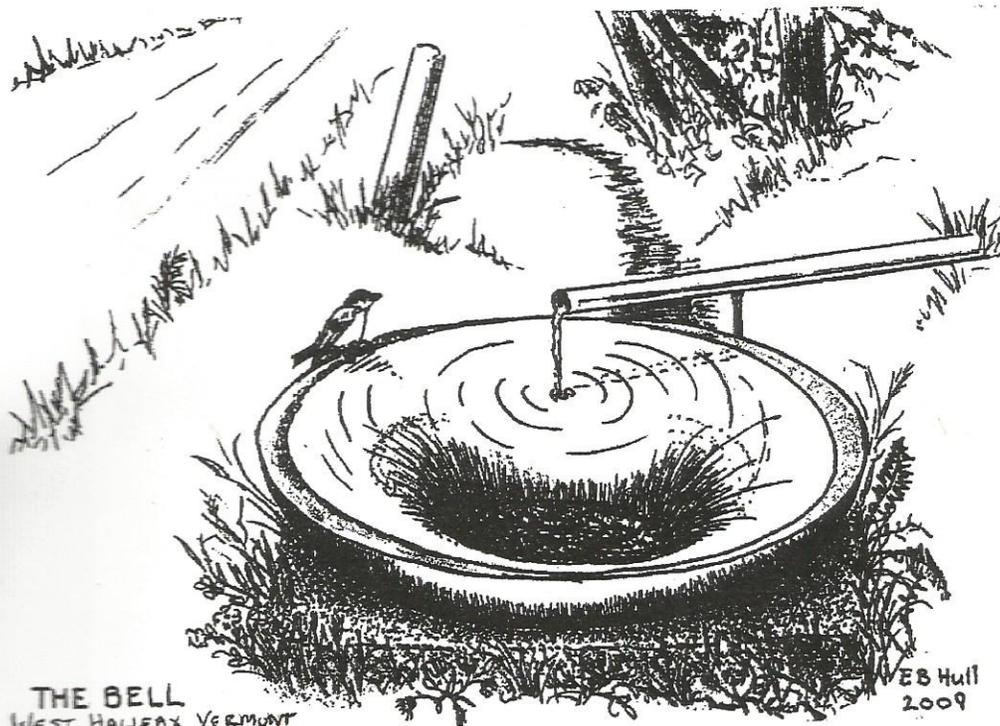


ANNUAL REPORT
TOWN OF HALIFAX, VERMONT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2012 – JUNE 30, 2013



Drawn by Elizabeth B. Hull

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, March 4, 2014
(Please bring this report with you)

Informational Meeting and Meet the Candidates
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Halifax Multipurpose Room

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DEDICATION

This town report is being dedicated to everyone who worked on and contributed to the writing and publication of the Halifax History Books, *Born in Controversy* Vol. 1 and *Hills and Hollows* Vol. 2. These books are a valuable snapshot into the history of our beautiful Town of Halifax.

These two books contain many stories, pictures and history of days gone by. Committee members worked over the last 20 years to create these two books. The work involved research, writing, design and layout. The Halifax Historical Society is devoted to preserving overall traditions, artifacts and to documenting the history of Halifax.



Photo Laura Sumner

From left: Stephen Sanders, Mariette Sanders, Carrie Perna, Molly Stone, Susan Rustin, Constance Lancaster, Bernice Barnett, and Elaine Fairbanks

This picture depicts the committee members at work in the meeting room at the Town Clerk's Office. The committee members include Stephen Sanders, Mariette Sanders, Carrie Perna, Molly Stone, Susan Rustin, Constance Lancaster, Bernice Barnett and Elaine Fairbanks. On behalf of the Town of Halifax, we dedicate this town report to all of you and all your efforts in creating these two History Books.

Thank you

UPCOMING EVENTS !!!

Rabies Vaccination Clinic

Sunday, March 9, 2014

Check with the Town Clerk to see if your pooch is up to date with Rabies Vaccinations

HALIFAX FIRE STATION

246 Branch Road, Halifax, Vermont

Hours 9-12

AVAILABLE VACCINATIONS

RABIES VACCINATIONS \$30.00

CANINE COMBO \$30.00

(Distemper, Adenovirus, Hepatitis, Parainfluenza, Parvovirus, Leptospirosis, Bordetella, Pertusis & Lyme)

FELINE COMBO \$30.00

(Rhinotracheitis, Distemper, Leukemia, & 2 Calci virus)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO H.R.A.C.

ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT

LOOK FOR US IN MAY !!

Two Drop Locations:

Halifax School, 246 Branch Rd., Halifax, VT

&

Lane Plumbing and Heating 10 Adams Dr., Wilmington, VT

Accepted Items Include:

TVs/VCRs/DVD players

Cell Phones/Home Phones

Fax/Copy Machines/Printers

Video Games and Systems

Computers/Parts/Accessories

Wires/Plugs/Drives/Cards

Camera/Video Equipment

Speakers/Audio Equipment

Benefits Halifax School

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
MEETING DATES AND TIMES
www.halifaxvermont.com
email: halifax@myfairpoint.net

Town Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Friday	8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Reminder: Dog Licenses are due on or before April 1st. A current rabies certification is required.

Meeting Schedules (unless otherwise posted)

Board of Selectmen	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday, monthly At Town Office, 6:30 P.M.
School Directors	1 st Wednesday, monthly At School Library, 7:00 P.M.
Planning Commission	2 nd Tuesday, monthly At Town Office, 7:00 P.M.
Zoning Commission	Meets as necessary
Broadband Committee	2 nd Wednesday, monthly At Town Office, 6:30 P.M.

Telephone Numbers

Town Clerk's Office	368-7390	Patricia Dow
Lister's Office	368-2080	
Highway Garage	368-2803	
Halifax Elementary School	368-2888	
Zoning Administrator	368-7033	Richard Gay
Health/Sewage Officer	451-9363	Susan Kelly, DVM
First Constable	368-7654	Leonard Derby
Road Commissioner	368-2803	Bradley Rafus
Treasurer/Tax Collector	368-7390	Patricia Dow

Non-Emergency Contact Information

First Constable	452-2737	Pager (Leonard Derby)
	368-7654	Home (Leonard Derby)
Second Constable	368-2948	Home (Roy Richardson)
State Police	254-2382	
Fire Department	368-7673	

Emergency Numbers

Fire	Rescue	Ambulance	Halifax EMS	911
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Warning Annual Town Meeting March 4, 2014

The inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, Vermont who are legal voters in the Town are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Halifax Elementary School in West Halifax, Vermont on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at ten (10:00 A.M.) o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect by Australian Ballot all Town Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual Town Meeting and to fill all vacancies. The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. to vote for the following Town Officers:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Term</u>
Town Moderator	One year
Selectman	Three years
Town Clerk	Three years
Town Treasurer	Three years
Lister	Three years
Auditor	Three years
First Constable	One year
Second Constable	One year
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	One year
Trustee of Public Funds	Three years
Town Agent	One year
Town Grand Juror	One year
Cemetery Commissioner	Three years

ARTICLE 2: To vote by Australian Ballot on the following question, with the polls being open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.:

Shall the voters of the Town of Halifax adopt the amended Town Plan, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 4385 (c)?

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to collect taxes for the Town and Town School District as follows: Taxes will be due on or before September 30, 2014 payable to the Town Treasurer. Taxes will become delinquent after September 30, 2014 and payable with penalties and interest to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the voters will establish a reserve fund in an amount not to exceed 5% of the general and highway fund budget to cover unanticipated revenue shortfall and to pay non-recurring and unanticipated general and highway fund expenses, to be funded with any budget surplus from the current fiscal FY14 year in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804(a)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will apply any budget surplus beyond 5% of the general and highway fund budget from the current fiscal year FY14 to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year FY15.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to approve Selectboard and Highway expenditures of \$1,364,275 of which \$1,166,275 shall be raised by taxes and \$198,000 by non-tax revenues to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the 2015 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to set the Treasurer's budget for salary and collection of current taxes at \$13,000 plus \$4,000 for expenses for the 2015 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 total for the First and/or Second Constable salary and basic operating expenses as they exercise the powers enumerated in 24 V.S.A. § 1936a (b) or enforce civil ordinances if so directed by the Selectboard, for the 2015 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 total to supplement the First and/or Second Constable salary and basic operating expenses if they are actively attending the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council (Police Academy) towards becoming appropriately certified, or have completed the training from VCJTC and are certified constables with full law enforcement authority, for the 2015 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund a new position of part-time Administrative Assistant to the Selectboard to start during FY15.

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town elect two additional Selectboard members for terms of one year each pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2650(b), effective the 2015 Halifax annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to the Halifax Community Club for upkeep and maintenance of the historic building at 20 Brook Rd. W. Halifax, VT.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will forgive the loan given to the Halifax Historical Committee under the auspices of the Halifax Historical Society for the expenses concerning the gathering of information, research, obtaining ISBN numbers, other miscellaneous expense, publishing and printing the History of the Town, which has now been completed in a two set volume, *Born in Controversy, History of Halifax, Vermont*, and *Hills and Hollow, History of Halifax, Vermont, Volume 2*.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 to the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry, an organization whose mission is to see that no one in the area goes needlessly hungry, or lacks the basics for personal care.

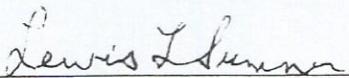
ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of:

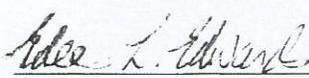
\$ 200	Brattleboro Area Hospice
\$ 550	Senior Solutions (Council on Aging for Southern Vermont)
\$ 700	Woman's Freedom Center
\$ 250	Windham Child Care Bookmobile Program
\$ 190	RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) of Windham County
\$ 750	HCRS (Health Care and Rehabilitative Services)
\$ 200	Youth Services
\$ 50	Green Up Vermont
\$ 250	American Red Cross
\$ 790	Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA)
\$ 500	The Gathering Place Adult Day Program
\$ 1,900	Visiting Nurse Assn. & Hospice of Vermont & New Hampshire, Inc.
\$ 3,500	Whitingham Free Public Library
\$ 4,000	Halifax EMS
\$ 2,500	Wings Community Programs
\$ 500	Deerfield Valley Community Partnership

ARTICLE 17: Shall the town provide notice of the availability of the auditors' report to the voters of the town in lieu of mailing or otherwise distributing the report itself in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1682(a). The notice of availability shall be given via postcard at least 30 days before the annual meeting. The report shall be available at the Town Clerk's Office at least 10 days prior to town meeting.

ARTICLE 18: To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Halifax, Vermont, this 31st day of January A.D. 2014.


Lewis Sumner


Edee Edwards


Earl Holtz

Board of Selectmen
Town of Halifax, Vermont

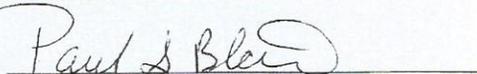
**WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

MARCH 4, 2014

The inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, Vermont who are legal voters in the Town School District Meeting in said Town of Halifax, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the West Halifax Elementary School multi-purpose room in West Halifax on Tuesday, March 4, 2014. The Annual Town School District Meeting is called at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting by Australian ballot between the hours of 10:00 a.m. (at which time the polls open) and 7:00 p.m. (at which time the polls will close) for the purpose of voting on Article I. All other Articles to be taken up at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

- ARTICLE I: To elect all Halifax School District officers to be elected at the Annual Town School District meeting and to fill all vacancies.
(Australian Ballot Polls open at 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.)
- ARTICLE II: Shall the voters of the Halifax School District appropriate \$1,467,122 necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2014?
- ARTICLE III: To see if the Halifax School District will vote to authorize the School Directors to borrow money on the notes of the Town School District or otherwise in anticipation of taxes.
- ARTICLE IV: To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Halifax, Vermont, this 26th day of January 2014.

School Directors

OFFICIAL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING BALLOT
OFFICIAL ANNUAL TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT
MARCH 4, 2014

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, mark a cross (X) in the square at the right of that person's name. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name on the blank line in the appropriate block.

<p>For <u>Town Moderator</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PATRICIA A. PUSEY <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>Collector of Delinquent Taxes</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LAURA SUMNER <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Selectman</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LEWIS L. SUMNER <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>Town Grand Juror</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>WILLIAM H. PUSEY <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Town Clerk</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PATRICIA DOW <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>Town Agent</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>DORA GREEN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Town Treasurer</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PATRICIA DOW <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>Trustees of Public Funds</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>HOWARD H. SMITH <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Lister</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PHYLLIS H. EVANUK <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>Cemetery Commissioner</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>CLIFTON J. INMAN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Auditor</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>SARAH BARNETT <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>School District Moderator</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PATRICIA A. PUSEY <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>First Constable</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LEN DERBY <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>School Board</u>, for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PAUL G. BLAIS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>For <u>Second Constable</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>ROY RICHARDSON <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>For <u>School Board</u>, for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>KIMBERLY R. TEFFT <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>_____ Write-In <input type="checkbox"/></p>

SAMPLE

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF HALIFAX
HALIFAX, VERMONT
MARCH 4, 2014

Shall the voters of the Town of Halifax adopt the amended
Town Plan, in accordance with 21 V.S.A. § 4385 (c)?

If in favor of adopting the
Amended Town Plan, make a
cross (X) in this square:



If opposed to adopting the
Amended Town Plan, make a
Cross (X) in this square:



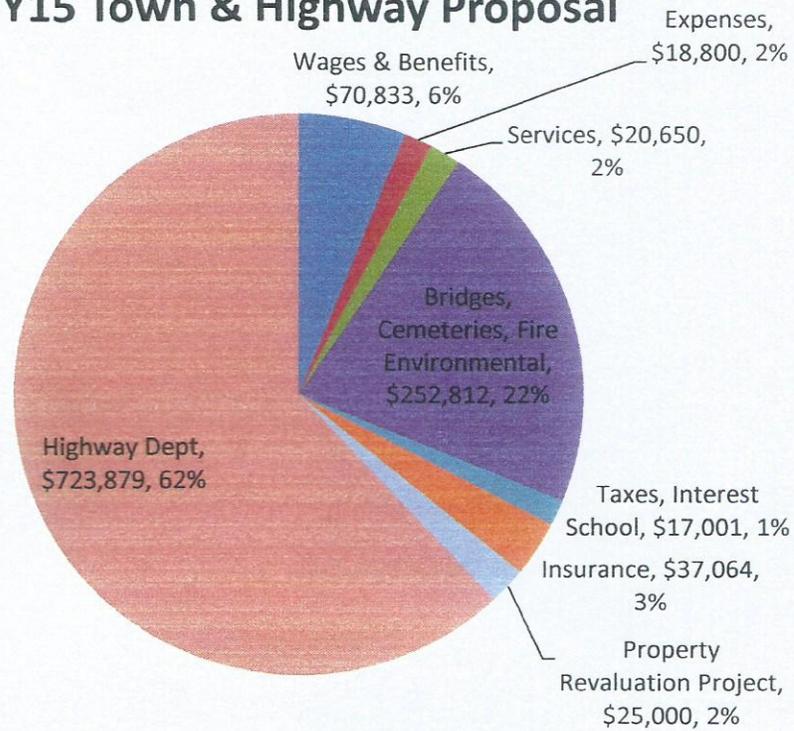
Acct. #	Acct. Description	Budget FY13	Spent FY13	Budget FY14	Proposal FY15
6100 Total	Wages*	\$59,025	\$54,625	\$85,387	\$52,820
6200 Total	Employee Benefits	\$13,325	\$1,480	\$13,005	\$9,448
9700 Subtotal Town	Payroll Exp--Soc. Sec.- Town	\$7,500	\$24,796	\$7,500	\$8,565
6250 Total	Town Office Expenses*	\$14,550	\$14,237	\$43,046	\$28,800
6270 Total	Town Expenses	\$2,500	\$2,120	\$2,500	\$2,500
6300 Total	Professional Services	\$10,500	\$13,993	\$10,500	\$13,500
6400 Total	Town Meeting Expense	\$4,100	\$4,348	\$4,090	\$4,650
6450 Total	Bridges*	\$10,000	\$996,320	\$30,000	\$204,500
6570 Total	Cemeteries	\$5,000	\$3,296	\$5,000	\$5,000
6600 Total	Halifax Fire Company & Ambulance	\$12,350	\$13,372	\$13,560	\$30,785
6700 Total	Environmental Expenses*	\$13,360	\$19,316	\$14,750	\$12,527
6750 Total	Taxes and Interest	\$8,000	\$23,390	\$19,500	\$7,000
6800 Total	Town Share of School Exp.	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$1	\$1
6850 Total	Insurance	\$25,309	\$6,545	\$34,306	\$37,064
6900 Total	Bank Charges and Fees		\$77	\$100	\$100
6000 Total	Selectboard Account	\$195,519	\$1,187,914	\$283,245	\$417,260
9300 Total	Reappraisal				\$25,000
Total 7475	Supplementary Road Assistance (Audits; Town's share)	\$21,395	\$17,368	\$54,550	\$15,000
	Municipal Subtotal	\$216,914	\$1,205,282	\$337,795	\$491,396
	Paid by Eames Fund	\$3,500	\$3,291	\$3,000	\$3,000
	Fees & Interest Earned	\$28,000	\$26,122	\$19,000	\$34,000
	Other Funding (FEMA, Reval.)		\$1,914,491		\$12,000
	Total Municipal	\$185,414		\$315,795	\$442,396
	Highway Dept. Total (from other pg)	\$703,918	\$1,373,005	\$582,668	\$723,879
	Total SB and Highway	\$889,332	\$164,432	\$898,463	\$1,166,275
Incomes against expenses					
Raise & Appropriate					

*Irene Expenses FY13	
6150	EOC Project Manager*
6151	EOC Procurement Manager*
6100	Irene EOC Wages
6262	EOC Emergency Supplies & Exp*
6263	Ads & Legal Notices - SRA*
6250	Irene Town Office Expenses
6454	Bridge Construction - SRA*
6450	Irene Bridge Expenses
6740	Storm Debris Removal (SRA)*
6700	Irene Environmental Expenses
7431	Gravel & Stone (SRA)
7461	Resurfacing (SRA)
7400	Irene Road Supplies & Contractors
	Total Irene Spend: SB and Highway

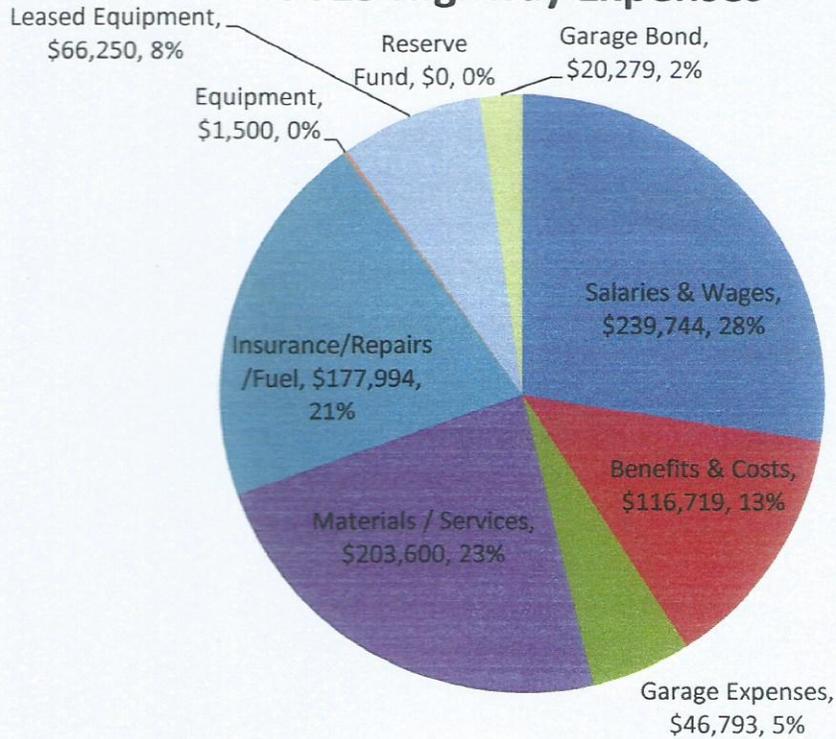
Highway Proposed Budget FY15 (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015)

