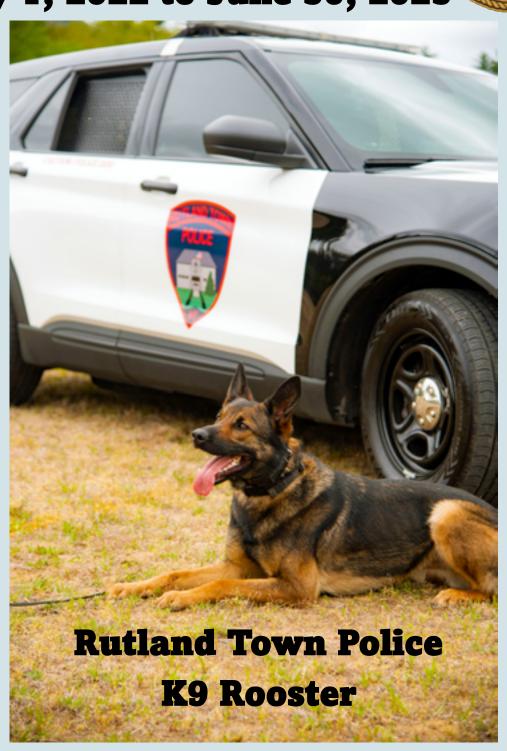
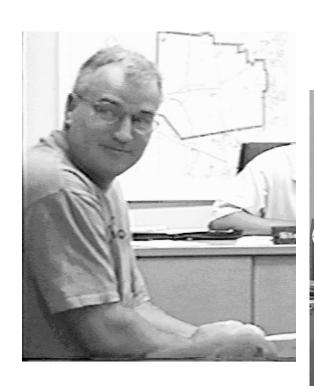
Town of Rutland, Vermont Annual Town Report

July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023













This year's town report is dedicated to Byron R. Hathaway, former Town Road Commissioner, local farmer and business man, and dedicated public servant.

A Rutland Town native, Byron Hathaway grew up on his family farm on Prospect Hill Road. His parents, Byron and Roxie Hathaway, kept a dairy herd, and Byron and his brother Gene worked in the barns and fields of their homestead. The boys learned mechanics, agronomy, and animal husbandry at the farm, and reading, writing and arithmetic in local schools. Both young men were frequent participants at town meetings, and served their community for many years as members of the Rutland Town Fire Department.

The Hathaways gave up their dairy herd in the 1980s when plummeting milk prices forced many producers out of business. Byron then started an excavating company, a perfect complement to his brother Gene's home building business.

When Town Road Commissioner Marshall Fish retired in 2002, Byron ran for the job and won—a position he kept for the next 21 years. During his tenure, Hathaway brought Rutland Town's Highway department into the 21st century. He upgraded the town's vehicles and road equipment, and instituted a multi-year plan to replace aging machines. He created a rotation schedule for rebuilding and repaving town roads. He digitalized the highway department records, and created The Road Book, a compilation of the origin, history, and modification of every town road. Hathaway acquired a second-hand laptop, taught himself computer skills, and applied for state grants for paving, culvert replacement and stormwater runoff work, saving Rutland Town taxpayers thousands of dollars over the years.

Byron modernized the budgeting process, and standardized annual contracts with snow plow contractors. He worked with neighboring towns to co-purchase and co-use costly highway equipment, and to jointly bid paving projects to save money for both municipalities. Hathaway advocated for and oversaw the construction of a new, modern highway garage at Northwood Park to house town equipment and provide safe, efficient working conditions for the highway crew.

Byron Hathaway and his road crews dug us out of snowstorms, cleared trees, and repaired town roads and roadsides after a 'noricane', a tropical storm, and a myriad of other weather challenges. Byron and crew located, cleaned, inventoried, repaired, and upgraded town water and sewer lines, and pitched in to help other town departments with trails, paths, building projects and advice.

When Byron Hathway retired as Rutland Town's Road Commissioner in January of 2022, he left as his legacy a modern, efficient highway and public works department. The Town will benefit from Byron's foresight and hard work for decades to come.

Byron Hathway continues to serve the town as Cemetery Commissioner and as a volunteer on projects in Northwood Park, including as grill master for the Rutland Town Seniors' annual cookout. He and his wife Irene, with their sons and grandchildren—and maybe a future town road commissioner—manage the family farm which has diversified into beef and maple products and agri-tourism. The Hathaway Corn Maze and petting zoo are must-do attractions for thousands of locals and visitors each year.

Thank you, Byron Hathaway, for all you have done, and continue to do, for Rutland Town.

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NOTICE TO VOTERS

For Local Elections

BEFORE ELECTION DAY:

CHECKLIST POSTED at Clerks Office by February 4, 2024. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by February 24, 2024.

HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE: There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to **https://mvp.vermont.gov/**

REQUEST EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS: You or a family member can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election in person, in writing, by telephone, email, or online at https://mvp.vermont.gov/. The latest you can request ballots for the Annual Meeting is the close of the Town Clerk's office on Monday March 4, 2024. (Any other person authorized by you who is not a family member must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on
 Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home. (Ballots can be delivered on any of the eight days preceding the day of the election or on the day of election.)

ON ELECTION DAY:

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form.

• If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first-time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your town clerk or any election official for help.

NO PERSON SHALL:

- Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

FOR HELP OR INFORMATION: Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS using Australian Ballots

CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT: For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two etc."

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- WRITE-IN candidate(s). To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

CHECK OUT:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

CAST YOUR VOTE by depositing your voted ballot in "Voted Ballots" box.

RUTLAND TOWN WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Rutland, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Rutland Town Elementary School on Post Road on Monday, March 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss Articles 1 through 19. At the close of business, the meeting shall recess to 7:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at the Town Hall in Center Rutland for voters living on the west side of Route 7, and the Elementary School on Post Road for voters on the east side of Route 7, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 1 through 19 inclusive. Polls will close at 7:00 p.m. on March 5, 2024.

ARTICLES:

- Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to approve ONE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED FOURTY FOUR & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,385,967.00) for use toward the operation of the General Fund Budget to be offset by anticipated income & local option tax receipts from the State of Vermont, the remainder of which, if any, to be raised by taxes?
- Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to raise by taxes an amount not to exceed SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED NINETEEN & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$759,619.00) for use toward the operation of the Police Fund Budget?
- 3. Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to raise by taxes an amount not to exceed NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$966,969.00) for use toward the operation of the Highway Fund Budget?
- 4. Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to raise by taxes an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND, THIRTY-EIGHT & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$250,038.00) for use toward the operation of the Fire Fund Budget?
- 5. Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to raise by taxes an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-TWO & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$175,792.00) for use toward the operation of the Recreation Fund Budget?
- 6. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$670.00) toward supporting the work of the Retired Senior Volunteer Service (RSVP) for the year 2024?
- 7. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed EIGHT HUNDRED & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$800.00) toward supporting the work of ARC for the year 2024?
- 8. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed ONE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) toward supporting the work of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging Inc. for the elderly citizens of Rutland Town for the year 2024?

- 9. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) toward supporting the work of the Child First Advocacy Center for the year 2024?
- 10. Shall the Town of Rutland vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of THREE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$3,500.00) for the support of the partial funding of Marble Valley Regional Transit District's (The Bus) public transit service to the residents of the Town for the year 2024?
- 11. Shall the Town of Rutland appropriate FOUR THOUSAND, NINETY-FOUR & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$4,094.00) to the Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region, along with area businesses and municipalities with the ultimate goal of growing the economy in our region for the year 2024?
- 12. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TWO & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$4,502.00) toward supporting the work of Rutland Mental Health for the year 2024?
- 13. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes an amount not to exceed SEVEN THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$7,100.00) toward supporting the work of the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region (VNAHSR) for the year 2023?
- 14. Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to raise by taxes the sum of money not to exceed FIFTEEN THOUSAND & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) for scholarships, to be awarded to worthy 2024 High School graduates of the Town of Rutland, who have resided in the Town at least two (2) years and wish to attend institutions of higher learning?
- 15. Shall the Town of Rutland raise by taxes the sum of money not to exceed FIFTEEN THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED NINETY-SIX & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$15,696.00) toward the operating cost of the Regional Ambulance Service for the year 2024?
- 16. Shall the Town of Rutland continue its participation in the Rutland Free Library Association Inc. and to raise by taxes an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE & NO/100 DOLLARS (\$106,889.00) for the year 2024?
- 17. Shall the Town of Rutland vote to appropriate and expend the sum of FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED (\$4,500), for the support of Wonderfeet Kids' Museum to provide services to residents of Rutland Town?
- 18. Shall the Town of Rutland vote to appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED (\$3,900) to support the programs and services of BROC Community Action (formerly Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council, Inc.) in 2024-2025.

- 19. To elect the following town officers:
 - a. A Moderator for a term of one year;
 - b. A Grand Juror for a term of one year;
 - c. A Selectboard member for a term of two years;
 - d. A Selectboard member for a term of three years;
 - e. A Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of three years;
 - f. A Lister for a term of three years;
 - g. A First Constable for a term of two years;
 - h. A Cemetery Commissioner for a term of three years;
 - i. A School Board member for a term of two years;
 - j. A School Board member for a term of three years;
- 20. To transact any other necessary, legal and proper business, which may come before said meeting.

Dated at Rutland Town, Vermont this 16th day of January, 2024.

Rutland Town Select Board
Millelly S/Au//b
Mary Ash croft, Chair
Joseph Dayando
Joseph Denardo, Clerk
Mulling Jelly
Matthew Getty
Shain & Russell
Sharon Russell
Kurt Hathaway

Select Board Annual Report 2022-23

We started the new fiscal year on July 1, 2022, with optimism that things were moving forward in our town. Voters had approved the construction of a new fire and police facility on McKinley Avenue. Our departments and town offices were fully staffed with well-trained and dedicated individuals. Payments were coming in from motels on Route 7 south, enabling the town to increase police presence in that area. Townspeople who gathered at the town wide celebration in August of 2022 at Northwood Park had much to celebrate.

In the fall of 2022, changes started coming. Longtime head lister Howard Burgess announced the he would retire at the end of 2022, prompting Marcia Chioffi to step up as head lister. When Lister Dean Davis resigned in early in 2023, there were 2 vacancies to be filled. Jack McCamley and Marie Peck Fabian were appointed, then elected to the positions at the special town meeting on May 23, 2023. Our town is now back to a fully staffed lister's office. We thank Howard and Dean for their years of service, and are grateful to Marcia, Jack, and Marie for their willingness to take on this critical work.

Rutland Town Highway employee Walter Tripp headed for well-earned retirement in the fall of 2022, creating a vacancy which was filled with the hiring of Ben Crockett. Ben joins Department Head Dave Sears and crew member Jason Bathalon. A farewell lunch was held for Walter, who continues to mow our roadsides as a part-timer in the summer months.

More change came when Jim Scholtz, our Collector of Delinquent Taxes, notified the Select Board that he would retire from that position effective early spring of 2023. Don Chioffi was appointed to take over from Jim. We are grateful to Jim for his time as delinquent tax collector, and thank Don for his willingness to step into that position.

Because state law does not allow a Select Board member to hold the office of delinquent tax collector, Don Chioffi resigned from the Select Board in late March of 2023, creating a vacancy. Town Moderator Matt Getty was appointed from among 4 interested candidates to fill the position, and then was elected at the special town meeting on May 23. At its annual reorganizational meeting following March Town meeting 2023, Mary Ashcroft was elected as Select Board Chair.

The newly reconstituted Select Board soon faced a daunting task. Bids to construct the new Public Safety Building at McKinley Avenue had come in very much over budget. Townspeople had approved spending of \$4.1 million in March of 2022, but the lowest bid received in January of 2023 was \$1.3 million higher. The Select Board got to work with Clerk of the Works JP Faignant, Architect Ed Clark of Otter Creek Engineering, and Vic Shappy of VMS, the low bidding construction firm. We changed vendors for the steel frame building, and moved the sprinkler system reservoir under the building to save costs. We added a 5% owner's contingency to buffer against any other unanticipated cost increases.

The Select Board agreed to take the total revised building estimate of \$5,502,000 to the voters at a special town meeting on May 23, 2023. We also asked the voters to increase what we could borrow—by bond or conventional borrowing--up to \$2,517,850. This loan would

bridge the gap between total cost of the project and the nearly \$3 million we already had on hand in ARPS funds, capital reserve funds, local option tax surplus and a FEMA grant.

Police and Fire Departments pitched in to stress the need for this new facility. Firefighters held an open house at the existing McKinley Avenue station in late April to show voters the cramped and outmoded building. Police officers recorded a YouTube presentation of the one-room police office bulging at the seams with 4 officers, 2 constables and one police dog. The Select Board prepared and posted FAQ information on the town website and Facebook page, and visited with voters at the transfer station and the open house.

Our efforts paid off—town voters approved the increased spending and borrowing by a 2-1 margin. Thank you, Rutland Town voters!

As of this writing, we have applied for a state municipal bond, and construction has begun on this facility, which is scheduled to be completed in late 2024.

Personnel changes and revoting on the public safety building were the high-visibility tasks your Select Board tackled this past year. But we also handled the many small items that keep local government humming. Just in the past year, the town, through the Select Board, extended the waterline on Post Road, replaced a furnace in the town highway garage, started remodeling discussions for the downstairs at town hall, and replaced a culvert at Town Line Road. We've monitored progress on the shared used path at Northwood Park, purchased new police and highway vehicles, applied for an energy savings grant, drafted a short-term rental ordinance, and started work on a new personnel manual. We've heard complaints about a vicious dog, roaming chickens, roadside dumping, speeding on town roads, and retail theft. We've watched the planning process for a new car wash and a new coffee shop on Route 7 south, gratefully accepted the donation of a stone-carved bench at Northwood Park, and given out scholarships to talented high school seniors in our town.

All our Select Board meetings, held every other Tuesday evening, are open to the public at Town Hall in Center Rutland, or via zoom. Check for meeting agendas and dates at our town website https://www.rutlandtown.com/

My sincere appreciation goes to every one of our Rutland Town officials, employees, and volunteers, with special thanks to Select Board members Joe Denardo, Sharon Russell, Kurt Hathaway, and Matt Getty. Together we have all made Rutland Town a welcoming place to live, work and grow.

Mary C. Ashcroft, Chair Rutland Town Select Board

TOTAL TOWN BUDGET

	2022-2023 FISCAL BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL		2023-2024 FISCAL BUDGET		2024-2025 PROPOSED BUDGET
GENERAL BUDGET	1,073,627	1,061,196		1,214,244		1,385,967
FIRE BUDGET	224,164	223,950		232,254		250,038
HIGHWAY BUDGET	1,032,211	1,146,199		1,002,558		1,086,969
RECREATION BUDGET	165,914	153,049		168,008		175,792
POLICE BUDGET	471,212	505,554		564,068		759,619
TOTAL TOWN BUDGET	\$ 2,967,128	\$ 3,089,947	\$	3,181,132.00	\$	3,658,385
Respectfully submitted,	ANTICIPATED INC	COME		1,826,032.00		2,227,769.00
Rutland Town Select Board	TO BE RAISED BY	/ TAXES		1,355,100.00		1,430,616.00
	TOTAL		\$	3,181,132.00	\$	3,658,385.00
Mary Ashcroft, Chair						
Joseph J. Denardo, Clerk	Net Overall Budget Change from 23 - 24 to 24 - 25:					15.00%
Sharon Russell	Net Overall Difference to be Raised by Taxes 23 - 24 to 24 ·				5.57%	
Kurt Hathaway						
Matt Getty						

2024-2025

ACCT NO	ITEM	2022-2023 BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL	2023-2024 BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
ANTICIP	ATED INCOME				
034011	DELINQUENT PROP TAXES	100,000	235,162	100,000	200,000
034012	DELINQUENT TAX FEES	-	16,616	-	
034013	DELINQUENT TAX INTEREST	10,000	26,376	10,000	10,000
034021	INTEREST - BANKS	12,000	117,005	9,000	20,000
034031	DOG LICENSES	1,000	2,627	1,000	2,750
034032	MARRIAGE LICENSES	200	1,380	300	640
034040	TRANSFER STATION COUPONS	43,000	43,360	44,035	43,360
034042	TRANSFER MISC	9,000	10,739	10,256	10,739
034043	RECYCLABLES	2,000	1,346	4,691	1,346
034060	LIQUOR LICENSES	1,000	580	1,000	700
034090	CLERK RECORDING FEES	40,000	35,364	40,000	40,000
034092	VAULT TIME & COPIES	7,500	10,840	7,500	5,000
034100	MISCELLANEOUS	2,000	1,768	2,500	2,000
034104	TRAFFIC FINES	15,000	19,803	15,000	15,000
034221	PILOT PROGRAM	10,000	11,039	10,000	18,000
034224	RECORDS RESTORATION	-	-	<u>-</u>	-
034225	SCHOOL TREASURER SALARY	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
034229	REAPPRASISAL MAINTENANCE	18,500	18,383	18,000	18,500
034264	RAILROAD TAX	650	645	650	650
034265	SPECIAL ELECTION	-	-	<u>-</u>	-
034267	CURRENT USE	10,000	12,751	10,000	10,000
034268	SUB DIVISION	700	600	500	-
034270	PLANNING GRANT	-	-	-	
034287	LISTER EDUCATION	50	-	-	
034298	TRAFFIC REIMBURSEMENT	-	-	-	

2024-2025

ACCT NO	ITEM	2022-2023 BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL	2023-2024 BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
034299	MEAD TRACT	-	-	-	
034300	REAPPRAISAL MISCELLANEOUS	-	-	-	
034301	INSURANCE/FIRE DISTRICT	-	532		
034303	LOCAL OPTION TAX	1,100,000	1,471,357	1,200,000	1,300,000
	GRANT INCOME				84,000
TOTAL A	ANTICIPATED INCOME	1,385,600	2,038,273	1,487,432	1,785,685
BUDGE	TED EXPENSES	-	-		
035025	SOCIAL SECURITY	25,500	29,232	25,500	31,000
035110	SELECTBOARD	26,475	29,821	28,064	29,187
035115	TOWN LISTERS	67,410	64,477	71,454	86,982
035125	TOWN CLERK	29,179	29,211	31,930	33,207
035130	TOWN TREASURER	29,179	29,211	31,930	33,207
035135	ASS'T CLERK/TREASURER	55,725	54,832	60,051	62,453
035136	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	59,595	59,595	64,171	66,738
035151	BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY	6,000	6,287	2,000	6,500
035152	BALLOT CLERKS	5,000	3,664	2,000	4,500
035153	OFFICE HELP SALARY	8,000	7,945	36,000	36,000
035154	HEALTH OFFICER	6,000	1,476	3,500	2,000
035155	HEALTH OFFICER CONSULTANTS	1,000	112	1,000	750
035156	HEALTH OFFICER SUPPLIES	200	-	350	200
035161	1ST CONSTABLE SALARY	7,500	4,240	15,700	8,000
035162	2ND CONSTABLE / FIRE POLICE	18,000	14,363	21,400	21,400
035165	2ND CONSTABLE SUPPLIES	200	159	250	250
035166	2ND CONSTABLE VEHICLE	3,500	3,824	9,500	9,500
035167	1ST CONSTABLE EQUIPMENT	1,500	3,538	2,000	2,000
035168	1ST CONSTABLE SUPPLIES	200	-	200	200

2024-2025

ACCT 2022-2023 **PROPOSED** 2022-2023 2023-2024 NO **ITEM BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET BUDGET** 035169 1ST CONSTABLE VEHICLE 2,000 2,071 7,600 3,500 2ND CONSTABLE EQUIPMENT 500 1,250 2,500 POSTAGE 6,000 035171 5,000 4,714 6,000 035174 TOWN REPORT 5,000 6,007 6,200 7,000 035175 TOWN HALL SUPPLIES 5,000 4,767 5,500 5,500 4,000 4,000 035176 RECORDING SUPPLIES 2,708 3,000 035179 MICRO-FILMING 250 2,418 500 1,000 035180 ELECTION SUPPLIES 7,000 11,640 4,000 4,000 STREET LIGHTS 14,000 14,000 14,500 035181 13,455 035189 TRANS STATION START UP CASH TRANSFER STATION UTILITIES 035190 2,400 1,693 2,400 2,100 8,000 8,000 8,000 035192 TRANSFER STATION ENGINEERING 5,248 035193 TRANSFER STN MISC 1,000 3,193 1,000 1,000 6,000 035194 HAZARDOUS WASTE REMOVAL 9,000 4,496 6,000 3,000 2,500 035195 FOOD SCRAPS 2,223 2,500 35,350 31,969 36,500 48,000 035196 WASTE REMOVAL 035197 MAINTENANCE 6,000 1,574 4,000 5,000 28,064 18,444 035198 TRANSFER STATION MANAGER 28,831 19,181 TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT 13,505 10,200 035199 RECYCLING 7,500 <u>11,5</u>00 9,874 11,530 035200 **SWAC** 18,500 18,252 18,700 19,900 035201 TOWN HALL ELECTRICITY 6,000 6,232 7,000 7,000 035202 TOWN HALL FUEL OIL 8,300 11,500 10,000 7,759 TOWN HALL PHONE / INTERNET 5,000 7,000 035203 3,822 8,500 035205 TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE 25,000 22,724 40,000 40,000 TOWN HALL CEMETERY MAINTENANCE 1,000 1,000 6,000 035206

2024-2025

ACCT 2022-2023 **PROPOSED** 2022-2023 2023-2024 NO **ITEM BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET BUDGET** 035210 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 18,000 18,450 18,000 35,000 40,000 035211 ATTORNEYS - GENERAL 20,000 41,307 30,000 ATTORNEYS - TAX APPEALS 035212 1,000 1,000 1,000 MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT 035216 21,000 18,712 22,500 32,486 035218 STORMWATER 60,000 37,824 82,500 105,000 3,000 035219 CLERK / TREASURER TRAINING 92 3,000 1,000 035221 CLERK / TREASURER MILEAGE 500 131 500 500 SELECTBOARD MILEAGE 250 250 100 035222 150 250 47 035223 LISTERS MILEAGE 250 035224 2ND CONSTABLE MILEAGE 1,160 100 100 035226 OTHERS MILEAGE 58 100 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR MILEAGE 200 300 400 035227 343 035229 HEALTH OFFICER MILEAGE 200 200 035231 GENERAL INSURANCE 120,000 110,000 148,000 132,783 96,500 100,501 110,000 035232 HEALTH INSURANCE 110,000 8,500 7,486 7,000 10,000 035241 NEW EQUIPMENT GENERAL EQUIP REPAIR / MAINT / **COPIERS** 4,500 4,819 5,000 7,000 035249 ADVERTISING 4,000 4,000 5,000 035251 5,487 035261 PLANNING COMM LEGAL 2,000 2,000 2,000 518 REGIONAL COMMISSION 2,000 2,000 2,000 035262 1,167 PLANNING COMM SALARY 4,000 2,058 4,240 4,409 035263 035264 PLANNING COMM MISC 500 301 500 500 2,000 262 2,000 2,000 035265 PLANNING COMM ADVERTISING CONSULTING FEES FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION 500 500 500 035267 035268 POUND KEEPER 300 300 100 BANK INTEREST 035271

2024-2025

ACCT 2022-2023 **PROPOSED** 2022-2023 2023-2024 NO **ITEM BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET BUDGET** 035272 VLCT DUES 6,200 6,053 6,275 6,467 4,000 2,926 4,000 4,000 035275 MISC EXPENSE 035278 COMPUTER SERVICES 4,500 2,033 4,500 4,000 JULY 4TH CELEBRATION 035279 **FIREWORKS** 10,000 12,500 7,500 13,750 TOWN WIDE CELEBRATION 035280 2,500 2,868 2,500 3,500 1,000 035285 WEST RUTLAND REALESTATE TAX 1,000 741 1,000 035286 RUTLAND CITY REALESTATE TAX 100 59 100 100 75,000 70,000 67,903 75,000 035291 COUNTY TAX 035301 TAX COLLECTOR SALARY 23,463 035304 MARRIAGE LICENSES 500 900 500 500 035305 DOG LICENSES 1,500 1,230 1,500 1,250 035501 NEMRC 7,000 9,715 9,000 11,000 035511 PROPERTY MAPS 3,500 2,885 9,100 3,500 035512 4,700 5,521 5,000 13,500 WEB SERVICE / SOFTWARE 3,000 3,000 035536 **EMERGENCY MANAGER** 3,000 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 5,000 **EQUIPMENT** 035537 GENERATOR MAINTENANCE 10,000 3,119 10,000 12,500 SENIORS 3,000 3,000 3,000 035545 4,500 035630 APPRAISAL UPDATE 6,500 6,500 6,500 30,000 4,500 4,500 4,500 035633 MISC CONTRIBUTIONS / CIRCLE (1,450)035641 50 500 LISTER EDUCATION 035647 20 BANK CHARGES PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING 2,000 MAINTENANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING 3,000 **ELECTRICITY** PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING **HEATING FUEL** 5,000 **TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES** 1,073,627.00 1,061,195.75 1.214.244.00 1,385,967.00

2024-2025 **ACCT** 2022-2023 2022-2023 2023-2024 **PROPOSED BUDGET** NO ITEM **BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET** (399,718.00) **NET TOTAL BUDGET** (311,973.00) (977,076.95) (273,188.00)

Net General Budget Change From 23 - 24 to 24 - 25	-46.32%
Net General Budget Change From 22 - 23 to 23 - 24	12.43%

	GENERAL RECEIPTS						
		2022-2023	2022-2023	2024-2025			
ACCT	ITEM	PROPOSED	ACTUAL	PROPOSED			
		BUDGET	AMOUNT	BUDGET			
034011	Delinquent Property Taxes	100,000.00	235,162.00	200,000.00			
034013	Delinquent Tax Interest	10,000.00	26,376.00	-			
034021	Interest - Banks	12,000.00	117,005.00	20,000.00			
034031	Dog Licenses	1,000.00	2,627.00	2,750.00			
034032	Marriage Licenses	200.00	1,380.00	640.00			
034040	Transfer Station Coupons	43,000.00	43,360.00	43,360.00			
034042	Transfer Items	9,000.00	10,739.00	10,739.00			
034043	Recyclables	2,000.00	1,346.00	1,346.00			
034060	Liquor Licenses	1,000.00	580.00	700.00			
034090	Town Clerk Recording Fees	40,000.00	35,364.00	40,000.00			
034092	Vault Time & Copies	7,500.00	10,840.00	5,000.00			
034100	Miscellaneous	2,000.00	1,768.00	2,000.00			
034104	Traffic Fines	15,000.00	19,803.00	15,000.00			
034221	Pilot Program	10,000.00	11,039.00	18,000.00			
034224	Records Restoration	-	1	-			
034225	School Treasurer Salary	3,000.00	1	3,000.00			
034229	Reapprasisal Maintenance	18,500.00	18,383.00	18,500.00			
034264	Railroad Tax	650.00	645.00	650.00			
034265	Special Election	-	1	-			
034267	Current Use	10,000.00	12,751.00	10,000.00			
034268	Sub Division	700.00	600.00	-			
034270	Planning Grant	-	-	-			
034287	Lister Education	50.00	-	-			
034298	Traffic Reimbursement	-	1	-			
034299	Mead Tract	-	-	-			
034300	Reappraisal Miscellaneous	-	1	-			
034301	Insurance/Fire District		532.00	-			
034303	Local Option Tax	1,100,000.00	\$1,471,357.00	1,300,000.00			
034305	Traffic Study	-	-	-			
034315	Del. Tax Refund	-	-	_			
	Grant Income	-	-	84,000.00			
		1,385,600.00	2,021,657.00	1,775,685.00			
034012	Delinquent Tax Collector Fees		16,616.00				

Rutland Town Highway Department Annual Report

The Town Highway Department had a productive year.

