

Town of
Orange, Vermont
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Annual Report of the Town Officers

For the year ending

December 31, 2018

**Echo Valley Community District
Orange Center Campus
Town Meeting Dinner
March 5, 2019**



Sponsored by the OCC Grade 8
Seating starts at 5 PM in the OCC Cafeteria!

Adults: \$5.00 Kids under 11: \$3.00 (dessert by donation)

The Grade 8 class extends their thanks to all parents and community members who have helped with our fundraising efforts. They will also be selling raffle tickets at the dinner to benefit the OCC 8th Grade.

The Echo Valley Community School District Directors will sponsor a Town Meeting Forum at Washington Village School
Wednesday February 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM.

All citizens, officers and candidates for office are cordially invited to attend.

PLEASE BRING YOUR TOWN REPORT!!!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Hours: Monday-Friday	8:00 AM – 12:00 PM "closed for lunch" 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	
Town Clerk/Treasurer	Angela Eastman	aeastman@orangevt.org
Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer	Linda Eggleston	leggleston@orangevt.org
Office Phone/Fax	802-479-2673	
Website	www.orangevt.org	

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Orange County Sheriff's Dept:	sheriff@orangecountysheriff.com	802-685-4875
Game Warden: Paul Brown	pbrown@dps.state.vt.us	h) 802-485-4432 802-229-9191
Police, Fire, Rescue		911
Orange County Courthouse		802-685-4610
Vermont State Police		802-229-9191
Animal Control: Michele Boyer		802-439-6877

REPRESENTATIVES

Representative Robert Frenier	802-685-4900
Representative Rodney Graham	802-433-6127
Senator Jane Kitchel	802-684-3482
Governor Phil Scott	802-828-7281
Senator Patrick Leahy	800-642-3193
Senator Joe Benning	802-626-3600
Senator Bernie Sanders	802-862-0697
Representative to Congress Peter Welch	888-605-7270
Sargent-at-Arms (to leave a message for Senators and Representatives)	802-828-2228

BURNING PERMITS

(Needed when there is no snow on the ground) **Leave Message**

Fred Byrd	Fire Warden	802-622-0414	802-595-1916
John Barnes	Asst. Fire Warden		802-439-5166

MEETING SCHEDULES

Select Board	2 nd Monday @ 6:00 PM	Town Clerk's Office
School Board	1 st Wednesday @ 6:30 PM	Orange Center School
Planning Commission	Bi-Monthly/As needed	Town Clerk's Office

OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King, Jr Day (floater)	Veteran's Day
Presidents Day (floater)	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Day after Thanksgiving
Independence Day	Christmas Day

PRESENT TOWN OFFICERS – ELECTED

1 Year Terms:

Moderator	Adrian Otterman
Town Clerk	Angela Eastman(appointed)
Town Treasurer	Linda Eggleston(appointed)
Delinquent Tax Collector	Mary Clafin

3 Year Terms:

SELECT BOARD

Term Expires 2020	Lee Youngman
Term Expires 2021	Sue Perrault
Term Expires 2019	Eric Holmgren - Chair

LISTERS

Term Expires 2020	John McNeil
Term Expires 2021	Ed Bedard
Term Expires 2019	Arthur McNeil

AUDITORS

Term Expires 2020	Amy White
Term Expires 2021	John McNeil
Term Expires 2019	Janis Blais

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Term Expires 2020	Thomas Seerveld
Term Expires 2020	Clark Agnew
Term Expires 2020	Laura Deprato

ECHO VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Term Expires 2021	ORANGE	Jessica Foster
Term Expires 2019	ORANGE	Alan Small
Term Expires 2020	ORANGE	Tom Dwyer
Term Expires 2020	WASHINGTON	Danielle Palmer
Term Expires 2021	WASHINGTON	Jennifer Trombly
Term Expires 2019	WASHINGTON	Joe Bresette

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE/BCA - Call for marriage ceremonies

Term Expires 1/31/2020	479-0334	Lee Martenson
Term Expires 1/31/2020	498-4550	Francis "Fred" Kidder
Term Expires 1/31/2020	439-6616	Dean Smith
Term Expires 1/31/2020	479-2570	Sue Perreault
Term Expires 1/31/2020	249-1865	Tina Otis

PRESENT TOWN OFFICERS – APPOINTED

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTBOARD(TO SERVE OUT EXISTING TERM):

Town Clerk/Assistant Treasurer	Angela Eastman
Treasurer/Assistant Town Clerk	Linda Eggleston

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTBOARD

Central VT Transportation Advisory Committee	Lee Cattaneo
Civil Defense Director	Sue Perrault
Economic Development Representative	Lee Cattaneo
Emergency Preparedness	Lee Youngman
Energy Coordinator	Sue Perrault
Green Up Chair	Kathie Felch
Health Officer	Lee Youngman
Pound Keeper	Country K-9 Kennel
Regional Planning Commission	Lee Cattaneo
Road Foreman	John Barnes
Solid Waste Management District Representative	Lee Cattaneo
Recreation Committee Members	Ginny Raboin
	Mike Raboin
	Bonnie Raboin
	Sylvia O'Brien

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Term Expires June 13, 2021	Appointed	Eric Holmgren
Term Expires June 13, 2021		Lee Cattaneo
Term Expires June 13, 2019		Ray Rossi



Warning for Town Meeting

The legal voters of the Town of Orange are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town of Orange on Tuesday the 5th of March, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. to transact the following business:

- Article 1 To elect a Moderator for the coming term as the law directs.
- Article 2 To receive and act upon the reports of the Town Officers as printed in the current Town Report.
- Article 3 Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town clerk in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2651e?
- Article 4 Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town treasurer in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2651f?
- Article 5 Shall the town authorize the elimination of the office of Town Auditor, with future audits to be provided by a public accountant licensed in this State in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2651b(a)? (Voted by paper ballot.)
- Article 6 To elect all necessary Town officers for the coming term as the law directs.

1 Year Terms:

Town Clerk

NOTE: If Article 3 is approved, then pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2651e(c), the elected Town Clerk's term will expire 45 calendar days after town meeting day, or on the date upon which the Selectboard appoints a Town Clerk, whichever occurs first.

Town Treasurer

NOTE: If Article 4 is approved, then pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2651f(c), the elected Town Treasurer's term will expire 45 calendar days after town meeting day, or on the date upon which the Selectboard appoints a Town Treasurer, whichever occurs first.

Delinquent Tax Collector

3 Year Terms:

Selectboard

Lister

Auditor

NOTE: If Article 5 is approved, then pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2651b(b), the terms of office of all elected auditors will expire on the 45th day after town meeting day, or on the date upon which the Selectboard enters into a contract with a public accountant, whichever occurs first.

Cemetery Commissioner

- Article 7 To determine if the electorate will vote to raise the sum of **\$260,411.00** or some other sum for the General Fund of which **\$190,158.00** is to be raised in taxes.

Article 8	To determine if the electorate will vote to raise the sum of \$447,050.00 or some other sum for the Highway fund of which \$373,050.00 is to be raised in taxes.		
Article 9	To determine if the electorate will vote to raise the sum of \$7,000.00 to support the Town Cemeteries.		
Article10	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for The Family Center of Washington County.	Request:	\$500.00
Article11	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Central VT Adult Basic Education.	Request:	\$725.00
Article12	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Orange County Diversion.	Request:	\$240.00
Article13	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Central VT Council on Aging.	Request:	\$1,000.00
Article14	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Capstone Community Action.	Request:	\$300.00
Article15	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Safeline.	Request:	\$700.00
Article16	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Home Share Now, Inc.	Request:	\$300.00
Article17	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for People's Health and Wellness Clinic.	Request:	\$750.00
Article18	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Central VT Home Health and Hospice.	Request:	\$2,400.00
Article19	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Good Beginnings of Central Vermont	Request:	\$100.00
Article20	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Good Samaritan Haven.	Request:	\$400.00
Article21	To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Cornerstone Homeschool Group	Request:	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
		Total	\$8,415.00
Article 22	To determine the method of collection of taxes for 2019		
Article 23	Will the Town vote to set the time to start Town Meeting 2020?		
Article 24	To discuss any other business that may come before this meeting.		

Eric Holmgren, Selectboard
Chair Lee Youngman
Sue Perrault

ANNUAL TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING

MARCH 6th, 2018 6:30 P.M.

Town Moderator, Adrian Otterman called the Annual Meeting for the Town & School to order at 6:32 p.m. Adrian opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. We had a moment of silence for George Malek and the opportunity of self-governance.

Adrian explained the Roberts Rules of Order that he would be following for the meeting and that he would moderate this meeting until another Moderator was elected under Article 1 of the School and Town meetings. He then read both the School and Town warnings.

