

**Mont Vernon
New Hampshire**



**Town and School Report
2023**



Conservation Commission Earth Day Trail Cleanup at Herlihy Swamp



Chief Mark Slavin and Selectmen Jack Esposito

**REPORT OF THE
TOWN OFFICES**

**MONT VERNON,
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

For the Year Ending

December 31, 2023

**And of the
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICES**

For the Year Ending

June 30, 2023

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BOARDS, OFFICES, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC...

Elected Officials

John Esposito	Selectman	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Howard Brown	Selectman	(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
John Quinlan	Selectman, Chair	(1yr)	Term Expires 2025
Eric Willis	Treasurer (resigned)		
Rebecca Schwarz	Interim Treasurer	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Belinda Yeaton	Town Clerk	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Susan Leger	Tax Collector	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Chloe Diorio	Welfare Officer	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
David Sturm	Moderator	(2yr)	Term Expires 2024
Sarah Beth Ross	Deputy Moderator	(2yr)	Term Expires 2024
Joan Cleary	Town Administrator		
Rebecca Schwarz	Admin Assistant/Grants Manager		

Appointed Officials

Joan Cleary	Deputy Treasurer		
Bobbi Billow	Deputy Town Clerk		
Belinda Yeaton	Deputy Tax Collector		
Rich Masters	Health Officer	(2yr)	Term Expires 2024
Jay Wilson	Emergency Mgt. Director		

Department Heads

Mark Slavin	Chief of Police
Jay Wilson	Fire Chief
Ben Crosby	Director of Public Works
Stephen Roberge	Building Inspector

Trustees of Trust Funds

W. Andrew Baver	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Karen Mitchell		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Alyson Miller		(3yr)	Term Expires 2025

Cemetery Trustees

Alyson Miller		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Lou Springer	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Jay Wilson		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024

Library Trustees

Jane King		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Cindy Raspiller	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Amy White		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024

BOARDS, OFFICES, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC...

Fire Wards

Jay Wilson	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Lucien Soucy		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Randall Wilson		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024

Supervisors of Checklist

Linda Henderson		(6yr)	Term Expires 2028
William Sandford	Chair	(6yr)	Term Expires 2024
Marlene Santiago	Interim	(6yr)	Term Expires 2026

Planning Board

John Quinlan	Selectmen's Rep.		Term Expires 2025
Jim Bird	Chairman		Term Expires 2024
Steve Bennett	Vice Chair		Term Expires 2026
Brittany Soboliev			Term Expires 2025
Jay Goodell			Term Expires 2025
Christina Johantgen			Alternate
Michael Antonucci			Alternate

Zoning Board of Adjustment

David Sturm	Chairman		Term Expires 2026
Tony Immorlica	Vice Chair		Term Expires 2024
Steve O'Keefe			Term Expires 2026
Jason Johnson			Term Expires 2024
Charles Schuessler			Term Expires 2025

Conservation Commission

Karen Drum	Vice Chair		Term Expires 2026
Adrienne Penkacik	Chairman		Term Expires 2026
Joanne Draghetti	Secretary		Term Expires 2024
Aneliya Cox	Member		Term Expires 2026
Jim Bird	Planning Board Rep.		
Jay Wilson	Alternate		
Judy Brophy	Alternate		
Tom Wahle	Alternate/Lamson Farm Rep		
Peter Tedder	Alternate		
Shelly Brooks	Alternate		

Garden and Beautification Committee

Jessica Pomeroy	Chair		Term Expires 2025
Sean Mamone	Co-Chair		Term Expires 2024
Ana Barrett	Secretary		Term Expires 2026

BOARDS, OFFICES, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC...

Heritage Commission

Howard Brown	Selectmen's Rep	(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Rebecca Schwarz	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Jessica Pomeroy	Secretary	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Brian Billow	Vice Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
	Planning Board Rep	(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Sarah Beth Ross	Alternate		
Zoe Fimbel	Alternate		
Anna Szok	Alternate		
	Alternate		

Historic District Commission

Howard Brown	Selectmen's Rep		Term Expires 2024
Joanne Kitchel	Secretary		Term Expires 2026
Mary Katherine McNamara			Term Expires 2024
Doug Irvine	Chair		Term Expires 2025
			Term Expires 2024
Karolin Campbell	Vice Chair		Term Expires 2024
	Planning Board Rep		

Lamson Farm Commission

Zoe Fimbel	Chairman/At Large		Term Expires 2024
	Historical Society Rep.		
Kevin Pomeroy	Vice Chair/At Large		Term Expires 2025
Louis Springer	At Large		Term Expires 2026
Mark Walker			Term Expires 2026
Earle Rich	At Large		Term Expires 2026
Tom Wahle	Conservation Com. Rep.		Term Expires 2026
Frank Oudheusden	Clerk/Treasurer		

Patriotic Purposes Committee

Jay Wilson
Meg Baker
Zoe Fimbel

Recreation Committee

Heather Kennedy Director

BOARDS, OFFICES, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC...

Strategic Advisory Committee

John Quinlan	Selectmen's Rep.
Paul Lavertu	Chairman
Eileen Naber	Secretary
Tim Angulas	
Heather Allain	
Chris Blunt	
Pim Grondstra	
Stephanie Vore-Apple	

2023 Town Budget Committee for 2024

Howard Brown	Selectmen's Rep.
George Torres	School Budget Rep.
John Arico	Chairman
Tim Berry	
Kim Roberge	
Bill McKinney	
Sean Mamone	
Joan Cleary	Treasurer
Sheila Sturm	
Frank Weber	
Lorri Hayes	

Milford Area Communications Center

Aaron Daigneault	Town Representative
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Nashua Regional Planning Commission

Tim Berry	Selectmen's Rep	Term Expires 2025
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Souhegan Regional Landfill District

Jack Esposito	Selectmen's Rep.	Term Expires 2025
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MVVS School District / School Board

Christie West	Moderator	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Lyn Jennings	Treasurer	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Amy Wyman	Clerk	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
George Torres	Secretary	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Jessica Hinkley	Vice Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Sarah Lawrence		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Peter Eckhoff	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Andrew Stokinger		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024

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Amherst School District / School Board

Ellen Grudzian	Moderator	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Margaret Bennett	Treasurer	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Tony Ortiz	Clerk	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026

Terri Behm	Secretary	(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Jason White	Vice Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Tim Theberge		(3yr)	Term Expires 2024
Tom Gauthier	Chair	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Shannon Gascoyne		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026

Souhegan Co-Op School District / School Board

C. George Bauer	Moderator	(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
CJ Butler	Treasurer	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Peg Bennett	Asst. Treasurer	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024
Beth Kuzma	Clerk	(1yr)	Term Expires 2024

Christine Peters		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Sonny Daniels		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Stephanie Grund		(3yr)	Term Expires 2026
Anna Goulet-Zimmerman		(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Steven O'Keefe		(3yr)	Term Expires 2025
Daniel Veilleux		(3yr)	Term Expires 2025

TOWN MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE

TOWN MODERATOR'S REPORT

2023 was an off year for elections in New Hampshire. The only local election was for town and school district officers. After a spirited Town Meeting following balloting in March, there were no other elections. As has been the case in recent years, Mother Nature intervened and required us to reschedule Town Meeting, after consultation with our police and fire chiefs.

During 2023 the Ballot Law Commission presented options for ballot counting machines to replace the old Accuvote machines which have been in service for many years. We only recently switched from hand counting to vote tallying with a ballot counting device, and the switch has been a greatly improved process. Hand counting ballots had, very recently, led to a recount that changed the result of one local General Court Representative race.

There are many, many people who make an election run smoothly. From the Supervisors of the Checklist to the ballot clerks and challenged-voter desk, Town Clerk and her deputies, the School District moderator, the ballot counters, and anyone I have forgotten - a big Thank You for your efforts on every election. It would not happen without your volunteering.

Common Sense Strong Suggestions for Decorum

1. Please be courteous and keep offline discussions to a whisper so your neighbors can hear the proceedings.
2. Please feel free to get up and move around and be comfortable.
3. Please silence your cell phones or other noisy device. Anyone whose cell phone rings will be assigned, permanently, to the Budget Committee.
4. Please enjoy yourself and participate - this is democracy as practiced for a very long time, and we are making history and molding the town we live in and love.