Acct #	Acct. Description	Budget FY13	Spent FY13	Budget FY14	FY15 Proposal
7100 Total	Salaries and Wages	\$214,200	\$223,113	\$229,500	\$239,744
7200 Total	Employee Benefits & Costs	\$101,470	\$103,695	\$117,328	\$98,378
9700 Subtotal Highway	Payroll Exp--Soc. Sec. & Medicare	\$16,600		\$17,557	\$18,340
7300 Total	Garage Expenses	\$20,570	\$22,570	\$50,020	\$46,793
7410	Sand	\$30,000	\$25,662	\$30,000	\$28,000
7420	Salt	\$12,000	\$15,273	\$14,000	\$15,000
7430	Gravel	\$7,000	\$116,093	\$127,000	\$131,600
7431	Gravel & Stone (SRA)*		\$3,920		\$0
7435	Gravel Reserve Fund	\$20,000			\$0
7440	Chloride	\$10,000	\$9,202	\$10,000	\$10,000
7450	Construction - Other	\$1,500	\$3,935	\$1,500	\$3,500
7451	Guardrails (SRA)*				
7460	Resurfacing - Other	\$100,000	\$17,228	\$90,000	\$0
7461	Resurfacing (SRA)*		\$500,203		
7462	Cold Patch & Culverts	\$8,000	\$8,669	\$10,000	\$9,000
7463	Cold Patch & Culverts (SRA)*				
7470	Roadside Mowing	\$4,500	\$4,536	\$4,500	\$4,500
7475	Supplementary Road Assistance*				
7480	Road Signs	\$1,000	\$1,641	\$1,500	\$1,500
7481	Road Signs (SRA)*				
7490	Safety Gear	\$500	\$2,506	\$2,000	\$500
7400 Total	Road Supplies & Applications	\$194,500	\$708,868	\$290,500	\$203,600
	Equipment Reserve Fund	\$75,000	\$167,000	\$70,000	\$0
	Subtotal Equipment Purchases		\$190,497	\$93,200	\$1,500
	Equipment Lease Payments	\$80,300	\$79,230	\$102,285	\$66,250
	Insurance- VLCT Property &				
7670	Casualty/Equip	\$13,000	\$17,478	\$20,000	\$22,994
7680	Repairs & Maintenance	\$50,000	\$94,732	\$50,000	\$90,000
7685	Diesel Fuel	\$65,000	\$66,321	\$63,000	\$65,000
7690	Finance Charge		\$3		\$0
7600 Total	Equipment & Equip. Op. Costs	\$283,300	\$448,261	\$398,485	\$245,744
6550 Total	Garage Bond * (See SlctBd)	\$20,278	\$20,279	\$20,279	\$20,279
	Highway Subtotal	\$850,918	\$1,525,685	\$1,123,668	\$872,879
	Scott Fund	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$14,000
	State Aid	\$135,000	\$141,680	\$135,000	\$135,000
	Other Funding			\$396,000	\$0
	Raise and Appropriate Highway	\$703,918	\$1,373,005	\$582,668	\$723,879

FY15 Town & Highway Proposal



FY15 Highway Expenses



TOWN OF HALIFAX
TAX RATE
FISCAL YEAR 2014

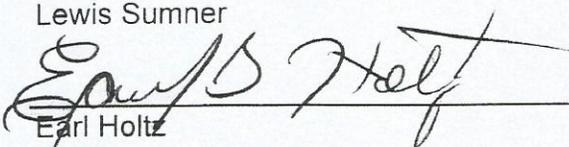
MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST	\$1,292,003.53
+/- Tax Appeals/Abatements	<u>(\$1,287.00)</u>
NET MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST	\$1,290,716.53
MUNICIPAL BUDGET	
SELECTMEN'S BUDGET	\$879,743.00
TREASURER'S BUDGET	\$17,000.00
CONSTABLE'S BUDGET	\$10,000.00
EMS OMNIBUS	\$20,500.00
OTHER VOTED NON-PROFITS	<u>\$13,830.00</u>
TOTAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET	\$941,073.00
STATE HOLD HARMLESS PAYMENT	(\$92,656.00)
TOTAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET MINUS HOLD HARMLESS	<u>\$848,417.00</u>
TAX on LOCAL AGREEMENTS (Town Voted Exemptions)	\$7,460.89
TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$855,877.89
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE	0.6574
LOCAL AGREEMENTS TAX RATE	0.0058
TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAX RATE	0.6632
SCHOOL TAX - HOMESTEAD RATE	1.3178
SCHOOL TAX - NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE	1.3830
TOTAL HOMESTEAD TAX RATE	1.9810
TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE	2.0462

APPROVED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON AUGUST 6, 2013



Edee Edwards, Chairman

Lewis Sumner



Earl Holtz

MINUTES
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 5, 2013

Pursuant to notice the inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, Vermont, who are legal voters in the Town Meeting met at the West Halifax Elementary School multi-purpose room in West Halifax, Vermont, on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 for the 236th Annual Meeting of the Town of Halifax.

Moderator Patricia Pusey called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M. and announced that the polls would be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. for voting by Australian Ballot for Town and Town School District Officers.

Moderator Pusey called for a moment of silence in memory of those who had passed away since the previous meeting.

The Board of Selectmen led the voters in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Pusey introduced the town officers on the platform with her: Town Clerk - Patricia Dow and Selectmen – Lewis Sumner, Chairman; Edee Edwards and Earl Holtz.

Lewis Sumner spoke about the town report not being delivered by the Post Office and the circumstances of how this happened.

ARTICLE 1: The following Town Officers were elected by Australian Ballot:

TOWN MODERATOR - one year.....	Patricia A. Pusey
SELECTMAN - three years.....	Edee L. Edwards
LISTER – three years.....	Charlene Martynowski
AUDITOR – three years.....	April Sumner Dupuis
FIRST CONSTABLE – one year.....	Leonard H. Derby, Sr.
SECOND CONSTABLE – one year.....	Roy G. Richardson
COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES – one year.....	Laura Sumner
GRAND JUROR – one year.....	William Pusey, Jr.
TOWN AGENT – one year.....	Melissa Green
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS – three years.....	Sam Groves
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER – three years.....	Jeff Deforest
SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR – one year.....	Patricia A. Pusey
SCHOOL DIRECTOR – three years.....	Homer “Chum” Sumner

ARTICLE 2: Voted to hear the reports of the Town Officers and to accept the Town Report as printed for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012.

ARTICLE 3: Voted to collect taxes for the Town and Town School District as follows: Taxes will be due on or before September 30, 2013 payable to the Town Treasurer. Taxes will become delinquent after September 30, 2013 and payable with penalties and interest to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes..

ARTICLE 4: Voted to apply any budget surplus from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year.

ARTICLE 5: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,442,743 of which \$ 879,743 shall be raised by taxes and \$ 563,000 by non-tax revenues to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the 2014 fiscal year.

- ARTICLE 6: Voted to set the Treasurer's budget for salary and collection of current taxes at \$ 13,000.00 plus \$ 4,000.00 for expenses for the 2014 fiscal year.
- ARTICLE 7: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 10,000.00 for a Certified First and/or Second Constable, or for a first and/or second Constable attending the academy, or otherwise \$ 2,000 for a non-certified first and/or second Constable's budget for the 2014 fiscal year.
- ARTICLE 8: Paul Blais moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,900 to support the home health care and hospice of patients in their homes by staff and volunteers of the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc. Laura Sumner seconded the motion and it was so voted. Moderator Pusey declared that Article 8 was approved.
- ARTICLE 9: Voted to raise and appropriate \$ 3,000.00 for the Whitingham Free Public Library in recognition of services provided to the residents of Halifax.
- Voted to amend the article to increase the appropriated amount to \$ 3,500.00
- ARTICLE 10: Voted to raise and appropriate \$ 20,500 for EMS and ambulance service, utilizing area agencies for the 2014 fiscal year.
- ARTICLE 11: Voted to raise and appropriate \$ 2,500 to Wings Community Programs to assist with the costs of providing after-school and summer programming for the children of the Town of Halifax.
- ARTICLE 12: Voted to raise and appropriate \$ 1,000 in support of the Halifax Community Club, Inc.
- ARTICLE 13: Voted to raise and appropriate \$ 500 in support of the Deerfield Valley Community Partnership to assist with the cost of providing programming and activities to prevent youth drug and alcohol use.
- ARTICLE 14: Voted to adopt the shown seal as the official seal to be used on town stationary, town vehicles, a town flag or other media wherever an official town seal would be appropriate, without changing the embossing seal used by the Town Clerk.
- ARTICLE 15: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of:
- | | |
|-----------|---|
| \$ 200.00 | Brattleboro Area Hospice |
| \$ 550.00 | Council on Aging for Southern Vermont |
| \$ 700.00 | Woman's Freedom Center, formerly Women's Crisis Center |
| \$ 250.00 | Windham Child Care Bookmobile Program |
| \$ 190.00 | RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) of Windham County |
| \$ 750.00 | HCRS (Health Care and Rehabilitative Services) |
| \$ 200.00 | Youth Services |
| \$ 50.00 | Green Up Vermont |
| \$ 250.00 | American Red Cross |
| \$ 790.00 | Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA) |
| \$ 500.00 | The Gathering Place Adult Day Program |

ARTICLE 16: Voted to Passover this article. There is no debate and it requires a 2/3 vote. A paper ballot was requested and 7 people stood in agreement. The result of the paper ballot was as follows:

YES	38
NO	22

A total of 60 votes, the article to Passover has been defeated.

Voted to elect two additional Selectboard members for terms of one year each pursuant to 17 V.S.A. 2650(b), effective the 2014 Halifax annual town meeting.

A paper ballot was requested, seven people stood in agreement. The result of the paper ballot was as follows:

YES	29
NO	33

ARTICLE 17: Discussed the following non-binding business.

Rose Alboum enlightened us with a poem regarding past appointed town positions with a fond farewell to the jobs of yesterday.

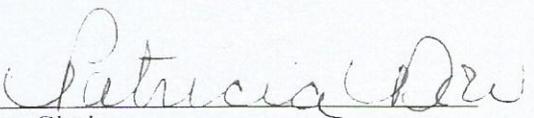
Joan Courser suggested a committee be formed for the town seal. James Coughlin suggested the school children come up with a seal.

Andy Rice asks for new members for the local EMS and if anyone wants to take the emergency responder course it would be very helpful.

Edee Edwards mentioned appointments will be coming up soon, economic development meetings in Wilmington and a survey on the website regarding what newspapers people use to get information from the town.

Maggie Bartenhagen commented on the different requests for funding to go towards next years' town meeting to have a specific amount apportioned to each one and a cap is needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 P.M.

Attest: 
Town Clerk

NOTE: The foregoing is a summary of the certified record of the minutes of the March 5, 2013 Annual Town Meeting which is recorded in Volume 6, Pages 12 – 17.

MINUTES
TOWN OF HALIFAX
ANNUAL TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 5, 2013

Pursuant to notice the inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, Vermont, who are legal voters in the Annual Town School District Meeting met at the West Halifax Elementary School multi-purpose room in West Halifax, Vermont, on Tuesday, March 5, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Patricia Pusey at 1:03 P.M. Moderator Pusey introduced the School Directors - Homer K. Sumner, Paul Blais and Shelby Brimmer; School Principal - Stephanie Aldrich; and Town Clerk - Patricia Dow.

ARTICLE I: The results of the election by Australian Ballot for school district officers were as follows:

Moderator - one year	Patricia A. Pusey
School Director - three years	Homer "Chum" Sumner

ARTICLE II: Voted to appropriate \$ 1,542,218 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2013.

Voted to amend the article to add \$ 1,500 to the schools budget for enrichment programs. A hand count was requested. The results are as follows:

YES	24
NO	19

ARTICLE III: Voted to authorize the School Directors to borrow money on the notes of the Town School District or otherwise in anticipation of taxes.

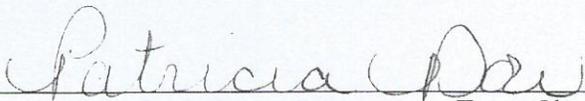
ARTICLE IV: Discussed the following non-binding business:

Nancy Talbot interim Superintendent was allowed to speak. It has been a pleasure to come to this community and see the level of teaching and see the student accomplishments. It has been my pleasure to serve.

John LaFlamme thanks the Halifax School and the Halifax School Board for the interest free loan to help with the recovery from Irene.

Edee Edwards thanked the School Board for going for high speed internet.

Voted to adjourn at 1:58 P.M.

Attest: 
Town Clerk

NOTE: The foregoing is a summary of the certified record of the minutes of the March 5, 2013 Annual Town School District Meeting which is recorded in Volume 6, Pages 18 -19, Halifax Town Meeting Records.

CASH BALANCES	July 1, 2012	June 30, 2013
1100 General Account	472,793.58	281,514.96
1110 Scott & Eames Fund - New Town Garage	10,744.87	10,744.87
1120 Equipment	28,826.69	-26,100.98
1130 Record Restoration Fund - TC fees funded	10,005.10	10,515.10
1140 Niles	5,662.62	5,662.62
1160 Re Appraisal Project - outside funding	12,559.00	19,190.11
1170 Office Equipment Fund - TC fees funded	3,457.36	3,967.36
1180 Cemetery	6,772.87	9,295.86
1190 VT Emergency Mgmt - Reserved Funding	3,671.12	5,088.73
New Town Garage - Reserved Funding	7,806.14	7,806.14
Bridge Fund - Reserved Funding	2,499.53	22,069.83
Temp Emergency Disaster Fund	955.40	0.00
State Education Fund	24,438.87	0.00
Equipment Reserve Fund	0	54,203.50
TOTAL CASH BALANCES	590,193.15	403,958.10

SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

REVENUE

Selectboard & Highway Revenues

5100 Property Taxes (Town Share)	929,071.52	
5200 Licenses, Permits and Fees	13,693.45	
5600 Interest Income	12,442.80	
5400 Special Project Funding	15,291.30	
5700 Miscellaneous Income	13,738.76	
5800 Highway Department	241,683.13	
TOTAL SELECTBOARD & HIGHWAY		1,225,920.96

Self Funded & Independent Accounts

5650 Cemetery	5,084.76	
5500 Self Funding Accounts	12,599.53	
5500 Public Safety	30,786.44	
5300 Annual Projects	6,631.11	
TOTAL REVENUE		55,101.84

FEMA funding relating to Tropical Storm IRENE

Peoples Bank Line of Credit	665,297.60	
FEMA Funding	1,914,490.97	
TOTAL FEMA		2,579,788.57

TOTAL REVENUES

\$ 3,860,811.37

EXPENDITURES

6000 Selectboard Account	-199,915.04	
7000 Highway Account	-1,039,596.82	
9000 Town Meeting Articles	-47,979.61	
8000 Self Funding & Independent Accounts	-46,748.60	
6570 Cemetery Account	-3,296.00	
Expenses relating to Tropical Storm IRENE	-2,709,510.35	
TOTAL EXPENSES		-4,047,046.42
Surplus/(Deficit)		-186,235.05

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

Beginning Cash Balance 7/1/12	590,193.15
Plus Surplus(Deficit)	-186,235.05
Ending Cash Balance less liabilities 6/30/13	403,958.10

Notes: Large deficit due to payment made in FY13 to Line of Credit for Damages from IRENE.

TREASURER'S TOWN ACCOUNT
Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

Prepared by
Patricia Dow, Treasurer

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>	
<u>SELECTBOARD & HIGHWAY REVENUES</u>			
5100 PROPERTY TAXES			
5110 Property Taxes Collected - Total	2,187,852.11		
6951 Property Tax Overpayments	-17,497.19		
9900 School Taxes	-1,201,978.00		
9910 Vermont Education Property Tax	-284,660.01		
5120 Delinquent Tax Collected	124,806.94		
5130 Current Use Reimbursement	85,505.00		
5140 HS-122 State Tax Adjustment	35,042.67	929,071.52	
5200 LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
5230 Town Clerk Fees	12,833.45		
5240 Dog Licenses	570.00		
5250 Driveway, Right of Way	90.00		
5280 Special License, Permit & Fees	200.00	13,693.45	
5600 INTEREST INCOME			
5600 Interest Income - all accounts	236.50		
5122 Delinquent Tax Interest Collected	12,206.30	12,442.80	
5400 SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDING			
5420 Bridge Funding	3,291.30		
5430 Scott Fund	12,000.00	15,291.30	
5700 MISCELLANEOUS INCOME			
5710 Law Enforcement Fines	183.50		
5720 Bank Charge Recovery	45.00		
5730 Miscellaneous Income	1,397.82		
5740 Refunds	1,786.64		
USDA Grant	10,072.80		
5750 Insurance Claims	253.00	13,738.76	
5800 REVENUE TO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT			
5810 State Highway Aid	141,679.78		
5820 Material Sales & Service	1,050.60		
5830 Excess Weight Permits	90.00		
5850 Refunds and Rebates	850.25		
5860 Insurance Claims	98,012.50	241,683.13	
TOTAL SELECTBOARD & HIGHWAY REVENUE			\$ 1,225,920.96
5650 CEMETERY INCOME			
5616 Cemetery Interest Income	84.76		
5650 Cemetery Appropriated Income	5,000.00	5,084.76	
5500 SELF FUNDING			
5121 Delinquent Tax Penalty Collected	9,984.53		
5210 Zoning & Appeals	2,615.00	12,599.53	
5500 PUBLIC SAFETY			
5510 Emergency Response/Drills	2,930.07		
5520 Pager Pay	855.00		
5550 Emergency Management Director	21,414.34		
5560 Radiological Officer	1,000.00		
5570 Annual Discretionary Funds	4,587.03	30,786.44	
5300 ANNUAL PROJECTS			
5320 Reappraisal - Appropriated	6,241.50		
5340 Lister Education Funding - Appropriated	389.61	6,631.11	
TOTAL SELF FUNDED & INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTS			\$ 55,101.84
FEMA funding relating to Tropical Storm IRENE			
Peoples Bank Line of Credit	665,297.60		\$ 665,297.60
FEMA Funding	*1,914,490.97		\$ 1,914,490.97
COMBINED REVENUES			\$ 3,860,811.37

TREASURER'S TOWN ACCOUNT
Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

Prepared by
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	EXPENSE	TOTALS	FY 13 BUDGET
6000 SELECTBOARD ACCOUNT - Budgeted Items			
6100 SALARIES & WAGES - TOWN			
6110 Select Board Salary	\$ 5,400.00		
6112 Select Board Secretary	\$ 2,050.00		
6120 Town Clerk	\$ 18,000.00		
6121 Town Clerk Assistant	\$ 1,320.00		
6130 Lister - Regular	\$ 14,312.00		
6140 Planning/Zoning Secretary	\$ 705.00		
6160 Auditor	\$ 3,500.00		
6170 Town Procurement	\$ 456.00		
6180 Assistant Treasurer	\$ 1,000.00		
TOTAL SALARIES & WAGES - TOWN		\$ 46,743.00	\$59,025.00
6200 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
6210 Workshops/Conferences/Training	\$ 760.00		
6240 Retirement Town Share - Town Clerk	\$ 720.00		
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		\$ 1,480.00	\$13,325.00
9700 PAYROLL EXPENSES - TOWN	\$ 7,760.99	\$ 7,760.99	\$7,500.00
6250 TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES			
6251 Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,565.26		
6252 Telephone	\$ 994.55		
6253 Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 4,629.35		
6254 Ads & Legal Notices	\$ 1,048.07		
6255 Office Supplies	\$ 2,436.17		
6256 Lister Supplies	\$ 1,744.93		
6259 Planning Board Expenses	\$ 457.83		
6260 Selectmen Expenses	\$ 1,360.57		
TOTAL TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES		\$ 14,236.73	\$14,550.00
6270 TOWN EXPENSES			
6271 Street Lights	\$ 1,945.25		
6274 WCHS stray dogs	\$ 175.00		
TOTAL TOWN EXPENSES		\$ 2,120.25	\$2,500.00
6300 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
6310 Accounting Services	\$ 6,000.00		
6320 Legal Services	\$ 912.00		
6330 Internet Services	\$ 767.76		
6340 VT Law Enforcement Services	\$ 6,312.82		
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		\$ 13,992.58	\$10,500.00
6400 TOWN MEETING EXPENSE			
6420 Ballot Clerks	\$ 1,296.00		
6430 Printing	\$ 1,688.19		
6435 Town Meeting Postage	\$ 834.90		
6440 Special Town Meeting Expense	\$ 529.16		
TOTAL TOWN MEETING EXPENSE		\$ 4,348.25	\$4,100.00
6453 BRIDGES		\$ 20,368.13	\$10,000.00
6570 CEMETERIES - Appropriated Funding		\$ 5,000.00	\$5,000.00
6600 FIRE COMPANY			
6610 Dispatching Fee	\$ 10,674.00		
6620 special UL Fuel	\$ 1,335.00		
6630 Insurance & Dues	\$ 700.00		
6640 Equipment & Gear	\$ 663.00		
TOTAL FIRE COMPANY		\$ 13,372.00	\$12,350.00

TREASURER'S TOWN ACCOUNT
Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

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SELECTBOARD ACCOUNT CONT'