We welcomed a new employee, Chris Howe, to the department. Chris brought a depth of knowledge of tree work as he came from a local tree company. That along with his curiosity to learn and his high energy is an asset to the Highway crew.

The Town got quite a bit of paving done in the fiscal year. Just shy of a mile of Townline Road was paved after the completion of concrete box culvert was installed. Almost a mile of East Pittsford Road was paved from Tamarack Lane to Wynnridge Drive. Barrett Hill Road, Travis Terrace and Campbell Road Ext. were also paved. With these paving projects always come with the cleanup and restoration.

Several catch basins and culverts were cleaned to comply with the State of Vermont MS- 4 regulations. These cleanings are now part of our regular maintenance to meet Vermont's Water Quality Standards.

The winter of Fiscal Year 23-24 was a mild season. We were called out 42 times to treat the streets. We purchased 1276 tons of salt at a cost of \$125,047.70. We would like to thank Tim Sr., Tim Jr., and Tyler Hubbard of Hubbard Bros. for their service as contractors for our winter operations. These guys are very professional and always ready when the phone rings. Thank You Guys.

The Town was able to expand the fleet with the purchase of two "new to us" plow trucks. These trucks will be invaluable to us to maintain the streets during winter events.

The Highway Department now has a Facebook page. To get the latest updates and information, please like and follow us at Town of Rutland, Vt Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Sears
Road Commissioner

HIGHWAY BUDGET

2024-2025

ACCT NO	ITEM	2022-2023 BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL	2023-2024 BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
ANTICIPA	ATED INCOME				
044020	VT STATE AID	120,000	88,954	120,000	120,000
044202	MISCELLANEOUS	-	3,811	-	
044205	HIGHWAY ACCESS PERMITS	500	1,020	-	
044207	STATE GRANTS	400,000	54,825	160,000	111,500
044208	CULVERT/PAVING	-	5,922	-	
044210	RESTITUTION	-	-	-	
TOTAL AI	NTICIPATED INCOME	520,500	154,533	280,000	231,500
BUDGETI	ED EXPENSES				
045011	WINTER LABOR	-	-	-	
045012	WINTER DE-ICER	125,000	128,271	125,000	130,000
045013	WINTER EQUIPMENT RENTALS	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
045014	SALT SHED UTILITIES	600	331	600	300
045016	WINTER SUPPLIES	7,500	12,059	7,500	7,500
045019	WINTER MISCELLANEOUS	500	184	500	500
045020	WINTER SIDEWALK PLOWING	500	-	-	
045021	LABOR	-	(118)	-	
045022	HOT MIX / COLD MIX	2,200	354	2,200	2,000
045023	EQUIPMENT RENTALS	10,000	2,480	10,000	10,000
045024	HIGHWAY GARAGE UTILITIES	8,500	15,756	12,000	15,000
045025	SUMMER SUPPLIES	6,500	131	6,500	6,500
045026	NEW EQUIPMENT	2,000	4,512	2,000	2,000
045027	SIGNS & BARRICADES	2,500	7,822	2,500	3,000
045028	CULVERT REPLACEMENT	70,000	108,929	50,000	35,000
045029	MISCELLANEOUS	2,000	5,994	2,000	2,000

HIGHWAY BUDGET

2024-2025

ACCT NO	ITEM	2022-2023 BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL	2023-2024 BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
045030	RETREATMENT	300,000	446,125	200,000	250,000
045031	ROAD PROJECT EQUIPMENT RENTALS	15,000	6,307	15,000	15,000
045032	ROAD PROJECT MATERIALS	15,000	10,680	15,000	15,000
045033	LINE STRIPING	1,000	4,190	1,000	2,000
045040	ROAD SIDE MOWER	1,000	1,138	-	
045041	ONE TON TRUCK	2,000	105		
045042	LOADER	2,500	-	-	
045043	SWEEPER		-	-	
045044	SMALL POWER TOOLS	500	7,545	-	
045045	DE-ICING EQUIPMENT	350	-	-	
045046	CHIPPER	200	-	-	
045047	7 YD TRUCK	6,000	270	-	
045051	SOCIAL SECURITY	14,500	12,376	17,000	16,304
045052	MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	14,000	14,191	18,000	18,230
045053	HEALTH INSURANCE	55,082	58,832	100,000	130,747
045054	TRAINING SEMINARS		-	200	200
045071	RETREATMENT CARRYOVER	-	-	-	
045085	SIDEWALK GRANT	3,500	3,000	16,000	16,000
045094	HIGHWAY BOOK	2,000	-	1,000	
045095	ENGINEERING SERVICES	30,000	-	30,000	30,000
045096	STORMWATER	_	-		-
045100	WINTER CONTRACTORS	120,000	62,736	80,000	75,000
045101	ROAD COMMISSIONER	74,130	63,650	66,144	68,790
045102	FULL TIME POSITION #1	55,089	61,104	49,608	51,592

HIGHWAY BUDGET

ACCT NO	ITEM	2022-2023 BUDGET	2022-2023 ACTUAL	2023-2024 BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
045103	FULL TIME POSITION #2	44,060	50,916	48,506	50,446
045104	COMMUNICATIONS	2,500	3,730	2,500	3,500
045105	VEHICLE FUEL	11,000	24,643	15,600	18,000
045106	VEHICLE EQUIPMENT / MAINTENANCE	20,000	27,955	28,000	30,000
045107	FULL TIME POSITION #3		-	46,000	47,840
045108	PART TIME POSITION #1		-	8,000	8,320
045109	OVERTIME		-	6,000	8,000
045110	ON CALL PAY		-	5,200	5,200
045111	BUILDING MAINTENANCE		-	5,000	5,000
	CLASS 4 ROAD MAINTENANCE	-	-	3,000	3,000
	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	1,032,211	1,146,199	1,002,558	1,086,969
	NET TOTAL BUDGET	912,211.00	991,665.96	882,558.00	966,969.00

Net Budget Change From 23 - 24 to 24 - 25	9.56%
Net Budget Change From 22 - 23 to 23 - 24	-3.36%

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT RECEIPTS July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

ACCT	ITEM	AMOUNT	
044010	Property Taxes	1,021,011.00	
044020	VT State Aid	88,954.33	
044202	Miscellaneous	3,811.26	
044205	Highway Access Permits	1,020.00	
044207	State Grants	54,824.94	
044208	Culvert/Paving	5,922.22	
044210	Restitution	-	
		4.	475

1,175,543.75

RUTLAND TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Edward E. Dumas II
Chief of Police

January 3rd, 2024

Once again, I would like to thank Rutland Town Residents for your continued support of the Rutland Town Police Department.

Last year I reported the Rutland Town Police Department had gotten much busier than in previous years. This year ending in December, the Town Police handled 1994 calls for service as opposed to 2016 calls for service in 2022 or 22 less calls. Still 1005 more calls than the Town handled in 2019.

At the end of 2023, the southern end of Rutland Town where the hotels, Green Mountain Plaza and other businesses are located, the Police Department spent 71% of our time in this area based on the data collected.

Because of the increased calls for service and the direct impact on the Police Department, and the concern for public safety in the south end especially the Green Mountain Plaza area, the Rutland Town Select Board has heard our concerns and as a result they devised a plan of action to better serve the Town of Rutland into the future.

With the help of the administrative secretary for the Police Department "Lyn Gallipo" who went through every case from 2019 till present in order to show there was an increase in calls of service since 2019. We believe the increase in calls of service was caused by the local hotels excepting homeless vouchers from the State of Vermont's Department of Children and Family Services (DCF). With this information the Select Boards first went to DCF and tried to get some compensation from DCF. After a contract with DCF was reviewed by the Town Attorney it was determined this contract DCF wanted the town to enter into an agreement on was not worth the effort in order to get compensated a pittance of what was actually spent on the south end of Rutland Town.

The Select Board negotiated with the local hotels and came up with an amount for past services rendered and for future services if the voucher program was still being offered by the state of Vermont. Once they agreed on an amount the following occurred.

Starting in November of 2022 and throughout 2023 extra police patrols were performed on the South end of Rutland Town. Basically, officers worked overtime after shift and sometimes on their days off to patrol the south end of town only for public safety. Near the end of the fiscal year of 2023 the Cortina Inn changed hands. The Select Board negotiated an agreement with the new owners of the Cortina Inn. The wish for the town of Rutland is for all the Hotels to go back to transitory housing where people come to the Rutland area, visit our state, see the sights, and then return home. Not the permanent sheltering of homeless residents. The Select Board made it very clear when the voucher program ended the original use of the hotels in the area would return to hospitality.

At the end of 2023, while putting together the 2024 – 2025 Police Budget, the Police Committee, Town Clerk and Treasurer, Auditor, Select Board and Deputy Chief Washburn and myself worked hard to put together a budget with the Police Departments concerns, public safety, officer safety and to compensate town taxpayers in the next budget year.

Based on these concerns the select board after much discission and concerns, 1. Agreed to hire another full-time police officer immediately in the 2023 - 2024 budget year using the reimbursement funds from the local hotels and funding a new full-time officer throughout the 2024 - 2025 budget year forwarding \$150,000.00 of the compensation money to the 2024 - 2025 police budget.

These figures were based on the idea the voucher program may end in April of 2024. It should be noted the program did not end in March or April of 2023 as the Governor told us earlier this year. There appears to be no long-term plan for the homeless issue as of the close of 2023. I suspect a long-term plan will be discussed in the legislature this year.

I would like to finish by saying the Rutland Town Police Department is very excited as the construction proceeds for the new Public Safety building and we can't wait to see it done and move into the new facility. Thank you all for your support.

Chief Ed Dumas II

POLICE BUDGET

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ACCT		2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025 PROPOSED
NO	ITEM	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
ANTICIF	PATED INCOME				
024001	POLICE REPORTS	1,500	2,352	1,500	
024045	MISC DEVENUE		7 204		
024015	MISC REVENUE	-	7,384	-	
024102	OMYA PATROL	-	-	-	
024103	OUTSIDE DETAIL	-	-	-	
024105	D.A.R.E.	-	1,000		
024207	SRO REIMBURSEMENT	35,000	60,970	37,100	38,584
TOTAL	ANTICIPATED INCOME	36,500	71,706	38,600	38,584
BUDGE	TED EXPENSES				
BODGE					
025025	SOCIAL SECURITY	23,000	26,398	25,000	32,000
025100	POLICE CHIEF SALARY	75,972	75,927	80,530	83,751
025103	OUTSIDE DETAIL SALARY	-	_	_	55,000
025105	DEPUTY CHIEF SALARY	71,588	72,833	75,883	78,918
025109	1ST OFFICER SALARY	55,068	47,390	58,386	66,560
025110	SRO SALARY	55,068	55,717	58,386	60,721
025111	3RD OFFICER SALARY	-	-	-	58,386
025112	OVERTIME	7,500	54,743	10,000	10,000
025122	OFFICE STAFF / ADMIN SALARY	38,329	39,658	46,426	48,283
025130	COMMUNICATION	10,000	14,508	12,500	15,000
025135	SUPPLIES / UNIFORMS	4,000	4,630	4,000	4,000
025140	EQUIPMENT	13,000	15,820	21,000	15,000
025145	VEHICLE PURCHASE / LEASE	-	-	-	-
025150	FUEL / MAINTENANCE	16,500	19,260	20,000	22,000
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	NET TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 471,212.00	\$ 505,554.07	\$ 525,468.00	\$ 571,035.00
	LESS ANTICIPATED INCOME	\$ 36,500.00	\$ 71,706.00	\$ 38,600.00	\$ 38,584.00
	LESS HOTEL FUND	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00
Т	OTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ 507,712.00	\$ 577,260.07	\$ 564,068.00	\$ 759,619.00
025172	D.A.R.E.	-	1,162	-	-
025171	K9 PROGRAM	4,000	7,155	4,000	4,000
025170	MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	25,500	28,191	25,500	34,000
025165	HEALTH INSURANCE	98,087	96,563	109,857	152,000
025160	LIABILITY / VEHICLE INSURANCE	2,600	2,102	2,600	-
025155	TRAINING	7,500	15,204	10,000	20,000

Net Budget Change From 23 - 24 to 24 - 25	8.67%
Net Budget Change From 22 - 23 to 23 - 24	11.51%

POLICE ACCOUNT RECEIPTS July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

ACCT	ITEM		AMOUNT
024001	Police Reports Revenue	2,352.00	
024010	Property Taxes	320,949.00	
024015	Misc Revenue	7,384.00	
024102	OMYA Patrol Income	-	
024103	Outside Detail Income	-	
024104	K-9 Contributions	-	
024105	D.A.R.E.	1,000.00	
024106	Settlement Funds	285,658.42	
024207	SRO Reimbursement	60,970.00	
			678,313.42

Rutland Town Fire Department Annual Report

The officers and members of the Rutland Town Fire Department would like to thank the citizens and Select Board of Rutland Town for their continued support.

The Fire Department would like to thank the community for their support of the new Public Safety Building. Construction started on September 7, 2023, with the tearing down of the old station. The steel structure has been assembled and they are currently working on closing in the building. We hope to be in the new building by November 2024. A special thank you to the Town Highway Department for allowing us to keep our trucks and equipment in their building.

The officers and members of the department continue to upgrade their skills by attending training classes put on by the department and the State of Vermont Fire Service Training Counsel. We currently have 36 active regular firefighters of which 26 are certified Level 1 or higher. We also have our 2 newest members enrolled in the combined Level 1 and 2 course.

This year the department responded to 190 calls for service. This is slightly UP from 189 calls for service last year.

The Rutland Town Fire Department is always looking for new members. We have three levels in the department: Cadet FF, ages 14 & 15, Junior FF, ages 16 & 17, and Senior FF age 18 and older. If you or anyone you know would like more information on becoming a member then please stop by any one of our two stations on a Wednesday evening. This is our regular training night. You can talk with our members to get an idea of what is involved in the fire service to see if this is something you would like to pursue.

In closing, I would like to thank the officers, the members and the families of the Rutland Town Fire Department for all of the sacrifices, dedication, hard work and support they provide to make this department a highly trained, well organized and professional organization.

In closing, I would like to recognize Tom Tumielewicz for his 42 years of dedicated service to the Rutland Town Fire Department. Tom passed away in December 2023. Tom joined our department in 1981 and was our longest serving active member. You could always find Tommy T at the Center Rutland Fire Station with a giant smile on his face. He took great pride in maintaining the trucks and station. We will all miss his stories, laughter, and presence in Rutland Town. Number 4 will always be Tommy T's number as it has been officially retired. Thank you for all the memories, Tommy. You will be greatly missed.

Respectfully,

Chris Clark, Rutland Town Fire Chief



RUTLAND TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT 2024 Officers and Firefighters

Elected for 2024 Served in 2023 Chris Clark, Fire Chief Chris Clark, Fire Chief Larry Dellveneri, Assistant Chief (Stn 1) Larry Dellveneri, Assistant Chief (Stn 1) Mike Carlson, Assistant Chief (Stn 2) Mike Carlson, Assistant Chief (Stn 2) Jared Rau, Captain (Stn 1) Jared Rau, Captain (Stn 1) Matt Voity, Captain (Stn 2) Matt Voity, Captain (Stn 2) Chris Henderson, Lieutenant (Stn 1) Chris Henderson, Lieutenant (Stn 1) Jorge Mada, Lieutenant (Stn 2) Jorge Mada, Lieutenant (Stn 2) Paul Williams, Treasurer Paul Williams, Treasurer Richard Sweet, Clerk Matt Voity/Jared Rau, Training Officer's Richard Sweet, Clerk

Chris Alexander Devon Kibbey Trevor Brown Andrew Maclaclan Mike Carlson Jorge Mada **Aaron Clark** Dan McCarthy Braden Clark Joe McKirryher Chris Clark Billy Jo Mills Edwin Clough** Aliona Postolachi Joseph Denardo** Jared Rau Larry Dell Veneri Tyler Regula Jax Elliott Patrick Reidy J.P. Faignant (Fire/Police) Michael Robertello Richard Goodrich** Wesley Sargeant Zachary Goodrich Nickolas Snide Mike Gould Richard Sweet **Kevin Gustafson** William Sweet B.J. Hathaway Tom Tumielewicz** Chris Henderson Matt Voity Ben Hogan Marty Wasserman Sophia Johnston **David Waterhouse** Adam Lanfear Paul Williams

^{**} Honorary Member

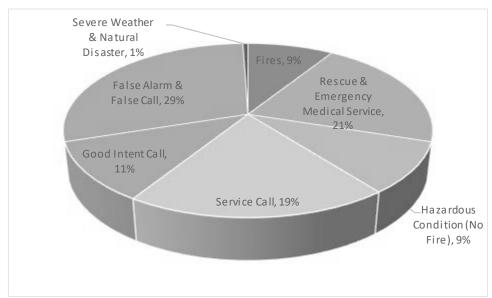
RUTLAND TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT 2023 CALLS

FIRES Building Fires	2
Cooking fire, confined to container	10
Trash or rubbish, contained	2
Passenger vehicle fire	1
Road Freight or trans ort vehicle fire	1
Grass fire	1
RESCUE Medical assist, assist EMS crew	7
Motor vehicle accidents with injuries	14
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	19
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	5
HAZARDOUS Gas Leak natural as or LPG	4
CONDITIONS Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1
Breakdown of light ballast	1
Power lines down	5
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
Attempted burning, illegal actions, other	1
SERVICE CALLS Service call, other	2
Lock-out	1
Water problem, other	1
Water evacuation	1
Water or steam leak	1
Assist police or other government agency	2
Public service	1
Defective elevator, no occupant	1
Unauthorized burning	4
Cover assignment, standby, or move up	23
Good intent call, other	2
Authorized controlled burning	1
Dispatched & cancelled en route	9
No incident found on arrival at dispatched address	5
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	4
Malicious , mischievous false call, other	4
Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	3
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	5
Heat detector activation due to malfunction	1
Alarm sounded due to malfunction	10
CO detector activation due to malfunction	3
Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	4
Sprinkler activation, no fire-unintentional	1
Smoke detector activation, no fire-unintentional	11
Alarm system sounded , no fire-unintentional	9
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	5
SEVERE WEATHER Wind storm	1
SPECIAL INCIDENT	-

MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE
Fires
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)
Service Call
Good Intent Call
False Alarm & False Call
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster
TOTAL

INCIDENTS
17
40
18
37
21
56
1
190

% OF TOTAL
9%
21%
9%
19%
11%
29%
1%
100%



FIRE BUDGET

2024-2025

ACCT		2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025 PROPOSED
NO	ITEM	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
BUDGE	TED EXPENSES				
055012	VEHICLE FUEL	6,500	7,265	6,500	7,000
055013	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE / EQUIPMENT	25,000	19,991	25,000	25,000
055021	BUILDING MAINTENANCE	7,500	10,836	7,500	7,500
055022	ELECTRICITY	6,000	5,624	6,000	4,000
055023	TELEPHONE	2,500	5,073	2,500	2,500
055024	WATER / SEWER	2,000	1,081	1,500	2,000
055025	HEATING FUEL	9,500	13,076	9,500	7,000
055026	CABLE SERVICE	5,000	2,767	5,000	3,000
055027	OFFICE SUPPLIES / SOFTWARE	8,500	5,677	7,500	7,500
055028	SCBA MAINTENANCE / EQUIPMENT TESTING	9,000	10,244	9,000	10,000
055031	NEW EQUIPMENT	35,000	41,869	35,000	40,000
055032	INSURANCE	4,000	3,145	4,000	4,000
055033	SALARIES	59,939	56,479	63,535	70,720
055035	SOCIAL SECURITY	6,500	6,079	6,000	6,000
055036	TRAINING	3,000	974	1,000	1,000
055037	UNIFORMS	3,000	4,123	2,000	2,500
055038	MEDICAL / PHYSICALS	1,000	-	500	500
055039	FIRE PREV EDUCATION	1,500	1,403	1,500	2,000
055091	DISPATCH SERVICES	2,000	2,800	2,000	3,000
055092	DRY HYDRANT	500	-	250	250
055099	MISCELLANEOUS	2,500	2,469	2,500	3,000
055101	ADMINSTRATIVE SALARIES	20,725	13,751	21,969	22,848
055102	DAYTIME WAGE	3,000	9,225	12,000	18,720

FIRE BUDGET

ACCT		2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025 PROPOSED
NO	ITEM	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
TO	TAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	224,164	223,950	232,254	250,038

Net Budget Change From 23 - 24 to 24 - 25	8%
Net Budget Change From 22 - 23 to 23 - 24	4%

FIRE ACCOUNT RECEIPTS July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

ACCT		ITEM		AMOUNT
054001	Property Taxes		224,164.00	
054200	Misc Revenue		202.19	
				224,366.19

RUTLAND TOWN SUTTON FIRE TRUST PERMANENT FUND

				AMOUNT
	Sutton Money Market Balance	6/30/2022	255,034.96	
154001	Deposits		_	
154002	Interest		3,477.85	3,477.85
155002	Transfers		307.23	
	Balance	6/30/2023		\$ 258,205.58

RUTLAND TOWN SUTTON FIRE TRUST EXPENDABLE FUND RECEIPTS

ACCT NO	ITEM		AN	IOUNT
	Sutton Checking Balance	6/30/2022	5,252.33	
164001	Interest		18.56	
164003	Transfer		307.23	325.79
	Balanc	e 6/30/2023	\$	5,578.12

Respectfully Submitted, Kari Clark, Town Treasurer

CENTER RUTLAND FIRE STATION

ACCT 305005	Bond Amount:	\$1 ,	.800,000.00
	Balance 6/30/2022	<u>\$</u>	54,679.04
9/6/2022	N.B.F. Architects	\$	14,490.00
9/6/2022	Engineering Services of VT, LLC	\$	8,837.50
9/20/2022	Engineering Services of VT, LLC	\$	4,652.50
10/18/2022	Engineering Services of VT, LLC	\$	14,552.50
10/18/2022	Enman Kesselring Consulting	\$	12,061.25
	Balance 6/30/2023	\$	85.29

Rutland Town Recreation Annual Report

2023

This year the Recreation department had very successful seasons with activities taking place this year. Northwood Pool enjoyed a great summer of warm weather and people at the pool, with the events going on we were able to open and offer swim lessons and groups at the pool for swimming. The town wide celebration was another huge hit with fireworks moved from the 4th of July to the night of the townwide celebration. Many thanks to all who helped make this annual event a huge success.

This spring/summer we started construction on the mt. biking trails and the back nine for disc golf. These were completed this past fall with the biking trails and now a full 18 hole disc golf course open for all to enjoy.

We had a great turnout for the Halloween party this year. It was a huge success outside on "Trick or Treat on the Trail". The 7th grade class spent lots of time designing, planning and running this activity. We had over 400 people walking the trails during this time for a great event to have a safe Halloween. A special thanks to the RT Fire and Police departments for helping out at this event. We were able to run all of our sports programs this past year with a great turn out of kiddo's taking advantage of what we offer, Soccer, Football, Basketball, Baseball and Softball programs for grades K-6. Many thanks to all who helped make this a huge success.

I would like to thank the Town Highway department Dave, Jason, Chris and Ben as they have helped with keeping the parks looking great and our maintenance man Chuck Hall who has really done a great job of keeping Delbianco Park in great shape. We did lots of work this past summer, here are a few things.

- We reseed both parks as the winter and grubs killed most of the grass
- Finished back nine of disc golf
- Finished work on the Mt. Biking trails at Northwood
- We now have all our sports registrations and payments online

For the past 9 years we have held a couple of senior luncheons with our town seniors, the summer luncheon was again held at the pool with a large crowd attending. These events seem to be growing each year and have been a big hit with all parties involved. I would like to thank Jim and Randy for all they do to help make these events a success.

If you have any ideas on programming for the recreation department or would like to help with our programs, please contact me @ 802-779-2518, once again thank you for your support of Rutland Town Recreation.