Moderator's Rules of Procedure

Town of Mont Vernon

1. Only Mont Vernon registered voters are entitled to participate in the meeting and vote. This does not include town staff and employees who are not residents, but who are necessary to the meeting. They may speak on matters that concern them or their position in town but may not vote.
2. Voting will be, except in the event of a close vote or required secret ballot, by raising your colored voting card, which you will get by checking in with the

Supervisors of the Checklist, near the door. All residents, including elected officials, and your Moderator, may vote.

3. Each motion to amend will be voted on before another motion to amend will be entertained.
4. Each speaker will state his or her name and address clearly so that the Clerk can record and will be limited to three minutes. No individual may speak a second time until all who wish to speak for the first time have spoken.
5. Speakers must speak from the central microphone. All comments must be addressed **to the Moderator** and not to the audience. Cross discussions are not allowed. Personal attacks are discourteous, a waste of time and will not be allowed. Please keep your comments concise and non-repetitive. If someone before you “steals your thunder” it would be fine to indicate your agreement but a waste of time to make the same points at length. **Shouting from the back of the room is discourteous, disruptive and out of order.**
6. No Motion to Call the question will be accepted by the Moderator until there has been sufficient debate on the article.
7. Any motion may be reconsidered during the meeting. A Motion to Restrict Reconsideration (in accordance with RSA 40:10) may be made at any time and is encouraged to be made immediately following the announcement of the vote on a contentious article and must be made on each article on which reconsideration is restricted.
8. Motions so restricted will be able to be reconsidered but at a separate meeting, held at least seven days later. Reconsideration of bond votes must be held at a separate meeting.
9. Motions to Pass Over, Table or Postpone will generally not be accepted, unless a good reason is put forth, and then at the discretion of the Moderator.
10. Any voter may challenge any ruling of the Moderator. Majority vote decides. This is YOUR meeting; I just stand up here and try to keep order and remember everyone’s names.
11. The actions we can take today are basically three:
 - a. Enact a warrant article as written; or,
 - b. Amend and then pass the amended warrant article; or,
 - c. Defeat the warrant article.

TOWN MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE

12. The four tools we will use today are:
 - a. Motion to Amend an article. Only one amendment at a time and no amendments to amendments will be allowed. Amendments may not change the subject of a warrant article. Amendments involving budget items must include a dollar amount, which may be zero.
 - b. Motion to Call the Question. This will end debate, if passed. It should only be made after reasonable debate and those in line have spoken, at least once. Under Robert's Rules, such a motion requires a 2/3 majority to pass.
 - c. Motion to Reconsider or Restrict Reconsideration. Reconsideration may take place at any time, and so may a motion to restrict it.
 - d. Point of Order. If your moderator errs in a procedural matter, a speaker exceeds their allotted time, or an attendee is disruptive, a Point of Order may be raised, and should be done so immediately.

Please make the first three motions from the microphone; a Point of Order may be raised from your seat.

Please note that the colored voting card you will receive when you check in with the Supervisors of the Checklist is the ONLY voting card you can be issued. If you leave the meeting and wish to come back, you MUST keep and bring back with you that voting card.

Mont Vernon

The inhabitants of the Town of Mont Vernon in the County of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 12, 2024
Time: 7:00 am through 7:00 PM
Location: Mont Vernon Village School
Details: Articles 1 & 2

Second Session of Annual Meeting (All Other Business)

Date: March 13, 2024
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Mont Vernon Village School
Details: Articles 3 - 16

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.

Name	Position	Signature
John F. Quinlan, Jr.	Chair, Selectmen	
John M. Esposito	Selectman	
Howard D. Brown	Selectman	

Article 01 Election of Town Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 02 Amend Zoning Regulations - Floodplain Management

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment number 20 proposed by the Planning Board for the Mont Vernon Zoning Ordinance – Floodplain Management as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program:

A) Sections I 706 Certification, I 709 Special Flood Hazard Areas, I 713 Definitions with major changes being:

A) Wording and terminology, SEE BELOW

(strikethrough text means delete text, highlighted text means add text)

ARTICLE 7 - Floodplain Management

I-701 - PURPOSE

Certain areas of the Town of Mont Vernon, New Hampshire are subject to periodic flooding, causing serious damages to properties within these areas. Relief is available in the form of flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968. Therefore, the Town of Mont Vernon, New Hampshire has chosen to become a participating community in the National Flood Insurance Program and agrees to comply with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-488, as amended) as detailed in this Floodplain Management Ordinance.

This Ordinance establishes a permit system and review procedure for development activities in the designated flood hazard areas of the Town of Mont Vernon, New Hampshire.

I-702 – ESTABLISHMENT

This ordinance adopted pursuant to the authority of RSA 674:16, shall be known as the Town of Mont Vernon Floodplain Management Ordinance. The regulations in this ordinance shall overlay and supplement the regulations in the Town of Mont Vernon Zoning Ordinance and shall be considered part of the Zoning Ordinance for purposes of administration and appeals under state law. If any provision of this ordinance differs or appears to conflict with any provision of the Zoning Ordinance or other ordinance or regulation, the provision imposing the greater restriction or more stringent standard shall be controlling.

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the County of Hillsborough, N.H." dated September 25, 2009, or as amended, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated September 25, 2009, or as amended, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference. (*Amended 8/24/10*)

I-703 - PERMITS

All proposed development in any special flood hazard area shall require a permit. This ordinance shall be administered by the building inspector.

I-704 - CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

The Building Inspector shall review all building permit applications for new construction or substantial improvements to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is located in a special flood hazard area, all new construction or substantial improvements shall:

- a. be designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent floatation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy,
- b. be constructed with materials resistant to flood damage,
- c. be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damages,
- d. be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air conditioning equipment, and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding.

I-705 - WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS

Where new or replacement water and sewer systems (including on-site systems) are proposed in a special flood hazard area the applicant shall provide the Building Inspector with assurance that these systems will be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and on-site waste disposal systems will be located to avoid impairment to them or contamination from them during periods of flooding.

I-706 - CERTIFICATION

For all new or substantially improved structures located in special flood hazard areas, the applicant shall furnish the following information to the Building Inspector:

- a. the as-built elevation (in relation to ~~mean sea level National Geodetic Vertical Datum~~) of the lowest floor (including basement) and include whether or not such structures contain a basement.
- b. if the structure has been flood proofed, the as-built elevation (in relation to ~~mean sea level NGVD~~) to which the structure was flood proofed.
- c. any certification of flood proofing.

The Building Inspector shall maintain the aforementioned information for public inspection and shall furnish such information upon request.

I-707 - OTHER PERMITS

The Building Inspector shall not grant a building permit until the applicant certifies that all necessary permits have been received from those governmental agencies from which approval is required by federal or state law, including Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U. S. C. 1334.

I-708 – WATERCOURSES (or WETLANDS)

1. In riverine situations, prior to the alteration or relocation of a watercourse the applicant for such authorization shall notify the Wetlands Bureau of the New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services and submit copies of such notification to the Building Inspector, in addition to the copies required by the RSA 482-A: 3. Further, the applicant shall be required to submit copies of said notification to those adjacent communities as determined by the Building Inspector, including notice of all scheduled hearings before the Wetlands Bureau and the Mont Vernon Planning Board.

2. The applicant shall submit to the Building Inspector certification provided by a registered professional engineer assuring that the flood carrying capacity of an altered or relocated watercourse can and will be maintained.
3. The Building Inspector shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any floodway data available from Federal, State, or other sources as criteria for requiring that all development located in Zone A meet the following floodway requirement:

"No encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, and other development are allowed within the floodway that would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the base flood discharge."