	EXPENSE	TOTALS	FY 13 BUDGET
6700 ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENSE			
6710 WSWMD	\$ 6,599.08		
6720 Landfill Closure	\$ 1,524.58		
TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENSE		\$ 8,123.66	\$13,360.00
6750 TAXES AND INTEREST			
6751 County Tax		\$ 6,022.00	\$8,000.00
6753 Short Term Interest - IRENE Line of Credit		\$ 17,368.02	
6800 TOWN SHARE OF SCHOOL EXPENSES		\$ 10,000.00	\$10,000.00
6850 INSURANCE			
6851 Employment Practices Liability	\$ 1,772.00		
6852 Public Officials Liability	\$ 1,678.00		
6853 Workers Compensation	\$ 11,194.00		
6854 Property & Casualty	\$ 11,992.50		
6855 Unemployment Insurance	\$ 922.00		
6856 Workers Compensation - EMT	\$ 254.00		
6857 Property & Casualty - EMT	\$ 1,090.00		
TOTAL INSURANCE		\$ 28,902.50	\$25,309.00
6920 Bank Service Charges & fees		\$ 76.93	
TOTAL SELECTBOARD ACCOUNT		\$ 199,915.04	\$195,519.00

7000 HIGHWAY ACCOUNT - Budgeted Items

	EXPENSE	TOTALS	FY 13 BUDGET
7100 SALARIES & WAGES			
7120 Road Commissioner Salary	\$ 4,200.00		
7130 Road Procurement	\$ 1,440.00		
7110 Road Crew Regular Wages	\$ 177,084.94		
7110 Road Crew Overtime Wages	\$ 40,388.52		
TOTAL SALARIES & WAGES		\$ 223,113.46	\$214,200.00
7200 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
7210 Training & Education	\$ 895.00		
7220 Health Insurance	\$ 84,969.60		
7230 Life Insurance	\$ 871.75		
7260 Retirement - Town Share	\$ 8,699.02		
7270 Uniform - Town Contribution	\$ 7,581.96		
7280 Hiring Costs/Drug Testing	\$ 577.85		
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		\$ 103,595.18	\$101,470.00
9700 Payroll Expenses - Road		\$ 17,034.53	\$16,600.00
7300 GARAGE EXPENSES			
7310 Electric	\$ 3,532.50		
7320 Heating Fuel	\$ 8,309.71		
7330 Telephone	\$ 1,065.94		
7340 Building Repair & Maintenance	\$ 1,890.16		
7360 Office & Cleaning Supplies	\$ 593.38		
7370 Trash Collection	\$ 1,141.70		
7380 Shop Supplies	\$ 6,036.55		
TOTAL GARAGE EXPENSES		\$ 22,569.94	\$20,570.00
6550 Garage Bond & Interest		\$ 20,278.50	\$20,278.00

TREASURER'S TOWN ACCOUNT
Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

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7400 ROAD SUPPLIES & APPLICATIONS

7410 Sand	\$ 25,662.00	\$30,000.00
7420 Salt	\$ 15,272.52	\$12,000.00
7430 Gravel & Stone	\$ 116,092.62	\$7,000.00
7435 Gravel & Stone Reserve Fund		\$20,000.00
7440 Chloride	\$ 9,202.00	\$10,000.00
7450 Culverts & Cold Patch	\$ 8,669.08	\$8,000.00
7460 Construction	\$ 3,935.49	\$1,500.00
7461 Resurfacing	\$ 17,228.25	\$100,000.00
7470 Roadside Mowing	\$ 4,536.00	\$4,500.00
7480 Road Signs	\$ 1,640.97	\$1,000.00
7490 Safety Gear	\$ 2,505.61	\$500.00

TOTAL ROAD SUPPLIES & APPLICATIONS **\$ 204,744.54**

7600 EQUIPMENT EXPENSES

Equipment Lease Payments		\$80,300.00
Equipment Reserve Fund - Appropriated Fund		\$75,000.00
7615 Excavator	\$ 20,949.09	
7640 Grader	\$ 34,231.56	
7690 Finance Charge	\$ 2.64	
7645 Shop Supplies & Tools	\$ 879.88	
7655 Loader	\$ 24,049.15	
7665 Trucks	\$ 189,617.00	
7670 VLCT Property & Casualty/Equipment	\$ 17,478.00	\$13,000.00
7680 Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 94,732.17	\$50,000.00
7685 Diesel Fuel	\$ 66,321.18	\$65,000.00

TOTAL EQUIPMENT EXPENSES **\$ 448,260.67**

TOTAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT **\$ 1,039,596.82** **\$850,918.00**

VOTED TOWN MEETING ARTICLES - Additions to budgeted items

9400 CONSTABLE (Salary & Expenses)

9410 Salary	\$ 580.00	
9420 Expenses	\$ 436.14	
TOTAL CONSTABLE	\$ 1,016.14	\$10,000.00

9500 TREASURER (Salary & Expenses)

9510 Salary	\$ 13,000.00	
9520 Expenses	\$ 3,581.47	
TOTAL TREASURER	\$ 16,581.47	\$17,000.00

9600 SPECIAL FUNDS

9611 RSVP of Windham County	\$ 190.00	\$190.00
9612 Visiting Nurse Alliance	\$ 1,900.00	\$1,900.00
9614 Brattleboro Area Hospice	\$ 200.00	\$200.00
9615 Council on Aging for SEVT	\$ 550.00	\$550.00
9617 Healthcare & Rehabilitation Services	\$ 750.00	\$750.00
9618 Whitingham Free Library	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00
9619 Women's Freedom Center	\$ 700.00	\$700.00
9623 Wings Community Program	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00
9626 Youth Services	\$ 200.00	\$200.00
9629 SEVCA SE VT Comm Act	\$ 790.00	\$790.00
9630 The Gatherine Place	\$ 500.00	\$500.00
9620 Whitingham Ambulance Service	\$ 10,539.00	
9624 Rescue Inc.	\$ 1,000.00	
9625 Halifax EMS	\$ 4,000.00	

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9631 Green Up Vermont	\$	50.00	\$50.00
9632 American Red Cross	\$	250.00	\$250.00
9633 Windham Child Care Association	\$	250.00	\$250.00
9634 Deerfield Valley Rescue	\$	3,513.00	
Omnibus budget for EMS			\$20,500.00
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS		\$ 30,382.00	\$31,830.00

8000 SELF FUNDING

		EXPENSES	TOTALS
8200 COMMISSIONS			
8210 Delinquent Tax Collector	\$	11,643.40	
8310 Delinquent Tax Collector Expense	\$	1,362.50	
8220 Zoning Administrator	\$	1,945.00	
TOTAL COMMISSIONS		\$ 14,950.90	
8100 PUBLIC SAFETY			
8110 Annual Discretionary Funds	\$	7,424.85	
8120 Generators/Other	\$	739.61	
8130 Pager Pay	\$	1,396.67	
8140 VEM Annual Compensation	\$	17,632.06	
8150 VEM Radiological Officer	\$	1,000.00	
8160 Drills and Exercises	\$	2,127.09	
8170 EMD Annual Expenses	\$	1,477.42	
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ 31,797.70	
6570 CEMETERY ACCOUNT			
6572 Equipment Rental	\$	1,503.25	
6573 Wages	\$	1,792.75	
TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENSES		\$ 3,296.00	

EXPENSES RELATING TO TROPICAL STORM IRENE

6150 EOC Project Manager	\$	6,026.04	
6151 EOC Procurement Officer	\$	1,856.00	
6262 EOC Emergency Supplies & Expenses	\$	250.58	
6263 Ads & Legal Notices	\$	170.64	
6454 Bridge Construction	\$	975,952.24	
6740 Storm Debris Removal	\$	11,192.00	
7431 Gravel & Stone	\$	3,920.00	
7461 Resurfacing	\$	500,203.00	
Peoples United Bank Line of Credit Payment	\$	1,209,939.85	
TOTAL IRENE RELATED EXPENSES		\$ 2,709,510.35	

\$ 4,047,046.42

Change in Fund Balance

Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

1130 Record Restoration Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$10,005.10
Revenues	
Town Clerk Recording Fees	\$510.00
.50 per \$ 10.00 recorded	
Expenses	
Ending Balance 6/30/12	\$10,515.10

1160 Reappraisal & Lister Education Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$12,559.00
Revenues	
Per Parcel Payment for reval & Training	\$6,631.11
Expenses	
Transfer to General Fund for Classes	\$19,190.11
Ending Balance 6/30/13	

1170 Office Equipment Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$3,457.36
Revenues	
Town Clerk Recording Fees	\$510.00
.50 per \$ 10.00 recorded	
Ending Balance 6/30/13	\$3,967.36

1180 Cemetery Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$6,772.87
Expenses	
6572 Equipment Rental	-\$1,503.25
6573 Wages	-\$1,058.52
Transfer for payroll taxes	
Total Expenses	-\$2,561.77
Revenues	
FY11 Budget	\$5,000.00
Intrest Income	\$84.76
Total Revenues	\$5,084.76
Ending Balance 6/30/13	\$9,295.86

1120 Equipment Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	28,826.69
Revenues	
Annual Transfer of Budget	208,300.00
Equipment Reserve Transfer	
Total Revenue	185,033.00
Expenses	
7685 Diesel Fuel	-66,321.18
7680 Repairs & Maintenance	-94,732.17
7670 Property & Casualty Ins	-17,478.00
7690 Finance Charge	-2.64
7615 Excavator	-20,949.09
7640 Grader	-34,231.56
7645 Shop Supplies & Tools	-879.88
7655 Loader	-24,049.15
7665 Trucks	-189,617.00
Total Expenses	-448,260.67
Ending Balance 6/30/13	-26,100.98

1190 VT Emergency Mgmt	
Beginning Balances 7/1/12	3,671.12
Revenues	
Annual Discretionary Funds	4,587.03
Radiological Officer	1,000.00
Emergency Mgmt Director	21,414.34
Drills & Exercises	2,930.07
Pager Pay	855.00
Total Revenues	30,786.44
Expenses	
Annual Discretionary Funds	-8,164.46
Radiological Officer	-1,000.00
Emergency Mgmt Director + taxes	-19,991.75
Drills & Exercises	-2,127.09
Pager Pay	-1,396.67
FY13 exp transferred in FY14	3,311.14
Total Expenses	-29,368.83
Ending Balance 6/30/13	5,088.73

Change in Fund Balance

Fiscal Year 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

1192 Bridge Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$2,499.53
Expenses	
Bridge Maintenance	-\$3,721.00
Revenues	
FY12 Budget	\$10,000.00
FY13 Budget	\$10,000.00
AOT Special Project Funding	\$3,291.30
Ending Balance 6/30/13	\$22,069.83

1195 Equipment Reserve Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	\$0.00
Expenses	
Transfer appropriated to purchase truck	-\$75,000.00
Revenues	
FY 13 Reserved appropriated Funds	\$75,000.00
FY 13 Interest	\$236.50
Balance of Insurance refund	\$53,967.00
Ending Balance 6/30/13	\$54,203.50

1194 Emergency Disaster Fund	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	955.40
Expenses	
SO # 11 Disaster Expenses	-955.40
Ending Balance 6/30/13	0.00

1101 Education payment to State Treasury	
Beginning Balance 7/1/12	24,438.87
Transfer Overage to General Town Fund	-24,438.87
Ending Balance 6/30/13	0.00

Road Commissioners Report

7000 Highway Account	Expense
7100 Salaries & Wages	
7120 Road Commissioner Salary	\$4,200.00
7130 Road Procurement	\$1,440.00
7110 Road Crew Wages	\$177,084.94
7110 Road Crew Overtime Wages	\$40,388.52
Subtotal	\$223,113.46
7200 Employee Benefits	
7210 Training & Education	\$895.00
7220 Health Insurance	\$84,969.60
7230 Life Insurance	\$871.75
7260 Retirement Town Share	\$8,699.02
7270 Uniform Town Contribution	\$7,581.96
7280 Hiring Cost /Drug Testing	\$577.85
Subtotal	\$103,595.18
7300 Garage Expenses	
7310 Electric	\$3,532.50
7320 Heating Fuel	\$8,309.71
7330 Phone	\$1,065.94
7340 Building Repair & Maintenance	\$1,890.16
7360 Office & Cleaning Supplies	\$593.38
7370 Trash Collection	\$1,141.70
7380 Shop Supplies	\$6,036.55
6550 Garage Bond & Interest	\$20,278.50
Subtotal	\$42,848.44
7400 Road Supplies & Applications	
7410 Sand	\$25,662.00
7420 Salt	\$15,272.52
7430 Gravel & Stone	\$116,092.62
7440 Chloride	\$9,202.00
7450 Culverts & Cold Patch	\$8,669.08
7460 Construction	\$3,935.49
7461 Resurfacing	\$17,228.25
Roadside Mowing	\$4,536.00
7480 Road Signs	\$1,640.97
7490 Safety Gear	\$2,505.61
Subtotal	\$204,744.54
7600 Equipment	
7615 Excavator	\$20,949.09
7640 Grader	\$34,231.56
7690 Finance Charge	\$2.64
7645 Shop Supplies & Tools	\$879.88
7655 Loader	\$24,049.15
7665 Trucks	\$189,617.00
7670 VLCT Property & Casualty / Equipment	\$17,478.00
7680 Repairs Maintenance	\$94,732.17
7685 Diesel Fuel	\$66,321.18
Subtotal	\$448,260.67
Total Highway Account	\$1,022,562.29

COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES
Report for FY 2013 (July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013)

	Parcel ID	Beginning Balance	Del. Taxes Collected	Ending Balance
Tax Warrant for FY 2010 (07/01/09 - 06/30/10)		\$1,481.33	\$1,481.33	\$0.00
Tax Warrant for FY 2011 (07/01/10 - 06/30/11)		\$11,154.62	\$11,154.62	\$0.00
Tax Warrant for FY 2012 (07/01/11 - 06/30/12)		\$39,587.39	\$28,747.74	\$10,839.65
Tax Warrant for FY 2013 (07/01/12-06/30/13)		\$148,580.20	\$83,423.25	\$65,156.95
TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES		\$200,803.54	\$124,806.94	\$75,996.60

REPORT OF DELINQUENT TAXES COLLECTED

Delinquent Taxes Collected	\$124,806.94
Tax Commission Collected	\$9,984.53
Interest Collected	\$12,206.30
Miscellaneous Costs Collected	\$1,389.02
Total Del. Taxes, Penalty, Interest and Costs Collected	\$148,386.79
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED DELINQUENT TAXES	\$75,996.60

DELINQUENT TAX LIST

FY 2012 (07/01/11-06/30/12)

Oglesby, William A.	can.0453	
# Wasiuk, Daniel and Moynahan, Jessica M.	xwoh.0580	
SUB-TOTAL for FY 2012		10,839.65

FY 2013 (07/01/12-06/30/13)

# Boyko, Kristine	hub.0181	
# Boyko, Kristine	pen.0511	
# Burd, Zachary R.	bro.1250	
# Creagh, Diane	mcm.0012	
# Creagh, Diane; Anderson, Lynn; Dickinson III, Ralph	pen.1843	
# Crosby III, Frederick A. and Melanie L.	brn.0195	
* Dickinson III, Ralph	pen.1749	
* Farrington, Harry and Patricia	cln.1950	
# Nugent, David A. and Marble, Cynthia L.	spr.0299	
Oglesby, William A.	can.0453	
* Reavey, William A. and Jacqueline et al	phl.0460	
# Sanders, Lia	wht.0310	
# Swislosky III, Edward W. and Louise K.	han.0521	
SUB-TOTAL for FY 2013		65,156.95

GRAND TOTAL for FY 2012 - FY 2013 **75,996.60**

= Paid in Full as of Jan. 27, 2014

* = Payments are being made

DELINQUENT TAX BALANCE AS OF JAN. 27, 2014 **47,325.96**

H. M. SCOTT FUND
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013

Assets held at Edward Jones & Co. L.P.

Value of Fund July 1, 2012	291,681.08
Income	
Dividends & Interest	15,580.12
Sales/redemptions of securities	<u>1,780.73</u>
	17,360.85
	309,041.93
Disbursements	
Town of Halifax	12,000.00
Securities Purchased	1,984.13
Foreign tax paid	<u>124.89</u>
	(14,109.02)
	294,932.91
Increase in value of securities	25,388.02
Value of Fund June 30, 2013	320,320.93

Investment Portfolio Market Value June 30, 2013

Stocks

<u>Company</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>
BCE	210	8,614.20
Duke Energy	145	9,787.50
DuPont de Nemours	375	19,687.50
Emerson Electric	300	16,362.00
General Electric	1200	27,828.00
Johnson & Johnson	370	31,768.20
Pfizer, Inc	400	11,204.00
Proctor & Gamble	190	14,628.10
Royal Dutch Shell	103	6,571.40
Southern Co.	200	8,826.00
Vodafone Group	66	1,897.17

Mutual Funds

Franklin Income Fund	7,867	18,093.49
J.P.Morgan High Yield Fund	1,141	9,117.64

Municipal Bonds

NJ St Edl Facs Auth Rev I		25,808.25
Univ of VT & State Agric Coll Rev		4,816.45

Corporate Bonds

Morgan Stanley Capital Trust	920	23,257.60
Verizon NY Inc Deb Ser A		9,647.84

Real Estate Investment Trust

Martin Midstream Partners	975	42,987.75
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Limited Liability Corp

Linn Energy LLC	500	<u>16,590.00</u>
		307,493.09

Edward Jones Cash Account		12,827.84
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Total account value June 30, 2013		320,320.93
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**Town of Halifax Cemetery Fund
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2013**

	<u>Jun 30, 13</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · TD Bank North	10,620.00
10001 · TD Bank Savings	4,571.53
Total Checking/Savings	<u>15,191.53</u>
Other Current Assets	
18700 · Stock Investment	4,200.00
Total Other Current Assets	<u>4,200.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>19,391.53</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>19,391.53</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Eq...	14,634.50
32000 · Unrestricted Net Ass...	4,481.44
Net Income	275.59
Total Equity	<u>19,391.53</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>19,391.53</u></u>

**Eames Fund
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2013**

	<u>Jun 30, 13</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Brattleboro S&L - Savings	988.49
Brattleboro S&L CD	68,857.24
TD/Bank North - Money Mar...	57,511.82
TD/Bank North - Savings	504.90
Total Checking/Savings	<u>127,862.45</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>127,862.45</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>127,862.45</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	126,211.44
Unrestricted Net Assets	535.69
Net Income	1,115.32
Total Equity	<u>127,862.45</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>127,862.45</u></u>

**WICKS CEMETERY FUND
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013**

Principal invested in AT&T Stock held at Edward Jones Co, LP

Value on 7/1/12	3,435.08
Income	
Interest	171.46
Decrease in Value	(25.05)
Value on 6/30/13	3,410.03

Cael Fund (and School Funds)

July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

Cael Fund

7/1/2012 TD BANK CD # 92573534	\$30,500.00
TD BANK CD #92465475	\$24,300.00
TD BANK CD #5730760768	\$27,000.00
TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$389.72
TD BANK MONEY MARKET CHECKING	\$11,791.15
Balance	\$93,980.87
Interest Earned	\$577.99
Balance	\$94,558.86
Checks Cashed	\$20.00
6/30/2013 Ending Balance	\$94,538.86

6/30/2013 TD BANK CD #92573534	\$30,500.00
TD BANK CD #92465475	\$24,300.00
TD BANK CD #5730760768	\$27,000.00
TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$369.72
TD BANK MONEY MARKET CHECKING	\$12,369.14
Ending Balance	\$94,538.86

School Accounts

Mary P. Butterfield (Citizenship)

Funds Added TD BANK CD #92573534	\$200.00
Funds Added TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$24.75
7/1/2012 Balance	\$234.11
Interest Earned	\$0.64
Balance	\$234.75
Checks Cashed	\$10.00
6/30/2013 Ending Balance	\$224.75

Elizabeth Scott Fund (Willingness Award)

Funds Added TD BANK CD #92573534	\$100.00
Funds Added TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$19.32
7/1/2012 Balance	\$124.00
Interest Earned	\$0.32
Balance	\$124.32
Checks Cashed	\$5.00
6/30/2013 Ending Balance	\$119.32

Hand Wonsey Fund (Outstanding Poet)

Funds Added TD BANK CD #92573534	\$200.00
Funds Added TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$26.53
7/1/2012 Balance	\$225.89
Interest Earned	\$0.64
6/30/2013 Ending Balance	\$226.53

Sam Maltese Fund (Writing Award)

Funds Added TD BANK CD #92465475	\$300.00
Funds Added TD BANK CORE CHECKING	\$13.15
7/1/2012 Balance	\$295.84
Interest Earned	\$1.01
Balance	\$296.85
Checks Cashed	\$10.00
6/30/2013 Ending Balance	\$286.85

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

Appointments Made By Town Clerk

Assistant Town Clerk	Laura Sumner
Assistant Town Clerk	William Moore
Deputy Registers	Mark F. Shea, James J. Curley, Tom Robinson, Lewis Sumner

Vital Records Filed

Marriages	5
Deaths	10
Births	3

Land Records Recorded

Act 250 Disclosure	6
Affidavit of Scriveners Error	2
Cemetery Deed	2
Certificate Evidencing Merger	1
Certificate of Highway Mileage	1
Certificate of Name Change	2
Certificate of Non-Redemption	1
Certificate of Trust	3
Complaint	1
Current Use Value	12
Death Certificates Recorded	2
Decree of Distribution	2
Delinquent Tax Collectors Warrant	1
Easements	5
Engineer Designer/Installer Certificate	1
Executors Deed	1
Foreclosure Complaints	4
Foreclosure Judgment & Decree	1
Guardians Deed	1
Judgment Order	1
Land Use Permit	1
License to Sell	2
Lot Line Adjustment	1
Mobile Home Bill of Sale	3
Mortgage Assignments	7
Mortgage Deeds	44
Mortgage Discharge	46
Mortgage Note Modification	1
Order Declaring Title	1
Permit for Driveway	3
Permit for New Parcel	4
Permit for Renewal	2
Permit for Zoning	29
Permit for Zoning Appeal Approval	1
Power of Attorney	15
Property Transfer Tax Return	41
Quit Claim Deed	10

Town of Halifax – Auditors Annual Report

We reviewed the records of the Town Treasurer, Road Commissioner, Delinquent Tax Collector and other municipal officers provided for the period ending June 30, 2013. We closely looked at the bank accounts and analyzed activity for the trust funds and delinquent tax collections. Records appeared to be very clean with clear audit trails.