Sincerely,

Michael Rowe

Recreation Director

RECREATION BUDGET

2024-2025 ACCT 2022-2023 2022-2023 2023-2024 **PROPOSED** NO ITEM **BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET BUDGET** ANTICIPATED INCOME 064021 SWIM PASSES/LESSONS 9,467 064031 SWIM DAILY FEES 3,296 BASEBALL 064041 940 064081 CONCESSIONS 2,127 064091 MISCELLANEOUS 745 064101 INTEREST MM 2,487 064201 SOCCER 3,145 064202 BASKETBALL 1,740 064205 CONCESSION - DEWEY 064206 FLAG FOOTBALL 480 064207 FIELD USAGE 20,000.00 22,000.00 PREVIOUS YEARS BUDGET 20,000.00 TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME 20,000.00 24,427 20,000.00 22,000.00 **BUDGETED EXPENSES** 065011 RECREATION DIRECTOR 23,214 23,214 24,608 25,592 065013 LIFE GUARDS 55,000 46,776 52,000 53,000 065014 MAINTENANCE 18,000 15,012 19,000 20,000 065015 TICKET TAKER & SNACK BAR 065016 UMPIRES & REFEREES 5,000 4,345 <u>5,5</u>00 6,500 065018 | ARTS & CRAFTS 065029 SOCIAL SECURITY 6,089 6,500 6,000 6,500 7,805 9,000 065041 ELECTRICITY 8,500 8,500 065042 | TELEPHONE / INTERNET 3,500 3,356 3,500 4,000 065043 WATER 2,500 2,111 2,500 2,500

RECREATION BUDGET

2024-2025 ACCT 2022-2023 2022-2023 2023-2024 **PROPOSED** NO ITEM **BUDGET ACTUAL BUDGET BUDGET** 065051 CHEMICALS 5,500 5,563 5,500 6,000 065052 SUPPLIES - MAINTENANCE 5,000 4.876 5,000 5,000 065053 SUPPLIES - MISCELLANEOUS 1,000 983 1,000 1,000 065054 PLUMBING - NORTHWOOD 2,000 2,089 2,000 2,000 065055 GAS - OIL 800 747 1,000 1,500 PLUMBING - DEWEY FIELD 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 065056 065057 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE 1,000 440 1,000 1,000 065058 NEW EQUIPMENT 2,000 1,840 2,000 2,000 065061 ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT 12,000 11,890 12,000 13,000 065062 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES 2,500 2,475 3,500 3,500 065063 MEMBERSHIPS 2,000 1,736 2,000 2,500 065065 ADVERTISING 400 207 400 200 065069 MISCELLANEOUS 2,000 1,791 2,000 2,000 6,000 6,087 7,000 065121 FOOD 6,500 065122 | CONCESSION EQUIPMENT 500 396 500 500 065123 | CONCESSION REPAIRS 500 344 500 500 065130 GRANT PROJECT USAGE 065200 TIMBER FUND EXPENSES 1,876 **TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES** 165,914.00 153,048.74 168,008.00 175,792.00 **NET TOTAL BUDGET** 145,914.00 128,621.51 148,008.00 153,792.00

Net Budget Change From 23 - 24 to 24 - 25	4%
Net Budget Change From 22 - 23 to 23 - 24	1.44%

RECREATION ACCOUNT RECEIPTS July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

ACCT		ITEM	AMOUNT
064010	Property Taxes	165,914.00	
064021	Swim Passes/Lessons	9,467.00	
064031	Swim Daily Fees	3,296.00	
064041	Baseball	940.00	
064081	Concession - Northwood	2,127.00	
064091	Miscellaneous	745.13	
064101	Interest-MM	2,487.10	
064201	Soccer	3,145.00	
064202	Basketball	1,740.00	
064205	Concession - Dewey	-	
064206	Flag Football	480.00	
064207	Field Usage	-	
		<u>_</u>	190,341.23

Rutland Town Public Safety Building

The Rutland Town Public Safety Building is starting to take shape. Facing a surprise increase in price from the original estimates due to Covid related issues of personal and cost of materials, the citizens of Rutland Town overwhelmingly approved a required second vote to get the project going.

As of this writing the foundation has been completed; the steel frame has been erected, and the panels are being placed. Expected completion is now targeted for the Sept.-Oct. of 2024 time frame. In the meantime, the Highway Department has graciously allowed the fire trucks to be stored inside the Highway garage, as they need to be in a heated space for the cold weather.

Rutland Town Firefighters and Police Officers provide an invaluable service to all the Town's residents. The members truly appreciate the support the townspeople have shown as we move forward with this last piece of major infrastructure for the Town.

Thank you,

J P Faignant Clerk of the Works, Rutland Town Public Safety Building



ARPA	ARPA Funds Reserved for PSB				
7/1/2022	Beginning Balance	\$	614,891		
	FY 21-22 Adjust.	\$	(9,000)		
	New Total	\$	605,891		
	Incoming Funds	\$	632,115		
	Expenses	\$	(33,930)		
6/30/2023	Ending Balance	\$	1,204,076		
Сар	ital Improven	nen	its *		
7/1/2022	Beginning Balance	\$	1,524,830		
	Surplus Sweep	\$	456,627		
	Expenses	\$	(199,093)		
6/30/2023	Ending Balance	\$	1,782,364		
Pu	blic Safety Bu	ildi	ing		
7/1/2022	Beginning Balance	\$	1,445,676		
	Incoming Funds	\$	632,115		
	Local Option	\$	350,000		
	Expenses	\$	(91,819)		
6/30/2023	Ending Balance	\$	2,335,972		

^{* \$771,231} ear-marked for the PSB + \$350,000 from LOT



RUTLAND TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION 2022/2023

I want to thank the dedicated and diverse group that we have on the Rutland Town Planning Commission: Vice Chair Dana Peterson, Andy McKane, Jerry Stearns, Howard Burgess, Sherman Hunter, Mary Beth Poli, and alternates, Norm Cohen and Jim Hall. Although we are a group of individuals that represents a spectrum of ages, backgrounds, and professions, we have a great working relationship which is a source of pride for all of us.

In this past fiscal year, the planning commission spent much of its time working on two ordinances.

Subdivision Ordinance Rewrite

We wrapped up our work on the ordinance regulating Subdivisions and sent the new version to the town attorney for legal review. The current ordinance dates back to 1980 and definitely needed an update. We spent several months adding new citations and cleaning up language and, once it comes back from the town attorney, we will share it with the Selectboard.

Short Term Rentals

The other ordinance would be a new one for Rutland Town. The commission spent a number of months crafting a draft ordinance that Town Administrator Bill Sweet had prepared for the Selectboard. The board decided to have the Planning Commission review the draft. We discovered that in the Rutland area, as around the State of Vermont and nationally, Short Term Rentals are becoming increasingly popular. For tourists as well as investors.

Our goal was to come up with a concise and effective way to keep track of these rentals and ensure that they are operated as safely as possible for the neighborhoods in which they are located and for the visitors paying to stay at them. Our work resulted in an ordinance that would create a registry of short term rentals and would stipulate that they meet the same State fire safety standards as Beds & Breakfasts and other lodging establishments. The Planning Commission decided this would be the fairest way to address the growth of these operations.

In our discussions, we also wanted to ensure that housing was available and affordable in our Town. We asked ourselves: Are we doing enough to ensure that Rutland Town continues to attract newcomers if the housing market continues to attract buyers who take homes off the market to rent to visitors? Are we willing to trade more visitors stays for a loss of residents, families, and people more inclined to give back to their community? We believe that the Short Term Rentals Ordinance will provide the Select Board with valuable insights to answer these questions.

After a public hearing which resulted in some changes to the draft, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to send the new version back to the Selectboard. Since then, the board had its own public hearing, met with the Planning Commission, and continues to deliberate on the draft ordinance.

If you have any questions about these ordinances or other planning concerns, please reach out to us.

Respectively submitted,
Barbara Noyes Pulling
Rutland Town Planning Commission Chair

LISTER REPORT 2022-2023

This calendar year (2023) welcomed two new listers, Marie Faignant and Jack McCamley. Both were appointed to fill two vacant terms, and subsequently both Marie and Jack were elected at the Annual Meeting in March. Marie was elected to fill the remaining vacant term of two years, and Jack to the vacant remaining one-year term. Rutland Town is very fortunate to have gained two exceptional employees. If you are visiting the Town offices, stop in and say hello.

This past legislative session H-480 now Act 68 was passed and signed into law. This law deals with removing local control of our Grand List, which is the basis of town governance, and the foundation of our local tax base. Act 68 contains a \$50,000 appropriation to conduct a study on removing the Grand List from municipal control and transferring that control to the State level in a statewide reappraisal system overseen and run by the Vermont Tax Department. We have received a copy of the "Progress Report Regarding Statewide Reappraisals and Property Data" which was due to the Legislature by December 15, 2023. The report outlines a preliminary schedule for conducting reappraisals for each municipality every six years. There is language in this Act that upon completion of a reappraisal, property values set by the Commissioner shall be binding on the municipality. Having the Grand List values set by the State and be "binding" on the municipal Grand List, is very concerning. There will be a lack of local knowledge, local review, and last of all, no local control. Language in the Act indicates that the study is to be in consultation with relevant "stakeholders", with "stakeholders" left undefined. We have reached out to our Senators and Representatives and will continue to do so in this upcoming session to emphasize the importance of having Listers and Assessors as major "stakeholders". There are also changes in what triggers a reappraisal. The CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) no longer triggers the need for a reappraisal if it falls below 85%. The COD (Coefficient of Dispersion), if it is 20 or above, then the Director of Property Valuation and Review (PVR) will determine if a reappraisal notice will be sent to municipalities. Rutland Town's COD for 2024 is 18.56, which is still below the 20 threshold.

Although Rutland Town did not receive a letter to reappraise this year, it has been suggested by our District Advisor to start the process of obtaining quotes. The average time to secure a reappraisal firm is 3-6 years. With the uncertainty of what the State will be doing with ACT 68, it would be to our advantage to have secured an appraisal firm. Those towns that have secured contracts will not be subject to the State reappraisal until the 6-year reappraisal kicks in.

TOWN TAX RATES		GRAND LIST VALUES	
Residential Tax Rate	\$1.6125	Real Property	\$676,922,933
Non Residential	\$1.8608	Business Personal Property	\$301,050,134
Municipal Tax Rate	\$0.2127	TOTAL GRAND LIST	\$977,973,067

REMINDER: HS-122 Homestead Declarations need to be filed annually. April 15th is the due date for filing this form with your State of Vermont tax filings. An extension for filing income tax returns does not relieve a property taxpayer of the obligation to file a timely Homestead Declaration by April 15. Should you miss this date, you will be penalized by the State, and you may not be eligible to receive the State Income Sensitivity payment. Veterans Exemptions must be filed before May 1st.

As a reminder "INFORMATIONAL BUILDING PERMITS" are required for construction of dwellings, garages, outbuildings, etc. There is no fee associated with the permit. They are also required when adding or removing decks, pools, etc. The Permit form can be found on the Town of Rutland's website. www.rutlandtown.com.

Respectfully Submitted: Marcia Chioffi, Marie Faignant, Jack McCamley

ANNUAL REPORT of the COLLECTOR of DELINQUENT TAXES

Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §§ 5162, 5163

JAMES W. SCHOLTZ

01 January 2023 to 31 March 2023

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax

TAX YEAR	TAX DUE FROM WARRANTS	Tax COLLECTED	Tax ABATEMENTS	OUTSTANDING BALANCE
2014-2015	502.47	502.47	0.00	\$0.00
2015-2016	594.38	308.81	0.00	\$285.57
2016-2017	2,478.51	1,154.31	0.00	\$1,324.20
2017-2018	3,433.20	332.46	0.00	\$3,100.74
2018-2019	4,311.33	430.86	0.00	\$3,880.47
2019-2020	4,407.05	1,182.35	0.00	\$3,224.70
2020-2021	23,487.24	4,423.04	0.00	\$19,064.20
2021-2022	48,750.00	13,938.10	0.00	\$34,811.90
2022-2023	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$87,964.18	\$22,272.40	\$0.00	\$65,691.78

(* - Warrant NOT Received as of March 31, 2023)

Total Tax Collected: \$22,272.40

Interest Collected: \$8,223.10

Total Remitted to Treasurer: \$30,495.50

By: Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Town of Rutland County of Rutland

State of Vermont

ANNUAL REPORT of the COLLECTOR of DELINQUENT TAXES

Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §§ 5162, 5163 Donald J. Chioffi

01 April 2023 to 31 December 2023

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax

	TAX YEAR	TAX DUE FROM WARRANTS	Tax COLLECTED	Tax ABATEMENTS	OUTSTANDING BALANCE
	2015-2016	285.57	285.57	0.00	\$0.00
	2016-2017	1,324.20	895.31	0.00	\$428.89
	2017-2018	3,100.74	556.56	0.00	\$2,544.18
	2018-2019	3,880.47	1,112.05	0.00	\$2,768.42
	2019-2020	3,224.70	182.26	0.00	\$3,042.44
	2020-2021	19,064.20	7,493.51	0.00	\$11,570.69
	2021-2022	34,811.90	11,950.22	0.00	\$22,861.68
*	2022-2023	396,054.60	310,653.62	6.98	\$85,394.00
	TOTAL	\$461,746.38	\$333,129.10	\$6.98	\$128,610.30

(* - Warrant Received on 15th day of June 2023)

Total Tax Collected: \$333,129.10 Interest Collected: \$27,180.51

Total Remitted to Treasurer: \$360,309.61

By: Donald J. Chioffi

Town of Rutland County of Rutland State of Vermont

ANNUAL REPORT of the COLLECTOR of DELINQUENT TAXES Donald J. Chioffi

As of 31 December 2023

List Of Delinquent Taxpayers

Name	Tax Year(s) with Past Due Taxes
CONWAY PETER #	2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21 2021-22 2022-202
LANCOUR JAMIE R	2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2021-22 2022-2023
EUBER WARREN J & E #	2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21 2021-22 2022-202
DUNN DENNIS & MAGG	2018-19
(ING CHRIS	2018-19
SNITKER SUSAN L & #	2020-21 2021-22
DUNN DENNIS G	2020-21 2021-22 2022-2023
EARLE TYLER	2020-21 2021-22 2022-202
HANSEN ELIZABETH	2020-21 2021-22 2022-2023
HUNTINGTON TECHNOL %	2020-21 2021-22 2022-2023
PRITCHARD CARL THO	2020-21 2021-22 2022-202
TURRO ELLEN #	2020-21 2021-22 2022-202
BILLINGS STEVEN B #	2020-21 2022-202
EMTON FOODS INC	2021-22
T-SYSTEMS NORTH AM	2021-22
ZILSKI AMANDA & PE	2021-22
DELAROSA AMBROSIO	2021-22 2022-202
FAIRBANKS JASON J #	2021-22 2022-202
CILLINGTON HEIGHTS	2021-22 2022-202
LAVICTOIRE RONALD	2021-22 2022-202
MARTIN THOMAS P &	2021-22 2022-2023
TARNOWSKI JOHN & L	
261 RANDBURY ROAD	
A&N GISTIS IRREVOC %	
AHLADAS STEVEN J	
ALEXANDRA GISTIS I	
BATES JODI M	
BOYER SANDRA F	
BROWN KEVIN	
BURGER PETER F TRU %	
BUTSON RUTLAND LLC	
CASSEL MARSHA L	
CATALINA MARKETING	
CHARLTON KURT S	
COCA-COLA BEVERAGE %	
DAMASCUS WORLDWIDE	
DERBY MAE ESTATE #	
OS SERVICES OF AME	
EASTWOOD ANIMAL RE	
ENCORE VET GROUP L	
FIRST CITIZENS BAN	
FLORY JR JOHN ET A %	
FLORY LOUISE G - L	

Legend: * - Tax Sale Pending % - Multiple Properties # - Payment Agreement

List Of Delinquent Taxpayers

EASTWOOD ANIMAL RE			2022-202
ENCORE VET GROUP L			2022-202
FIRST CITIZENS BAN			2022-202
FLORY JR JOHN ET A	%		2022-202
FLORY LOUISE G - L			2022-202
GARNER KIMBERLY A		:	2022-202
GAWET PHILIP J	%		2022-202
GENERAL ELECTRIC C			2022-202
GLOBAL MONTELLO GR			2022-202
GMCO PROPERTIES LL		:	2022-202
GORMAN JOHN & LIND			2022-202
GRAPHIC EDGE			2022-202
HAHN CYNTHIA L			2022-202
HAWLEY ARLYN S -			2022-202
HEATHER LANE WATER			2022-202
HUBBARD THOMAS R			2022-202
ISOVOLTA INC	%		2022-202
JACK RICKSON GISTI			2022-202
JCH MANAGEMENT LLC			2022-202
KINNEY MOTORS LTD			
KOLODZEJ LAURA A -			2022-202
LAWRENCE KYLEE R			
LOUGHAN PAULINE J			
LUBASZEWSKI THOMAS			
MAGUIRE ROBERT			
MCLAUGHLIN J E INC			
MILLER EARL			
MILO DOREEN			
MOBILE MINI INC			
MONTUORI LEONARD J			
MORO LORENZA MURPHY JOHN F & BA			
MYHRE HEATHER C			
MYHRE LARRY & NORE			
PARON JAKE			
PERRY EMMETT E & R			
PRATICOS LANDSCAPI	%		
R & S REALTY TRUST	% #		
RAGOSTA ROBBIN M			
RAY JOHN K III			2022-202
ROY MICHAEL R			2022-202
SIMCHOCK MARK F			
SMITH MARGARET B -			2022-202
SULLIVAN IRREVOCAB	%		2022-202
THORNTON JOLENE A			2022-202
VERMONT QUARRIES C			2022-202
VILELA OSVALDO C			2022-202
XEROX CORPORATION			2022-202
YOUNG DOROTHY - LI	#	:	2022-202

Cheney Hill Cemetery Report

The 2023 year saw the retirement of longtime commissioner Byron Hathaway. Byron served as a cemetery commissioner for over 30 years and provided service to cemetery for well over 50 years, starting out with lawn mowing and grave services. Many changes have occurred during that time and during his tenure, Byron oversaw and engineered the expansion of the cemetery the construction of the current driveway, and the digitization of the hand written cemetery records among many other accomplishments. The Commissioner's would like to thank Byron for all his many contributions and wish him a happy retirement.

This year also saw a change in mowing services. The Commissioners would like to thank Connor Gallipo for honoring the balance of the contract of BK Services. Connor's diligent care kept the Cemetery looking great. Also thank you again to McKirryher Services for providing a tote and picking up the spring and fall trash at the cemetery.

The cemetery continues to grow with a small number of lot sales each year. Proceeds from the sale of lots is put into the perpetual investment account. Accumulated interest is used to support the cemetery. Since the cemetery was reestablished in the early sixties no town taxes have been used to fund cemetery expenses. A fall meeting was held with our investment advisor and we mapped out a plan for continued growth of our Cemetery funds to provide for the care and maintenance of now and well into the future.

For lot purchasing or questions about the cemetery contact one of the commissioners for information.

Respectfully submitted,

B.J. Hathaway, Chairman Kurt Hathaway, Clerk

RUTLAND TOWN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION PERPETUAL ACCOUNT

ACCT NO	ITEM	AMOUNT
101001 101004 101006 101007	Cash on Hand American Fund Investment Money Market Unrealized Gain	2,283.58 98,443.22 572.63 - \$ 101,299.43
104001 104002 104022 104023 104024 104025	Lot Sales Miscellaneous Interest Investment Acct Interest Money Market Acct Dividends/Capital Gains Gain/Loss - Investment	4,300.00 1,050.00 25.60 32.79 3,060.10 (4,331.93) \$ 4,136.56
105001 105002 105003	Cemetery Expenses Account Fees Cost Basis Adjustment	13989.58 1062.1 - \$ 15,051.68
	CEMETERY TRUST	
ACCT NO	ITEM	AMOUNT
171001 171004	Cash on Hand Cemetery American Fund	3,465.29 160,664.58 \$ 164,129.87
174001 174002 174003	Interest Dividends/Interest/Capital Gains Short Term/Long Term Gain/Loss	35.47 4,831.65 (7,125.46) \$ (2,258.34)
175001 175002	Expenditure Inv Acc't Fees	- 1,642.70 <u>\$ 1,642.70</u>
	Respectfully Submitted, Kari Clark, Town Treasurer	

Town of Rutland, Vermont

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Transfer Station

RUTLAND TOWN TRANSFER STATION PRICING:

450.00	Punch Card with 20 punches				
\$60.00	Maximum bag size of 33 gallons				
420.00	Punch Card with 10 punches				
\$30.00	Maximum bag size of 33 gallons				
\$3.00	By the bag, no punch card. Maximum bag				
·	size of 33 gallons				
\$10.00	Small Household Items				
	Toilets, Sinks, AC units, Microwaves, Etc				
\$20.00	King Size Mattress, Box Spring				
\$15.00	Queen Size Mattress, Box Spring				
\$10.00	Twin Size Mattress, Box Spring				
\$15.00	Recliners, Hideaway Bed, Rugs, Etc				
\$15.00	Large Household Appliances				
\$15.00	Stove, Refrigerator, Washer, Dryer, Hot				
	Water Heaters, Etc				
	SMALL PICK UP TRUCK (no racks) OR				
\$25.00 and up	UTILITY TRAILER				
	Building material or debris				
\$25 00 and up	LARGE PICK UP TRUCK (no racks)				
\$35.00 and up	Building material or debris				
Variable	Sheetrock and Roofing Shingles				

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Wednesday: 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM Saturday: 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM → Hours May Vary Due to Holidays ←

Rutland Town Seniors 2023 Annual Report

The Rutland Town Seniors meet from March to December each year with the majority of our meetings held at Denny's Restaurant generally on the third Tuesday of each month as they can easily accommodate us. Our numbers range from 22 to 38 at each meeting with new members joining throughout the year. Monetary Support from the Recreation Department and the Selectboard make it possible for us to ask that each Senior contribute only a small fee when attending these luncheons.

In May, we met at the Rutland Town School for a delicious dinner and were served by students. We were entertained by the Rutland Town School Band. They are a gathering of very talented students under the direction of Mr. Audet. We want to thank Principal Tetzlaff and all the staff that make this event possible.

In June, we experienced a wonderful cruise on the Spirit of Ethan Allen. We had a marvelous buffet lunch with a narrative on the history of Lake Champlain.

July found us at the Northwood Pool for a cookout hosted by Mike Rowe, Recreation Director, and his staff with Byron Hathaway as our cook.

August a trip to the Shelburne Museum was enjoyed.

At our September meeting at Dennys restaurant, Randy Roberts, President and Nancy Burgess, Secretary stated that they would no longer be taking on these responsibilities come 2024.

Our October trip on the Killington Gondola was cancelled due to inclement weather.

In November, Kay Ritchie stepped forward to become the new secretary. No one came forth to become president. We had a guest speaker; Lynda Tucker from the Rutland Sherriff's Dept. who enlightened us on the precautions that should be taken on scammers and other ways to protect yourselves and your property.

December found us back at the Rutland Town School for a second time this year being served a wonderful dinner served by students. The Band again played for us and once again did a wonderful job.

The slate of officers for 2024 are:

President: vacant

Vice President:Mary AshcroftMAshcroft@rutlandtown.comTreasurer:Marty Wassermanmartin.wasserman@comcast.net

Secretary: Kay Ritchie <u>Kayrit14@gmail.com</u>

Respectfully submitted: Randy Roberts, President

Nancy Burgess, Secretary

TOWN SALARY RATES

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Town Clerk	\$31,929.74	Per Annum
Town Treasurer	\$31,929.74	Per Annum
Select Board - Chair	\$4,999.73	Per Annum
Select Board - Clerk	\$4,368.00	Per Annum
Select Board - Members	\$4,076.02	Per Annum
Select Board - Additional Work	\$19.76	Per Hour
Lister 1 [MC]	\$32.01	Per Hour
Lister 2 [JM]	\$26.00	Per Hour
Lister 3 [MF]	\$23.37	Per Hour
1st Constable	\$27.94	Per Hour
2nd Constable - Fire Police	\$27.94	Per Hour
Moderator	\$0.00	Per Hour
Justices of the Peace	\$16.84	Per Hour

HIRED AND/OR APPOINTED

HIRED AND/OR APPOINTED		
Town Administrator	\$62,978.80	Per Annum
Recreation Director - Part Time	\$24,143.60	Per Annum
Assistant Town Clerk / Treasurer	\$28.87	Per Hour
Road Commissioner	\$64,896.00	Per Annum
Police Chief	\$37.96	Per Hour
Deputy Chief	\$35.90	Per Hour
Patrol Officer FT 1	\$32.00	Per Hour
Patrol Officer FT 2 / School Resource Officer	\$27.54	Per Hour
Health Officer	\$27.94	Per Hour
Police Administrative Assistant	\$21.90	Per Hour
Highway Labor FT 1	\$23.40	Per Hour
Highway Labor FT 2	\$22.88	Per Hour
Highway Labor FT 3	\$22.12	Per Hour
Planning / Regional Commission Members	\$43.44	Per Meeting
Ballot Clerks	\$16.84	Per Hour
Transfer Station Manager	\$27.56	Per Hour
Transfer Station Attendent	\$20.80	Per Hour
Recreation Dept. Maintenance	\$19.06	Per Hour
Sr. Lifeguard	\$15.86	Per Hour
Lifeguard	\$14.56	Per Hour
Office Help	\$20.80	Per Hour
Fire Chief Administrative Work	\$37.96	Per Hour
Fire Assistant Chief Admin Work	\$35.90	Per Hour
Fire Captain / Lieutenant Admin Work	\$33.28	Per Hour
Fire Department Member Administrative Work	\$27.54	Per Hour
Emergency Management Director	\$18.23	Per Hour

POLICE ACCOUNT DEPRECIATION FUND This account is funded with 0.25% of assessed taxes

	This account is funded with 0.25% of asses	sed	taxes	
ACCT NO	ITEM	ΑN	MOUNT	
	Balance 6/30/2023			\$35,069.50
				. ,
124003	Interest Money Market	\$	300.57	
124010	Property Taxes	\$	24,001.90	
124011	Miscellaneous	\$		\$24,302.47
124011	Miscellaricous	Ψ	-	ΨΣΨ,ΟΟΣ.Ψ1
405005	Name Omita an	Φ	44 404 70	
125005	New Cruiser	\$	14,434.72	
125006	Miscellaneous	\$	12,374.22	***
				<u>\$26,808.94</u>
	Balance 6/30/2023			\$32,563.03
			=	·
	FIRE ACCOUNT DEPRECIATION FU	ND		
	This account is funded with 1.75% of asses		taxes	
ACCT NO	ITEM		MOUNT	
7.001 110	Balance 6/30/2022	,		\$283,312.61
	Data 100 0/00/2022			Ψ200,012.01
134003	Interest Money Market	\$	5,659.97	
134010	Property Taxes	\$	168,013.30	
134011	Miscellaneous	Ψ \$		¢211 660 05
134011	Miscellarieous	Φ	37,995.68	\$211,668.95
405004				
135004	Engine Repair	\$	-	
135005	New Truck	\$	57,400.00	
135006	Miscellaneous	\$		
				\$57,400.00
	Balance 6/30/2023			\$437,581.56
			=	
	RECREATION DEPRECIATION FUN	ID		
	This account is funded with 0.75% of asses	sed	taxes	
ACCT NO	ITEM	ΑN	IOUNT	
	Balance 6/30/2022			\$331,955.24
				,
144002	Interest Money Market	\$	3,843.90	
144010	Property Taxes	\$	120,009.50	\$123,853.40
	, ,	·	· -	,
145005	Fencing	\$	1,979.94	
145007	New Equipment	\$	-	
145007	Northwood	\$	18,612.50	
145010	Dewey Field	Ψ \$	1,944.25	
145010	Equipment Maintenance	φ \$	1,481.57	
140012	Equipment Maintenance	ψ	1,401.57	\$24,018.26
				ΨΔ4,010.20
				* . * . = - :
	Balance 6/30/2023		=	\$431,790.38

HIGHWAY DEPRECIATION FUND

ACCT NO	This account is funded with 0.5% of asses ITEM		axes OUNT		
AGOT NO	Balance 6/30/2022	AIVI	00111	\$	227,232.56
184002 184010 184011	Interest Money Market Property Taxes Miscellaneous	\$ \$ \$	4,141.92 48,003.80 -		\$52,145.72
185004	New Equipment	\$	5,726.30		\$5,726.30
	Balance 6/30/2023				273,651.98
	TRANSFER STATION DEPRECIATION This account is funded with 0.125% of asse		_		
ACCT NO		33Cu			
	ITEM	AM	OUNT		
	ITEM Balance 6/30/22	AM	OUNT	\$	11,170.06
194003	Balance 6/30/22 Interest Money Market	\$	34.42	\$	11,170.06
194003 194010 194011	Balance 6/30/22			\$	11,170.06 12,035.37
194010	Balance 6/30/22 Interest Money Market Property Taxes	\$ \$	34.42	·	

GENERAL REAPPRAISAL ACCOUNT

ACCT NO	ITEM	AMOUNT	
	Balance 6/30/2022	\$2	207,783.98
034021	Interest Money Market	\$ 3,539.57	
034229	Vermont State	<u>\$ 18,382.50</u>	\$21,922.07
	Balance 6/30/2023	\$2	229,706.05

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ACCOUNT ()**

ACCT NO	ITEM Balance 6/30/2022	AMOUNT	\$1,524,830.00
	Expenses	\$ 199,093.00	
	Surplus Sweepover	\$ 456,627.00	
	Balance 6/30/2023		\$1,782,364.00

^{**} This account is funded by any budget surpluses at the end of each Fiscal Year.

