vote by Australian Ballot from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM 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

Town Clerk, 3-year term

Town Treasurer, 3-year term

Selectboard Member, 3-year term

Selectboard Member, 2-year term

Lister, 3-year term

Lister, 2-year term (of 3-year term vacated in '08)

Auditor, 3-year term

Trustee of Public Funds, 3-year term

Trustee of Public Funds, 2-year term (of 3-year term vacated in '08)

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

Planning Commissioner, 1-year (of 3-year term vacated in '08)

EM Elementary School Director, 3-year term

EM Elementary School Director, 2-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 \$1,051,304.43 as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses for fiscal year 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010). (To be voted by Australian Ballot)

- ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town raise \$127,500 for the Capital Reserve Fund. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town raise the sum of \$32,296 for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town raise the sum not to exceed \$25,594 to be expended as reimbursement for legal fees incurred by the Town Treasurer in pursuit of her 2008 lawsuit against the Town of East Montpelier. (To be voted on by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town vote to authorize the elected position of Collector of Delinquent Taxes to change from a one-year term to a three-year term. (Petitioned Article)
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes.
- ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to accept and to spend grant funding received during the fiscal year 2010 without a vote of the Town.
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town authorize all property taxes for the fiscal year 2010 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 5:00 PM Monday, November 16, 2009 and the second installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM Monday, May 17, 2010.
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town raise a sum not to exceed \$10,900 to be expended by the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during fiscal year 2010.
- 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 2010.
- a) Battered Women's Services and Shelter\$ 675
 - b) Central Vermont Community Action Council..... 400
 - c) Central Vermont Council on Aging..... 1,500
 - d) Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice 3,000
 - e) Community Connections 2,500

f) Family Center of Washington County.....	500
g) Green Mountain Transit.....	1,300
h) Green-up Vermont.....	100
i) Onion River Food Shelf	500
j) People's Health and Wellness Clinic.....	950
k) Prevent Child Abuse in Vermont.....	250
l) Project Independence	250
m) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275
n) Sexual Assault Crisis Team.....	200
o) Twin Valley Senior Center.....	400
p) U-32 Project Graduation	200
q) Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired ..	100
r) Vermont Cares	150
s) Vermont Center for Independent Living	200
t) Washington County Diversion Program	350
u) Washington County Youth Service Bureau.....	400
Total:	\$14,200

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town raise a sum not to exceed \$3,200 to be expended by the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association operating expenses for fiscal year 2010.

ARTICLE 14: Upon condition of concurrence by the Town of Calais, shall bonds of the Town of East Montpelier in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000 be issued for the purpose of financing the cost of constructing an Emergency Services Facility in East Montpelier village, the cost thereof to be shared by the Town of East Montpelier (2/3) and the Town of Calais (1/3) in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town authorize an exemption of property taxes for the Central Vermont Humane Society, Inc. beginning with the 2009/2010 tax year and forward. (Petitioned Article)

ARTICLE 16: Shall the voters of the town of East Montpelier request the Vermont Legislature to: (Petitioned Article)

1. Recognize that the 2% of our New England region's power grid supply that is provided by Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant can be replaced with a combination of local, renewable electricity and efficiency measures, along with the purchase of hydro generated electricity, and excess power already in the New England electricity market;

2. Given the viable alternatives and the risks posed by continued operation, ensure that Vermont Yankee will cease operation in March 2012, after having completed its 40 year design life by not granting approval for operation of the plant after that date and by not determining that further operation will promote the general welfare;

3. Hold the Entergy Corporation, which purchased Vermont Yankee in 2002, responsible to fully fund the plant's clean-up and decommissioning when the reactor closes, as the corporation pledged to do when it purchased Vermont Yankee.

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

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Dated at East Montpelier, Vermont, this 26th day of January, 2009.
Revised on the 4th day of February, 2009.

East Montpelier Selectboard:
STEPHEN JEROME, *Chair*
TRACY PHILLIPS
ROB CHICKERING
DONALD WELCH
DUANE WELLS

East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, 27th day of January A.D. 2009 at 9:30 AM received the foregoing East Montpelier Annual Town Meeting Warning for posting as required by law.
Revision received on the 4th day of February, 2009.

Attest: Teresa E. Conti, Town Clerk

SELECTBOARD REPORT

The year 2008 was a busy one for the Selectboard.

Early in the year, the Town Treasurer brought suit against the town to have her statutory duties returned to her. In late 2007, the Selectboard had temporarily transferred those duties to the Town Administrator pending the conclusion of a forensic audit. The suit was settled by returning most of the financial responsibilities to the Treasurer. It took more time than expected for East Montpelier to get the results of the forensic audit. The town received the first draft of this special audit in April and shared it with the public during the Selectboard meeting on April 22. The Board was pleased to find that the audit showed no significant problems with the Treasurer's handling of the town's finances. On October 28, 2008, there was a well-attended public meeting to answer questions raised by citizens and present the final text of the audit.

The forensic audit as well as the annual professional audit both strongly urged the town to incorporate "checks and balances" in its procedure for handling town funds. A subcommittee consisting of the Treasurer, two Selectboard members, the Town Administrator, and a town auditor has been meeting monthly to create policies and procedures that will safeguard the town's funds and town officials who process them.

The consulting firm Forcier and Aldrich presented the board with its final report on connecting septic disposal from East Village homes and businesses to Plainfield's or Montpelier's existing waste water disposal plants. Plainfield does not have sufficient excess capacity in its system to accommodate our need. Connecting to Montpelier's system is not cost effective for East Montpelier.

Thanks to good work by the Village Center Committee and other townspeople, the Selectboard was able to sign the resolution recognizing East Montpelier village as a designated Village Center. The designation makes possible state grants for qualifying renovations to village buildings.

On May 21, 2008, the Selectboard held public hearings on a proposed updated Town Plan and on proposed revised zoning and subdivision regulations. The meeting was well attended and provided the opportunity for citizens to ask questions and offer opinions about both documents. After the May 21 public hearing on the proposed zoning and subdivision regulations, the Selectboard asked the Planning Commission to make some modifications to the regulations based on concerns aired at the hearing. The board held a second public hearing on the revised Town Plan on June 11. After receiving and responding to the comments of several attending townspeople, the board closed the formal hearing and discussed and made minor changes to the plan. The Selectboard then unanimously approved the updated East Montpelier Town Plan.

On September 30 the board held another hearing on the revised regulations. At its November 3 meeting, the board voted 3-2 to reject the proposed regulations. It then voted 3-2 to reconsider this vote at a later meeting. Prior to reconsideration the board was informed that its November 3 vote was invalid because

a 365-day statutory time interval for Selectboard consideration had expired in October. Subsequently the board received and approved a citizen petition requesting a town vote by Australian ballot on the proposed regulations. On January 6, 2009, citizens voted to approve the regulations.

During the summer the board approved the formation of an East Montpelier Energy Committee to assist residents with weatherizing their homes and help reduce energy use in houses and public buildings. The committee has been awarded grant money, held a “Button-up” workshop, and organized neighborhood groups to help residents who are especially challenged by a poor economy and high energy costs. Energy audits of town structures are underway.

The board signed an Interlocal agreement ratifying the existing financial arrangements for the funding of the East Montpelier Volunteer Fire Department and its advisory role in town permitting. The Fire Department crafted a proposal to provide an ambulance service to serve East Montpelier and Calais that would be less expensive for the towns and result in quicker response. Both towns have been contracting with the Barre Town Ambulance Service for several years and have now agreed to contract with the new local ambulance service.

The Selectboard notes with sadness the death of town road crewmember Tony Williams. The remaining three road crew employees worked diligently to maintain the town highways after a most challenging winter season. The board appointed Frank Campbell as Road Foreman. Michael Boyd was hired in the fall to bring the crew to full strength.

In September, we hired Jeanne Lamica as a part-time Assistant Town Administrator and approved reduced hours for Town Administrator Robyn Hall. On November 3 the board reluctantly accepted Robyn’s resignation. She served the town with remarkable diligence during her tenure as Administrator. The Selectboard interviewed candidates for her replacement, and on January 26, we welcomed our new Town Administrator, Craig Kleman.

The board met with representatives of VTrans for an update on the highway intersection project in East Montpelier village. Work is likely to begin on this long delayed project within the next year.

The year 2008 also marked a change to a five-person Selectboard. The extra two members spread the workload somewhat with one member reviewing payroll warrants and another pre-editing draft minutes. While most voted decisions of the board were still unanimous, the additional members enriched and broadened discussion. Two board members were absent from several of our meetings; with the previous three-person board these meetings could not have been held.

STEVE JEROME, *Chair*
ROB CHICKERING
TRACY PHILLIPS
DON WELCH
DUANE WELLS

Notes Payable

1. Paving Bond #148-3599-7:
Paving Bond debt schedule was determined by the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank. Paving Project Bond payments on principal were @ \$90,000 per year over 10 years. Interest averaged 4.530% over the life of the loan. Final payment was made 12/1/07.
2. FY08 Municipal Loan for 4200 International Low Pro Dump/Plow Truck:
Payment of principal @ \$8,000 per year over 5 years. Interest at 2% per year on unpaid principal balance. Final payment to the State of Vermont is due 6/30/2012.
3. FY08 Lease with option to purchase for two International Dump/Plow trucks:
Purchase agreement payable to Kansas State Bank. There is an initial down payment of \$65,000 due 7/5/08 then annual principal and interest payments of \$45,760 due July 15th of each year. Annual interest averages 4.69% over the life of the lease. Final payment of the lease is due July 15, 2012.

CASH FUND BALANCE RECONCILIATION

Actual Revenues & Expenses:	(6 mo) FY07	FY08
Beginning Balance	176,793.61	145,340.31
Total Revenues	519,512.20	1,633,551.53
Total Expenses	(550,965.50)	(1,626,120.87)
Ending Balance	\$145,340.31	\$152,770.97

June 30, Assets:

Cash Drawer	125.00	125.00
Minimum Balance for Sweep Account	27,000.00	27,000.00
Money Market Sweep Account	122,596.50	126,794.46
Total Cash Assets	\$149,721.50	\$153,919.46

Cash/Fund Balance Reconciliation:

Total Cash	149,721.50	153,919.46
Less Taxes Owed to School	0.00	0.00
Transfer into & out of Special Accounts		
Capital Reserve Fund	(8,700.00)	0.00
Cemetery Fund	1,134.32	1,494.32
Special Bridge & Culvert Fund	(1.62)	(1.62)
Town Forest Fund	1.13	1.13
Reappraisal Fund		0.09
Sandy Pines Comm. Dev. Fund	9,622.58	10,054.47
EMSLI Grant(s)	(12,749.77)	2,857.76
Total Transfers into & out of Spec Accts	(10,693.36)	14,406.15

Liabilities

Credits Due To Taxpayers		(14,849.00)
Delinquent Taxes	6,609.00	
Accounts Payable		(370.67)
State Tax Payments		(35.00)
FICA/Medicare Withholding	37.53	39.00
Marriage License & Civil Unions		(75.00)
Hunting and Fishing License	(27.50)	(27.50)
Rabies Fees	(56.00)	67.00
Spay/Neuter Fee	(174.00)	(302.00)
Employee Benefits	(85.62)	0.00
School Share/taxes	46.29	0.00
Total Liabilities	6,312.17	(15,554.64)

Reconciled Cash Surplus

\$145,340.31	\$152,770.97
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Breakdown of Reconciled Cash Surplus:

Cash Drawer	125.00	125.00
Minimum Balance for Sweep Account	27,000.00	27,000.00
Taxes Paid in Advance	23,478.75	0.00 *
Available Cash on Hand	94,736.56	125,645.97 *
	<u>\$145,340.31</u>	<u>\$152,770.97</u>

* The sum of any Taxes Paid in Advance and the Available Cash on Hand (\$125,645.97) is carried forward to pg. 16 Available Cash on Hand as follows: \$81,810 to FY09 Projected and \$43,835.97 to Proposed FY10.

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER REVENUES

CASH & RECEIPTS

AVAILABLE CASH ON HAND:

NON-TAX RECEIPTS:

	Budget FY08 (7/1/07- 6/30/08)	Actual FY08 (7/1/07- 6/30/08)	Over (Under) FY08	Budget FY09 (7/1/08- 6/30/09)	Proposed Budget FY10 (7/09-6/10)	Change from FY09 Budget Increase (Decrease)	Change fr. FY09 Budget (+/-) %
Recording/copy fees	\$ 36,405.27	36,405.27	0.00	81,810.00	43,836.00	(37,974.00)	-46.4%
Vault fees	18,000.00	20,505.10	2,505.10	20,000.00	18,000.00	(2,000.00)	-10.0%
Zoning fees	4,000.00	5,231.03	1,231.03	5,000.00	7,000.00	2,000.00	40.0%
Sewage fees	6,000.00	5,625.82	(374.18)	7,000.00	7,500.00	500.00	7.1%
Dog licenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Liquor licenses	2,600.00	2653.00	53.00	2,500.00	2,600.00	100.00	4.0%
Late H131 filer fees	100.00	150.00	50.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.0%
Education retention fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
School Share town expenses	4,000.00	0.00	(4,000.00)	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.0%
State aid highways	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00	0.0%
Miscellaneous income	125,000.00	125,246.47	246.47	125,246.47	113,000.00	(12,246.47)	-9.8%
Interest/sweep account	500.00	1,452.64	952.64	500.00	100.00	(400.00)	-80.0%
Interest on delinquent taxes	10,000.00	22,574.62	12,574.62	20,000.00	5,000.00	(15,000.00)	-75.0%
Penalty on delinquent taxes	6,000.00	10,244.20	4,244.20	10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00	0.0%
Interest on late taxes	10,000.00	11,798.10	1,798.10	12,000.00	15,000.00	3,000.00	25.0%
Current use hold harmless	0.00	2,125.80	2,125.80				
FEMA Grant	51,000.00	75,051.00	24,051.00	75,051.00	60,000.00	(15,051.00)	-20.1%
Lister's Grant Education	0.00	12,839.00	12,839.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Traffic fines	0.00	394.56	394.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	
ANR Pilot Program	11,000.00	10,746.96	(253.04)	12,000.00	13,000.00	1,000.00	8.3%
General State Building Pilot Program	2,700.00	1,158.00	(1,542.00)	3,800.00	1,000.00	(2,800.00)	-73.7%
Green Up	2,655.00	0.00	2,655.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	N/A
Ancient Road Reimbursement	225.00	227.27	2.27	225.00	225.00	0.00	0.0%
	1,500.00	0.00	(1,500.00)				

Center Road Project Reimbursement	85,500.00	0.00	(85,500.00)			
Vtrans grant for Muddy Brook Rd paving . . .	57,216.00	51,430.40	(5,785.60)			
Waste water study reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Election Equipment Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Reimbursement 06' basement flood	0.00	574.00	574.00			
Reimbursement U-32 Revote	0.00	0.00	0.00			
East Montpelier Senior Liv. Grants(2)	22,000.00	0.00	(22,000.00)			
Center Road Structures Grant 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00	93,500.00	108,000.00	14,500.00
Reappraisal Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	109,794.90		(109,794.90)
2007 Plow Cane Claim	0.00	2,327.47	2,327.47			
Long Term Loan Proceeds	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00			
Paving Grant Towne Hill Road	0.00	0.00	0.00	110,000.00	120,000.00	10,000.00
Subtotal non-tax receipts	425,841.00	413,510.44	(12,330.56)	619,767.37	496,575.00	(123,192.37)
						-19.9%

Note: EMSLI (East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative) is expected to receive a \$30,000 VCDP grant in FY09–FY10.

TAXES:

Current Taxes:

Select board Budget	1,050,613.97	929,953.63	1,051,304.43	121,350.80	13.0%
Other Money Articles	201,885.00	198,721.00	196,596.00	(2,125.00)	-1.1%
Total Current Taxes	1,252,498.97	(176,864.61)	1,247,900.43	119,225.80	10.6%

Delinquent Taxes:

Current Year	N/A	35,117.04	N/A	N/A
Prior Years	N/A	109,289.69	N/A	N/A
Total Delinquent Taxes:	N/A	144,406.73	144,406.73	N/A
TOTAL TAXES	1,252,498.97	1,220,041.09	(32,457.88)	1,247,900.43
GRAND TOTAL CASH & RECEIPTS	\$ 1,714,745.24	1,669,956.80	(44,788.44)	1,788,311.43
				119,225.80
				(41,940.57)
				10.6%
				-2.3%

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES	FY08 Budget (7/1/07- 6/30/08)	FY08 Actual (7/1/07- 6/30/08)	Under (Over) FY08	FY09 Budget (7/1/08- 6/30/09)	FY10 Proposed Budget (7/09-6/10)	Change from FY09 Budget Increase (Decrease)	Change fr. FY09 Budget (+/-) %
GENERAL EXPENSES:							
Town Officers:							
Assistant Town Clerk and/or Treasurer	23,660.00	18,687.85	4,972.15	14,976.00	24,500.00		
Assistant Town Clerk II	5,382.00	5,382.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00		
Delinquent Tax Collector	13,000.00	12,243.34	756.66	12,000.00	15,000.00		
Health Officer	750.00	750.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Municipal Administrative Assistant	0.00		0.00	13,520.00	16,000.00		
Selectboard	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.00	3,750.00	2,500.00		
Sewage Officer	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00		
Town Administrator / Finance Director	28,392.00	43,604.87	(15,212.87)	45,428.00	38,000.00		
Town Clerk/Treasurer	35,360.00	35,360.00	0.00	36,774.00	38,000.00		
Total Town Officers	110,294.00	118,278.06	(7,984.06)	127,448.00	137,500.00	10,052.00	7.9%
Employee Benefits/Insurances							
Health Insurance	48,000.00	43,079.07	4,920.93	51,007.22	50,000.00		
Long Term Disability	1,178.64	892.48	286.16	1,593.00	1,330.00		
Municipal Retirement	13,088.50	12,863.62	224.88	14,460.70	17,000.00		
Social Security/Medicare	25,136.83	26,344.95	(1,208.12)	25,859.91	25,500.00		
Supplemental Accident Insurance	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00		
Town Liability Insurance	5,892.00	3,699.96	2,192.04	4,915.00	6,500.00		
Unemployment	1,641.00	2,176.00	(535.00)	2,886.00	3,024.00		
Workers Compensation	28,692.00	15,548.88	13,143.12	17,826.00	20,710.00		
Total Employee Benefits/ Insurances ..	126,128.97	104,604.96	21,524.01	118,547.83	124,064.00	5,516.17	4.7%

Law Enforcement Expenses:				
Community Advisory Board	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Constables Stipend	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Constable Expense				850.00
Animal Control Officers Stipend	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Animal Control Officers Expenses			0.00	700.00
E-911 Dispatch	4,800.00	4,966.98	(166.98)	0.00
Vermont State Police	23,000.00	22,866.37	133.63	24,000.00
Total Law Enforcement	29,900.00	29,933.35	(33.35)	27,650.00
				(2,711.00)
				-8.9%
Town Meeting & Elections:				
Ballot Clerks/Election Workers	400.00	351.48	48.52	1,400.00
Election Equipment	1,250.00	2,812.40	(1,562.40)	5,000.00
Town Clerk Budget (edited for FY2010)				
Advertising				1,160.00
Ballot Clerks/Election Workers				560.00
Election Equipment				2,300.00
Mileage/Travel Expense				600.00
Dog Licensing - tags and licenses				330.00
Printing	800.00	632.10	167.90	1,020.00
Record Restoration/Preservation	4,000.00	3,230.00	770.00	3,200.00
Subscriptions/Memberships	700.00	180.00	520.00	200.00
Town Record Maintenance/Vault Expenses	1,600.00	2,481.24	(881.24)	1,854.00
Total Town Mtg./Elections	8,750.00	9,687.22	(937.22)	11,224.00
				(10,216.00)
				-47.6%
Professional Fees				
Additional Services	2,000.00	8,978.21	(6,978.21)	2,000.00
Contracted Bookkeeping Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
External Audit	8,000.00	17,600.00	(9,600.00)	10,000.00
Legal Fees	2,000.00	5,209.26	(3,209.26)	2,000.00
Total Professional Fees	12,000.00	31,787.47	(19,787.47)	19,000.00
				0.00
				0.0%

EXPENDITURES *(continued)*

	FY08 Budget	FY08 Actual	Under (Over)	FY09 Budget	Proposed FY10 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Change (+/-) %
Selectboard Budget							
Municipal Building							
Custodial	2,200.00	1,882.00	318.00	2,205.00	2,500.00		
Electricity	1,800.00	1,640.33	159.67	2,000.00	2,200.00		
General Expenses	800.00	915.43	(115.43)	500.00	540.00		
Ground Maintenance/Landscaping	800.00	1,040.00	(240.00)	850.00	1,000.00		
Heating Fuel	4,000.00	2,561.87	1,438.13	5,300.00	5,500.00		
Repairs/Maintenance	16,700.00	15,414.98	1,285.02	6,000.00	2,500.00		
Rubbish/Recycling	500.00	415.60	84.40	400.00	500.00		
Security	250.00	195.00	55.00	5,571.70	1,500.00		
Telephone	2,500.00	2,158.62	341.38	1,800.00	2,250.00		
Water (Crystal Springs)	800.00	794.83	5.17	822.00	900.00		
Total Municipal Building	30,350.00	27,018.66	3,331.34	25,448.70	19,390.00	(6,058.70)	-23.8%
Municipal Operations							
Advertising	1,400.00	3,955.28	(2,555.28)	3,700.00	2,000.00		
Copier Lease	2,400.00	2,736.74	(336.74)	2,184.00	3,000.00		
Equipment Purchases (over \$200)	1,200.00	606.73	593.27	500.00	1,500.00		
Gifts/Special Occasions	500.00	478.02	21.98	300.00	500.00		
Mileage/Travel Expense	1,200.00	1,499.26	(299.26)	1,200.00	250.00		
Off Premise Record Storage	924.00	840.00	84.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Office Supplies	7,000.00	3,977.59	3,022.41	4,000.00	4,000.00		
Postage	3,000.00	3,020.97	(20.97)	2,800.00	3,000.00		
Property and Casualty Insurance	23,414.00	12,981.16	10,432.84	14,964.00	12,500.00		
Street Lights	3,900.00	4,150.13	(250.13)	4,128.00	4,200.00		
Subscriptions/Memberships	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		
Total Municipal Operations	44,938.00	34,245.88	10,692.12	34,776.00	32,050.00	(2,726.00)	-7.8%

EXPENDITURES *(continued)*

	FY08 Budget	FY08 Actual	Under (Over)	FY09 Budget	Proposed FY10 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Change (+/-) %
Subscriptions and Memberships	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,448.00		
Advertisements	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00		
Tax Map Maintenance	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00		
Total Lister Expenses	20,650.00	14,391.28	6,258.72	137,354.90	21,098.00	(116,256.90)	-84.6%
Auditors:							
Internal Audit (Town Auditors)	4,000.00	2,442.00	1,558.00	5,000.00	5,500.00		
Town Report Printing and Mailing	4,000.00	3,972.85	27.15	4,500.00	5,000.00		
Total Auditors Expenses	8,000.00	6,414.85	1,585.15	9,500.00	10,500.00	1,000.00	10.5%
Education & Training							
Highway Personnel (4)	500.00	510.00	(10.00)	560.00	500.00		
Listers	250.00	360.00	(110.00)	595.00	600.00		
Auditors	0.00	0.00	0.00		105.00		
Other Town Officers	200.00	170.00	30.00	420.00	150.00		
Planning & Zoning	150.00	325.00	(175.00)	800.00	400.00		
Town Administrator/Selectboard	400.00	1,021.25	(621.25)	995.00	500.00		
Town Clerk/Treasurer & Assistant	150.00	952.50	(802.50)	500.00	500.00		
Total Education/Training Expenses	1,650.00	3,338.75	(1,688.75)	3,870.00	2,755.00	(1,115.00)	-28.8%
Dues and Fees							
Ambulance Service	75,400.00	67,262.00	8,138.00	67,262.00	65,545.00		
CV Economic Development	900.00	900.00	0.00	900.00	900.00		
CV Regional Planning Commission	2,449.10	0.00	2,449.10	2,556.45	2,556.45		
CV Solid Waste Mgt. Dist.	8,236.70	8,366.90	(130.20)	8,366.90	8,373.10		
Displaced Canine Services	800.00	800.00	0.00	1,040.00	1,040.00		
Northern Vermont Resource Council	75.00	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00		
State Education Tax Reconciliation	9,700.00	2,159.00	7,541.00	8,063.88	8,000.00		

VT. League Cities & Towns	2,659.00	0.00	2,659.00	2,752.00	2,873.00	
Washington County Court Expense	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	29,450.00	23,857.00	
Wrightsville Beach Dist.	1,160.00	1,328.50	(168.50)	1,357.00	1,500.00	
Total Dues & Fees	121,379.80	80,891.40	40,488.40	121,823.23	114,719.55	(7,103.68)
Budget Requests						-5.8%
Fire Department	125,312.00	125,311.06	0.94	107,859.00	104,400.00	
Recreation Board	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Total Budget Requests	128,312.00	128,311.06	0.94	110,859.00	107,400.00	(3,459.00)
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	775,251.77	722,980.90	52,270.87	848,452.54	722,090.43	(126,362.11)
						-3.1%
GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS						-14.9%
Ancient Roads Grant	1,500.00	424.00	1,076.00	0.00		
Center Road structures Grant 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00	110,000.00	120,000.00	
Center Road structures Grant 2007	95,000.00	0.00	95,000.00	0.00		
Geologic Mapping					6,000.00	
Paving Project - Towne Hill Road	0.00	0.00	0.00	115,000.00	134,000.00	
EMSLI 2007 Municipal Planning Grant (1) ..	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00		
EMSLI 2007 Vt. Community Fund Grant (2) ..	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	0.00		
Muddy Brook Road Project Grant	0.00	78,536.65	(78,536.65)	0.00		
Muddy Brook Paving Grant	71,520.00	64,288.00	7,232.00	0.00		
TOTAL GRANTS & SPECIAL PROJECTS**	190,020.00	143,248.65	46,771.35	225,000.00	260,000.00	35,000.00
						15.6%
**see also Revenue sheet for Grants						
Highway Budget						
Highway Operations						
Chloride	29,640.00	14,671.01	14,968.99	22,000.00	22,000.00	
Crack Sealant	10,500.00	7,200.00	3,300.00	12,000.00	15,000.00	
Culverts	6,000.00	54.15	5,945.85	6,500.00	6,500.00	
Diesel	45,000.00	65,417.89	(20,417.89)	50,000.00	50,000.00	
Equipment Rentals	7,000.00	3,057.57	3,942.43	5,000.00	7,500.00	