I-709 - SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

1. In Zone A the Building Inspector shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any ~~100-year flood elevation~~ **base flood elevation** data available from any federal, state, or other source including data submitted for development proposals submitted to the community (i.e., subdivisions, site plan approvals). **Where a base flood elevation is not available or not known for Zone A, the base flood elevation shall be determined to be at least 2 feet above the highest adjacent grade.**
2. The Building Inspector's ~~100-year flood elevation~~ **base flood elevation** determination will be used as criteria for requiring in Zone A that:
 - a. All new construction or substantial improvement of residential structures have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above the ~~100-year flood elevation~~ **base flood elevation**.
 - b. That all new construction or substantial improvements of non-residential structures have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above the ~~100-year flood level~~ **base flood elevation**; or together with attendant utility and sanitary facilities, shall:
 - i. be flood proofed so that below the ~~100-year flood elevation~~ **base flood elevation** the structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water.
 - ii. have structural components capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and the effects of buoyancy; and
 - iii. be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect that the design and methods of construction are in accordance with accepted standards of practice for meeting the provisions of this section.
 - b. All manufactured homes to be placed or substantially improved within special flood hazard areas shall be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the lowest floor of the manufactured home is at or above the ~~100-year flood elevation~~ **base flood elevation**; and be securely anchored to resist floatation, collapse, or lateral movement. Methods of anchoring may include, but are not limited to, use of over-the-top or frame ties to ground anchors.
 - c. All recreational vehicles placed on sites within Zone A shall either:**
 - i. be on the site for fewer than 180 consecutive days.
 - ii. be fully licensed and ready for highway use; or,
 - iii. meet all standards of Article I-703 of this ordinance and the elevation and anchoring requirements for "manufactured homes" in Article I-709 (2) (c) of this ordinance.
 - ~~iv. All recreational vehicles placed on sites within Zone A shall either:~~

A recreational vehicle is ready for highway use if it is on its wheels or jacking system, is attached to the site only by quick disconnect type utilities and security devices and has no permanently attached additions.

- d. For all new construction and substantial improvements, fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are subject to flooding are permitted provided they meet the following requirements:
 - i. the enclosed area is unfinished or flood resistant, usable solely for the parking of vehicles, building access or storage.
 - ii. the area is not a basement; and
 - iii. shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwater. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect or must meet or exceed the following minimum criteria: A minimum of two flood openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided. The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one foot above grade. Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, or other coverings or devices provided they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwater.

I-710 - VARIANCES AND APPEALS

1. Any order, requirement, decision, or determination of the Building Inspector made under this ordinance may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as set forth in RSA 676:5.
2. If the applicant, upon appeal, requests a variance as authorized by RSA 674:33, I (~~b~~), the applicant shall have the burden of showing in addition to the usual variance standards under state law that:
 - a. the variance will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, or extraordinary public expense.
 - b. if the requested variance is for activity within a designated regulatory floodway, no increase in flood levels during the base flood discharge will result; and
 - c. the variance is the minimum necessary, considering the flood hazard, to afford relief.
3. The Zoning Board of Adjustment shall notify the applicant in writing that:
 - a. the issuance of a variance to construct below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage; and
 - b. such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property. Such notification shall be maintained with a record of all variance actions.
4. The community shall:
 - a. maintain a record of all variance actions, including their justification for their issuance; and
 - b. report such variances issued in its annual or biennial report submitted to FEMA's Federal Insurance Administrator.

I-711 - SEVERABILITY

The invalidity of any section or provision of this Ordinance shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

I-712 - ENFORCEMENT

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen (or their designee) to enforce and administer the provisions of this Ordinance in accordance with RSA 676.

I-713 - DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply only to this Floodplain Management Ordinance and shall not be affected by the provisions of any other ordinance of the Town of Mont Vernon.

- i. "Area of Special Flood Hazard" is the land in the floodplain within the Town of Mont Vernon, subject to a one percent or greater possibility of flooding in any given year. The area is designated as ~~Zone A on the FHB or as~~ Zone A on the FIRM.
- ii. "Base Flood" means the flood having a one-percent possibility of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.
- iii. **"Base Flood Elevation" (BFE) means the elevation of surface water resulting from the "base flood."**
- iv. "Basement" means any area of a building having its floor subgrade on all sides.
- v. "Building" - see "structure".
- vi. "Development" means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavating, or drilling operation or storage of equipment or materials.
- vii. "FEMA" means the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- viii. "Flood" or "Flooding" means a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from:
 - a. the overflow of inland or tidal waters, or
 - b. the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source.
- ~~ix. "Flood Hazard Boundary Map" (FHB) means an official map of a community, issued by the Administrator, where the boundaries of the flood, mudslide (i.e., mudflow) related~~
- ~~x. erosion areas having special flood hazards have been designated as Zone A.~~
- xi. "Flood Insurance Rate Map" (FIRM) means an official map of a community, on which the Administrator has delineated both the special hazard areas and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.
- xii. "Flood Insurance Study" (FIS) means an examination, evaluation and determination of flood hazards and, if appropriate, corresponding water surface elevations, or an examination, evaluation and determination of mudslide (i.e. mudflow) and/or flood-related erosion hazards.
- xiii. **Flood Opening means an opening in a foundation or enclosure wall that allows automatic entry and exit of floodwaters. See FEMA "Technical Bulletin 1, Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures."**
- xiv. "Floodplain" or "Flood-prone area" means any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source (see definition of "Flooding").
- xv. "Flood proofing" means any combination of structural and non-structural additions,

changes, or adjustments to structures that reduce or eliminate flood damage to real estate or improved real property, water and sanitation facilities, structures and their contents.

- xvi. "Floodway" - see "Regulatory Floodway".
- xvii. ~~"Functionally dependent use" means a use that cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located or carried out in close proximity to water. The term includes only docking and port facilities that are necessary for the loading/unloading of cargo or passengers, and ship building/repair facilities but does not include long term storage or related manufacturing facilities.~~
- xviii. "Highest adjacent grade" means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure.
- xix. "Historic Structure" means any structure that is:
 - a. Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
 - b. Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered Historic District or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered Historic District;
 - c. Individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
 - d. Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - i. by an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, or
 - ii. directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.
- xx. "Lowest Floor" means the lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area (including basement). An unfinished or flood resistant enclosure, usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement area is not considered a building's lowest floor; provided, that such an enclosure is not built so as to render the structure in violation of the applicable non-elevation design requirements of this ordinance.
- xxi. "Manufactured Home" means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities. For floodplain management purposes the term "manufactured home" includes park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on site for greater than 180 consecutive days. This includes manufactured homes located in a manufactured home park or subdivision.
- xxii. "Manufactured Home Park or Subdivision" means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.
- xxiii. "Mean sea level" means the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929, North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) of 1988, or other datum to which base flood elevations shown on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Maps are referenced.
- xxiv. "New construction" means, for the purposes of determining insurance rates, structures for which the start of construction" commenced on or after the effective date of an initial FIRM or after December 31, 1974, whichever is later, and includes

any subsequent improvements to such structures. For floodplain management purposes, new construction means structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of a floodplain management regulation adopted by a community and includes any subsequent improvements to such structures.

xxv. "100-year flood" – see "base flood"

xxvi. "Recreational Vehicle" is defined as:

- a. built on a single chassis.
- b. 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection.
- c. designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- d. designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use.

xxvii. "Regulatory floodway" means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height.

xxviii. "Special flood hazard area" - see "Area of Special Flood Hazard"

xxix. "Structure" means for floodplain management purposes, a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home.

xxx. "Start of Construction" includes substantial improvements, and means the date the building permit was issued, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, placement, or other improvement was within 180 days of the permit date. The actual start means either the first placement of permanent construction of a structure on site, such as the pouring of slab or footings, the installation of piles, the construction of columns, or any work beyond the stage of excavation; or the placement of a manufactured home on a foundation. Permanent construction does not include land preparation, such as clearing, grading and filling; nor does it include the installation of streets and/or walkways; nor does it include excavation for a basement, footings, piers, or foundations or the erection of temporary forms; nor does it include the installation on the property of accessory buildings, such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or part of the main structure.

xxxi. "Substantial damage" means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before damaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

xxxii. "Substantial Improvement" means any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the "start of construction" of the improvement. This term includes structures which have incurred "substantial damage," regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include either:

- a. Any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions; or
- b. Any alteration of a "historic structure," provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "historic structure." ~~any combination of repairs, reconstruction, alteration, or improvements to a structure in which the cumulative cost equals or exceeds fifty percent of the~~

~~market value of the structure. The market value of the structure should equal:~~

- ~~i. the appraised value prior to the start of the initial repair or improvement, or~~
 - ~~ii. in the case of damage, the value of the structure prior to the damage occurring. For the purposes of this definition, "substantial improvement" is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure. This term includes structures that have incurred substantial damage, regardless of actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include any project for improvement of a structure required to comply with existing health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which are solely necessary to assure safe living conditions or any alteration of a "historic structure", provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "historic structure".~~
- xxxiii. "Violation" means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required under I-706 or I-709(2)(b) of this ordinance is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided.
- xxxiv. "Water surface elevation" means the height, in relation to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929, North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) of 1988, or other datum, where specified, of floods of various magnitudes and frequencies in the floodplains. (*Added 3/10/09*)

Article 03 Appointment of Town Treasurer

Shall the Town vote to change the office of Town Treasurer from an elected position to an appointed position in accordance with RSA 41:26-e. Such appointment shall be made in accordance with RSA 669:17-d by the Board of Selectmen. Such appointment shall be made in writing and shall include the compensation to be paid. If approved, the person holding the elected office shall continue to hold such office until the next annual town election following the vote. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen support this article.