Adrian asked to have one vote for Article 1 to elect a Moderator for the coming term as the law directs. Fred Kidder nominated Adrian Otterman for Moderator for both Town and School. There was a second and Adrian was elected for the ensuing year. Adrian recessed the Town Meeting to first complete the School Meeting.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

Article 2 – To elect a school director for one year. There was a nomination and 2nd for Corinne Relation

Article 3 – To elect a school director for one year. There was a nomination and a 2nd for Alan Small.

Article 4 - To elect a school director for one year. There was a nomination for Janis Blais, she declined. There were no other nominations.

Article 5 – To transact any other business that may properly become before this meeting. Jess Foster announced that the budget passed for the Unified School District and she was very happy for the kids and all the hard work from all that were part of the merger. There was discussion that Pre-K – 4th grade would be going to Washington and 5th – 8th grade would be going to Orange. Jess explained that there would be 2 principals for this transition year and they would explore other possibilities for the future. Janis Blais asked if there would be Australian ballot for future votes on at least the budget if it will be voted during the day. Jess explained that she would be asking for feedback about how/what time for next from the voters. She did say next year the vote will be held in Orange, they will alternate between towns. There was nothing on the warning that set the date and time for the next meeting. Lee Youngman asked about the \$60,000.00 for a capital improvement fund that was not able to be voted. Jess explained that there would have to be a special meeting for that question and she does not know as the Schoolboard has not met to discuss this yet.

Adrian asked for a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Adrian Otterman read the warning for Town Meeting and then gave Chris Lamonda from the Barre Town EMS some time to talk about the changes to the way the EMS is now operating. They have created some part time positions so the full-time staff have more bearable hours to save on burn out.

Article 2 – There was a motion and 2nd to approve the reports of the Town Officers as printed.

Article 3 – To elect Town Officers for the coming term.

1 Year Term Town Clerk – Janis Blais nominated Kathie Felch - elected.

1 Year Term Town Treasurer – Janis Blais nominated Kathie Felch - elected.

1 Year Term Delinquent Tax Collector – Kevin Wilson nominated Mary Clafin - elected.

3 Year Term Selectboard – Dirk Anderson nominated Sue Perreault. Corrine Relation nominated Bob Richardson, he declined. Mary Clafin nominated Gary Eggleston, he declined. There were no other nominations. Town Clerk was instructed to cast one Ballot for Sue Perreault.

3 Year Term Lister – John McNeil nominated Edmund Bedard. Town Clerk instructed to cast one Ballot.

3 Year Term Auditor – Kevin Wilson nominated John McNeil. Town Clerk instructed to cast one Ballot.

3 Year Term Cemetery Commissioner – Bob Richardson nominated Kevin Wilson, he declined. Janis Blais nominated Clark Agnew. Town Clerk instructed to cast one Ballot.

Article 4 -To set the compensation of the Town Officers. Fred Kidder made a motion to set the salaries the same as last year. Town Clerk \$42,000, Asst Town Clerk \$19,500. Selectboard Members \$1,000 each, Other Officers \$20.00 hour. So moved and seconded.

Article – David Childs made a motion to approve as printed in the town report. So moved and seconded. The town will raise the sum of \$260,026.00 for the General Fund, of which \$222,478.72 is to be raised in taxes. The body approved the motion.

Article 6 – Fred Kidder made a motion to approve as printed in the town report. Jessica Foster asked if that was enough for the Highway Fund to maintain the roads. Eric explained that the town wants to be conservative. Jess made a motion to amend the budget and increase the paving/resurfacing budget by \$20,000.00. The body declined to amend the main motion. It was moved and seconded to approve the original motion. The town will raise the sum of \$430,650.00 or some other sum for the Highway Fund of which \$347,399.7. The body approved the motion.

Article 7 – To determine to raise the sum of \$7,000 to support the Town Cemeteries. Dirk Anderson made a motion to approve as submitted. Kevin Wilson asked if the town went to the Peake Cemetery this year. Kathie explained there was resistance from the adjoining property owner that hasn't been resolved and the town didn't want to turn it into a legal issue but we will pursue it this summer. There was a second to the main motion and the body voted to approve.

Article 8 – 18 - To determine what amount of money the town will vote for Non-Profits. Adrian Asked to vote with a single vote for a total of \$7,125.00. Fred Kidder made a motion to approve as submitted. There was a second and the body voted to approve.

Collette Smith spoke on behalf of Community Capstone which served 75 households in Orange this year.

Sue Perreault spoke on behalf of Safeline which provided 79 services for 14 residents in Orange.

Article 19 – To determine if the electorate will to raise the sum of \$85,000.00 to pave a 1305' x 22' section of Reservoir Road. Jess Foster made a motion to approve. There was a second and the body voted to approve.

There was discussion about taking out a bond and paving the entire road. Eric explained that before it was even paid off it would be deteriorated. The board plans to devise a plan to complete a section each year.

Article 20 – To determine the method of collection of taxes for 2018. Fred Kidder made a motion to approve August 15th and November 15th with a 5 day grace period. Tina Otis seconded and the body voted to approve.

Article 21 – Will the Town vote to set the time to start Town Meeting 2019. Fred Kidder made a motion to keep as the first Tuesday of March @ 6:30 p.m. There was a second and the body voted to approve.

Article 22 – To discuss any other business that may come before this meeting. Kevin Wilson would like the board to consider a leash law for Orange. There was discussion and the board will look into possibly revising the Animal Control Ordinance.

With no other business to come before the board, Adrian asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Attest,

Kathie Felch

Town Clerk/Treasurer

01/12/2019
02:37 pm

Orange 2018 Billed Grand List
Form 411 - (Town code: 453)
Main District

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	195	31,815,400	28,127,300	3,688,100	31,815,400
Residential II R2	196	45,905,000	40,291,100	5,613,900	45,905,000
Mobile Homes-U MHU	18	491,000	224,500	266,500	491,000
Mobile Homes-L MHL	49	4,551,100	3,106,800	1,444,300	4,551,100
Seasonal I S1	12	912,000	0	912,000	912,000
Seasonal II S2	43	7,414,300	0	7,414,300	7,414,300
Commercial C	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	5	6,505,700	0	6,505,700	6,505,700
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	5	2,936,400	1,831,500	1,104,900	2,936,400
Other O	2	3,376,300	0	3,376,300	3,376,300
Woodland W	37	8,329,900	0	8,329,900	8,329,900
Miscellaneous M	51	2,284,000	86,100	2,197,900	2,284,000
TOTAL LISTED REAL	613	114,521,100	73,667,300	40,853,800	114,521,100
P.P. Cable	0	0		0	0
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	0	0		0	0
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		114,521,100	73,667,300	40,853,800	114,521,100
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	14/14	140,000	130,000	10,000	140,000
Veterans >10K		420,000			
Total Veterans		560,000	130,000	10,000	140,000
P.P. Contracts	0	0			
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	0/0	0	0	0	0
FarmStab Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total FarmStabContr	0/0	0	0	0	0
Current Use	55/55	11,989,117	2,405,468	9,583,649	11,989,117
Special Exemptions	2		0	1,287,300	1,287,300
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		12,549,117	2,535,468	10,880,949	13,416,417
Total Exemptions		12,549,117	2,535,468	10,880,949	13,416,417
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		1,019,719.83			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			711,318.32	299,728.51	1,011,046.83
NON-TAX					

21 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411

Orange 2018 Billed Grand List
NON-TAXABLE PARCELS ABSTRACT
Main District: Listed in Parcel Order

STATUTE

The real property parcels listed below are exempt from the property tax under Vermont law. These parcels are included in the grand list book in accord with 32 VSA section 41.52 and subject to parcel payments under 32 VSA section 4041a. Payment can only be issues if complete and accurate information is provided. Do not include parcels subject to local agreements.