Respectfully Submitted, Kari Clark, Town Treasurer

RUTLAND TOWN SEWER USERS RECEIPTS

ACCT NO	ITEM	,	AMOUNT	
	Balance 6/30/2022			\$ 740,537.77
074013	Sewer Users		39,425.32	
074032	Delinquent Sewer Fee		1.59	
074033	Delinquent Sewer Interest		156.37	
074036	Flory Height Users		9,857.05	
074046	Allocation		38,915.00	
		DISBURSEMENTS		88,355.33
075011	Town Users		0.00	
075021	Electricity		1,625.63	
075041	Flory Heights Users		9,375.91	
075051	Miscellaneous		0.00	
075052	Engineering Costs		1,378.12	
075071	Maintenance		250.00	
075093	Rutland Town Fire Dist #1		0.00	
075100	Public Works Director		0.00	
075110 075140	Social Security Legal Services		0.00 400.00	12 020 66
075140	Legal Services	-	400.00	13,029.66
	Balance 6/30/2023			\$ 815,863.44
	RUTLAND	TOWN WATER USERS RECEIPTS		
ACCT NO	RUTLAND	RECEIPTS	AMOUNT	
ACCT NO		RECEIPTS	AMOUNT	\$ 529,098.11
084001	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users	RECEIPTS	46,578.66	\$ ·
	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022	RECEIPTS		\$ 529,098.11 46,668.66
084001 084002	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection	RECEIPTS	46,578.66	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity	RECEIPTS	46,578.66	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011 085031	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity Miscellaneous	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00 - 534.50 - 41,312.73	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011 085031 085041	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity Miscellaneous Maintenance	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00 - 534.50	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011 085031 085041 085061	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity Miscellaneous Maintenance Engineering Services	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00 - 534.50 - 41,312.73 8,293.07	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011 085031 085041 085061 085063	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity Miscellaneous Maintenance Engineering Services Water Connection	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00 - 534.50 - 41,312.73 8,293.07	\$ ·
084001 084002 085001 085011 085031 085041 085061 085063 085065	ITEM Balance 06/30/2022 Water Users Water Connection City of Rutland Electricity Miscellaneous Maintenance Engineering Services Water Connection Public Works Director	RECEIPTS	46,578.66 90.00 - 534.50 - 41,312.73 8,293.07	 46,668.66





January 3, 2024

To the Select Board Town of Rutland, Vermont

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Rutland, Vermont for the year ended June 30, 2023. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated April 26, 2023. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Town of Rutland, Vermont are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted, and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2023. We noted no transactions entered into by the Town of Rutland, Vermont during the year for which there is lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. There were no significant accounting estimates affecting the financial statements.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

To the Select Board Town of Rutland, Vermont January 3, 2024 P a g e | 2

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For the purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated January 3, 2024.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Town of Rutland's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Town of Rutland, Vermont's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Select Board and management of the Town of Rutland, Vermont and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

To the Select Board Town of Rutland, Vermont January 3, 2024 Page | 3

We want to thank the staff at the Town of Rutland, Vermont for their assistance during the audit and for providing us with financial information that was well organized.

Sincerely,

A.M. Peisch & Company, LLP

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January 8h, 2024

To Whom it May Concern,

Rutland Town finished an audit of the financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2023, by A.M. Peisch & Company, LLP. Copies of the complete audit report are available for review at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kari Clark Rutland Town Treasurer

Below are the explanations for terms used in the auditor report

Fiduciary funds

Trust and Custodial Funds – These are used to account for assets held by a governmental unit in a trustee or custodial capacity for others and, therefore, are not available to support Town programs. The reporting focus is on net position and changes in net position. Since these funds may not be used to address the general activities of the Town, they are excluded from the government-wide statements. The trust funds consist of assets held for the benefit of the cemetery and fire department. The custodial fund consist of property tax revenue collected on behalf of and distributed to the school district treasury and state treasury.

Proprietary funds

Enterprise funds – Enterprise funds are used to account for operations: (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes. Included in this fund type is the water and sewer fund.

The Town reports on the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Fire Depreciation Fund (Special Revenue Fund) – The special revenue fund is used to account for the tax proceeds that are specifically approved by the voters and are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The Town reports the following non-major governmental fund types:

Special Revenue Funds – The special revenue fund is used to account for the tax proceeds that are specifically approved by the voters and are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Included in these funds are the highway and recreation depreciation funds.

Fire Station Construction Fund (Capital Project Fund) – This fund is used to account for all resources to be used for acquisition and construction of the new fire station. The activities in these funds are reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

TOWN OF RUTLAND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES MODIFIED CASH BASIS

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

				N	on-major		Total
		Ge ne ral	ARPA	Gov	e rnme ntal	Gov	ve rnme ntal
	Fund		 Fund	Funds		Funds	
Revenues:							
Property taxes, less payments to schools	\$	1,616,687	\$ -	\$	372,030	\$	1,988,717
Grants		292,092	614,891		-		906,983
Collector's fees and interest		42,992	-		-		42,992
Licenses, fees, fines and permits		59,754	-		-		59,754
Charges for services		21,940	-		-		21,940
Interest on invested funds		119,782	17,224		13,981		150,987
Intergovernmental revenues		129,618	-		-		129,618
Reappraisal maintenance		18,383	-		-		18,383
Reimbursements		2,911	-		-		2,911
Local option tax		1,471,357	-		-		1,471,357
Other		400,774	 		37,996		438,770
Total revenues		4,176,290	632,115		424,007		5,232,412
Expenditures:							
General government		1,243,009	33,930		-		1,276,939
Public safety		829,405	-		138,805		968,210
Public works		1,349,474	-		5,727		1,355,201
Parks and recreation		153,049	-		24,018		177,067
Ballot items		152,200	-		-		152,200
Debt service							-
Principal		90,000	-		-		90,000
Interest and other charges		42,481	-		-		42,481
Total expenditures		3,859,618	33,930		168,550		4,062,098
Excess of revenues over							
expenditures		316,672	 598,185		255,457		1,170,314
Net change in fund balances		316,672	598,185		255,457		1,170,314
Fund balances - July 1, 2022		3,398,882	 605,982		943,421		4,948,285
Fund balances - June 30, 2023	\$	3,715,554	\$ 1,204,167	\$	1,198,878	\$	6,118,599

TOWN OF RUTLAND, VERMONT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense)	Revenue and Ch Position	anges in Net
Functions / Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business- type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$ 1,276,939	\$ 138,569	\$ 644,313	\$ (494,057)	\$ -	\$ (494,057)
Public safety	968,210	-	60,970	(907,240)	-	(907,240)
Public works	1,355,201	-	349,701	(1,005,500)	-	(1,005,500)
Parks and recreation	177,067	21,940	-	(155,127)	-	(155,127)
Ballot items	152,200	-	-	(152,200)	-	(152,200)
Debt service	132,481			(132,481)		(132,481)
Total governmental activities	4,062,098	160,509	1,054,984	(2,846,605)		(2,846,605)
Business-type activities:						
Water and sewer	67,452	135,024	<u>-</u> _	<u> </u>	67,572	67,572
Total business-type activities	67,452	135,024			67,572	67,572
Total	\$ 4,129,550	\$ 295,533	\$ 1,054,984	(2,846,605)	67,572	(2,779,033)
	General revenu	es				
	Property taxes,	levied for general pur	rposes	1,616,687	-	1,616,687
	Collector's fees	and interest		42,992	-	42,992
	Interest on inve	sted funds		150,987	-	150,987
	Reimbursement	S		2,911	-	2,911
	Local option tax	ζ.		1,471,357	-	1,471,357
	Miscellaneous			731,985	-	731,985
	Total genera	al revenues and tra	ns fe rs	4,016,919		4,016,919
	Change in	net position		1,170,314	67,572	1,237,886
	Net position - J	uly 1, 2022		4,948,285	1,269,636	6,217,921
	Net position - J	une 30, 2023		\$ 6,118,599	\$ 1,337,208	\$ 7,455,807

BALANCE SHEET MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2023

TOWN OF RUTLAND

TOWN OF RUTLAND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE MODIFIED CASH BASIS GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

			Non-major	Total	FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023			
	General Fund	ARPA Fund	Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds		Original and		Variance Favorable
ASSETS						Final Budget	Actual	(Unfavorab
Cash	\$ 1,165,550	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,165,550		Final Buuget	Actual	(Cinavorab
Restricted cash	2,550,004	1,204,167	1,198,878	4,953,049 I	Revenues:			
					Net property taxes	\$ 1,840,724	\$ 1,616,687	\$ (224,0
Total assets	\$ 3,715,554	\$ 1,204,167	\$ 1,198,878	\$ 6,118,599	Grants	35,000	292,092	257,0
					Collector's fees and interest	10,000	42,992	32,9
LIABILITIES					Licenses, fees, fines and permits	64,700	59,754	(4,9
Due to townson	¢.	6	ø	¢.	Charges for services	-	21,940	21,9
Due to taxpayer	\$ -		\$ -	5 -	Interest on invested funds	9,000	119,782	110,7
Total liabilities	_	_	_	_	Intergovernmental revenues	140,650	129,618	(11,0
Total natimics					Reappraisal maintenance	18,500	18,383	(1
FUND BALANCES					Reimbursements	3,000	2,911	
					Local option tax	1,100,000	1,471,357	371,3
Restricted for:					Other	58,750	400,774	342,0
Fire station construction	-	-	85	85	Total revenues	3,280,324	4,176,290	895,9
Highway capital purchases	-	-	273,652	273,652				
Fire capital purchases	-	-	437,582	437,582 I	Expenditures:			
Recreation capital purchases	-	-	431,791	431,791	General government	1,047,627	1,243,009	(195,3
Police capital purchases	-	-	32,563	32,563	Public safety	757,376	829,405	(72,0
Transfer station capital purchases	-	-	23,205	23,205	Public works	1,021,011	1,349,474	(328,4
General highway	386,016	-	-	386,016	Parks and recreation	165,914	153,049	12,8
General capital improvements	1,782,363	-	-	1,782,363	Ballot items	158,660	152,200	6,4
Long-term debt repayment	381,625	1 204 167	-	381,625	Debt service	, <u>-</u>	132,481	(132,4
Public safety building Committed - Opening balance	452,670	1,204,167	-	1,204,167 452,670	Total expenditures	3,150,588	3,859,618	(709,0
Committed - Opening balance Committed - For paving	317,624	-	-	317.624	1 otal emperialistics		5,057,010	(705,0
Committed - For reappraisal	229,706	_		,-	Excess of budgeted revenues over budgeted			
Assigned - Police services	165,550	_	_	,	expenditures	\$ 129,736	\$ 316,672	\$ 186,9
					Apendicaes	Ψ 127,730	\$ 510,072	\$ 100,7
Total fund balances	3,715,554	1,204,167	1,198,878	6,118,599				
Total liabilities and								
fund balances	\$ 3,715,554	\$ 1,204,167	\$ 1,198,878	\$ 6,118,599				

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TOWN OF RUTLAND STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MODIFIED CASH BASIS June 30, 2023

TOWN OF RUTLAND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total		Enterprise Fund Water and Sewer Fund	ls
ASSETS			•	Operating Revenues: Charges for services:		
				Service fees	\$ 9:	5,8€
Cash	\$ 1,165,550	\$ 1,337,208	\$ 2,502,758	Miscellaneous operating revenues		9,16
Restricted cash	4,953,049		4,953,049	Total operating revenues	13:	5,02
Total assets	6,118,599	1,337,208	7,455,80	Operating Expenses: Professional and legal expenses		40
				Engineering and construction expenses	49	9,60
LIABILITIES				Other operating disbursements		7,44
				Total operating expenses		7,45
Due to taxpayer	_	_			-	
Due to tampayer				Change in net position	6	7,57
Total liabilities	_	_		Total net position - July 1, 2022	1,269	9.63
Total habilities						- ,
NET POSITION				Total net position - June 30, 2023	\$ 1,33	7,20
NETTOSITION				TOWN OF RUTLAND		
D 4 : 4 1 C				STATEMENT OF NET POSITI	ON	
Restricted for:	0.5		0.	MODIFIED CASH BASIS		
Fire station construction	85	-	8:	PROPRIETARY FUNDS		
Highway capital purchases	273,652	-	273,652	JUNE 30, 2023		
Fire capital purchases	437,582	-	437,582	,		
Recreation capital purchases	431,791	-	431,79		Enterprise Fu	ını
Police capital purchases	32,563	-	32,563		Water and	
Transfer station capital purchases	23,205	-	23,20:		Sewer Fun	
General highway	386,016	-	386,010	ASSETS	Sewer Full	<u>Iu</u>
General capital improvements	1,782,363	-	1,782,36	ASSETS		
Long-term debt repayment	381,625	_	381,62:	Cash	e 1.225	7.26
Public safety building	1,204,167	_	1,204,16	Casn	\$ 1,337	,20
Unrestricted	1,165,550	1,337,208	2,502,75	m . 1	4 00=	
				Total assets	1,337	<u>/,2(</u>
Total net position	\$ 6,118,599	\$ 1,337,208	\$ 7,455,80	NET POSITION		
				Unrestricted	1,337	<u>7,2(</u>
				Total net position	\$ 1,337	<u>7,2(</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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PRO PRIETARY FUNDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

TOWN OF RUTLAND

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

MODIFIED CASH BASIS

JUNE 30, 2023

	Enterpr	ise Funds				Custodial
	v	Vater and		Tru	ıst Funds	Fund
	Se	ewer Fund	ASSEIS			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			Restricted cash	\$	270,006	\$ -
Receipts from customers	\$	135,024		Ψ	ŕ	Ψ -
Payments to suppliers and utilities		(17,446)	Investments, at cost		259,208	
Payments for professional and legal services		(400)	Total assets		529,214	
Payments to contractors and engineers		(49,606)	NET POSITION			
Net cash provided by operating activities		67,572	Held in trust for cemetary		265,430	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		67,572	Held in trust for fire		263,784	_
Balance - July 1, 2022		1,269,636				•
Balance - June 30, 2023	\$	1,337,208	Total net position	\$	529,214	\$ -

TOWN OF RUTLAND

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY

NET POSITION

MODIFIED CASH BASIS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

			C	ustodial
	Tru	ıst Funds		Fund
Additions:				
Interest and dividends	\$	11,790	\$	-
Realized loss on investments - net		(11,457)		-
Lot sales		4,300		-
Miscellaneous		1,050		-
Taxes collected for school district treasury				8,498,697
Total additions		5,683		8,498,697
Deductions:				
Investment account fees		2,705		-
Miscellaneous expense		14,297		-
Taxes distributed to school district treasury				8,498,697
Total deductions		17,002		8,498,697
Change in net position		(11,319)		-
Total net position - July 1, 2022		540,533		
Total net position - June 30, 2023	\$	529,214	\$	

TREASURERS' REPORT STATEMENT - USED FOR THE 2023-2024 TAX RATE

HOMESTEAD		x Grand List	Total Raised
General Tax	0.0000	9,722,129.02	0.00
Police Tax	0.0431	9,722,129.02	419,214.00
Highway Tax	0.0908	9,722,129.02	882,558.00
Fire Tax	0.0239	9,722,129.02	232,254.00
Recreation Tax	0.0152	9,722,129.02	148,008.00
School Tax	1.3998	2,923,032.00	4,091,660.19
Fire Depreciation Tax	0.0175	9,722,129.02	170,137.26
Recreation Depreciation Tax	0.0125	9,722,129.02	121,526.61
Highway Depreciation Tax	0.0050	9,722,129.02	48,610.65
Police Depreciation Tax	0.0025	9,722,129.02	24,305.32
Transfer Station Depreciation Tax	0.00125	9,722,129.02	12,152.66
Local Agreement	0.0009	9,722,129.02	8,967.72
TOTAL	1.6125		
NON-RESIDENTIAL		x Grand List	Total Raised
General Tax	0.0000	9,722,129.02	0.00
Police Tax	0.0431	9,722,129.02	419,214.00
Highway Tax	0.0908	9,722,129.02	882,558.00
Fire Tax	0.0239	9,722,129.02	232,254.00
Recreation Tax	0.0152	9,722,129.02	148,008.00
School Tax	1.6481	3,732,632.41	6,151,751.47
Fire Depreciation Tax	0.0175	9,722,129.02	170,137.26
Recreation Depreciation Tax	0.0075	9,722,129.02	72,915.97
Highway Depreciation Tax	0.0050	9,722,129.02	48,610.65
Police Depreciation Tax	0.0025	9,722,129.02	24,305.32
Transfer Station Depreciation Tax	0.00125	9,722,129.02	12,152.66
Local Agreement	0.0009	9,722,129.02	8,967.72
TOTAL	1.8558		
TOTAL TAX:			12,311,145.89
Grand List Tax Report is reflecting necessar	ry adjustments made	e by the Listers	
Total Tax			
(Municipal) Real Estate Grand List		676,010,100.00	
(Municipal) Personal Property Grand List		302,079,802.00	
,	ED VALUE	978,089,902.00	
	AL EXEMPTIONS	5,877,000.00	
		5,5,000.00	
MUNICIPAL TOTAL GRAND LIST	_	972,212,902.00	9,722,129.02

Respectfully Submitted, Kari Clark, Town Treasurer

BIRTHS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, VERMONT JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023					
Date of Birth	Nama	Cov	Doronto		
	Name	Sex	Parents		
7/1/22	Layton, Phoenix Elizabeth	F	Guyette, Zariannah M.		
			Mead-Layton, Brandan S.		
7/8	Hughes, JaMarcus Larmont	M	Loso, Megan E.		
			Hughes, Malik J. Sr.		
			-		
7/9	Hamilton, Mason David	М	Hamilton, Rebbeca M-H.		
			Hamilton, Peter Joseph		
7/15	MacJarrett, Atlas Vail	M	Guyette, Krista A.		
.,			MacJarrett, Andrew V.		
			Massarren, Ariaren V.		
7/21	Fucci, Angelina Marie	F	Buburuz, Daria		
			Fucci, David M.		
7/26	MacIntyre, Landon Daniel	М	MacIntyre, Ashley Querubin		
			MacIntyre, Daniel W.		
8/27	Hubbard, Kolson Roy	M	McGinnis, Samantha L.		
0,			Hubbard, Tyler R.		
			. razzara, Tyrer . t.		
10/11	Allendorf, Weston Charles	М	Pratico, Alyssa A.		
			Allendorf, Ryan N.		
10/13	Richardson, Braylon Eric-Lee	М	Hathaway, Nicoletta J.		
			Richardson, Joseph E.		
10/17	Badillo, Nicholas Isaiah	M	Badillo, Abigail E.		
10/17	Badillo, Moriolas Isalari	IVI	Badillo, James M.		
			Baamo, varrios IVI.		
10/20	Wilson, Elliot Parry	М	Wilson, McKenzie A.		
	,		Wilson, Chad Parry		
			•		
10/21	Gabriele, Damien Michael	М	Gabriele, Emily A.		
			Gabriele, Michael J.		
11/11	Harvey, Maeve Wynn	F	Harvey, Jody M.		
			Harvey, Dakota C.		
11/11	Self, Ayrahbella Mae		Fitzgerald, Alexis L.		
,	Jon, Ayranbona Mao	•	Self, Darrell L.		
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12/30	Fitelson, Max James	M	Fitelson, Heather L. Fitelson, David Charles
7/29/21	Denehy, Myla Grace	F	Burlett, Jessica R. Denehy, Morgan E.
2/9	Mullan, Reagan Lynn	F	Mullan, Jenelle E.
2/20	Harchind, Shivaay Singh	M	Harchind, Ranjana Harchind, Rajesh S.
3/8	Marshall, Alexandra Rose	F	Marshall, Jessica B. Marshall, Zachary J.
3/22	Sanborn, Cooper Thomas	M	Sanborn, Jacqueline M. Sanborn, Francis E.
4/9	Hughes, Toby Michael	M	Lemons, Hailey J. Hughes, Devin S.
4/14	Lowell, Clayton O.	M	Lowell, Haley M. Lowell, Devin M.
4/28	Hoffenberg, Judah R.	M	Frankel, Julia A. Hoffenberg, David A.
4/28	Grote, Marshall C.	M	Grote, Kaitlin S. Grote, Jason P.
5/1	Ryan, Jace D.	М	Ryan, Bethany M. Ryan, Daniel R.
5/2	Billings, Payden L.	F	Williams, Deborah L. Billings, Scott P.
6/2	Sweeney, Oliver R.	M	Caouette, Katrina E. Sweeney, Christopher E.
6/5	Kurmis, Gabriel D.	M	Kurmis, Katie R.
6/21	Gioffi, Briella M.	F	Gioffi, Kimberly M. Gioffi, Cody A.

MARRIAGES

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, VERMONT JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Date of

Marriage	Names	Residence
7/26	Chapin, Adam D Lin, Szu-Yin	Amherst, MA
9/3	Bohn, Aaron C.	Rutland Town
	Redd, Jordan E.	Rutland Town
9/3	Budusky, Samuel C.	Rutland Town
	Schindler, Megan M.	Rutland Town
9/3	Billings, Scott P.	Rutland Town
	Williams, Deborah L.	Rutland Town
9/24	O'Grady, Justin T.	Rutland Town
	Goeke, Samantha A.	Rutland Town
10/8	Hudson, Emily M	Rutland Town
	Latella, Connor J	Rutland Town
10/1	Stevens, Jillian C	Rutland Town
	Muller, Daniel	Rutland Town
12/18	Grippin, Courtney M.	Acushnet, MA
	Peixoto, Anthony R.	Acushnet, MA
1/30	Fraser, Karis V.	Killington, VT
	Moyer, Jacob L.	North Clarendon, VT
2/13	Carino, Angela A.	Tennessee
	Harbach, Thomas F. A.	Tennessee
2/24	Gallogly, Clare Macleod	Massachusetts
	Frieden, Andrew E.	Massachusetts
3/3	Stork, Kaylee M.	Whitehall, NY
	Atwood, Scott A.	Wallingford, VT

MARRIAGES

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, VERMONT JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Date of

Marriage	Names	Residence
3/11	Montgomery, Mary Katherine P.	Massachusetts
	Freedman, Curtis K.	Massachusetts
2/25	Powell, Nikkitta-Angelica M.	Rutland City
	Tyson, Oneak T.	Pittsford
4/23	Morell, Megan H.	New York
	Dumas, Jared M.	Rutland Town
5/20	Quilty, Jordan A.	Connecticut
	Joy, Brian D.	Connecticut
5/5	Mainolfi, Merissa L.	Rutland Town
	Holmberg, Travis C.	Rutland Town
6/2	Fabian, Marie T.	Rutland Town
	Faignant, John Paul	Rutland Town
6/17	Hickory, Autumn S. B.	Rutland City
	Uhler, Michael D. Jr.	Rutland City
6/17	Hook, Rachel M.D.	Mamaroneck, NY
	Guest, Jonathan B.	Mamaroneck, NY
7/11	Klee, Emily E.	Connecticut
	Chagnot, Benjamin D.	Rutland Town
7/21	Crosby, Kelsey E.	New York
	Hockemeyer, Matthew H.	New York
7/22	Williams, Julie A.	Rutland Town
	Vanderhoof, John J.	Rutland Town
7/23	Loso, Megan E.	Rutland Town
	Hughes, Malik J.	