EXPENDITURES <i>(continued)</i>	FY08 Budget	FY08 Actual	Under (Over)	FY09 Budget	Proposed FY10 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Change (+/-) %
General Supplies	25,000.00	11,723.16	13,276.84	14,000.00	14,000.00		
Gravel	91,000.00	30,791.67	60,208.33	93,750.00	95,000.00		
Green Up Expenses	625.00	380.66	244.34	640.00	625.00		
Guardrails	4,900.00	0.00	4,900.00	7,000.00	7,000.00		
Haz Mat disposal	650.00	307.70	342.30	650.00	650.00		
Pavement Management	0.00	255.65	(255.65)	0.00	5,000.00		
Pavement Markings					7,500.00		
Reciprocal Road Maintenance	750.00	1,000.00	(250.00)	750.00	1,250.00		
Road Fabric	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	4,000.00		
Roadside Mowing	4,800.00	4,700.00	100.00	5,150.00	5,500.00		
Salt	24,944.00	70,725.26	(45,781.26)	45,000.00	50,000.00		
Sand	32,000.00	37,974.24	(5,974.24)	50,000.00	75,000.00		
Signs	1,500.00	181.46	1,318.54	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Stabilization Fabric	2,200.00	0.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00		
Uniforms	2,514.00	2,898.60	(384.60)	2,600.00	3,200.00		
Weather Reporting	1,872.00	1,974.00	(102.00)	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Total Highway/ Operation Expenses	294,395.00	253,313.02	41,081.98	324,240.00	375,425.00	51,185.00	15.8%
Town Garage Expenses							
Electricity	1,320.00	1,745.35	(425.35)	1,400.00	1,800.00		
General Expenses	2,000.00	1,590.98	409.02	2,060.00	1,600.00		
Heating Fuel	5,000.00	4,760.54	239.46	8,400.00	8,400.00		
Bldg Repairs and Maintenance	2,800.00	868.40	1,931.60	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Rubbish	1,100.00	1,176.22	(76.22)	1,100.00	1,300.00		
Security	200.00	195.00	5.00	5,547.46	2,500.00		
Telephone/Communications	1,900.00	2,223.53	(323.53)	2,575.00	2,600.00		
Town Garage Renovation	31,000.00	31,473.41	(473.41)	0.00	0.00		
Total Garage Expenses	45,320.00	44,033.43	1,286.57	22,082.46	19,200.00	(2,882.46)	-13.1%

Highway Labor									
Summer	79,040.00	83,925.66	(4,885.66)	87,420.00	84,000.00				
Winter	80,833.47	91,771.51	(10,938.04)	84,336.00	91,000.00				
Total Labor Highway Budget	159,873.47	175,697.17	(15,823.70)	171,756.00	175,000.00	3,244.00		1.9%	
Vehicle Equipment/ Repairs	28,000.00		28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00				
08 International Dump Truck		30.80							
08 International Dump Truck		30.79							
93' Cat Loader		2,129.51							
02' International Dump Truck		10,559.56							
05' International Dump Truck		5,522.56							
07 International Dump Truck		4,215.95							
06' John Deere Grader		364.25							
72' Ford Fire Truck (EMFD)									
85' Case Excavator		1,852.33							
88' John Deere Backhoe		5,574.03							
95' International Pumper/Tanker(EMFD)									
98' MorBark Brush Chipper		231.00							
99' International Dump Truck		4,838.71							
82 Ford Chloride Truck		201.71							
York Rake		898.54							
Vehicle-Supplies/Oil/Grease	20,000.00	5,854.21	14,145.79	12,000.00	12,000.00				
Total Equipment Repairs	48,000.00	42,303.95	5,696.05	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00		0.0%	
TOTAL HIGHWAY BUDGET	547,588.47	515,347.57	32,240.90	558,078.46	609,625.00	51,546.54		9.2%	
TOTAL SELECTBOARD BUDGET	1,512,860.24	1,381,577.12	131,283.12	1,631,531.00	1,591,715.43	(39,815.57)		-2.4%	
Voted Articles									
Cemetery Commission	10,700.00	10,700.00	0.00	10,900.00	10,900.00				
Capital Reserve Fund	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00	130,000.00	127,500.00				
Conservation Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Fire Department Facility Planning	0.00	2,460.75	(2,460.75)	0.00	0.00				

EXPENDITURES (continued)

	FY08 Budget	FY08 Actual	Under (Over)	FY09 Budget	Proposed FY10 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Change (+/-) %
Four Corners Schoolhouse	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,200.00		
Fire Department	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,667.00	0.00		
East Montpelier Historical Society loan	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00		
07 International 4200 Loan Portion	0.00	40,198.00	(40,198.00)	0.00	0.00		
Kellogg-Hubbard Library	25,321.00	25,321.00	0.00	31,054.00	32,296.00		
Local Agreement Tax (Farm Contracts)					8,500.00 *		
Total Voted Articles	188,521.00	231,179.75	(42,658.75)	184,621.00	182,396.00	(2,225.00)	-1.2 %

**2007 Article 15: Town voted to continue local Farm Contract program, annual costs of which are to be raised in taxes.
Also note: If 2009 Article 6 passes, contingent on pending negotiations, settlement amount will be added to total taxes to be raised.*

Funding Requests

Battered Women's Services and Shelter	675.00	675.00	0.00	675.00	675.00		
Central Vermont Community Action	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00		
Central Vermont Council on Aging	1,464.00	1,464.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice ..	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00		
Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00		
Community Connections	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Family Center of Washington County	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	500.00		
Green Mountain Transit	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,300.00		
Green-up Vermont	150.00	150.00	0.00	100.00	100.00		
Homeshare of Central Vermont	0.00		0.00	0.00			
Montpelier Senior Center	0.00		0.00	250.00			
Onion River Food Shelf Inc.	400.00	400.00	0.00	500.00	500.00		
People's Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc.	950.00	950.00	0.00	950.00	950.00		
Prevent Child Abuse of Vermont	0.00		0.00	0.00	250.00		
Project Independence	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	250.00		
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275.00	275.00	0.00	275.00	275.00		
Sexual Assault Crisis Team	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00		

EAST MONTPELIER FY08 TAXES RAISED

Base Tax Rates:

School - Homestead	\$ 2.1301
School - Non-Residential	\$ 2.2335
Town	\$ 0.8047

Total Homestead Tax Rate \$ 2.9348

Total Non-Residential Rate \$ 3.0382

Values as originally billed:

Municipal Grand List	\$ 1,557,034.00
Homestead Grand List	1,119,508.00
Non-Residential Grand List	440,621.00



Taxes to be raised at Town Tax Rate	1,252,945.50
Taxes to be raised at Homestead Tax Rate	2,384,664.09
Taxes to be raised at Non-Residential Tax Rate	984,127.34

TOTAL* \$ 4,621,736.93



FY2008 TAXES as of 5/16/08

Collected	4,465,856.43
Uncollected FY08 taxes as of 5/16/08	155,838.15

TOTAL* \$ 4,621,694.58



2008 EDUCATION TAX BREAKDOWN

Total Due School	\$ 3,369,676.00
Less town portion	0.00
Total education tax paid	3,369,676.00
Balance due school district (within 120 days)	0.00

** The discrepancy in these two tax totals results from the difference in the tax rates for the Homestead & Non-Residential classifications, under which the School Taxes are figured. If the Homestead HS-131 form had not been filed by April 16,2007, but was filed after the tax bills were prepared, updates were sent to the Town by the State and a new tax bill was prepared and sent to the taxpayer because the classification had changed.*

DELINQUENT TAXES

	Taxes Due July 1, 2007	Paid In FY08	Abated FY08	Balance Due June 30, 2008
2001	407	407	0	0
2002	412	412	0	0
2003	418	418	0	0
2004	0	0	0	0
2005	595	595	0	0
2006	95,375	94,928	0	447
FY07	12,648	12,530	0	118
	<u>\$ 109,855</u>	<u>\$ 109,290</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 565</u>
FY08 Del. Taxes Submitted to Collector on 5/16/08	155,838	35,117	0	120,721
	<u>\$ 265,693</u>	<u>\$ 144,407</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 121,286</u>
Interest on Delinquent Tax		10,928 *		
Total Delinquent Taxes and Interest collected in FY08		<u>\$ 155,334</u>		

* Does not include Late Interest
(see Taxpayer Note below)

See also the Report of the Collector
of Delinquent Taxes on p. 59.

TAXPAYER NOTE

Property taxes must be received in the Town Treasurer's office by 5 PM on the due date. The second installment of fiscal year 2008/2009 property taxes is due on Friday, May 15, 2009. For fiscal year 2009/2010 tax year, payments will be due on Monday, November 16, 2009 and Monday, May 17, 2010.

The due date and time is voted on at Town Meeting each year. **Postmarked tax payments dated the tax due date, but received after the tax due date are NOT accepted as timely payments.** First installment taxes not received by the due date in November are charged Late Interest of 1% per month. Any taxes not received by the due date in May are turned over to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes, and charged an 8% penalty in addition to 1% per month delinquent interest.

TOWN SALARIES AND BENEFITS SUMMARY

July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

OFFICE	FY08 Salary	Salary & Benefits
Denise Brown	\$ 5,202.38	\$ 7,500.96
Renée Carpenter	300.00	322.95
Putnam Clayton	66.00	71.05
Pauline Coburn	850.75	915.83
Sheldon Codling	3,498.00	3,765.60
Lynn Como	11,493.53	12,841.41
Teresa Conti	39,823.82	44,960.96
Rosendo Cueto, Jr.	2,592.00	2,790.29
Deborah Fillion	1,986.00	2,137.93
Kristi Flynn	842.50	906.98
Karen Gramer	3,397.76	3,657.68
Robyn Hall	48,234.06	53,962.02
Ross Hazel	4,930.00	5,307.16
C. Bruce Johnson	22,472.52	24,288.33
Earl Montague	420.00	452.13
Lisa Rice	8,320.00	9,968.04
Sylvia Tosi	3,070.16	3,305.03
	157,499.48	177,154.35
HIGHWAY		
Gordon Blow	18,305.42	22,722.24
Thomas Brazier	16,401.89	17,656.63
Bruce Campbell	24,089.32	29,802.35
Frank Campbell	54,967.56	74,246.87
Kenneth Lorden	49,516.19	58,267.03
Anthony Williams	15,247.38	25,149.61
	178,527.76	227,844.73
OTHER		
Thomas Brazier	750.00	807.38
Sandy Conti	1,000.00	1,076.50
Paul Haynes	500.00	538.25
Stephen Jerome	750.00	807.38
Elliott Morse	1,250.00	1,345.63
Tracy Phillips	750.00	807.38
	5,000.00	5,382.52
CEMETERY		
Malcolm Fielder	522.50	562.47
Elliott Morse	2,763.00	2,974.37
Allen Ploof	1,162.00	1,250.90
	4,447.50	4,787.74
FY08 TOTALS	<u>\$345,474.74</u>	<u>\$415,169.34</u>

Due to changes in health premiums and overpays in 2008, \$567.32 is unresolved.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER REPORT

For this Clerk & Treasurer, this has been another year of challenges and changes on all levels. Again, there have been several changes on all levels—municipal, state, and federal to keep in order.

The newly acquired Cash Receipts Module ensures more accurate accounting of Town funds. We are working very diligently to keep up with the implementation of policies and procedures to maintain the integrity and accuracy of the Clerk and Treasurer's duties, tasks, and responsibilities.

As always, the Land Recording continues to keep this office busy. A total of 743 land record documents were received for recording, filling four more books and consisting of more than 2,400 pages. We are now in Book 104. We recently received a box of old Town papers and photographs that will be logged by the Historical Society.

We continue to maintain the precious records of our town. Map Books #1 and #2 were restored and now are in protective mylars, labeled and recorded for easier and more accurate location. The addition of more shelving and storage in the vault bought us another couple of years of storage before the vault will be filled to capacity.

Partaking in the historical General Election was exciting and rewarding. We had a wonderful voter turnout. We had a record number of Absentee Ballot requests and returns for this election. Over the last year, our town voter checklist received 286 new applications.

The change of the Property Tax billing to two installments last year was again a positive factor in the receipt of tax monies. The two installments made the due date in November quite a bit less painful for most folks. The homestead declaration filings for your property will again be a factor when filing your income taxes. **Please be sure to file your homestead declaration by April 15, 2009.**

Remember that the town office has long been a source of information for many things. Whether it be historical town matters, research on your own property or family genealogy, dog registration (522 last year), voter registration, marriage and civil union licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, notary services, land postings, road and trail maps, town ordinances information, town events scheduling—the list goes on! You are always welcome!

I, as your duly elected Town Clerk and Town Treasurer for the last three years, would like to take this opportunity to thank the townspeople for their support—especially over the last year. The respect, words and actions of support, the empathy and compassion shown has touched me deeply. It makes the positions that I have been entrusted to carry out all the more honorable and meaningful. Again, thank you.

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

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 December 31, 2008)

		Mileage	Hours
2008	International 10-wheel Dump Truck (v#288) incl. Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	6,498	405
2008	International 10-wheel Dump Truck (v#289) incl. Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	5,622	417
2007	International 4200 Dump Truck "Low Pro"	23,024	2,034
2006	John Deere 772D Grader	N/A	1,914
2005	International 7600 Dump Truck Sand Spreader, Plow and Wing	57,781	4,697
2002	Internat'l 2574 Dump Truck & attachments	trade-in	N/A
1999	Internat'l 2574 Dump Truck & attachments	trade-in	N/A
1998	MorBark Brush Chipper	N/A	745
1993	Caterpillar 928 Front End Loader	N/A	10,610
1988	John Deere 210C Backhoe	N/A	3,720
1985	Case Excavator	N/A	6,877
1982	Ford Chloride Truck	96,802	N/A

Note: Kubota Diesel Tractor (purchased by Cemetery Commission, see p.38)

PASS THROUGH ACCOUNTS

Dog State Rabies Program	\$ 649.00
State Dog Spay / Neuter Program	\$ 810.00
Marriage and Civil Union Licenses	\$ 255.00
Fish & Wildlife	\$ 479.50

TOWN AND FIDUCIARY FUNDS SUMMARY

The Town and Fiduciary Funds are held in separate 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 Fund Balances on pp. 33–35):

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

Fiduciary Funds (see Fund Balances on pp. 36–39):

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



SPECIAL BRIDGE AND CULVERT PROJECTS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 1,134.25
Interest	20.98
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Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	1,155.23
Owed to Other Fund	(3.24)
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Adjusted Balance	<u><u>\$ 1,151.99</u></u>



LAND CONSERVATION FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 36,581.64
Income: CD Interest	1,566.18
Income: Savings Interest	2.05
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Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u><u>\$ 38,149.87</u></u>

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND — FY08

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007		\$ 121,229.90
CD – Beginning Balance	104,304.71	
CD – Interest earned	1,890.40	
Capital Distributions in FY08	<u>(65,000.00)</u>	
CD – Ending Balance		41,195.11
Money Market – Beginning Balance	8,225.19	
Proceeds from sale of Ford 550 Dump Truck received	8,700.00	
Money Market – Interest earned	288.95	
Capital Distributions in FY08	(8,700.00)	
Town Appropriation (2007 Article 4)	<u>150,000.00</u>	
Money Market – Ending Balance		<u>158,514.14</u>
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008		<u><u>\$ 199,709.25</u></u>



CAPITAL RESERVE BALANCE

Allocated Funds:		Contrib. Year
Road Department Trucks	\$ 98,700	2005–FY08
Road Department Heavy Equipment	50,000	FY08
Fire Dept. AED Monitor	6,000	2005–FY07
Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus	17,000	2004–FY08
Fire Dept. Trucks	84,000	2004–FY08
Paving	196	
Capital Distributions in FY08	(73,700)	
Interest earned in prior years	15,334	
Interest earned FY08	<u>2,179</u>	
June 30, 2008 Fund Balance	<u><u>\$ 199,709</u></u>	

CAPITAL RESERVE PROGRAM: ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS / DISTRIBUTIONS / BALANCE

Fiscal Year Activity	Trucks	Heavy Equip.	AED Monitors	Breathing Apparatus	Fire Trucks	Paving	Interest	Account Totals
Beg. Bal.	40,000	0	6,000	7,000	44,000	196	15,334	112,530
FY 08								
Contrib.	50,000	50,000	0	10,000	40,000	0	2,179	152,179
Distrib.	(65,000)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(65,000)
Balance	25,000	50,000	6,000	17,000	84,000	196	17,513	199,709
FY 09								
Contrib.	40,000	0	0	15,000	40,000	35,000		130,000
Distrib.	(65,000)	0	0	0	0	(35,000)		(100,000)
Balance	0	50,000	6,000	32,000	124,000	196	17,513	229,709
FY 10								
Contrib.	40,000	0	2,500	14,000	26,000	45,000		127,500
Distrib.	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
Balance	40,000	50,000	8,500	46,000	150,000	45,196	17,513	357,209
FY 11								
Contrib.	75,000	45,000	2,500	10,000	30,000	105,000		267,500
Distrib.	(150,000)	0	0	(56,000)	(180,000)	0		(386,000)
Balance	(35,000)	95,000	11,000	0	0	150,196	17,513	238,709
FY 12								
Contrib.	75,000	45,000	2,500	10,000	30,000	105,000		267,500
Distrib.	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
Balance	40,000	140,000	13,500	10,000	30,000	255,196	17,513	506,209
FY 13								
Contrib.	75,000	45,000	2,500	10,000	30,000	105,000		267,500
Distrib.	0	0	(10,000)	0	0	0		(10,000)
Balance	115,000	185,000	6,000	20,000	60,000	360,196	17,513	763,709
FY 14								
Contrib.	75,000	45,000	2,500	10,000	30,000	105,000		267,500
Distrib.	(150,000)	(175,000)	0	0	0	0		(325,000)
Balance	40,000	55,000	8,500	30,000	90,000	465,196	17,513	706,209

NOTES:

FY08: '07 4200 International 6-wheel 4WD with Everest Body and plow equipment.

FY09: Road Dept. trucks: Lease two 10-wheel trucks, replacing '99-Int. 6-wheel truck & '02 Int. Dump Truck; \$65,000 down pymt toward lease to purchase, \$62,500 trade in allowance & lease of \$201,590.

FY09: Paving: Contribution toward Towne Hill Road paving project.

FY11: EMFD breathing apparatus to work with new truck.

FY11: Fire Dept. Trucks: \$295,000 engine; 75% (\$221,250) to be paid by East Montpelier, \$180,00 from Capital Reserve and \$41,250 to be financed. (Calais to pay 25%.)

FY11: '05 10-wheel dump truck replacement.

FY13: Fire Dept. Automated External Defibrillator/heart Monitors.

FY14: Trucks: 7-year replacement; Heavy Equipment: Loader replacement.

GRAND LIST REAPPRAISAL FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 95,294.90
Interest Income	5,078.42
Received from State of Vermont	11,314.50
Transferred in error by bank .....	.09
Expenses	(2,320.00)
Due to General Fund	(.09)
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 109,367.82</u>

VETERANS MEMORIAL FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 432.78
Interest Income	1.24
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008.....	<u>\$ 434.02</u>

EAST MONTPELIER FIREWORKS FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 306.18
Interest Income .....	.87
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 307.05</u>

Funded with donations; available to offset costs of fireworks on Rally Day.

CARLTON C. SMITH RECREATIONAL FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$53,149.03
Interest Income	2,269.19
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$55,418.22</u>

\$50,000 bequest held in a CD; interest is available for recreation use.

TOWN FOREST FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$24,970.72
Income: CD Interest	906.14
Income: Savings Interest	9.15
Due from Other Fund	1.13
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$25,887.14</u>

SESQUICENTENNIAL FUND

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 926.59
Interest Income	2.64
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 929.23</u>

Funded from sales of commemorative items; used for restoring Town records.

SANDY PINES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Report for January 1 – June 30, 2007

Beginning Fund Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 19,672.02
Interest earned in FY08.....	836.02
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	\$ 20,508.04
Due to General Fund for FY06 payment to VCDP*	(9,269.70)
Due to General Fund for FY07 payment to VCDP*	(352.88)
Due to General Fund for FY08 payment to VCDP*	(431.89)
Adjusted Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u><u>\$ 10,453.57</u></u>

* TOWN AUDITORS NOTE: In addition to amounts shown, interest earned on these funds and the resulting overpayment to the Vermont Community Development Program are also due to the Town's General Fund.

The Town of East Montpelier was awarded a grant of \$318,900.00 from the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) 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 and interest 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 of the \$311,472.78 balance will resume in 2011.



EAST MONTPELIER CEMETERY COMMISSION

Annual Report for Year 2008–2009

Pauline Coburn was elected chair and Frederick Strong was named clerk for 2008–2009.

It is our intention that the graves of all veterans be marked with a flag. Please advise the commission if a grave has been missed.

Goals for the 2009 season include:

- Repair a broken monument at the Wheeler cemetery.
- Complete the poison ivy eradication and fence installation at the Peck cemetery.
- Continue to improve the landscaping in the Quaker and Tinkham cemeteries.

2008 Activities:

- There were few lot sales in 2008, and the return on our investments remained low again this year. The wet season kept Allen Ploof, Malcolm Fielder, Norman Hill, and Elliott Morse busy with general upkeep.
- Trees that were taken or blown down at the Village, Cutler and Cate cemeteries were cut up and removed. As a result the fence at the Cate cemetery required repair.
- Grave stones were repaired at the Village and Tinkham cemeteries.
- Eradication of the poison ivy in the Peck cemetery continues to be a problem.
- The Toro lawn tractor became a maintenance burden and was replaced with an all-wheel drive Kubota diesel tractor in October. The utility trailer was also replaced this year.

As a result of all of these factors, we have budgeted expenses of \$11,350 for the coming season. We must again ask the town for \$10,900 for FY 2010 for maintenance of the town cemeteries. The shortfall of \$450 will be taken from the existing bank balance. The budget includes \$2,000 for anticipated tree removal requirements.

The commissioners thank:

- Pauline Coburn for hosting the commission meetings.
- Allen Ploof, Malcolm Fielder, Norman Hill, and Elliott Morse for their assistance with cemetery upkeep.
- Roy Bair for his efforts to eradicate the poison ivy in the Peck cemetery.

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

CEMETERY FUNDS

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	\$ 92,064.20
Income: Voted 2006 Town Meeting Art. 17	2,250.00
Expense: Care of Cemeteries (owed to General Fund)	(1,134.32)
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Adjusted Beginning Balance	93,179.88
Income:	
Voted 2007 Town Meeting Art. 10	10,700.00
Sale of Lots and Perpetual Care	450.00
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	11,150.00
Interest Income	
Chittenden – Savings	67.45
Chittenden – CD	2,092.79
Banknorth – Savings	2.79
Banknorth – CD	443.65
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	2,606.68
Care of Cemeteries Expense (see Orders below)	(11,968.93)
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Ending Balance - June 30, 2008	<u><u>\$ 94,967.63</u></u>

BALANCE – JUNE 30, 2008

Expendable Funds:	
Chittenden Savings Account	\$ 18,378.36
Banknorth Savings Account	1,608.70
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	19,987.06
Non-Expendable Perpetual Care Funds:	
Chittenden CD Accounts	54,975.00
Banknorth CD Accounts	21,500.00
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	76,475.00
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Total in Accounts	96,462.06
Due to General Fund	(1,494.32)
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Total Funds	<u><u>\$ 94,967.74</u></u>

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S ORDERS

Payroll	\$ 5,382.17
Tree Removal	3,700.00
Flags and Markers	100.00
Parts, Supplies and Repairs	1,426.76
Trailer for Mower	875.00
Plot Buy Back	400.00
Cemetery Association	85.00
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Total Expenses	<u><u>\$ 11,968.93</u></u>

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

January 1 – December 31, 2008

The three main focus areas for the Planning Commission efforts during a busy and full 2008 had been: continuation of efforts to update the proposed regulations that concern zoning, subdivision, flood hazard area, and telecommunication facilities; revising and updating the Town Plan; and review and approval of land use applications.

Adopted in 1982, the town's local bylaws are inconsistent in some areas with revised state standards passed in 2004 and with some recent legal decisions. Vague language in our current regulations is confusing to 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. The proposed regulations were given to the Selectboard in November 2007. The Selectboard conducted two public hearings on the draft regulations in the spring and summer of 2008. The regulations were finalized by the Selectboard to include a provision addressing groundwater extraction (an issue from March 2008 town meeting). In a strange and disappointing vote that occurred in November, the Selectboard voted 3 to 2 against adopting the proposed regulations. A petition ensued that established a special town meeting giving the adoption decision to the town voters. The special town meeting occurred on January 6, 2009. The Planning Commission fully supports the adopted regulations.

The East Montpelier Town Plan, adopted in June 2003, was due to expire in June 2008. The Planning Commission felt the 2003 plan was adequate even though a few revisions could be made to update and improve the document. The Planning Commission took steps in the first and second quarters of the year to produce a 2008 Town Plan. After soliciting public comment, the Selectboard adopted the 2008 Town Plan in June and the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission approved the Plan in September. The proposed regulations noted above will help implement the 2008 Town Plan.