OWNER NAME	PARCEL ID	CATEGORY	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	VALUE ESTIMATE
BROOK HAVEN CEMETERY	000017.	M	SEVERAL TOWN CEMETERIES	0	50,700
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
CLEMENT CEMETERY	000020.	M		0	900
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
CUTLER CORNER CEMETERY	000022.Cut	M		0	1,800
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
EAST ORANGE CHURCH	000018.	M	CHURCH & ADJOINING CEMETE	4353 EAST ORANGE RD	725,700
	9) 32 VSA § 3802(4);3832(2)				
EAST ORANGE UNION SOCIETY	003901.	C	SCHOOL HOUSE USED FOR CHU	4380 EAST ORANGE ROAD	136,400
	9) 32 VSA § 3802(4);3832(2)				
HUTCHINSON CEMETERY	000021.	M		0	1,200
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
ORANGE ALLIANCE CHURCH	000016.	M	CHURCH IN CENTER OF TOWN	369 US ROUTE 302	451,300
	9) 32 VSA § 3802(4);3832(2)				
ORANGE CENTER CEMETERY	000019.	C		0	900
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
PEAKE CEMETERY	000023.	M		0	600
	14) 32 VSA § 3802(7); 18 § 5317; 5376				
TOWN OF ORANGE- GRAVEL PIT WHITCOMB	000008.	M	GRAVEL PIT PURCHASED FROM	0	73,300
	8) 32 VSA § 3802(4);5401(10) (F)				
TOWN OF ORANGE- ORANGE CENTER SCHOO	000013.	M	SCHOOL BUILDINGS	357 US RT 302	3,179,900
	10) 32 VSA § 3802(4); 22 § 109				
TOWN OF ORANGE- SEPTIC SYS SCHOOL	000014.	M	LAND ACROSS FROM BUILDING	0	54,600
	10) 32 VSA § 3802(4); 22 § 109				
TOWN OF ORANGE- TOWN FOREST	000010.	M	TOWN FOREST	0	368,900
	8) 32 VSA § 3802(4);5401(10) (F)				
TOWN OF ORANGE- TOWN GARAGE	000006.	M	TOWN GARAGE ON RICHARDSON	0	179,800
	8) 32 VSA § 3802(4);5401(10) (F)				
TOWN OF ORANGE- TOWN HALL & CLERKS'	000007.	M	TOWN HALL & TOWN CLERK'S	392 US ROUTE 302	327,000
	8) 32 VSA § 3802(4);5401(10) (F)				
TOWN OF ORANGE-LAND RICHARDSON RD-	000015.	M	RICHARDSON ROAD TO CORREC	0	1,700
	8) 32 VSA § 3802(4);5401(10) (F)				
TOTAL NUMBER OF EXEMPT PARCELS:	16				

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Orange 2018 Billed Grand List
Special Exemptions Abstract
Main District: Listed in Parcel Order Main District

Parcel SPAN	Exemption	Real Value	Assessment	
			Special less Exempt	Spec. Exemption
0000PP.011 ER THURSTON FARM SOLAR EAST LLC 453-143-10718	Solar	644,200	UE Non-Resi Homestead	644,200 0
0000PP.012 ER THURSTON FARM SOLAR WEST LLC 453-143-10719	Solar	643,100	UE Non-Resi Homestead	643,100 0

Special Exemption Totals

Type	Homestead	Non-Residential
Ski Lifts & Snowmaking	0	0
Whey Processing	0	0
Vermont Yankee	0	0
Qualified Housing	0	0
Solar	0	1,287,300
Wind	0	0
Other	0	0

Total Real Prior to Exemptions	1,287,300	

Total Exemptions	0	1,287,300

Grand Lists After	0	0

ONLINE COPY

We certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the grand list of Orange for the year 2018.
 Given under our hands at _____ on this 31 day of January in the year 2019.
John A McNeil LISTERS

I hereby certify that I have examined the grand list for the year 2018 now on file and hereby certify this abstract in
 accord with 32 V.S.A. 4183.
 Attest: [Signature] TOWN CLERK
 Date: 01.31.19

Section 5404(b) of Title 32 of the V.S.A. requires the following.

The clerk of a municipality, or the supervisor of an unorganized town or gore, annually by August 15 shall transmit to the director, in electronic format prescribed by the director, education and munici grand list data, including exemption information and grand list abstracts.
 If changes or additions to the grand list are made by the listers or other officials authorized to do so after the transmission of the electronic grand list and abstract of the grand list, such clerks shall forthwith certify the same to the director by transmitting an updated electronic grand list book and electronic abstract of the grand list.

Delinquent Tax Collector's Report

Tax Year	1/1/2018	Collected	Interest	12/31/2018
2009	1565.95	419.01	25.00	1146.94
2013	479.83	317.05	65.00	162.78
2014	1488.05	940.86	273.66	547.19
2015	12844.11	8262.99	1913.30	4581.12
2016	38386.12	9661.20	1975.14	28724.92
2017	81822.49	31496.05	3226.31	50326.44
8/17/2018	62477.80			
11/17/2018	67883.30	37995.27	728.78	92365.83
Total	266947.65	89092.43	8207.19	177855.22

<u>2009</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Harrington, Patrick	Brooks, Bruce & Kathy	21st Mortgage Corp
	Carroll, Roseanne	Alvarez, Patrick
<u>2013</u>	Chadwick, Brian & Carol	Avery, James & Hannah
Spooner, Thomas & Terry	Clark, Debra	Blair, Douglas
	Farnham, Steven	* Blodgett, Catherine
<u>2014</u>	* Farnham, Sylvia	Bresett, Timothy
* Flye, Clayton	Flye, Clayton	Brooks, Bruce & Kathy
<u>2015</u>	French, Bonnie	Burns, Betty A
Carroll, Roseanne	Germain, Casey & Shawn	Campagnari, Marina
* Farnham, Steven	* Griggs, Bryan	Campbell, Christopher
* Flye, Clayton	Hallock, Brian	Carroll, Roseanne
Manning, Gene & Pam	Hedges, Allen	Chadwick, Brian & Carol
Pirie, Gordon & Sandy	Houle, Jay	Clark, Debra
Renfrew, Walter	Jean, Derek & Dennis	Comstock, Dustin
<u>2016</u>	Lajeunesse, Anthony	Davenport, Michael
Brooks, Bruce & Kathy	Layton, John	Davis, David
Carroll, Roseanne Clark,	Manning, Gene & Pam	Deprato, Loris
Debra	Marchant, B	Farnham, Steven
Farnham, Steven French,	Martin, Marvin & Kim	* Farnham, Sylvia
Bonnie L Germain, Casey	Neddo, David	Federal National Mort.
& Shawn	Nelson, Richard	Fitzgerald, Mark
* Griggs, Bryan	Pirie, Gordon & Sandy	Flye, Clayton
Hallock, Brian	Raine, Will	French, Bonnie
Jean, Derek & Dennis	Reed, Lee	Gloor, Douglas & Janet
Manning, Gene & Pam	Renfrew, Walter	Golden, Susan
Martin, Marvin & Kim	Sanborn, James	Graham, Barry
Pirie, Gordon & Sandy	Spencer, Daniel Sr	* Griggs, Bryan
Renfrew, Walter	Spooner, Thomas & Terry	Hallock, Brian
Spencer, Daniel Sr	Welch, Gene	Hedges, Allen
	Wilber, Edward	Houle, Jay
		Jean, Derek & Dennis

2018 (cont.)

Kidder, Francis & Rose	Missner, Emily	Renfrew, Walter
Ladeau, Robert	Moote, Lewis Jr	Sanborn, James
Lajeunesse, Anthony	Moran, Stacy	Scott, Gary
Layton, John	Neddo, David	Spencer, Daniel Sr
Leclaire, Denise	Nelson, Richard	Spooner, Thomas
Magee, Galena G	Nichols, Dana	Teague, Denis & Pearl
Manning, Gene & Pam	Otis, Chelsea & Joshua	Tetreault, Lefebvre, et al.
Marchant, Bruce	Pirie, Gordon & Sandy	Townsend, Jonathan
Martin, Marvin & Kim	Raine, Will	Welch, Gene
Matheson, Scott	Reed, Lee	Wilber, Edward
		Woodworth, Joshua

* Paid in full after 12/31/2018

Auditors Report

In accordance with 1681-1684 Title 24 V.S.A. the auditors have attempted to review the 2018 accounts and reports. Due to new accounting software, Kathie Felch being replaced by Linda Eggleston, and illness, the reconciliation of accounts for 2018 could not be not completed in time to submit the town report to the printer. An addendum will be mailed under separate cover before this year's town meeting, and the town is currently taking bids for a professional audit.

Due to the complexity of municipal accounting in modern times, it is our opinion that the town would greatly benefit by having professional audits done in the future as described in Article 5.

John McNeil

Amy White

Janis Blais

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

LICENSED:

1	Replacement tags	\$	1.00	\$	1.00
177	Spayed/Neutered	\$	10.00	\$	1,770.00
30	Not fixed	\$	13.00	\$	390.00
3	Kennel (10 Dogs)	\$	31.00	\$	93.00
3	Farm Dogs	\$	5.00	\$	15.00
49	Late Fees	\$	2.50	\$	122.50
Total Fees				\$	2,391.50

**DON'T FORGET TO LICENSE YOUR DOG BY APRIL 1ST.
IT'S THE LAW**

The cost of licensing your dog is \$10.00 for spayed or neutered dog and \$13.00 for for the purpose of funding the dog, cat and wolf-hybrid spaying and neutering program

All dogs and wolf-hybrids over (3) three months of age shall be vaccinated against rabies. The initial vaccination shall be valid for a period of 12 months. After the initial vaccination, the animal must receive a booster and that vaccination will be valid for a period of 36 months.

For Animal Nuisance complaints, please call our Animal Control Officer, Michele Boyer She can be reached by calling 802-439-6877.

RABIES CLINIC

A Rabies Clinic will be held at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday March 12th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Please be sure that all dogs are on a leash and all cats are in a carrier.