We conducted the annual Town audit for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013 in accordance with the statutory requirements identified at 24 V.S.A. §§ 1681, 1682(a). This statutory requires that the elected auditors review the accounts of local officials and report the findings directly to the taxpayers for review through the annual Town Report. Auditors may make notes to bring irregularities to light, but may not change the actual reports provided by the municipal officials.

Through our review and testing of the financial documents requested of the Treasurer, Select board and other municipal officials we were able to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial records presented within this annual report are free from material misstatement. Do note that records are kept on a cash basis rather than the accrual basis, therefore income is recorded when the cash or check is received and the expenses are not counted until they are actually paid.

We were able to attend additional training sessions this year. Alane and I (Sarah) we able to attend a spring seminar and then Alane also attended a fall seminar.

We have done our best to review the records provided by municipal officials. We would like to remind you that all financial records are available upon request from Town Officials if additional questions remain.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Barnett (chair)
April Sumner Dupuis
Alane B Smith

ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF HALIFAX, VERMONT
For the Year 2013

TOWN OFFICE	NAME	TERM EXPIRES
TOWN MODERATOR (1 yr)	Patricia A. Pusey	2014
TOWN CLERK (3 yrs)	Patricia Dow	2014
TOWN TREASURER (3 yrs)	Patricia Dow	2014
SELECTMEN (3 yrs)	Edee Edwards, Chair	2016
	Lewis Sumner, Vice Chair	2014
	Earl B. Holtz	2015
LISTERS (3 yrs)	Charlene Martynowski	2016
	Phyllis Evanuk	2014
	Joseph Tamburrino	2015
AUDITORS (3 yrs)	April Sumner Dupuis	2016
	Alane Smith	2015
	Sarah Barnett	2014
FIRST CONSTABLE (1 yr)	Leonard Derby	2014
SECOND CONSTABLE (1 yrs)	Roy Richardson	2014
COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES (1yr)	Laura Sumner	2014
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS (3 yrs)	Samuel Groves	2016
	Howard Smith	2014
	William J. Moore	2015
TOWN AGENT (1 yr)	Melissa Green	2014
TOWN GRAND JUROR (1 yr)	William Pusey	2014
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS (3 yrs)	Clifton Inman	2014
	Jesse White	2015
	Jeff DeForest	2016
SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR (1 yr)	Patricia A. Pusey	2014
SCHOOL DIRECTORS (3 yrs)	Homer Sumner	2016
	Paul Blais	2014
	Shelby Brimmer	2015
TRUSTEE TO THE WHITINGHAM LIBREARY	Vicki B. Allen	2015
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE (2 yrs)	Joan Wonsey-Courser	2016
	Patricia Pusey	2016
	Rebecca Stone	2016
	Craig J. Stone	2016
	Malcolm K. Sumner	2016
STATE REPRESENTATIVE	Ann Manwaring	

APPOINTMENTS BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
For the Year 2013

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, CHAIRMAN (1 yr)	Edee Edwards
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, VICE CHAIRMAN (1 yr)	Lewis Sumner
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, SECRETARY (1 yr)	Jessica Bruno
HALIFAX PLANNING COMMISSION (4 yrs)	Margaret Stoltzman – Term Expires 2016 Sirean LaFlamme - Term Expires 2017 Brian McNeice - Term Expires 2014 William Pusey - Term Expires 2015 John Brimmer – Term Expires 2016
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (4 yrs)	Sirean LaFlamme - Term Expires 2017 Margaret Stoltzman – Term Expires 2016 Brian McNeice - Term Expires 2015 William Pusey - Term Expires 2014 John Brimmer – Term Expires 2016
ROAD COMMISSIONER (1 yr)	Brad Rafus
TREE WARDEN (1 yr)	Ross Barnett
POUND KEEPER (1 yr)	Leonard Derby, Sr.
TOWN SERVICE OFFICER (1 yr)	William H. Pusey, Jr.
REPRESENTATIVE TO COUNCIL ON AGING (1 yr)	
WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS (1 yr)	Margaret Bartenhagen Nick Bartenhagen
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR (4 yrs)	Richard Gay - Term Expires 2016
ACTING ZONING ADMINISTRATOR (4 yrs)	Rick Mirucki - Term Expires 2015
WINDHAM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (1 yr)	Clifton Inman
DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES	Lewis Sumner
LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE (1 yr)	Allan Dacey Andrew Rice Lewis Sumner
ADA COORDINATOR (1 yr)	Wayne Courser - Term Expires 2013
E-911 COORDINATOR (1 yr)	Greg Marguet – Term Expires 2013
RECYCLING COORDINATOR (1 yr)	Taralee Lane
GREEN-UP VERMONT, INC. (1 yr)	John LaFlamme
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR (1 yr)	Ross Barnett
HEALTH/SEWAGE OFFICER (1 yr)	Susan M. Kelly, D.V.M.
CITATION TICKET RESPONSIBILITY (1 yr)	Leonard Derby, Sr.
ENERGY CONSERVATION OFFICER (1 yr)	Tristan Roberts
NEWSPAPERS OF RECORD	<i>Brattleboro Reformer</i> <i>Deerfield Valley News</i>
SELECTMEN'S MEETING DATES	Bi-Monthly on 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays at 6:30 P.M. at Town Office

Persons interested in an appointed position, please give your name to the Select Board or the Town Clerk. Nominations and appointments are awarded during the first and second Select Board meetings after Town Meeting.

Town of Halifax
Selectboard Report for FY 2013

The Halifax Selectboard had another very busy year in Fiscal Year 2013, which ran from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, with 62 meetings, drills, or training, totaling somewhat over 150 hours in meetings alone.

Finance: Tropical Storm Irene continued to take a fair amount of time and effort as bridge repairs were nearly finalized, and money was being recouped. Again this year's report will reflect those costs. We were fortunate the Hurricane Sandy spared us in October 2012.

Infrastructure: By the end of the fiscal year, Reed Hill and Deer Park Road Bridges, 2 of the 3 remaining Irene-damaged bridges were repaired and re-opened. (Hale Road bridge followed just a week prior to Irene's 2nd year anniversary in August 2013.) The regularly scheduled repaving on Green River Road between Hatch School and Ballou Mountain Rd was pushed into the next fiscal year, finishing in August also. We continued with engineering work for repairs on Old County Road North (regular bridge work).

Equipment: In late December 2012, our tandem snowplow truck was destroyed in a fire, leaving us down a machine in the midst of the winter plowing season. We replaced the truck, in part with insurance proceeds, and bought the burned truck as salvage. Re-using as much of the equipment as possible, we then upgraded our planned replacement of Truck #3 to be a second tandem truck, which will allow for more efficient service out to longer roads such as Jacksonville Stage and Green River Road.

Services: In January 2013, the Whitingham Ambulance Service Inc. (WASI) reported challenges in meeting state requirements including staffing. After discussing the options, in May 2013, the Selectboard had contracted with Deerfield Valley Rescue to serve the majority of the town, as WASI ceased operations and dissolved as an entity. Rescue, Inc, continues to serve the Thomas Hill portion of town, which is accessed through Guilford and Marlboro. Thanks are due to volunteers from all corners!

People: Due to challenges in meeting a quorum, the Selectboard by resolution changed the size of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment to be 5-person boards. We are very much indebted to the many neighbors who serve in appointed and elected positions, not to mention our volunteer-run organizations in the community.

The Selectboard encourages citizen involvement. **Please express your interest in appointed positions, listed in this Town Report. Some of these positions are compensated; many others are not.** Appointments are made by the new board in the first two meetings after Town Meeting. Join us at our regular or special meetings, and keep up to date at www.halifaxvermont.com.

Edee Edwards, Chair

Lewis Sumner

Earl Holtz

First Constable's Report

Another year has passed, 2013 behind us now. Our roads now in much better condition than last year. It was certainly a slow but steady recovery since Tropical Storm Irene passed through in 2011. With nearly all our bridges now replaced and the Green River road resurfaced, traffic, again, is able to flow more swiftly.

There has been a number of motor vehicle accidents around town, and several reports of excessive speed. Statistics show that the majority of these accidents were due to traveling too fast for road conditions resulting in loss of control and bodily injury. Always allow more time when driving in adverse weather, it's in everyone's best interest to arrive at your destination safe rather than not at all. Speeds will continue be monitored around town and the Vermont State Police will take note.

I have investigated reports of break-ins, vandalism, and theft, mainly secondary homes. In some cases have acquired the aid of the VSP. Neighbors need to remain vigilant, anything that seems out of place and not normal needs to be reported.

On the Animal Control issue, I have had a few wild animal cases where the animal appeared to have been diseased, with the assistance of the humane society, they were properly disposed of. Also, handled and solved issues of abandoned live-stock.

Again, there are dogs that have escaped license fees for the year 2013. These dog owners know who they are. Dogs need to be licensed and be current with rabbi shots. To avoid penalties, the cut- off date as always is April 1st of the ensuing year.

I can be reached by phone, or by pager but remember to record your number to enable me to get back to you. As a reminder, dial 911 to report any accident or situation that involves property damage or bodily injury.

Emergency Medical Services

Halifax EMS

Halifax EMS provide emergency first response services to the Town of Halifax. Our average response time is 7 minutes. Our members carry oxygen, medications, and medical equipment that can save lives, save limbs and improve the outcome of medical emergencies. Our members are licensed at two levels: EMT (emergency medical technician) and paramedic. EMTs have about one semesters training in anatomy, recognition of and treatment of life-threatening illness and injury. Paramedics have two years of training in anatomy, physiology, pathology, medications. Halifax has 2 paramedics and one finishing her paramedic during the spring of 2014.

Halifax EMS holds a license as an Advanced-Emergency Medical Technician level. This allows us to operate with advanced level drugs for the immediate treatment of cardiac problems and other life threatening health issues.

New laws governing EMS came into effect in January of 2014. As of that date, our EMTs and paramedics are both authorized to carry and administer a drug called "Narcan". Narcan will reverse the risks of a narcotic overdose. Our members are now authorized to carry EpiPens, which can reverse the life-threatening risks of an allergic reaction. Halifax EMS is always looking for new members or those interested in exploring a field in health care. We provide free training and help open doors to new educational opportunities. Visit our website at www.HalifaxEMS.org

Whitingham Ambulance Service, Inc (WASI)

After nearly 45 years of service in the community, Whitingham Ambulance Service shut down during the spring of 2013. The ambulance was donated to Deerfield Valley Rescue. All subscription funds were given to Deerfield Valley Rescue. The cash assets were divided evenly between Whitingham and Halifax.

Deerfield Valley Rescue (DVR)

DVR now provides the transport services for most of Halifax. Like WASI, DVR is primarily a volunteer organization with a few staff members at their primary base in Wilmington. DVR depends on volunteers and contributions from the communities it serves to sustain. DVR's website is: <http://dvrescue.org>

Rescue Inc

Rescue Inc provides transport services for Thomas Hill, Lucier Rd, Hale Rd, and Hosea Fisher Ln. They provide back up to some regions of the town as well. Rescue Inc has been facing internal challenges during the recent year. Their long-serving chief and assistant chief both stepped down this year. Labor disputes, staff changes and management flux have changed the organization. As of January 2014, Rescue still supported 15 towns in Vermont and New Hampshire. There are indications that one or more town may be withdrawing from the consortium that supports this organization. www.RescueInc.org

Colrain Ambulance

Colrain Ambulance Service from over the line in Massachusetts is a key player in the matrix of transporting ambulances that provides support to our town. Colrain endeavoring to upgrade their license to paramedic level. Their website is: <http://colrain-ma.gov/boards/personnel-committee/11-news/bulletins/79-colrain-volunteer-ambulance-association-inc.html>

2013 Members

Christina Moore (Chief, paramedic), Andrew Rice (Ass't Chief, EMT), Melissa Green (Capt, paramedic), Dora Green (EMT), Kathleen Sullivan (A-EMT), Chuck Putnam (EMT), Ross Barnett (EMT), Linda Lyon (EMT), Taiga Christie (EMT), Bill Moore (treasurer), Tim Putnam. *And you???*

HOUSING REHABILITATION COMMITTEE
Halifax-Marlboro-Whitingham

The Housing Rehabilitation Committee, a consortium of our three towns, continues to distribute funds in low-interest loans to income-eligible residents for a variety of rehabilitation projects, ranging from septic and well installations, heating, and roofing, to plumbing and electrical repairs and upgrade. The Committee approved several new loans in the past year, and several older loans have been paid off: we have served sixteen clients this year, with current loans amounting to \$141,587 in principal. Funds available for new loans to income-eligible applicants are \$168,173.64.

Our Committee is one of the few in Vermont that remain active and self-sufficient in the administration of funds recycling from repaid loans. The Committee has funds to lend and invites the residents of our three towns who may have a necessary rehabilitation project to apply to see if they meet eligibility guidelines. Please contact us through any of the Committee members listed below. Applications are also available from the three Town Clerks.

Andy Rice, Chair
257-7982

Al Dacey
257-5879

Don McKinley
368-2376

T. Hunter Wilson
464-5129

Patty Webster
464-8153

Linda Donaghue
368-2313

Listers Report

2013 was a productive year for the Listers. We attended the annual Grand List Seminar in March where we find out about new rules and regulations, and any changes to the procedures we follow.

In June we received 8 grievance requests. Seven were settled after meeting with us, and one went on to the Board of Civil Authority. With our open door policy, we feel that this trend should continue. We encourage property owners to call, write, or stop in at the office whenever they have issues regarding their assessments rather than waiting for the formal grievance time.

We have been looking closely at the sales figures for properties and revisiting properties to insure that our assessed values more accurately reflect the market values.

We continue to update the property cards and map as subdivisions and sales warrant.

Charlene Martynowski

Joe Tamburrino

Phyllis Evanuk

Report from the
Office of the Irene Recovery Administrator

Hurricane Irene

Hurricane Irene was a large and very destructive tropical cyclone which affected much of the Caribbean and East Coast of the US during the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season. Every water course in Halifax flooded causing extreme damage. Four town-owned bridges were destroyed by debris-filled and fast-moving water. Miles of town-owned road were destroyed. Details of the response and initial costs can be found in the Town of Halifax annual report printed in 2013. This report provides an update as of January 2014.

PW No	Working Name	Size	Cat	FEMA Est \$	Actual Expenses	Actual Revenue*
All Smalls	26 Small PWs Aggregated	Small	C	523,118.34	523,116.55	496,965.43
00073(2)	Green River Rd	Large	C	1,944,214.90	1,969,312.37	1,847,004.16
00971(3)	Deer Park Bridge - PERM	Large	C	466,209.00	530,335.93	377,629.29
01592(2)	Deer Park TEMP Bridge	Large	B	126,283.60	107,903.25	102,289.71
01730(3)	Reed Hill Bridge	Large	C	479,022.45	469,061.07	367,141.41
01880	Stowe Mtn Rd	Large	C	163,321.08	164,771.94	155,155.05
02037(1)	Brook Road	Large	C	197,113.17	198,024.73	187,257.51
02140(3)	Hale Road Bridge	Large	C	281,771.65	191,285.24	162,503.98
02259(1)	Collins & Branch Region	Large	C	98,453.57	98,550.07	93,530.89
02395(0)	Reed Hill ROAD	Large	C	73,695.79	73,838.06	70,011.00
03109(0)	Weir Rd (Weinburg) Rd Bridge	Large	C	94,666.18	94,630.65	89,932.87
				\$4,447,869.73	\$4,420,829.86	\$3,949,421.30

*Note "Actual Revenue" is based on the January 27, 2014 value.

The term "PW" is FEMA means of referring to a reconstruction grant provided to the town.

"Small PWs" are governed by FEMA definitions. In 2011, a small "project" was less than \$67,000.

Construction Update

Deer Park Bridge – Permanent

During the 2013 construction season, the Town of Halifax finished building three bridges and removed one temporary bridge. The town let a contract to Cold River Bridges, LLC of Walpole NH to build the new Deer Park Bridge at the intersection of Deer Park Rd and Green River Rd. This bridge spans the Green River. The original bridge measured 49 feet x 16 feet. The bridge was one lane and had a wooden deck. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources required the span to be longer to follow their rules. They required a span that was 120% of the "full-bank width" of the stream. The town made a request of FEMA to extend the bridge 7'. This request was subsequently denied. In accordance with FEMA's policies, the town undertook two improvements to the bridge. First the town opted to use a concrete deck. Second, the town funded the bridge-length extension of 7'. The concrete deck was approximately the same initial cost while improving the life-span of the deck from a decade to four decades. The bridge construction terminated in May of 2013.

Deer Park Bridge – Temporary

The Town of Halifax rented a temporary bridge from the State of Vermont for \$120 per month. This temporary bridge provided a link between Deer Park Rd and Green River Rd. This bridge was removed by a state contractor after the permanent bridge was completed in June of 2013. Installation and removal services each approached \$50,000.

Hale Rd Bridge

Hale Rd Bridge which sits very near the intersection of Halifax, Guilford, and Brattleboro is a large arched culvert. Renaud Brothers were awarded the contract to rebuild this bridge. Their work began and ended during the summer of 2013. Like the Deer Park Bridge, VT Agency of Natural Resources required a modest lengthening of this bridge to comply with their permit requirements. Yet through the finest hair splitting of administrative policy, FEMA approved the lengthening of this bridge because it more resembled a culvert than a bridge.

Reed Hill Bridge

The Reed Hill Bridge spans the east branch of the North River and provide a direct connection between the West Halifax village post office and the paved roads of Collins, Branch, and Brook. Renaud Brothers won the bid to build this bridge. They completed their work during the fall of 2013.

Legal Update

Deer Park Rd Bridge Appeal

The State of Vermont and FEMA have been embroiled in a debate about bridge length. FEMA denied funding for the lengthening of several bridges in the state where the added length was required to meet VT ANR permit requirements. As of January 2014, Halifax is the lead applicant in the administrative appeal on FEMA's policy. While a decision was due on 24 January 2014 from FEMA, none has been published. The value of the appeal to Halifax is under \$20,000. The value to the state is significantly higher as several bridges destroyed by Irene are tangled in this ruling.

Funding Update

The Close-Out materials for all projects except Deer Park Bridge have been provided to the State of Vermont as of November of 2014. The Deer Park Bridge Close-Out material will submitted upon conclusion of the appeal. The town has received 95% of all available funding. The total cost of the disaster is \$4.44 million. The State of Vermont has agreed to provide Halifax grant funding sufficient such that our contribution is \$38,500 – 3% of our grant list in 2011.

The town is due \$471,409. The reimbursements will come in a couple of payments. The first payment will follow FEMA's final review of our Close-Out materials. We should see this payment before the 2014 town meeting. The last payment will follow after the appeal is complete and the Deer Park Bridge Close-Out book submitted and reviewed by both the State of Vermont and FEMA.

Stay prepared. Keep fresh water, dried/canned food on hand. Keep 3 days to a week of daily medications in stock. Care for yourselves and your neighbors. Next year's report should be the last report on Irene recovery. This report will provide a financial update as all construction projects are 100% complete.

Christina Moore
Irene Recovery Administrator (Contractor)
Town of Halifax

Road Commissioners Report

Another year has come and gone, all the work from Irene is now complete. This past summer a full reclaim of the asphalt on Green River road included new culverts, fabric and gravel followed by new pavement, 80 % of this project was funded from a class two road grant.

This year's projects will included the Reconstruction of bridge 37 on Old County North rd, complete tree and stump removal on Deer Park and Whitneyville roads. Projects will also include ditching, grading and culvert replacement on various roads.

Bradley Rafus

Road Commissioner

Zoning Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission Report 2013

The ZBA had only one public hearing in 2013. They reviewed and approved a Conditional Use permit to allow the addition of retail sales to an existing nursery wholesale business.

The Planning Commission approved one subdivision in October, but had a very busy year reviewing and updating the Town Plan. This was a huge task, and we gratefully acknowledge the efforts of present and past Planning Commissioners, and interested citizens who were instrumental in completing it. The last step in this process is for the voters to approve the plan.