In addition to these major undertakings, the Commission also completed 17 sketch plan reviews, approved 11 subdivisions (creating 22 new lots) and 2 boundary adjustments, issued 9 commercial site plan permits and approved 5 commercial sign applications. The Planning Commission is pleased to have helped with the process that resulted in a good portion of the East Montpelier village area (i.e. from Mekkelsens RVs to Town Office Building) being designated by the State of Vermont as a Village Center. The Planning Commission also participated in several Act 250 hearings that concern the Vermont Agency of Transportation's plan to eliminate the Coburn Road swimming hole and create a wetland mitigation site associated with improvements to sections of Route 2 located in Marshfield, Cabot, and Danville.

Zoning Administrator Bruce Johnson continues to be quite knowledgeable and very helpful to applicants during the permit process. The Planning Commission

and townspeople are lucky to have such a capable individual in the planning and zoning office of town hall.

The Planning Commission holds its regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month starting at 7:30 pm in the town office building. The Planning Commission encourages interested citizens to attend any meeting or to contact any of the nine commission members with comments or questions.

— RICK HOPKINS, <i>Chair</i>	KIM WATSON	SETH GARDNER
CAROL WELCH, <i>Vice Chair</i>	MARK LANE	KEN SANTOR
JEAN VISSERING	JACK PAULY	GENE TROIA



COMMUNITY GROUNDWATER STUDY GROUP

At our March 2008 Town Meeting, East Montpelier passed a resolution placing a three-year moratorium on large withdrawals of groundwater to allow citizens “adequate time to gather information regarding the impact of such withdrawals on the citizens and natural resources of the Town.” In April 2008, the Community Groundwater Study Group formed to examine issues surrounding significant groundwater extraction.

During its first year, the Study Group has:

- Studied the science of groundwater and groundwater mapping
- Researched the permitting process for large water extractions
- Examined the proposal to bottle millions of gallons of East Montpelier spring water and monitored the project’s permit application
- Collaborated with town officials to propose changes to East Montpelier’s Town Plan and Land Use Regulations to better conserve groundwater resources
- Joined forces with Montpelier’s Kellogg-Hubbard Library to offer programs regarding groundwater issues
- Successfully encouraged legislators to pass a bill that placed Vermont’s groundwater in the public trust for Vermont’s citizens
- Worked with town officials to apply for a grant to fund mapping of East Montpelier’s groundwater resources
- Shared ideas and experiences with individuals who are addressing groundwater issues in other Vermont towns.

The work of the Study Group led the New York Times to highlight East Montpelier in an article regarding groundwater issues in Vermont (published August 21, 2008). We hold meetings every other month. For the next meeting date, please call Carolyn Shapiro at 229-5676. Anyone who wishes to learn more about the Community Groundwater Study Group can visit our website at <http://community-water.org>.

— CAROLYN SHAPIRO

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The big question in 2008 was whether we would have new zoning regulations to replace the severely outdated zoning/subdivision regulations we've been operating under. It took a few days into 2009, but we have an answer—the proposed regulations were adopted in January by a vote of East Montpelier residents. The new regulations include a number of changes: far more exemptions from permitting requirements, some decreases in setbacks, a waiver option to avoid certain variance requests, water resources protection, a certificate of use compliance process, and, perhaps most importantly, a degree of clarity in zoning and subdivision requirements missing from the old regulations. Please be sure to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the new regulations.

Residential permit activity, including new dwellings and building lot creation, dropped about 20% in 2008 compared to 2007. Commercial activity, on the other hand, increased significantly with a number of new small businesses gaining approval to operate along the Route 2 corridor.

Zoning Applications Submitted January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

11	New Dwellings
3	Replace Mobile Home
23	Garages and Accessory Structures
10	Home Alterations/Additions/Repairs
5	Porches and Decks
1	Variance
10	New Commercial Structures/Uses
4	Commercial Alterations/Additions/Repairs
14	Subdivision/Boundary Adjustments
3	Farm Structure Notices
4	Public Facility Additions/Alterations
20	Access/Right-of-Way Permits
6	Sign Permits

114 Total Zoning Applications

As I noted last year, the State of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation's Wastewater Management Division is the sole source for septic permits. Although I remain the town's sewage officer, the duties are essentially limited to enforcement of old town permits and research assistance. As with most other state permit issues, your first contact for septic permits should be the District 5 DEC Permit Specialist. Currently John Miller serves in that position out of the Barre regional DEC office and can be reached at 476-0195. Even if you think your project doesn't require any state permits, it never hurts to call the permit specialist and discuss your plans. For general septic concerns and specific technical or permit-related questions, please contact our DEC assistant regional engineer, Carl Fuller, at 476-0191.

— C. BRUCE JOHNSON, *Zoning Administrator*

BOARD OF LISTERS REPORT

Here we are in 2009 and the town of East Montpelier is nearing the end of its much anticipated town wide reappraisal. The purpose of this reappraisal is to better align the assessed values of properties with the actual market value of properties in the town and to reduce inequities in assessed values that have accrued over the years. The State of Vermont mandates a town-wide reappraisal whenever the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) is greater than 20% and/or the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) is less than 80%. This is done to ensure there is an equitable state wide distribution of education funds. The CLA is a three year running average of the ratios of assessed values to the market values as determined by arms length sales of properties within the town and the COD is a measure of uniformity of appraisals for all properties on the grand list. The CLA for the town of East Montpelier is now 56.44% and the COD is 24.17%.

Some time in June, after the property inspections have been completed and the Vermont Appraisal Company has compiled the data, a complete list of all reappraised property values will be distributed to taxpayers. This list will show the old and new values of each property in the town. At this time there will be a two week period when property owners can come in, during Town Office hours, to have their questions answered, discuss their new property values, and see how the values were derived. After this two week informal question period, there will be the formal grievance period where property owners can dispute their new property tax assessment before the Board of Listers and the appraisers from the Vermont Appraisal Company.

We wish to thank the people of the Town of East Montpelier for their courtesy and their cooperation during this current town wide reappraisal.

— ROSS HAZEL
RENÉE CARPENTER
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%
2007	57.55%
2008	56.44%

* Common Level of Appraisal
(2008 details on following page)

ABSTRACT OF THE GRAND LIST — 2008 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 State Incl. State Exemption
Residential I	472	58,389,100	0	58,389,100	58,389,100	56.69	102,997,178	102,997,178	15.85	123,706
Residential II	382	67,951,900	384,700	67,567,200	67,474,100	55.71	121,952,253	121,785,138	9.75	186,321
Mobile Homes - U	61	1,340,900	0	1,340,900	1,340,900	96.99	1,382,514	1,382,514	15.63	21,982
Mobile Homes - L	47	3,085,500	0	3,085,500	3,085,500	57.25	5,389,520	5,389,520	6.80	65,649
Vacation I	6	644,600	0	644,600	644,600	57.25	1,125,939	1,125,939	0.00	107,433
Vacation II	2	159,400	0	159,400	159,400	57.25	278,428	278,428	0.00	79,700
Commercial	49	10,563,400	0	10,563,400	10,563,400	56.08	18,836,305	18,836,305	31.29	215,580
Commercial Apts.	3	1,992,000	0	1,992,000	1,992,000	56.08	3,552,068	3,552,068	0.00	664,000
Industrial Plants	3	2,670,500	0	2,670,500	2,670,500	56.08	4,761,947	4,761,947	0.00	890,167
Utilities - E	4	2,553,500	0	2,553,500	2,553,500	56.22	4,541,978	4,541,978	0.00	638,375
Utilities - O	2	53,000	0	53,000	53,000	56.08	94,508	94,508	0.00	26,500
Farms	15	2,472,300	216,600	2,215,700	2,115,500	56.08	4,398,658	4,148,658	0.00	365,240
Wood	1	3,300	3,300	0	0	56.08	5,734	5,734	0.00	18,000
Miscellaneous	117	4,757,100	136,700	4,620,400	4,523,500	56.08	8,476,477	8,303,688	33.20	50,846
Total Real Prop.	1,164	156,636,500	741,300	155,895,200	155,565,000		277,793,507	277,203,603		

Personal Property:	Cable Inventory Machinery & Equipment	338,565	Inv. Exempt	0	100.00	338,565	0			
			M&E Exempt	0	100.00	Exempt	0			
Total Personal Property		338,565		0	100.00	338,565	0			
GRAND TOTAL (Real and Personal Property)		\$156,233,765		\$155,565,000	56.44	\$278,132,072	\$277,203,603	24.17	20.00	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:	330,200	Total Land Use Reduction Value:	7,765,900
Total Partial-Statutory Exempt.:	0	Total Veterans Exemptions EGL:	100,000
Total Grandfathered Exemptions:	41,500	Total Veterans Exemptions MGL:	100,000

*from the Certified Final Computation Sheet, State of Vermont - Division of Property Valuation and Review, Dec. 15, 2008

Certified to County: \$278,132,000
 Certified to State: \$278,132,000

PROPERTY TRANSFERS IN 2008

Seller	Buyer	Location	Property	Sale Price
Brock, Trustee	Trask	200 Hammett Hill Rd	1 Ac & DWL	\$249,900
Gray	Madrona	275 Sandy Pines Rd	MH no land	8,500
Hulbert	Stoufer	2295 Brazier Rd	DWL & 5 Ac	201,000
Boardman	Webster	144 Sandy Pines Rd	MH no land	19,000
McLaughlin	Fisher	North Street	7.12 Ac	67,900
Laquerre	Eniti	160 Old Farm Rd	DWL & 10.8 Ac	389,000
Larose	Gingold	28 Robinson Rd	MH no land	20,000
Herzig	Beling	580 Cummings Rd	DWL & 1 Ac	292,950
Quattone	Conley	405 Haggett Rd	DWL & 3.35 Ac	230,000
Dunkling	Gariboldi	307 Vincent Flats Rd	DWL & 5.1 Ac	300,000
Walker	Hayford	185 Sandy Pines Rd	MH no land	19,500
Marshall	Douse	260 Codling Rd	DWL & 10.55 Ac	230,000
Housing Fdn.	Flint	210 Sandy Pines Rd	MH no land	21,500
Sparrow	Krauss	154 Sparrow Farm Rd	DWL & 10.11 Ac	375,000
Harvie	Wimer	1735 Bliss Rd	DWL & 3.6 Ac	405,000
Wells	Lamberton	Captain Kidd Subdiv.	3 Ac	110,000
Wells	Rappold	Captain Kidd Subdiv.	DWL & 3.06 Ac	366,000
Trollinger	O'Neill	1561 Towne Hill Rd	DWL & 3.01 Ac	300,000
Friedman	Racanelli	270 Brazier Rd	DWL & 7.1 Ac	310,000
Nishiyachi	Kaimain	530 Jacobs Rd	7.0 Ac	113,250
Dall	Rufenacht	585 Dodge Rd	DWL 13.25 Ac	287,000
Hanna	Giavara	1988 County Rd	DWL & 1.5 Ac	254,900
Mahoney	Laquerre	660 VT Rte 14 S	DWL & .67 Ac	39,000
Atkinson	Michaud	1226 Bliss Rd	DWL & 7 Ac	264,000
Landry	Larose	83 Sandy Pines Rd	MH no land	25,000
Phillips	Davidian	1676 VT Rte 214	DWL & 11.5 Ac	175,000
Hawkins	Spooner	2530 Towne Hill Rd	MH & 3 Ac	110,000
Spilka	Winings	1765 North Street	DWL & 2.7 Ac	322,000
Hull	Koss	Sanders Circle	235 Ac	200,000

CONSERVATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

In June, 2008, the Conservation Fund Advisory Committee unanimously approved the Benton project. This project was initiated by the Cross Vermont Trail organization which is in the process of building an 85-mile multipurpose trail from Burlington to Wells River, crossing the state. The section closest to us crosses the Winooski River and runs along Route 2 in East Montpelier. The project will benefit both the town and the region for recreation and will create affordable housing for a low income family. The Purchase price of the project was \$120,000 for 11.5 acres including the existing house. The Conservation Fund Advisory Committee agreed to contribute \$12,000 to support this effort.

The other pending involvement of our committee is to secure funding to purchase a conservation easement and a trail easement on 150 acres of forest land adjacent to U-32. The Conservation Fund Advisory Committee has written a letter supporting this application for federal funds for this purpose, with the expectation of a decision in 2009. As of the writing of this report, it is unclear if any funds will be available for this program, and if so, what applications will be approved. If the application is successful, a match of 25% of the total project cost would need to be raised through state grants, the town conservation fund, and private fundraising.

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-all essential to the rural character of our town.

CONSERVATION FUND SUMMARY

Date	Project	Town Funds	Total Amount	Acres
12/07/90	Cleaves Farm	\$ 32,000	\$ 301,968	285
05/14/93	Bair/Chapell	4,000	264,030	479
10/13/94	Sparrow Farm	31,000	307,975	163
06/28/96	Frihauff/VLT	5,000	106,470	167
10/24/96	Sibley Farm	10,000	229,895	172
06/16/99	Christiansen Farm	14,795	150,000	237
10/12/04	Mallory Brook/Pratt	15,000	400,000	481
06/15/06	Clark Farm	5,000	177,500	72
02/05/07	Fairmont Farm	10,000	316,092	159
06/19/08	Benton Project	12,000	120,000	11.5
Total Completed Projects		\$ 138,795	\$ 2,373,930	2,226.5

The Land Conservation Fund balance on 6/30/08 is \$ 38,149.87.

— SUE CHICKERING, *Chair*

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. During this year, significant time was spent by staff working with member municipalities on mapping, analyses, and policy review in order to understand how current bylaws are likely to influence future development patterns.

The Commission also focused on implementing goals contained in the Regional Plan and the Regional Transportation Plan. CVRPC completed work on updating both Plans, including the regional housing distribution plan contained in the Housing element of the Regional Plan. The Commission's 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. CVRPC maintains a standing Act 250 committee that reviews projects of regional significance. During 2008, the Committee reviewed a range of projects, including major commercial retail, highway improvements, and housing development and subdivisions. 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 Vermont Economic Collaborative and the affected municipality, CVRPC completed the analysis of undeveloped parcels in proximity to existing sewer infrastructure to see if a greater housing density would be feasible.

CVRPC assisted the Town with village center planning, the Senior Living Initiative, culvert inventory, road surface management system updates, pre-disaster mitigation planning and mapping, geomorphology assessment of the Kingsbury Branch, natural resources mapping, review of draft zoning bylaws, Route 2 Act 250 project review; provided administrative assistance to the Wrightsville Beach Recreation District; and reviewed and approved the Town Plan.

CVRPC also provides GIS mapping, including planning maps for a variety of projects and municipal plans, fluvial erosion hazard areas, and bicycle and pedestrian path suitability maps. CVRPC is helping local energy committees with energy-related issues that affect the cost of heat, gas, and food. The Commission also provides model bylaws and assists municipalities in the administration of grants. Additional information can be found at www.centralvtplanning.org, including our Blog and a place to add comments.

—SUSAN M. SINCLAIR, *Executive Director*
TIM CARVER, *Commissioner*

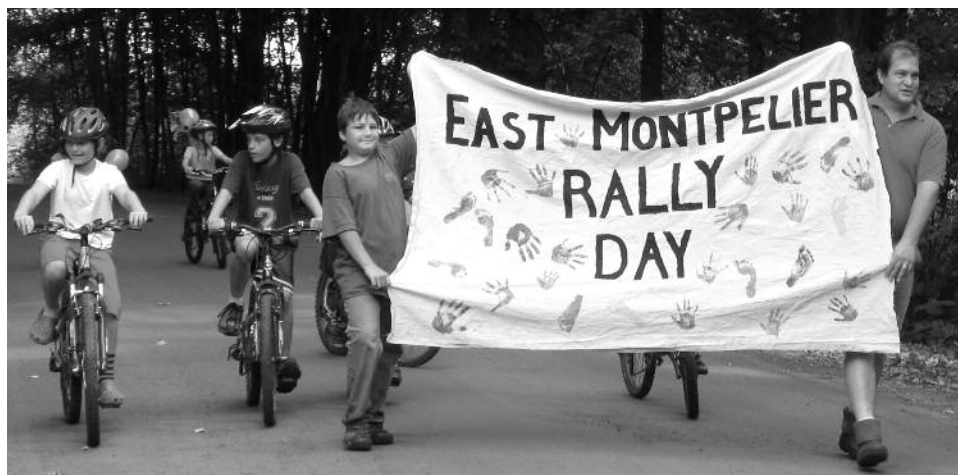
RALLY DAY – SAVE THE DATE!

The date has been set for our annual one-of-a-kind celebration of community. The 21st Rally Day will be held on **Saturday, September 12, 2009**; mark your calendars so you don't miss it!

The planning process has begun in earnest for this year's event, and the Rally Day committee is seeking new ideas and interested volunteers. If you have an idea for an activity that would be fun, educational or tasty, write it down and put it into the idea jar at Town Meeting. Everyone who submits an idea will be entered into a prize drawing! For more information, please call Bill Merrylees at 223-4951.

Rally Day Financial Report

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007		<u><u>\$ 452.92</u></u>
North Country Credit Union Share Account:		
Beginning Balance	57.83	
Interest	<u>.99</u>	
Ending Balance in Share Account.....		58.82
North Country Credit Union Checking Account:		
Beginning Balance	395.09	
Income:		
Recreation Board Sponsorship	250.00	
Donations & Coffee/Cookie Proceeds ...	160.00	
Expenses:		
Custodial Services on Rally Day	<u>(225.00)</u>	
Ending Balance in Checking Account		<u><u>580.09</u></u>
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008		<u><u>\$ 638.91</u></u>



EAST MONTPELIER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In 1998, the East Montpelier Historical Society was resurrected after a period of about 10 years of dormancy. Its unofficial purpose is to build understanding and appreciation for local heritage by bringing together people of all ages who are interested in the history of the town and preservation of its historic resources.

The Society holds program meetings that are open to all on the 3rd Monday of each month (except December and January) at the Four Corners School House. During 2008 the Society entertained a Civil War soldier; Dr. Thomas Stuwe spoke about the North Montpelier dam and Elliott Morse about early settlers; we had a croquet and ice cream social; visited the Robinson sawmill and watched water-powered sawing of logs into boards; visited the Old West Church; held an East Montpelier history quiz (appropriate for our meeting place the Four Corners Schoolhouse); had “ghosts” visit from several early settlers of the area; and at our November potluck dinner our speaker talked about early Montpelier and all the changes which have transpired in the last 100 years.

In June 2008, the Society had a booth at the Vermont History Expo in Tunbridge and displayed that exhibit at Rally Day. The exhibit covered the business area around the dam in North Montpelier, focusing primarily on the mill.

The Society met with the Calais Historical Society to discuss alternating programs for the year 2009, as our history is so closely related to theirs. The group voted to approve the alternate schedule for 2009. Programs will begin again in February 2009, and see how it goes for a year.

The Society also organized a reprint of the town history book, “Across the Onion,” for which the Town voted to loan some funds if needed. Luckily, we were able to accomplish the printing without the need to use those funds, and the books are available for sale. Our thanks goes to the town for the show of support for this project!

The Society is also steward to a collection of town memorabilia: pictures, books, and other ephemera. We thank the Town Office for use of vault space for some of the more delicate pieces; other materials are housed with members kind enough to share their storage space.

TERESA DOYLE, *President*
ANNE ORMSBEE, *Vice President/Treasurer*
FLORENCE MORSE, *Secretary*
JOANNE BAIR, *Curator*



EAST MONTPELIER TRAILS

New Board Members: We welcomed two new board members, Sue Chickering and Patrick O'Donnell, while sadly accepting the resignations of long-time member Carroll Witham and Joe Feeney. We continue to support the Cross Vermont Trail Association in its efforts to build a multi-use trail across the state from Burlington to Wells River. The section through East Montpelier includes the challenge of building a bridge across the Winooski River. We anxiously wait to hear about a grant to conserve the Clark property, providing a trail easement which would connect our trail system through U32 property to the Cross Vermont Trail. We also added new signage to several trail heads, indicating parking areas. Please park safely off the roadway and leave space for other cars, especially during winter months.

Temporary Closing of the Sparrow Farm Trail: We have had to close this trail to through traffic to the Montpelier Recreation Field due to the late fall construction of a snowmobile trail reroute. Approximately one mile of trail was severely damaged and will require a major rehabilitation effort in the spring and summer of 2009. Any bike or foot traffic on the non-frozen state of this trail will cause erosion problems, so please respect the trail closing. We are working with Forests and Parks on a trail recovery plan and will be looking for volunteers to help, especially in sensitive areas requiring hand labor. Please read below about how you can sign up to receive notices for volunteer work days.

Town Forest to Templeton Rd Trail Reroute: The reroute was completed around the new Fairmont Farm cornfield. Look for signage marking the new section when you travel south out of the wooded area across the stream to the cornfield/Esther Salmi Rock area. The new trail follows the rock ridge to the south.

Mallory Brook Trail: Expert trail builders Greg Western and Zyla Nuite led 28 volunteers for a total of 284 hours building rock stairs, step stones, and digging drainage ditches. This work is creating a narrow solid tread that is inviting to follow, fits naturally into the landscape, and allows people to use the trail with minimum impact. Trail work will continue through October 2009. Look for details on how to get involved in this legacy project in the East Montpelier "Signpost" or on its website.

Trail maps are available at the Town Office or can be easily downloaded from the "Signpost" website at www.emsignpost.com.

Volunteer Opportunities: Helping out on the trail is a great way to contribute to your community and meet new people at the same time. The work ranges from light hand work to moving heavy boulders. Sue Rikken makes it easy to choose the best job for you by sending out emails detailing work dates. If you would like to be on the email list for volunteers, please contact Sue at sriggen@comcast.net or 223-4262, or you can call any one of the following board members: Mary Stone-President, Nona Estrin-Secretary, Rick Brock-Treasurer, Sue Rikken-Volunteers, Sue Chickering, Rick Hopkins, Patrick O'Donnell, Jamie Shanley, Sandy Woodbeck.

— MARY STONE

RECREATION BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007	<u>\$ 2,635.15</u>
Revenues:	
FY07 Town Appropriation (deposited in FY08)	3,000.00
FY08 Town Appropriation	3,000.00
Program Service Fees:	
Basketball Fees	215.00
Soccer Fees	1,031.00
Sponsors	600.00
Swimming Lessons Fees	1,245.00
Total Program Service Fees.....	3,091.00
Rally Day Tee-Shirts Sales	169.00
Use of Field Fees	400.00
	<u>9,660.00</u>
Expenses:	
Program Services—Direct Costs:	
Basketball Supplies	(41.00)
Easter Egg Hunt	(190.92)
Soccer Supplies	(394.51)
Swimming Program	(1,852.00)
Tournament Fees	(210.00)
Uniforms	(1,203.00)
Total Program Services—Direct Costs	(3,891.43)
Program Sponsorships: Rally Day	(250.00)
Recreation Field Maintenance	(1,758.15)
Rubbish	(680.78)
Septic Service	(720.00)
	<u>(7,300.36)</u>
Ending Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 4,994.79</u>



Mikayla & Maddie



Keegan & Claire

CENTRAL VERMONT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District (CVSWMD) provides education and services for residents and businesses in reducing and managing their solid waste in order to protect public health and the environment to the greatest extent feasible. The CVSWMD is committed to helping its 22 member communities work toward Zero Waste. Working toward Zero Waste means striving to capture all of the resources inherent in trash so they can be reused and recycled instead of wasted by burying them in a landfill or burning them in an incinerator. Reducing waste upfront through good product choices is also a critical component of a Zero Waste effort

News from the CVSWMD

- Don't replace your old TV! The TV Converter Boxes take your analog TV to HD! There's no need to run out and buy a new TV. Converter boxes are now available and are sold where TVs are sold. See www.dtv.gov for coupons to help cover the cost of buying the converter and more information. A limited number of coupons are available, so don't delay!
- Recycle North and the Restore will be opening a reuse store early in 2009 at Twin City Memorials granite shed on Granite Street in Barre. Recycle North will be happy to take donations of older household appliances and furniture, building materials, and electronics which they will repair and offer for resale.
- Mercury Thermostats Recycled for FREE at CVSWMD Recycling Depots. Simply bring your thermostat to one of the depots listed below and ask the depot attendant for assistance. The manufacturers are paying for the safe disposal of the mercury in the thermostats recycled through this program. CVSWMD recycling depots are accepting thermostats at Barre Town, Northfield, Calais, Hardwick, Bradford and Cabot.
- Lawrence Walbridge Reuse Fund Opportunity Grants support the development of local and sustainable reuse efforts in CVSWMD District towns. The Lawrence Walbridge Reuse Fund (LWRF) is a small grant program designed to provide technical and financial support to individuals and new or developing reuse businesses and non profits. It also supports endeavors which educate the public about the social, economic, and environmental benefits of reuse. Grants generally range from \$500 to \$3,000. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis during CVSWMD Reuse Fund Committee meetings. For more information about the program, send an email to adminmanager@cvswmd.org.

For more information, please feel free to contact Ginny Callan, the East Montpelier representative for the CVSWMD at ginnycallan@aol.com or call the CVSWMD at 229-9383 or visit their website at www.cvswmd.org.

— GINNY CALLAN, *East Montpelier representative*

KELLOGG-HUBBARD LIBRARY

Since the Kellogg-Hubbard Library 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, do homework, look for a job, read, listen to a lecture, get book suggestions, 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 that is open to all has become increasingly important.

Kellogg-Hubbard is also an inspiring place. Each day, children flock here after school, leaving with armloads of books. It is where our youngest children learn to love reading, and it is where people of all ages can engage in learning and in civic discussion.

The attendance at library programs has been particularly noteworthy this year. Many of these programs are free to the library, thanks to many partnering organizations and individuals.

2008 marks the final year in a three-year initiative to help the library reach financial sustainability. This plan includes cutting costs, increasing the library’s endowment for the next century, encouraging state funding for public libraries, and bringing our tax support to a sustainable level. Taxpayer support for the Kellogg-Hubbard continues to lag behind state averages. It is the second busiest library in the state but ranks among the bottom third for tax support. We are grateful for the generous support of East Montpelier voters. Last year, upon approval of our request, we pledged to ask for increases not to exceed the cost of living for the next four years. This year’s request is a 4% increase, which is lower than that rate of inflation.