Cost: \$16.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Garage and Contents

2019 International Dump Truck with Plow, Wing, Sander
2016 John Deere 544K Wheel Loader
2016 Power Eagle Culvert Thawing Machine w/Trailer & 275 Gallon Water Tote
2013 Freightliner Dump Truck with Plow, Wing, Sander
2011 Freightliner Dump Truck with Plow, Wing, Sander
2011 Water Tank and Trailer
2006 John Deere 672D Grader
2005 John Deere Backhoe
1989 Beaver Chipper
Sand Screen/Trailer
York 9244 HT Road Rake with 2 foot extension
Acetylene Torch Outfit
Welder
Air Compressor
Bench Grinder
6 Dry Fire Hydrants
Chloride Tank/Trailer
Honda Pressure Washer
Husqvarna Weed Wacker with blade
Husqvarna Chainsaw
Roller
Igloo Refrigerator
Echo Pole Saw
Security System

Town Clerk's Office and Contents

Kodak Pix Pro Digital Camera
Savin MP 2554 Printer/Copier/Scanner/Fax
HP Probook Laptop Computer and docking station
HP ProDesk 600 Computer & Flat Screen Monitor
HP Pavilion Computer a11x & Flat Screen Monitor
ASUS E5893 Computer & Flat Screen Monitor
Sharp Cash Register
Brother Typewriter
Emerson Microwave
Igloo Refrigerator
Avanti Water Cooler
Two-Way Radio
Security System
Surveillance System

2018 VITAL RECORDS

BIRTHS

NAME	DATE	MOTHER	FATHER
Barrett Archer Allen	01/07/18	Jessica Grandbois	Evan Allen
Cainen James Welch	03/16/18	Chelsea Otis	Joshua Welch Sr.
Easton Bennett Tetreault	03/30/18	Heather St. Amour	Tyler Tetreault
Zuli Blue Giles Hutchens	05/28/18	Jessica Giles	James Hutchens
Shane William Lefebvre	07/29/18	Samantha Lefebvre	Shane Lefebvre
Makenna Marie Beaucage	08/02/18	Monica Beaucage	Nicholas Beaucage
Madden James McLaughlin	08/03/18	Jevonne McLaughlin	Shane McLaughlin
Wyatt Michael Brown	04/23/18	Magan Brown	James Brown
Anna Faye Mountford	09/18/18	Liza Mountford	Donald Mountford

MARRIAGES

NAME	RESIDENCE	NAME	RESIDENCE	DATE
Jacob C. Smith	Orange	Hope Jeralyan Clark	Orange	01/21/18
Michelle Heidi Cota	Orange	Kathleen Ann Lunn	Orange	04/25/18
Alexandra Katherine Kehaya	Orange	Jonathan Mitchel Vinson	Orange	05/11/18
Brenton Elroy Whicher	Orange	Tiffani Lynn Cotting	Orange	05/13/18
Paul Edward Tumulty	Orange	Cathleen Eve Sargent	Orange	05/18/18
Tyler Richard Tetreault	Orange	Heather Marie St. Amour	Orange	06/02/18
Aimee Marie Rivard	Orange	Matthew Ryan Champion	Orange	06/23/18
Terry Lyn Kelty	Orange	Brian Anthony Bicknell	Orange	06/28/18
Chris Allen Dubois	Cleburne, TX	Gary Denise	Cleburne, TX	08/18/18
Jessica Ann Rouleau	Orange	Andrew James Bourgeois	Orange	08/25/18
Kevin Sean O'Meara	Carnelian Bay, CA	Joelle Clare Alexander	Carnelian Bay, CA	09/29/18
Chirstopher Douglas Jacobs	Orange	Lisa Marie Angstadt	Orange	10/13/18
Jordan Tyler Peake	Orange	Brooke Lenn Roya	Orange	11/10/18

DEATHS

NAME	RESIDENCE	DATE	AGE
John R. Layton	Orange	02/10/18	57
Arlington Ken Farnham	East Orange	03/18/18	77
Irene Marie Wilson	Orange	03/23/18	73
Donald H. Boutin	Orange	04/05/18	77
William Arthur Richardson	Orange	06/21/18	84
Richard Charles Quenneville	Orange	07/24/18	80
Karen-Lynn Bedard	Orange	10/24/18	60
Michael William Stone	Orange	11/09/18	61
Florinda T. Letouneau	Orange	11/17/18	98
Harold F. Morris	Orange	11/28/18	77
Leona Rose Williams	Orange	11/28/18	67
Paul Freeman Widmer	Orange	12/29/18	82

The New Vital Records Law (Act 46) and What It Means for You

The Vermont Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records –namely, birth and death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth and death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage and tracking of birth and death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a Vermont birth or death certificate. **The changes go into effect on July 1, 2019.**

The most notable changes are:

- Only family members (as defined in Act 46), legal guardians, certain court-appointed parties or legal representatives of any of these parties can apply to obtain a certified copy of a birth or death certificate. In the case of a death certificate only, the funeral home or crematorium handling disposition may apply for a certified copy.
- An individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for a certified copy of a birth or death certificate.
- An individual who refuses to complete the application or cannot provide valid identification will be ineligible and referred to the Vital Records Office.
- Certified copies of birth and death certificates can be ordered from any town, not just where the birth or death occurred or where the person was a resident.
- Certified copies will be issued on anti-fraud paper.
- Access to noncertified copies (previously called “informational” copies) is not significantly changed by the new law or rules.
- Marriage, civil union, divorce or dissolution certificate copies and processes are not affected by the new law or rules.

For text of Act 46, go to

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2018/Docs/ACTS/ACT046/ACT046%20As%20Enacted.pdf>

Selectboard Report

After the storm damage and equipment breakdowns of 2017, 2018 brought new challenges. First, we would like to thank Kathie Felch, William Crowther, and Mark Little for their combined years of dedicated service to our community and wish them best of luck with their future endeavors. After reviewing all the work Kathie was responsible for we quickly realized we needed two positions to replace her. We were very lucky to have Linda Eggleston accept the appointment to the Town Treasurer position, and Angela Eastman accepted the appointment to the Town Clerk position. This year we also hired Ryan Aldrich after Mark Little resigned from the road crew. With the new help comes new training and expenses. Luckily these are one-time expenses and won't be included in future budgets. In addition to keeping a close eye on our budget and overseeing the town's affairs, here are several other issues we devoted our attention to:

- We sent three of our older town vehicles to auction which helped us purchase a 2019 International dump truck. Annual payments for the truck should be less than the cost of maintaining the older trucks.
- Road paving continues on Reservoir road. We are working on removing pavement to fix the road base in the most troubled areas and resurfacing other sections of the road.
- Culvert and ditch improvements continue around the town. Many of these projects are funded by State and Federal grants. We continue to work on improving our roadways by working with State and Federal agencies for their expertise and funding.
- Emerald Ash Borer was found in our town last February. We have been working on an action plan to mitigate the risk to town property.
- The Selectboard approved the Town Plan that was put together and submitted by the planning commission. The town plan call for the formation of several committees. The town is looking to form a Conservation Committee, an Energy Planning Committee, a Wastewater Committee and a Health and Wellness Committee. For more information about these committees or if you are interested in being on one of these committees please contact the Town Clerks office.

We would like to thank our listers, auditors, road crew, town clerk, town treasurer, and other elected and appointed officials in town who help make Orange a great place to live and work.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Holmgren
Lee Youngman
Sue Perreault

TOWN CLERK ANNUAL REPORT

It was another busy year for the Town Clerk's Office. At end of the summer we unfortunately accepted the resignation of our long time Town Clerk/Treasurer Kathie Felch. The select board has since appointed Orange residents Angela Eastman as Town Clerk/Assistant Town Treasurer and Linda Eggleston as Town Treasurer/Assistant Town Clerk.

Angela Eastman has been a town resident for the past 6 years and comes to us with a wide background ranging from time in the United States Navy, working at various different hospitals as an administrative assistant, LNA and has an extensive administrative background. Angela enjoys spending her free time boating, cooking, gardening and spending time at home with her husband, 12-year-old son and 2 Bengal cats.

Linda Eggleston has been a resident of Orange since December of 1999. She and her husband built their home on Route 302 in Orange. Linda took this job to help the town with the departure of Kathie. In her free time Linda enjoys knitting, crocheting, being out on her 4-wheeler and using her crossbow.

We continued to have Diane Waters for scanning the older records and she has managed to scan all of the land records back to 1998 thus far. Her plan is to have at least 30 years of records scanned in by the end of the summer. Thank you, Diane for all your hard work and time you have put into this project!