Article 04 Elderly Exemption

To see if the Town will modify the Elderly Exemption from property tax in the Town of Mont Vernon, based upon assessed value for qualified taxpayers, as follows: for persons 65 years of age up to 74 years of age \$104,000; for persons 75 years of age up to 79 years of age \$156,000; for persons 80 years of age or older \$206,000. To qualify a person must have been a State resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. The person must reside in the residence. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of less than \$65,000 or if married, a combined net income of less than \$65,000 and must not own assets in excess of \$125,000,

excluding the value of the persons residence (including 2 or 5 acres as zoned), one personal vehicle and one registered farm vehicle.

The Selectmen support this article.

Article 05 Construction of New Library Building

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,990,000 (gross budget) for the construction of a new library building on land owned by the Town; for equipping and furnishing said building, for site development, architectural and other service fees; and for any other items incidental thereto and necessary for said construction. Said appropriation to be raised in part by the issuance of \$2,120,000 of bonds or notes, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof.

The balance of said funds shall be raised as follows:

* Capital Reserve Funds

To authorize the withdrawal from the Library Capital Reserve Fund created for the above stated purpose as follows:

\$80,207 from the Town sub-account and \$214,397 from the Daland Matching funds sub- account.

* Gifts to the Town

To authorize the Select Board to accept the following gifts to the Town in support of the above stated purpose:

- * The Sophia G. Daland Trust in the amount of \$855,000,
- * The Friends of the Daland Memorial Library in an amount of \$42,000 and
- * The Mont Vernon Library Charitable Foundation in an amount not less than \$2,678,396.
- * Any State, Federal, or any other aid that becomes available for the above stated purpose; and to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept any such federal, state or other aid, if any, and to comply with all laws applicable to said project. And to authorize the Select Board to take any other necessary action or pass any other vote relative to the above stated purpose. And further to raise and appropriate (\$55,000 for the first debt service payment on the bonds).

The building will be owned by the Town of Mont Vernon and will house the public library, known now and in the future as the Daland Memorial Library. Town funds voted in this article will partially match NEH Challenge Grant (CHA-286624) funds. (3/5 ballot vote required)

The Selectmen voted 2 in favor and 1 abstention

Article 06 Construction of Access Road

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$683,600 (gross budget) for the construction of an access road to the new cemetery and proposed library, including parking lots for said library, and to authorize the issuance of \$683,600 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept any such federal, state or other aid, if any, and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the Select Board to take any other necessary action or pass any other vote relative to the above stated purpose. And further to raise and appropriate (\$17,500 for the first debt service payment on the bonds) (3/5 ballot vote required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 07 New All-Wheel Fire Truck

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,400,000 (gross budget) for the purchase of a new all-wheel fire truck. Said appropriation to be raised in part by an Assistance to Firefighters Grant of \$1,000,000. To authorize the withdrawal of up to \$400,000 from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose to be combined with the Assistance to Firefighters Grant. Further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to be the agents to expend the Capital Reserve Funds. Recommendations required from the Fire Chief and Board of Fire Wards. No new tax dollars are to be raised for this purchase. (Majority vote required). If grant is not received, the article will be null and void.

The Selectmen support this article.

Article 08 Add to Fire Truck Capital Reserve

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,000 to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for this purpose. (Majority vote required.)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 09 Highway Block Grant

To see if the Town of Mont Vernon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94,050 for the purpose of reconstruction of Town roads. To be offset by anticipated Highway Block Grant funds. Further, if the full amount is not

received, the remaining difference will be raised in taxation. This special article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the purpose is completed or by December 31, 2027, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 10 Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Construction of a new Sand/Salt Shed and the Future Expansion/Construction of Public Works Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Public Works Buildings Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the construction of a new sand/salt shed and the future expansion/construction of Public Works buildings and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said funds. Recommendations required from Public Works Director. (Majority Vote Required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 11 Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Public Works Vehicle and Equipment Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Department of Public Works Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of future Department of Public Works vehicle and equipment replacement for the benefit of the Town, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in this fund.

Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations required from the Public Works Director. (Majority Vote Required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 12 Add to Capital Reserve Fund for Town Hall Rehabilitation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to add to the Town Hall Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund for the use of repairs, rehabilitation, and renovation of the Town Hall under the provisions of RSA 35:1. These funds may be used as grant match funds for the repair, rehabilitation, or renovation of the Town Hall or for repair, rehabilitation or renovation expenses not funded by grants. (Majority Vote Required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 13 Add to Capital Reserve for Radio Upgrades

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Town Wide Radio Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of upgrading the 1st Responder radios. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations required from the Fire Chief and Police Chief. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 14 Establish Capital Reserve PPE/SCBA

To see if the town will vote to establish a PPE/SCBA Replacement Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of replacing PPE (Personal Protective Equipment: Firefighting bunker gear, helmet) and SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus). To raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of replacing this equipment as needed. Further, to

name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations required from the Fire Chief and Board of Fire Wards. (Majority Vote Required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 15 Operating Budget

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,955,192.00 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen support this article

Article 16 Act Upon Reports

To act upon the reports of all Town Officers, Agents, Auditors, Committees, Commissions, etc. and raise and appropriate any money relative thereto.

Article 17 Other

To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

				Jan - Dec 23	Budget	Proposed 2024
410000 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
413000 · EXECUTIVE-Town Officers						
413010 · Selectman - Chairman Stipend				2,360.14	2,360.14	2,454.55
413011 · Selectman # 2 Stipend				2,145.24	2,145.24	2,231.05
413012 · Selectman # 3 Stipend				2,145.24	2,145.24	2,231.05
413020 · Fica / Medicare				508.77	508.77	529.13
Total 413000 · EXECUTIVE-Town Officers				7,159.39	7,159.39	7,445.78
414000 · TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE						
414100 · ELECTION						
414110 · Supervisors of Check List				819.00	500.00	2,500.00
414111 · Ballot Clerks				124.26	500.00	780.00
414112 · Town Moderator Stipend				643.76	643.76	800.00
414113 · Deputy Moderator				321.88	321.88	400.00
414114 · Police Detail						2,640.00
414140 · Training				55.00	100.00	100.00
414190 · Advertising				0.00	50.00	50.00
414193 · Postage				264.00	100.00	300.00
414199 · Supplies				2,117.17	2,000.00	10,000.00
Total 414100 · ELECTION				4,345.07	4,215.64	17,570.00
414200 · REGISTRATION						
414210 · Town Clerk				30,898.58	30,898.58	32,134.53
414211 · Deputy Town Clerk				10,667.09	12,084.00	12,567.36
414212 · Training				0.00	915.00	915.00
414220 · FICA / Medicare				3,179.78	3,267.05	3,419.70
414270 · Dog Expenses				2,265.61	2,100.00	2,100.00
414280 · Computer & Supplies				5,573.97	5,665.00	5,665.00
414290 · Telephone / Internet Access				2,227.87	3,120.00	2,200.00
414292 · Postage				916.20	800.00	950.00
414293 · Conventions & Seminars				1,160.31	1,000.00	1,500.00
414294 · Dues & Fees				170.00	200.00	250.00
414299 · Supplies & Copier Maint.				1,019.88	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 414200 · REGISTRATION				58,079.29	61,049.63	62,701.59
414300 · VITAL RECORDS						
414310 · Marriage License Fees				172.00	559.00	500.00
414320 · Vital Record Fees				400.00	500.00	500.00
Total 414300 · VITAL RECORDS				596.00	1,059.00	1,000.00
Total 414000 · TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE				63,020.36	66,324.27	81,271.59
415000 · FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION						
415010 · SELECTMEN'S OFFICE						
415011 · Office Salaries				113,857.23	110,661.00	123,381.32
415012 · Fica / Medicare				8,710.08	8,466.00	9,556.25
415013 · Retirement				10,772.96	10,216.00	17,221.00
415014 · Health Insurance				78,547.43	78,570.00	84,210.00
415015 · Dues, Fees, Workshops & T-				155.63	1,080.00	1,000.00
415016 · External Audit				17,581.89	15,000.00	18,000.00
415017 · Archival				0.00	400.00	400.00
415018 · Equipment Service Contract				335.00	350.00	350.00
415019 · Computer Hardware				2,499.99	2,500.00	2,500.00
415020 · Software Maintenance				7,017.57	12,400.00	12,400.00
415021 · Telephone / Internet Access				1,502.77	2,850.00	2,850.00
415022 · Advertising & Printing				2,408.69	2,500.00	2,500.00
415023 · Postage				1,016.50	900.00	1,000.00
415024 · Website Hosting and Maint.				2,675.50	2,100.00	2,700.00
415028 · Employment Screening				1,037.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
415029 · Supplies				5,005.83	4,000.00	4,000.00
Total 415010 · SELECTMEN'S OFFICE				253,124.07	253,493.00	283,568.57