While we did not get a grant to help with the Town Plan, we have been awarded a Municipal Planning Grant to assist us in updating the Zoning Regulations for the town which we will be doing in the next year. We look forward to public participation throughout the year, and invite citizens to come to our meetings and let us know what you would like to have included or excluded in these regulations. The Town Plan is a guide to the direction we would like to see our town take. It is an ever changing document that should be continually updated to meet the needs of the residents. The Zoning Regulations are the rules we need to adopt and follow in order to comply with the Town Plan.

Sirean LaFlamme, Chair
ZBA

John Brimmer, Vice Chair
ZBA & Planning Commission

Report from Co-EMD's

This year there were two Vermont Yankee drills that required the EOC (emergency operations center) to be fully staffed, one in May and one in June. The June drill was evaluated by FEMA Halifax received high marks and passed with flying colors.

The following areas of improvement were noted but the Halifax staff:

1. Noise reduction during operation
2. Personnel organization during operation

There were no issues reported or noted by the FEMA representative.

A grant was received to help local communications with in the town. A repeater system was installed to improve communications, on the town's frequency and is up and operational.

We are currently working with the Red Cross to setup an emergency shelter for the town, the shelter will be at the Halifax school. Volunteers interested in helping with the first hours of operation, during an emergency as asked to contact either John or Ross

Weather/Emergency alert radios are still available upon request. These are free radios provided to the town by VEM through VY. Please contact one of us if you need one.

Several improvements have been made to the EOC over the last year including: a good cleaning, carpeting the floors, glass entry doors and the addition of 4 new laptops, a laser printer and Fairpoint broadband service. Also a conference table in the middle of the room. We expect to have a page on the Halifax web site in the next year.

Telephone	Ross Barnett 1-802-368-2200	John LaFlame 1-802-368-2222
Cell Phone	1-802-780-7539	1-802-380-0557
Email	peopleinthesticks@gmail.com	John.halifax.vt@gmail.com

Halifax Broadband Committee

The mission of the broadband committee has been expanded this year to include the town website and trying to expedite cell phone coverage and economic development in the town as well as broadband coverage.

By “economic development” we don’t mean encouraging strip malls in Halifax but rather, as encouraged in the Town Plan, seeing what can be done to make it easier for small home-based businesses in town to thrive.

The town Website has been redesigned with the help of a state grant. We encourage people to check it out at www.halifaxvermont.com and to give any feedback to the committee. There is a lot of information on the Web site, and selectboard and broadband committee agendas and meeting minutes are being posted in a timely manner.

At this point, we feel that the best way to encourage economic development in Halifax is to continue to press for universal broadband coverage, as it’s difficult in today’s world to run a business without it. Anyone with other ideas about how to encourage economic development may contact anyone on the committee. One idea is to work with Whitingham to establish a Farmers Market in Halifax that would provide an outlet for crafts as well as garden produce and maybe even meat.

FairPoint is slowly expanding its broadband DSL coverage throughout the town, but there are pockets that FairPoint will probably never reach. VTel has proposed a monopole on a site in Halifax center that is to provide service to 300 residents and business via 4G broadband. This is tentatively scheduled to be complete in 2014.

The West Halifax area has been designated as a Business Broadband Improvement District(BBID) by the Vermont Telecommunications Authority (VTA) and is planning on meeting with businesses, organizations and residents in the area during the February 2014 Broadband Committee meeting. VTA will be gathering information about how the groups in the District are using the Internet: what types of functions they rely on, and how that impacts the broadband capacity needed for the business.

Halifax is also participating in the VTA's “Vermont Cellular Resiliency Project”, to bring cellular service to the RT112 corridor through a Federal grant. The targeted site for the equipment is at the new town garage, with small radios mounted to the telephone poles along RT 112.

Gretchen Becker
Earl B Holtz

Jessica Bruno

Curtis Caroll Emilie Poulin



American Red Cross
 Vermont & the New Hampshire
 Upper Valley Region

Down the street.
 Across the country.
 Around the world.™



December 16, 2013

Town of Halifax
 Ms. Patricia Dow
 PO Box 127
 West Halifax, VT 05358-0127

Dear Ms. Dow,

The American Red Cross mission is to lend a helping hand whenever and wherever we are needed. The network of nearly 600 chapters of the Red Cross further our mandate in neighborhoods across the country by helping people prepare for, prevent and respond to emergencies. Chapter workers are on the ground in your community, thanks to the generosity of donors such as YOU.

Your town appropriation gift of \$250.00 on December 2nd 2013 ensures a local Red Cross presence ready to offer a wide range of services in your area. The Vermont & New Hampshire Upper Valley Red Cross responds to house fires and other local emergencies, providing food, shelter and comfort to those in need. Health and safety courses in CPR, babysitting and water safety are offered—helping teach more than 9 million people each year to make communities safer. We educate people in crucial disaster preparedness tactics to bolster their readiness should emergency strike in their region. Our chapters serve military members and their families before, during and after deployment, and support wounded veterans throughout rehabilitation and return to civilian life. And vital blood donations are collected at chapter-hosted blood drives, supplying approximately 3,000 hospitals and transfusion centers across the country.

YOUR gift empowers the American Red Cross to provide these crucial, lifesaving services quickly and compassionately. Thank you for supporting your local Red Cross chapter. To learn more about your gift at work, visit redcross.org/Vermont or call 1-800-660-9130. Please find enclosed a receipt that may be used for tax purposes.

Sincerely,

Tamira Martel

Tamira Martel
 Chief Development Officer
 Vermont & New Hampshire Upper Valley

Frank Jones

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 Fax: 802-660-9136 ▪ Toll Free in Vermont: 800-660-9130 ▪ On the Web: www.redcross.org/vermont

Brattleboro Area Hospice
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www.brattleborohospice.org

Brattleboro Area Hospice provides non-medical, volunteer-staffed programs for dying and grieving community members. We develop, train, place and support volunteers. We provide education and outreach to increase our community's understanding of and ability to cope with the issues of death and dying.

Brattleboro Area Hospice is dedicated to the belief that each of us can offer companionship and support to those around us who are dying or grieving. We are one of fewer than 200 volunteer hospices left in the United States. Our volunteers provide wide-ranging support to clients and their families regardless of whether a patient resides at home, is in a hospital, a long term care facility or some other location. Hospice volunteers organize and participate in round the clock vigils when the time is close and family can't be present. We offer bereavement support groups creating a safe environment for sharing experiences, exploring feelings, providing mutual support and gaining insight into the grieving process. We publish a bereavement newsletter SEASONS, offer one-on-one grief counseling, and conduct an Annual Service of Remembrance at our Hospice Memorial Garden at Living Memorial Park.

One hundred percent of our funding is local—we receive no money from state, federal or insurance sources. All of our services are offered free of charge. Your financial support helps to make this possible. We are grateful to provide this compassionate care to our friends and neighbors, and grateful for the community's support which makes our work possible.

In the past year, Brattleboro Area Hospice served 3 Halifax residents. One Halifax resident served as a volunteer. Please call us at 257-0775 with any questions on death or dying or visit us at www.brattleborohospice.org

Deerfield Valley Community Partnership

The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership (DVCP) is in its nineteenth year of working on preventing alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among our youth. The past year has been spent offering programming and activities for parents, middle and high school students, as well as implementing drug and alcohol awareness and activities in the community. We would like to thank the town of Halifax for your support.

Some of the highlights during this past year include:

- Implementing prevention curriculum for all Windham Southwest Supervisory students in grades 5-8
- Working with retailers on the Healthy Retailer Project to limit alcohol and tobacco advertising and improve healthy food options
- Implementing the five session Guiding Good Choices Parenting Program
- Sponsoring tobacco awareness activities and smoking cessation programs
- Working to prevent exposure to second-hand smoke in cars and homes
- Collaborating with the County-wide Law Enforcement-S.T.A.R.T. (Stop Teen Alcohol Risk Team)-to reduce underage drinking
- Assisting with the sponsorship of the Blueberry Block party. A substance free community event, on South Main Street, in Wilmington
- Partnering with parents for another successful Project Graduation Event
- Partnering with the Department of Liquor Control and local retailers for retailer trainings on alcohol and tobacco sales
- Offering on-site training on identifying false IDs for retailers
- Implementing Phase II of the Be the Wall Between Teens and Alcohol Campaign to prevent underage drinking

In addition to continuing the above programs and activities, the following new initiatives will be implemented in the upcoming year:

- 1) Work to make to make outdoor spaces smoke-free;
- 2) Prevention of prescription drug abuse.

All environmental initiatives are funded by state grants. Town funds assist in paying for direct programming with youth and parents.

The DVCP meets once a month and all (adults and youth) are encouraged to attend. Partnership meetings include dinner, hearing reports of activities that have happened over the past month, brainstorming new ideas, and making decisions on use of grant funds.

For more information: check our website at www.DVCP.org or find us on Facebook or call 802-779-4718.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Hayford, DVCP Coordinator

Deerfield Valley Rescue, Inc. is a volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to providing 24/7 quality pre-hospital emergency medical care and transport to the people of our community. The core of our agency is made up of approximately 20 volunteers, three full time paid staff and part time paid seasonal attendants. DVR has responded to 739 calls in 2013 of which 19 were in the town of Halifax.

This past year has been a busy for Deerfield Valley Rescue. On top of providing around the clock pre-hospital emergency medical care for the towns we serve, we have now begun assisting Southwestern Vermont Medical Center in Bennington with medical transfers one day a week.

Although we frequently work closely with the Fire and Police departments, we are a completely independent organization. We strive to maintain this financial independence along with our autonomy. It would not be possible for DVR to operate without the continued personal support from the community. The annual subscription drive continues to be a large source of our funding. In addition to raising funds for our daily operation, we are always striving to improve our services and upgrade equipment. With that said, we are currently in the process of replacing one of our ambulances. This is necessary to ensure that our fleet is in the best running condition for the communities we serve. It is our intention to have this new ambulance by early summer. If you have not sent in your subscription please do so and please consider making an additional donation towards this goal.

DVR is always looking for volunteers who would like to make a difference in the lives of others. Anyone interested in joining this vital community service can contact our office at 464-5557 or stop by for a visit at 34 Route 100 South in Wilmington.

Once again, we would like to thank all those who have supported us through the years. Our membership looks forward to another year of committed service to the residents of our community and the visitors to our area.

Respectfully submitted,

Deerfield Valley Rescue
Board of Directors

Town of Halifax

Deerfield Valley Transit Association

The DVTA completed its seventeenth full year of operation in 2013, and we have served over 3,500,000 riders and traveled almost 5,500,000 miles since November 23, 1996.

The MOOVer provides rides for Halifax's elderly or disabled residents. Each week we provide rides for shopping, meal sites, adult day care, the doctors', and social events. We also provide rides to Town Meeting and on Election Day and to the Halifax senior meal. This service has improved the quality of life for over 60 Valley residents by getting them out regularly and allowing them to live at home longer in life. We average over 125 trips a week.

We also thank the residents of Halifax for their support. Please call us with questions/comments at 464-8487, and thanks for riding the MOOVer!!!

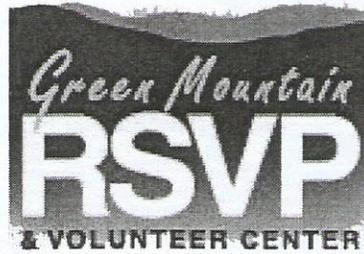
Respectfully submitted,
Randy Schoonmaker, General Manager



The Gathering Place (TGP) is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization that has proudly served the elders and adults with disabilities residents of Windham County since 1989. TGP is conveniently located on 30 Terrace Street in Brattleboro. Seniors and adult disabled individuals of a variety of ages, races, religions and socioeconomic status enjoy the benefits of the Center and its services. TGP is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing care at home and an affordable alternative to nursing facility placement. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

TGP's myriad of services and activities are designed to bring health, fun, laughter and companionship to the lives of our participants and peace of mind to their families. Our services include:

- nursing oversight
- access to on-site counseling, and occupational and physical therapies
- daily exercise program
- recreation and social activities
- nutritious meals and snacks
- personal care (showers, podiatry, hairdressing)
- outreach services
- companionship
- special events
- access to transportation and coordination of medical appointments



2013 Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center, Serving Windham County
An Invitation to Volunteer in the Town of Halifax

All over the country 350,000 Senior Corps volunteers aged 55 and over served more than 80 million hours through 65,000 organizations, improving the lives of millions of our most vulnerable citizens. Senior Corps is impacting our nation in substantive ways and making life better for those in need. Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center is a part of Senior Corps and we want to share our good news with everyone!

Last year, in and around Halifax, RSVP volunteers worked at the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. They knitted for Project Linus and the Brattleboro Christmas Stocking. A Bone Builder class, open to Halifax residents is lead by two RSVP volunteers. It takes place twice a week in nearby Jacksonville at the Municipal Center. Bone Builder exercises consist of a series of weight bearing repetitions that ward of the effects of osteoporosis.

The work of these volunteers can be multiplied throughout the state of Vermont, to our neighboring states and all across the country. When you think of the impact that volunteers over the age of 55 are making everywhere, it is astonishing. If you wish to be a part of this powerful effort, please call Peter Seares at 254-7515.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Palencsar, Executive Director, Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center

Request for Support from the Town of Halifax

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont (HCRS) requests an appropriation of \$750.00 from the Town of Halifax at the 2014 Town Meeting to help defray the cost of services to its residents for the Mental Health Walk-In Clinic. In the year ending June 30, 2013, our agency provided a comprehensive range of community based services to 4,738 residents of Windsor and Windham counties. The services that are available to the residents of your community are:

Adult Mental Health and Addiction Services: HCRS offers comprehensive services for adults who are experiencing mental health and/or substance abuse difficulties. Adult services include assessment, treatment including individual, group, couples, and family counseling, referral services, and limited psychiatric services. It is the philosophy of HCRS that people are resilient and therefore capable of overcoming difficult experiences and recovering from mental illness and substance abuse. HCRS is committed to building on the strengths of the individuals and families of whom we serve. Our goal is to help clients and their families achieve improved wellness, health, and quality of life while addressing their mental health and substance abuse needs.

Children, Youth, and Families Program: The Children's Division provides a comprehensive system of care for youth experiencing emotional, behavioral, developmental, or substance use difficulties in their life, as well as education and support for family members. We offer many services for youth and their families including psychiatry, counseling, case management, respite and case aid services, school-based services, behavioral consultation services, summer therapeutic programs, crisis response and emergency respite services, a mental health program specifically for young children up to six years old, and an employment assistance program for youth in transition who have significant emotional disturbances.

Developmental Services (DS): The DS program provides services to people with developmental disabilities and their families. Services are available to people of all ages who have been found eligible, and each person being served receives an individually written program to meet his or her needs. Children with a developmental disability are served through a collaboration with the Children's Division.

Residential Services: Residential Services offers residential care from short term crisis stabilization, to intensive residential care, to therapeutic community residential services. Each program is specifically designed to offer individuals the appropriate level of care to support their personal recovery and wellness needs. The Residential continuum of care is comprised of a total of 38 beds spanning five individual programs.

Emergency Services: The Emergency Services Team has a very specific mission to act quickly in critical situations. Specially trained mental health professionals are available 24 hours a day for emergencies. Anyone may use this service when an emergency arises including individuals of any age, family or friends of an individual in crisis, hospitals and nursing homes, police, schools, clergy, businesses, and other community agencies.

We thank the Board and the citizens of Halifax for your past support and for your continued interest in Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont.

RESCUE INC.

Rescue Inc. was incorporated in 1966 to provide emergency medical services to the greater Brattleboro area. This cooperative arrangement between the eleven original towns has expanded to include fifteen towns and nearly 500 square miles. Our time tested model has consistently provided high level emergency medical care, community training and specialized rescue services at a reasonable cost.

Rescue Inc operates a fleet of six paramedic equipped ambulances that carry advanced cardiac monitoring equipment and medications, along with a host of advanced airway management equipment. We also operate a transport capable vehicle extrication truck for response to vehicle and machinery accidents as well as transport of patients at the Advanced EMT level. Our two staff vehicles allow us to provide paramedic intercept services to our communities and neighboring areas. These vehicles also serve as tow vehicles for our regional mass casualty incident support trailer and our technical rescue equipment trailer. We also operate two swift water rescue boats for response to water related incidents and flooding. Our staff consists of a combination of fifty six dedicated and highly trained career and volunteer providers, most of which live in the community. Annually our staff responds to nearly five thousand emergency medical calls, specialty care transfers, support and technical rescue calls and conducts dozens of community education programs. Throughout the past forty seven years Rescue Inc. has grown to become an essential regional asset and a leader in the field of emergency medicine and all hazard preparation and response. Our operating costs exceed \$2.4 million with the majority of our annual revenue coming from direct billing for services. Rescue receives subsidies from each of our member towns which helps to offset the financial shortfalls created by decreasing federal reimbursements and uncollectable calls. These funds also help to offset costs associated with support services such as emergency planning, standby coverage and rehabilitation of firefighters at larger fires and emergencies.

This year has been filled with regulatory change and anticipation of the effects of health care reform. This is a huge national issue that has real effects on our daily operation. As an organization we have been working to prepare for some of these changes. Our providers are in the process of transitioning to new state wide protocols and national scope of practice changes. Our operations staff is adjusting to an increased need for specialty care transfers and an ever increasing call volume. Our administrative office has had to make changes in billing practices and adjust to another reduction in federal reimbursements. Our technical rescue team is working with state and local agencies to develop a collaborative response plan. Our training department has expanded community training opportunities and continues to offer educational programs to enhance emergency medical education in the region.

Our staff would like to take this opportunity to remind all our friends, families and local residents that our subscription program is a good, low cost way to protect your entire family from the expense of ambulance transport. As an area not for profit we are always looking for volunteers, donations and bequests to help us guarantee continued service at a low cost. Details can be found on our website at www.rescueinc.org or by contacting our administrative office at 802-257-7679.

Drew Hazelton
Interm-Chief
Rescue Inc.



Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont

2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Senior Solutions fosters and supports successful aging of seniors in the Halifax community and throughout Windham and Windsor Counties.

To assist seniors in Halifax we offer a number of services, including:

Information and Assistance- *Our Senior HelpLine at 1-800-642-5119 is a toll free number which offers help applying for benefits, assistance with health insurance problems, housing needs, fuel assistance, and many other services. 9 residents requested assistance this past year.*

As part of the Medicare Part D, prescription program we have trained staff available by phone, office or home. 9 residents requested assistance this year.

Senior Nutrition- *Home Delivered meals are arranged and delivered and congregate meals are served three times per week at the Jacksonville Meal Site. Congregate meals are offered in Halifax and Jacksonville. 302 meals were served to residents of Halifax at the meal sites. A Registered Dietician is available to offer nutritional counseling when appropriate.*

Transportation- *We support various providers of transportation for both medical appointments and non-medical needs.*

Case Management & Advocacy- *One on one case management enables seniors to access services which help them remain safe at home. Often minimal services can prevent premature institutionalization. Some clients who require nursing home level of care are able to remain at home with family caregivers and trained personal care givers. Senior Solutions served 4 Halifax residents this past year.*

Care Giver Respite- *Through grants we provide respite assistance for caregivers of those diagnosed with dementia or other chronic diseases.*

Your town contribution generates Federal matching funds to support our activities. We do not charge for any of our services. The support of Halifax citizens is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Joyce A. Lemire, Executive Director

Southeastern Vermont Community Action

Southeastern Vermont Community Action is an anti-poverty, community based, nonprofit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965.

Our mission is to enable people to cope with and reduce the hardships of poverty; create sustainable self-sufficiency; reduce the causes and move toward the elimination of poverty. SEVCA has a variety of programs and services to meet this end. They include: Head Start, Weatherization, Emergency Home Repair, Emergency Services (i.e., fuel/utility assistance, food, shelter), Micro-Business Development, Individual Development Accounts, Tax Preparation, Working Bridges (resource coordination), Disaster Recovery, Thrift Stores and Textile Recycling.

In the community of Halifax we have provided the following services during FY2013:

Weatherization: 2 homes (4 people) were weatherized at a cost of \$9,307

Emergency Heating System Replacement: 1 home (1 person) received a repair or replacement at a cost of \$5,383

Tax Preparation: 4 households (8 people) received assistance with income tax preparation valued at \$209

Emergency Services: 7 households (14 people) received 51 services (including crisis intervention, financial counseling, nutrition education, referral to and assistance with accessing needed services), valued at \$461

Fuel/Utility Assistance: 4 households (11 people) received services valued at \$2,857

Housing & Other & Other Support Services: 1 household (3 people) received services valued at \$1,100

Emergency Home Repair: 1 household (3 people) received services such as roof repairs, structural work, plumbing, skirting, venting of moisture or misc. repairs, valued at \$4,027

Resource Coordination: 1 employee (4 in family) in a local business received services to help With employee retention, advancement, and financial stability, valued at \$437

Community support, through town funding, helps to build a strong partnership. The combination of federal, state, private, and town funds allow us to not only maintain, but to increase and improve service.