We are looking forward to meeting each and every one of the residents of Orange. Please stop by the town offices Tuesday-Thursday 8am-12pm and 1pm to 4pm to meet us. Also check out our improved website at <http://www.orangevt.org>

Respectfully Submitted:

Angela Eastman
Town Clerk

General Fund Expenditures

	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
Payroll Expenses		
Salaries - Selectboard	3000	3000
Salaries - Town Clerk	42000	42000
Salaries -Asst. Town C/T	19500	0
Salaries - Listers	3000	3000
Salaries - Health Officer	200	200
Salaries - Ballot Clerks	1000	100
Salaries - Auditors	2000	500
Salaries - Treasurer	0	26000
SS & Medicare	6000	7500
Retirement - Employer	2500	4000
Health Insurance - Admin.	11000	0
Unemployment Insurance	400	800
Workers Comp Insurance	300	300
Professional Audit	0	8000
	90900	95400
Office Ops & Expense		
Supplies	1500	1500
Delinquent Tax Coll. Supp	500	500
Lister's Software/Supplie	1500	1500
Postage	1500	1500
Training	1200	15000
Mileage - Admin.	1500	1500
Meetings/Conferences/Work	500	500
Office Equipment	1200	1200
Copier	300	300
Newsletter	350	500
Town Report	1200	2400
Legal notices	350	350
Electricity-Clerk&Hall	2000	1500
Telephone, Internet, Webs	1200	1500
Heat - Town Hall	2000	2000
Heat - Town Clerk	1500	1500
Tech Support	1500	1500
Dues	5500	6000
Janitorial Services	400	0
	25700	40750
General Expense		
Green Up Day Expense	500	500
County Taxes	26000	26000
Legal Fees	2500	2500
Dog Pound	300	500
Dog Expenses - Rabies Cli	500	500

General Expense cont.	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
Bulk Trash Expense	500	2000
Property/Public Off. Ins	7500	7500
Leased land	111	111
Miscellaneous	1000	500
	38911	40111
Public Safety		
Electricity-Streetlights	500	500
Electricity-Security Ligh	300	300
Ambulance/Fast Squads	52000	52000
Police Protection	10000	12000
Animal Control	1500	1500
Fires - Barre Town	6000	6000
Fires - Tri Village	3000	3000
Fires - Washington	6000	6000
	79300	81300
Buildings & Grounds		
Mowing	750	750
Security System	240	1100
Repairs & Maint. - Clerk	500	500
Repairs & Maint - Town Hall	500	500
	1990	2850
TAN Interest- GF	100	0
	100	0
Capital Improvements	7500	5000
	7500	5000
Planning Commission	1000	0
	1000	0
General Fund Total		
	236901	265411
Voted Articles		
Article:Brookhaven	3000	3000
Article:Other Cemetery	4000	4000
Article:Non Profits	7125	8415
	14125	15415
Total		
	259526	292126

Highway Fund Expenditures

	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
Salaries & Benefits		
Salaries - Barnes	43000	45000
Salaries - Ryan Aldrich	38000	42000
Salaries - Temp Help	2500	2500
SS & Medicare	6500	7000
Retirement - Highway	5500	5500
Health Ins. - Highway	20000	20000
Unemployment Insurance	500	500
Workers Comp Insurance	6600	6600
Uniforms	2500	2500
	125100	131600
Garage Expense		
Garage Supplies	4000	4000
Workshops	250	250
Mileage - Highway	1500	1500
MSHA Training	200	200
Electricity-Garage	2000	2000
Telephone - Garage	600	600
Heat - Garage	3750	3000
	12300	11550
General Expense		
Property Insurance-Garage	10000	10000
	10000	10000
Buildings & Grounds		
Security System	500	500
Septic Pumping	1800	1800
Garage - Repairs/Maintena	3000	3000
Garage Improvement	6000	6000
	11300	11300
Highway Equipment		
Equipment Rental	7000	6000
Gas	200	200
Diesel Fuel - Town Garage	30000	30000
Grease/Oil	1500	1500
Equipment Repairs & Maint	45000	45000
Truck 1 - 2019 Int'l	0	24200
Equipment Purchase	1750	0
	85450	106900
Road Maintenance		
Culverts	6000	6000
Road Salt	16000	16000
Chloride	4000	5000
Paving/Resurfacing	80000	95000
Cold patch	3000	3000

Road Maintenance cont.	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
Street Signs	1000	1000
Guardrail installation/re	4000	4000
Special Paving Article	85000	0
Highway Miscellaneous	1000	1000
	200000	131000
Debt Service		
Equipment Payments	50000	24200
Interest - Highway	1500	500
	51500	24700
Subtotal	495650	427050
Equipment Savings	20000	20000
	20000	20000
Subtotal	515650	447050

ONLINE
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TOWN OF ORANGE
P.O. BOX 233
EAST BARRE, VT 05649

TOWN OF ORANGE
FIREWORKS DISPLAY PERMIT

Name of Person in charge of display_____

Phone number_____

Qualifications of the person putting on the display

Date & Time of Display_____

Give at least 15 days' notice for Select Board Approval

Sponsor's Name if being done by a company

Location of display

Inspected on_____by_____

NO PERMIT GRANTED HEREUNDER SHALL BE TRANSFERRABLE.

APPLICANT ASSUMES ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY AND ALL DAMAGES TO PROPERTY AND OR PERSONAL INJURY.

Date

Selectboard, Chair

Selectboard

Selectboard



ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018 TOWN OF ORANGE

About Us:

The mission of Good Beginnings is to bring community to families and their babies. Founded in 1991 by three mothers in Northfield, we offer the following programs free-of-charge to any Central Vermont family with a new baby.

- **Postpartum Angel Family Support Program:** Trained community volunteers visit families weekly to provide respite, community connections, and hands-on help during the postpartum period. Any new parent in Central Vermont is eligible, regardless of income or circumstance. During a typical visit, a Postpartum Angel may hold the baby, give attention to older siblings, offer baby wearing or infant soothing support, accompany parent to an appointment or on errands, or help the family access other resources. Through our **In Loving Arms** service, specially-trained volunteers provide “in-arms care” to babies boarding at Central Vermont Medical Center due to health issues.
- **The Nest Parent Drop-In Space:** Our cozy community space in Montpelier is open to the public Wednesdays through Fridays. Parents can drop in to nurse a baby or give older toddlers a break from running errands while enjoying hot tea/coffee, age-appropriate toys and books, and a lending library of parenting resources. La Leche League volunteers are available monthly for breastfeeding support. Reduced price baby carriers are available for purchase. The Nest is also available for parent-organized meet-ups or peer support groups.
- **The Birthing Year Early Parenting Workshops:** Free two-hour workshops for parents-to-be, held at convenient locations around Central Vermont, covering a wide range of prenatal, childbirth and postpartum topics, including one workshop specifically for dads-to-be.
- **Assistance with Basic Needs:** Our **Infant Carrier Program** provides eligible families with a free baby carrier. Our **Emergency Fund** is available to assist families in crisis with financial needs.

How We've Helped Families in Central Vermont:

- 253 families served (totalling 342 adults and 302 children) in FY17-18
- Our 60+ Postpartum Angel volunteers provided over 900 hours of respite, support, and community connections to 75 families
- 5 newborns boarding at the hospital were cuddled
- 15 families received free infant carriers and 5 families received a total of \$1252 in emergency funding to help with basic needs
- 114 families visited our Nest drop in space, representing 31 different towns
- 38 families attended our Birthing Year early parenting workshops

What Families Say:

- “[Our volunteer] has been an amazing support system for me. I feel total trust in her with my children, my feelings, my home. I was able to open up to her like an old friend, and having that emotional support was integral for my healing process. She wasn't afraid to just start doing something, even when I was too frazzled to ask for assistance. She was there for me. And I hope to continue a long friendship. A true Postpartum Angel indeed!” - *HP*
- “It really helped with loneliness and stress to have a weekly visitor and hands on help. Only wish I had reached out sooner and she could come longer. Thank you Good Beginnings!” - *AH*
- “Nice to have someone to talk to, and to help with things as simple as holding the baby. Especially in the first few weeks, her visit was a point of sanity in an otherwise crazy time! A huge thank you...any new mom would be lucky to have her visit!” - *JE*
- “We are so grateful for your support, emotionally and financially, as we begin our family....This program [helped] me feel connected and safe postpartum. Weekly visits gave me motivation and gave me adult time and conversation. It felt great to have the opportunity to express my experiences with someone who would listen and understand. Thanks to this amazing program we have also made a lifelong friend, our volunteer, who we adore.” -*MM*
- “Thank you for making the Nest such a warm, open, and inviting place for new mamas. It's where I dealt with my first out-of-the-house diaper change and did some of my first out-of-the-house breastfeeding. Little things like this were really helpful in building my confidence that I could get out and go places with baby. I also met a lot of good new mama friends and had a lot of helpful conversations.” - *HS*

Contact Us:

Good Beginnings of Central Vermont
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Montpelier, VT 05602
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802.595.7953

2018 ANNUAL SERVICE REPORT

TOWN OF ORANGE

Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice (CVHHH) is a 107 year-old full service, not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association governed by a local voluntary Board of Directors. Serving the residents of 23 central Vermont towns in the comfort and privacy of their own homes, CVHHH is committed to providing high quality, medically-necessary home health and hospice care to all central Vermonters regardless of their ability to pay, geographic remoteness or complexity of health care needs. The agency also promotes the general welfare of local community members with long term care and health promotion activities including flu and pneumonia vaccinations, health screenings, foot care clinics, international travelers' health and caregiver support. In addition to direct patient care, our hospice program offers comprehensive bereavement services and volunteer training.