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	415100 · TREASURY			
	415110 · Treasurer Stipend	2,520.82	2,520.82	2,621.66
	415111 · Deputy Treasurer	342.90	342.90	356.62
	415112 · FICA / Medicare	219.08	219.07	227.84
	Total 415100 · TREASURY	3,082.80	3,082.79	3,206.12
	415150 · TAX COLLECTOR			
	415151 · Tax Collector Stipend	10,211.58	10,298.28	10,710.22
	415152 · Deputy Tax Collector	493.86	643.76	669.51
	415153 · FICA / Medicare	818.97	837.00	870.55
	415154 · Convention & Seminars	40.00	75.00	75.00
	415155 · Recording Fees	1,544.33	2,260.00	2,260.00
	415156 · Computer Hard, Soft & Main	5,674.33	6,500.00	6,500.00
	415157 · Telephone / Internet Access	1,502.73	1,800.00	1,800.00
	415158 · Postage	1,645.85	1,620.00	1,700.00
	415159 · Dues & Fees	20.00	20.00	20.00
	415169 · Supplies	923.61	632.00	580.00
	Total 415150 · TAX COLLECTOR	22,875.26	24,686.04	25,185.28
	415170 · TRUSTEES of TRUST FUNDS			
	415171 · Bookkeeper	2,692.64	2,692.62	2,800.33
	415172 · Fica / Medicare	206.00	206.00	214.23
	415173 · Box Rentals	78.00	74.00	78.00
	415174 · Postage	12.60	22.00	22.00
	415179 · Supplies	165.65	40.00	40.00
	415180 · Municipal Training			210.00
	Total 415170 · TRUSTEES of TRUST FUNDS	3,154.89	3,034.62	3,364.56
	Total 415000 · FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	282,237.02	284,296.45	315,324.53
	415200 · REAPPRAISAL of PROPERTY			
	415210 · Assessing & Pick-Ups	5,827.50	80,000.00	46,500.00
	Total 415200 · REAPPRAISAL of PROPERTY	5,827.50	80,000.00	46,500.00
	415300 · LEGAL EXPENSES			
	415310 · Counsel Fees	16,122.50	40,000.00	30,000.00
	415320 · Law Books & Updates	347.55	400.00	400.00
	Total 415300 · LEGAL EXPENSES	16,470.05	40,400.00	30,400.00
	419100 · PLANNING & ZONING			
	419110 · Administrative Assistant	11,126.08	11,802.00	12,274.08
	419120 · Fica / Medicare	851.15	903.00	938.97
	419150 · Master Plan	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	419191 · Advertising & Printing	1,343.06	900.00	900.00
	419192 · Postage	97.56	200.00	200.00
	419193 · Dues, Seminars & Training	90.00	500.00	750.00
	419194 · Recording Fees	83.00	500.00	500.00
	419199 · Supplies	670.45	350.00	350.00
	Total 419100 · PLANNING & ZONING	14,261.30	18,155.00	18,913.05

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		419400 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDGS			
		419410 · TOWN HALL			
		419411 · Fuel	5,875.79	8,000.00	8,000.00
		419412 · Electricity-and Other	737.26	1,800.00	1,500.00
		419413 · Repairs, Maint. & Water	5,113.31	4,000.00	5,500.00
		Total 419410 · TOWN HALL	11,726.36	13,800.00	15,000.00
		419420 · McCOLLOM BUILDING			
		419421 · Fuel	2,435.85	4,000.00	4,000.00
		419422 · Electricity	2,140.94	3,000.00	3,000.00
		419423 · Repairs, Maint. & Water	6,216.10	7,000.00	7,000.00
		Total 419420 · McCOLLOM BUILDING	10,792.89	14,000.00	14,000.00
		419430 · FIRE HOUSE			
		419431 · Fuel	5,593.41	9,000.00	9,000.00
		419432 · Electricity	4,323.33	5,600.00	5,600.00
		419433 · Repairs, Maint. & Water	12,533.70	14,400.00	14,400.00
		419430 · FIRE HOUSE - Other	83.90		
		Total 419430 · FIRE HOUSE	22,534.34	29,000.00	29,000.00
		419440 · HIGHWAY GARAGE			
		419441 · Fuel	8,872.73	12,000.00	12,000.00
		419442 · Electricity	3,112.98	4,000.00	4,000.00
		419443 · Repairs, Maint. & Water	25,842.83	24,000.00	30,000.00
		Total 419440 · HIGHWAY GARAGE	37,828.54	40,000.00	46,000.00
		419450 · TRANSFER STATION			
		419452 · Electricity	2,018.17	3,000.00	3,000.00
		419453 · Repairs & Maintenance	24,652.70	27,000.00	22,000.00
		Total 419450 · TRANSFER STATION	26,670.87	30,000.00	25,000.00
		Total 419400 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG	109,553.00	126,800.00	129,000.00
		419500 · CEMETERY			
		419512 · Electricity	195.00	230.00	230.00
		419513 · Postage/PO Box Rental	39.00	25.00	0.00
		419515 · Dues and Meetings	0.00	100.00	100.00
		419518 · Computer/Office Expenses	198.94	1,500.00	1,500.00
		419521 · Equipment	255.88	1,000.00	1,000.00
		419551 · General Repair`	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
		419552 · Monument Repair	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
		419560 · Burials	8,146.09	5,000.00	5,000.00
		419570 · Landscaping	2,995.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
		419571 · Treework	1,200.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
		419575 · Perpetual Care Trust	630.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
		419580 · Special Projects	10,950.00	20,000.00	40,000.00
		419590 · Mowing and Groundskeeping	5,079.36	8,500.00	8,500.00
		Total 419500 · CEMETERY	29,689.27	59,355.00	79,330.00