Library use by East Montpelier Residents:

Some 1,245 East Montpelier residents have registered for library cards, including over 200 children. Last year, East Montpelier residents borrowed approximately 22,150 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 East Montpelier voters for your support!



ANCIENT ROADS COMMITTEE

The committee continued its evaluation of old East Montpelier roads with the expectation of presenting a recommendation to the Selectboard by mid-2009. Vermont General Assembly Act 158 (2008) extended the date for identifying and mass discontinuing so-called ancient roads until July 1, 2010. In the 2007 Town Report this committee highlighted nine areas around town that might harbor ancient roads and asked for public input as to the value of resurrecting public use of those forgotten roads. Though very little input was received, the committee decided to investigate two potential ancient roads that ran from the Sibley Road/Foster Road area to Lightning Ridge Road in Calais. At this writing, research on those roads is on-going, and members of the committee are in contact with Calais ARC members and with the Calais Conservation Committee regarding the roads.

BRUCE BJORNLUND
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DAVE COBURN
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COMMUNITY CAPITAL OF VERMONT

Community Capital of Vermont (CCV) is a nonprofit whose mission is to be an effective, sustainable source of capital and business development services that supports the successful start-up and growth of Vermont-based micro and small businesses owned by individuals who lack sufficient access to conventional sources of financing.

In 2004, a fund was established with repayments from a loan made in 1995 to Fairmont Farms by the Town of East Montpelier using a Vermont Community Development Program grant. Community Capital operated the business loan program and contracted with the Central Vermont Community Land Trust (CVCLT) for housing loans. As of January 1, 2009, these funds are no longer restricted for use in East Montpelier and are now part of CCV and CVCLT's respective loan pools for Central Vermont (Washington, Orange, and Lamoille counties).

Both Community Capital and CVCLT operate other pools of money that are accessible to East Montpelier residents and businesses.

If you are interested in learning more, contact either Kara Edson, Loan Administrator with Community Capital at (802) 479-0167 regarding the business loan fund, or Chandra Pollard, Director of Homeownership Programs with CVCLT at 476-4493 regarding the owner-occupied home rehabilitation loan fund.

FUNDING REQUEST STUDY COMMITTEE

Every year our committee reviews requests for financial support from local non-profit organizations that serve our citizens and makes a funding recommendation to the Selectboard. These social service organizations provide vital assistance for East Montpelier residents. Many of them operate programs to help educate and support families, preventing them from needing an even greater level of social support. 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 needs. These appropriations acknowledge and encourage valuable local services and strengthen the connections among residents in our community.

Last year voters agreed to appropriate \$14,100 to support 21 organizations. This year the committee considered requests for a total of \$16,561 from 24 organizations. We recommended appropriations to support 21 organizations for a total of \$14,200, a 0.7 % increase.

The following are this year's funding recommendations (in bold) along with the amounts approved in the previous two years. Where feasible, we have included the number of residents directly served. 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 in Washington County in cases involving domestic abuse. The Shelter provides safe homes, emotional support, food and clothes, and a 24-hour hotline. It served 15 residents in the past year. (\$675; \$675; **\$675**)

Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc. (479-1053 or 800-639-1053) helps low-income residents become economically self-sufficient through a variety of service programs, including: 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. It served 91 households in the town in various ways in the past year. (\$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. It served 85 residents in the past year. (\$1,464; \$1,464; **\$1,500**)

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. It served 58 residents plus those attending clinics last year. (\$2,800; \$3,000; **\$3,000**)

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. It served 180 students last year. (\$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. It served 107 residents in the past year. (\$400; \$400; **\$500**)

Green Mountain Transit (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. It served 23 residents in the past year. (\$1,100; \$1,200; **\$1,300**)

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 on Green Up Day. (\$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. It served 47 residents in the past year. (\$400; \$500; **\$500**)

People's Health & Wellness Clinic, Inc. (479-1229) provides basic primary and preventive care to the uninsured and underinsured by conventional and holistic caregivers who volunteer their services. It served 31 residents in the past year. (\$950; \$950; **\$950**)

Prevent Child Abuse of Vermont (229-5724) works to prevent child abuse and neglect through parent education, support, and public awareness programs. The Care for Kids program trains childcare professionals, parents, and others who interact with children to prevent child sexual abuse. (**\$250**)

Project Independence (476-3630) 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. It served six residents in the past year. (\$500; 0; **\$250**)

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program for Central Vermont and Northeast Kingdom (828-4770) links retired and senior volunteers with organizations (hospitals, schools, and nonprofits) that can use their volunteer skills. Funds help offset travel expenses, insurance, and volunteer training. (\$275; \$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; **\$200**)

Twin Valley Senior Center (426-3447) serves meals and delivers meals-on-wheels to seniors in the local area. It served 10 residents in the past year. (\$500; **\$400**)

U-32 Project Graduation (229-0321), sponsored by the senior class at U-32 High School, provides students with a drug and alcohol-free graduation celebration. It served 49 graduating seniors in the past year. (\$200; \$200; **\$200**)

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (828-5997) provides training and support services to children and adults with vision problems, either blindness or impairment, to maintain independence. It served three residents in the past year. (\$100; **\$100**)

Vermont Cares (863-2437; 800-649-2437) provides support services for

those living with HIV/AIDS and education, training, testing, and prevention for youth and adults. (\$150; **\$150**)

Vermont Center for Independent Living (229-0501) provides services and advocacy for people with disabilities. The organization assists disabled people to lead active and productive lives with as great a degree of independence as possible. It served seven residents in the past year. (\$200; \$200; **\$200**)

Washington County Diversion Program (229-0536) offers first-time offenders a one-time opportunity to take responsibility for their offenses by compensating crime victims and providing community service hours to local organizations. The program saves tax dollars that would have been spent on court proceedings. It served 34 residents in the past year. (\$300; \$350; **\$350**)

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, including early intervention, and treatment. It served 42 youths in the past year. (\$400; \$400; **\$400**)

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EAST MONTPELIER SENIOR LIVING INITIATIVE

The East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative (EMSLI) is a group of dedicated individuals determined to provide a place in town for those seniors whom, for whatever reason, are unable to maintain their present residence and wish to stay in town rather than move to another community. We have been meeting for more than three years now and we continue to make progress, albeit slowly.

This past year we applied for and were awarded a \$30,000 planning grant from the Community Development Agency. This money will allow us to continue to explore sites, do preliminary engineering and design, and move forward with permitting. This will be done with the help of the Central Vermont Community Land Trust with whom we have partnered.

Our meetings are held at the Town Office Building on the second and fourth Tuesdays every month at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to join us.

AUSTIN CLEAVES, *Chair*
CHERIE STAPLES, *Treasurer*
DEBORAH FILLION, *Secretary*
BOB BISSON, *Director*
PAUL CATE, *Director*

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE ASSOCIATION

The Four Corners Schoolhouse Association has a wonderful board of thoughtful, fun, and giving volunteers. From Rhoda Carroll's unparalleled meeting minutes to Conrad Ormsbee's grasp of the meeting's minutia, everyone brings substance to the table. And with Elaine Manghi, oftentimes a cheese twist is brought to the table too!

The FCSA has settled into a good track; we have steady use of the building throughout the year. A snapshot of some of our many users reveals the building's significance. Our most consistent user is the Strong Living Group, which uses the building twice a week for exercise classes. The Historical Society meets the third Monday of every month and has recently combined on a trial basis with Calais for their monthly meetings (alternating between FCSA and Calais). Shakespeare camp, a theatrical camp for young teens, ran for four weeks over the past summer. Excited school children decorated their bikes for the Rally Day Parade on our lawn, and townspeople enjoyed Memory Hour during the afternoon of Rally Day. All in all, well over 1200 people used our community's lovely building!

As with the rest of the world, we are confronted with unsustainable energy costs; our fuel usage is the largest budget item by far. We are taking steps to improve our energy use. I have undertaken a basic energy analysis to identify where our limited dollars might be best spent. Contractor Will Fitzpatrick generously performed a free blower door test on the building to identify where our worst heat losses occur. We have received pricing for certain improvements and are also taking a few tasks upon ourselves (namely improving the attic insulation and air-sealing). Looking for possible grants and/or mounting a local fund-raising campaign are ideas we're also looking at. Addressing long standing moisture issues and installing insulation improvements is a no-brainer; increasing building longevity while reducing fuel usage will lead to reduced operating costs. Possible scenarios show payback within 5 to 7 years. The trouble is coming up with the "up-front money." Suggestions, participation and, of course, use of the building, are all welcome.

Anyone wishing to reserve a space should contact Elaine Manghi at 229-5811 in the early evening, or at Manghi's Bakery during the day.

— HOBIE GUION, *President*
DIANA FIELDER, *Vice President*
PAULIE COBURN, *Treasurer*
RHODA CARROLL, *Secretary*
ELAINE MANGHI, *Scheduler*
RACHAEL GROSSMAN
BENEDICT KOEHLER
CONRAD ORMSBEE
ROSE RILEY

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2007 **\$ 2,457.34**

Income

FY07 Town Appropriation (2006 Art.19)*	1,500.00
FY08 Town Appropriation (2007 Art.11) .	2,500.00
Rentals and Donations	1,970.00

5,970.00

Expenses

Electricity	518.26
Fuel Oil	2,142.40
Janitorial Services	585.00
Insurance	987.00
Mowing and Plowing	990.00
Supplies and Postage	197.25
Repairs	323.00

(5,742.91)

Ending Balance – June 30, 2008 **\$ 2,684.43**

** Town Appropriation of \$1,500 was paid in FY07; Deposited in FY08*



REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES

It is the responsibility of the Collector of Delinquent Taxes to collect delinquent taxes or establish mutually agreeable written payment plans balancing the taxpayers' ability to pay along with the town's need for revenue. During these difficult economic times, the number of delinquent taxpayers is increasing and frequent contact is made with the taxpayers in order to work on timely payment arrangements. When necessary, formal collection action, including tax sale of the property is conducted. After May 15th of each year, the Treasurer submits the Warrant and list of delinquent taxpayers for collection. Taxpayers are notified monthly via US mail of their delinquent accounts. Collection Reports are submitted biweekly to the Town, and frequent meetings with the Treasurer ensure accurate financial calculation and recordation of delinquent taxes.

There will be an Article on Town Meeting Day to change the term of Collector of Delinquent Taxes from a one year to three year term. This change will be beneficial in order to provide ongoing continuity within the Town. If you have any questions or concerns about the delinquent tax process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

— KAREN (MCCARTHY) GRAMER,
Collector of Delinquent Taxes

EAST MONTPELIER ENERGY COMMITTEE

The East Montpelier Energy Committee was approved by the Selectboard on July 7, 2008, and had its first meeting on July 28. Since then the Committee has participated in a regional energy fair at Twinfield High School, prepared a number of informational pamphlets, distributed information at Rally Day, participated in the Informatory II, sponsored a Button-Up Vermont workshop by Efficiency Vermont, has trained a number of resident volunteers to do home energy consultations, has conducted home visits, distributed a home energy fact sheet to all residents, and submitted regular articles in the Signpost. Other planned activities include submitting an application for a Vermont Community Climate Change Grant to improve the energy efficiency of selected town buildings, pursue the establishment of a local food shelf, and offer a series of workshops on growing your own food.

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BOB MOREY

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CENTRAL VT STATE POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

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

East Montpelier Representatives: CAROL & DON WELCH

VT State Police – “A” Troop Middlesex Barracks: 2008 Crime & Police Service Report for East Montpelier

	Violent Crime				Property Crime				Other		Traffic Incidents				Misc.						
	Murder/Manslaughter		Sexual Assault	Robbery	Burglary		Larceny/Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Other Property Crime		Illegal Drug Incident	Disorderly Conduct/Other		Fatal Crash	Accident Investig. (DMV)		MV Related Incident	DUI Incident	Runaway Juvenile	Death Investigation	Misc. Service Call	Total Law Incident
2008	0	1	0	12	8	30	4	32	11	42	0	31	71	4	12	2	237	497			
2007	0	0	0	7	5	18	2	26	5	55	3	28	66	11	2	3	213	444			
+/-	0	1	0	5	3	12	2	6	6	-13	-3	3	5	-7	10	-1	24	53			

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

CONSTABLE & ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS

This being our second year as the elected Constables and appointed Animal Control Officers, we have found this past year to be a mostly rewarding experience, but more of a year of learning as well.

We were quite busy with more than 120 calls. These mostly included animal calls—mostly lost or found dogs—but also illegal trash dumping on our town roads, neighbor-to-neighbor squabbles, suspicious individuals, noise complaints, gun-shooting calls, and traffic control. We have provided orderliness and safety traffic control for the Elections and various emergency incidents in town.

The State has mandated more responsibility to the towns in the matter of the welfare of all animals and created the Vermont Animal Cruelty Task Force. This has added new responsibilities for Town Constables and Animal Control Officers, especially in the wake of recent animal cruelty cases recently brought to public light throughout the state.

The most discerning situations this past year were the matters of three dog complaint situations that involved injury to persons. These animals had to be quarantined for the required ten days, making daily checks and record keeping for documentation necessary.

We cannot stress enough the importance of registering your dogs with the Town and putting the license tags on their collars. There is nothing more frustrating and disheartening than the few animals that have been lost or found with no identification to reunite owner and canine.

We thank the townspeople for the respect that we receive from you in doing our job. Most of the cases that we have had to deal with have turned out positive. We strive to maintain the integrity and communication needed to serve as Keepers of the Peace.

—SANDY F. CONTI, *1st Constable & Animal Control Officer*
PAUL HAYNES, *2nd Constable*
ELLIOTT MORSE, *2nd Animal Control Officer*

CENTRAL VERMONT HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE

Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice (CVHHH) is a 98-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, international travelers' health and caregiver support. In addition to direct patient care, our hospice program offers comprehensive bereavement services and volunteer training. In 2007, CVHHH provided over \$453,400 in "charitable care"—care for which CVHHH was not reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid, third party private insurance, or patient/family payment. This care was made available to those individuals and families who were unable to pay for needed services—those who were uninsured or underinsured.

CVHHH Services in East Montpelier Jan 1–Dec 31, 2008

Program	# of Visits
Home Health Care	
Skilled and High-Technology Nursing	561
Home Health Aide Service	150
Physical Therapy	162
Occupational Therapy	59
Speech Therapy	46
Medical Social Service	26
Hospice Care	
Nursing	177
Aide Service	179
Therapy	43
Bereavement	224
Trained Hospice Volunteer	78
Long Term Care	
Case Management	39
Aide and Attendant Care	251
Maternal Child Health	13
TOTAL VISITS	2,008
TOTAL PATIENTS	64

Town funding will help ensure CVHHH continues these services in East Montpelier through 2009 and beyond. For more information contact Judy Peterson, President/CEO, or Barbara Butler, Community Relations and Development Director, at 223-1878.

THE HEALTH CENTER

“Health Care The Way It Ought To Be”

The Health Center, serving the six towns of Cabot, Calais, East Montpelier, Marshfield, Plainfield, and Woodbury, and surrounding communities since 1973, has had an exciting year.

In the fall of 2007, we broke ground for our facility’s expansion, more than doubling our size and renovating our existing space. This project has allowed us to expand services, staff, and programming. Space for our medical care and our dental program has been increased. Physical therapy has a much bigger and more efficient space. We have added a Community Resources outreach staff member and additional dental and counseling staff, including a behavioral neurologist. An additional primary care physician will be joining the Center this summer.

With added space we have been able to add much needed lab equipment and can perform many more diagnostic tests on-site.

Our new conference room has been the site of a series of 16 community classes which were held November 2008 through January 2009, with topics ranging from migraine headaches, to nutrition and diabetes, to understanding your brain. Further classes will be scheduled throughout the year.

A project is underway to survey all the households in the six towns who are willing to participate, to identify insurance needs and programs for those who can benefit from this kind of assistance, and to provide the option of receiving health information and being considered in our planning for emergencies.

The Community Health Pharmacy, a benefit of our becoming a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), is now open for Health Center patients, greatly expanding our ability to provide qualifying patients with lower cost medications and all of our patients with the convenience of home delivery. With an automatic medication dispensing unit on site, we can provide a greater number of short term medications and starter packages of medications for our patients.

Our capital campaign fund drive will end soon, as we strive to meet the Challenge Grant of The Kresge Foundation. In March 2008, Kresge offered to award The Health Center \$200,000 if we raised an additional \$500,000 by March 31, 2009. As this report is being written, we have raised 80% of that amount, just over \$400,000, and are working to raise the additional \$100,000 needed. This is a true challenge grant, “all or nothing.” Meeting the goal will reduce our future mortgage payment and enable more funds to be available for programming to meet the needs of our patients. We are grateful to the many donors, businesses, and foundations that will make this possible.

We are looking forward to a bright and healthy future for the people of the communities we serve.

For more information, please contact Linda Bartlett by phone at 802-322-0711 or by email: lbartlett@the-health-center.org or by mail at The Health Center, PO Box 320, Plainfield, VT 05667.

ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

The following are some of the Vermont Department of Health's (VDH) services that are available to residents of the Town of East Montpelier.

Blueprint for Health: The Vermont Blueprint for Health is working to change health care to a system focused on preventing illness and complications, rather than reacting to health emergencies. Central Vermont Medical Center currently participates in Blueprint community grants integrating through a systems approach, clinical practice, patient information systems, health systems collaboration, coordinated public policy, and self-management programs to deliver better health care and prevention services. Healthier Living Workshops are available to residents across the state. New in 2008, each VDH District Office has a chronic disease prevention designee.

Emergency Preparedness: The VDH works with the public and local, state, and federal agencies to assure a rapid and effective response to public health threats and emergencies by providing accurate and timely information to the public and health professionals. Local Health Offices (LHO) collaborate with other agencies during biological, environmental, or weather events as well as assuring the availability of appropriate training for personnel. In an actual event, LHOs can operate vaccination or other clinics to distribute medications.

Some of the specific activities undertaken in the past year include participation in a medical surge pandemic flu exercise with Vermont hospitals; organizing and establishing the Cities Readiness Initiative in Vermont's most populous region; a Pandemic Flu mitigation training effort with Vermont's schools; a state-wide emergency preparedness conference focused on health care facilities such as nursing homes and hospitals; a state-wide functional test of backup communication systems; and providing Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication training to VDH staff and local first responders.

Food & Lodging Inspections: VDH public health sanitarians inspect eating establishments (restaurants, schools, fairs) to decrease the risk of food borne disease outbreaks. In the Town of East Montpelier, 6 inspections were completed by a VDH sanitarian during 2007. For the most recent inspection scores in your area, visit www.healthvermont.gov.

Reportable Disease Case Investigations: VDH investigates all cases of reportable infectious disease, such as meningitis, hepatitis, whooping cough, and infectious diarrhea to determine their source, recommend control measures, and prevent further spread of the disease. In 2007, VDH investigated 262 cases of disease in Washington County. Special programs focus on prevention, diagnosis, and treatment for HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis.

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): During 2007, 41 women, infants and children living in the Town of East Montpelier received individualized nutrition counseling, health screening and referrals, and nutritious foods through this program. The average value of foods provided is about \$50 per person per month.

Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: Immunization levels for Vermont children, while high, still fall short of the 90 percent coverage goal. In 2007, 380 cases of chickenpox and 63 cases of whooping cough were reported. During 2007, as part of its public health mission, the VDH distributed childhood vaccines valued at \$683,838 to healthcare providers in Barre district.

For more information or if you have a public health concern, please call the Barre District Office at 802-479-4200. For information about public health and news releases go to the Department’s website at www.health.vermont.gov.



WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH RECREATION DISTRICT

After a promising start, a very rainy July and early August produced a series of floods that closed the Beach off and on. Although the Beach was often quiet, the work did not stop. Beach Manager Collin O’Neil and his staff undertook a massive cleanup effort to remove debris, rehabilitate the site, and salvage equipment. Despite the shortened season, we made some improvements. A storage shed was constructed outside of the flood prone area to protect equipment and the District installed an informative new webpage: www.wrightsvillebeachvt.com.

The District also continued its popular canoeing and kayaking program, improved and expanded hiking trails, and hosted a variety of day camps and community programs.

The Wrightsville Beach Day Use Area provides a low cost, high quality, and diverse recreational experience for residents of our member towns (Montpelier, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester). 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. For the 2009 season, the District will keep municipal dues assessments at \$.50 per capita.

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

Prior year’s balance	\$ 9,530
Washington Electric	9,500
Season’s passes/user fees	11,349
Municipal assessments	6,683
Personnel	(17,430)
Maintenance	(2,120)
Operating	<u>(4,681)</u>
Current Balance	\$12,831

The District’s 2009 budget calls for revenues of \$29,708 and expenditures of \$28,917. The Board would like to thank the community for its continued support of Wrightsville Beach.

—RICHARD MILLAR, *Chair*

BARRE TOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (BTEMS)

BTEMS was contracted in 2007–2008 to provide emergency medical services to East Montpelier, including ambulance service for residents and traveling public. In addition, we provided mutual aid service to all towns surrounding our primary service territory, and transports from one medical care facility to another.

Call volume increased this year to 3,114 calls, compared to 2,764 calls for service in 2006/2007. Long-distance transfer volume increased with a call volume of 534 compared to 403 calls for service in the preceding year. Non-emergent transfers increased from 969 to 1,106; emergency calls increased from 1,843 to 2,008. Mutual aid responses decreased slightly this year from 147 to 140 calls. Paramedic interventions were required for 460 patients this year.

BTEMS supplied coverage for 123 special events this year. We have service agreements with the New England Kart Club (go-cart racing at Thunder Road), Spaulding Union High School Varsity sporting events, BYSA Football games, and various other events, demonstrations, and parades. BTEMS will provide coverage for the Ravens, a semi-professional football team this summer.

The critical care transport service evolved again this year. Started in 2003, this comprehensive service utilizes advanced life support equipment and specially trained personnel. It had been too difficult locating and retaining nurses for part-time staffing at BTEMS. Nurses are in great demand in the primary care area; and there are too few nurses for CVMC to send on these transfers. The lack of personnel prompted another look at the criteria imposed by the regulations, and findings indicated that approximately 80% of critical care transports could be safely transported by critical care paramedics alone. This adjustment to the crew configuration would relieve a system overburdened with delays and cancellations due to the lack of personnel. The EMS Department became the primary transporter of inter-facility specialty care patients after a critical care training program was completed by all paramedics prior to beginning CCTransports in September 2007. The department transported 242 patients in the following 9 months.

Personnel: The Explorer Post established six years ago has six teenagers working hard at training, third-riding with the crews, and participating in scouting special events. The Department supplies a meeting place, medical training, and training staff. 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, is welcome to attend a meeting and see what EMS Exploring is all about. Call the Senior Post Advisor, Lynn Doney, at 476-3147.

Vermont Homeland Security has mandated specific training in Incident Command System again this year. All full-time

2007/08	
Emergency Runs	
Barre Town	511
Washington	53
Topsham	57
Orange	67
Berlin	631
East Montp.	128
Plainfield	56
Calais	55
Barre City	46
Williamstown	9
Northfield	12
Montpelier	24
Cabot	20
Marshfield	27
Corinth	7
Middlesex	6
Worcester	0
Woodbury	2
Chelsea	2
Brookfield	1
Hardwick	3

staff and Auxiliary crews, as well as many of the part-time staff, have completed training of NIMS 700 and ICS 100 level. All emergency personnel are required to be certified in IC200 and Hazardous Materials Awareness by 12/31/2008. The department has six staff members at the IC300 level and the Director is at the IC400 level. The courses describe how EMS is to function in the Incident Command System during a catastrophic event.

Full-time personnel perform duties in addition to emergency medical response, including vehicle and building maintenance, billing, training, supply, quality improvement, communications, drug inventory control, and shift supervision.

The department is now able to maintain paramedic coverage 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. Each full-time crew is staffed with an Advanced Intermediate EMT and a Critical Care Paramedic. Two of these crews are on duty every 24-hour shift; one in Berlin and the other in East Barre. A proposal for a paramedic intercept program was offered to other non-member towns in the district in October 2006. Cabot and Marshfield have contracted the intercept service, as well as mutual-aid service. This program could benefit other ambulance services in the area by offering a higher level care for a charge/incident billing to the contract town. This would raise the level of care for that service without the actual cost of maintaining a paramedic staff. The program would also give BTEMS paramedics additional clinical experience.

Equipment: The new ambulances purchased and placed in service in January 2006, have been reliable and a good investment for the department. The ambulances were placed in a rotation so that all units would age at approximately the same rate. This policy has minimized the chances that any single unit would be over-used, decreasing the probability of breakdown and more costly repairs. To date mileages range from 45,000 to 54,000 miles; this is well within the expected range for annual mileage (25,000 mi/yr).

A sixth Medtronics Life-Pac 12 defibrillator will be purchased in the fall of 2008. Currently there are five Life-Pacs in service. These are expensive pieces of equipment costing \$18,500 each and have a service lifetime of 7 years, and are considered the “Gold Standard” in the pre-hospital environment, and also in hospitals. Other equipment replacement programs include portable suction pumps, scoop stretchers, I.V. warmers, StreamLights, and child safety seats.

Additionally, all six Life-Pac 12’s will be updated with a phone/fax module which will allow personnel to send an ECG strip to the CVMC Emergency Department for review by Medical Control long before the patient arrives. This will assist crews in the field to treat a patient more quickly and more accurately.

A new electronic patient care reporting method is being tested throughout New England (NEMSIS). This kind of reporting via computer, will make information about a patient much quicker to access for a treating MD, EMS billing services, and for EMS personnel quality assurance and improvement using data stored in a secure regional data base. Any type of information can be downloaded by designated persons; statistics can be compiled and analyzed for trends, anomalies, and errors.

— DAVID JENNINGS, *EMS Director*

EMFD ANNOUNCES NEW AMBULANCE SERVICE

We are excited to announce that on July 1, 2009, the East Montpelier Fire Department will add ambulance transport to its emergency medical service for the residents of East Montpelier and Calais.