We thank the residents of Halifax for their support.

Stephen Geller
Executive Director

2013 – Vermont Department of Health Town Report

At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community.

In Windham County, the Brattleboro District Office moved into renovated quarters in the State Office Building at 232 Main Street in Brattleboro, 257-2880. The new space features upgraded clinic space for WIC clients. Please visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/vdhbrattleboro>

Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families: Statewide we served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5 with WIC (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program). WIC provides individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables. In Windham County 1632 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.

Supported healthy communities:

- Five Prevention Coalitions in Windham County, several community organizations and law enforcement in Windham County together received a \$130,000 Partnership for Success grant to reduce underage and binge drinking and reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse through a targeted regional approach.
- Published a new resource guide for communities: *Healthy Community Design – Active Living & Healthy Eating*. www.healthvermont.gov
- We and our community partners are working to reduce exposure to second hand smoke and reduce the incidence of obesity.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: During the statewide outbreak of whooping cough in 2012 (645 cases total), we alerted health care providers and the public, promoted Tdap vaccine, and vaccinated 6,269 people on 12/19/12 at free district office vaccine clinics – 226 people were vaccinated at the Brattleboro district office.

We created a new online Tick Tracker tool at www.healthvermont.gov/ticktracker where anyone can report tick sightings anywhere in the state.

This year (through October), we responded to 198 cases of infectious disease in Windham County.

Increased Emergency Preparedness: As part of Vermont's continuing emergency preparedness effort, in the spring of 2014 we are again making available one free dose of potassium iodide to each person who lives or works in the towns of Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Halifax, Marlboro and Vernon. One of the contaminants that could be released in a nuclear accident is radioactive iodine, which can increase your risk for thyroid cancer. Potassium iodide is a drug that, taken in an appropriate and timely dosage, can block exposure to radioactive iodine.

For more information, news, alerts and resources: Visit the Vermont Department of Health on the web at www.healthvermont.gov. Join us on <https://www.facebook.com/vdhbrattleboro> and follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont.

1/3/2014

VISITING NURSE & HOSPICE OF VT AND NH
Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Halifax, VT

The Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire (VNAVNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNAVNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNAVNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNAVNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

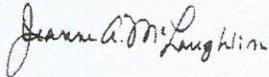
Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, VNAVNH made 203 homecare visits to 11 Halifax residents. This included approximately \$8,882 in unreimbursed care to Halifax residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 155 home visits to 9 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 48 home visits to 2 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

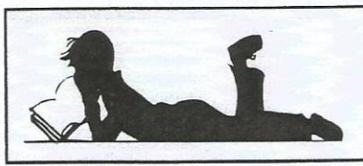
Additionally, residents made visits to VNAVNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Halifax's annual appropriation to the VNAVNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)



Whitingham Free Public Library

The Librarians and Trustees of the Whitingham Free Public Library would like to thank the taxpayers and contributors from the towns of Whitingham and Halifax for their generous and heartfelt support.

OUR CHECK LIST:

- ✓ Acquire a faster internet connection

We have transitioned from DSL to a faster fiber connection provided by the Vermont Fiber Connect Project. Our Wi-Fi is now offered 24/7 without a password.

- ✓ Increase library hours

By offering programs outside our operational hours we have added up to 20 hours per month.

- ✓ Increase downloadable audio book collection

We have increased our audio collection with joining One Click at a decreased rate through VTLIB (VT Department of Libraries) in addition to our current membership with Listen Up VT!, through GMLC (Green Mountain Library Consortium).

- ✓ Increase internet and Social Media presence

We have increased our Facebook fans with consistent posts and as a means of communication with our community; we have joined Pinterest, we added an e-newsletter with Mail Chimp and we continue to keep up to date information on our website: www.readwithus.org.

- ✓ Reach- out to tweens & teens in our community

We have been awarded two grants; \$300 from the Paul Post Fund and \$1500 from the Small And Inspiring Grant Program to purchase supplies and equipment to provide educational and recreational young adult programs.

- ✓ Increase programming for Seniors

We have added an additional free movie night featuring silver screen classics. We continue to offer individual computer and mobile device training as well as, a variety programs offered during Senior Meals at the Whitingham Municipal Center including a monthly book cart and music programs, such as the Rag Time event held over the summer.

- ✓ Identify and provide the needs of our community

We are listening to you. A community forum was held with residents representing the demographics of our community to address our needs and provide information to create a proficient long term plan to meet those needs. When parents voiced concerns about losing a 3 year old preschool program a two hour preschool story plus program was created to help fulfill this need.

We continue to strive to provide high quality services and materials while keeping up with ever changing technological and social trends.

We would like to thank the following volunteers from Whitingham and Halifax: Donna Bruno and Betty Witt-Operations, Sarah Axtell and Jay Pomponio- Cataloging, Claudia Greene and Willie Siedlarz – Knitting Group, Johanna Robohm- Book Group, Mark Robohm-Website, Anna Ryan-Quilt Raffle and a special thank you to Cathy Bell, Karen Sprague, and Aysha Wahlstrom for facilitating summer programs and to all of the volunteers that assist with fundraising and general support. We would like to thank our TVHS volunteers; Aaron and Ellen Boles, Todd Trumble, and Gavin Sweeter.

Visit our website www.readwithus.org to browse our catalog, download free audio and e-Books, take an online class or research your family history with Heritage Quest. Find us Facebook and Pinterest.

Kristine Sweeter, Director/Librarian
Lois Lapointe, Assistant Librarian

Daniel Kehoe
Library Trustee Chair



The Windham Regional Commission

The mission of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) is to assist towns in Southeastern Vermont to provide effective local government and to work cooperatively with them to address regional issues. In the absence of county government, we provide an essential link between towns, the state, and the federal government. The WRC is comprised of 27 member towns: the 23 towns of Windham County; Readsboro, Searsburg and Winhall in Bennington County; and Weston in Windsor County.

The Commission is composed of and governed by town-appointed Commissioners. Towns choose their own representatives to serve on the Commission. After town meeting, each Selectboard appoints two representatives to serve on the Commission for the coming year. Halifax is currently represented by Maggie Bartenhagen and Nick Bartenhagen. Each Commissioner represents their town's interests before the Commission, brings information from the Commission back to their town, and serves on at least one of a number of committees that address regional and municipal issues and concerns. Active service on these committees is very important because the WRC is organized around a strong committee structure. It's within these committees that most Commission decisions are made. The 12 professional staff of the WRC provides support to the Committees, as well as to our member towns.

The Commission assists towns with activities in a number of different areas including town plans and bylaws; community and economic development; testing, technical support and cleanup funding for the redevelopment of "Brownfields" sites which are those sites that are or may be contaminated by hazardous substances; natural resources; transportation planning, infrastructure mapping, project development and management, and traffic counts; emergency planning; energy planning; review of projects submitted for review through Act 250 (land use), Section 248 (energy generation and transmission, telecommunications), and federal permitting processes; grant application and administration; management of capital improvement projects; and mapping and geographic information system (GIS) analyses.

Our relationship with our towns is inherently collaborative. For instance, towns choose to have their plans reviewed by the Commission; town plan review and approval by the Commission is not mandatory. The regional plan, which is currently being updated, is developed in consultation with our towns and is ultimately approved by our towns. We help towns make the most of the financial and human resources they have both individually and collectively. We assist with projects between and among towns, build and augment the capacity of volunteer-based town boards and commissions, and provide professional services to towns that may want to take on a project that is beyond what they can comfortably manage with their own staff and volunteers.

Highlights from the past year reflect the range of services we provide to the towns of the region. Recovery from Irene continues, and we are assisting towns with village and downtown revitalization, applications for funding for lingering municipal infrastructure repairs and improvements, and planning for the reuse of properties towns will own as a result of buyouts. We successfully competed for additional Brownfield funding from the U.S. EPA for site testing. We are leading the region's response to the announced closure and forthcoming decommissioning of Vermont Yankee. We are transitioning the Long-Term Recovery Committee, which provided assistance to individuals in the wake of Irene, into a Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster collaborative that can be activated in the event of another disaster. We were active in the discussions of the Energy Generation Siting Policy Commission, assisted with the installation of new sidewalks in Jamaica and Putney, produced bicycle suitability maps for the region as well as maps of undeveloped stream and river segments, and organized a well-attended solar workshop for town officials.

Funding for the Windham Regional Commission is provided through contracts with state agencies, federal grants, and town assessments. While town assessments make up a relatively small percentage of our budget – about 5 percent of a \$1.6 million budget for FY 2014 – it is virtually the only funding we receive that has no conditions placed upon it by entities beyond the Commission's borders. Your town's assessment makes it possible for us to leverage the resources that enable us to serve you across the range of activities mentioned above. We have based our budget on a modest increase in the per resident assessment rate from \$1.78 to \$1.83. The \$1.83 per resident rate will result in a total assessment of \$1324.92 from **Halifax** for the new fiscal year. Halifax may wish to budget additional amounts for town-specific work needed from the WRC. To see our detailed Program of Work and budget for FY 2014, visit our website (www.windhamregional.org) and click on the heading "About Us."



Wings' Vision Statement

Wings will actively engage students in experiences to help them be successful in school and in life as they grow into productive adults.

Wings' Mission Statement

Wings provides creative academic, enrichment, and physical/wellness programming to all children and their families within the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union.

Wings Community Programs is currently in its ninth year at Halifax School. Joel Howes, who retired as Halifax's site coordinator over the summer of 2013, did a magnificent job leading Halifax's program for the first eight years. His leadership, vitality and commitment to the children and families has been a model of success for other sites to emulate. Joel left the Halifax program in the talented hands of Maria Stewart. While Wings still relies on Joel for providing programs & academic support, we would like to extend a very warm thank you to Joel and an acknowledgement of gratitude that he left the program in such competent hands.

Wings continues to offer a wide range of after school activities including academic, enrichment, and physical/wellness programs, homework support, and tutoring services. Last years popular programs include Girl Power Fitness Fun, Outdoor Games from Around the World, Spelling Bee, the Humbug musical, Cultural Melting Pot, Mini-me, an investigation of the human body, Lego Robotics, and of course, Soccer and Basketball. In 2012-2013, 52 students (98% total school enrollment) at Halifax School participated in Wings programming. Wings strives to bring together many talented adults from our schools and the larger community to offer Halifax students a safe and engaging learning experience that provides the foundation for their future success.

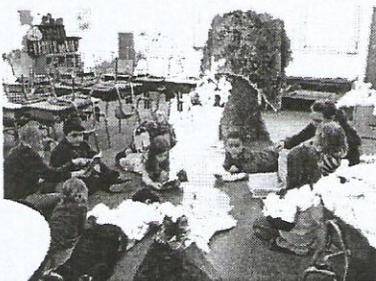
Over the past nine years Wings has worked with the Town of Halifax to offer new and exciting high quality programming consistently resulting in high student participation and therefore meeting the needs of its young people and their families. Wings still relied on Halifax students as key participants in the second successful district wide musical, OZ, produced last June at Memorial Hall.

Wings thanks the Halifax community for taking the time to further Wings' vision and also those who have directly participated in bringing programs to the children of Halifax. Wings would further like to thank all Halifax residents for their commitment to high-quality afterschool programming as evidenced through financial support within both the school and town budgets as well as private donations. It is through the continuing support of an entire community that Wings thrives and our children soar!

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Hauty, Project Director

Stephanie Powers, Operations Manager



Halifax Wings
James & the Giant Peach – 2012-2013



Halifax Wings
Lego Robotics – 2012-2013



Halifax Wings
Huskies Soccer – 2013-2014

WSWMD ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBER TOWNS

In calendar year 2013 WSWMD continued to process recyclable materials collected from our 19 member towns. The District has over 100 roll-off containers that are utilized at town transfer stations and recycling drop-off centers, and District trucks haul the boxes to the material recycling facility in Brattleboro.

Due to a stagnant world economy, both the volume and value of the recyclable materials collected has decreased over the past two years, necessitating a 9 percent increase in the assessments to the member towns for FY 2015.

The District conducted 8 Household Hazard Waste Collections (HHW) this year. The events were held in the towns of Brattleboro, Dover, Jamaica, Marlboro, Putney, Townshend, Vernon and Whitingham. A total of 587 households participated in the collections. It's significant that this year the District had residents from every town participate in the events.

In May 2013 the District started a food waste composting program at our property on Old Ferry Road in Brattleboro. Food scraps and other organic materials are collected curbside from residents of Brattleboro by their contract hauler, along with recyclable materials in the same truck and brought to our composting operation. Brattleboro is the first town in Vermont to offer curbside collection of food waste, something that will eventually be required statewide starting in 2020 in accordance with Act 148, Vermont's Universal Recycling law.

Starting July 1, 2014, recycling becomes mandatory in Vermont under Act 148, including recycling of food waste from larger quantity generators such as super markets. The District is assisting our member towns in complying with Act 148, and maintains information on Act 148 to provide to residents. For information on Act 148 go to the Vermont ANR's website:

<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/wastediv/solid/act148.htm>

The District offers tours of our facilities to schools and interested residents. We also provide educational materials about recycling and composting. Backyard composters are also available for sale at the District office.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Spencer
Executive Director

Women's Freedom Center's

Statement of Services

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Report to the Town of Halifax

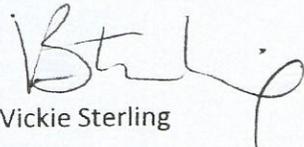
The mission of the Women's Freedom Center is to work to end physical, sexual and emotional violence against the women and children of Windham County. The Freedom Center works to fulfill its mission by educating the community regarding the root causes of violence against women, challenging the systems that help keep it in place and by providing support and services, including shelter and safe housing, to women and their children who have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. Since our beginnings in 1977, we have provided support to the survivors of these crimes, as well as consultation and educational activities to a wide range of community groups to help create a community in which violence is not tolerated.

Emergency support such as shelter, safety planning, financial assistance, and information and referral is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Ongoing individual and group support for women and children; legal, medical, housing and social services advocacy; and cooperative work with other agencies are provided during the week. Due to the rural nature of Windham County and the isolation inherent in many abusive relationships, we are committed to meeting with women wherever we may do so safely. Sometimes this means assisting her to get to us and other times it means us going to her, somewhere safe in her community.

During the fiscal year July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013, the Women's Freedom Center provided shelter to 43 women and their 49 children, responded to 1,204 calls, and provided assistance to **591 women** and their **482 children** through individual and group support, advocacy, referrals, emergency financial aid, housing assistance, transportation, and access to legal representation and childcare.

The Women's Freedom Center is a private, non-profit organization relying heavily on community support to provide our free and confidential services. We thank you for your Town's contributions to the Freedom Center, and hope you will look upon it as an investment in creating a future free from violence, something we all deserve.

Regards,



Vickie Sterling

Director

Women's Freedom Center

Report to the Town of Halifax

Since Youth Services was established in 1972, we have assisted over 1,000 children, youth and families throughout Windham County every year. We help youth and families thrive. We help youth and young adults living in difficult circumstances learn the life skills that will assist them in living successfully on their own and as engaged and productive community citizens. Program services include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters one-to-one mentoring
- Transitioning youth in foster care to independent living as young adults
- Assistance to teens leaving home or at-risk for running away with counseling, family mediation, and housing
- Home-based counseling to keep families together, thereby avoiding the placement of children outside their home
- Court Diversion for youth and adults, an alternative to the traditional court system using a restorative justice approach to repair the harm to victims and the community while addressing the underlying issues of the people who violated the law
- Therapeutic case management services, support and referral
- Career development focused groups and one-on-one mentoring for high school students with behavioral and learning disabilities
- Substance abuse prevention and intervention for youth and adults.

This year, we respectfully request \$200 from the Town of Halifax to help fund our agency's services. We served four residents from Halifax during Fiscal Year 2013. Your continued support is beneficial to the children, youth and families in your town.

For additional information please see our website at www.youthservicesinc.org, call 802-257-0361 or email info@youthservicesinc.org. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Julie Davenson
Executive Director
Youth and Families: Healthy, Empowered, Valued

School Report

Halifax School strives to meet the goal of maximizing student's learning, thinking and problem solving skills so that they can become responsible citizens, capable of meeting their own needs, the needs of their community and the needs of society. To that end, we are constantly evaluating our classroom practices and modifying our approaches to serve each student and inspire them to reach their fullest potential.

During the course of the past year there have been a few changes, many of which involved the hiring of new personnel. Matt Stewart began as our School Plant Manager in June of 2013. Mary Lemaire was hired as our Classroom Paraprofessional, Kathleen Ameen as our Music teacher, Christine Mroz as our School Nurse, Jeff Comenitz as our Technology expert. I assumed the Teaching Principal role at the start of the year as well.

I am honored to work with a dedicated staff that has been supporting students here at Halifax Elementary School for numerous years: Ashley Moorhouse our 1st and 2nd grade teacher, Loren Clews our 3rd and 4th grade teacher, Dayle Sherman our 5th and 6th grade teacher, Joel Howes our 7th and 8th grade teacher, Maria Stewart our Special education teacher, Judy Anyan our Math Mentor teacher, Fran Alfieri our Physical Education teacher, Jody Hauser our Librarian, Rhonda Wainshilbaum our Art Teacher, Kathy Inman our Speech Pathologist, and Christine Levy our Guidance Counselor, Kathy Phillips our Lunch Program Coordinator, and of course Linda Swanson our School Secretary.

The School student body has changed as we welcome students from the nearby town of Searsburg. We have also been fortunate to welcome some new families into town as well. These changes have provided us an opportunity to develop new friendships and classroom structures.

Maria Stewart is now the Halifax Wings Coordinator as the torch was handed over to her from Joel Howes. He had served in this position for eight years. This program is an amazing resource for our students. The variety of offerings is good and many are staff and parent supported. Community members are always welcome to share their ideas and talents. It is a great way to get to know our students and to bring your interests to a generation of learners.

It seems that change has been the theme for this 2013-2014 school year yet there are many things that remain constant, one being the mention of last year's graduation honors. The Mary Butterfield School Citizenship Award was presented to Katherine LeVine. The Elizabeth Stott Willingness Award was presented to Ryan Ruiz. The Hank Wonsey Poetry Award was presented to Makayla Boyd. The Sam Maltese Writing Award was presented to Lars Andrews. The Bill Ackerman Science and Nature Award was presented to Dylan Salidino. The I Love to Read Award was presented to two students: Darian Wade and Elizabeth Thurber. The Principal's Academic Award for Mathematics was presented to Morgan Wheeler. The Principal's Academic Award for Best Overall Academics was presented to Lexie Butler.

The School's professional staff continues to work diligently on their annual action plan goals and objectives. This year's work focuses on alignment of our instructional practices with the Common Core in the areas of Mathematics and English/ Language Arts. This work has been on going and has dovetailed with the exceptional work completed in prior years. The Common Core

is asking all educators to look deeper at fewer concepts, and it is exciting to see that the “best practices” suggested have been part of the curriculum provided here at Halifax Elementary School.

I would like to express my thanks to all the townspeople of Halifax who give so much to make this an outstanding school. It is a combined effort of all of our stakeholders- the faculty who teach at our school, the district administrators and staff who support our students, the students themselves, our parents, school board and community members who lend their interest and support which creates an environment that fosters learning and personal growth.

Respectfully submitted by,
Sandra Pentak-Cohen

HALIFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
TREASURER'S ACCOUNT
7/1/2012 - 6/30/2013

Prepared by:
Patricia Dow, Treasurer

BEGINNING CASH BALANCE 7/1/2012

Beginning cash balance General Fund	\$	186,728.17
Beginning cash balance Money Market	\$	503.51
TOTAL	\$	187,231.68

REVENUES

5910 Property Tax School Portion	\$	1,201,978.00
5921 St of VT Special Education	\$	113,047.00
5923 Essential Early Education	\$	2,262.00
5930 Tuition	\$	1,007.49
5940 Bank Interest Earned (regular & Money Market)	\$	243.64
5951 Hot Lunch School Sales (students and staff)	\$	5,252.93
5952 Hot Lunch St of Vt	\$	528.00
5960 Miscellaneous	\$	59,206.38
5980 Town of Halifax Maintenance Payment	\$	10,000.00
5990 Transfers from Playground Fund	\$	4,937.07
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 1,398,462.51

EXPENDITURES

9800 Payroll, Utilities, Withholdings, School Expenses, Etc. TOTAL		\$ (1,425,206.09)
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ENDING CASH BALANCE 6/30/12

Ending cash balance regular account	\$	61,140.95
Ending cash balance Money Market	\$	99,347.15
Ending cash balance BS&L	\$	-
TOTAL ENDING BALANCE	\$	160,488.10

Summary of Playground Funds
July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

BEGINNING CASH BALANCE 7/1/2012

Money Market Account TD Bank	\$	34,458.04
CD # 1 & 2 Brattleboro Savings & Loan	\$	129,079.25
TOTAL	\$	163,537.29

REVENUES

Money Market Interest Earned annually	\$	31.43
CD # 1 Brattleboro Savings & Loan Interest Earned	\$	524.54
CD # 2 Brattleboro Savings & Loan Interest Earned	\$	555.97

EXPENDITURES

Annual maintenance fee		\$ (4,937.07)
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ENDING CASH BALANCE 6/30/12

Money Market Account TD Bank	\$	29,552.40
CD # 1 & 2 Brattleboro Savings & Loan	\$	129,603.79
TOTAL	\$	159,156.19

As the interim superintendent, I must first say what a pleasure it has been to experience life and schooling in southern Vermont. There is a unique quality of life to this region. There is a reason why so many from other states come here in the summer and weekends. Vermont is America at its best.