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419600 · INSURANCE					
		419610 · Primex- Property Liability	35,830.43	38,200.00	44,000.00
		419620 · Primex- Unemployment	1,297.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
		419630 · Primex-Workman's Comp.	15,910.93	17,060.00	19,107.00
		Total 419600 · INSURANCE	53,038.36	56,560.00	64,407.00
419700 · ADVERTISING & REGIONAL Assoc.					
		419710 · NHMA Dues	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,750.00
		419720 · NRPC Dues	1,953.00	1,900.00	1,960.00
		Total 419700 · ADVERTISING & REGIONAL /	4,453.00	4,400.00	4,710.00
Total 410000 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT			585,709.25	743,450.11	777,301.95
420000 · PUBLIC SAFETY					
421000 · POLICE DEPARTMENT					
		421010 · Salary - Chief	90,984.26	91,780.00	95,600.00
		421011 · Salary - Secretary	12,330.49	24,258.68	25,780.00
		421012 · Salary - Full Time Officers	156,679.76	222,122.00	233,100.00
		421013 · Overtime	9,137.95	10,000.00	14,000.00
		421014 · Salary - Part Time	39,702.71	47,087.00	48,400.00
		421015 · Pay in lieu of Holiday	9,707.20	13,453.00	13,950.00
		421018 · Special Duty - Full Time	7,370.00	20,000.00	15,000.00
		421019 · Special Duty - Part Time	4,097.50	10,000.00	10,000.00
		421020 · Fica / Medicare	5,550.00	11,232.00	11,630.00
		421030 · Retirement	86,935.13	108,449.00	115,100.00
		421031 · Health Insurance	124,849.37	125,130.00	134,125.00
		421035 · Prosecution	5,833.00	5,853.00	6,150.00
		421040 · Training/Recruitment	5,023.56	5,150.00	5,150.00
		421041 · Uniforms	3,882.68	6,250.00	6,250.00
		421050 · Photography	0.00	100.00	100.00
		421052 · Dog Control	250.00	400.00	400.00
		421060 · Cruiser Lease Payment	18,098.00	18,098.00	32,000.00
		421061 · Cruiser Fuel	7,433.07	11,550.00	11,550.00
		421062 · Equipment	39,411.30	27,440.00	17,000.00
		421063 · Radio/Radar	1,876.33	1,500.00	1,500.00
		421064 · Cruiser Upfitting	5,936.49	6,000.00	0.00
		421074 · R & M 2014 Interceptor	0.00	2,650.00	1,000.00
		421075 · R & M 2016 Interceptor	0.00	0.00	0.00
		421076 · R & M 2018 Cruiser	2,404.56	2,650.00	3,750.00
		421077 · R & M 2020 Interceptor	5,655.58	2,650.00	3,450.00
		421078 · R & M 2022 Explorer	0.00	1,100.00	2,400.00
		421079 - R & M 2024 Explorer			450.00
		421080 · Computer Hardware & Maint.	34,207.51	13,080.00	12,000.00
		421081 · IMC Software Licensing	3,662.24	3,665.00	4,050.00
		421090 · Telephone / Internet Access	5,401.14	6,048.00	5,600.00
		421091 · Printing	961.47	1,000.00	1,200.00
		421099 · Office Supplies	2,913.35	2,460.00	2,830.00
		Total 421000 · POLICE DEPARTMENT	690,294.65	801,155.68	833,515.00
		421500 · AMBULANCE	0.00	17,000.00	34,000.00

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422000 · FIRE DEPARTMENT					
		422010 · Payroll - Firefighters	27,291.00	28,000.00	29,120.00
		422011 · Payroll - Mechanics	1,525.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
		422020 · FICA / Medicare	2,204.43	2,400.00	2,575.00
		422040 · Training	3,161.24	3,600.00	3,000.00
		422041 · Protective Gear	8,036.44	9,500.00	38,952.00
		422050 · Fire Prevention	303.00	400.00	500.00
		422051 · Haz Mat	902.50	950.00	1,150.00
		422052 · Forest Fires	0.00	170.00	750.00
		422053 · Rescue - EMS	1,333.41	1,200.00	1,200.00
		422060 · Diesel	1,706.53	3,000.00	3,000.00
		422061 · Gasoline	263.59	300.00	300.00
		422062 · Truck Equipment	3,798.86	4,000.00	3,750.00
		422063 · Radio Repair / Purchase	6,135.23	6,400.00	4,000.00
		422064 · Hose Replacement	1,905.62	1,970.00	2,200.00
		422070 · Rep & Maint - T1 '04/'05 Intern	3,167.14	2,400.00	4,200.00
		422072 · Rep & Maint - E3 '01 Internat.	1,893.67	2,400.00	2,600.00
		422073 · Rep & Maint - F2 '52 Dodge	40.00	100.00	100.00
		422074 · Rep & Maint - E1 '93 Sutphen Pr	3,269.89	2,800.00	2,600.00
		422075 · Rep & Maint - E2 '08 HME Pump	4,077.33	4,800.00	2,600.00
		422076 · Rep & Maint - F1 '93 Hum-V	129.19	500.00	500.00
		422077 · Rep & Maint - Sm Eng & Port Pr	0.00	100.00	100.00
		422078 · Rep & Maint - Water Access	204.99	500.00	250.00
		422079 · R/M Response Trailers	145.00	300.00	300.00
		422089 · Ladder Testing	0.00	750.00	800.00
		422090 · Telephone / Internet Access	2,267.34	2,700.00	2,700.00
		422093 · Dues & Publications	3,732.00	1,900.00	1,900.00
		422099 · Supplies	1,003.67	1,100.00	1,200.00
Total 422000 · FIRE DEPARTMENT			78,497.07	86,740.00	114,847.00
424000 · BUILDING INSPECTION					
		424010 · Payroll - Building Inspector	29,142.75	29,284.50	30718.38
		424020 · Fica / Medicare	2,229.42	2,240.26	2349.96
		424040 · Training	0.00	1,500.00	1500
		424090 · Telephone	540.39	540.00	540
		424098 · Mileage Reimbursement	1,077.07	600.00	600
		424099 · Supplies	396.38	500.00	500
Total 424000 · BUILDING INSPECTION			33,386.01	34,664.76	36,208.34
429000 · Emergency Management					
		429001 · Training / Meetings	0.00	200.00	200.00
		429002 · Response Materials / Equipmen	1,125.42	300.00	600.00
		429003 · Seasonal Weather Response	0.00	500.00	500.00
		429004 · Covid 19 / Variant(s)	0.00	500.00	100.00
		429000 · Emergency Management - Othe	0.00		6,031.25
Total 429000 · Emergency Management			1,125.42	1,500.00	7,431.25
429900 · Dispatch Center - MACC			95,611.32	92,000.00	101,072.00
Total 420000 · PUBLIC SAFETY			898,914.47	1,033,060.44	1,127,073.59

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431210 · PUBLIC WORKS - ROADWAYS						
			431211 · Salary - Director	78,348.24	78,730.14	81,879.35
			431212 · Full Time Wages	190,191.44	214,172.00	222,738.88
			431213 · Overtime Wages	25,644.10	27,500.00	28,600.00
			431214 · Part Time Wages	5,550.74	10,000.00	10,500.00
			431220 · Fica / Medicare	22,929.69	25,275.77	26,294.45
			431230 · Health Insurance	171,909.32	168,665.00	188,691.00
			431231 · Retirement	40,877.13	47,208.00	45,084.43
			431240 · Uniforms	5,805.30	6,000.00	6,500.00
			431250 · Cutting Edges - Snow Plowing	6,822.82	8,000.00	8,500.00
			431251 · Tires	8,500.00	8,500.00	9,000.00
			431252 · Sand & Salt	128,421.08	110,000.00	125,000.00
			431253 · Gravel	29,685.82	30,000.00	35,000.00
			431254 · Cold Patch	2,380.50	2,500.00	3,000.00
			431255 · Culvert Pipes	7,821.22	10,000.00	11,500.00
			431256 · Pavement Marking	10,000.00	10,000.00	15,000.00
			431257 · Calcium Chloride	14,228.50	14,600.00	16,000.00
			431261 · Ford F550 Lease	22,559.42	22,560.00	0.00
			431263 · State Fuel Shed - Gas & Diesel	8,488.43	12,000.00	14,000.00
			431264 · Diesel Fuel and Tank Repr/Maint	28,269.22	28,000.00	28,000.00
			431265 · Dump Truck Leases	35,197.92	40,000.00	40,000.00
			431266 · Backhoe Lease	0.00		0.00
			431267 · Loader Lease	34,043.19	40,000.00	40,000.00
			431268 - 2025 Int. Dump Truck Lease			54,000.00
			431269 - 2024 Ram 3500 Lease			0.00
			431270 · Repairs & Maint. - '07 Int.	12,961.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
			431272 · Repairs & Maint. - '18 F550	3,872.35	3,500.00	5,000.00
			431273 · Repairs & Maint. - Grader	7,571.38	10,000.00	10,000.00
			431274 · Repairs & Maint. - Loader	3,592.27	4,000.00	4,000.00
			431275 · Repairs & Maint. - Backhoe	6,920.42	10,000.00	10,000.00
			431276 · Repairs & Maint. - F550 P/U			
			431277 · Repairs & Maint. - '12 Int.	27,345.35	17,500.00	10,000.00
			431278 · Repairs & Maint. - '14 Int.	0.00		
			431279 · Repairs & Maint. - '20 Int.	4,618.74	3,000.00	5,000.00
			431280 · Roadside Mowing & Sweeping	13,912.50	16,000.00	17,500.00
			431281 · Culvert Cleaning	0.00	3,500.00	5,000.00
			431282 · Tarring & Sealing	100,000.00	100,000.00	250,000.00
Total 431210 · PUBLIC WORKS - ROADWAYS				1,058,468.09	1,088,710.91	1,333,288.11
431400 · PUBLIC WORKS - GENERAL						
			431450 · Grounds Maintenance / Tree Work	26,571.26	18,000.00	20,000.00
			431460 · Signs	3,250.66	3,000.00	3,500.00
			431462 · Tools and Equipment	12,101.52	12,000.00	15,000.00
			431463 · Radio	3,218.99	3,000.00	3,000.00
			431471 · Repairs & Maint. - Other	1,422.30	3,000.00	3,500.00
			431472 · Repairs & Maint. - '12 P/U	2,674.91	3,000.00	5,000.00
			431490 · Telephone, Internet	4,759.02	3,500.00	3,800.00
			431498 · Miscellaneous	5,708.13	3,000.00	3,500.00
			431499 · Supplies	8,791.54	7,000.00	8,000.00
Total 431400 · PUBLIC WORKS - GENERAL				68,498.33	55,500.00	65,300.00