Why add an ambulance? For years, the East Montpelier Fire Department has been providing advanced medical care with the members of the FAST squad. Our experienced and certified EMTs rushed to your home, provided immediate medical care, and prepared you for the arrival of the contract ambulance service. We would then wait for their arrival. We asked ourselves, what are we waiting for? Why not have an ambulance stationed in East Montpelier, miles closer to our patients, and provide the transport service?

What happens during transport? East Montpelier Fire and FAST squad already provides 90 percent of your medical care before you are loaded into the ambulance. That care continues on your way to the hospital. We asked ourselves, why not continue your care with our EMTs?

What's it cost? Currently, the two towns send out over \$100,000 per year to the contract ambulance. We did an extensive operating review and created a business plan to see if adding an ambulance to the East Montpelier Fire Department would be feasible. It is. After careful planning, we approached both selectboards and got enthusiastic support. And we received from members of the community glowing support of our application for an ambulance license. The Vermont Board of Health agreed it was a solid proposal, and we received a license in December. Now the Calais and East Montpelier selectboards have committed to have the East Montpelier Fire Department as your ambulance provider.

What's our plan? We just purchased an excellent used 4-wheel drive ambulance, saving the towns over \$100,000 over the cost of a new ambulance. Our operating budget request to the towns is less than they are paying for the current service. We will add two paid staff to cover the daytime needs during the week. The bulk of staffing will come from our experienced volunteers. For the time being, we will operate from the village facility opposite Washington Electric on Route 14. We expect to generate revenue from billing insurance companies for the transport service. We will return to the towns a significant portion of that revenue to support the building of an emergency services building at our current location in East Montpelier village. (See photo on page 4.)

What do you get? You will receive high quality medical care just as we have always provided for years, with a faster arrival of an ambulance and quicker arrival at the door of the hospital. The service will cost you less per year because of our volunteer efforts, and we expect a first-ever revenue stream from our efforts to help Calais and East Montpelier invest in a much-needed emergency services building in East Montpelier village. We look forward to serving you better.

When minutes matter, we'll be there!

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD (EMFD)

EMFD has had an extraordinarily busy year. We added five new firefighters to our roster, bringing our total active membership to 33 members. We gratefully acknowledge the retirement of Mike Garand after 36 years of dedicated service, including many years as Fire Chief. His contributions will long be remembered.

The Towns of Calais and East Montpelier entered into an Interlocal Agreement this year with EMFD, which puts on paper the understanding we have operated under since the department began in 1964. EMFD is the primary provider of fire fighting and emergency response services for both towns.

As we move into a new era, we are pleased to announce the Vermont Department of Health has granted EMFD a license to operate an ambulance service beginning July 1, 2009, to serve Calais and East Montpelier. We purchased a 2003 Ford F450 ambulance, which will be staffed with two full-time EMTs and supplemented by call staff. Having a local ambulance service will greatly decrease the response time to all points in our towns. This, we believe, will result in better patient care and faster transport to the local hospital. At present, we are running a First Responder course and have one member in basic EMT training. After the successful completion of these courses, we'll have a total of nine First Responders, three basic EMTs, and four intermediate EMTs.

We continue to operate within the mutual aid system as a fire department. EMFD has seen the addition of a heavy rescue vehicle that has proven to be an invaluable resource to the department.

We held our "Go For The Green Raffle" in July and gained nearly \$4,000 towards the Building Fund, followed by the second annual Chicken Barbecue at East Montpelier Rally Day in September. Individual donations have also been forthcoming. We would like to thank the community for all your support with these fundraisers. Fire Prevention events were held at our local elementary schools and some area daycare centers in October. This year we also developed our own website as a tool to keep our community members informed and post new information as necessary. Visit EMFD at: www.eastmontpelierfire.org

The department has also revisited the building of a new fire station to meet our present needs. Chief Audy, Ty Rolland, Toby Talbot, and Larry Brown have invested countless hours in meetings, planning, and research toward the start-up of the new ambulance service and the pursuit of a much-needed new fire station.

As always, we welcome visitors and interested parties to join our ranks. EMFD meets every Tuesday at Station 1 on Templeton Road. Please be safety conscious in your homes and on our highways.

Call Volume	E. Mont.	Calais	Other	Totals
Fire	11	3	12	26
EMS	114	47	14	175
Other	28	14	5	47
2008 Totals	153	64	31	248

— JAY COPPING,
Lieutenant & President
JOHN AUDY, *Chief*

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FAST SQUAD

	Approved FY08 Budget 7/1/07–6/30/08	Actual FY08 7/1/07–6/30/08	Current FY09 Appr. Budget 7/1/08–6/30/09	Proposed FY10 Budget 7/1/09–6/30/10
Operating Revenue				
East Mont. Contribution...	\$106,537.50	125,311.06	107,859.00	104,400.00
Calais Contribution	35,512.50	35,512.50	35,953.00	34,800.00
Total Operating Revenue	\$142,050.00	160,823.56	143,812.00	139,200.00
Operating Expenses				
Administrative / Operating	3,600.00	4,000.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Audit	1,700.00	1,290.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Building Station 1	2,000.00	1,795.38	2,500.00	2,500.00
Building Station 2	1,500.00	602.10	1,000.00	1,000.00
Annual fee Station 2	650.00	0.00	650.00	650.00
Bookkeeping Services	3,000.00	2,574.00	3,250.00	2,990.00
Treasurer	1,200.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Cellular Phones	1,000.00	1,039.87	1,000.00	1,100.00
Diesel Fuel	3,000.00	2,921.98	3,500.00	3,000.00
Dispatch Services	8,500.00	5,168.93	8,500.00	12,260.00
Dry Hydrants	0.00	112.50	0.00	0.00
Dues	500.00	662.00	650.00	675.00
Electricity Station 1	1,000.00	874.14	1,000.00	1,000.00
Electricity Station 2	650.00	526.99	650.00	550.00
Snow plowing	750.00	1,335.00	750.00	1,000.00
EMS Supplies	3,000.00	2,498.28	3,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment Repair	5,000.00	7,165.36	6,000.00	6,000.00
Firefighting Supplies	5,000.00	2,808.31	5,000.00	5,000.00
Gasoline	500.00	180.29	500.00	300.00
Heating Oil Station 1	4,000.00	3,409.22	4,131.00	4,000.00
Heating LP Station 2	4,000.00	2,683.80	5,131.00	4,100.00
Insurance	32,000.00	24,492.00	32,000.00	28,780.00
Legal Expenses	750.00	814.50	750.00	900.00
Bank charges	150.00	163.86	150.00	170.00
Chaplain Fund	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Office supplies	3,000.00	1,833.58	2,500.00	2,200.00
Personal gear	5,000.00	4,042.13	6,000.00	6,000.00
Physical exams	5,500.00	444.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Postage	350.00	214.50	500.00	400.00
Radio repairs	3,000.00	2,296.21	3,000.00	2,625.00
Radio replacement	1,300.00	1,656.00	2,000.00	400.00
Refreshments	2,000.00	1,870.16	2,000.00	1,500.00
Stipends/Matching funds	9,400.00	9,050.00	9,400.00	9,400.00
Telephone	650.00	752.91	900.00	800.00
Truck repair	10,000.00	17,634.15	10,000.00	7,500.00
Training	3,000.00	1,165.10	3,000.00	3,000.00
Turnout gear maintenance	1,000.00	647.59	1,000.00	1,000.00
Transfer-trk/equip repl fund † .	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Equipment Lease	4,000.00	4,002.85	0.00	0.00
Defibrillator Maint. Contract...			1,000.00	1,000.00
Hose Testing (biannually)				4,000.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	15.00		0.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$142,050.00	123,742.69	143,812.00	139,200.00

† See Truck Replacement Account on facing page

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, CASH BASIS

	6/30/07	6/30/08
Unrestricted Assets		
Checking Account	\$ 7,834	\$34,916
Donations Account	4,834	6,756
Contingency Account	15,575	15,654
Building Account	<u> </u>	<u>6,826</u>
	\$28,243	\$64,152
Restricted Assets		
Capital Accounts: Physicals/Hep B Shots....	8,436	5,960
Truck Replacement Account †	<u>49,841</u>	<u>9,078</u>
	\$58,277	\$15,038
Total Assets	<u><u>\$86,520</u></u>	<u><u>\$79,190</u></u>

† See also: Town's Capital Reserve contributions to Fire Dept. projects on pp. 34–35.

EMFD BUDGET SUMMARY

Beginning Balance (July 1, 2007)		\$ 86,520
Revenues:		
East Montpelier (75% of budget)	106,538	
Calais (25% of budget)	35,512	
East Mont. appropriation for FY07	18,774	
Donations	6,978	
Interest	154	
Insurance Recoveries	709	
Net assets released from restriction:		
Truck Replacement Account	<u>42,056</u>	
		210,721
Expenses:		
Operating expenditures	123,743	
Donation expenditures	2,294	
Capital expenditures	242	
Engine rehab	9,033	
Truck Replacement	<u>42,000</u>	
		(177,312)
Changes in temporarily restricted net assets		
Interest income	1,317	
Net assets released from restriction	<u>(42,056)</u>	
Decrease in temporarily restricted net assets		<u>(40,739)</u>
Net Asset — Ending Balance (June 30, 2008)		<u><u>\$ 79,190</u></u>

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

— VITAL STATISTICS —
Report for July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008

BIRTHS

Name of Child	Sex	Parents
July–Dec. 2007:		
Alexandria E. Pickel	F	Marlana Charron & Christopher Pickel
Mallory J. Metevier Meiggs	F	Jessie Metevier & Anthony Meiggs
Glenn Arthur-Leonidas Jennings	M	Peter & Anna Jennings
Gavin Michael Clark	M	Arthur & Amanda Clark
Katrina Marie Bergeron	F	Matthew & April Bergeron
Lexi Ann Duprey	F	Eric & Kimberly Duprey
Jan.–Dec. 2008:		
Jaxson Blaze Laik	M	Jill Baker & Jerry Laik
Maxwell Wendon Laperle	M	Phillip & Kelsey Laperle
Nicholas Andrew Ibey	M	Andrew & Heather Ibey
Sophia Belle Guarriello	F	Justin & Erin Guarriello
Addyson Lea Bedell	F	Bryan & Michelle Bedell
Brady Christopher Vivian	M	Amy Lee Vivian
Claire Jacqueline Phillips	F	Brian & Tracy Phillips
Una Osborne Liebermann	F	Thomas Osborne & Karen Liebermann
Cody Micah Young	M	Marc & Michelle Young
Jesse Richard Laquerre	M	Jamie Laquerre & Kristine Murphy
Stella Mary-Elaine Stoufer	F	Steven & Maria Stoufer
James Thomas Patchen	M	Britney Lee Patchen
Paige Lorraine Parker	F	Jeffrey Parker & Jodi McPherson
Montgomery Jaime Yaehrling	M	Jamie & Michelle Yaehrling
Peyton Anthony Farnsworth	M	Jessyca Manning & Thomas Farnsworth

MARRIAGES

Groom, Residence	Bride, Residence
July–Dec. 2007:	
Joseph Metz, E. Mont.	Melanie Guleserian, E. Mont.
Dan Cheney, E. Mont.	Shannon Simpson, E. Mont.
Michael Lamery, Marshfield	Chandra Ryan, Marshfield
Matthew Melnyk, Los Angeles	Elizabeth Pritchett, Los Angeles
Kevin McCarthy, Hanover, NH	Catherine Suskin, Montpelier
Frederick Pallas, Jr., Barre	Karen Ryan, E. Mont.
Eric Duprey, E. Mont.	Kimberly Smith, E. Mont.
Jason Natelle, Leominster, MA	Alisha Choquette, Leominster, MA
Andrew Krissansen, E. Mont.	Jennifer Rice, E. Mont.
Marc Young, E. Mont.	Michelle Robinson, E. Mont.
Christopher Pratt, E. Mont.	Camilla Welhaven, Portland, OR
Jamie Yaehrling, E. Mont.	Michelle Madison, E. Mont.
William Hull, E. Mont.	Erin-Elizabeth Hudson, E. Mont.
Richard Thibodeau, E. Mont.	Lise Kowalski, E. Mont.
Bernard Desindes, E. Mont.	Donnalynn Lapoint, E. Mont.

MARRIAGES

Groom, Residence

Jan.–Dec. 2008:

Daniel James Bair, E. Mont.
David Hale, E. Mont.
Olaf J. Hedding, E. Mont.
Chris V. Pickel, N. Mont.
Randall A. Defrain, E. Mont.
Anthony J. Meiggs, E. Mont.
Jared C. Lamere, E. Mont.
Michael A. Humling, E. Mont.
Dennis M. Trapp, Mont.
Cresswell Codling, E. Mont.

Bride, Residence

Leila Jon Gray, Swanton
Marcy Shaffer, E. Mont.
Crystal Stridsberg, E. Mont.
Marlana J. Charron, N. Mont.
Loretta L. Eastman, E. Mont.
Jessie A. Metevier, E. Mont.
Anne M. Skrocki, E. Mont.
Gina E. Pastore, E. Mont.
Linda A. Norton, Mont.
Xochitl LaGourgue, El Paso, TX

CIVIL UNIONS

2008: Shawna Liff, E. Mont.

Shannon Link, E. Mont.

DEATHS

Name

Age

July–Dec. 2007:

Daphne Smith Burnes	87
George William Sanders, Jr.	67
Therese Ferland	83
Barbara Herrmann	68
Rosendo Cueto	87

Jan.–Dec. 2008:

Richard Thurston	67
Robert Hill	54
Dorothy Johnson	88
Anthony Williams	51
Stanley L. Christiansen	90
Dorothy Johnson	88
Philip Sparrow	69
Nelda Haley	78
Howard E. Walbridge	90
Jeannie L. Leclerc	76
Sally W. Donaghy	74
Geraldine Lefevre	84
Robert Labbanee	56
Real Ouimet	69
Kathleen Edmunds	68
David Janawicz	62
Russell McQueen	61
Dustin LaBelle	21
James Hanna	74



ANTHONY WILLIAMS
1956–2008

“Tony was a very conscientious and dedicated employee who always had a smile and positive comments.”

—Tom Brazier, former Selectboard Chair

“Tony worked for me for twelve years; a hardworking and loyal employee who was an excellent grader operator. Tony always had the Town’s interest at heart.”

—Mike Garand, former Road Foreman

VOTING RECORD AND POPULATION

2000 Census: East Montpelier Residents = 2,578
VT Dept. of Health Estimate July 1, 2005 = 2,699

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Registered</u>	<u>Australian Ballot (AB)</u>	<u>AB/FV Percentage</u>	<u>Floor Vote (FV)</u>
Town Meeting:				
2008	1,903	1,151	60% / 16%	301
2007	2,102	743	36% / 11%	222
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:				
2008	1,942	160	8%	
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:				
2008	2,046	1,675	82%	
2006	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 & Disability, the Department of Health, and various other State Agencies.

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 Number or Personal ID Number (VT PID#) on the voter application. If neither of these are available, the last four (4) digits of your Social Security Number is 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 Wednesday before any election. The Town Clerk’s Office is open from 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. for Voter Registration on the Wednesday 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.



TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT

July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

The Town Auditors have examined the accounts of the Town for the indicated fiscal period and, to the best of our knowledge, find they represent fairly the financial condition of the town as reported herein.

In addition, Fothergill, Segale & Valley, CPAs, (FSV) of Montpelier were engaged to audit the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Town of East Montpelier for the indicated fiscal period. The final audit has been accepted by the Selectboard and is available for public inspection at the Town Office. Again, as in their previous six-month Fiscal Year 2007 audit, the report for FY08 (July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008) clearly identifies continuing deficiencies and material weaknesses in procedures that are supposed to ensure accurate, verifiable financial reporting:

- 1) Lack of controls to ensure transfers between Town cash accounts are made in a timely manner. In addition, it was found that various cash accounts with minimal activity were not timely reconciled.
- 2) Lack of controls to ensure authorization by appropriate Town personnel of vendor invoices is obtained before payments are processed.
- 3) Lack of controls to ensure vendor payments are then approved by the Selectboard before payments are released.
- 4) Lack of segregation of duties and oversight.
- 5) Lack of controls to ensure property taxes billed, collected, and uncollected are reconciled on a regular basis.
- 6) Lack of controls to ensure proper documentation and approval of journal entries in the accounting system.

In the six months since the end of FY2008 the Town Auditors have been addressing these internal control deficiencies. We have interviewed the Town Clerk/Treasurer, the Town Administrator, and the Listers in order to more clearly understand the tasks and duties of each as they generate information and entries in the Town's accounting and Grand List software program. Having decided to become more active in providing oversight of financial operations, we have been meeting regularly with the Treasurer, Town Administrator, and members of the Selectboard to create policies and procedures. We note that access to the Grand List for data entry is now limited to the Listers, which addresses the concern for segregation of duties and oversight raised in last year's FSV audit. In late 2008, the Town contracted with an outside payroll service to administer payroll and fringe benefits.

The failure to acquire approval from the appropriate personnel for invoices and the release of vendor payments without Selectboard authorization are being addressed. A Town Auditor now reviews each Warrant prepared by the Treasurer

together with all attached invoices and their unsigned check payments before Selectboard approval.

In reviewing the Property Tax accounts to gather information for this report we found that some delinquent tax receipts had not been posted to the proper accounts. We encourage monthly reconciliation of the Tax Administration records with the Grand List and the General Ledger, and look forward to monitoring these reconciliations. We will be reviewing General Journal entries toward proper and timely documentation and approval.

Auditors have been reviewing the Treasurer's reconciliation of bank statements. We continue to track amounts that need to be transferred between the Town's numerous cash accounts. More than an accounting nuisance, these have resulted in loss of interest income to the Town and overpayment of a grant obligation. We concur with the external auditor's repeated recommendation that most of these accounts be consolidated and tracked in the Town's computerized accounting system.

We have undertaken these steps to bring more direct oversight to the financial record-keeping for the Town's funds. We trust that this will bring about more reliable reporting of the Town's finances, facilitate the work of our Town officials as well as the external auditor, and help all concerned to be more mindful and proficient in the exercise of their responsibilities to care for the Town's funds.

The Town School District records and accounts were examined by Angolano & Company, of Shelburne, Vermont. The full independent audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, is available at the East Montpelier Elementary School, the Town Offices, and the Washington Central Supervisory Union office.

We would like to thank Don Welch for his service as Town Auditor. In March, Don resigned in order to serve on the Selectboard. We appreciate the assistance that he and former Town Administrator Robyn Hall gave us in the preparation of this Town Report.

— DEBORAH FILLION, *Chair*
PUTNAM CLAYTON
CHERIE STAPLES
January 31, 2009

EAST MONTPELIER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

In 2009, Community Connections moves into its eighth year serving the children and families of East Montpelier, Calais, Berlin, Middlesex, Montpelier, and Worcester. Underlying all programming is the mission to make a positive difference in the lives of the area's youth, encourage healthy behaviors, and decrease substance abuse. With prevention strategies central to this mission, Community Connections continues to deliver engaging, enriching programs during all out-of-school-time periods—when youth are most vulnerable to risk.

Last year 154 (64%) East Montpelier Elementary School students participated in a wide assortment of after-school programs and 37 students signed up for a variety of Community Connections camps. Coordinator Guy Viens continued the high-energy programming to keep East Montpelier kids active, engaged, and ready to discover. A broad program “menu” included such diverse options as unicycling, stilting, swimming at First in Fitness, visiting local farms, making maple syrup at the Barstow sugarhouse and much more. Fifty adults enjoyed scrapbooking, wreath-making and Hunter Safety classes.

There were many opportunities for getting active. East Montpelier 5th/6th grade teacher Ben Weiss ran well-attended active group games, improv theater games, and the EMES Press, while Bill Merrylees led Mountain Bike Club, where kids learned safe road and riding skills and bike maintenance.

And to help working parents, 37 children attended the before-school program and 18 preschoolers participated in the after pre-K program. Twelve girls participated in the Girls On The Run program, developing positive self-esteem and healthy habits. Sixteen kids participated in the Cooking for Life Program sponsored by the Campaign to End Childhood Hunger and UVM Extension. They learned nutrition and cooking skills and went home each week with a bag of groceries so they could recreate the dishes prepared in class for their family.

Fifteen kids went weekly to the town fire station to learn about fire safety and fire prevention. They even got to run the fire hoses and ride the fire engine! And nine 5th/6th graders are now ready for hire after attending Babysitter Training!

Community Connections' sister organization, Girlz Boyz First Mentoring, enrolled five East Montpelier students last year. Mentor/mentee teams went apple picking, hiking, baked pies, enjoyed a dance party/mentor celebration, and visited the Shelburne Museum and Flynn Theatre.

Finally, Community Connections' Alternative Path to Diploma dropout prevention initiative served more students than ever. Twenty-one students—nine from U-32 and twelve from Montpelier High—identified as at risk of not graduating, earned diplomas after successfully completing their Alternative Path requirements. Under the guidance of highly respected C.C. Youth Outreach Coordinator Danny Hendershot, these grads participated in a variety of academic, employment, internship, and community service projects as part of their individual graduation plans.

Thank you for your continued support of Community Connections!

**REPORT OF THE TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
JULY 1, 2007 – JUNE 30, 2008**



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 primary goal is to provide quality educational opportunities for all 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; overseeing special services; expanding our early education programs; improving technology and financial services to our member schools; enhancing school climate, safety and wellness; and recruiting and retaining high caliber staff. Below, I have highlighted some of our work and accomplishments over the past year.

WCSU Strategic Planning 2008-2013 — Last year, WCSU developed and the WCSU Executive Committee adopted a strategic plan. The purpose of the strategic plan is to help us as a school system be proactive in planning for the future needs of our students Pre-K through grade 12. Staff, parents and community members helped identify the key areas of focus for this plan as well as the desired state, strategies and resources needed to implement the plan successfully. The five key areas of focus are: Collaborative Systems, Green and Wired, Engaged Citizens, Innovative Programming and Starting Early. The entire plan can be viewed on our web site www.wcsuonline.org.

This year, we have prioritized four areas from the strategic plan as our focus across the supervisory union. They are Greening the Supervisory Union, Formative Assessment, Technology for Learning and Personalized Learning Plans.

Greening the Supervisory Union: As called for in the strategic plan, a committee comprised of community members, staff and students with expertise and interest has formed. This committee is charged with collecting baseline data and making recommendations to reduce our carbon footprint. In addition a transportation committee has been charged to look at our current transportation system and recommend changes that could reduce energy consumption and miles traveled. This committee has come up with two proposals for consideration. Informational meetings will be scheduled in each of the communities to present these proposals before a final decision is made.

Formative Assessment: Formative assessment is a classroom strategy that teachers and students use to improve student learning. This year, as a first step in implementing formative assessment across all our schools, all the administrators in WCSU are participating in professional development and in-depth

study of formative assessment.

Technology for Learning: This year we are focusing on offering more technology equipment, teaching tools and technical professional development opportunities for teachers. We want teachers to learn how to use equipment and teaching tools to change/enhance the way they teach. Several teachers are now using interactive SMART Boards for daily instruction.

Personalized Learning Plans: The WCSU Strategic Plan recommends that beginning in the elementary school, student learning is personalized to help ensure that all students graduate from high school. This year personalized learning plans are being explored at Berlin, Doty and U-32. The long-range goal is to phase in PLP's for students in all our elementary schools and continue them through middle and high school years ensuring 100% student graduation and student success from PreK-12.

Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Professional Development — Under the leadership of Dr. Carole Freeman, our Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, and Professional Development, our schools are engaged in assessing and strengthening our core foundations as they work to implement the strategic plan. This work includes completing written curriculum outlines to be shared with parents and the community for each of the elementary schools. We are enhancing the mandated annual process of Action Planning for each of our schools by including elements selected from the WCSU Strategic Plan. Dr. Freeman will work with each of our Action Planning teams to support this process.

WCSU continues to make progress in developing an electronic records system for capturing data about student progress and our curriculum. This year we have selected a system, the Vermont Comprehensive Assessment Tool (VCAT), and will implement it in the coming year. This tool will give teachers electronic access to student achievement records on both state and local assessments. It will also allow teachers to link curriculum with the assessments.

Last year (2007), WCSU schools met the academic goals set for them by the Vermont Department of Education in reading and mathematics at all schools in all areas except for mathematics for the sub-group of students who qualify for free and reduced lunch at U-32. These goals are what is referred to as AYP and come from requirements of the No Child Left Behind federal mandate. U-32 has developed a plan to address not meeting AYP for this sub-group and is offering more afterschool tutoring for students having difficulties in math classes.

Special Services — Nancy Thomas, Assistant Superintendent/Director of Special Services, oversees the continuum of services and support for over 200 students with disabilities ages birth through 21 and assures compliance with federal laws. With the leadership and staff in each of the schools, we continue to work creatively to provide accommodations, support and services to help these students.

WCSU, like schools across the country, has seen an increase in the number and complexity of needs of students on the Autism Spectrum as well as those with Emotional Disabilities. Staff collaborates across the district and works with other

agency partners, such as Washington County Mental Health, to meet the needs of this population, and assure their success. This year we've developed a pilot program in one school to support students with emotional/behavioral disabilities.

Each school has developed an Educational Support System, including an Educational Support Team (EST) which is available to assist families and teachers in meeting the individualized needs of students.

Early Education Programs — Starting Early is one of the five key areas of the WCSU Strategic Plan. By utilizing Medicaid grant money we are excited to have hired Jennifer Miller-Arsenault this year as a part time WCSU Early Education Coordinator. Jen is working with our preschool staff to provide leadership and coordination across our schools in order to enhance programs and meet the needs of our youngest students

Helping our youngest learners to be ready for kindergarten is an important step in assuring school success. Each of our five WCSU elementary schools have preschool programs that serve 3 and 4 year olds from their towns. Four of the programs are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children with the fifth program in the process of applying for that accreditation. These programs are funded by a combination of funds including local school budgets and state supports.