DEATHS

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, VERMONT JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

Date	Name of Decedent	Sex	Age	Residence
7/15	Brooks, Sherry A.	F	69	Rutland Town
7/27	Maslack, Frank A.	М	91	Rutland Town
8/1	Van Dien, Todd J.	М	43	Rutland Town
8/7	Fodor, John	М	87	Rutland City
8/16	Daly, Declan F.	М	37	Rutland City
8/17	Vesper, Christa R.	F	35	Bennington, VT
8/17	Sprague, Dorothy A.	F	74	Rutland Town
8/18	Butler, Marvin A. Jr.	М	30	Rutland Town
8/20	Horton, Paul G.	М	90	Rutland Town
8/24	Hollmann, Walter W.	М	89	Center Rutland
8/26	Sikora, Chelsea W.	F	42	South Hero
8/26	Anderson, Lucie P.	F	101	Rutland Town
9/16	Yankowski, John P.	М	80	Rutland Town
10/8	Gilman, Winona S.	F	94	North Clarendon
10/15	Warren, Elaine	М	92	Rutland Town
10/24	Patch, Charlene A.	F	75	Rutland Town
10/28	Davis, Marjorie A.	М	91	Rutland Town
10/28	Burch, George D.	М	36	Rutland Town
11/3	Kitchell, William C. Sr.	М	92	Rutland Town
11/4	Dillingham, Brett	М	59	Rutland Town
11/8	Green, Constance	F	59	Rutland Town
11/19	Vajda, Jane M.	F	95	Center Rutland
11/24	Kasuba, Jennifer L.	F	48	Rutland Town
11/25	Kelly, Vincent J.	М	75	Rutland Town
12/5	Scarborough, Audrey M.	F	85	Rutland Town
1/9	Doty, Clayton E.	М	94	Rutland Town
1/17	Beatty, Jean O. H.	F	93	Rutland Town
1/19	Reiman, Edward	М	98	Rutland Town
1/29	Pettit, Lawrence C.	М	89	Rutland Town
1/31	Young, Dorothy J.	F	84	Rutland Town

Date	Name of Decedent	Sex	Age	Residence
2/13	Ackerman, Ardena K. J.	F	87	Rutland Town
2/13	Milonas, Edna V.	F	87	Rutland Town
2/19	Marchese, Eileen	F	86	Rutland Town
2/19	Tomasi, Marcia L.	F	79	Rutland Town
2/25	Stella, Joseph P.	М	89	Rutland Town
2/25	Gee, Kenneth L.	М	76	Rutland Town
3/23	Swanson, Mary	F	88	Rutland Town
4/2	Boltz, Benjamin R.	М	84	Rutland Town
4/8	Trono, Norinne H.	F	97	Rutland Town
4/24	Perry, Rogene H.	F	87	Rutland Town
4/28	Hayes, Shawn B.	М	56	Rutland City
5/2	Torri, Pauline R.	F	98	Rutland Town
5/10	Beauchamp, Nancy	F	90	Rutland City
5/17	Pulling, Roma E.	F	95	Rutland Town
5/19	Colburn, Ruth R.	F	96	Rutland City
5/30	Hascher, Hugo	М	74	Rutland Town
6/8	Derby, Margaret T.	F	98	Rutland Town
6/11	Brandt, Ronald L.	М	84	Rutland Town
6/17	Crossman, Constance H.	F	88	Rutland Town
June	Ballou, Rhett A.	M	25	Center Rutland
6/28	Sheldon, Marilyn N.	F	88	Rutland Town
6/28	Jensen, John A.	M	86	Rutland Town

2023 Town Of Rutland Select Board Committee Assignments

Committee Board Members

Highway	Joe Denardo & Kurt Hathaway	
Fire	Sharon Russell and Mary Ashcroft	
Recreation	Sharon Russell and Matt Getty	
Transfer Station	Kurt Hathaway and Matt Getty	
Inter-Municipal	Mary Ashcroft and Joe Denardo	
Building & Technology	Kurt Hathaway and Joe Denardo	
Police	Mary Ashcroft and Matt Getty	
Scholarship	Sharon Russell and Matt Getty	
Finance & Personnel	Mary Ashcroft and Matt Getty	
Town Event / Celebration	Sharon Russell and Kurt Hathaway	
Energy	Mary Ashcroft, Joe Denardo, Barbara Pulling, Sherman Hunter, Norm Cohen	
Water & Sewer	Kurt Hathaway and Joe Denardo	
Public Safety Building	Full Select Board	
Veterans Memorial	Dr. Charnock, Jim Hall, Ed Skwira, Jim Ashcroft, Don Chioffi	
School Board Liaison		

Rutland Town Officials and Term Limits

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

ELECTED	OFFICIALS
DEDUTED	

Town Clerk – Kari Clark	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
Town Treasurer – Kari Clark	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
Delinquent Tax Collector – Jim Scholtz Don Chioffi	4/23 - 2024	3 Year Term
Moderator - Matthew Getty	2023 - 2024	1 Year Term
Grand Juror – Darron Raleigh	2023 - 2024	1 Year Term
SELECT BOARD		
Mary Ashcroft - Chair	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
Joseph Denardo – Clerk	2022 - 2025	3 Year Term
Kurt Hathaway	2022 - 2024	2 Year Term
Sharon Russell	2023 - 2025	2 Year Term
Don Chioffi Matt Getty (appointed 3/31/2023)	3/23 - 2024	3 Year Term
<u>LISTERS</u>		
Howard Burgess Resigned 3/31/2023 Jack McCamley	2021 - 2024	3 Year Term
Dean Davis Resigned 4/6/2023 Marie Fabian	2022 - 2025	3 Year Term
Marcia Chioffi	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
CONCEA DA DO		
CONSTABLES		
1st Constable – Michael Delehanty	2022 - 2024	2 Year Term
2nd Constable / Fire Police - John Paul Faignant	2023 – 2025	2 Year Term
CEMETARY COMMISSIONERS		
Byron J. Hathaway	2021 – 2024	3 Year Term
Kurt Hathaway	2022 - 2025	3 Year Term
VACANT	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
SCHOOL BOARD		
Tina Keshava – Chair	2022 - 2025	3 Year Term
Timothy Hammond	2022 - 2024	2 Year Term
Jeffrey Colomb	2021 - 2024	3 Year Term
Collin Fingon	2023 - 2026	3 Year Term
Abby Bennett	2023 - 2025	2 Year Term

Justices of the Peace

Elected November 2022 - Term from February 1, 2023 to February 1, 2025

Republicans	<u>Democrats</u>
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Leigh Adams Martin Wasserman Howard Burgess Joseph Bertelloni

Don Chioffi James Hall

Christopher Howland

Marcia A. Chioffi

Frederick Nicholson

Glen Giles

William Matteson

Marc Brierre

If you need to reach a Justice of the Peace please call the Clerks office.

Planning Commission	3 Year Terms – Appointed	
Barbara Noyes-Pulling – Chair	2021 - 2024	
Dana Peterson – Clerk	2021 - 2024	
Mary Beth Poli	2021 - 2024	
Sherman Hunter	2023 - 2026	
Howard Burgess	2023 - 2026	
Andrew McKane	2023 - 2026	
Jerry Stearns	2023 - 2026	
Norman Cohen – Alternate	2021 - 2024	
Jim Hall - Alternate	2021 - 2024	

Other Town Officials

Term, if applicable

Town Administrator	William Sweet	
Road Commissioner	David Sears	2022 2026
Fire Chief	Chris Clark	2023 – 2026
Health Officer	John Paul Faignant	3 year – 8/31/2024
Forest Fire Warden	Joseph Denardo	6/2021 - 6/2026
Emergency Management Director	Martin Wasserman	
Emergency Management Coordinator	William Sweet	
Rutland Regional Emergency Management Committee	Martin Wasserman	
Rutland Regional Emergency Management Committee	William Sweet	
Town Service Officer	Edward Dumas	
Rutland Regional Board of Commissioners	Fred Nicholson	4/2023 - 6/2024
Rutland Regional Planning Commission Rep. Alt.	VACANT	7/2022 - 6/2023
SWAC Representative	Larry Dell Veneri	4/2023 - 4/2024
SWAC Representative – alternate	Bill Bauer	4/2023 - 4/2024
Rutland Regional Transportation Council Rep.	David Sears	4/2023 - 6/2024
Rutland Regional Transportation Council Rep. Alt.	VACANT	7/2022 - 6/2023
Transfer Station Supervisor	Larry Dell Veneri	As needed
Transfer Station Attendant	Steve Canney	As needed
Rutland Regional Ambulance Service	Martin Wasserman	3/2021 - 3/2024
Rutland Free Library	Joe Bertelloni	Ends 10/2024
Rutland Free Library	Ken Watson	Ends 6/20
Regional Marketing Quality of Life	Mary Ashcroft	Unknown
Otter Creek Communications Union District	VACANT	Annually in March
Weigher of Coal	Lucas Hubbard	Annually in March
Tree Warden	Fred Nicholson	Annually in March
Pound Keeper	Paul Williams	Annually in March
Inspector of Wood	Fred Nicholson	Annually in March
Fence Viewer	Byron Hathaway	Annually in March
Fence Viewer	Charles Hemenway	Annually in March
Fence Viewer	Howard Burgess	Annually in March
Select Board Liaison to the School Board	O	Annually in March
School Board Liaison to the Select Board		Annually in March
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Dear Rutland Town residents,

Thank you again for your support of our school and our students—everyone at Rutland Town School appreciates your generosity. It is budget time again, and next year's budget is a tough one for our town. Due to increases in expenses outside of our control such as a 16.4% increase in healthcare for teachers and staff, a 4.8% increase in tuition, a major change in the pupil-weighting formula, and another large decrease in the common level of appraisal (CLA), our taxes will be going up 17.6%. Thankfully there is a cap to ease into the new formula, because without that, our tax increase would have been closer to a tremendous 37%! Unfortunately, in order to decrease the tax rate in light of this cap, we would need to cut \$1.6 million from the budget to make any difference. Taking that amount of money (or more) would have significant ramifications for our students and would not be feasible. Once our houses get reappraised, the CLA will hopefully stop decreasing, which will help the situation. For more information on how Act 127 affects our town, please visit www.grcsu.org. We are hopeful that our representative and senators in Montpelier can help address the consequences of this new formula for us before the 5% cap is gone in another four years.

In addition to asking for approval for our budget, electing two board members, and moving some surplus into the capital improvement fund (which does not affect the budget due to the cap), we will be seeking your permission to finance a \$4 million dollar bond so that we can complete the second floor above the gym and make other important upgrades to the building throughout the school. Our plan is to move most of the middle school to this new space, and since it will be air-conditioned, have our summer programming there as well. Additionally, we are hopeful that it will allow us to expand our preschool program, which is important given how long the waiting list has been the past few years. We understand that this is an expensive endeavor, and it may not seem like the time to do it given the increase in taxes; however, we are at capacity in the building and unable to grow in any way. The outer walls and roof of this space were completed 30 years ago. We do not see it getting easier or cheaper any time soon. Plus, over the next few years we have a little help with the pupil-weighting cap, so now seems like the best opportunity to start this project. This bond will NOT affect our budget for next year. We will be having a community meeting to discuss the details of this project January 31st at 6pm in the school library. Please join us!!

We hope we can count on your support for all of our ballot items this March. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to any board member. My email is tina.keshava@grcsu.org. Our next monthly board meeting is 2/13/24 at 6:30pm in the RTS library. Most of our regular meetings are held in person and virtually— the links are always on the agendas.

Sincerely,

Tina Keshava

Tina Keshava Rutland Town School Board Chair



February 2024

Dear GRCSU Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

On behalf of the GRCSU, we are grateful for your continued involvement and support of the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union (GRCSU) and its respective school communities. The GRCSU serves four school districts: Ira School District, Quarry Valley Unified Union School District, Rutland Town School District, and the Wells Springs Unified Union School District. Our eight schools include Middletown Springs Elementary School, Poultney Elementary School, Poultney High School, Proctor Elementary School, Proctor Jr/Sr High School, Rutland Town School, Wells Village School, and West Rutland School, with a total student population of approximately 1600 students in grades PreK-12.

The GRCSU "Central Office" oversees all aspects of the operation of the schools, including curriculum oversight, professional development, supervision and evaluation, human resources management, policies and procedures, grants, and all financial aspects of the schools and districts. Lisa Mattison, GRCSU's Assistant Superintendent, oversees curriculum, instruction, assessment, professional development, academic grants, and teacher mentoring. The GRCSU Business Office, headed by Louis Milazzo, is responsible for purchasing, contracted services, payroll, bill payment, developing and monitoring budgets, overseeing all grant money, and working with auditors to ensure our financial practices are sound. GRCSU Student Support Services, which includes Special Education, is headed by William Bazyk and includes all special education administrators, teachers, paraeducators, psychologists, PT, OT, and Speech and PreK coordination. Lastly, Greg Connors heads the GRCSU's IT Department and maintains all the school technology.

In the summer of 2023, our GRCSU schools again extended their offerings to provide enriched student learning experiences and programs, fostering collaboration and skill development. These diverse experiences and programs, focusing on academic and social and emotional growth, proved immensely popular. In response to the continued high demand and the availability of additional federal ESSER funds, our GRCSU schools are excited to announce the continuation of these enriching summer programs for the summer of 2024. Further details on GRCSU summer programming will be available later this spring.

Additionally, the GRCSU proudly unveiled its 2023-2028 Strategic Plan this past fall. Serving as our guiding "north star," this comprehensive five-year plan allows us to prioritize SU and school-based initiatives and allocate resources efficiently and effectively. This plan ensures that we not only set SU goals but also develop a set of measures to monitor our progress toward achieving these goals and make necessary adjustments. Our Strategic Plan embodies a collective vision for our students, staff, and supervisory union, focusing on three key priority areas:

- Academic Success
- Improved School Climate/Culture
- Community Engagement/Communication

These GRCSU priority areas drive our commitment to providing equitable, high-quality education in every classroom and school, supporting students academically, socially, and emotionally. The plan represents a dedication to a transformative and inclusive educational experience for every GRCSU student.

Crafting this strategic plan involved a meticulous process, gathering input from all stakeholders and building upon the GRCSU Portrait of a Graduate (completed in June 2022). The Strategic Plan "Design Team," consisting of representatives from our communities and schools, engaged in a collaborative process over four meetings during the 2022-2023 school year. Led by Jessica Harding of *Battelle For Kids*, the team:

- Reviewed the GRCSU's Portrait of a Graduate and stakeholder feedback
- Conducted a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis of the GRCSU
- Identified vital priority areas based on stakeholder feedback
- Provided input and feedback on draft objectives and goals

Finally, the GRCSU administrative team synthesized the Design Team's work to create the 2023-2038 GRCSU Strategic Plan, shared with and approved by the GRCSU School Board and their June 2023 regular meeting. A copy of the GRCSU 2023-2028 Strategic Plan can be found on our website (https://grcsu.org/grcsu-2023-2028-strategic-plan/).

In addition to the work outlined above, the GRCSU is interested in deepening our collaboration with our stakeholders to improve the quality of our schools so that each of our students has access to a high-quality education that ultimately prepares them for whichever path they choose in life. If you want to hear more about this work or take a more active role in this process, please contact your local building principal or attend a local school board meeting. Together, we can create an educational environment that nurtures excellence, inclusivity, and compassion, ensuring every student is prepared to thrive in an ever-changing world. If you want to hear more about this work or take a more active role in this process, please contact your local building principal or attend a local school board meeting.

We would like to sincerely thank our school board members for their hard work, not just on our budgets, but for their contributions to our GRCSU schools and communities over the course of the year. Their guidance and leadership have played a pivotal role in shaping a positive and enriching environment for our students, educators, and administrators. They are committed to being fiscally responsible while doing what is best for our students - a delicate balancing act.

Please remember to vote on Town Meeting Day, March 5, 2024. For more information, visit our website at www.grcsu.org, call 802-775-4342, or email us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Chris Sell

GRCSU Superintendent

Lisa Mattison

GRCSU Assistant Superintendent

100 West Way Mall Drive / Unit 2. West Rutland, VT 05777 · 802.775.4342 · www.grcsu.org

January2024

Dear Rutland Town,

This is my twelfth year as Rutland Town School principal and I am proud of the progress our Rutland Town School students continue to make, year after year. Our students are well prepared for high school and beyond both academically and socially. We attribute their success to the support and dedication of our incredible teachers and staff, families, and the greater community.

Enrollment numbers remain consistent year after year. We currently have 352 Pre-K through grade 8 students and 176 students attending various high schools. Our class sizes average 18 students per class, and we welcomed 31 new Kindergarten students to our school this year!

We continue to have a strong, unified arts program: music, chorus, art, physical education, health, library, and Spanish. We also offer a variety of sports and clubs for our students. We have an active student council, and reinstated big buddies and little buddies this year. This is our second year of offering Spelling Bee club and, new this year, is Golf club! We are looking forward to offering another school play this year, "The Jungle Book", stay tuned for a Spring performance (date TBD)! We were able to bring back Lifetime Sports this winter, thanks to ESSER funds and the help of many teachers, staff and parents. For 5 half days this winter, students have the opportunity to participate in downhill skiing at Pico, cross country skiing at Mountain Top, ice skating, bowling and various activities at the school. We had 50+ students skiing/snowboarding and ice skating for the first time! These opportunities will truly last a lifetime!

This year we welcomed the Boys and Girls Club of Rutland County to Rutland Town School. The Rutland Town School Boys and Girls Club offers after school programming to 25+ students every day.

Again, I am proud to be your principal and I appreciate your continuous support of our school. Our students have a reputation of being hard working, polite and respectful and our teachers and staff are second to none. I welcome others to visit our school and meet with me, anytime. Feel free to call the office and make an appointment (802) 775-0566. I also encourage everyone to check out our <u>Website</u> and follow us on <u>Facebook</u> to see what is happening at Rutland Town School!

Most Sincerely,

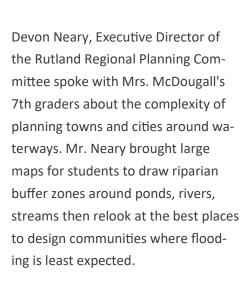
Sarah Tetzlaff, Principal



4th Grade Skating Field trip



Big and Little Buddies





Mrs. Manning and her therapy dog



Director Of Student Support Services Annual Report January 2024

It has been a busy year in Student Services serving our 332 special education students and the many more students who may be receiving 504 ADA accommodations, experiencing homelessness, or need ensurance their civil rights are being protected. We are adjusting to new state special education rules issued from the Agency of Education. To meet the lack of statewide social-emotional services we have started a pilot program of our own. Things have been going well due to the incredible dedication of all those who work for Student Services in the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union.

New special education rules came into effect this year requiring more professional development for our staff and adjusting to the changes. Implementing changes in how academic interventions are provided before considering special education testing reflects a proactive approach to supporting students with diverse needs. This is different from in the past where special education was the solution to students who were in need of academic support.

To meet this new need we have engaged with our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS). This will require new understanding from both staff and caregivers. MTSS is a framework that provides different levels of support to meet the varying needs of individuals, often in classrooms or alternative settings. It involves three layers: Universal, Targeted and Intensive. Fully utilizing this system will provide more academic support to students and allow Student Services to concentrate on students with disabilities.

The state legislation has put a moratorium on new independent therapeutic schools being created in an environment where there are already too few in Vermont. In response Student Services has created our own program this year called the "Wellness Center". The initiation of this pilot program for social-emotional services reflects a recognition of the importance of addressing the overall well-being of students. Social-emotional support is crucial for creating a positive learning environment and can have a significant impact on academic success. Students grades K-6 are accessing the Wellness Center.

Paraprofessionals, teachers, school psychologists, evaluators, speech pathologists, behaviorists, occupational therapists, and physical therapists are contributing to the success of our educational initiatives. Recognizing and appreciating the efforts of these professionals is crucial, as they play a vital role in the well-being and development of students. In a time of Student Services critical staff shortages the GRCSU is fortunate to have such dedicated people.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Bazyk

Director of Student Support Services Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union

CHILD FIND NOTICE

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union and each of the member school districts (Ira, Quarry Valley, Wells Springs, and Rutland Town) are responsible for the provision of a free and appropriate public education for every child with an educational disability ages 3-21 living within a member town.

We are searching for any child including those birth through 2 years of age who might be eligible for and in need of special education and related services help. Anyone can and should make a referral of any child living in one of these towns they believe may be eligible for special education. They can do so by contacting in writing or by telephone:

The Principal of the school which the child is or will be likely to attend OR
The Superintendent of Schools
Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union
100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777
Tel: 802-775-4342

Referral information will be handled in confidence. The referral may lead to an evaluation of the child to determine if he or she is eligible for and in need of special education. If the answer is yes, an individualized educational plan will be developed and implemented by a multidisciplinary team of people including the child's parents.

Please. If you suspect a child residing in one of these towns may be in need of special education, make a referral.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union and its member districts, will not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities including vocational education and special instruction as and to the extent provided by law.

The following have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the specified school district's non-discrimination policies:

Principal Poultney Elementary School, 96 School Circle, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 802-287-5212
Principal Poultney High School, 154 East Main Street, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 802-287-5861
Principal Proctor Elementary School, 14 School Street, Proctor, VT 05765 Tel: 802-459-2225
Principal Proctor Jr./Sr. High School, 4 Park Street, Proctor, VT 05765 Tel: 802-459-3353
Principal Rutland Town School, 1612 Post Road, Rutland, VT Tel: 802-775-0566
Principal Middletown Spr Elementary School, 15 Schoolhouse Road, Middletown Springs, VT Tel: 802-855-5155
Principal Wells Village School, 36 MWA Loop, Wells, VT 05774 Tel: 802-645-0386
Principal West Rutland School, 713 Main Street, West Rutland, VT 05777 Tel:802-438-2288
Superintendent GRCSU, 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2,West Rutland, VT 05777 Tel: 802-775-4342

Additional inquiries regarding the provisions of the federal law related to children or adults with handicapping conditions or disabilities impacting the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union or its member districts including Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act can be obtained by contacting the Superintendent of Schools, Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union, 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777, Tel: 802-775-4342

12/8/2023

GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

NOTIFICATION OF ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN AVAILABILITY

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (40 CFR 763.93 (g) (4)) requires that written notice be given that the following schools have management plans for the safe control and maintenance of asbestos-containing materials found in their buildings. These management plans are available and accessible to the public at the administrative office of each facility listed below:

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2 West Rutland, VT 05777 775-4342

> Rutland Town School 1612 Post Road Rutland, VT 05701 775-0566

GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

Rutland Town School District Assessment Summary

		FY25
Summary of Assessme	nts	
	Curriculum Administration	\$ 131,570
	General Administration	\$ 470,260
	Fiscal Services	\$ 663,101
	Technology Services	\$ 581,972
	Plant Operations	\$ 119,055
	Special Ed	\$ 8,866,721
	Total	\$ 10,832,678
	Anticipated Non Assessment Revenue	\$ 5,869,428
Amount to be Assessed	d to School Districts	\$ 4,963,250
Assessment to Rutland	l Town School District	\$ 1,318,999

Please Note: The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union budget detail is available on-line at www.grcsu.org or by calling the GRCSU central office at (802) 775-4342

		Rutland Town S					
		2023-2024 Professi	Ī		I	ı	
Last Name	First Name	Position	Years of Experience	Years in District	Total FTE		Annual Salary
Alderman	Jill	Grade 1 Teacher	7	7	1.00	\$	62,478
Audet	Aaron	Music	24	8	1.00	\$	75,835
Bertelloni	Joseph	Librarian	17	0	1.00	\$	71,526
Bourne	Erin	Preschool Teacher	7	0	1.00	\$	49,982
Chapdelaine	Jennifer	Grade 4 Teacher	15	4	1.00	\$	63,339
Cornell	Lorraine	Interventionist	11	11	1.00	\$	67,648
Curtis	Becky	Interventionist	23	19	1.00	\$	83,160
Daley	Katherine	Guidance	5	2	1.00	\$	56,876
Dubois	Shawn	Preschool Teacher	22	6	1.00	\$	85,314
Duguay	Kathryn	Grade 4 Teacher	17	17	1.00	\$	59,031
Ettori	Abigail	Grade 2 Teacher	10	10	1.00	\$	67,648
Hescock	Colby	Grade 5 Teacher	7	7	1.00	\$	60,323
Hogan	Sally	Art	3	0	1.00	\$	46,535
Lamarre	Michael	Administrator	0	0	1.00	\$	85,000
Lones	Lisa	Nurse	27	23	1.00	\$	84,022
MacIntyre	Amanda	Grade 7/8	6	4	1.00	\$	52,136
Martelle	Meghan	Kindergarten	10	10	1.00	\$	51,706
McDougall	Katie	Grade 7/8	13	2	1.00	\$	74,250
McNamara	Alison	Grade 7/8	22	1	1.00	\$	75,542
Mero			10	10	1.00		
	Megan	Kindergarten				\$	67,648
Mullin	Linda	Interventionist	41	38	1.00	\$	88,330
Neary	Marisa	Grade 5 Teacher	6	5	1.00	\$	64,632
Norton	Heather	Grade 2 Teacher	24	6	1.00	\$	78,420
Patterson	Peter	Grade 7/8	32	24	1.00	\$	84,022
Prozzo	Margaret	Grade 3 Teacher	7	6	1.00	\$	60,323
Quesnel	Sue	Interventionist	30	13	1.00	\$	88,330
Quigley	Emily	Grade 3 Teacher	9	6	1.00	\$	68,079
Rowe	Mike	P.E.	33	21	1.00	\$	84,022
Sanders	Bayley	Grade 6 Teacher	6	6	1.00	\$	60,323
Schneider	Keith	P.E.	10	10	1.00	\$	65,494
Spensley	Sybren	Grade 4 Teacher	10	6	1.00	\$	63,339
Sunderland	Theresa	Spanish	11	3	1.00		51,706
Swinyer-Esposito	Patti	Grade 3 Teacher	40	39	1.00	\$	86,176
Tetzlaff	Sarah	Administrator	12	12	1.00	\$	105,987
Turner	Marsha	Grade 6 Teacher	10	10	1.00	\$	69,803
Whitman	Marc	Music	26	7	1.00	\$	88,330
		2023-2024 Supp	ort Staff				
					Total		Annual
Last Name	First Name	Position	Years in	District	FTE		Salary
Bathalon	Sheri	Admin Asst	4		1.00	\$	50,232
Davis	Sarah	Custodian	0		0.50	\$	18,356
Garrow	Marilyn	Para	20		1.00	\$	26,270
Hood	Trey	Custodian	0		1.00	\$	37,710
Krupp	Roseanne	Pre-K Para	0		1.00	\$	26,856
Mock	Pamala	Admin Asst	25		1.00	\$	55,619
Perry	Susan	Custodian	0		0.50	\$	17,347
Perry	Donald	Custodian	0		0.50	\$	17,846
Perry	Shannon	Custodian	0		0.50	\$	18,356
Sabotka	Traci	Home School Coordinator	22		0.30	\$	52,757
	ļ		4		1.00	\$	
Trayah	Kelly	Facility Director					60,000
Walker	Jacquline	Pre-K Para	0		1.00	\$	27,461
Yaddow	Elizabeth	Behavior Specialist	1		1.00	\$	29,199