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Total 431200 · HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				1,126,966.42	1,144,210.91	1,398,588.11
431600 · STREET LIGHTING						
431610 · Eversource				2,814.58	4,500.00	3,500.00
Total 431600 · STREET LIGHTING				2,814.58	4,500.00	3,500.00
432000 · SANITATION						
432300 · Solid Waste Disposal						
432301 · Souh Reg Lndfl Disp Charges				162,324.84	163,325.00	160,770.16
432302 · Nashua Reg Solid Waste				4,845.09	5,100.00	5,500.00
Total 432300 · Solid Waste Disposal				167,169.93	168,425.00	166,270.16
432400 · Solid Waste Collection (XferSta						
432410 · Transfer Station - Labor				32,832.45	33,805.20	35,468.40
432420 · Fica / Medicare				2,511.69	2,586.10	2,713.34
432491 · Telephone				42.02	300.00	300.00
432492 · Portable Rest Room				2,860.00	2,700.00	3,000.00
Total 432400 · Solid Waste Collection (XferS				38,246.16	39,391.30	41,481.74
432900 · Miscellaneous				5,550.74	12,000.00	12,000.00
Total 432000 · SANITATION				210,966.83	219,816.30	219,751.90
441000 · HEALTH DEPARTMENT						
441100 · Health Officer Expenses				0.00	100.00	100.00
441101 · Health Officer Stipend				322.00	322.00	334.88
441110 · FICA / Medicare				24.64	25.00	25.62
Total 441000 · HEALTH DEPARTMENT				346.64	447.00	560.50
444000 · WELFARE						
444100 · Welfare Officer Stipend				1,072.62	1,072.62	1,115.53
444101 · FICA / Medicare				82.06	82.00	85.34
444200 · Direct Assistance						
444201 · Rent				3,000.00	3,850.00	4,235.00
444202 · Heat				0.00	4,400.00	4,840.00
444203 · Food				0.00	880.00	968.00
444204 · Utilities				331.95	2,200.00	2,420.00
444299 · Miscellaneous				1,130.00	770.00	6,336.13
Total 444200 · Direct Assistance				4,461.95	13,254.62	20,000.00
444500 · Other Vendors of Assistance				4,850.00	5,000.00	5000
444900 · Other-Welfare Officer Expenses				0.00	100.00	100
Total 444000 · WELFARE				10,466.63	18,354.62	25,100.00
450000 · CULTURE AND RECREATION						
452000 · RECREATION						
452001 · Recreation Director				804.44	804.44	836.62
452002 · FICA/Medicare				61.54	61.54	64.01
452003 · Easter				810.19	800.00	850.00
452004 · Spring Gala				5,212.69	6,000.00	5,800.00
452005 · Summer Concert Series				3,568.79	4,700.00	4,500.00
452006 · Lamson Farm Day				424.11	550.00	550.00
452007 · Halloween				1,064.87	600.00	625.00
452009 · Christmas				1,469.81	1,500.00	1,600.00
452080 · Advertising & Misc.				593.31	1,380.00	1,000.00
452081 · Background Checks				0.00	100.00	100.00
452082 · Town Center Improvements				673.92	2,300.00	2,200.00
452099 · Recreation Sports/Self Funding				3,076.00	6,500.00	6,500.00
Total 452000 · RECREATION				17,759.67	25,295.98	24,625.63

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455000 · LIBRARY			
455010 · Library Payroll	137,619.93	140,483.00	153,931.26
455013 · Retirement	11,601.93	12,486.00	15,890.49
455014 · Health Insurance	19,260.48	16,605.00	23,391.00
455020 · Fica / Medicare	10,527.93	10,747.00	11,706.89
455050 · Library appropriation	27,820.00	27,820.00	29,400.00
455099 · Library Cleaning	2,061.80	2,600.00	2,600.00
Total 455000 · LIBRARY	208,892.07	210,741.00	236,919.64
456000 · HERITAGE COMMISSION			
456001 · Heritage Fund	0.00	20,000.00	25,000.00
456010 · Dues, Seminars, Training	359.99	1,000.00	1,000.00
456020 · Advertising and Printing	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
456050 · Historical Resource Survey	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
456099 · Supplies	657.77	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 456000 · HERITAGE COMMISSION	2,017.76	24,000.00	29,000.00
458300 · PATRIOTIC PURPOSES			
458310 · Memorial Day/Cemetery	1,856.58	1,200.00	1,650.00
458320 · Veterans Day/Monument	2,652.93	3,700.00	4,000.00
458330 · Town Wide	1,748.77	1,800.00	1,800.00
Total 458300 · PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	6,258.28	6,700.00	7,450.00
458900 · GARDEN AND BEAUTIFICATION COM.			
458910 · Seasonal Planting / Christmas	526.75	2,375.00	2,375.00
Total 458900 · GARDEN AND BEAUTIFICATIC	526.75	2,375.00	2,375.00
Total 450000 · CULTURE AND RECREATION	235,454.53	269,111.98	300,370.27
461200 · CONSERVATION COMMISSION			
461210 · Dues, Fees & Workshops	0.00	455.00	455
461220 · Printing, Advertising & Copies	0.00	200.00	200
461230 · Postage	0.00	80.00	80
461240 · Signs	941.18	1,000.00	1,200.00
461250 · Land/View Management	707.73	5,100.00	5,000.00
461260 · Gates / Maintenance	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
461270 · Legal Research	0.00	2,505.00	2500
461275 · Mileage	0.00	5.00	5.00
461280 · Engineering	0.00	5.00	5.00
461292 · Carleton Park Electricity	183.75	600.00	500.00
Total 461200 · CONSERVATION COMMISSION	1,832.66	10,950.00	10,945.00
471000 · DEBT SERVICE			
471100 · Principal - Long Term Note	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00
472100 · Interest - Long Term Notes	9,250.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
Total 471000 · DEBT SERVICE	84,250.00	92,000.00	92,000.00
491000 · INTERFUND OPERATING XFERS OUT			
491200 · Library Fund	29,978.83		
491500 · CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			
491510 · Fire Truck	0.00	99,000.00	
491511 · FD Protective Gear	0.00		
491512 · Town Wide Radio Upgrade			
491520 · Town Hall Rehabilitation		50,000.00	
491530 · Library Expansion Fund	0.00		
Total 491500 · CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	0.00	149,000.00	
Total 491000 · INTERFUND OPERATING XFERS	29,978.83	149,000.00	
495001 · Pril Exp. - NH Retirement ER	0.00		
499458 · Art. 11 '23 SCBA Equipment	20,000.00		
	3,207,700.84	3,684,901.36	3,955,191.32

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

This year, the Town of Mont Vernon finds itself in an economy in which inflation is coming down, job growth remains high, and prospects for a soft landing are rising. Despite the high inflation seen last year, the Selectboard and the department heads have managed to keep the growth in the town budget to a little over 8%. We applaud the efforts of the Selectboard and the department heads to keep their budgets as low as possible, but we would prefer it if the Selectboard could find some more savings to bring the increase below 8% not including warrant articles. At the time of this writing, though, the budget has not been finalized and the opinion of the budget committee is based on the budget we reviewed on January 10th of 2024. That budget included several line items, noted below, with estimated numbers to be filled in at a later date. Given that, the budget committee supports the budget of January 10th with the recommendation that Municipal Training line item for the Trustees of the Trust Funds, line 415180 be increased to \$140.