WCSU provides programs and supports for our preschool children with disabilities and those at-risk of school failure in all of the schools. We also coordinate with the regional Family Infant Toddler Program to support our youngest children (ages 0 – 2) with significant challenges. Our collective efforts in early education are an excellent investment in the future success of all our children.

Technology — Jeff Arey, WCSU Director of Technology has taken a leadership role in developing a comprehensive 3-year technology plan for each of our schools and the central office. The plan focuses on the national standards for technology integration and professional development for staff. Jeff and his staff provide coordinated tech support, services and professional development across WCSU including maintaining the Wide Area Network to all schools.

Technology provides enhanced communication with our constituents. This year we have instituted an electronic ALERT system to notify staff and families of school closures or emergencies. A WCSU web site (www.wcsuonline.org) provides district-wide information and links to each of our school web sites.

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 \$36.9 million. 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.

This year budget development, following the changes in Act 82, has required additional financial calculations. As always, we have looked closely at our per pupil costs and developed budgets to continue to meet the needs of our students while being fiscally responsible. All of our proposed budget increases are within the range that does not trigger the Act 82 two vote provision.

A major initiative for our fiscal office this year has been meeting the new federal requirement that 403 B Retirement Plans be made available to all school employees. WCSU continues to participate in joint bidding and purchasing for fuel, supplies, transportation and technology, which has resulted in a significant cost savings.

Central Office Facility — Relocating the central office staff has been a WCSU goal for a number of years. A site on the U-32 campus has been identified. We are in the process of completing necessary permitting. Informational meetings outlining details of the plan will be scheduled in the next few months.

High Quality Staff and Parent and Community Involvement — 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 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. On behalf of the students and staff, I wish to thank you for your continuing support for our schools and students.

— DR. 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, 2008, the Washington Central Supervisory Union operated on approved general fund and special education budgets totaling \$1,242,389. The supervisory union ended fiscal year 2008 with a \$455,820 reserved fund balance. This fund balance is reserved as follows: \$75,657 operations, \$55,356 special education, \$29,774 capital and technology, \$295,033 building project fund and \$0 administrative fiscal agent fees.

For fiscal year 2009, the supervisory union budgets total \$1,299,088 and it is anticipated that the year will end in balance.

For fiscal year 2010, it is anticipated that the supervisory union general fund and special education budgets will total \$1,354,199.

— ROBBE BROOK, *Superintendent of Schools*

WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 2008

	Governmental Funds		Proprietary Funds		
ASSETS	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project	Enterprise	Total Funds
Current Assets					
Cash	\$ 1,312,522	800	0	0	\$ 1,313,322
Accounts receivable - State ..	7,131	0	0	0	7,131
Acc'ts receivable - Employees	818	0	0	0	818
Acc'ts receivable - Other LEA*	36,465	0	0	6,391	42,856
Accounts receivable - Other ..	2,150	0	0	0	2,150
Due from other Funds		626,821	324,807	167,728	1,119,356
Prepaid expenses	7,108	0	0	0	7,108
Total Assets	\$ 1,366,194	\$ 627,621	\$ 324,807	\$ 174,119	\$ 2,492,741
LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable - Other LEA*	414	0	0	0	414
Accounts payable - Other	47,853	5,822	0	0	53,675
Deferred revenue	73,948	621,799	0	0	695,747
Due to other Funds	1,112,966	0	0	6,391	1,119,357
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,235,181	\$ 627,621	\$ 0	\$ 6,391	\$ 1,869,193
Fund Equity					
Fund Balance: Reserved	55,356	0	324,807	0	380,163
Fund Balance: Unreserved ...	75,657	0	0	0	75,657
Retained Earnings	0	0	0	167,728	167,728
Total Fund Equity	\$ 131,013	\$ 0	\$ 324,807	\$ 167,728	\$ 623,548
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$ 1,366,194	\$ 627,621	\$ 324,807	\$ 174,119	\$ 2,492,741

* Local Educational Agencies

**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
BUDGET SUMMARY: FISCAL YEAR 2009–2010**

Anticipated Revenues:

	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Budget 2010	Increase (Decrease)
Assessments	\$ 893,177	949,876	1,004,987	55,111
Earnings on Investments.....	31,348	20,212	20,212	0
State Placed Reimbursements	320,120	329,000	329,000	0
Misc Income and Fiscal Fees	38,871	0	0	0
Total Anticipated Revenues	1,283,516	1,299,088	1,354,199	55,111
Fund Balance Usage	0	0	0	0
Total Source of Funds	\$1,283,516	1,299,088	1,354,199	55,111

Expenditures:

Instructional Svcs-State Placed Students	322,744	329,000	329,000	0
Early Education Program	33,620	40,375	62,958	22,583
Special Area Admin. Services	158,597	171,041	176,693	5,652
Instruction Develop. Services.....	109,249	115,818	119,640	3,822
Technology	60,751	59,983	62,885	2,902
Superintendent's Office & Admin. Costs	271,070	278,405	289,328	10,923
Fiscal Services	239,739	252,365	259,594	7,229
Operation & Maintenance of Bldg.....	45,545	47,601	47,601	0
Fund Transfers-Capital	0	4,500	6,500	2,000
Total Expenditures	1,241,315	1,299,088	1,354,199	55,111
Total Use of Funds	\$1,241,315	1,299,088	1,354,199	55,111 4.24%

* 2008 actual revenue = \$42,201 surplus

WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION BUDGET SUMMARY: FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

BUDGET 2009-2010 School	As of FY0809 ADM	ADM %	Administrative Assessment	Curriculum Assessment	Technology Assessment	Fiscal Services Assessment	Special Svcs Assessment	Early Educ. Assessment	Total Assessment	(See Note #1)	
										Local Revenues	Net Assessments
Berlin	209	13.0%	\$42,064	\$15,570	\$8,184	\$33,784	\$22,995	\$10,104	\$132,701	(\$22,061)	\$110,640
Calais	137	8.6%	27,669	10,242	5,383	22,223	15,126	12,787	93,430	(20,653)	72,777
East Montpelier	244	15.2%	49,147	18,192	9,562	39,473	26,867	14,017	157,258	(27,988)	129,270
Middlesex	146	9.1%	29,535	10,933	5,746	23,722	16,146	21,214	107,296	(29,610)	77,686
Worcester	65	4.0%	13,041	4,827	2,537	10,474	7,129	4,835	42,843	(8,542)	34,301
Union 32	802	50.0%	161,762	59,876	31,472	129,919	88,430	0	471,459	(45,984)	425,475
Total	1602	100.0%	\$323,218	\$119,640	\$62,884	\$259,595	\$176,693	\$62,957	\$1,004,987	(\$154,837)	\$850,150

BUDGET 2008-2009 School	ADM	ADM %	Administrative Assessment	Curriculum Assessment	Technology Assessment	Fiscal Services Assessment	Special Svcs Assessment	Early Educ. Assessment	Total Assessment	(See Note #1)	
										Local Revenues	Net Assessments
Berlin	208	13.0%	\$41,251	\$15,058	\$8,384	\$31,315	\$22,237	\$6,974	\$125,219	(\$18,537)	\$106,682
Calais	117	7.3%	23,212	8,473	4,717	17,621	12,513	9,381	75,917	(15,888)	60,029
East Montpelier	229	14.4%	45,535	16,621	9,254	34,566	24,546	7,112	137,634	(19,876)	117,758
Middlesex	149	9.3%	29,610	10,808	6,018	22,478	15,961	12,758	97,633	(21,058)	76,575
Worcester	73	4.6%	14,551	5,311	2,957	11,046	7,844	4,150	45,859	(8,229)	37,630
Union 32	822	51.4%	163,135	59,547	33,153	123,839	87,940	0	467,614	(45,729)	421,885
Total	1598	100.0%	\$317,294	\$115,818	\$64,483	\$240,865	\$171,041	\$40,375	\$949,876	(\$129,316)	\$820,560

School Summary	Assessment Incr(Decr)	Addl NET Cost Incr(Decr)
Berlin	\$7,482	\$3,958
Calais	17,513	12,748
East Montpelier	19,624	11,512
Middlesex	9,663	\$1,111
Worcester	(3,016)	(3,329)
Union 32	3,845	3,590
Total	\$55,111	\$29,590

NOTES:

- 1) Special Svcs & Early Educ. Programs generate revenues which offset these costs. The revenues are in the respective school's budget. They include the following revenues:
EEE Grants and Special Ed. Intensive Reimbursements.

**WASHINGTON CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
SALARY & BENEFIT PROJECTION
As of December 15, 2008**

	WCSU Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits	
Arey, Jeffrey	\$ 79,883	\$105,820	Benefits include costs of: Health Insurance, Retirement, Section 125 Plan, Social Security/Medicare, Dental Insurance, Disability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance, and Unemployment Insurance.
Bibeau, Lori	90,357	117,581	
Blondin, Patricia	45,268	63,487	
Breer, Virginia	39,944	61,016	
Brook, Roberta	110,490	125,417	
Hertz, Christine	36,930	46,318	
Sophrin, Leah	12,240	13,329	
Miller-Arsenault, Jen	22,885	24,989	
Carr, Ann	39,045	51,117	
Chevalier, Candy	44,625	64,854	
Cykon, Cynthia	35,551	55,622	
Freeman, Carole	82,123	95,208	
Ksepka, Michelle	36,478	56,988	
Marineau, Craig	46,388	57,532	
McDermet, Doug	28,792	40,124	
Mier, Louise	57,879	70,304	
Ormsby, Mary	40,675	58,047	
Powers, Bess	43,672	62,302	
Thomas, Nancy	86,747	98,693	
Thompson, Sara	37,855	49,651	
Wilson, Susan	18,875	29,249	
TOTALS *	\$1,036,702	\$1,347,648	* 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. — WCSU
<i>Prior Year projected</i>	<i>\$977,103</i>	<i>\$1,252,969</i>	

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

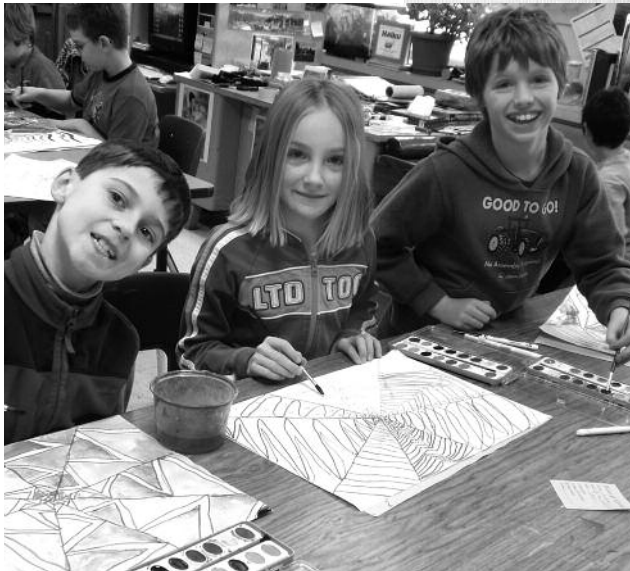
Washington Central Supervisory Union (WCSU) offers Special Education services to eligible children age birth through twenty-one. Eligible students with disabilities are entitled to receive a free, appropriate, public education. WCSU may be unaware of all resident children and youths with a disability. 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.

U-32 BUDGET SUMMARY: REVENUES

Description	Actual 2007-2008	Budget 2008-2009	Projected 2008-2009	Budget 2009-2010
REVENUES				
Tuition	\$ 258,467	262,397	342,000	342,000
Investment Income	203,770	107,106	47,106	22,106
Educ Spending Revenues	10,344,830	10,857,365	10,863,714	11,234,503
Miscellaneous Income	297,661	203,939	203,939	219,937
Transfer from Construction Fund..	27,738	0	0	0
SPED Mainstream Block Grant	273,040	278,737	278,737	274,378
Special Education Income	828,817	801,986	814,097	903,339
TOTAL REVENUES	\$12,234,323	12,511,530	12,549,593	12,996,263



Stephen, Anna & Caleb



Lyra

U-32 BUDGET SUMMARY: EXPENSES

Description	Actual	Budget	Projected	Budget
EXPENSES	2007-2008	2008-2009	2008-2009	2009-2010
Business Ed.	\$145,226	151,653	172,103	175,136
Driver Ed.	93,379	97,575	97,378	98,879
English	691,660	726,179	735,363	781,683
Acting, Dance & Visual Arts	280,810	285,852	276,530	282,075
Foreign Language	266,519	282,376	270,108	284,955
Technology Ed.....	122,035	128,833	128,359	136,016
Living Arts	104,265	119,524	91,406	103,468
Music	197,482	207,165	206,359	213,116
Physical Ed.....	315,754	320,701	327,111	339,221
Mathematics	608,648	638,244	638,730	670,506
Science	795,477	825,976	830,595	867,083
Social Studies	503,143	525,148	491,454	510,282
Instructional – Schoolwide.....	391,805	590,171	439,292	472,186
Other Instruction – 504	2,714	3,000	3,000	3,000
Middle School Programs.....	26,090	32,080	32,080	32,995
Co-Curricular Activities	574,872	584,314	589,314	620,846
Guidance Services.....	442,246	461,141	491,913	509,724
Health Services	102,697	107,167	114,509	118,367
Curriculum Services	58,496	59,547	59,547	59,876
Media Services	87,799	95,690	95,538	99,027
School Library Services	232,012	243,250	242,332	251,687
Technology Services	262,046	315,000	314,623	364,669
Board of Education	44,557	54,159	59,159	55,721
Office of Superintendent	160,779	163,135	163,135	161,762
Office of Principal	861,140	883,545	904,996	936,169
Fiscal Services	125,472	123,839	123,839	129,919
Auditing Services	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,400
Operation and Maintenance	1,098,202	1,075,776	1,150,589	1,215,796
Student Transportation Svcs	403,930	404,416	404,416	436,744
Transfers to Other Funds	1,286,091	1,058,622	1,058,622	1,077,909
Special Education	1,800,996	1,923,353	1,904,981	1,922,066
Psych. & Other Support Svcs	10,665	20,000	20,000	60,980
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$12,101,107	12,511,530	12,441,480	12,996,263

U32 Cost per Equalized Pupils

Historical Trends	Budget FY09	Budget FY10
Local Education Spending – Per State Formula	\$10,857,365	\$11,234,503
% Increase In Local Education Spending		3.47%
U32 Equalized Pupils – Average Daily Membership	895.56	863.28
Local Ed. Spending Per Equalized Pupil	\$12,124	\$13,014
% Increase In Spending Per Equalized Pupil		7.34%

U-32 SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projection as of Dec. 15, 2008

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	40,540	50,156	Dentith, Susan	57,914	69,057
Abbiati, Judy	45,421	54,938	Desch, Marguerite	54,191	65,010
Allen, Beth	23,579	28,044	Devries, Aanika	10,903	11,892
Babic, Katie	44,263	54,218	Disenhaus, Nancy	57,914	63,682
Barrows, Stephen	50,514	59,138	Ditmeyer, Christine	10,838	11,782
Bartlett, Derek	25,808	35,729	Dolan, Paula	46,745	65,147
Bazis, David	40,540	58,871	Dunn, William	31,028	39,883
Bennett, Erik	37,013	44,420	Eaton, Margaret	61,338	78,016
Bickford, Judy	57,914	67,182	Emery, Paula	44,263	51,883
Blackburn, Christopher	45,504	64,289	Fair, Patricia	26,336	36,379
Blakely, Xiomara	25,160	42,402	Ferguson, Kristie	41,582	53,906
Blankinship, Robert	55,432	66,359	Ferrieira, Danielle	45,504	64,145
Bonamico, Andrea	40,540	55,322	Ferris, Sheryl	31,026	40,354
Boulanger, Chantal	25,641	29,585	Fitch, Lesley	41,238	62,437
Bruno, Barbarann	19,830	28,842	Flynn, Margaret	41,781	51,503
Burbach, Lisa	18,314	23,504	Flynn, Timothy	74,174	91,885
Byrd, Melanie	17,955	24,681	French, Adam	40,540	50,147
Cameron, Nathalie	15,255	18,110	Gaffney, Sandra	21,041	30,236
Carey, Bodo	51,709	71,070	Gandin, Dan	55,432	75,082
Cate, Thomas	49,227	68,337	Gandin, Tracy	45,504	50,233
Cate, Weston III	23,347	32,894	Garand, Laura	18,686	25,524
Chaloux, Sandra	40,540	48,273	Garand, Travis	15,255	21,570
Chaplin, Mark	57,914	74,209	Garcia, Joan	22,491	37,179
Chartrand, James	17,263	24,848	Garrity, Leigh	52,950	63,661
Chase, Betty	16,188	24,153	Gerritt, Keith	96,096	119,329
Clark, Bonnie	32,989	52,932	Gora, Peter	21,041	30,236
Clous, Karen	18,686	27,243	Grace, Caroline	45,263	53,431
Colangeli, Steven	39,299	57,515	Grantz, Christopher	42,781	52,595
Collier, Rachel	39,299	48,821	Greenberg, Joanne	28,334	33,758
Cook, Vicki	17,871	26,584	Greene, Daniel	58,907	78,368
Cooke, Ellen	51,709	71,035	Guiffre, Catherine	43,022	58,010
Crossett, Paula	43,022	61,581	Hannigan, David	36,707	57,216
Cueto, Linda	17,955	24,681	Harrington, Casey	61,360	81,409
Daigle, Peter	25,641	39,271	Hayes-Colangeli, Corinne	45,504	50,232
Dalmasse, Denise	60,441	69,930	Heintz, Benjamin	44,263	62,937
David, Beatrice	44,263	59,329	Herrick, Amy	37,065	43,099
Dean, Fletcher	24,156	38,766	Hilferty, John	39,299	57,515
DeCicco, Sally	21,865	31,187	Hill, MaryEllen	24,320	34,015
Decker, Anne	41,944	49,016			

	U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits		U-32 Projected Salaries	Total Salaries & Benefits
Hoermann, Tammy	22,663	41,034	Peet, April	34,335	43,425
Horowitz, Michael	36,486	43,449	Pelletier, Kathleen	55,432	71,511
Houston, Glenn	47,503	57,740	Perry, Brittany	40,540	50,147
Hungerford, Richard	45,822	58,666	Phillips, Charles	22,331	29,231
Hurley, Kevin	26,433	41,586	Pollock, Pamela	17,955	35,609
Jaworski, Elizabeth	19,830	25,160	Poplawski, Virginia	20,229	29,302
Jenkins, Jamie	29,951	43,487	Post, Deborah	21,466	28,576
Jette, Andrea	34,252	43,279	Randall, Nanci	22,331	31,723
Kiefer, Julie	47,986	63,417	Reardon, Michael	47,986	56,390
Koenigbauer, Amy	24,903	31,190	Riby-Williams,		
Kopecky, Barry	22,173	25,030	Emmanuel	18,314	36,022
Korecki-Moll, Barbara	43,022	58,010	Saxe, Kenneth	52,950	61,786
Lakey, Sam	30,472	44,548	Segar, Kathleen	21,892	36,490
Lamberti, Sheryl	19,251	37,101	Shea, Angela	20,000	23,260
LaPlante, Lisa	73,150	90,771	Simmons, Mary Ellen	46,745	56,682
Larrabee, Marieka	11,518	12,521	Singleton, Dorothy	15,255	20,654
Law, Michael	56,672	72,860	Slopey, Brian	63,228	79,985
Levine, Judd	49,227	57,739	Smetana, Jessica	41,781	56,605
Lunn, Jeneane	44,263	62,937	Smith, Emily	33,124	38,815
MacKenzie, Todd	45,504	60,718	Snell, Lizabeth	55,432	71,509
MacMartin, Roxana	22,325	30,377	Spannbauer, Christy	18,959	36,765
Magoon, Heather	21,931	36,534	St. Peter, Hollis	41,781	60,008
Malloy, Janilyn	61,529	71,002	Stevens, Debra	17,955	24,681
Martin, Tracy	33,679	48,052	Swisher, Brian	5,652	6,840
Massey, Jessica	6,538	7,107	Taylor, Stephanie	72,000	93,093
Mayette, Sue Anne	57,914	74,209	Tolassi, Jane	57,914	74,209
McAndrew, Shane	32,374	41,228	Towne, Stephen	43,022	61,591
McCann, Katherine	47,986	56,356	Trombly-Holcomb,		
McCord, Denise	54,191	62,643	Arlene	31,612	47,691
McMahon, William	25,641	35,046	Vandal, Norman	50,468	66,115
McNaulty, William	27,186	31,857	VanDeren, Lauren	33,011	44,031
Mercer, Nancy	46,331	55,301	Verchereau-Staab,		
Mitchell, Spencer	45,624	58,563	Suzanne	25,776	33,201
Molina, Amanda	67,076	79,017	Violette, Daniel	56,472	72,647
Mooney, Erin	44,263	52,343	Volinsky, Sarah	44,263	54,219
Mooney, Mark	75,710	97,125	Walker, Katherine	29,536	34,224
Newcomb, Sharon	58,997	78,957	Wheelock, Ann	34,327	50,818
Nicholson, David	47,986	66,988	Wiese, Kathy	57,914	77,840
Olson, George	23,165	25,222	Williams, Christopher	49,169	57,676
Palmer, Victoria	45,983	64,815	Wilmott, Margaret	56,673	65,833
Pandolfo, John	51,709	67,230	Wilson, Lori	5,370	5,838
Papineau, Amy	19,817	26,335	Woodfield, Eleanor	38,389	53,611
Paris, Maria	46,745	56,916			
Parrott, Diane	30,735	41,407	TOTALS	\$6,127,281	7,996,505
Parry, Arthur	32,739	41,716			
Peck, Douglas	9,250	10,055	<i>Prior Year projected</i>	<i>\$6,049,254</i>	<i>\$7,893,614</i>

Washington Central Supervisory Union
Budget & Tax Information As of January 14, 2009
Explanation of Tax Rate Changes From Budget 2008-2009 to Budget 2009-2010

Final Budgets

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

	Budget 0910 December 2008	Budget 0809 Final 2007	Change	Local Residential		Local Nonresidential	
	Common Level Of Appraisal	Common Level Of Appraisal		Addl Tax \$100K	Tax Rate Impact	Tax Rate Impact	Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	104.51%	113.00%	-8.49%	\$95	\$0.095	\$0.097	\$97
Calais	96.66%	103.18%	-6.52%	\$85	\$0.085	\$0.089	\$89
East Montp	56.44%	57.55%	-1.11%	\$44	\$0.044	\$0.047	\$47
Middlesex	73.71%	78.91%	-5.20%	\$119	\$0.119	\$0.121	\$121
Worcester	106.20%	110.80%	-4.60%	\$53	\$0.053	\$0.054	\$54

Part #2 Impact of State-wideTax Rate(Uses reduction of \$.02)Rates used \$.85 and \$1.34.

	Local Residential		Local Nonresidential	
	Addl Tax \$100K	Tax Rate Impact	Tax Rate Impact	Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	(\$29)	(\$0.029)	(\$0.019)	(\$19)
Calais	(\$31)	(\$0.031)	(\$0.021)	(\$21)
East Montpelier	(\$52)	(\$0.052)	(\$0.036)	(\$36)
Middlesex	(\$41)	(\$0.041)	(\$0.026)	(\$26)
Worcester	(\$30)	(\$0.030)	(\$0.019)	(\$19)

****Part #3 Impact of both Elementary & U32 Proposed FY 0910 Budgets with Equalized Pupil Changes**

	Local Residential		Local Nonresidential	
	Addl Tax \$100K	Tax Rate Impact	Tax Rate Impact	Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	\$19	\$0.019	\$0.000	\$0
Calais	(\$14)	(\$0.014)	\$0.000	\$0
East Montpelier	\$30	\$0.030	\$0.000	\$0
Middlesex	\$18	\$0.018	\$0.000	\$0
Worcester	\$34	\$0.034	\$0.000	\$0

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

	Local Residential		Local Nonresidential	
	Addl Tax \$100K	Tax Rate Impact	Tax Rate Impact	Addl Tax \$100K
Berlin	\$85	\$0.085	\$0.078	\$78
Calais	\$40	\$0.040	\$0.068	\$68
East Montpelier	\$22	\$0.022	\$0.011	\$11
Middlesex	\$96	\$0.096	\$0.095	\$95
Worcester	\$57	\$0.057	\$0.035	\$35

Prepared by: Lori T. Bibeau, WCSU Business Administrator

REPORT OF THE EMES SCHOOL BOARD

It has been a very busy year at East Montpelier Elementary School (EMES). The EMES Staff, Washington Central Supervisory Union (WCSU) Staff and EMES Board of Directors continue to work together to find solutions to the educational needs of our students and effective operation of the school. Along with many educational achievements and opportunities, it has been a year of transition.

The Board is very grateful to Alice Angney, who was our Interim Principal through the end of the school year and did a great job of uniting the staff and school and moving us forward. She was assisted by Kathie Ball, a teacher at U-32, who spent a few hours a day in the school basically doing the management and administrative duties. On July 1st, we welcomed our new principal, Debbie Lesure. She too jumped in and moved the school forward in a positive and creative way.

Many thanks also go to the WCSU staff for their continued support this last year. Robbe Brook, Superintendent, has spent many hours supporting and overseeing our new principal. Lori Bibeau, the WCSU business manager, continued to oversee the cafeteria needs and has supported Debbie through our financials. Alice Angney is a mentor for Debbie. Mentoring is a best practice that we discovered works very well, whether it is with administrative staff or the teaching staff.

The EMES 2009-2010 budget is warned as not to exceed \$3,180,486 for annual school operations. The proposed annual operations budget is projected to have a net tax impact of \$22.00 per \$100,000 assessed value for residential properties. This budget is the result of many meetings and much effort of the School Board to prepare and present a budget that is responsible to both the students and the taxpayers.

In November, the Board members as well as Principal Lesure, Superintendent Brook, Special Education Director, Nancy Thomas, and facilitator Brian O'Regan participated in a retreat where many topics were discussed. We noted that everyone present all agreed that there were four areas that we considered the highest priority: Leadership and governance, school culture and vision, facility and space and, of course, the best way to serve all children. Since we had started our budget work for next year, we thought this was a great opportunity to start to incorporate some of the needs we face in this budget.