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union 2024-2025 GRCSU Budgeted Staffing

				E	Budgeted	Grant
Last Name	First Name	Position	FTE	_	Salary	Funded
Alderman	Lori	Bookkeeper	1.00	\$	49,047	0%
Bazyk	William	Administrator	1.00	\$	110,250	87.5%
Book	Hannah	Para	1.00	\$	21,759	0.0%
Charron	Regina	SLP	1.00	\$	68,780	0%
Chase	Jessica	SEL/Behavioral Coach	1.00	\$	48,259	100%
Condrill	Jamieson	Tooth Tutor	0.33	\$	21,600	100%
Connors	Greg	Administrator	1.00	\$	102,895	0%
Covino	Vincent	IT Tech	1.00	\$	62,515	0%
Coyle	Ellen	Sub Coordinator	1.00	\$	48,233	100%
Dambrackas	Deborah	Benefit Specialist	1.00	\$	60,489	0%
Daub	Neil	IT Tech	1.00	\$	58,151	0%
Gardner III	Milton	IT Systems Admin	1.00	\$	64,927	0%
Hansen	Kristi	Evaluator	1.00	\$	80,244	50%
Hayes	Grace	Para	1.00	\$	21,759	0%
Hutchins	Elizabeth	SR Financial Analyst	1.00	\$	60,588	0%
Hutchinson	Kimberly	ОТ	1.00	\$	56,917	0%
Livak	Delores	Bookkeeper	0.80	\$	35,612	0%
Loomis	Katy	Coordinator for Student Services	1.00	\$	84,000	0.0%
Manning	Jodi	SLP	1.00	\$	88,180	0%
Marino	Kathy	Bookkeeper	1.00	\$	47,669	0%
Mattison	Lisa	Administrator	1.00	\$	106,832	45%
McGinnis	Kelsey	OT	1.00	\$	58,499	0%
McGuiness	Kristine	Exec Asst to the Superintendent	1.00	\$	51,615	0%
McKenzie	Thomas	IT Tech	1.00	\$	42,052	0%
Mihevc	Jessica	Sped Teacher	1.00	\$	69,662	0%
Milazzo	Louis	Administrator	1.00	\$	110,801	0%
Miller-Spadafora	Marisa	Admin Asst	1.00	\$	47,586	80%
Milliman	Jesse	School Psychologist	1.00	\$	81,318	90%
Mitchell	Ali	PT	1.00	\$	68,862	0%
Moriarity	Shannon	Web Design Data Master	1.00	\$	49,664	0%
Patterson	Lori	Evaluator	1.00	\$	80,244	0%
Patterson	Tiffini	Coordinator for Student Services	1.00	\$	84,000	87.5%
Pease	Janelle	Early Learning Coord	1.00	\$	73,189	100%
Proctor	Heather	SLP	1.00	\$	65,253	0%
Sell	Christopher	Administrator	1.00	\$	154,707	0%
Short	Sally	PT	0.06	\$	6,151	0%
Taylor	Sarah	Early Ed Coordinator	1.00	\$	85,000	100%
Temple	Rachelle	COTA	0.53	\$	23,917	0%
Weeden	Heather	SLP	1.00	\$	88,180	0%
White	Kevin	School Psychologist	1.00	\$	78,617	0%
Wilson	Heather	SLP	1.00	\$	61,726	0%

^{*} Only Contractual Increases are included in budgeted salaries & hourly staff salaries are estimates

	Greater	Rutland County Supervisory L	Jnion									
	2024-2025 GRCSU - School Based Budgeted Staffing											
Last Name	First Name	Position	FTE	Budgeted Salary	Grant Funded							
Bacon-Racine	Samantha	Para	1.00	\$ 23,722	0%							
Beach	Kathryn	Sped Teacher	1.00	\$ 51,144	0%							
Brigmon	Shirley	Para	1.00	\$ 21,759	0%							
Coughlin	Elizabeth	Sped Teacher	1.00	\$ 90,385	0%							
Creed	Mary	Para	1.00	\$ 20,205	0%							
Crosby	Tonya	Para	1.00	\$ 28,936	0%							
Elliott	Lori	Sped Teacher	1.00	\$ 85,094	0%							
Gragen	Valerie	Para	1.00	\$ 26,329	0%							
Kelson	Karen	Para	1.00	\$ 25,738	0%							
Pollock	Corey	Para	1.00	\$ 25,066	0%							
Slenker	Melissa	Para	1.00	\$ 27,754	0%							
Trombley	Sheri	Para	1.00	\$ 21,759	0%							
Washburn	Erica	Para	1.00	\$ 21,759	0%							
Zaengle	Megan	Sped Teacher	1.00	\$ 69,221	0%							

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Rutland Town	School																					
Enrollment by	/ Grade 2023	-2024																				
	PreK	κ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
2023-2024	28	21	23	33	30	48	40	28	52	38	352											
2022-2023	26	29	37	33	46	37	27	42	35	40		352										
2021-2022	24	37	31	46	37	24	49	34	38	42			359									
2020-2021	25	28	47	37	25	41	38	37	41	37				356								
2019-2020	28	46	35	26	39	37	35	40	38	36					360							
2018-2019	28	33	27	43	39	32	39	36	41	36						354						
2017-2018	21	26	40	38	31	40	32	36	36	33							333					
2016-2017	14	44	36	33	39	33	37	39	31	44								350				
2015-2016	14	33	32	38	33	37	41	30	46	34									338			
2014-2015	11	34	34	37	39	45	30	52	36	44										362		
2013-2014	10	31	35	32	44	29	50	34	41	51											357	
2012-2013	8	34	34	43	32	45	37	44	47	28												352

8th Gr. 2023 Graduates:

Elizabeth Marion Alexander Juliette Rose Barnard Gradyn James Bellomo Lexus Ann-Marie Blackburn Olivia Grace Bullock Dean William Carroll Adriana Elsie Cataldo Sophia Grace Cavalieri Oliver James Charron Michiko Lynn Cornell Corlei Dora Daub Makenzie Leigh Davis Steven Edway Downs III Westley Edward Dumas Cole Matthew Erickson Destvni Theresa Foster Kyra Makenzie Gammons Caroline Kristin Giordano Sydney Elise Goodrich Zoie Mary Harrington Brennan James Hughes Michaela Renee Joyce Cade Russell Kenyon Dayyanna Lyn Landon Autumn Snow Lewis Faith Marie Maika Alanna Willow McGrath Logan Patrick McKenna John Salvador Milian Kaden Alan Morneau Kaelin Pye Oxley Kinsley Elise Rodrigue Earl Jeffrey Saunders Kira Lynne Snow Luke Eric Sunderland Marin Hayden Svitak Charles Evan Trapana Daniel John Tricarico Brennan Neil Turcotte Kason Thomas Velde Thomas Walker Watson

RUTLAND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

COST OF TUITION FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FY25 PROJECTIONS

School	Number of Students	Estim	ated Tuition
Rutland City	95	\$	22,000
Mount St Joseph	15	\$	18,850
Mill River	12	\$	19,570
Long Trail	10	\$	18,850
Burr & Burton	5	\$	18,850
Killington Mountain	5	\$	18,850
Fair Haven	2	\$	18,025
Proctor	2	\$	19,000
West Rutland	1	\$	19,000
Enosburgh-Richford UUSD	1	\$	19,209
Otter Valley	1	\$	18,334
Rutland Area Christian	2	\$	8,611
Out of State Schools	8	\$	18,850

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RUTLAND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

The legal voters of the Rutland Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet in person at Rutland Town Elementary School at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024, to discuss the following matters to wit.

Meeting information can be found on the GRCSU and RTS Calendars on their respective websites: www.grcsu.org and rts.grcsu.org

- 1. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town of Rutland School District
- 2. To hear and discuss the proposed school district budget. All citizens are invited to attend virtually and provide the school board with comments and ask questions concerning the proposed school budget.
- 3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

At the close of business, the meeting shall recess to 7:00 A.M. Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at the Town Hall, Center Rutland, for voters living on the west side of Route 7, and the elementary school gym on Post Road for voters living on the east side of Route 7, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 1, 2. The polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLES:

- 1. Shall the voters of the Town of Rutland School District appropriate the sum of \$10,694,628.00, necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2024?
- 2. To elect other School District officials as required by law.
 - A. School Director for a term of two (2) years
 - B. School Director for a term of three (3) years
- 3. Shall the voters authorize the Board of School Directors to transfer up to fifty percent (50%) of fiscal year 2023 year-end surplus to the District's Capital Improvement Reserve Fund?
- 4. Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Rutland Town School District in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.00 subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grant in aid, the application of reserves, and other financial assistance, be issued for the purpose of financing school building improvements, namely, the renovation of the second floor of Rutland Town School and other building improvements deemed necessary?

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

Said persons and voters are further warned and notified that pursuant to 17 V.S.A. Section 2680(h), Article 2 constitutes a Public Hearing on the proposed budget.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Rutland Town School District duly called, noticed, and held on January 16, 2024. Dated at Rutland Town, Vermont this 16th day of January 2024.

CIAZIK	BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Tina Keshava, Chairperson	Tim Hammond Nice-Chairperson
alife Bensiff	John S. Com
Abby Bernett, Clerk	Jeffrey Colomb, Member
Colin Fingon, Member	_
Cyani i ingon, Member	

Received for record and recorded in the records of the Rutland Town School District on January 19 2024.

Kari clark, Town Clerk

<u>Account</u>		FY23 Actuals		FY24 Budget		FY25 Budget		<u>Variance</u>	
Local Revenue									
1001-20251-110-1302-00000 VT LEA Tuition K-6	\$	16,500.00	\$	16,500.00	\$	64,000.00	\$	47,500.00	
1001-20251-110-1510-00000 Interest Income	\$	15,754.08	\$	2,000.00	\$	12,000.00	\$	10,000.00	
1001-20251-110-1921-00000 Rental Income	\$	3,200.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-1980-00000 PY Assessment Refund	\$	14,271.30	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-1990-00000 Misc. Revenue	\$	3,801.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-5400-00000 Prior Year Carryover	\$	332,883.08	\$	317,933.55	\$	103,754.39	\$	(214,179.16)	
	\$	386,409.46	\$	336,433.55	\$	179,754.39	\$	(156,679.16)	
State Revenue									
1001-20251-110-3110-00000 General State Support Gr	\$	8,784,975.00	\$	9,458,584.55	\$	10,322,009.45	\$	863,424.90	
1001-20251-310-3114-00000 From State to Tech Center	\$	101,666.00	\$	144,542.00	\$		\$	48,322.00	
	\$	8,886,641.00	\$	9,603,126.55	\$	10,514,873.45	\$	911,746.90	
Total Revenue	\$	9,273,050.46	\$	9,939,560.10	\$	10,694,627.84	\$	755,067.74	7.6%
1001-20201 Preschool									
1001-20201-110-1101-11100 Preschool Wages	\$	143,781.30		148,653.00		155,638.00		6,985.00	
1001-20201-110-1101-12100 IA Wages	\$	41,306.62		44,150.40		51,451.20		7,300.80	
1001-20201-110-1101-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$	56,564.74		51,194.64	- 1	59,606.60		8,411.96	
1001-20201-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	13,031.59		14,749.46		15,842.32		1,092.86	
1001-20201-110-1101-23100 Retirement	\$	2,723.91		2,869.78		3,061.04		191.26	
1001-20201-110-1101-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$	950.00	- 1	3,000.00	- 1	•	\$	-	
1001-20201-110-1101-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$	1,425.24		1,425.24		1,425.24		-	
1001-20201-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$	600.00		1,200.00		-	\$	(1,200.00)	
1001-20201-110-1101-56200 Preschool Tuition	\$	75,842.42		26,359.76		75,000.00	\$	48,640.24	
1001-20201-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$	850.06		•	\$	2,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20201-110-1101-64100 Books	\$	304.30		550.00	\$	550.00	•	-	
1001-20201-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	302.76	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	\$		
	\$	337,682.94	\$	296,952.28	\$	368,374.40	\$	71,422.12	
1001-20231 Secondary Expense									
1001-20231-110-1101-56100 In State Tuition	\$	2,021,131.05	\$	2,670,345.50	Ś	2,441,183.50	Ś	(229,162.00)	
1001-20231-110-1101-56200 Private Tuition In state	\$	567,131.87		358,824.19		676,971.60		318,147.41	
1001-20231-110-1101-56300 Private Tuition out of s	\$	69,112.00		53,389.02		150,511.84		97,122.82	
1001-20231-310-1301-56600 Vocational On Behalf Pay	\$	101,666.00		144,542.00		192,864.00		48,322.00	
1001-20231-310-1301-56700 Vocational Tuition	\$	93,125.58	- 1	120,726.00		168,699.00		47,973.00	
	\$	2,852,166.50	\$	3,347,826.71	\$	3,630,229.94		282,403.23	
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1001-20251-110-1101 Direct Instruction 1001-20251-110-1101-11100 Teacher Wages	ć	1,943,818.68	ċ	2,017,293.00	ċ	2,096,998.20	ċ	79,705.20	
1001-20251-110-1101-11100 Teacher Wages 1001-20251-110-1101-12100 IA Wages	\$ \$	26,518.95		28,291.20		28,291.20		79,703.20	
_	۶ \$	9,300.00		20,000.00		20,000.00		- -	
1001-20251-110-1101-17100 Other Wages 1001-20251-110-1101-19200 Retirement Wages	۶ \$	9,300.00	۶ \$	4,000.00		4,000.00		-	
1001-20251-110-1101-19200 Retrieffield Wages	\$	343,892.04	•	387,566.51		483,535.71		95,969.20	
1001-20251-110-1101-21100 Group Health insurance	\$	95,187.99		92,560.00		113,000.00		20,440.00	
1001-20251-110-1101-21900 Fixa Expense	۶ \$	145,785.75		156,276.89		164,114.64		7,837.75	
1001-20251-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi 1001-20251-110-1101-23100 Retirement	۶ \$	1,723.72		1,838.93		3,819.31		1,980.38	
1001-20251-110-1101-23100 Retirement	۶ \$	18,226.00		20,000.00		20,000.00		•	
1001-20251-110-1101-25200 OPEB Retirement	۶ \$	18,839.00				45,000.00		-	
1001-20251-110-1101-25100 Futfoli Reinibursement	\$	19,901.16		45,000.00 19,901.16		18,753.48		(1,147.68)	
1001-20251-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ \$	14,000.00		16,000.00	\$ \$	14,000.00	\$ \$	(2,000.00)	
1001-20251-110-1101-32100 Prof Svs - Subs 1001-20251-110-1101-34900 Professional Services	\$ \$	1,801.82 8,869.69		8,700.00		- 8,700.00		-	
1001-20251-110-1101-34900 Professional Services 1001-20251-110-1101-43100 Repair & Maintenance	\$ \$	1,514.19		2,350.00		2,350.00		-	
1001-20251-110-1101-43100 Repair & Maintenance	\$ \$	16,847.42		17,400.00	۶ \$	18,500.00	\$ \$	1,100.00	
1001-20251-110-1101-44-300 Copies Expense	\$	15,000.00			\$		\$	-,100.00	
1001 10201 110 1101 00100 Million	7	13,000.00	7		7		7		

Account		FY23 Actuals		FY24 Budget		FY25 Budget		Variance
1001-20251-110-1101-58100 Travel	\$		\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-1101-59100 SU Purchase - Sped Disal	\$	122,588.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
1001-20251-110-1101-59101 SU Purch Services - Subs	\$	50,896.19	\$	67,000.00	\$	67,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$	39,991.99	\$	45,000.00	\$	50,000.00	\$	5,000.00
1001-20251-110-1101-61101 Furniture	\$	10,341.24	\$	· -	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
1001-20251-110-1101-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$	12,816.94	\$	14,000.00	\$	14,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-1101-65100 Software	\$	27,150.95	\$	30,000.00	\$	30,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	1,326.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	-
	\$	2,946,337.72	\$	2,999,177.69	\$	3,228,062.54	\$	228,884.85
1001-20251-110-2120 Guidance Services								
1001-20251-110-2120-17100 Guidance Wages	\$	140,033.46	\$	175,056.96	\$	171,459.96	\$	(3,597.00)
1001-20251-110-2120-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$	7,346.49	\$	34,171.82	\$	49,053.16	\$	14,881.34
1001-20251-110-2120-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	10,801.57	\$	13,391.86	\$	13,116.69	\$	(275.17)
1001-20251-110-2120-23100 Retirement	\$	5,647.58	\$	7,681.76	\$	7,394.22	\$	(287.54)
1001-20251-110-2120-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$	919.99	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-28100 Dental	\$	372.78	\$	950.16	\$	950.16	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$	3,170.00	\$	3,170.00	\$	3,170.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-32100 Professional Services	\$	-	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-58100 Travel	\$	-	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-61100 Supplies	\$	980.61	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2120-81100 Dues and Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,250.00	\$	1,250.00
	\$	169,272.48	\$	239,672.56	\$	251,644.18	\$	11,971.62
1001-20251-110-2131 Health Services								
1001-20251-110-2131-13100 Substitutes	\$	5,337.50	\$	-	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00
1001-20251-110-2131-17100 Health Wages	\$	83,317.14	\$	84,022.00	\$	85,976.00	\$	1,954.00
1001-20251-110-2131-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$	8,042.69	\$	9,064.11		10,553.44	-	1,489.33
1001-20251-110-2131-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	6,628.30	\$	6,427.68	\$	6,577.16	\$	149.48
1001-20251-110-2131-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$	20.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2131-28100 Dental	\$	1,293.48	\$	1,293.48	\$	1,293.48	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2131-43100 Repair/Maint Services	\$	-	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2131-58100 Travel	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	50.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2131-61100 Supplies	\$	887.65	\$	1,250.00	\$	1,250.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2131-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	140.50	\$	400.00	\$	400.00	\$	-
	\$	105,667.26	\$	104,257.27	\$	109,850.08	\$	5,592.81
1001 20251 110 2220 Library Camilean								
1001-20251-110-2220 Library Services 1001-20251-110-2220-11100 Library Wages	Ļ	75 044 19	Ļ	80,144.00	Ļ	74.052.00	Ļ	/F 101 00\
, 3	\$ \$	75,944.18	-	•		74,953.00		(5,191.00)
1001-20251-110-2220-21100 Group Health Insurance	Ŧ.	22,278.34		25,107.71		29,233.24		4,125.53
1001-20251-110-2220-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ \$	5,303.32		6,131.02		5,733.90		(397.12)
1001-20251-110-2220-25100 Tuition Reimbursement		1 202 40	\$	1,500.00		1,500.00		- (010 40)
1001-20251-110-2220-28100 Dental	\$ ¢	1,293.48		1,293.48	ې خ	475.08		(818.40)
1001-20251-110-2220-32100 Prof Svs - Kelly Svs	>	300.30		2 000 00	ې خ	2 000 00	\$ ¢	-
1001-20251-110-2220-61100 Supplies	\$ ¢	1,193.55		2,000.00		2,000.00		-
1001-20251-110-2220-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$	726.98		3,000.00		3,000.00		-
1001-20251-110-2220-65100 Technology Supplies	\$ ^	1,627.63		-	\$ ¢	- 350.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2220-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ \$	108,667.78	\$ \$	350.00 119,526.21		350.00 117,245.22		(2,280.99)
	ş	100,007.78	Ą	113,320.21	Ą	111,243.22	Ą	(4,400.33)
1001-20251-110-2230 Technology Services								
1001-20251-110-2230 recliniology Services 1001-20251-110-2230-43200 Repairs & Maintenance	\$	_	\$	5,000.00	\$	_	\$	(5,000.00)
1001-20251-110-2230-43200 Repairs & Waintenance	\$	13,003.26		15,000.00		15,000.00	ب \$	(3,000.00)
1001-20251-110-2230-55100 Communications 1001-20251-110-2230-65100 Technology Supplies	\$ \$	44,398.91		45,000.00		45,000.00		- -
1001 20231-110-2230-03100 Technology Supplies	, \$	57,402.17		65,000.00		60,000.00		(5,000.00)
	7	37,702.17	7	03,000.00	7	00,000.00	7	(3,000.00)

1001-20251-110-23 Board of Education

<u>Account</u>		FY23 Actuals		FY24 Budget		FY25 Budget		<u>Variance</u>	
1001-20251-110-2311-16100 Recording clerk	\$	1,500.24	\$	1,607.40	\$	1,719.00	\$	111.60	
1001-20251-110-2311-19100 Board Member	\$	15,199.92	\$	17,500.00	\$	17,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2311-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	1,277.66	\$	1,461.72	\$	1,470.25	\$	8.53	
1001-20251-110-2311-31100 Professional Services	\$	-	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2311-52100 Insurance	\$	17,319.00	\$	16,000.00	\$	17,500.00	\$	1,500.00	
1001-20251-110-2311-53100 Communications	\$	200.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2311-54100 Advertising	\$	263.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,250.00	\$	(750.00)	
1001-20251-110-2311-61100 Supplies	\$	815.28	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2311-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	626.58	\$	-	\$	750.00	\$	750.00	
1001-20251-110-2311-95000 Misc. Expenditures	\$	-	\$	3,500.00	\$	-	\$	(3,500.00)	
1001-20251-110-2314-34200 Audit	\$	5,551.50	\$	5,250.00	\$	6,000.00	\$	750.00	
1001-20251-110-2315-34900 Legal Services	\$	5,388.85	\$	12,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$	5,000.00	
-	\$	48,142.03	\$	62,319.12	\$	66,189.25	\$	3,870.13	
1001-20251-110-2410 Principals Office									
1001-20251-110-2410-14100 Principals Office Wages	\$	286,358.37	¢	289,423.92	¢	297,245.32	¢	7,821.40	
1001-20251-110-2410-14100 Finicipals Office Wages	\$	52,599.37		59,279.54	-	50,340.11		(8,939.43)	
1001-20251-110-2410-21100 Group Health insurance	\$	20,383.16	\$	22,140.93	- 1	22,739.27		598.34	
1001-20251-110-2410-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	10,318.18		10,330.50		10,852.59		522.09	
1001-20251-110-2410-25100 Retirement		930.00				-		322.09	
	\$			5,000.00	-	5,000.00		-	
1001-20251-110-2410-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$	1,900.32		1,900.32		1,900.32		-	
1001-20251-110-2410-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-34900 Professional Services	\$	616.88	\$	7.500.00	\$	7.500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-53100 Communications	\$	7,056.21	\$	7,500.00	\$	7,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-53300 Postage	\$	-	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,500.00		500.00	
1001-20251-110-2410-54100 Advertising	\$	729.80	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-58100 Travel	\$	152.64	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-61100 Supplies	\$	3,796.63	\$	2,770.00		3,000.00	\$	230.00	
1001-20251-110-2410-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	1,676.65	\$	2,000.00		2,000.00	\$	-	
1001-20251-110-2410-81101 Student Fees	\$	77.00	\$	2,000.00		2,000.00	\$		
	\$	387,795.21	\$	409,045.21	\$	409,777.61	\$	732.40	
1001-20251-110-2490 Special Ed Assessment									
1001-20251-110-2490-59300 Special Ed Assessment	\$	573,194.05	\$	784,049.00	\$	806,423.00	\$	22,374.00	
	\$	573,194.05	\$	784,049.00	\$	806,423.00	\$	22,374.00	
1001-20251-110-2510 Fiscal Services									
1001-20251-110-2510-26100 Unemployment	\$	718.00	\$	1,500.00	Ś	1,500.00	Ś	-	
1001-20251-110-2510-27100 Workman's Comp	\$	26,633.00	\$	28,500.00		28,500.00	\$	_	
1001-20251-110-2510-29200 Life Insurance	Ś	4,435.70		4,897.20		4,981.20	- 1	84.00	
1001-20251-110-2510-29400 Disability	\$	10,407.94	•	12,818.00	•	13,316.46	•	498.46	
1001-20251-110-2510-34900 Professional Services	\$	5,728.80		6,000.00		6,000.00		-	
1001-20251-110-2510-61100 Supplies	\$	-	\$	100.00		100.00		_	
1001-20251-110-2510-81100 Dues & Fees	\$	3.08	\$	500.00		500.00		_	
1001-20251-110-2510-83500 Cash Flow Note Interest	\$	8,403.13		5,000.00		10,000.00		5,000.00	
1001 20231 110 2310 03300 cash flow Note interest	\$	56,329.65		59,315.20		64,897.66	\$	5,582.46	
1001-20251-110-2590 SU Assessment							,		
1001-20251-110-2590-59300 SU Assessment	\$	457,756.00		482,969.00		512,576.00		29,607.00	
	\$	457,756.00	\$	482,969.00	\$	512,576.00	\$	29,607.00	
1001-20251-110-2610 Plant Operations									
1001-20251-110-2610-17100 Plant Operation Wages	\$	166,538.66	Ś	178,827.92	Ś	178,661.04	\$	(166.88)	
1001-20251-110-2610-17200 OT	\$		\$	2,000.00		2,000.00		-	
1001-20251-110-2610-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$	33,654.34		43,542.20		40,926.80		(2,615.40)	
1001-20251-110-2610-22000 Fica & Medi	\$	12,147.20		13,680.34		13,667.57		(12.77)	
1001-20251-110-2610-23100 Retirement	\$	10,984.21		8,001.33		11,159.62		3,158.29	
1001 10101 110 2010 20100 Netherich	Ţ	10,504.21	Ţ	5,001.33	Y	11,133.02	Ţ	3,130.23	