The purpose of the Annual Report is to provide our community and parents with some basic information about our schools during 2013. We hope that you will find this report informative and that you will hopefully share it with others. Please also join us frequently on our website.

Our schools are dedicated to providing all students with the educational foundation necessary to be successful in society. We are now a global economy, and our children have to develop the educational and social skills to compete in an ever changing world. It is our commitment to help each student to become all that he or she is capable of being. We have children who have incredible skills and talents. Parental involvement is essential to our improvement efforts. The research on the value of parental involvement in education is overwhelming. The effect on students when parents are engaged includes¹:

- Higher grades, test scores, and graduation rates
- Better school attendance
- Increased motivation, better self-esteem
- Decreased use of drugs and alcohol
- Fewer instances of violent behavior
- Family participation in education was twice as predictive of students' academic success as family socioeconomic status. Some of the more intensive programs had effects that were 10 times greater than other factors.
- The more intensely parents are involved, the more beneficial the achievement effects.

That is how important you are.

There have been meaningful changes across the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union this past year. This report will highlight some of those changes.

School Leadership

The Vermont Agency of Education sponsored a boundary study to determine if school districts included in the four southern regional supervisory unions might realign for better economy and efficiency of operation. It was for this reason that the Agency of Education restricted this Supervisory Union to an Interim Superintendent while the study was being conducted. The boundary study basically revealed that because of geographical constraints, and the desires of our small districts to maintain their educational identity, that no consolidation could occur. There are, however, some benefits of intra-supervisory cooperation that can be pursued, such as facilitating the sharing of professional staff among K-8 schools making it possible to efficiently provide specialists. (e.g. art, music, PE, and related service providers at all grade levels; mathematics, science, foreign language teachers at middle grade levels). There can also possibly be a sharing of support services among all schools in region (e.g. personnel management, business, transportation, technology support services, facilities and operations). The fact that the study has been completed will now allow this supervisory union to pursue a permanent superintendent, which we hope to complete this spring.

The leadership in the schools is outstanding. Our principals are top-notch. They care about children and know how to improve the teaching and learning process.

Central Office

¹ http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Final_Parent_Involvement_Fact_Sheet_14732_7.pdf

We have a small but competent central office staff that provides services to the component districts. Karen Atwood is the Business Manager and is in her second year in that capacity. Susan Courchesne is the SU Administrative Assistant. Penny Burgess functions as the Account Payable Clerk and prepares the warrant for school board inspection and approval. Holly Wheeler is the payroll account clerk for all personnel. Brande Pike assumes responsibility for banking and accounts reconciliation for the grants we receive. Lisa Fortin manages the Medicaid reimbursement program and helps coordinate special education services. Dr. Dina Casey is the psychologist for the district and helps with the diagnosis for children needing special education services. Kathy Rapp manages the child find services for later possible placement in special education. Tate Erickson is the Director of Special Education. One of our major economies this year has been to reduce the number of speech language teachers from three to two with no significant loss of services to the students.

This is a skilled and hard working central office. An assessment is charged to each district for their salaries of this staff based upon student enrollment.

Academic Accomplishments

Our schools continue to achieve at a high level. They must continue to do so as our students of today and tomorrow will be competing for jobs and the quality of life in an ever increasing global economy. In order to develop a meaningful transition into a 21st Century school district, we must continue to improve our curriculum – not just the superficial modifications to our content area curriculum maps, but deeply infuse the skill sets that students will actually use in the learning process. We must have a dynamic staff development program that prepares our teachers to deliver the curriculum in the setting of a 21st century learning environment, and we must rethink and redesign our assessments to make certain that our students have acquired a deep mastery of our learning outcomes. We do not have the curriculum support levels found in larger districts, but nevertheless, our student achievement exceeds many that do. This can be attributed to a skilled teaching staff and principals who know how to provide academic leadership. It also can be directly attributed to having our schools filled with students who take their education seriously and work hard.

School Boards and Community Leadership

Every community is blessed to have people who give unselfishly of themselves for the benefit of all. The people who serve on school boards have a deep commitment to improving the opportunities for each child to become all that he or she is capable of being. Those who are select board members, town clerks, treasurers, and volunteer firefighters are also committed to the towns they serve. Nowhere have I witnessed a greater commitment than in this supervisory union.

I know that each school board member takes his or her role seriously and works hard to provide you with a responsible budget. Each wants to provide the resources needed for the school district, but each also is acutely aware of the financial constraints we all face.

I have a profound respect for the members of the Halifax School Board: Chum Sumner, Paul Blais, and Shelby Brimmer. Chum Sumner deserves a special recognition for his many years of dedicated service to the youth of Halifax. They are extremely proud of their school and their high academic achievement. Halifax met AYP in all content areas – an accomplishment that many other VT school districts failed to achieve.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard McClements, Ed.D.
WSWSU Interim Superintendent of Schools

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT
ENROLLMENT
As of December 31, 2013

	<u>GRADES</u>				<u>TOTAL</u>
ELEMENTARY:					
	K				7
	1				6
	2				7
	3				5
	4				7
	5				5
	6				7
	7				8
	8				3

Total Elementary:					55
Elementary Tuition (included in above count)		6			
SECONDARY:	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
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Twin Valley High School	5.25	0	0	3	8.25
Franklin Tech.	2	2	3	3	10
Brattleboro H.S.	1	5	4	2	12
Mohawk Regional	0	0	0	1	1
Private School	1	1	0	0	2
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Total Secondary:	9.25	8	7	9	33.25
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TOTAL ENROLLMENT:					88.25

Halifax School District
Salary and Wage Summary
 January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Blais, Paul	per meeting up to	\$1,000.00
Shelby Brimmer	per meeting up to	\$1,000.00
Sumner, Homer	per meeting up to	\$1,500.00

EMPLOYEES

Aldrich, Stephanie	\$32,897.33
Alfieri, Francis	\$11,305.73
Ameen, Kathleen	\$2,900.00
Anyan, Judy	\$21,483.70
Mooehouse, Ashley	\$33,390.87
Carey-Garland, Colleen	\$75.00
Comenitz, Jeffrey	\$2,235.00
Dimauro, Denise	\$6,437.09
Dimauro, Lucas	\$6,437.09
Flett, Cheryl	\$10,608.17
Garrett, Patricia	\$487.50
Hauser, Jody	\$8,179.43
Howes, Joel	\$53,556.70
Landers, Barbara	\$412.50
Lane, Doris	\$450.00
Lemaire, Mary	\$6,182.66
Millett, Henry	\$750.00
Noyes, Lisa	\$75.00
Pentak-Cohen, Sandra	\$19,170.72
Phillips, Kathy	\$10,078.93
Powers, Stephanie	\$300.00
Rose-Andrews, Lisa	\$150.00
Ross, Meredith	\$4,886.57
Sherman, Dayle	\$36,592.60
Stewart, Maria	\$31,573.82
Stewart, Matthew	\$14,042.48
Swanson, Linda	\$24,498.48
Trudeau, Jesse	\$187.50
Von Backer, Abbott	\$75.00
Wainshilbaum, Rhonda	\$11,076.83
Wood, Melissa	\$17,719.84

The percentage of Core academic classes taught by not highly qualified teachers is 2.5% for the 2012-2013 school year.
 73% of the teachers have a Bachelors degree and 36% have a Masters degree

HALIFAX ANTICIPATED REVENUES and TAX RATE COMPARISON

	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012-2013</u>	<u>Anticipated</u> <u>2013-2014</u>	<u>Anticipated</u> <u>2014-2015</u>	
<u>Local Revenues:</u>				
Interest Income	\$ 243.64	\$ 500	\$ 500	
Playground Interest Incom	\$ 555.97	\$ -	\$ -	
Tuition	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,000	
Lease Payment (Town)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Lease Payment (WSSU/Wing)	\$ 3,362.50	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,363	
E-rate	\$ 8,590.86	\$ -	\$ -	
Misc Receipts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<u>Federal Revenues:</u>				
Education Jobs Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
State Stabilization ARRA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<u>Fund Balance</u>	\$ 49,961.32	\$ 85,664	\$ 714	
<u>Playground Reserve</u>	\$ 158,600.20	\$ 5,382	\$ 5,382	
<u>State Special Education:</u>				
Mainstream Block Grant	\$ 31,623.00	\$ 32,969	\$ 34,916	
EEE Block Grant	\$ 4,524.00	\$ 5,323	\$ 6,307	
Intensive	\$ 91,558.46	\$ 89,126	\$ 88,599	
PY Sped	\$ 456.18			
<u>Other State Revenues:</u>				
Small Schools Grant	\$ 77,142.00	\$ 77,366	\$ 80,558	
Vocational Tuition	\$ 20,432.73	\$ -	\$ 25,611	
Transportation	\$ 37,302.00	\$ 40,899	\$ 39,797	
Loan Forgiveness	\$ 8,920.00	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Revenues	\$ 503,272.86	\$ 350,529	\$ 318,747	
Schoolwide Revenue	\$ 25,466.10	\$ 29,713	\$ 30,616	
				% Increase
Actual Expenditures	\$ 1,370,017.14			/(Decrease)
Budget		\$ 1,514,005	\$ 1,436,506	-5.12%
Schoolwide Budget	\$ 22,039.94	\$ 29,713	\$ 30,616	
Less: Revenues	\$ 503,272.86	\$ 380,242	\$ 349,363	-8.12%
State Support Grant	\$ 1,087,534.00			
State Tech Center Payment	\$ 19,656.00			
Fund Balance Applied to 1	\$ 85,664.00			
Fund Balance Applied to 1	\$ 713.79			
Playground Reserve Fund 1	\$ 154,067.93			
Education Spending (Act 68)		\$ 1,163,476	\$ 1,117,759	-3.93%
Equalized Pupils		87.10	85.65	-1.66%
Education Spending Per Pupil		\$ 13,358	\$ 13,050	-2.30%

Estimated Tax Rate for FY'2015		Estimated****	Increase/
	FY '2014	FY '2015	(Decrease)
School Tax	\$ 1.3178	\$ 1.3893	\$ 0.071
Town Tax (Level Funded)	\$ 0.6632	\$ 0.6632	\$ -
Total Tax	\$ 1.9810	\$ 2.0525	\$ 0.071

*Tax rate figured at 101.12% Common Level of Appraisal rate.

**** Tax rate estimates are based on pending legislature.

	State Rate	CIA	Adjusted Tax Rate
Non-residential School Tax Rate	1.51	101.12%	\$ 1.493
Residential School Tax Rate(\$1.	1.405	101.12%	\$ 1.3893

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Statutory limitation - See note at bottom of page

Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner - See note at bottom of page

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Expenditures		FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
1	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,444,766	\$1,429,219	\$1,543,718	\$1,467,122
2	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-
4	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,444,766	\$1,429,219	\$1,543,718	\$1,467,122
5	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
6	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
7	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$1,444,766	\$1,429,219	\$1,543,718	\$1,467,122
8	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	\$91,149
9	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
Revenues		FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
10	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$398,287	\$322,029	\$380,242	\$349,363
11	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
12	plus Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	not allowed	not allowed	not allowed
13	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-
14	Total local revenues	\$398,287	\$322,029	\$380,242	\$349,363
15	Education Spending	\$1,046,479	\$1,107,190	\$1,163,476	\$1,117,759
16	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	86.71	83.89	87.10	85.65
17	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$12,068.72	\$13,198.12	\$13,357.93	\$13,050
18	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$477.45	\$35.55	-	-
19	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	-	-
20	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-
21	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
22	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-
23	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	NA	-	-
24	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-
25	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
26	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$12,069	\$13,198	\$13,358	\$13,050
27	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$13,050 / \$9,382)	141.254% <small>based on \$8,544</small>	151.303% <small>based on \$8,723</small>	145.972% <small>based on \$9,101</small>	139.099% <small>based on \$9,382</small>
Prorating the local tax rate		FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
28	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (139.099% x \$1.010)	\$1.2289 <small>based on \$0.87</small>	\$1.3466 <small>based on \$0.89</small>	\$1.3721 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.4049 <small>based on \$1.010</small>
29	Percent of Halifax equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.000%	100.000%	100.000%	100.00%
30	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.000% x \$1.40)	\$1.2289	\$1.3466	\$1.3721	\$1.4049
31	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	104.09%	104.35%	104.12%	101.12%
32	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.405 / 101.12%)	\$1.1806 <small>based on \$0.860</small>	\$1.2905 <small>based on \$0.87</small>	\$1.3178 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.3893 <small>based on \$1.01</small>
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>					
33	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (139.099% x 1.84%)	2.54% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.72% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.63% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.56% <small>based on 1.84%</small>
34	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.000% x 2.56%)	2.54% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.72% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.63% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.56% <small>based on 1.84%</small>
35	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-
36		-	-	-	-

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,382. The tax commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.01 and \$1.51. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 1.84%.

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMPARATIVE BUDGET REPORT

	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
DEBT SERVICE				
INTEREST ON BOND	0	0.00	0	0
BOND PAYMENT	0	8,920.00	0	0
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	0	8,920.00	0	0
LOAN INTEREST				
INTEREST ON LOAN	0	0.00	0	0
WATER LOAN INTEREST	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL LOAN INTEREST	0	0.00	0	0
INSTRUCTION				
LATERALS	0	0.00	0	0
ASHLEY BRIGHAM - ED JOBS	0	0.00	0	0
ASHLEY BRIGHAM	33,638	33,638.00	35,638	37,138
DAYLE SHERMAN	36,924	36,924.00	38,924	40,424
TBH .5	0	0.00	0	42,593
S PENTAK COHEN	0	0.00	0	28,055
P.E. TEACHER 40%	11,630	11,630.00	12,030	12,330
MUSIC 20%	6,728	6,728.00	7,128	6,885
JOEL HOWES	52,611	54,411.00	56,611	57,911
RHONDA WAINSHILBAUM	11,242	11,242.00	11,642	11,942
STEPHANIE ALDRICH	22,346	22,346.00	23,346	0
LOREN CLEWS	49,267	49,267.00	51,267	0
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE	0	0.00	0	0
TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
SUBSTITUTES	4,500	4,271.51	3,500	3,500
HOSPITALIZATION	38,232	37,351.06	42,469	55,750
TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
ASHLEY BRIGHAM - ED JOBS	0	0.00	0	0
ASHLEY BRIGHAM	2,573	2,521.89	2,726	2,841
DAYLE SHERMAN	2,825	2,678.86	2,978	3,092
TBH .5	0	0.00	0	3,258
S PENTAK COHEN	0	0.00	0	2,146
P.E. TEACHER 40%	890	889.72	920	943
MUSIC 20%	515	514.57	545	527
JOEL HOWES	4,025	4,111.61	4,178	4,430
RHONDA WAINSHILBAUM	860	860.03	891	914
STEPHANIE ALDRICH	1,709	1,682.01	1,786	0
LOREN CLEWS	3,769	3,768.94	3,922	0
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE	0	0.00	0	0
SUBSTITUTES	344	327.17	268	268
WORKMENS COMP	1,030	819.20	1,382	1,440
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	1,000	238.24	1,000	1,000
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	2,000	2,928.50	2,000	3,000
DENTAL	375	374.31	375	625
LIFE & DISABILITY INSUR	1,071	949.86	1,224	1,237
PROF DEVELOPMENT	500	214.00	500	500
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
VISITING ARTISTS	0	0.00	1,500	1,500
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	7,500	7,495.57	8,500	8,500
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	1,650	900.00	1,000	0
FIELD TRIPS	550	404.45	550	550
OTHER TRANSPORTATION	1,000	2,000.00	2,500	2,500
TRAVEL	200	162.44	200	300
SUPPLIES	4,500	3,687.72	4,500	4,600
ACHIEVEMENT TESTS	300	90.00	300	300
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	2,500	2,497.92	2,200	2,500
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0

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	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
MANIPULATIVE DEVICES	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	3,000	1,913.00	1,680	2,430
DUES AND FEES	0	0.00	0	0
WINTER SPORTS	700	700.00	700	700
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	312,504	310,538.58	330,880	346,629
TECHNOLOGY				
JEFFREY COMENITZ -TECH	0	0.00	0	9,120
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WORKMENS COMP	0	0.00	0	55
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	14,000	14,000.00	14,000	4,127
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR	1,337	359.25	1,337	1,337
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	800	681.91	800	800
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	6,000	4,740.21	3,000	2,500
SUPPLIES	800	729.87	800	800
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	4,200	887.00	8,000	12,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0.00	0	0
DUES AND FEES	500	94.00	25	800
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY	27,637	21,492.24	27,962	32,237
ATHLETICS				
COACHING SALARY	0	0.00	0	0
REFEREES	600	160.00	600	600
COACHING FICA	0	0.00	0	0
REFEREES	46	0.00	46	46
WORKMANS COMPENSATION	3	2.39	3	3
SUPPLIES	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
DUES & FEES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL ATHLETICS	649	162.39	649	649
GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT				
INGER STROM-HENRICKSON	0	0.00	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	0	0.00	0	0
INGER STROM-HENRICKSON	0	0.00	0	0
WORKMENS COMP	0	0.00	0	0
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	0	0.00	0	0
LIFE & DISABILITY INSUR	0	0.00	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0.00	0	0
BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL GUIDANCE DEPT	0	0.00	0	0
HEALTH SERVICES				
NURSE	0	0.00	0	0
NURSE	0	0.00	0	0
WORKMANS COMPENSATION	0	0.00	0	0
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	5,590	5,590.00	5,590	5,590
SUPPLIES	300	181.42	300	300
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	300
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	5,890	5,771.42	5,890	6,190
IN SERVICE EDUCATION				
PROF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL IN SERVICE EDUCATION	0	0.00	0	0

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMPARATIVE BUDGET REPORT

	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
LIBRARY SERVICES				
MARJORIE SCIESZKA 30%	14,323	0.00	0	0
PATRICIA GARRETT	0	0.00	0	0
JODY HAUSER 26%	0	7,770.00	8,290	9,086
MARJORIE SCIESZKA 30%	1,096	0.00	0	0
PATRICIA GARRETT	0	0.00	0	0
JODY HAUSER 26%	0	594.27	634	695
WORKMANS COMP	64	50.90	50	55
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0	0.00	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0.00	0	0
SUPPLIES	200	189.45	200	200
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	1,500	966.20	1,500	1,500
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0
SOFTWARE	289	289.00	289	289
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	800
DUES & FEES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL LIBRARY SERVICES	17,472	9,859.82	10,963	12,625
SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES				
SALARIES	3,500	3,500.00	3,500	3,500
TREASURERS SALARY	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	1,000
FICA	345	267.75	345	345
WORKMENS COMP	21	16.70	21	21
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	750	351.50	1,500	1,500
AUDIT (CPA)	5,500	5,200.00	5,500	6,000
LIABILITY INSURANCE	1,765	705.00	740	814
TREASURERS EXPENSES	400	453.76	400	400
ADVERTISING	500	573.64	500	500
DUES & FEES	1,300	1,081.63	1,000	1,000
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	0	0.00	0	0
GRADUATION EXPENSES	225	200.00	225	225
CONTINGENCY	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES	15,306	13,349.98	14,731	15,305
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE				
SUPERVISORY UNION ASSESMT	42,437	42,020.00	37,774	32,709
TOTAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	42,437	42,020.00	37,774	32,709
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL				
S PENTAK COHEN	0	0.00	0	35,750
STEPHANIE ALDRICH	27,000	27,000.00	28,500	0
ASST PRINCIPAL	1,500	1,500.00	1,500	1,500
LINDA SWANSON 100%	25,111	24,847.20	25,565	26,312
HOSPITALIZATION	18,344	18,057.90	20,376	24,840
S PENTAK COHEN	0	0.00	0	2,735
STEPHANIE ALDRICH	2,066	2,031.93	2,180	0
LINDA SWANSON 100%	1,921	1,723.54	1,956	2,013
ASST PRINCIPAL	115	114.75	115	115
NON-PROFESSIONAL RET	1,004	998.88	1,022	1,053
WORKMENS COMP	242	192.47	332	380
DENTAL	125	124.71	125	125
LIFE AND DISABILITY INSUR	149	142.72	171	215
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	500	85.33	500	500
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0	0.00	0	0