East Montpelier Elementary is one of the few schools who are faced with increasing enrollment. Over this summer we received 18 new students. Although this is a great problem to have, it has raised other issues that we need to address. Our school is popping at the seams, and we have tried to solve these problems creatively. This year the Board decided it was time to take the step to give the school the additional space needed. We have opted to buy a modular unit that will be able to house two classrooms until it will be decided the best way for us as a school to permanently address this issue. For those of you who remember the old modular, this unit will be nothing like that.

We have thought of other potential sites for our preschool, but at this point we have not found anything that would work for all those involved. This building will give us what we need in an affordable, efficient, and safe way. This is only one of the issues that the facilities committee is working on, and they will be bringing to the Board short and long term goals in the near future.

We have also included a position for an Assistant Principal. As I mentioned above, our student enrollment has significantly increased along with the needs of our students.

We need to concentrate once again on what is happening in classrooms for student learning and how to be more supportive of our staff. On the other hand, the difficulties and challenges this school has faced over the last few years has made us as a Board aware that there is a strong demand for systems to be reorganized and updated to function smoothly and seamlessly, which will take a lot of time and energy. At this point in time, one person cannot handle all that needs to be done. This position will be a 200-day contract.

Facilities: John Audy and the Facilities Committee have been utilizing software to analyze the entire facility and create maintenance schedules and staffing needs assessments. In addition, a group of East Montpelier residents with backgrounds in alternative energy and needs assessment are assisting the Facilities Committee with a review of current systems and appliances.

I would like to thank my co-members who have diligently attended to EMES matters this past year. The wide variety of viewpoints of East Montpelier residents have been passionately represented. I hope the honest, thoughtful, and vigorous dialogue that occurred within the Board and with EMES and WCSU staff and community members continues.

Board members continued to act and meet on the areas they were responsible for during the year, and I would like to thank them for their hard work: John Audy, Andi Colnes, Julie Rochat, and Trevor Lewis.

Thank you to all of the residents and staff who continue to support the education of our children financially and as volunteers. We also urge community members to visit our vibrant school, see the learning that takes place each day, and meet and greet the staff.

—JAN ALDRICH, *EMES Board Chair*

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMBINED BALANCE SHEET: ALL FUND TYPES

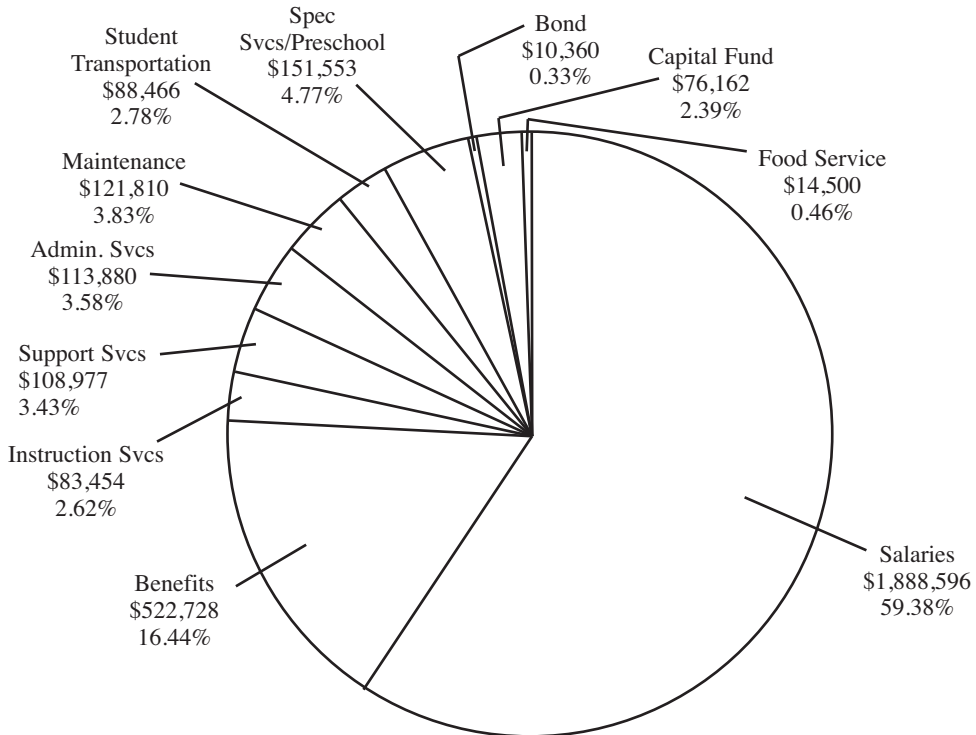
June 30, 2008

	Governmental			Proprietary	Fiduciary		
	General	Special	Capital		Agency	Expendable	
ASSETS	Fund	Revenue	Project	Enterprise	Fund	Trust	Total
Current Assets	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
Cash	\$202,190	0	0	0	5,426	0	207,616
Accounts receivable – State	61,225	0	0	2,166	0	0	63,391
Accounts receivable – Other	917	0	0	323	0	0	1,240
Due from other funds	0	36,167	66,162	0	0	2,408	104,737
Inventory	8,462	0	0	2,588	0	0	11,050
Prepaid Expenses	4,768	0	0	0	0	0	4,768
Total Current Assets	277,562	36,167	66,162	5,077	5,426	2,408	392,802
Fixed Assets – Net	0	0	0	9,407	0	0	9,407
Total Assets	\$ 277,562	36,167	66,162	14,484	5,426	2,408	402,209
LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable – Other.....	48,223	0	0	1,682	0	0	49,905
Accrued expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred revenue	0	0	0	1,529	0	0	1,529
Due to other funds	102,879	0	0	1,857	0	0	104,736
Amount held for agency funds	0	0	0	0	5,426	0	5,426
Total Liabilities	151,102	0	0	5,068	5,426	0	161,596
Fund Equity							
Fund Balance: Reserved	126,460	36,167	66,162	0	0	2,408	231,197
Retained Earnings: Undesignated	0	0	0	9,416	0	0	9,416
Total Fund Equity	126,460	36,167	66,162	9,416	0	2,408	240,613
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$ 277,562	36,167	66,162	14,484	5,426	2,408	402,209

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, 2008, 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.

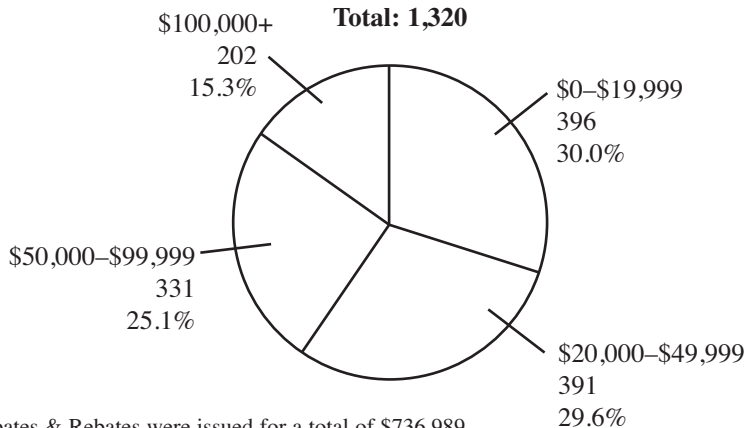
EMES-Budget 0910 **Percentage of Each Category To The Total Budget**

Total: \$3,180,486



Town of East Montpelier **Vermont Personal Income Tax Return*** ***As Processed By the Vermont Tax Department**

CY 2007
Total: 1,320



573 Prebates & Rebates were issued for a total of \$736,989.

There are 962 residential properties and a total of 1,164 Properties in the Town of East Montpelier per the State of Vt Report 12/15/2008.

For more information or tax forms call 828-2865 or visit the tax department website www.state.vt.us/tax

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This has been a year of significant growth, change, and rebuilding at East Montpelier Elementary School. The year began with many new students causing the student population to swell to 272 students. We welcomed these new students at an all-school assembly on the first day of school. Several new staff members were also welcomed, including a Physical Education Teacher, Learning Specialist, and five Paraprofessional Support Staff. We also welcomed a permanent visitor to the lobby—Curious George. Daily he sits as a reminder to children to be curious about their world, to learn all they can, to have good friends, and to be just a little bit mischievous.

As a direct result of student population growth, classroom organization and space issues rose to immediate need. The 5th/6th grade classes became too large, so an additional teacher was hired. This teacher works within each of the current classrooms to address writing instruction, provide support in literacy, and presents supplemental math instruction.

The School Action plan includes goals in three major areas. Attainment of these goals will result in significant growth, change, and rebuilding. The school is blessed with many excellent teachers who put learning for all at the heart of their work. The first goal relates to literacy and the expectation that students meet or exceed local, district, and state standards. A significant part of our teaching staff and several paraprofessionals participated together in a summer graduate course in literacy. In addition, our Literacy Committee worked for multiple days during the summer and meets during alternate weeks. They are working to develop a consistent literacy curriculum and instruction plan for grades Pre K–6. This is a major undertaking involving research, review of materials, development of strategies and teaching methodology, evaluation of our current organizational structure, and assessment information while building upon current best practice. This committee is a group of talented, continuously learning professionals.

The next goal relates to the expectation that students meet or exceed local, district, and state standards through the adoption of a consistent math program for grades K–6. As with other WCSU-District schools, our teachers have been implementing Investigations in Number, Data, and Space in grades K–5. Connected Math is implemented in grade 6 as a transition program to U32. Teachers work together within grades across the district in professional learning communities, and a math consultant works with our teachers one day per month within school to help support implementation. Both of these math programs put the emphasis on mathematical thinking as opposed to rote calculations. Our students are learning to think about the relationships between numbers and critical problem-solving, leaving them well prepared to move to U32 and the world beyond.

Our third school goal is to increase respectful behaviors and student morale. This has been an area of significant attention. Our PRIDE rules have provided us with common language and expectations throughout our building. PRIDE

stands for **P**lease walk in our building, **R**espect people and property, **I**ndoor voices, **D**o your best, and **E**veryone cooperates. To engage students we had two wonderful all-school presentations. The first involved a theatrical troupe from Plymouth State University presenting, “A Bully is Not Your Friend Yet.” We also had “Safety,” a presentation sponsored by the Governor’s Highway Committee. In addition to our discipline plan, a committee of dedicated teachers is working to develop a comprehensive schoolwide education program to teach and reinforce the specific behaviors that foster a healthy school environment.

As you arrive at EMES, you may notice a change on our playground. It has been rebuilt! There is a large new climbing structure with slides and an X-wave, similar to a hi-tech seesaw. Our students have truly been enjoying recess and their new play areas. There are additional plans to expand in the next year or so. Many thanks to our very active Playground Committee, to many, many volunteers, and to the support this project has received in our community!

A new program this year is Unified Sports. Unified Sports is under the umbrella of Special Olympics. The difference is that, with Unified Sports, athletes and partners work together, as opposed to just the athletes taking part. EMES students are participating in bowling during the fall, snowshoeing in the winter, and bocce ball as a spring sport. Each sport has a culminating tournament at the end of the season. Practices take place weekly after school. Over the course of the year, 23 to 30 students will be involved in this initiative. This program could not happen without the paraeducators, teachers, and parent volunteers who coach. Their contributions are highly appreciated.

EMES students have attended art exhibitions outside of school. The Kellogg-Hubbard Library offers in their Children’s Room an excellent space to show art. During the winter, 2/3rd grade artists showed their work entitled “Exotic Animals.” These 18"x24" paintings portray wild animals and focus on their texture.

Last January, 21 of our 2nd/3rd graders and 5th/6th graders, exhibited their work at the T.W. Wood Art Gallery at the VT College of Fine Arts in Montpelier. The themes covered “Exotic Animals,” “Optical Illusion,” and one ARTT (Art Responding through Technology) student. The Opening was well attended.

During our district wide art show: “...it’s elementary art,” all the Kindergarten students exhibited their “Color Studies” inspired by Vassily Kandinsky. Thirteen students from the 4th grades showed their art images of “Wolves.” They worked on their pastel portrait in realistic proportion and added a wolf, or several, in a landscape. This show allows teachers to benchmark their students work together, and it took place in April at the City Center in Montpelier. The Opening was well attended. During the summer months, 16 students from the 4th grade had their “Wolves” art pieces hanging at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

As EMES continues to grow, change and rebuild, we will continue to focus on our strengths as a school and our investment in learning for all. We’re proud of our work with students and pleased to have the opportunity to share our PRIDE.

—DEBBIE LESURE, *Principal*

East Montpelier Elementary School Capital Improvement Fund
Capital Budget-Board Approved January 2009

	FY2007-2008	FY2008-2009	FY2009-2010
Beginning Fund Balance	\$27,251	\$66,161	\$22,838
Budget Appropriation	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$76,162
State Aid Roof	\$11,610	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Income-Insurance -Shed	\$0	\$7,328	\$0
Board Fund Balance Transfer	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Source of Funds	\$108,861	\$93,489	\$99,000
Use of Funds* See Details Below	(\$42,700)	(\$70,651)	(\$99,000)
Ending Fund Balance	\$66,161	\$22,838	\$0

	Actual 07-08	Actual 08-09	Budget 09-10
Building Replacement Items			
Roof (offset by state aid)	\$38,700		
Storage Building			
Building Renovations-Flooring, Bathrooms, Painting & Remodeling		\$66,651	
Building Renovations & Mobile Office Units			\$80,000
Building Project Design and Related Costs			\$9,000
Utilities			
Oil Tank	\$4,000		
Water Project** SEE NOTE 1			
Other Equipment			
Playground	\$0	\$4,000	\$10,000
Computers - 5 year replacement-** SEE NOTE 2			
Telephone System - 7 year replacement ** SEE NOTE 2			
Total	\$42,700	\$70,651	\$99,000

NOTE 1:

The Water Project is a special article in March 2009. It includes \$50k : Planning \$25k, Water System \$25k. This is an interest free loan which we anticipate will be foregiven so no cost is included above.

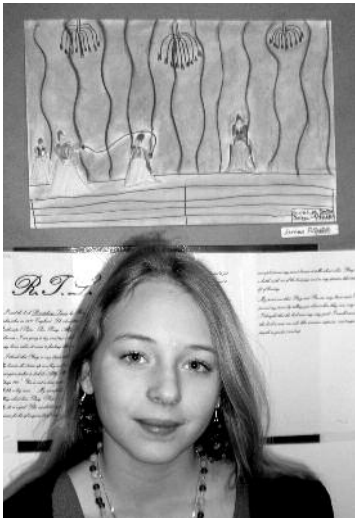
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NOTE 2:

A Special Article was approved in March 2008. This included a computer lab \$22k and a telephone system \$16k. The total approved amount was \$38,000 as part of the operating budget.

NOTE 3:

Designs for a building upgrade will be completed in FY0910. This will guide future capital plans and budgets. The storage shed replacement will be included in the plans for building upgrade.





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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
2007-08	21	3	31	36	25	34	34	34	27	247	223
2008-09	31	4	31	32	35	25	35	38	39	270	235

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Salary & Benefit Projection as of December 15, 2008

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	\$ 57,914	77,666
Christiano, Christine.....	40,540	58,790
Christy, Kathryn	58,914	75,180
Donovan, Jennifer	18,850	23,526
Dunkling, Pamela	38,389	50,678
Gannon, Robin.....	57,914	74,095
Gariboldi, Lisa.....	45,504	64,200
Giammusso, Laura.....	21,511	25,715
Holmes-Heiss, Heidemarie	27,302	38,538
Klinefelter, Susan	24,369	26,443
Kobb, Jessica	23,372	27,131
MacHarg, Jennifer	18,202	25,705
O'Hare, Jamie.....	57,914	74,095
Parker, Bethany	40,540	58,790
Pastore, Carolyn	57,914	68,943
Quackenbush, Gary	44,263	59,282
Shedd, Ellen.....	44,263	62,362
Sherwin, Michael.....	44,263	52,256
Weiss, Benjamin	45,504	55,477
Willard, David	24,437	35,024
SUBTOTAL TEACHERS	791,879	1,033,896
Blodgett, Diane.....	7,893	8,496
Powers-Campbell, Amanda	16,909	18,461
Simonsen, Sybren	9,746	13,901
SUBTOTAL TECHNICAL	34,548	40,858
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL	826,427	1,074,754
GUIDANCE 2120:		
Dickerson, Kristin	41,781	49,546
TOTAL GUIDANCE	41,781	49,546
HEALTH SERVICES 2130:		
Wirth, Elizabeth	56,673	76,320
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	56,673	76,320
SCHOOL ADMIN. 2410:		
Badger, Jane.....	24,494	37,373
Lesure, Deborah	80,000	100,724
Royce, Linda	34,037	44,047
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMIN.	138,531	182,144

LIBRARY 2222:		
Knoelder, Ellen	51,709	60,335
TOTAL LIBRARY	51,709	60,335
OPER. & MAINTENANCE 2540:		
Fletcher, David	30,276	43,672
Minsenberger, Robert	13,238	14,467
Petrella, Albert	42,533	51,626
TOTAL OPER. & MAINT.	86,047	109,765
SPECIAL EDUC. 1210:		
Carter, Anne	57,914	74,085
Paterson, Sheila	51,709	60,174
Taffel, Patricia	52,950	61,676
Wilcox, Joy	23,965	27,429
SUBTOTAL TEACHERS	186,538	223,364
Badger, Sandra	17,671	24,714
Conley, Carol	19,907	27,138
Deforge, Susan	7,030	7,665
Farnham, Ruth	22,853	35,584
Gallagher, Vanessa	16,243	17,750
Humphries, Carol	19,907	21,744
Kane, Christopher	16,909	23,870
Mitchell, Susan	16,909	22,434
Phillips, Doris	22,853	30,351
Simonsen, Sybren	6,497	9,287
Slade, Jodi	16,576	32,360
Stone, Katherine	19,574	32,009
SUBTOTAL Technical	202,929	284,906
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUC.	389,467	508,270
PRE-SCHOOL 1200:		
Apgar, Amy	34,583	40,710
DeForge, Stephanie	11,083	12,016
TOTAL PRE-SCHOOL	45,666	52,726
Subtotal General Fund	1,636,301	2,113,860
FOOD SERVICES:		
Arey, Jennifer	2,428	2,687
Olander, Susan	20,264	22,134
Thompson, Jenne	12,079	13,107
TOTAL FOOD SERVICES	34,771	37,928
SCHOOL-WIDE PROGRAMS:		
DeForge, Susan	10,545	11,537
Macharg, Jennifer	27,302	39,518
TOTAL SCHOOL-WIDE PROG.	37,847	51,055
TOTAL SAL. & BENEFITS	\$ 1,708,919	\$ 2,202,843
<i>Prior Year projected</i>	<i>\$1,637,310</i>	<i>\$ 2,108,389</i>

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET 2009-2010

DESCRIPTION	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Projected 2009	Budget 2010	Budget 10 -Budget 09 Incr/(Decr)	%
REVENUES							
TUITION FROM INDIVIDUALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	133,000	77,622	133,000	73,171	73,171	(59,829)	-45.0%
INTEREST EXP.ON INVESTMENTS	(133,000)	(84,776)	(133,000)	(73,171)	(73,171)	59,829	-45.0%
MISC. INCOME-Purchase Discount.....	714	1,715	714	714	714	0	0.0%
MISC. INCOME-ERATE-Technology	3,000	2,865	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
MISC. INCOME-INSTRUCTIONAL/FIELD TR	0	11,504	0	5,000	4,500	4,500	
EDUC. SPENDING REVENUES FROM STATE.....	2,290,037	2,290,037	2,486,590	2,486,590	2,710,502	223,912	9.0%
STATE TRANSPORTATION AID REIMBURSEMENT	31,403	33,366	31,427	31,783	33,358	1,931	6.1%
SPED-MAINSTREAM BLOCK GRANT	63,024	63,024	65,999	65,999	74,031	8,032	12.2%
SPED-INTENSIVE REIMBURSEMENT-Current Year.....	248,625	311,103	323,891	336,017	325,605	1,714	0.5%
EEE GRANT-PRESCHOOL	23,695	23,695	26,096	26,096	28,776	2,680	10.3%
SUBTOTAL REVENUES	2,660,498	2,730,155	2,937,717	2,955,199	3,180,486	242,769	8.3%
FUND BALANCE USAGE.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,660,498	2,730,155	2,937,717	2,955,199	3,180,486	242,769	8.26%
NOTE: FUND BALANCE SUMMARY							
FUND BALANCE AS OF 7/1	.....	219,271	.....	126,460			
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL	.....	(50,000)	.....	0			
INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM OPERATIONS	.....	(42,811)	.....	(48,163)			
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE 6/30	.....	126,460	.....	78,297			

EXPENSES

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	767,333	747,957	798,466	832,228	852,206	53,740	6.7%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH.	13,837	26,387	34,442	32,130	51,347	16,905	49.1%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	22,000	37,969	22,000	22,000	22,000	0	0.0%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY-ESL	8,820	4,628	4,817	7,893	7,893	3,076	63.9%
HEALTH BENEFITS	196,732	165,179	173,883	161,228	168,405	(5,478)	-3.2%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	59,493	59,189	63,494	66,346	69,323	5,829	9.2%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	756	756	756	836	981	225	29.8%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	8,818	5,011	6,116	7,019	7,159	1,043	17.1%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	629	629	707	106	781	74	10.5%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	12,000	23,275	15,000	12,513	20,000	5,000	33.3%
DENTAL BENEFITS	7,725	7,725	7,384	7,402	7,678	294	4.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	4,042	3,100	3,726	3,818	3,865	139	3.7%
PROFESSIONAL EDU SVC-ADM/FEE FIELD TRIPS	4,931	7,242	4,931	8,231	8,000	3,069	62.2%
OTHER PROF SERVICES-ENRICHMT & EST	7,000	0	7,000	7,000	3,000	(4,000)	-57.1%
OTHER PROF SERVICES-DATA WAREHOUSE	1,600	0	0	0	810	810	
OTHER PROF SVCS-COMMUNITY CONNECT	0	0	10,000	10,000	0	(10,000)	-100.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES & SOFTWARE	30,966	26,328	33,966	34,716	38,297	4,331	12.8%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	4,885	10,476	13,347	13,347	13,347	0	0.0%
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	1,151,567	1,125,851	1,200,035	1,226,813	1,275,092	75,057	6.3%

INSTRUCTIONAL SVCS-ENRICHMENT

PROFESSIONAL SVCS-Four Winds	1,680	1,500	1,680	1,680	1,680	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES-CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES	750	0	750	0	0	(750)	-100.0%
TOTAL INSTRUCT. SVCS-ENRICH.	2,430	1,500	2,430	1,680	1,680	(750)	-30.9%

GUIDANCE SERVICES

SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	44,885	44,838	46,712	46,666	48,402	1,690	3.6%
HEALTH BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	3,434	3,430	3,573	3,570	3,703	130	3.6%

BUDGET 2009-2010 (CONTINUED)

	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Projected 2009	Budget 2010	Budget 10 -Budget 09 Incr/(Decr)	%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	40	40	40	40	45	5	12.5%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	451	451	320	320	361	41	12.8%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	33	33	39	39	41	2	5.1%
DENTAL BENEFITS	481	481	492	492	502	10	2.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	217	165	226	226	235	9	4.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	780	906	780	780	780	0	0.0%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	500	168	500	500	500	0	0.0%
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES.....	50,821	50,512	52,682	52,633	54,569	1,887	3.6%
HEALTH SERVICES							
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROF.OTH	56,673	56,673	58,940	58,940	61,207	2,267	3.8%
HEALTH BENEFITS	13,727	13,643	14,447	14,247	14,532	85	0.6%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	4,150	3,937	4,317	4,320	4,489	172	4.0%
SECTION125 BENEFIT	40	40	40	40	45	5	12.5%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	612	612	434	434	490	56	12.9%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	45	45	53	53	56	3	5.7%
DENTAL BENEFITS	433	433	492	492	502	10	2.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	295	234	234	234	234	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	1,120	956	1,120	1,120	1,120	0	0.0%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	145	0	145	145	145	0	0.0%
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES.....	77,240	76,573	80,222	80,025	82,820	2,598	3.2%
CURRICULUM SERVICES							
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-CURRICULUM	14,346	14,346	16,621	16,621	18,192	1,571	9.5%
TOTAL CURRICULUM SERVICES	14,346	14,346	16,621	16,621	18,192	1,571	9.5%

SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES

SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.....	53,572	53,525	57,037	56,992	59,124	2,087	3.7%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	4,098	3,809	4,363	4,360	4,523	160	3.7%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	40	40	40	40	45	5	12.5%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	545	545	396	396	447	51	12.9%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	40	40	48	48	51	3	6.3%
DENTAL BENEFITS	481	481	492	492	502	10	2.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	262	234	234	234	234	0	0.0%
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,500	871	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	1,900	539	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.0%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	5,600	3,768	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0.0%
AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS.....	500	0	500	500	500	0	0.0%
COMPUTER SOFTWARE.....	250	0	250	250	250	0	0.0%
TOTAL SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES	68,788	63,852	72,360	72,312	74,676	2,316	3.2%

TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	100	0	100	100	100	0	0.0%
SUPERV UNION SERVICES	7,903	7,903	9,254	9,254	9,562	308	3.3%
SUPERV UNION SERVICES-NETWORK SUPPORT	18,678	18,678	18,672	18,672	21,112	2,440	13.1%
SUPERV UNION SERVICES-TECHNOLOGY INTEG	0	0	0	0	0	0	
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	3,300	2,068	2,000	2,000	3,000	1,000	50.0
COMMUNICATIONS-TELEPHONE	9,970	8,210	7,200	7,200	9,210	2,010	27.9%
TRAVEL	50	0	50	50	50	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	3,500	4,359	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
COMPUTER SOFTWARE.....	2,500	845	10,000	10,000	5,000	(5,000)	-50.0%
EQUIPMENT - REPLACEMENT	3,800	5,873	25,800	25,800	12,000	(13,800)	-53.5%
EQUIPMENT -TELEPHONE.....	0	0	16,000	16,000	0	(16,000)	-100.0%
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	49,801	47,936	92,076	92,076	63,034	(29,042)	-31.5%