CVHHH Services to the Residents of Orange Jan 1, 2018 – December, 2018

Program	# of Visits
Home Health Care	1,106
Hospice Care	100
Long Term Care	189
Maternal Child Health	96
TOTAL VISITS/CONTACTS	1,491
TOTAL PATIENTS	45
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	63

Town funding will help to ensure that CVHHH provides services in Orange through 2019 and beyond. For more information contact Sandy Rouse, CPA, President & CEO, or Kim Farnum, Manager of Community Relations & Development at 802.223.1878.

**Central Vermont Council on Aging
Appropriation Request to Orange for
Fiscal Year 2019-20
January 8, 2019**

Mission Statement:

CVCOA supports older Vermonters to age with dignity and choice.

Amount of Request: \$1,000 (Level Funding)

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

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

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

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

Central Vermont Council on Aging Report of Services to Orange FY18

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

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

Some of the options we make available include:

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

During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 20 Orange residents. Case Manager, Chuck Rhynard is designated to work directly with the seniors in Orange. Central Vermont Council on Aging devoted a total of 503 hours of service to Orange seniors.

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

Capstone Community Action Fall 2018 Report to the Citizens of Orange

Since 1965, Capstone Community Action (formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council) has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington Counties and nine communities in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland Counties. We help people build better lives for themselves, their families and their communities. This year, Capstone Community Action served 16,017 people in 10,494 Vermont households through Head Start and Early Head Start, business development, financial education, food shelves and nutrition resources, housing counseling, tax preparation, teen parent education, emergency heating assistance, home weatherization, workforce training, and more.

Programs and services accessed by 92 Orange households representing 164 individuals this past year included:

- 69 individuals in 34 households accessed nutritious meals and/or meal equivalents at the food shelf.
- 21 households with 51 family members were able to keep heating their homes with help from our Crisis & Supplemental fuel programs as well as other utility costs.
- 4 individuals worked with housing counselors to find and retain affordable, safe, secure housing.
- 3 children were in Head Start and Early Head Start programs that supported 4 additional family members.
- 1 pregnant and parenting teen and their children gained literacy skills through our Family Literacy Center supporting 1 family member.
- 1 household received an emergency furnace repair and 1 household furnace was replaced at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient for residents.
- 2 households were weatherized at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient for 3 residents, including 2 seniors.
- 3 people attended classes or met one-on-one with a financial counselor to be better able to manage and grow family finances.
- 4 entrepreneurs received counseling and technical assistance on starting or growing a business.
- 14 residents had their taxes prepared at no charge by Capstone's IRS certified volunteers ensuring them all the refunds and credits they were due.
- 2 people saved towards an asset that will provide long-term economic security.
- 1 childcare provider received nutrition education and were reimbursed for the cost of serving nutritious meals and snacks to the 3 children in their care.

Capstone thanks the residents of Orange for their generous support this year!

Since 2003, Home Share Now has been facilitating home sharing, typically between people who need affordable housing and older adults. Instead of market rent, services and/or a stipend are delivered by vetted home seekers. Home Share Now is the only organization offering this service in central Vermont; we serve Orange, Washington, and Lamoille County and nine adjacent towns.

Our mission—cultivating relationships to expand the possibilities for living—is a means to many ends: stabilized housing, extra income, reduced rent, nursing home diversion, enhanced sense of community, respite for adult children caring for aging parents, and at-home, non-medical services.

Our goal is to enable our target audience (seniors in need of in-home assistance, seniors living in subsidized housing, adults living with disability, the financially insecure sharing housing in an effort to maintain stability, and people in transition) to live where and how they would like.

Here’s how our overall population served stacks up over the last few years:

	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
Unique home sharers	49	90	107	115	110
Hours of assistance provided	6,5000 hours	10,200 hours	12,800 hours	12,125 hours	16,122 hours
% of home seekers paying \$0	35%	25%	37%	31%	24%
Average monthly rent exchanged	\$340	\$304	\$323	\$290	\$297
Nursing home savings	\$229,000	\$425,000	\$631,000	\$354,423	\$567,737
Housing units created	61 units	76 units	94 units	99 units	106 units
Rental savings	\$81,780	\$122,558	\$168,696	\$157,996	\$149,815
Potential new construction cost	\$12 million	\$15 million	\$18 million	\$19 million	\$21 million
% of low-income participants	74%	80%	86%	85%	73%
HSN’s Operating Budget	\$234,945	\$259,373	\$269,843	\$277,642	\$278,051

In FY19 we expect to secure housing for 120 people via home sharing while providing another 650 people with housing assistance. Thanks to the support of the voters in Orange:

- 100% of home seekers worry less about money.
- 74% of all matched persons feel less lonely.
- 82% of all matched persons live where and how they want.
- 74% of matched home providers feel much safer at home.
- 98% of all matched persons reporting being satisfied with Home Share Now’s services.
- 94% of individuals in matches report their quality of living has improved.



FAMILY CENTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTY
....serving families in Orange

The Family Center of Washington County provides services and resources to all children and families in our region. We offer services for children, youth and families, including: Early Care and Education, Children's Integrated Services-Early Intervention, Family Support Home Visiting, Child Care Financial Assistance, Child Care Referral, Welcome Baby visits, Family Supportive Housing Services, Specialized Child Care supports, Transportation, Reach Up and Job Development, Family Works, on-site Counseling Services and Crisis Intervention Support, Vermont Children and Families Community Response, Adverse Family Experiences (ACEs) assessment and support, Parent Education, and Playgroups for children from birth to five. We are grateful for the support shown by the voters of Orange. For more information about Family Center programs and services, please visit: www.fcwcv.org.

Among the 26 individuals in Orange who benefited from the Family Center's programs and services from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 were:

- * 7 **families** who received **Child Care Financial Assistance**.
- * 2 **a child and caregiver** who participated in our **Playgroups**. Playgroups are free, open to all families with children birth to five, and have no eligibility requirements. Children have a chance to play with others in a safe, stimulating and nurturing environment. Parents talk to other parents, draw upon each other for support, learn new skills from Playgroup Facilitators and get information about community resources.
- * 7 **individuals** who were served by one of our **Home Visiting** services, providing parent and family education and support.
- * 4 **children and caregivers** who received food and household items from our **Food Pantry** to help supplement their nutritional and basic needs of families we serve.
- * 1 **individual** who attended our **Community Events**.
- * 1 **individual** who received **Employment Training** in our **Reach Up Job Development program**.
- * 4 **individuals** who received on-site **Counseling Services and Crisis Intervention Support**.

Building resourceful families and healthy children to create a strong community.

ORANGE COUNTY COURT DIVERSION

Orange County Court Diversion (OCCD) is a community based restorative justice program, offering cost effective alternatives to the criminal and civil court system. Our programs include:

- **Court Diversion** for youth and adults referred by the State's Attorney who are facing criminal charges in court. A Restorative Panel, comprised of volunteers, works with clients to address the harm they caused to victims and the community, while working on underlying factors that contributed to the criminal act. Clients must take responsibility for their actions and be accountable for completing a contract that they develop with the Restorative Panel. Approximately 90% of the clients successfully complete our Court Diversion program. Those who fail have their cases returned to court for prosecution.
- **Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program (YSASP)** for youth receiving civil complaints for underage alcohol or marijuana possession;
- **Driver's License Suspension Program (DLS)**, helping Vermonters reinstate their licenses through income-sensitive fine repayment plans;
- **Pre-Trial Services Program**, providing support and services related to mental health and substance abuse for adults facing charges in criminal court.

During the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2018, 214 clients were referred for services, a 17% increase from the previous year. Of those, 92 were referred from juvenile and adult court for criminal offenses, 70 were referred for YSASP, 5 for DLS and 47 were referred for Pre-Trial Services. With few exceptions, all cases involved offenses that occurred in Orange County. In FY18, OCCD worked with 8 cases in which the offender either resided in and/or the offense occurred in Orange.

OCCD's FY18 operating budget was \$119,007. We are proud to be supported by appropriations from every town in Orange County. Orange appropriated \$200 for FY18 to support OCCD. OCCD requests a modest increase to \$240 for FY19.

Thank you for your continued support. For additional information contact Jessica Schmidt, Executive Director, Orange County Court Diversion at 802-685-3172 or jessie@occdp.org.