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	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
POSTAGE	900	735.22	600	750
TELEPHONE	2,600	3,446.25	2,400	2,400
TRAVEL	200	200.00	250	250
TRAVEL-SEC	50	70.68	70	70
SUPPLIES	300	236.02	200	300
BOOKS AND MAGAZINES	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
DUES & FEES	200	244.80	200	250
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	82,327	81,752.40	86,062	99,558
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT				
LUCAS DIMAURO	12,715	11,736.96	13,215	0
DENISE DELALIO	12,715	11,736.96	13,215	0
PLAYGROUND UPKEEP	5,000	4,615.20	5,000	5,000
MATT STEWART	0	2,504.00	0	21,000
LUCAS DIMAURO	973	897.95	1,011	0
DENISE DELALIO	973	897.95	1,011	0
PLAYGROUND UPKEEP	382	353.06	382	382
MATT STEWART	0	191.56	0	1,607
NON PROFESSIONAL RETIRE	0	0.00	0	0
WORKMANS COMPENSATION	1,218	968.73	188	156
GARBAGE REMOVAL	1,000	930.00	1,000	1,000
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	6,000	12,034.82	6,000	6,000
WATER SYSTEM UPGRADES	0	0.00	0	0
PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS	0	120.00	0	0
ROOF REPLACEMENT	0	0.00	0	0
ASBESTOS	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	0	0.00	0	0
PROPERTY INSURANCE	4,250	3,716.00	3,902	4,292
TRAVEL	0	0.00	0	0
SUPPLIES	3,500	2,507.35	2,500	2,750
ELECTRICITY	11,000	9,219.40	10,900	10,000
FUEL OIL	26,000	18,490.32	26,000	26,000
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
CAPITAL OUTLAYS		0.00	15,000	15,000
WATER TEST	800	737.00	800	2,700
TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	86,526	81,657.26	100,124	95,887
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
BUS DUTY	0	0.00	0	0
BUS DUTY	0	0.00	0	0
WORKERS COMP	0	3.84	0	0
CONTRACTED SERVICES	89,784	91,209.12	92,755	94,233
TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	89,784	91,212.96	92,755	94,233
HIGH SCHOOL TUITION				
PUCHASES SERVICE (504)	450	175.00	0	0
TUITION VT LEA'S	280,000	289,480.00	234,000	235,950
ARRA TUITION VT LEA'S	0	0.00	0	0
TUITION OUTSIDE VT LEA'S	9,750	10,684.00	10,152	0
TUITION PRIVATE SCHOOL	12,350	0.00	25,722	27,460
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL TUITION	302,550	300,339.00	269,874	263,410
VOCATIONAL TUITION				
VOCATIONAL TUITION	21,037	19,218.00	23,815	28,070
VOCATIONAL TUITION STATE	19,241	19,656.00	19,819	25,154
VOC. TUITION OUTSIDE VT	147,500	150,000.00	239,999	136,000
TOTAL VOCATIONAL TUITION	187,778	188,874.00	283,633	189,224

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	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
HS PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
CONTRACTED SERVICES	0	40.00	0	0
TOTAL HS PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	0	40.00	0	0
TUITION UNDERCHARGE				
PR YR TUITION UNDERCHARGE	0	0.00	0	0
VOC TUITION UNDERCHARGE	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL TUITION UNDERCHARGE	0	0.00	0	0
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
PRIOR YR ADJUSTMENTS	0	0.00	0	0
MARIA STEWART	31,448	31,448.00	33,448	34,948
CHERYL FLETT 80%/70%/50%	11,813	12,620.05	8,640	0
M LEMAIRE	0	0.00	0	4,219
SUMMER TUTORIAL	1,800	1,155.00	1,800	1,800
JUDY ANYAN 50%	10,753	10,565.58	10,955	11,293
SUBSTITUTE	0	600.00	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	14,738	20,353.10	20,495	24,840
MARIA STEWART	2,406	2,344.62	2,559	2,674
CHERYL FLETT 80%/70%/50%	904	901.22	661	0
M LEMAIRE	0	0.00	0	323
SUMMER TUTORIAL	138	88.37	138	138
JUDY ANYAN 50%	823	757.68	838	864
SUBSTITUTE	0	45.90	0	0
NON-PROFESSIONAL RETIRE	903	948.50	784	452
WORKMENS COMP	251	199.63	327	312
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	1,500	0.00	1,000	1,000
DENTAL	250	190.74	250	250
LIFE AND DISABILITY INS	173	0.00	201	210
PROF DEVELOPMENT	200	175.00	400	200
SUMMER PROGRAM	0	0.00	0	0
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0	0.00	0	0
TRAVEL	150	70.84	200	200
SUPPLIES	350	524.93	350	200
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	100	103.91	100	100
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0
MANIPULATIVE DEVICES	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	500
DUES & FEES	0	0.00	0	250
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	78,700	83,093.07	83,146	84,773
INTENSIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION				
TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
KATHY PHILLIPS	11,340	0.00	0	0
SUMMER PARA	0	0.00	0	0
SUBSTITUTE PARA	0	0.00	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	0	0.00	0	0
TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMPARATIVE BUDGET REPORT

	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
SUBSTITUTE PARA	0	0.00	0	0
KATHY PHILLIPS	868	0.00	0	0
SUMMER PARA	0	0.00	0	0
NON-PROFESSIONAL RETIRE	454	0.00	0	0
WORKMANS COMP	51	40.56	0	0
BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONIST	0	0.00	0	0
BEHAVIORAL SPECIALIST	2,493	3,797.59	3,928	6,480
PARA TRAINING	0	0.00	0	0
EEE SUMMER PROGRAM	0	0.00	0	0
SUMMER PROGRAM	0	0.00	0	0
PURCHASED SERVICE	0	0.00	0	0
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	0	0.00	0	0
TUITION PRIVATE	0	0.00	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0.00	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0.00	0	0
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0
MANIPULATIVE DEVICES	0	0.00	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL INTENSIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION	15,206	3,838.15	3,928	6,480
SU SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT	65,816	65,816.00	57,688	58,440
PHYSICAL THERAPY				
PHYSICAL THERAPY	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL PHYSICAL THERAPY	0	0.00	0	0
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY				
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	0	0.00	0	0
EVALUATIONS				
COMPRHENSIVE EVALUATIONS	1,200	510.00	1,200	1,200
COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATIONS	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL EVALUATIONS	1,200	510.00	1,200	1,200
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
EEE PROF SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
SPEECH SERVICES				
SPEECH SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
SPECIAL ED TRANSPORTATION				
TRANSPORTATION	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL SPECIAL ED TRANSPORTATION	0	0.00	0	0
SECONDARY INTENSIVE SERVICES				
SUMMER TUTORIAL	0	0.00	0	0
TUTOR	0	560.00	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	0	0.00	0	0
SUMMER TUTORIAL	0	0.00	0	0
TUTOR	0	42.84	0	0
NON-PROF RETIREMENT	0	0.00	0	0
WORKMENS COMP	0	0.00	0	0

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMPARATIVE BUDGET REPORT

	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
PURCHASED PARA SERVICES	0	0.00	0	0
PURCHASED SERVICE	0	0.00	0	500
SUMMER SERVICES	500	650.00	500	900
TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
TUITION VT LEA'S	0	18,024.00	0	0
TUITION OUTSIDE VT LEA'S	30,000	19,000.00	19,000	20,000
TUITION PRIVATE	0	31,320.00	36,960	37,300
SPED EXCESS COSTS	5,500	3,569.77	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL SECONDARY INTENSIVE SERVICES	36,000	73,166.61	56,460	58,700
OTHER SECONDARY SPECIAL ED SERVICES				
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	0	0.00	0	0
COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION	0	0.00	0	0
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	102.50	4,160	0
SPEECH SERVICES	2,600	4,042.63	2,600	2,600
SPECIAL ED TRANSPORTATION	5,775	10,518.89	12,250	11,816
TITLE I/REMEDIAL SERVICES				
CHERYL FLETT 20%/30%/50%	5,063	3,154.95	8,640	0
M LEMAIRE	0	0.00	0	4,219
JUDY ANYAN 30%	6,452	6,339.40	6,573	6,776
SUMMER TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	4,390	5,782.62	8,999	4,968
CHERYL FLETT 20%/30%	387	225.51	661	0
M LEMAIRE	0	0.00	0	323
JUDY ANYAN 30%	494	454.61	503	518
SUMMER TUTOR	0	0.00	0	0
NON-PROFESSIONAL RET	461	385.40	609	271
WORKMENS COMP	52	41.36	91	66
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	0	0.00	0	0
LIFE AND DISABILITY INSUR	0	0.00	0	0
INSERVICE	0	0.00	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0.00	0	0
SUPPLIES	50	53.00	50	50
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	0	0.00	150	150
AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	0	0.00	0	0
MANIPULATIVE DEVICES	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL TITLE I/REMEDIAL SERVICES	17,349	16,436.85	26,276	17,341
HOT LUNCH PROGRAM				
FOOD DEFICIT	6,500	8,875.94	5,000	6,500
TOTAL HOT LUNCH PROGRAM	6,500	8,875.94	5,000	6,500
TOTAL	1,400,006	1,356,574.69	1,514,005	1,436,506
PENSION EXPENSE		35,117.00		

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMPARATIVE BUDGET REPORT

	Budget 2012-2013	Actual 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Budget 2014-2015
SCHOOLWIDE				
DEBBIE CASSIDY 50%	19,029	0.00	0	0
MELISSA WOOD 50%	0	16,528.00	19,029	19,664
JUDY ANYAN 20%	4,301	4,226.17	4,382	4,517
HOSPITALIZATION	2,927	2,881.00	3,251	3,312
DEBBIE CASSIDY 50%	1,456	0.00	0	0
JUDY ANYAN 20%	329	303.15	335	346
MELISSA WOOD 50%	0	1,264.48	1,456	1,504
NON-PROF RETIREMENT	172	169.44	175	181
WORKERS COMP	93	93.86	94	97
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	801	0.00	877	877
DENTAL	0	0.00	0	0
LIFE & DISABILITY	105	0.00	114	118
CURRICULUM MAPPPING	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL SCHOOLWIDE	29,213	25,466.10	29,713	30,616
TOTAL BUDGET AND SCHOOLWIDE	1,429,219	1,382,041	1,543,718	1,467,122

HALIFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT

	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012-2013</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2012-2013</u>		<u>Budget</u> <u>2013-2014</u>		<u>Budget</u> <u>2014-2015</u>	
PERSONNEL COSTS:							
Salaries	362,517.69	379,989		378,497		390,301	
FICA	26,947.79	29,119		28,804		29,860	
Hospitalization	81,544.68	75,704		92,339		110,398	
Non-professional Retirement	2,332.78	2,822		2,415		1,776	
Workmen's Compensation	1,363.21	1,714		2,206		2,332	
Unemployment Compensation	238.24	1,000		1,000		1,000	
Credit Reimbursement	2,928.50	3,500		3,000		4,000	
Dental	689.76	750		750		1,000	
Life & Disability Insurance	<u>1,092.58</u>	<u>1,393</u>		<u>1,596</u>		<u>1,662</u>	
Subtotal	479,655.23	495,991	35.4%	510,607	33.7%	542,329	37.8%
INSTRUCTIONAL RELATED COSTS:							
Athletics (Salaries)	160.00	600		646		646	
Professional Services	27,444.82	28,427		30,927		21,054	
Repairs & Maintenance	1,581.91	2,450		1,800		800	
Field Trips	2,404.45	1,550		3,050		3,050	
Travel	503.96	600		720		820	
Supplies	5,692.41	6,800		6,700		6,750	
Books & Periodicals	3,568.03	4,100		3,950		4,250	
Software	289.00	289		289		289	
Equipment	2,800.00	7,200		9,680		16,030	
Dues & Fees	1,420.43	2,000		1,225		2,300	
Misc. Expense	900.00	925		925		925	
Postage	735.22	900		600		750	
Inservice/Prof. Development	299.33	1,000		1,000		1,000	
Purchased Services 504	175.00	450		0		0	
Subtotal	47,974.56	57,291	4.1%	61,512	4.1%	58,664	4.1%
TRANSPORTATION: (Regular & Special education)	101,728.01	95,559	6.8%	105,005	6.9%	106,049	7.4%
WSSU ASSESSMENT: Regular Ed	42,020.00	42,437	3.0%	37,774	2.5%	32,709	2.3%
WSSU ASSESSMENT: Special Ed	65,816.00	65,816	4.7%	57,688	3.8%	58,440	4.1%
DEBT SERVICE & LOAN INTEREST:	8,920.00	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TUITION (Reg & Sped):	557,382.00	519,878	37.1%	609,467	40.3%	509,934	35.5%
SCHOOL BOARD EXPENSE:	7,283.90	8,915	0.6%	8,640	0.6%	9,214	0.6%
SPECIAL ED MISC.:	12,847.49	12,493	0.9%	12,788	0.8%	11,880	0.8%
HOT LUNCH PROGRAM:	8,875.94	6,500	0.5%	5,000	0.3%	6,500	0.5%
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT:							
Custodian	33,902.37	33,976		34,022		28,145	
Water Maintenance	737.00	800		800		2,700	
Multi-peril/prop Insurance	3,716.00	4,250		3,902		4,292	
Garbage Removal	930.00	1,000		1,000		1,000	
Utilities	35,896.18	45,600		42,300		40,900	
Repairs & Maintenance	12,154.82	6,000		6,000		6,000	
Custodian Travel	0.00	0		0		0	
Supplies	2,507.35	3,500		2,500		2,750	
Equipment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>15,000</u>		<u>15,000</u>	
Subtotal	89,843.72	95,126	6.8%	105,524	7.0%	100,787	7.0%
TOTAL	1,422,346.85	1,400,006		1,514,005		1,436,506	
Schoolwide Budget	25,466.10	29,213		29,713		29,650	
Pension on Behalf	35,117.00						

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2015 Report
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Halifax School
S.U.: Windham Southwest S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports"
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2013 School Level Data

Cohort Description: K - 8, FY2013 enrollment < 200
(34 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
34 out of 34

	School level data	Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Halifax School	K - 8	51	6.77	0.50	7.53	102.00	13.54
-> Larger	Readsboro Elementary School	PK - 8	56	7.00	1.00	8.00	56.00	7.00
-> Larger	Stamford Elementary School	K - 8	62	8.00	1.00	7.75	62.00	8.00
-> Larger	Newark School	PK - 8	68	4.60	0.50	14.78	136.00	9.20
	Averaged SCHOOL cohort data		121.15	11.47	0.98	10.56	123.88	11.73

School District: Halifax
LEA ID: T090

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These data include district assessments to SUs. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to

FY2012 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 8 school district, FY2012 FTE < 200
(38 school districts in cohort)

Grades offered in School District | Student FTE enrolled in school district | Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest)
37 out of 38

School district data (local, union, or joint district)	Grades offered in School District	Student FTE enrolled in school district	Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs	
Smaller ->	Newark	K-8	48.23	\$13,938
-> Larger	Halifax	K-8	53.71	\$14,223
-> Larger	Stamford	PK-8	64.64	\$13,159
-> Larger	Readsboro	K-8	65.22	\$12,533
-> Larger	Albany	PK-8	73.60	\$17,993
	Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data	122.96	\$12,477	

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

FY2014 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchDist Equalized Pupils	SchDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller ->	T135 Newark	PK-8	71.01	14,844.28	1.5248	1.5248	107.10%	1.4237
-> Larger	T002 Albany	PK-8	86.44	16,062.61	1.6500	1.5658	109.03%	1.4361
-> Larger	T090 Halifax	K-8	87.10	13,357.93	1.3721	1.3721	104.12%	1.3178
-> Larger	T147 Orleans ID	PK-8	97.23	11,882.99	1.2206	1.2857	97.62%	1.3171
-> Larger	T164 Readsboro	PK-8	100.51	8,915.38	0.9400	0.9400	108.72%	0.8646
-> Larger	T034 Brownington	PK-8	103.45	10,998.94	1.1298	1.2252	100.64%	1.2174

The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

(K) data provided by the commissioner which enable a comparison with other schools, or school districts if school level data are not available, for cost-effectiveness. The commissioner shall establish which data are to be included pursuant to this subdivision and, notwithstanding that the other elements of the report are to be presented in a format selected by the school board, shall develop a common format to be used by each school in presenting the data to community members. The commissioner shall provide the most recent data available to each school no later than October 1 of each year. Data to be presented may include student-to-teacher ratio, administrator-to-student ratio, administrator-to-teacher ratio, and cost per pupil.

Mudgett
Jennett &
Krogh-Wisner, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants #435

January 23, 2014

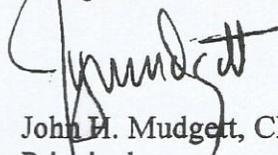
Board of Directors
Halifax Town School District

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION

The financial statements of the Halifax Town School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 have been audited by Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C. of Montpelier. The report is available at the School or at the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union office.

Sincerely,

Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C.



John H. Mudgett, CPA
Principal

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF WINDHAM SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
GENERAL FUND**

	Actual	Budget	Proposed Budget
Revenues:	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
Interest	625.37	500	500
Indirect Cost Transfers	9,293.28	0	0
Assessments	1,346,494.00	1,222,828	1,202,302
<u>Misc. Income</u>	<u>1,795.65</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
General Fund Revenues:	1,358,208.30	1,223,328	1,202,802
Fund Balance Alternative Program	3,044.00	44,372	37,072
Fund Balance WSSU	<u>4,163.00</u>	<u>33,132</u>	<u>107,963</u>
Total Gen Fund Revenues:	1,365,415.30	1,300,832	1,347,837
Expenditures:			
Superintendent's Office	221,606.54	259,511	276,512
Fiscal Services	245,003.13	257,989	263,403
<u>Special Education:</u>			
Speech Services	261,965.81	276,602	237,108
Occupational Therapy Services	39,543.51	71,234	67,039
School Psychologist/Evaluations	53,517.58	57,948	49,409
Alternative Special Ed Program	247,505.25	213,306	300,563
EEE Program	67,596.54	71,336	56,480
Special Education Administration	<u>83,642.59</u>	<u>92,906</u>	<u>97,324</u>
Total Gen Fund Expenditures	1,220,380.95	1,300,832	1,347,838
Excess/(Deficiency)	145,034.35		

Revenue & Expense in the amount of \$74,070 to record State of Vermont payments on behalf teacher retirement contributions are not included in the above figures.

The Windham Southwest Supervisory Union expects the financial budget for the (2013-2014) to be as budgeted.

Assessment Breakdown by District:

	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
Halifax	107,836	95,462	91,149
Readsboro	129,055	105,232	106,145
Searsburg	13,465	12,229	36,070
Stamford	131,550	120,825	118,254
Whitingham	169,352	0	0
Wilmington	249,296	0	0
Twin Valley	<u>545,940</u>	<u>889,082</u>	<u>850,684</u>
Total Assessment	1,346,494	1,222,830	1,202,302

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF WINDHAM SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

<u>State Funds</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012-2013</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2013-2014</u>
Act 230/BEST Grant Revenues:	2,876.16	0
State Hot Lunch Revenues:	8,315.22	0
<u>Other State Revenues:</u>	<u>4,999.85</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Total State Revenues:	7,776.01	5,000
Act 230/BEST Grant Expenditures	2,876.16	0
State Hot lunch Transfers to Towns	8,315.22	0
<u>Other State Grant Expenditures</u>	<u>4,999.85</u>	<u>5000</u>
Total State Expenditures	7,776.01	5,000
Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0

<u>Federal Funds:</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012-2013</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2013-2014</u>
Special Programs Fund Revenues:	515,914.38	611,536
Hot Lunch Revenues:	175,239.10	0
Local & Private Funds:	<u>105,902.26</u>	<u>67,745</u>
Total Revenues:	797,055.74	679,281

Special Programs Fund Expenditures:	534,254.84	611,536
Special Programs Transfer to Schools:	19,540.00	0
Local & Private Expenditures:	<u>54,237.05</u>	<u>67,745</u>
Total Expenditures:	613,514.75	679,281
Excess/(Deficiency)	203,407.86	0

Title I Fund Revenues:	287,398.12	325,449
Title I Fund Expenditures:	18,220.18	27,500
Title I Transfer to Schools:	268,177.94	297,949
Excess/(Deficiency)	30,648.81	0

21 st Century Fund Revenues:	234,205.00	194,737
Federal Funds (Part of Title I above)	13,530.75	11,000
Local & Private Funds:	<u>140,079.32</u>	<u>132,926</u>
Total Revenues:	387,815.07	338,663
21 st Century Fund Expenditures:	234,205.00	194,737
Federal Funds (Part of Title I above)	13,530.75	11,000
Local & Private Expenditures:	<u>140,079.32</u>	<u>132,926</u>
Total Expenditures:	360,451.00	338,663
Excess/(Deficiency)	28,562.68	0

Federal Revenues for 2012-13 include carryover from 2011-2012. Budgeted Federal Revenues for 2013-2014 include carryover from 2012-2013 and are restricted for use in those programs only.