BUDGET 2009-2010 (CONTINUED)

	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Projected 2009	Budget 2010	Budget 10 -Budget 09 Incr/(Decr)	%
BOARD OF EDUCATION SVCS.							
TECHNICAL SVC.SCHOOL BD.....	700	675	700	700	700	0	0.0%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY-CLERICAL.....	660	550	660	660	720	60	9.1%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	101	94	101	101	106	5	4.5%
OFFICIAL SVC TAX COLLECT.....	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0.0%
PROFESSIONAL EDUC SVCS	250	1,363	250	800	250	0	0.0%
LEGAL SERVICES	1,000	15,127	1,000	4,000	2,000	1,000	100.0%
FIDELITY BOND PREMIUMS	200	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	0	157	200	200	200	0	0.0%
DUES & FEES	1,300	1,336	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%
TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION SVCS.....	12,711	27,802	12,711	16,261	13,776	1,065	8.4%
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT							
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-SUPT	39,431	39,431	45,535	45,535	49,147	3,612	7.9%
TOTAL OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT	39,431	39,431	45,535	45,535	49,147	3,612	7.9%
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL							
SALARIES-REGULAR-ADMIN.	81,868	83,802	82,766	80,000	143,200	60,434	73.0%
SALARIES-REGULAR-CLERICAL	57,302	56,991	59,096	58,531	60,872	1,776	3.0%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	600	647	1,361	7,361	1,361	0	0.0%
HEALTH BENEFITS	28,368	23,075	29,811	29,400	40,166	10,355	34.7%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	10,518	10,504	10,776	11,124	15,399	4,623	42.9%
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	995	991	1,031	1,021	1,062	31	3.0%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	120	120	120	120	180	60	50.0%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	1,510	1,042	1,045	1,045	1,634	589	56.4%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	112	112	68	68	77	9	13.2%

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	1,200	90	1,200	3,043	1,200	0	0.0%
DENTAL BENEFITS	962	962	984	984	1,506	522	53.0 %1
DISABILITY BENEFITS	724	402	541	541	785	244	45.1%
RENTALS & LEASES/REPAIRS-COPIER	7,500	7,113	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	0.0%
RENTALS & LEASES/REPAIRS-POSTAGE	0	0	0	0	1,760	1,760	
COMMUNICATIONS-POSTAGE	1,800	2,312	1,800	1,800	2,500	700	38.9%
ADVERTISING	1,600	7,837	3,600	3,600	5,000	1,400	38.9%
TRAVEL	300	223	300	300	300	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	2,020	2,272	2,020	2,020	3,000	980	48.5%
EQUIPMENT	0	2,268	0	0	0	0	
DUES & FEES	610	665	610	610	800	190	31.1%
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	198,109	201,428	204,629	209,068	288,302	83,673	40.9%
FISCAL SERVICES							
SUPERVISORY UN SERV	30,772	30,772	34,566	34,566	39,473	4,907	14.2%
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	30,772	30,772	34,566	34,566	39,473	4,907	14.2%
AUDITING SERVICES							
AUDIT SERVICES	2,900	4,335	2,900	2,900	3,200	300	10.3%
TOTAL AUDITING SERVICES	2,900	4,335	2,900	2,900	3,200	300	10.3%
OPERATION AND MAINT.PLANT							
SALARIES-REGULAR-SERVICE	68,604	81,062	86,549	89,260	99,651	13,102	15.1%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	2,000	3,516	4,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%
HEALTH BENEFITS	23,965	15,755	30,576	10,628	10,840	(19,736)	-64.5%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	5,401	6,273	6,927	7,134	7,929	1,002	14.5%
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	1,175	1,241	1,228	1,276	1,327	99	8.1%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	80	80	120	120	180	60	50.0%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	763	763	667	667	804	137	20.5%

BUDGET 2009-2010 (CONTINUED)

	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Projected 2009	Budget 2010	Budget 10 -Budget 09 Incr/(Decr)	%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	56	56	51	51	55	4	7.8%
DENTAL BENEFITS	481	481	492	492	502	10	2.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	357	353	450	450	501	51	11.3%
SUPERVISORY UNION -SERVICES-ASBESTOS.....	0	832	0	1,000	1,000	0	
SUPERVISORY UNION -SERVICES-FACILITY DIR.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	
WATER TESTING AND SEWER	2,500	4,429	2,500	2,500	4,000	1,500	60.0 %
DISPOSAL SERVICES.....	3,000	4,803	3,000	3,000	3,500	500	16.7%
SNOW PLOWING	2,700	5,605	2,700	2,700	6,000	3,300	122.2%
LAWN CARE SERVICES	900	0	900	900	900	0	0.0%
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE & DIU RECOMMEND.	16,000	12,695	16,000	16,000	21,000	5,000	31.3%
REPAIRS AND MNT-TRACTOR	1,000	362	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
INSURANCE.....	8,845	8,095	8,845	7,845	9,110	265	3.0%
TRAVEL	600	75	600	600	300	(300)	-50.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	13,000	23,484	13,000	13,000	16,000	3,000	23.1%
ELECTRICITY	28,988	24,522	28,988	28,988	30,000	1,012	3.5%
OIL.....	5,586	5,988	5,586	18,384	16,000	10,414	186.4
OTHER ENERGY-WOOD CHIPS	5,900	5,250	5,900	8,400	8,400	2,500	42.4%
EQUIPMENT -TRACTOR & CHAIRS	2,300	5,853	2,300	2,300	4,600	2,300	100.0 %
TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINT.PLANT	194,201	211,573	222,379	220,695	247,599	25,221	11.3%
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SV							
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SV	78,718	75,813	78,775	78,775	82,714	3,939	5.0%
STUDENT TRANSP SV-FIELD TRIPS	4,252	5,562	4,252	5,952	5,752	1,500	35.3%
TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SV	82,970	81,375	83,027	84,727	88,466	5,439	6.6%

DEBT SERVICE

INTEREST - BUILDING	3,403	3,403	2,160	2,160	360	(1,800)	-83.3%
INTEREST - WOOD CHIP & HEALTH & SAFETY	633	511	0	0	0	0	
PRINCIPAL-Building	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	10,000	(30,000)	-75.0%
PRINCIPAL-WOOD CHIP & HEALTH & SAFETY	15,813	15,813	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	59,849	59,727	42,160	42,160	10,360	(31,800)	-75.4%

FUND TRANSFERS

FUND TRANSFER-CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	20,000	70,000	20,000	20,000	76,162	56,162	280.8%
FUND TRANSFER-PLAYGROUND	0	269	0	0	0	0	
FUND TRANSFER-FOOD SVC	9,000	12,683	9,000	9,000	14,500	5,500	61.1%
TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS	29,000	82,952	29,000	29,000	90,662	61,662	212.6%

INSTR.SVC-STUDENT SUP SVC

SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	168,533	179,374	189,530	201,714	209,330	19,800	10.4%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH.	188,795	195,184	203,017	202,929	211,392	8,375	4.1%
SALARIES-TEMPORARY	12,500	30,049	32,000	32,000	32,000	0	0.0%
HEALTH BENEFITS	47,228	63,983	68,681	73,954	76,782	8,101	11.8%
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	28,107	29,515	32,143	33,262	34,489	2,346	7.3%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	600	600	600	600	675	75	12.5%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	3,940	2,720	3,014	3,258	3,483	469	15.6%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	292	292	333	341	363	30	9.0%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	1,700	2,535	1,700	2,344	1,700	0	0.0%
DENTAL BENEFITS	1,227	1,227	1,279	1,279	1,305	26	2.0%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	1,684	1,678	1,668	1,715	1,764	96	5.8%
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SVCS	11,540	64,270	60,250	72,250	50,930	(9,320)	-15.5%
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SVCS-PSYCHOLOGICAL SV	0	0	0	0	8,400	8,400	
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-SPED	21,387	22,227	24,546	24,546	26,867	2,321	9.5%
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SVCS	19,074	17,919	20,000	20,000	2,000	(18,000)	-90.0%

BUDGET 2009-2010 **(CONTINUED)**

	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Projected 2009	Budget 2010	Budget 10 -Budget 09 Incr/(Decr)	%
TUITION-BAIRD	30,061	32,865	34,524	34,524	34,524	0	0.0%
TRAVEL	600	1,905	850	850	850	0	0.0%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	4,700	6,708	7,200	7,200	7,500	300	4.2%
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	500	0	500	500	500	0	0.0%
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	
TOTAL INSTR.SVC-STUDENT SUP SVC	542,468	653,051	681,835	713,266	706,854	25,019	3.7%
EEE & PRESCHOOL							
SALARIES-REGULAR-PROFESS.	25,135	30,108	37,937	38,377	39,809	1,872	4.9%
SALARIES-REGULAR-TECH.	8,020	8,480	11,083	11,083	11,526	443	4.0%
HEALTH BENEFITS	8,511	0	0	0	0	0	
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE.....	2,421	2,952	3,749	3,783	3,927	178	4.7%
SECTION 125 BENEFIT	40	40	40	40	45	5	12.5%
WORKERS COMPENSATION	358	358	343	343	391	48	14.0%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	27	27	32	32	34	2	6.3%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	570	305	570	570	570	0	0.0%
DENTAL BENEFITS	298	298	369	369	376	7	1.9%
DISABILITY BENEFITS	0	204	185	185	194	9	4.9%
SUPERVISORY UN SERV-EARLY ED	6,585	6,585	7,112	7,112	14,017	6,905	97.1%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	1,130	593	1,130	1,130	1,695	565	50.0%
TOTAL EEE & PRESCHOOL.....	53,095	49,950	62,550	63,024	72,584	10,034	16.0%
TOTAL EXPENSES.....	2,660,498	2,822,966	2,937,717	3,003,362	3,180,486	242,769	8.26%
PROFIT/(LOSS)	(0)	(92,811)	(0)	(48,163)	0	0	

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Significant Changes Budget 2010 vs. 2009

	<u>FINAL</u>	<u>Entire Budget % Change</u>		
Salary & Benefit items				
Negotiated Items:				
Salary Increases	\$ 71,350	2.43%		
Horizontal Salary & Benefit Costs	586	0.02%		
Health Ben.-Current Enrollment @2% Inflation	7,654	0.26%		
Miscellaneous Benefit Changes	(109)	0.00%		
Subtotal Negotiated Items	\$ 79,481	2.71%		
Staffing Changes:				
Instructional Teacher-Math RIF-.43 FTE	(28,567)	-0.97%		
Operation of Plant-Add'l Custodian .25FTE	7,527	0.26%		
Sal. & Ben. Update School-wide-Savings FY 09	(17,543)	-0.60%		
Subtotal Staffing Changes	(38,583)	-1.31%	Budget FY09	Budget FY10
Total Salary & Benefit Items	\$ 40,898	1.39%	\$2,213,425	\$2,254,323
Nonsalary changes:				
Instructional Svc-Field Trips, Supplies, Books	7,460	0.25%		
Instructional Svc-Tuition Reimbursement	5,000	0.17%		
Instr. Svc-Other Prof Svcs-Enrichment & ESL	(4,000)	-0.14%		
Instructional Svc-Community Connections	(10,000)	-0.34%		
SU Shared Services-Network Support	1,320	0.04%		
Tech Svcs-Phone System	(16,000)	-0.54%		
Tech Svcs-Computer Equipment & Software, Alert Now Communications	(15,790)	-0.54%		
WCSU Assessments-Full Board Approved Amt	19,624	0.67%		
Board of Education-Legal Services	1,000	0.03%		
Principal's Office-Advertising, Postage, Supplies	5,030	0.17%		
Operation of Plant-Shared SU Services-Asbestos	1,000	0.03%		
Operation of Plant-Snow Plowing, Water, Supplies & Equipment	15,565	0.53%		
Operation of Plant-Elec, Oil & Wood Chips	13,926	0.47%		
Student Transportation Services & Field Trips	5,439	0.19%		
Special Edu-Prof Svcs, Tuition Supplies etc	(15,771)	-0.54%		
Preschool -Supplies	565	0.02%		
Debt Savings-Bond	(31,800)	-1.08%		
Fund Transfers Food Services	5,500	0.19%		
Transfer to Capital Fund-Includes Playground, Mobile Office, Facility Design	56,162	1.91%		
Miscellaneous Changes	640	0.02%		
Total Nonsalary	44,870	1.53%	\$724,292	\$769,162
Subtotal Base Budget Expense Change	85,768	2.92%	\$2,937,717	\$3,023,485
Full Time Teacher-Assignment to be determined 1.0 FTE	56,091	1.91%		
Instructional Services-Paraeducator-1.0 FTE	25,010	0.85%		
Principals Office -Asst Principal 1.0 FTE	75,900	2.58%		
Total Add'l Staffing Due to Increase in Students	157,001	5.34%		
Total Expense Change	242,769	8.26%	\$2,937,717	\$3,180,486

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 3, 2009, 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

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 \$3,180,486.00 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, 2009, 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 voters of East Montpelier School District authorize the Board of School Directors to apply for a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program and borrow an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for water system improvements?

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

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

A meeting will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2009, 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 absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Section 553 of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS:
JANICE ALDRICH, *Chair*
JULIE ROCHAT, *Vice Chair*
TREVOR LEWIS, *Clerk*
JOHN AUDY JR.
ANDREA COLNES

SCHOOL TAX NOTICE

East Montpelier is currently reappraising the real estate across the town to reflect market reality. This work is projected to be completed in 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 qualifying households with incomes up to \$97,000 a year. If you might qualify, but aren't sure how to file, free help is available at 1-866-828-2865. The deadline to file is April 15, 2009. Late filed claims will be accepted only until September 1, 2009, and late filing penalties apply.

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 legal 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 3rd day of March, 2009 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 3rd day of March, 2009 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 3rd day of March, 2009 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 Rumney School in Middlesex on Tuesday, the 3rd day of March, 2009 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 3rd day of March, 2009 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 \$12,996,263.00 for the 2009–2010 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, 2009 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?

A meeting will be held on Monday, March 2, 2009 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.

—SUSAN CATLIN, *Clerk*

SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

VIRGINIA BURLEY, *Chair* (East Montpelier)

MARK BERRY, *Vice Chair* (Berlin)

CONRAD SMITH, *Clerk* (Calais)

ALLEN GILBERT (Worcester)

ADRIENNE MAGIDA (Middlesex)

EMILY GOYETTE (East Montpelier)

MICHAEL STRIDSBERG (Berlin)

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES

MARCH 4, 2008 — TOWN MEETING

Called to order at 9:30 a.m. Moderator opened Town Meeting and School Meeting. Motion to recess Town Meeting until completion of School Meeting was passed by floor vote. Town meeting recessed at 9:35 a.m. and reconvened at 11:23 a.m.

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

Town Moderator, 1-year term	Michael H. Dworkin
School District Moderator, 1-year term	Michael H. Dworkin
Selectboard Member, 3-year term	Rob Chickering
Selectboard Member, 2-year term	Duane Wells
Selectboard Member, 1-year term	Donald Welch
Lister, 3-year term	No Candidate
Auditor, 3-year term	Putnam Clayton
Trustee of Public Funds, 3-year term	No Candidate
Town Law Agent, 1-year term	Dennis Carver
Town Grand Juror, 1-year term	No Candidate
First Constable, 1-year term	Sandy F. Conti
Second Constable, 1-year term	Paul Haynes
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term	Seth B. Gardner
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term	Rick Hopkins
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term	Gene Troia
Planning Commissioner, 1-yr of 3-yr term	Jean Vissering
Cemetery Commissioner, 5-year term	Frederick Strong
Collector of Delinquent Taxes, 1-year term	Karen (McCarthy) Gramer
EMES School Director, 3-year term	Janice Aldrich
EMES School Director, 2-year term	Trevor Lewis
U-32 School Director, 3-year term	Emily Goyette

Art. 2: Voted to hear the reports of several Town Officers and to act thereon. Chair of the Selectboard, Tom Brazier, recapped the prior year. Accepted by voice vote.

Art. 3: Voted to have Town raise the sum of \$929,953.63 as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses for fiscal year 2009 (7/1/08 to 6/30/09). Passed by Australian Ballot.

Art. 4: Voted to have Town raise the sum of \$130,000 for the Capital Reserve Fund. Passed by Australian Ballot.

Art. 5: Voted to authorize Selectboard to (1) expend an amount not to exceed \$65,000 from the existing Capital Reserve Fund for a down payment of the lease to purchase of two International 10-wheel dump trucks with equipment; and (2) expend an amount not to exceed \$35,000 from the existing Capital Reserve Fund towards the paving project on Towne Hill Road. Passed by Australian Ballot.

Art. 6: Voted to raise \$31,054 for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Passed by Australian Ballot.

Art. 7: Voted on: Shall the Town raise the sum of \$6,667 for the East Montpelier Fire Department in order to paint the exterior and roof of the East Montpelier Fire Station 1 on Templeton Road. The appropriation will only be made if it is approved in both Calais and East Montpelier. Passed by floor vote.

Art. 8: Voted to raise the sum of \$3,000 to be loaned to the Town's Historical Society toward the reprinting of the town history, *Across the Onion*. The loan will be repaid through the sale of the book. Passed by voice vote.

- Art. 9:** Voted to authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 10:** Voted to raise the sum of \$10,900 to be expended by the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during 2009 fiscal year. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 11:** Voted to raise the sum of \$3,000 for the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association operating expenses for fiscal year 2009. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 12:** Voted to authorize all property taxes for the fiscal year 2009 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 p.m. Monday, November 17, 2008 and the second installment will be due on or before 5 p.m. Friday, May 15, 2009. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 13:** Voted to 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 2009. 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.....	1,500
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.....	1,200
i) Green-up Vermont.....	100
j) Montpelier Senior Center	250
k) Onion River Food Shelf.....	250; amended to 500
l) People's Health and Wellness Clinic	950
m) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	275
n) Sexual Assault Crisis Team	200
o) Twin Valley Senior Center	500
p) U-32 Project Graduation.....	200
q) Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired	100
r) Vermont Cares	150
s) Vermont Center for Independent Living	200
t) Washington County Diversion Program	350
u) Washington County Youth Service Bureau	<u>400</u>
Total.....	\$13,850; amended to \$14,100

Amount for Onion River Food Shelf was amended from the floor to \$500, and passed. Amended total of \$14,100 was passed by voice vote.

- Art. 14:** Voted to authorize the Selectboard to accept and to spend grant funding received during the fiscal year 2009 without a vote of the Town. Passed by voice vote.
- Art. 15:** Shall the Town declare a temporary prohibition on any person, partnership, corporation or syndicate withdrawing water from the Town in any amount exceeding 10,000 gallons per day. The purpose of such temporary prohibition shall be to allow the citizens of the Town adequate time to gather information regarding the impact of such withdrawals on the citizens and natural resources of the Town. The prohibition shall stay in effect until March 31, 2011. "Withdrawing water" shall include, but not be limited to, collection, extraction, piping, transport or sale of groundwater, surface water or spring water from the Town and

its movement outside the Town. Such moratorium shall not apply to lawful withdrawals of water that were occurring on a regular basis during the twelve months preceding passage of this resolution. The prohibition is not intended to apply to use of water within the Town, including traditional agricultural uses such as propagation and growth of trees, fruits or vegetables, and care of livestock.

Moderator read Article 14 as warned and entertained a motion for discussion. Motion and second received and article opened for discussion. Paul Erlbaum made a motion to amend the article to add a second section as follows:

Section 2. Regardless of the enforceability of section 1 of this article, the citizens of the Town direct the planning commission and the selectboard to take all steps necessary to realize the intent of section 1, that is, a three year and three week prohibition on withdrawing water as defined and described in Section 1 for the purpose of allowing citizens adequate time to gather information.

Discussion took place, then recessed for lunch. Moderator reopened Meeting at 1:21PM and discussion continued. Article passed as amended by voice vote.

Art. 16: To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Motion passed to accept a Resolution to honor Rosie Cueto.

Discussion of the ongoing investigation into the records of the Town Treasurer. Members of the Selectboard said they were limited in what they could discuss while the investigation was ongoing, and stated that a public meeting would be held to answer questions after the matter was closed. Phillips explained that the Selectboard responded to allegations regarding the Town Treasurer's operations. They sought to handle the matter in as low key and professional a manner as possible, and acted according to legal counsel from the Town Attorney and VT League of Cities & Towns. The Treasurer went on leave while a special audit was conducted by Melanson Heath & Company, an out-of-state firm as per the request of the Treasurer. Some office procedures were under Selectboard supervision until the Assistant Treasurer received adequate training. People were referred to page 73 in the Town Report where the Town Auditors addressed issues which were identified by the Fothergill, Segale & Valley audit as weaknesses and deficiencies in financial reporting and recommended ways to address them in cases of insufficient internal controls and inadequate oversight. Questions about actions of the Town Attorney were discussed. Attorney Daniel Richardson spoke on behalf of the Town Treasurer. He pointed out that there are two issues at hand: the forensic investigation and a lawsuit brought by the Treasurer against officials of the Town, the basis of which was that the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer are independent offices. He advised that a resolution had been reached by the parties on Friday in court, but there are pending matters still to be addressed.

Fire Chief John Audy thanked the public for participating in the recent questionnaire regarding a new fire station. A new proposal will be presented at Town Meeting 2009.

Selectboard Member Jerome requested recognition of Frank and Annette Pratt for their painting of the Town Garage. He also wanted to acknowledge all who had a part in the Town Garage renovation project: Sterry Leno, Stanley St. John, Carroll Contracting, East Montpelier Home Center, Somers Hardware, and Lamberton Electric, among others.

Selectboard Member Steve Jerome invited townspeople to become involved, especially on committees and boards that have open positions.

Moderator Dworkin called Town Meeting 2008 adjourned at 3:03PM.

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES

MARCH 4, 2008 — SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Called to order at 9:30 a.m. Moderator opened Town Meeting and School Meeting. Motion to recess Town Meeting until completion of School Meeting was passed by floor vote.

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

Art. 2: Voted and elected School Directors for EMES (by Australian Ballot):
EMES School Director – 3 Years Janice Aldrich
EMES School Director – 2 Years Trevor Lewis
U32 School Director – 3 Years Emily Goyette

Art. 3: Voted to hear the reports of the Board of School Directors. Chair Marlene Betit presented a budget overview. Also discussed: The Board is looking at different ways to transport students on a district basis; enrollment figures; cost per pupil—EMES was slightly over the statewide average and the Special Services person was going to check into it. Betit noted that 957 of the 1,159 properties in Town had filed for property tax Pre/Rebates in 2007. Other topics discussed: Community Connections grant no longer available, so budgeted line item provides scholarships of \$8–\$12/day for students; average of 72% of students currently participate. Ed Deegan spoke in support of Community Connections and suggested that the Town fund after-school programs through the Recreation Department. Board Member John Audy provided a report from the Facilities Committee, which had looked into building use by staff, maintenance and upkeep, energy use, and safety concerns; and helped to develop a Capital Plan and an energy audit. Board Member Jan Aldrich spoke about new initiatives in the mathematics curriculum and addressing the fundamentals on both local and district levels. She noted that the 5-year Strategic Plan for 2008–2013 was going well. The Board thanked Chair Marlene Betit for her service and dedication.

Art. 4: Vote for the School District to adopt a budget not to exceed \$2,899,717.00 for the operation of the school for the ensuing year? Passed by voice vote.

Art. 5: Vote to authorize the Board of School Directors to hold any audited fund balance as of 6/30/08 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? Passed by voice vote.

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

Art. 7. Vote for the School District to raise the sum of \$38,000 for the Capital Improvement Fund for technology (computers and phone system)? There were questions from the floor about the need for new equipment and possible other sources of funding such as technology grants—no information was available on technology grants, but the Board said they would look into it. Passed by voice vote.

Art. 8. Other business: State Representative Tony Klein read a joint Vermont House and Senate resolution in honor of Rosendo Cueto, a long-time citizen and active Town Meeting participant who had recently passed away. The resolution was presented to Rosie's son, Jeff Cueto, who received a standing ovation in honor of his father.

School Meeting adjourned at 10:57 A.M.

RESULTS OF U32 AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Results for the vote on March 4, 2008:

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

Susan (Charlie) Catlin: 3,125 Write Ins: 26 Spoiled: 5 Blank: 626 Total: 3,782

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

Florence J. Young: 3,126 Write Ins: 18 Spoiled: 6 Blank: 632 Total: 3,782

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

David Magida: 3,083 Write Ins: 14 Spoiled: 4 Blank: 681 Total: 3,782

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

Auditors: \$200 each; Clerk: \$200; Directors: \$850 each; Chair: \$875; Treasurer: \$1,000

Votes: **Yes: 2,830** No: 498 Spoiled: 1 Blank: 453 Total: 3,782

ARTICLE 5. Shall the Union High School District No. 32 adopt a budget of \$12,511,530.00 for the 2008–2009 school year?

Votes: **Yes: 2,284** No: 1,272 Spoiled: 1 Blank: 225 Total: 3,782

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, 2008 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?

Votes: **Yes: 2,715** No: 769 Spoiled: 2 Blank: 296 Total: 3,782

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?

Votes: **Yes: 2,611** No: 883 Spoiled: 1 Blank: 287 Total: 3,782

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
 - ☐ Other _____

Background/Experience: _____

Previous Boards or Committees served on: _____

Interests: _____

CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS

Regarding any change of name or address, please notify:
Town Clerk, P.O. Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651

*Change of Name From: _____

To: _____

Change of Address to: _____

Signature of Property Owner/Voter

*To change a Name on a Deed, we will send you an official document to be signed by you. To change a name on the voter 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 registration
1. Neutered/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. Unneutered/Unspayed 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 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)]

2009 Annual RABIES CLINIC

Contact the Town Clerk @ 223-3313 for date & time



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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