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1001-20251-110-2610-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$	1,549.50	\$	1,741.96		1,900.32	\$	158.36
1001-20251-110-2610-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$	600.00	\$	-	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00
1001-20251-110-2610-41100 Water & Sewer	\$	8,948.98	\$	7,000.00	\$	9,000.00	\$	2,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-43100 Repair/Maint Services	\$	79,863.65	\$	95,000.00	\$	95,000.00	\$	· -
1001-20251-110-2610-43101 Disposal Services	\$	11,131.91	\$	11,000.00	\$	12,000.00	\$	1,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-43102 Snow Plowing	\$	8,100.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	· -
1001-20251-110-2610-43103 Grounds Maintenance	\$	5,689.99	\$	7,700.00	\$	7,700.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2610-43104 Maintenance Security	\$	913.80	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2610-44200 Equipment Lease	\$	5,484.84	\$	5,484.84	\$	5,484.84	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2610-52100 Property Insurance	\$	22,809.00	\$	21,000.00	\$	23,000.00	\$	2,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-61100 Supplies	\$	25,564.60	\$	30,000.00	\$	35,000.00	\$	5,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-61101 Uniforms	\$	702.70	\$	700.00	\$	700.00	\$, -
1001-20251-110-2610-62200 Electricity	\$	60,403.15	\$	50,000.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	10,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-62300 Propane	\$	1,655.58	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-2610-62400 Fuel Oil	\$	134,218.66	\$	85,000.00	\$	110,000.00	\$	25,000.00
1001-20251-110-2610-73100 Equipment	\$	1,181.42	\$	10,000.00	\$	-	\$	(10,000.00)
	\$	592,142.19	\$	586,178.59	\$	622,900.19	\$	36,721.60
1001-20251-110-2660 Security Expense					,		,	
1001-20251-110-2660-34900 Professional Services	\$	61,650.00	\$	42,000.00	\$	62,000.00	\$	20,000.00
	\$	61,650.00	\$	42,000.00	\$	62,000.00	\$	20,000.00
1001-20251-110-27 Transportation Expense								
1001-20251-110-2711-51900 Contracted Transportation	\$	210,097.19	\$	231,104.80	Ś	223,983.85	\$	(7,120.95)
	\$	210,097.19	\$	231,104.80	\$	223,983.85	\$	(7,120.95)
1001-20251-110-5020 Debt Service								
1001-20251-110-5020-83100 Bond Principal	\$	43,500.00	\$	43,500.00	\$	43,500.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-5020-83101 Capital Lease Principal	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	-
1001-20251-110-5020-83200 Bond Interest	\$	10,656.40	\$	10,258.75	\$	9,530.90	\$	(727.85)
1001-20251-110-5020-83201 Capital Lease Interest	\$	(360.03)	\$	(360.04)	\$	(324.74)	\$	35.30
	\$	58,796.37	\$	58,398.71	\$	57,706.16	\$	(692.55)
1001 20251 01 Athletic Funence								
1001-20251-91 Athletic Expense 1001-20251-910-1401-17100 Athletic Wages	\$	17,250.00	ć	17,330.00	ć	20,330.00	ċ	3,000.00
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		Rutland Town Greater Rutland County	FY25 is the first year of Act 127 Long Term Weighted Average Daily Membership for pupil counts. Equalized pupils are shown for FY22 - FY24. LTWADM is required	Rutland County	Property dollar equivalent yield 9,452	<see bottom="" note<="" th=""><th>Homestead tax rate per \$9,452 of spending per LTWADM 1.00 Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income</th><th></th></see>	Homestead tax rate per \$9,452 of spending per LTWADM 1.00 Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income	
	Expendit	tures		FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	
1.			rograms, and full technical center expenditures)	\$8,611,782	\$9,239,524	\$9,939,560	\$10,694,628	1.
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2. 3.		Sum of separately warned articles	passed at town meeting Locally adopted or warned budget	+	\$9,239,524	\$9,939,560	\$10,694,628	2.
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4.		Obligation to a Regional Technical	Center School District if any	+		-	-	4.
5.		Prior year deficit repayment of defic		+	-	-	-	5.
6.			Total Expenditures	\$8,611,782	\$9,239,524	\$9,939,560	\$10,694,628	6.
7. 8.			ocal budget) - informational data icluded in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	7. 8.
9.	Revenue	S Offsetting revenues (categorical grant	s, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc.)	\$226,458	\$352,883	\$336,434	\$179,754	9.
10.		_	Offsetting revenues	\$226,458	\$352,883	\$336,434	\$179,754	10.
11.			Education Spending	\$8,385,324	\$8,886,641	\$9,603,126	\$10,514,874	11.
12.		Pupils (eqpup FY22 - FY24, LTWA	DM FY25)	502.22	507.84	526.36	769.43	12.
13. 14. 15.		Less ALL net eligible construction costs Less share of SpEd costs in excess of		\$16,696.52 - \$118.98	\$17,498.90 \$116.35 \$4.05	\$18,244.41 \$110.95 \$2.56	\$13,665.80 \$74.99 \$2.67	13. 14. 15.
16.		grades the district does not operate for budget was passed (per eqpup)	LY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for new students who moved to the district after the	-	-	-	-	16.
17.		Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attr fewer pupils	butable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or	-	_	_	_	17.
18. 19.		Estimated costs of new students after of Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unle	ensus period (per pupil) ess electorate has approved tuitions greater than		-	-	-	18. 19.
20. 21.		average announced tuition (per pupil) Less planning costs for merger of smal Teacher retirement assessment for nev	schools (per pupil) v members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement		-	-	-	20. 21.
22.		System on or after July 1, 2015 (per pu	pil) water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or	\$39.82	\$39.38	\$38.00	\$25.99	22.
22.		retesting.	water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or	\$39.82	\$39.38	\$38.00	-	22.
23. 24. 25.		Excess spending threshold Excess Spending per Pupil over the Per pupil figure used for calculating		\$18,789.00 Suspended thru FY29 \$16,697	\$19,997.00 Suspended thru FY29 \$17,499	\$22,204.00 Suspended thru FY29 \$18,244	\$23,193.00 \$13,665.80	23. 24. 25.
26.			District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	147.535%	131.432%	118.140%	144.581%	26.
	Proratii	ng the local tax rate						
27.			alized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [\$13,665.80 + (\$9,452 / \$1.00)]	\$1.4754	\$1.3143	\$1.1814	\$1.4458	27.
28.			Act 127 tax cap (FY25 - FY29 eligible)				\$1.2405	28.
29.		Percent of F	tutland Town pupils not in a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	29.
30.		Portion of district ed	homestead rate to be assessed by town	\$1.4754	\$1.3143	\$1.1814	\$1.2405	30.
			(100.00% x \$1.45)					
31.			Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	100.02%	96.38%	84.40%	75.43%	31.
32.		Portion of actual distric	t homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.2405 / 75.43%)	\$1.4751	\$1.3637	\$1.3998 this is only a PARTIAL h	\$1.6446	32.
				The tax rate shown repre	esents the estimated p	ortion of the final homestonion school district. The	ead tax rate due to same holds true for the	
33.		Antic	pated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$13,665.80 ÷ \$10,300) x 2.00%]	2.43%	2.19%	2.08%	2.65%	33.
34.		Portion of dis	trict income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.65%)	2.43%	2.19%	2.08%	2.65%	34.
35.				_	_	-	-	35.
36.							_	36.

- Using the revised January 9th, 2024 Education Fund Outlook FY25 forecast, the FY25 education fund need results in a property yield of \$9,171 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value, an income yield of \$10,227 for a base income percent of 2.0%, and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.452. These figures use the estimated \$13,000,000 surplus from the Education Fund. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.

Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
 The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

December 19, 2023

To Rutland Town School District Taxpayers:

The Rutland Town School District audit of the financial statements as of and for the year ending June 30, 2023, by RHR Smith and Company has been completed. Copies of the report are available for review at the GRCSU office located at 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777.

Sincerely

Louis Milazzo

Business Manager

Rutland Town School District FY25 Budget Summary

<u>Account</u>	FY24 Budget	FY25 Budget
Preschool	\$ 296,952.28	\$ 368,374.40
Secondary Expense	\$ 3,347,826.71	\$ 3,630,229.94
Direct Instruction	\$ 2,999,177.69	\$ 3,228,062.54
Guidance Services	\$ 239,672.56	\$ 251,644.18
Health Services	\$ 104,257.27	\$ 109,850.08
Library Services	\$ 119,526.21	\$ 117,245.22
Technology Services	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Board of Education	\$ 62,319.12	\$ 66,189.25
Principals Office	\$ 409,045.21	\$ 409,777.61
Special Ed Assessment	\$ 784,049.00	\$ 806,423.00
Fiscal Services	\$ 59,315.20	\$ 64,897.66
SU Assessment	\$ 482,969.00	\$ 512,576.00
Plant Operations	\$ 586,178.59	\$ 622,900.19
Security Expense	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 62,000.00
Transportation Expense	\$ 231,104.80	\$ 223,983.85
Debt Service	\$ 58,398.71	\$ 57,706.16
Athletic Expense	\$ 36,655.75	\$ 42,655.75
Co-Curricular	\$ 15,112.00	\$ 60,112.00
Total Expense	\$ 9,939,560.10	\$ 10,694,627.84

Rutland Town School District

FY25 Estimated Tax Rate Calculation

Tax Rate Calculation	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY25</u>	<u>% Difference</u>
Total Expense	\$	\$	7.60%
	9,939,560	10,694,628	
Education Spending	\$	\$	9.49%
	9,603,127	10,514,873	
LTW ADM	526.36	769.43	46.18%
Ed Spending Per LTW ADM	\$18,244	\$13,666	-25.10%
Property Yield *	15,479	9,452	-38.94%
Equalized Tax Rate Calculated	1.1787	1.4458	22.67%
Equalized Tax Rate- Actual	1.1787	1.2376	5.00%
CLA %	84.40%	75.43%	-10.63%
Adjusted Tax Rate Actual	1.3966	1.6408	17.49%
Adjusted Tax Rate w/o Cap	1.3965	1.9168	37.25%

^{*} Items marked with a star are estimated figures, actuals are not yet available.

Rutland Town School Board Members

Tina Keshava Jeff Colomb Tim Hammond Collin Fingon Abby Bennett

2023 Scholarship Awards Student School **Award Amount** Lauren Solimano \$2,000 RHS Eli Rosi RHS \$2,000 Michael Schillinger RHS \$2,000 \$1,500 Kate Labate RHS Anthony Cavalieri \$1,500 MSJ Jarrett Kelley RHS \$1,500 Gabriella Sicard RHS \$1,125 Brianna Greene RHS \$1,125

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RHS

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Kelsey McNeil

Morgan Johnston

APPROPRIATIONS PAID FY 2023

VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING	\$535.00
RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE RSVP	\$670.00
ARC	\$800.00
SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING	\$1,500.00
CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY CENTER	\$3,000.00
THE BUS	\$3,500.00
BROC	\$3,900.00
THE CHAMBER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE RUTLAND REGION	\$4,054.00
WONDERFEET KIDS MUSEUM	\$4,500.00
RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH	\$4,502.00
RUTLAND AREA VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION & HOSPICE	\$6,500.00
RUTLAND TOWN SCHOLARSHIPS	\$15,000.00
RUTLAND REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$15,696.00
RUTLAND FREE LIBRARY	\$102,777.00



RSVP & The Volunteer Center





2024 REQUEST FOR TOWN FUNDING & Yearly Report for FY23 TOWN OF: Rutland Town • AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$670.00

Brief Description of RSVP & The Volunteer Center

RSVP and The Volunteer Center is a volunteer program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through volunteer service. RSVP/VC considers volunteering to be a key solution in responding to Rutland County's most pressing challenges. Needs are met in critical areas such as human services, elder care, health care, education, literacy, and the arts. RSVP/VC involves individuals in service that matches their personal interests and makes use of their varied life and professional experiences. RSVP/VC enables people to contribute to their communities while enjoying the personally satisfying and rewarding experience that community engagement offers.

RSVP also offers several free "Signature Programs" that benefit residents. These include RSVP Bone Builders, an osteoporosis prevention program which provides strength and balance exercise classes offered twice per week at many locations in Rutland County; RSVP Rutland Reads a children's literacy and mentoring program; RSVP Veterans Connections Program, a program designed to reduce social isolation in veterans; and RSVP Operation Dolls & More, which distributes over 15,000 new and restored items to children. Last year approximately 15,188 items were distributed through RSVP Operation Dolls & More to 37 partner agencies and an estimated 1,200 children. We also partner with AARP to provide income tax return services to low-income residents of Rutland County. Locally, RSVP/VC is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services serving the people of Rutland County with 557 volunteers. From July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, RSVP/VC volunteers provided 92,293 hours of community service. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals \$2,934,917.

Services Provided to Rutland Town Residents

In FY'23, Rutland Town residents took advantage of RSVP programs such as free income tax return preparation, and our osteoporosis prevention classes. Rutland Town RSVP volunteers donated their services to the following non-profit organizations: American Red Cross, Paramount Theater, AARP Tax Program, Young at Heart Senior Center, Godnick Center, Dismas House, Marble Valley Correctional Facility, Community Cupboard, Osher, Rutland Regional Medical Center, Bridges & Beyond, One-2-One, Mountain View Center, Meals on Wheels, and RSVP Operation Dolls & More. In FY'23 Rutland Town RSVP volunteers donated 3,527 hours of service to the community.

The monies we are requesting this year will be used to help continue to defray financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our organization along with the cost of providing volunteer placement, support, transportation, and recognition. With your help, RSVP & The Volunteer Center will continue to respond to the increasing needs of our local communities.

On behalf of RSVP & The Volunteer Center and our non-profit partners, we would like to thank the residents of Rutland Town for their continued support of RSVP. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our programs, please feel free to call us at 468-7056.

Sincerely,

Maryesa White RSVP Director 16 North St. Ext. Rutland, VT 05701 Office: 802-468-7056 Email: maryesarsvp@gmail.com

Website: volunteersinvt.org

Serving Citizens with Developmental Disabilities and their Families

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

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REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE

Kris Call

Mission Statement: To advocate for the right of individuals with developmental disabilities (DD) and their families to be regarded as valued citizens with the same entitlements as non-disabled individuals, including the right to lifelong opportunities for personal growth and full participation in the community.

PROGRAMS:

Representative Payee Program: ARC serves about 50 individuals living with Developmental/Intellectual Disabilities by managing each client's individual SS income and processing payments of their financial obligations monthly. In addition, as Rep. Payee, Kris works with other agencies and client's case managers to direct our members toward receiving appropriate services.

Self-Advocates (SABE-R) and AKtion Club: The Self Advocates Becoming Empowered - Rutland were able to give testimony before the House of Representatives this year about issues concerning them as individuals living with developmental disabilities. The largest group of Self Advocates attended the State Convention for Green Mountain Self Advocates in South Burlington this past spring. Our SABE-R group also gave mini-clinics on Disability Awareness at National Night Out. The Aktion Club (a Kiwanis member group) collaborated with RSVP and decorated postcards for shut-ins and Veterans this year, along with a self-sponsored Carwash and Bake Sale raising funds to help their peers who lost belongings in the flood at Bardwell House this summer.

Social Events/Great Outdoor Experiences: These events provide a safe and healthy environment for individuals with developmental disabilities that builds a circle of support, family and community while practicing social skills, and getting physical exercise. Following years of limited activities due to COVID, we can boast over 450 attended 5 dances, 3 outdoor events and engaged in the community with new community partners.

Transportation: We are especially grateful to **MVRTD** through a grant, which allows us to provide transportation to some of our members who live in very rural areas who would otherwise be unable to access the services of Rutland Area.

On behalf of those we serve and their families for the last 65 years, we are grateful for the support and continued assistance from the citizens of Rutland Area. Rutland County's population claims nearly 32% as having a disability--the highest county in the State. We rely on the support of 17 towns in the Rutland Area along with grants, donations and small fundraisers throughout the year – NOT on *state or federal funding*. We choose to embrace peer to peer comradery, to offer opportunities for the disabled to share in the community through self-advocacy skills and respectfully appreciate the offerings from all of Rutland Area. For those wanting more information on these wonderful services or to volunteer, please call 802-775-1370.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Drake, Executive Director

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Rutland Office 143 Maple St Rutland VT, 05701 (802) 786-5990



Bennington Office 160 Benmont Ave, Suite #90 Bennington VT, 05201 (802) 442-5436

Report to the Citizens of Rutland Town

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to older residents in Rutland Town during SVCOA's most recent annual reporting period of 10/1/2022 through 9/30/2023.

Nutrition Support

The Council helped provide 3,688 meals that were delivered to the homes of 30 older residents in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". In addition, 27 older Rutland Town residents came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 605 meals were provided.

Additionally, SVCOA provided 33.25 hours of one-on-one nutrition support, including nutrition assessments and resource connections and referrals, to 21 residents of Rutland Town.

Case Management Assistance:

SVCOA case management and outreach staff helped 50 elders in your community for a total of 184.75 hours. Case managers meet with an older resident privately in their home or at another agreed upon location and assess their individual situation. They will work with the resident to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the resident desires, the case manager will link them to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help residents connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to frail older Vermonters facing long term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

Other Services and Support:

- "Senior Helpline" assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Senior Helpline staff provide telephone support to older Vermonters and others who need information on available programs and community resources.
- Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program.
- Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project.
- Information about issues and opportunities directly affecting older Vermonters via various agency articles and publications.
- Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA's Registered Dietician.
- Senior Companion support for frail, homebound older Vermonters.
- Outreach services to older Vermonters dealing with mental health issues through our Elder Care Clinician. This service is provided in cooperation with Rutland Mental Health.
- Transportation assistance.
- Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing much needed help to older Vermonters in need of assistance.
- Money Management programs that offer either a volunteer bill payer or representative payee services to older Vermonters and younger disabled individuals.

2023 CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY CENTER REPORT



Dear Citizens of Rutland Town,

The Child First Advocacy Center (CFAC) serves as a central agency through which reports of suspected child abuse can be channeled for investigation and victim recovery. CFAC was established in 1995 and became a fully Accredited Member of the *National Children's Alliance (NCA)* in 2004. We share with NCA the passion to minimize the traumatic effect of child abuse upon the children and families of our community. CFAC is a non-profit organization serving Rutland County to assist families in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence. We provide a safe comfortable environment for the forensic quality and child appropriate interviews, training for professionals and collateral referral services for victims and their non-offending family members. Our agency serves families of all socio-economic levels and is committed to providing quality services regardless of the ability to pay.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Child First Advocacy Center Multidisciplinary Team, we want to thank you for your continued support and dedication.

In calendar year 2023, The Child First Advocacy Center served 171 clients and 144 of their family members. We were able to provide direct wrap around services and support to nine (9) Rutland Town families as they began their recovery from the effects of trauma. In addition, we continue to provide community awareness and education at no cost, to provide adults with the ability to recognize, react and respond appropriately to child sexual abuse and increase each school district's ability to complete the legislatively mandated ACT 1 initiative to train Educators, Community Members and Student's grades K-12 in Child Sexual Abuse Awareness.

The Child First Advocacy Center is requesting funds in the amount of \$3000 to continue our efforts in supporting families in your community. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely, Wendy Loomis, Executive Director 802-747-0200 or wendy.loomis@partner.vermont.gov



Marble Valley Regional Transit District "The Bus"

2023 Town of Rutland, Annual Report

Kris Bascue, Community Outreach Coordinator

Marble Valley Regional Transit District (MVRTD), known as "The Bus" is in its forty seventh year of providing service to the residents of the greater Rutland area. The Bus is the largest, non-urban, public transportation system in the State of Vermont and provides transportation to the general public throughout Rutland County, as well as to social and human service agencies, the resort communities and area businesses. MVRTD provides an enhanced level of self-sufficiency for the elderly, disabled and transportation disadvantaged who rely on public transportation. System ridership was over 616,730 rides this year. MVRTD provides 65 jobs year-round, with upwards of 80 during the winter peak season.

MVRTD provided over 20,800 rides to Rutland Town. Several of our city fixed routes and commuter routes service Rutland Town. Other highly successful routes operated by MVRTD both within Rutland County and beyond provide connections to three adjoining counties thus serving the growing population committed to the environmental benefits of public transit use, as well as the savings realized in the cost of fuel.

MVRTD has provided service under the Elderly and Disabled Program to Rutland Town for many years.

For more information about schedules and services please call (802)773-3244x112 or visit MVRTD's web site at www.thebus.com.

MVRTD thanks the residents of Rutland Town for their support of public transportation.



November 16, 2023

To the Citizens of Rutland Town and the Rutland Town Select Board,

On behalf of BROC Community Action and the thousands of people with low-income or living in poverty that we serve throughout Rutland and Bennington Counties, we want to express our thanks and gratitude for supporting us over the years on Town Meeting Day. BROC Community Action assists families and individuals in crisis and help provide a sustainable path forward.

Over the past year, BROC Community Action assisted 74 residents of Rutland Town. Whether they need food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling and resources and referrals; we are here.

People come to us cold, hungry, homeless, jobless or facing major health conditions every day. Your town appropriation helps ease the struggle for nearly 10,000 people who seek assistance from us each year as we meet the basic needs of their families and provide a path forward whenever possible.

Respectfully, our appropriation request for the upcoming fiscal year remains \$3,900.00.

We truly value our collaboration with Rutland Town as we assist those most in need.

Sincerely,

Thomas L. Donahue, CEO

tdonahue@broc.org



Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region Annual Town Report - December 31, 2023

Navigating the pandemic journey and recent flooding have proven to all of us that Rutland County is a large collection of neighbors, all of whom stand ready to support one another. We encourage you to reflect on all the positive things that are happening in the region. Working together we are moving forward in positive ways. Our communities and businesses are resilient and proactive in their thinking. Every town has something happening that is noteworthy. A small sample of the momentum currently underway includes but is in no way limited to the following. This report is a "shout out" to your hard work and to all of you for standing as neighbors, making Rutland County Strong.

- The Town of Killington was approved for Tax Increment Financing District status, which has launched history changing, long awaited, development of the Town.
- Middletown Springs has moved into their new Town Office.
- The MINT, Rutland's Makerspace, located in Rutland Town, has expanded offerings and space, and has partnered with Rutland Area Robotics, to create a world class facility.
- Fair Haven has launched an easy to navigate website that includes Town services and marketing.
- Activity is underway to grow commercial development at the Airport Industrial Park in Clarendon.
- The Farmers Food Center, in Rutland, and the Pittsford Village Farm projects are reimagining agricultural and town center ecosystems, creating destination locations and economic vitality.
- StartUp Rutland, located in the newly renovated Hub CoWorks in Downtown Rutland, has entered a partnership with *gener8tor*, the nation's third largest business incubator.
- The Wallingford Block continues its path to be a local destination location.
- Danby has successfully renewed its Designated Village Center status allowing for future growth.
- Wonderfeet Kid's Museum has expanded their space and programming with a move to the former Energy Innovation Center on Merchants Row in Rutland.
- Castleton's Recreation Department is bringing people together in exciting ways.
- Proctor continues to expand and improve its outdoor recreation assets.
- A housing working group is developing a plan to meet the spectrum of need.
- Brandon continues to evolve into the one of the finest "quintessential small towns with a village feel."
- West Rutland is focused on downtown housing that will help resolve regional housing issues.
- Mendon is focused on implementing "Mendon on the Move," a comprehensive vision for the future.
- Poultney is reimagining itself with Slate Valley Trails and downtown revitalization.
- The Regional Marketing Initiative is tracking and following up on 1,484 potential new neighbors.
- And look forward to the Third Annual Whoopie Pie Festival in September of 2024!

The Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region (CEDRR) exists to serve our region's families, communities, and businesses. We would like to thank our dedicated Board of Directors, committee members, our member organizations, and sponsors of our work, events, and activities. We look forward to continuing to serve you – our colleagues, friends, organizations, and businesses – as we focus on supporting this special place we call home. For the full story on CEDRR's activities, go to www.RutlandVermont.com and click on the Annual Report.

WONDERFEET KIDS' MUSEUM 2023

How does support of your local children's museum impact the area's families and economy?

Over 20,000 visitors this year - spending time and money in our downtown and neighboring businesses.

Averaging 2,500 visitors a month since opening our new location at the GMP Energy Innovation Center



Over 100 families visited the museum using a Local Library Lending Pass



Over 150 families received reduced-cost Family Museum Memberships



Over 1,000 attendees to our FREE weekly postpartum support and play group, It Takes a Village



Over 800 local students received Wonderfeet programming in their schools or during field trips to the museum



150 visits were conducted by social workers and social service agencies connecting families through the healing power of play!



Wonderfeet partnered with Come Alive Outside, Let's Grow Kids,
Rutland County Parent Child Center, Rutland Free Library,
Children's Literacy Foundation, Partners for Prevention,
Rutland Mental Health Services, Rutland Regional Medical Center,
Rutland County Boys & Girls Club, and The Mint
to provide community events and programs in 2023



In the year 2023, 28 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as the Rutland Town assures that quality services are available for their families, friends and neighbors. Services provided to town residents include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services
- Developmental Disability Services

During fiscal year 2023, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 13,690 hours of services to 156 Rutland Town residents. We value our partnership with the Rutland Town in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

Dick Courcelle

Chief Executive Officer Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.