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Safeline, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides free and confidential services for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking in Orange County and northern Windsor County.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, Safeline's staff and volunteers provided 2,383 services for 334 victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking. 132 services were provided for 15 victims who identified themselves as residents of Orange. This is an increase in number of victims and number of services that Safeline provided compared to last year. It is likely that these statistics are understated, as victims often choose not to give any identifying information out of fear for their own safety. Most of the victims have children within their family.

A trained advocate is always available to provide crisis support, safety planning, resources, information and referrals through Safeline's 24 hours a day/7 days a week Hotline (1-800-639-7233). Survivors can also choose from a wide array of additional services including legal advocacy, day shelter services, job readiness skills development, and financial management education.

In addition to providing direct services, Safeline is a resource for the community at large and is committed to changing the culture of violence. As part of this work, Safeline offers a full range of prevention education for community organizations, schools, medical centers, faith communities, youth groups, and anyone who is seeking information about domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking.

We thank the voters of Orange for your support as we strive to end domestic violence and sexual abuse.

Orange 2018 Town Report
People's Health & Wellness Clinic

People's Health & Wellness Clinic has been providing primary health care and wellness education to uninsured and underinsured central Vermont residents since 1994. High quality medical, mental health, oral health, and bodywork services are provided at no cost to our patients. We also continue to provide extensive case management, referrals, and assistance enrolling in health insurance and financial assistance program.

In Calendar Year 2018, People's Health & Wellness Clinic served 484 unduplicated individuals, who came for 1,190 clinical visits, requiring 2,374 patient interactions. 180 of these patients were new to the clinic. We had 818 medical visits and 671 medical consults. 149 individuals came for 212 dental hygiene visits and 62 referrals to dentists for more advanced treatment. We provided 179 pharmaceutical samples, immunizations, and vouchers, and wrote hundreds more prescriptions. Our services include screening all patients for eligibility in a variety of health insurance and financial assistance programs, such as Vermont Health Connect, Medicaid, Ladies First, and hospital patient financial assistance programs. 105 patients were assisted with enrollment in these programs.

Volunteer practitioners are the heart of our service model. In 2018, over 60 volunteers gave over \$95,000 worth of their time serving our patients. Over \$69,000 worth of pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and other services were donated for our patients.

9 separate Orange residents sought our services in 2018, 1 of whom was new to the clinic. They required 69 separate patient interactions. They came for 39 medical visits, 6 dental visits, and 5 mental health visits. Orange patients had 9 case management interactions, 9 medical consults, and received 1 medication sample.

As a federally-deemed free clinic, we cannot charge for services. We depend on grants, donations, and municipal funding. We are grateful to the voters of Orange for many years of support and are very pleased to be able to provide free and accessible healthcare to the central Vermont community. For additional information, please contact Rebecca Goldfinger-Fein, Executive Director, at 802-479-1229 or rebecca@phwcvt.org.



CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION IN ORANGE

Local Partnerships in Learning

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Orange residents for fifty-three years. CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16- 90+) in:

- Basic skills programs: reading, writing, math, computer and financial literacy
- English Language Learning and preparation for U.S. citizenship
- High school diploma and GED credential programs
- Academic skill readiness for work, career training and/or college

CVABE provides ongoing outreach to town residents and free education services to an average of 5 Orange residents annually. Last year 3 Orange resident enrolled in our academic programs.

CVABE provides free instruction to nearly 500 people annually in the overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. It currently costs CVABE \$3,055 per student to provide a full year of instruction.

We deeply appreciate Orange's voter-approved *past* support. Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, to ensure we can help the neighbors who need education for a better life. For more information, call CVABE at (802) 476-4588, or visit www.cvabe.org

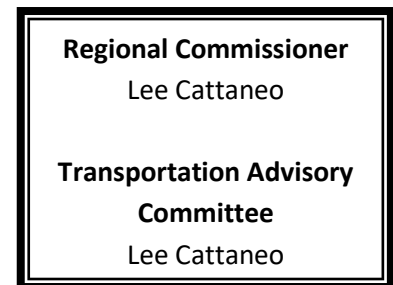
CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

2018 ANNUAL REPORT – TOWN OF ORANGE

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission is a consortium of 23 towns and cities in Washington County and western Orange County. The Commission provides planning, development, and project implementation assistance to communities. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by a locally appointed member to the governing Board of Commissioners.

2018 Orange Activities

- ❖ Assisted the Planning Commission with a Town Plan update.
- ❖ Wrote grant application to implement Town Plan priorities.
- ❖ Completed a bridge and culvert inventory.
- ❖ Supported Municipal Roads Grants in Aid work.
- ❖ Conducted outreach on the Winooski River Tactical Basin Plan to incorporate the town's needs.
- ❖ Supported emergency preparedness by assisting with a Local Emergency Operations Plan update and supporting town official training in ICS 402 and the Emergency Management Director courses.



CVRPC Projects & Programs

- ❖ *Municipal plan and bylaw updates:* Focus on predictable and effective local permitting through education, bylaw modernization, and plan updates.
- ❖ *Brownfields:* Complete environmental site assessments so properties can be sold, developed or redeveloped to benefit the community, stimulate the economy, create/protect jobs and increase housing opportunities.
- ❖ *Transportation planning:* Coordinate local involvement in transportation decisions through the Transportation Advisory Committee and provide studies, plans, data collection, and counts.
- ❖ *Emergency planning:* Better prepare our region and state for disasters by coordinating with local volunteers and the state on emergency planning, exercises, and training.
- ❖ *Energy conservation and development:* Foster projects that support energy conservation to save energy and tax dollars and identify opportunities for renewable energy generation.
- ❖ *Natural resource planning and projects:* Implement activities to protect water resources/supplies, enhance recreational opportunities, maintain the forest products industry, and enhance environmental health.
- ❖ *Regional plans:* Coordinate infrastructure, community development, and growth at the regional level through the development, adoption, and implementation of a regional plan.
- ❖ *Geographic Information System services:* Provide municipalities, state agencies, and regional groups with mapping and data analysis in support of their projects.
- ❖ *Special projects:* Complete special projects, such as downtown revitalization, recreation paths, farmland preservation, economic development, and affordable housing projects.
- ❖ *Grants:* Identify appropriate grant sources, define project scopes, write applications, and manage projects.

The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; each year, we request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to help offset costs and provide local matching funds needed for state and federal funding.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is appreciated! CVRPC is your resource -- please contact us at 802-229-0389 or cvrpc@cvregion.com for assistance.

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Agency of Human Services

Vermont Department of Health Report for Orange

Your local health district office is in Barre City at the address and phone number above. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With twelve district offices around the state, and state office and laboratory in Chittenden County, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. By partnering with community groups, we also address the many social determinants that impact health. These factors are: education, transportation, housing, poverty, public safety, community engagement, and health care. Some examples of our work in 2017 include:

Supported healthy communities: The Health Department's 3-4-50 initiative aims to engage multiple sectors – business, education, municipalities – in implementing policies and strategies that will reduce the three (3) behaviors of tobacco use, physical inactivity, and poor diet that lead to four (4) chronic diseases of cancer, heart disease and stroke, diabetes, and lung disease that result in more than 50% of deaths in Washington County. Some local examples include, awards of Worksite Wellness grants and school Wellness Policy development that promote healthy eating and physical activity. VDH has also partnered with Community Connections for tobacco prevention education with adolescents.

Work continues to be done to build trauma-informed communities that understand Adverse Childhood Events (ACEs) and how they impact the health of our community. One in every four of Vermont's children have experienced a significant adverse childhood event. That is important data as we work with schools, clinics, and providers in creating a prevention model of mental and physical health across the life-span. The Childhood Trauma Education Initiative has provided collaboration and technical assistance to organizations and schools working on becoming trauma-informed and we have seen these efforts expand to many of our area schools and into the surrounding communities through the Building Flourishing Communities initiative.

Provided WIC nutrition services and healthy foods to families: We served 1640 pregnant women and children to age five in the Barre district with WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children). WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling and breastfeeding support. We partner with employers, grocery stores, and farmers markets across the state to enable women and children in our community to use a debit-like card to access nutritious foods. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month. Brain development depends on healthy food, and WIC support during pregnancy and early childhood benefits the growth of our families. Together with WIC, our Public Health Nurses refer families to the Family Center, Nurse Family Partnership, and Children's Integrated Services to promote healthy family development.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: In 2017, \$15,014,203 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases was distributed to healthcare providers statewide. Community education on the prevention of mosquito and tick-borne illness was provided at a variety of venues through collaboration with the Central Vermont Medical Reserve Corp (MRC at oncallforvt.org).

Aided communities in addressing substance abuse and misuse: Regional Prevention Partnerships statewide worked to increase state and community capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking, and reduce prescription drug misuse and marijuana use. In Washington County, we assisted grantees with creating educational documents for municipalities on the benefits of limiting alcohol advertising and retail locations, educating the community on the safe storage and disposal of prescription medications, expanding prescription drug drop off locations, promoting federal drug takeback days, and hosting parenting classes.

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CVSWMD FY 2018 Report for Orange

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District serves 19-member cities and towns and approximately 52,000 residents to reduce and manage solid waste. Lee Cattaneo represents Orange on the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors. CVSWMD is committed to providing quality programming, meeting state mandates and providing information and resources to our member communities.

In FY18, CVSWMD provided \$9816 in School Zero Waste and Lawrence Walbridge Reuse Grants, and \$6207 in Green Up Day Grants. The Town of Orange received a \$400 Green Up Day Grant. The District invites all member municipalities to apply for an annual non-competitive Green Up Day Grant each spring.

The District continues to provide award-winning programming, including:

- **Residential Composting:** CVSWMD sells Green Cone food digesters, Soil Saver composting bins and kitchen compost buckets at cost to district residents. CVSWMD also offers free workshops about backyard composting, recycling, safe non-toxic cleaning, and zero waste initiatives.
 - **Events Assistance:** In FY18 the district added three events programs: a bin loan program providing recycling, compost, and trash bins with clear signs, an “event kit” for events under 300 people, providing reusable dishware, flatware, linens and more to help community events reduce waste, and staff assistance to larger event organizers, including downloadable templates for zero waste events on our website, cvswmd.org/zero-waste-events.
 - **School Programming:** Our School Zero Waste Program works with all 26 schools in the District, teaching solid waste lessons in classrooms and facilitating the recycling of paint, bulbs, electronics, batteries and more. In FY18, we taught one classroom lesson at the Orange Center School. School Program Coordinators work with maintenance staff and teachers to help schools compost on site and mentor student groups who lead initiatives toward zero waste in their schools.
 - **Special Collections:** In 2017, 10 events were held, in which CVSWMD collected hazardous waste, paint, batteries and fluorescent bulbs.
 - A household hazardous waste collection event was held in Barre Town, serving 106 households.
 - **Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC):** The ARCC, at 540 N. Main St. in Barre, is open M, W, F noon-6pm and the third Sat. of each month, 9-1pm. **Please note that ARCC hours may change in 2019.** The ARCC is a recycling drop-off for over 40 hard-to-recycle materials, cvswmd.org/arcc. Blue bin recyclables are not accepted at the ARCC.
 - In FY18, 71 residents from Orange recycled at the ARCC.
- Web Site:** CVSWMD posts useful information including what can be recycled, what can be composted, how to dispose of hazardous waste, leaf and yard waste, Act 148, details of our special collections, and an A to Z Guide listing disposal options for many materials.



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Green Up Day marked its 48th Anniversary on May 5, 2018 with 22,700 volunteers participating and 225 tons of litter collected throughout the state. Always the first Saturday in May, Green Up Vermont is a nonprofit private organization that relies on your town's help to continue the annual tradition of cleaning up our roadways and waterways, while promoting civic pride. The tradition of Green Up Day began in 1970 by Governor Deane C. Davis and will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in May 2020.

Green Up Vermont also offers a statewide educational component for grades K-2 by providing free activity booklets to schools and hosts its annual student poster design and writing contests for grades K-12. To learn more please visit www.greenupvermont.org.

Support from cities and town's is an essential part of our budget, enabling us to cover fourteen percent of our annual operating budget. All town resident's benefit from clean roadsides! Funds help pay for administrative and program support, which includes over 55,000 Green Up trash bags, an educational component, and promotional outreach.

Seventy-five percent of Green Up Vermont's budget comes from corporate sponsors and individual donors. Individuals can donate to Green Up Vermont on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at www.greenupvermont.org.

Keep in touch with Green Up Vermont news by joining our newsletter, liking us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and following our blog by visiting our website.

Save the dates: Green Up Day, May 4, 2019 and Celebrating 50th Anniversary, May 2, 2020. A Vermont tradition since 1970!

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors that is elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state.

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. It is the only statewide organization devoted solely to delivering a wide range of services to local officials who serve municipalities of varying populations and geographic regions but face similar requirements with disparate resources. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 139 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts.

Local governments in Vermont provide essential services to residents and visitors alike. From managing budgets, conducting elections, assessing property and maintaining roads to providing public safety services, recreational programs, water and sewer infrastructure, street lighting, and libraries, the work carried out by appointed and elected officials and community volunteers is both critical and challenging. The demands on local government are complex and require resources that are not always available in every city, town or village in the state.

VLCT provides legal, consulting, and education services to its members, offering important advice and responses to direct inquiries, as well as training programs on specific topics of concern to officials as they carry out the duties required by statute or directed by town meeting voters. We represent cities and towns before the state legislature and state agencies, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and their needs are met. VLCT also advocates at the federal level, primarily through its partner, the National League of Cities, and directly with Vermont's Congressional delegation.

VLCT offers opportunities to purchase risk management products and services that directly meet the specific and specialized needs of local government through the VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust and the VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF).

During the 2018 calendar year, *VLCT News* converted to a magazine style publication from its newsletter format, with the intent to provide more content and diverse information in each edition.

VLCT also finalized the details of moving its digital data to the "cloud," thereby increasing operational efficiency and enhancing cybersecurity and redundant protection of information. This move also reduced the need to acquire, maintain, and replace costly capital equipment. Improvements to the website are ongoing, and in concert with this effort is the research into a new customer relations management system, designed to help VLCT provide important information to members, but also to simplify ways that members provide information to VLCT that is shared among all municipalities.

VLCT conducted a series of Listening Sessions in 12 communities around the state to hear directly from local officials about services received from VLCT and whether any changes are needed, including whether new services should be initiated or outdated ones eliminated. Further discussions will be held with the Board of Directors. Members will be kept apprised of progress in setting future goals and priorities.

At the heart of all these activities is VLCT's commitment to serving as a good steward of member assets, and we are proud of the continued progress being made in that effort. Members are welcome to visit the VLCT office anytime to review the operations of the organization, to ask questions, and to access resources that can help each individual official and employee carry out the important work of local government.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at www.vlct.org.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Chris LaMonda, MPH

Director of EMS

The Barre Town EMS Department continues to grow. Last year the total call volume increased by 3.7%, we increased our primary service area by adding the northern portion of Brookfield, and saw the addition of 5 new per diem staff members.

Over the past 3 years we have seen a 7.6% increase in our total call volume (294 calls). Paramedic Intercepts and Mutual Aid have been the fastest growing areas. While our primary service area call volume has increased by 55 calls over the past year, its rate has been much slower than the calls for Paramedic Intercepts and Mutual Aid. These rates increased by 69 and 157 calls, respectively over that same 3-year period. This trend is being monitored for future planning.

Services and Service Area

Barre Town EMS welcomed the northern portion of Brookfield into our primary service area in January. This increases our service area from 5 to 6 towns (Towns of Barre, Berlin, Orange, Topsham, Washington, and Brookfield). This area has an approximate population of 14,347 and covers 215.3 sq miles.

To cover this area, Barre Town EMS continues to work out of three stations. The East Barre and Berlin stations are staffed at the Paramedic level 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The South Barre station (added in 2016) continues to be staffed at the Paramedic level Monday through Friday 9am to 7pm. Nearly 100% of all scheduled trucks have at least one Paramedic on them.

Equipment

This year we put a great deal of financial resources toward equipment and training. We added a video intubation scope, transport ventilator, iPad, 6 new hand-held radios, and increased the training budget by \$1675, as well as a new 2018 Ford 450 Medix ambulance. We chose to go with e450 to increase the size of the truck. This allows for better handling, more storage, and larger fuel tank. A power load and power stretcher system were also purchased for this ambulance. This brings our fleet up to 3 power load and power stretcher systems which helps increase patient and provider safety.

Personnel

This fiscal year ended with Barre Town EMS having 36 employees: 10 Critical Care Paramedics, 12 Paramedics, 13 AEMT, 1 EMT. Jon Cullen and Marc Truedson resigned as full-time employees. Their positions were fill by Michael "Mickey" Witham and Michelle Brock. Mickey returns to us post military training. He spent a year in Texas becoming licensed as a Critical Care Paramedic. Michelle has a long history in EMS and is currently licensed at the Paramedic level with hopes to increase to critical care. In December, I completed my master's degree in public Health.

The following are new per diem Barre Town EMS providers hired in FY16/17

Robert Gowans, Paramedic

Dan Trask, Critical Care Paramedic

Brook O'Steen, Critical Care Paramedic

Gage Rhoades, Paramedic

Jackie Bombardier, Paramedic

Primary Service area call volume

Fiscal 17-18

<u>Town</u>	<u>Total Calls</u>
Orange	86
Washington	69
Topsham	81
Berlin	2170
Barre	688
Brookfield	18

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