Town of Rutland Town

To the Officers and Citizens of Rutland Town:

In 2022, the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region (VNAHSR) provided Rutland Town residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From children with more intensive medical needs to seniors who wish to remain independent at home and those who are facing a terminal illness, we continue to bring quality health care wherever it is needed, **regardless** of the location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

In the face of shrinking federal and state reimbursements, along with rising healthcare costs, the VNAHSR has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective healthcare services to Rutland Town's most vulnerable individuals.

Last year VNAHSR's dedicated staff made more than 127,393 home visits to 3,043 patients. In Rutland Town, we provided 3,311 visits to 71 individuals.

Thank you for your continued support! With your vote of confidence, we will continue to fulfill our promise to your community to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services.

Sincerely,

Sara C. King, CEO VNA & Hospice of the

Southwest Region

Dan DiBattista, President Board of Directors

Main Office: 7 Albert Cree Drive | Rutland, VT 05701 | 802-775-0568 | www.vermontvisitingnurses.org
Locations in Rutland, Bennington, Dorset and Manchester

REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

Business: 802-773-1746 Emergency: 911 FAX: 802-773-1717

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ANNUAL REPORT

(Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023) 40 Years of Service 1983 – 2023

To The Honorable Citizens of the Town of Rutland:

We are pleased to present our 40th annual report to the Citizens we serve. Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service for forty years. From 1983 to the end of the fiscal year, Regional has responded to 261,225 ambulance calls. This past year, ending June 30, 2023, the service responded to a total of 11,255 ambulance calls in our 12 communities and an additional 120 "Medic One" paramedic intercept calls. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to continuing to serve the public.

Staff shortages have plagued healthcare including EMS throughout the country. Regional Ambulance has had problems like all healthcare with staffing. It is our employees who deserve the credit for their continued excellent response and commitment to the communities we serve. We thank them and encourage you to do the same for the work they do. All of our employees continue to serve and fulfill our motto of "Serving People First with Pride, Proficiency and Professionalism".

Regional Ambulance started construction on a second facility in West Rutland. This facility will start being used in the next year. It has the capacity to house 4 ambulances. When staffed it will be closer for calls on the west side as well as have redundancy for dispatch and be able to be used during any type of disaster that affects the main building in Rutland.

We thank everyone from the communities we serve, our co-workers, our fellow emergency service workers and everyone in the community who have been so gracious with their support, kindness and generosity.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have successfully level funded or lowered the assessment rate for the past 39 years. Since 1990 the assessment rate has decreased by 36%. Our current assessment rate is \$4 per capita and remains unchanged for the next fiscal year. The public support of our Membership program, direct donations, memorials and estate gifts have been vital to our continued success. Thank you.

Monthly CPR classes are taught at Regional Ambulance. Last year, through the R.A.S. American Heart Association Training Center, 1,755 people were trained in CPR. Tours, lectures, demonstrations and CPR classes are available for the general public. Child Car Seat inspections are performed at the Regional Ambulance building at 275 Stratton Rd by appointment only. We completed 65 child car seat inspections this past year.

The public is encouraged to visit and talk to our employees at our Stratton Road facility. Please feel free to contact Jim Finger, Chief Executive Administrator, or your Representative, if you have any questions concerning the service.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Regional Ambulance Service Inc. will continue working to provide the highest quality of emergency ambulance care at the lowest possible cost to all of the citizens we serve.

Sincerely, Paul Kulig, President R.A.S. Board of Directors

Martin Wasserman Town of Rutland Representative R.A.S. Board of Directors Rutland Free Library was a busy place in Fiscal Year 2023, with an increase in circulation of almost 11 percent from the previous year. Library users checked out 125,000 items this year, including print books and magazines, audio books on CD, DVDs, downloadable audio and e-books, and streaming video and music.

Demand for online borrowing continues to blossom, increasing to 22,000 items from less than 9,000 in just five years, with double-digit growth each year. This is made possible because of the generosity of Nella Grimm Fox, whose bequest pays for all our materials. Most libraries are struggling to meet the demand for e-books and audiobooks, where publishers impose penalties on library purchases far exceeding the list price, and arbitrarily withdraw titles from our collections. Without the Fox Fund, which is restricted to spending on materials and programs, Rutland Free would also be in dire straits.

Also taking advantage of the Fox Fund, the library has greatly increased its programming, especially children's programs. In addition to a full schedule of events in the building, the Library was at the Town Celebration at Northwood Park, and our children's librarian did a standing-room-only series of visits to Hathaway Farm and Mendon Mountain Orchard for story times.

Thanks to a generous donation from the estate of Roger Pike, we are digitizing our local genealogy collection, which should be available online by the time this report is published. The largest part of that collection is hand-written family trees done by local genealogist Marvel Swan some decades ago.

The library also received welcome news on the building front. The state Department of Libraries announced \$16.2 million to be available in competitive grants for capital improvements statewide. Although the deadline has been pushed back, Rutland Free is applying and hopes to receive a substantial grant to enable a long-overdue renovation of the city-owned building at 10 Court St.

We continue to partner with a wide variety of organizations, including The Mint, Chaffee Art Center, Wonderfeet Kids Museum, Rutland County Parent Child Center, Partners for Prevention, Rutland City Public Schools, Rutland Homeless Prevention Center, VINS, Rutland South Rotary, Rutland Garden Club, Vermont Humanities, and a huge number of volunteers.

Of particular note is the hard work done by The Friends of Rutland Free Library, whose ongoing book sales generated over \$20,000 in direct support to the library last year, and to Dolly Parton Imagination Library, whose Rutland Free Library chapter mails books free of charge to children from birth until their fifth birthday.

Randal Smathers,

Director, Rutland Free Library

Board of Trustees, FY 2023

Barry Cohen – President / Treasurer (Tinmouth)

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Joe Bertelloni (Rutland Town)

Allyn Kahle (Ira)

Candice Britt (Rutland City)

Matt Britt (Rutland City)

Sarah Marcus (Rutland City)

William Notte (Rutland City / mayoral appt.) Matt Olewnik (Rutland City)

John Skinner (Rutland City) Ken Watson – (Rutland Town)

Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District (RNRCD) Report Amount Requested \$250

A sample of the activities the RNRCD was involved in during 2022/2023:

Organization:

Local Work Group - District Supervisors participate in Local Work Group meetings to assist USDA in setting local priorities for Cost Share Programs administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Programs:

Agricultural Outreach Specialist – The District in cooperation with the Poultney Mettowee and Bennington County NRCD's share staff who work with landowners to find solutions to water quality issues, assist with nutrient management planning and oversee shared equipment used by famers to cost effectively implement environmentally friendly field practices.

Conservation Planner - The District works with a Conservation Planner providing technical assistance to farmers for the development of Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans, natural resource assessment, and conservation contract development and management.

Portable Skidder Bridges – The District has a portable skidder bridge available for rent to loggers and foresters. Skidder bridges reduce stream disturbance, minimizing the potential for erosion and sedimentation.

Outreach:

Website – Please visit our website: https://www.vacd.org/conservation-districts/rutland for more information about District projects and programs. Search for us on Facebook

Watershed Planning for the Upper Otter Creek and its Tributaries:

With funding through grant sources, the District:

- Received a final design for a Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) at West Seminary Street Public Park in the Town of Brandon. This park includes a basketball court, playing field and dog park. The design was completed by Watershed Consulting Associates, LLC.
- Hired an Engineering Consultant to develop a Stormwater Master Plan (SWMP) for the Town of West Rutland. The overall objective is to provide the Town with a strategic approach for meeting stormwater management needs in the Clarendon River watershed, to address pressing water resource concerns in a cost-efficient and targeted manner.
- Is continuing to work with the Town of Proctor to develop a Stormwater Master Plan (SWMP).
 The overall objective is to provide the Town with a strategic approach for meeting stormwater management needs in the Otter Creek watershed, to address pressing water resource concerns in a cost-efficient and targeted manner.
- Worked to develop and prepare projects for future design and implementation throughout the District. These projects have been identified in Stormwater Master Plans or other assessments/reports.

The District will continue to work with the City of Rutland, Towns, and landowners to develop and prepare projects for future design and implementation. These projects have been identified in Stormwater Master Plans or other assessment/plans.

For further information or to be added to our mailing list or list of volunteers, please contact Nanci McGuire at nanci.mcguire@vt.nacdnet.net

- SOLID WASTE ALLIANCE COMMUNITIES -

www.rutlandcountyswac.org

Steve Sgorbati, Chair – Sudbury John Garrison, Vice Chair – West Haven Bonnie Rosati, Secretary/Treasurer - Fair Haven Pamela Lavoie Clapp, Administrator Telephone: (802) 342-5701 Email: solidwastealliancecommunities@gmail.com

Act 148 - Universal Recycling Law - Fully Implemented and Enforceable

July 1, 2020

Haulers must offer food scrap collection to businesses, schools, transfer stations, and apartment complexes with more than four units.

July 1, 2020

Food scraps are banned from landfills. 20 mile limit no longer applies.

July 1, 2017

Transfer stations must accept food scraps.

Generators of 18 tons of food scraps (1/2 ton per week) must divert if facility exists within 20 miles.

July 1, 2016

Leaf, yard waste and clean wood are banned from landfills Haulers must offer leaf and yard debris collection.

Generators of 26 tons/year (2 tons per week) of food wastes must divert if composting facility exists within 20 miles.

July 1, 2015

Residential trash must be charged based on volume or weight.

Recyclables are banned from landfills.

Transfer stations must accept leaf and yard waste.

Haulers and transfer stations must

SWAC is composed of the towns of Benson, Chittenden, Fair Haven, Middletown Springs, Pawlet, Rutland Town, Shrewsbury, Sudbury, Tinmouth, and West Haven and serves a population of approximately 14,000 people. These towns work cooperatively to comply with State laws and mandates managing solid and hazardous waste issues in an environmentally responsible and cost effective manner.

In 2023, SWAC successfully complied with Year Three Act 148 / ANR Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) requirements. The SWIP meets the requirements of the State's Material Management Plan and outlines how solid and hazardous waste will be managed in the SWAC towns for a five-year period. All towns in Vermont are required to be included in a SWIP. The requirements are extensive. The currently approved and adopted SWIP is available for review on the SWAC website. (rutlandcountyswac.org)

SWAC acts as a liaison to the State of Vermont representing the SWAC town's interests on issues pertaining to legislation, rule changes, SWIP requirements, and Product Stewardship.

SWAC is a member of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council and Product Stewardship Institute. These groups have been instrumental in getting Environmental Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation passed in Vermont. The EPR legislation requires manufacturers to be financially responsible for the end of life collection of their product(s) thereby saving Vermont's resident's disposal/recycling costs. Active programs are in place for the collection of architectural paint, batteries, automobile switches, mercury thermostats, mercury lamps, compact fluorescent bulbs, and electronics waste. This year, the Vermont Legislature passed Act 58. Act 58 requires manufacturers of household hazardous waste products to set up programs to collect and pay for the disposal of their hazardous products. The new law will be phased in over a period of years and will help relieve the financial burden on the towns for hazardous waste disposal.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW): HHW collection is the most costly endeavor undertaken. SWAC contracts with US Ecology to hold two HHW events. **5.25 tons** of hazardous waste was collected from 138 households and 2 businesses. Products included oxidizers, acids, alkalines, reactives, pesticides, aerosols, flammable liquids, ammonia, mercury devices, latex, oil based, and flammable paints, asbestos, and antifreeze.

Thank you for participating in SWAC's efforts to properly recycle and dispose of solid and hazardous waste. To keep your communities HHW and solid waste collection costs down, remember to **Repurpose**, **Reuse**, **Repair**, **Refuse**, **Reduce**, **and then Recycle**. Consider buying less-toxic products that do not need to be disposed of as hazardous waste. If you do buy a product, use it up for its intended purpose, or give it to a friend, neighbor, or relative to use. Visit the SWAC website (What Do I Do With page) for locations where electronics, paint, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and waste oil are accepted for **FREE** year round. No need to wait for the HHW events.

2024 HW Schedule - Saturday, **April 27**, Rutland Town Transfer Station, 218 Northwood Park; Saturday, **October 5**, Fair Haven Transfer Station, 175 Fair Haven Avenue. These event times are 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. These events are free to all SWAC residents. The SWAC website provides additional information on these events.

Between events: Residents that are not part of the Rutland County Solid Waste District (RCSWD) may purchase a non-district permit to utilize the RCSWD Gleason Road transfer station and hazardous waste depot. This permit allows access to the Gleason Road facility and provides drop-off of household hazardous waste, and, trash disposal at current rates, and access to recycling drop-offs. Permit purchase is available at the scalehouse or hazardous waste depot at the transfer station or at the RCSWD offices, located at 1 Smith Road, Rutland, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Permits are not available for sale on weekends at either location. Telephone 802-775-7209 for additional information and current rates.

Special thanks to town staff and transfer station attendants who keep operations going despite the difficulties involved. Many thanks to the SWAC representatives, volunteers, many town clerks, and administrators. They spend countless hours assuring SWAC continues to run efficiently and cost effectively.

Your town was represented by:

Town of Benson Greg Fontaine, Guy Charlton, Heidi Chandler Town of Chittenden Elmer Wheeler

Town of Fair Haven Bonnie Rosati (Secretary/Treasurer) Town of Middletown Springs Glen Moyer, Terry Redfield, Patty Kenyon

Town of Pawlet Lenny Gibson Town of Rutland Larry Delveneri
Town of Shrewsbury Bert Potter Town of Sudbury Steve Sgorbati (Chair)
Town of Tinmouth Chris Martone, Gail Fallar Town of West Haven John Garrison (Vice Chair)

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ANNUAL REPORT TO The Town of Rutland

2023

The Rutland County Humane Society is dedicated to advocating for and working towards a responsible and humane community. We provide shelter and adoption opportunities for pets that are homeless and promote animal welfare through community programs that benefit both animals and people.

We also serve our community by providing information and referral services to people dealing with animal issues.

The RCHS shelter is the largest program of the agency, taking in more than 1,000 animals in 2023.

Our agency is funded through fees for service, town funding, membership, donations and special events. No funding comes from the state or federal government or national organizations. We sincerely thank those who support our operations. We can only save lives with your help.

The Rutland County Humane Society took in 16 animals from the Town of Rutland from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Please call us at 483.9171 or visit our website at RCHSVT.org if you would like more information about the Rutland County Humane Society.

TIME TO SPAY & NEUTER CATS & DOGS and LICENSE!

The VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP), under VT Economic Services is administered by VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society (VVSA). Funded by a \$4.00 fee added to the licensing of dogs, resources are limited by the number of dogs licensed as required by law by 6 months of age. A rabies vaccination is required to license. The first vaccination can be given at 12 weeks of age. If unable to schedule an appointment with a vet office, Community Animal Aid (free to those on public assistance: 734-0259 at the E. Barre Fire Station) & Tractor Supply host monthly clinics. After vaccinating, contact your Town Clerk to license your dog. By statute, unlicensed dogs can be seized. Rabies is in Vermont and it is deadly.

Licensing identifies your dog and is proof the dog is protected in the event bitten by an animal, but would still need immediate medical attention. Vaccinations and licensing protect if they bite another animal or person, which could result in the quarantine of the animal or euthanized. If not proven by being licensed to be currently vaccinated, testing for rabies requires the brain to be examined.

For an Application for VSNIP send a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope to: VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgwater, VT 05034. Note if it is for a cat, dog, or both. To print out, go to: <u>VSNIP.Vermont.Gov.</u> VSNIP helps income challenged Vermonters with neutering and vaccinations. If approved, you'll receive a Voucher and instructions. If not, a list of low-cost resources will be sent. Several humane societies host spay neuter clinics open to the public. Your cost for a VSNIP surgery is \$27.00, if without complications. The balance is paid by fellow Vermonters with their \$4.00 fee collected at licensing. **Veterinarians and their staff are the backbone of this important program. Thanks to their generosity and altruistic vision, Vermont no longer uses routine euthanasia as a means of population control. Sincerely thank your veterinarian for their participation in VSNIP. If not currently a participating office, please ask them to join and help make a difference in your community. They are very needed.**

Facts: Female cats as young as 4 months can become pregnant. The "mom" cat can/will become pregnant when nursing is finished. Males travel for miles to find a female in heat, often not returning. Cats and dogs (naturally) mark their territory if not neutered. Resolve Carpet Cleaner and a single moth ball in its place will help deter from repeat markings. (Do not use moth balls with young children in the house.) 70% of cats and 15% of dogs using VSNIP are reported as strays or abandoned, which is cruel and illegal. Please do promote VSNIP, helping those that cannot afford to neuter, that will otherwise reproduce over and over. Repeat litters can cause uterine infection, mammary tumors, kidney failure, etc., leading to death. "Farm" cats are especially at risk. Be wary of any seller of animals that won't allow you to see how they are kept before acquiring and want to meet in a parking lot. Animals are often used as a means of making money, and their life may be the inside a room or cage. Please be the voice for those that cannot speak. Purchasing does not 'save' one, it 'enables' those to continue to misuse animals for money. Thank you for promoting this time proven program.

Thanks to now retired Lynn Murrell, DVM, who first agreed to extend reduced rates for animals in need, and all the Veterinarians and Clinics that served for the last forty years plus. A sincere thank you to Bernard "Snook" Downing for helping support many animals in need over the years with his hard work, contributions, and the donors we are unable to thank in print – but you know who you are! *Together*

We Truly Do Make a Difference! 800 HI VSNIP (1-800-448-7647)

Sue Skaskiw, Administrator: VSNIP Executive Director: VVSA

As we reflect on the past year, the Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC) extends its deepest gratitude to the towns within our region for their unwavering support and collaborative efforts in advancing community and economic development, thoughtful planning, and sustainable growth.

Community and Economic Development

In the pursuit of fostering vibrant communities, we are actively engaged in community and economic development initiatives, such as Brownfields Redevelopment. Through strategic partnerships and public investment, we've worked to transform underutilized areas, like Pittsford Village Farm, into valuable community assets.

Town Planning and Zoning

By providing guidance and support to towns modernizing and updating their municipal plans and zoning regulations, we aim to create balanced, sustainable, and resilient communities that meet the needs of residents and businesses.

Water Quality and Natural Resources

Preserving our region's water quality and natural resources is a shared responsibility. Through collaborative efforts with local governments and organizations, our work as the South Lake Champlain Clean Water Service Provider identifies and develops projects that safeguard our water sources and protect the richness of our natural landscapes.

Emergency Preparedness and Climate Resilience

The RRPC led the charge responding and recovering from this summer's historic flooding. Beyond enhancing planning processes, we are committed to training local Emergency Management Directors (EMDs), ensuring swift and effective emergency responses, and building resilient communities equipped to navigate evolving climate dynamics.

Multimodal Transportation

Efficient and sustainable transportation is vital for the well-being of our communities. The RRPC has worked towards developing multimodal transportation solutions, such as an analysis of the Rutland City Bus System, that prioritize accessibility and safety.

Energy Conservation and Efficiency

Addressing the importance of energy conservation and efficiency, the RRPC has supported initiatives aimed at reducing energy consumption and promoting the use of renewable energy sources. We are working with towns across the region to implement the Municipal Energy Resilience Program, aimed at saving energy and money for our critical town-owned buildings.

Affordable Housing

Recognizing the need for diverse and affordable housing options, the RRPC has actively supported initiatives to address housing challenges. We worked closely with Vermont Finance Housing Agency (VHFA) to complete the 2023 Rutland Region Housing Needs Assessment and created a new planning program to help towns navigate housing challenges and opportunities.

Equity

Promoting equity is at the core of our planning efforts. We are dedicated to ensuring that our planning processes consider the needs and perspectives of all residents, fostering inclusive and equitable communities.

Regional Planning

We are thrilled to initiate a three-year process to update the 2018 Regional Plan, aiming to make it a true reflection of local priorities. We encourage active participation from residents, businesses, and organizations in meetings, workshops, and surveys to ensure diverse perspectives shape the updated plan. Your insights are invaluable in creating a blueprint for sustainable development, economic growth, and community enhancement. Stay tuned for upcoming engagement opportunities!

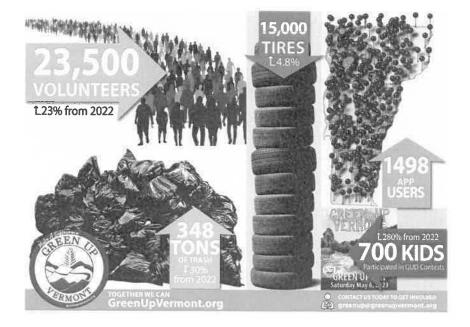
In closing, we want to thank all of the dedicated local volunteers and civil servants for their commitment to our region. Active participation in the local planning process ensures that diverse perspectives contribute to our shared vision. All are invited to join in helping shape our future as we look forward to another year of progress, innovation, and shared success.

Devon Neary, Executive Director



GREEN UP VERMONT www.greenupvermont.org

Green Up Day May 6, 2023



Green Up Day, continued to grow with 23,500 volunteers statewide who cleaned up nearly 348 tons of litter and 15,000 tires. We saw 23% more volunteers lend a hand and heard in many cases there was less litter (30%) to be cleaned up. Tire collection saw a 4.8% increase. The statistics show that the hard work to beautify Vermont is still needed but also that our efforts for awareness are paying off. As one of Vermont's favorite traditions, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont, as well as keep residents civically engaged.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are requesting level funding for 2024.

Green Up initiatives are year-round and further our environmental impact with waste reduction programs, additional clean-up efforts, and educational initiatives.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride, and community engagement. Thank you for supporting this crucial program that takes care of all our cities and towns.

Your donations make a huge impact and can be made on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or online at www.greenupvermont.org.

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow on Instagram (greenupvermont). greenup@greenupvermont.org 802-522-7245

Local Health Office Annual Report: 2023

Rutland Local Health Office | 88 Merchants Row, Suite 300, Rutland, VT 802-786-5811 | AHS.VDHRutland@Vermont.gov

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. **The Rutland Local Health Office provides essential services and resources to Rutland County.** Some highlights of our work in 2023 are below. For more information on our work, visit HealthVermont.gov/local/rutland

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Meeting Community Needs

- In 2023 we held weekly vaccination clinics for community members experiencing barriers to accessing care. COVID test kits, Narcan harm reduction kits, condoms and health education materials were available at these clinics.
- Our Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) volunteers partnered with Rutland County Free Clinic, Turning Point and Rutland Mental Health to support the complex needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- We supported healthcare coordination for kids in foster care, gave out free baby supplies at our community baby shower and provided food and nutrition services to over 1,200 people through the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program.



Building Capacity

- Our staff provides grant consultation to local non-profit organizations. With our support, partners received nearly \$250,000 in 2023 which has helped our community create lasting systems that improve the health of our friends and neighbors. These funds supported many programs, such as the new Rutland County Pride Center.
- Our staff also trained and educated the community on important topics. One example
 is a workshop we gave on Xylazine, which is a sedative found in street drugs. This
 drug makes it harder to respond to overdoses and provide medical care.



T Emergency Preparedness

Our staff supported community members impacted by this summer's flooding events. We staffed state-wide flood resource centers, gave out drinking water test kits, supported the development of a Long Term Recovery group and provided many hours of consultation and information around flood response.







2023 Rutland Town Officials & Photos



Board Chair Mary Ashcroft



Board Clerk Joe Denardo



Sharon Russell



Kurt Hathaway



Matt Getty



Town Clerk and Treasurer





Town Administrator

Bill Sweet



Town Lister

Jack McCamley

Town Head Lister

Marcia Chioffi

<u>Town Lister</u> Marie Faignant



Road Commissioner

Dave Sears



<u>Assistant Fire Chief</u>

Larry Dell Veneri

Fire Chief

Chris Clark

Assistant Fire Chief

Michael Carlson



Police Chief

Ed Dumas



Deputy Police Chief

Ted Washburn



 $\frac{\textbf{Recreation Director}}{\textbf{Michal Rowe}}$



Town Health Officer

John Paul Faignant



Forest Fire Warden
Joe Denardo



Emergency Management Director

Martin Wasserman



Planning Commission

Back Row- Dana Peterson, Jerry Stearns, Jim Hall, Sherman Hunter Front Row – Chairperson Barbara Noyes-Pulling, Mary Beth Poli, Norman Cohen Not Pictured –Howard Burgess, Andrew McKane





Cheney Hill Cemetery Commissioners

Kurt Hathaway

Byron J. Hathaway

K9 Rooster bio:

K9 Rooster is the newest addition to the Rutland Town Police Department. He is a 3-year-old German Shepherd / Belgian Malinois mix. K9 Rooster began his life with Callie Falker and John Cioffi Jr, Rutland area residents. Callie and John had intended for Rooster (formerly, Vito) to be part of their family in their home. However, Rooster's incredibly high drive made it clear that Rooster was not the home dog his breeder said he was and that he was destined for much greater things. Callie turned to Nathan Harvey of Every Day Canine for help, who in turn connected her with Officer Plakas. Officer Plakas adopted K9 Rooster from Callie in October 2022. K9 Rooster now lives with his brother, Ace, and a small human that he takes care of when he isn't working. The Rutland Town Police Department cannot thank Callie and John enough for their kindness, generosity, and desire to give Rooster a life that will allow him to utilize his drive. The Rutland Town Police Department would also like to thank Nathan Harvey and Every Day Canine for their continued support in training and education.

K9 Rooster and Officer Plakas attended Drug Detection School at the Vermont Police Academy at the start of 2023. K9 Rooster was certified by the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council Canine Certification Committee in February of 2023 to detect the presence of numerous illegal drugs / narcotics and has since recertified in the same odors in December of 2023. K9 Rooster has been deployed over two dozen times in 2023 for drug related cases, resulting in the seizure of large quantities of drugs, multiple guns, and numerous arrests.

K9 Rooster will attend patrol school in 2024 where he will be trained in tracking, building searches, evidence recovery, apprehension, and obedience. K9 Rooster will learn many new skills including tracking people, both missing persons and suspects of crimes.