It is the budget committee's understanding that the following line items are still under consideration by the Selectboard and may change before the budget is finalized:

- 419413 – Repairs, Maintenance and Water for the Town Hall
- 421500 – Ambulance
- 422041 – Fire Department Protective Gear
- 429900 – Dispatch Center – MACC
- 431600 – Street Lighting

Members of the Budget Committee:

John Arico, Chairman

Frank Weber

Lorri Hayes, Secretary

Sean Mamone

Kim Roberge

Leslie Formby

Tim Berry

George Torres, School Board Rep

Sheila Sturm

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Bill McKinney

Joan Cleary, Town Administrator



Children's Pie Eating Contest at Spring Gala



Heritage Commission Tie Dye Table at Spring Gala

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permit #	Map/Lot	Applicant	Type	Date	
3157	1--5-24	Suburban Propane	gas	1/4/2023	\$ 50.00
3158	10--45	Milford Plumb & Heat	gas	1/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3159	2--20-8	John Simek	solar array	1/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3160	2--20-8	John Simek	electric	1/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3161	10--9	Paul Santana	solar array	1/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3162	10--9	Paul Santana	electric	1/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3163	6--44-5	Paul & Dana Van Buskell	remodel	1/9/2023	\$ 136.00
3164	2--60-2	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	1/6/2023	\$ 50.00
3165	2--49-1-2	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	1/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3166	1--18-3	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	1/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3167	5--20	Larry Breckenridge	strutural	1/11/2023	\$ 50.00
3168		void			
3169	3--9-7	Justin Dufoe	new addition	1/17/2023	\$ 1,349.20
3170	5--20	KB Electric	electric	1/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3171	7--75	Greg Edgerton	solar array	1/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3172	7--75	Lamontagne Electric	electric	1/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3173	2--57	Justin Rossi	electric	1/18/2023	\$ 50.00
3174	4--39	Loren Morse Electric	electric	1/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3175	4--44-5	Card Heating & Cooling	gas	1/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3176	10--9	Venture Home Solar	electric	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3177	2--8	Venture Home Solar	electric	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3178	2--8	Venture Home Solar	solar array	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3179	2--8	Venture Home Solar	electric	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3180	1--57-11	Granite State Solar	solar array	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3181	1--57-11	Granite State Solar	electric	1/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3182	6--44-5	Evan Jones Electric	electric	2/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3183	4--39	Parent Electric	electric	2/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3184	10--33	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	2/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3185	5--65-1	John Lannin	finish basement	2/7/2023	\$ 108.00
3186	5--65-1	John Lannin	electric	2/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3187	3--28-2	Freel & Son Electric	electric	2/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3188	4--70-7	Jason Reed	inground pool	3/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3189	6--15-1	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	2/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3190	6--15-1	Duane Smith	plumbing	2/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3191	6--20-2	Team Sunshine	solar array	2/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3192	6--20-2	Team Sunshine	electric	2/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3193	6--15-1	Generator Pro	electric	2/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3194	6--15-1	Generator Pro	electric generator	2/22/2023	\$ 50.00
3195	4--39	Jennifer & Paul Bernard	restore fire	2/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3196	4--70-7	Rick Wenzel Oil	gas	2/22/2023	\$ 50.00
3197	4--39	Wetherbee Plumbing	plumbing	2/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3198	4--70-7	Twin Oaks Electric	electric generator	2/28/2023	\$ 50.00
3199	4--44-1	Corbin Breda	addition	2/27/2023	\$ 310.00
3200	2--6-5	Rodriguez Family Rev Trust	ADU	3/7/2023	\$ 314.00
3201	6--47-2	Luke & Ashley Bailey	new home	3/10/2023	\$ 1,265.60

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3202	5--49	Eastern Propane	gas	3/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3203	7--5	Lamson Farm Commission	oil	3/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3204	4--39	Ciardelli Fuel	oil	3/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3205	2--49-1-2	Generator Pro	gas	3/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3206	2--57	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	3/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3207	7--91-9	Jennifer Hiller	repair deck/cover	3/13/2023	\$ 189.60
3208	1--64-2	Brian Parlman	demo deck/replace	3/13/2023	\$ 92.80
3209	4--77	Paradigm PHAC	electric	3/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3210	7--70-4	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	3/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3211	1--81-11	Irving Energy	gas	3/22/2023	\$ 50.00
3212	10--56	Irving Energy	gas	3/30/2023	\$ 50.00
3213	6--15-1	SC Mechanical Services	gas	4/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3214	4--35	Rymes Propane	gas	4/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3215	6--15-1	Duane Smith	gas	4/4/2023	\$ 50.00
3216	6--16-2-4	Gallagher Electric	electric	4/4/2023	\$ 50.00
3217		void			
3218	1--5-2	Heritage Home Services	electric	4/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3219	1--81-12	Irving Energy	gas	4/11/2023	\$ 50.00
3220	7--3-OTWR	SBA Towers	tower antenna	4/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3221	2--40	Troy Plumbing & Heat	plumbing	4/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3222	1--5-26	Prasad Duvvuri	shed	4/18/2023	\$ 76.80
3223	5--75	Stelian Grossi	new barn	4/18/2023	\$ 129.60
3224	8--5	Ryan Noble	foundation	4/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3225	2--68	Tom Siciliano	new barn	4/21/2023	\$ 662.40
3226	4--39	Jennifer Bernard	rebuild barn	5/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3227	10--1	Joshua & Elizabeth Wells	finish basement	5/5/2023	\$ 342.00
3228	1--28-8	Dan Genest	new garage	5/5/2023	\$ 504.00
3229	2--40	Huff & Gauthier	electric	5/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3230	9--44	Brett Noble	remodel interior	5/9/2023	\$ 403.23
3231	4--14	Gallagher Electric	electric generator	5/4/2023	\$ 50.00
3232	9--44	Brett Noble	plumbing	5/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3233	9--44	Brett Noble	electric	5/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3234	2--18-A1	Richard Koester	structural	5/9/2023	\$ 50.00
3235	8--5	Ryan & Juli Noble	new home	5/17/2023	\$ 1,437.80
3236	1--24-5	Septic Design of NH	septic	5/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3237	7--17-4	Trombly Enterprises	gas	5/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3238	7--17-4	Trombly Enterprises	electric	5/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3239	10--1	ROC Electric	electric	5/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3240	1--21-1	Lee & Holly Moss	laundry addition	5/22/2023	\$ 50.00
3241	6--58	Michael & Cheryl George	deck addition	5/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3242	4--18	Edward O'Bin	room addition	5/25/2023	\$ 241.43
3243	1--5-26	Prasad Duvvuri	deck addition	6/9/2023	\$ 172.80
3244	4--64	Evan Jones Electric	electric	5/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3245	4--14	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	6/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3246	2--62	Bill McKinney	electric	6/6/2023	\$ 50.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permit #	Map/Lot	Applicant	Type	Date	
3247	6--47-2	Hopkins & Son P & H	plumbing	6/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3248	3--9-7	Meredian Land Services	septic	6/6/2023	\$ 50.00
3249	8--12	Rodriguez Electric	electric generator	6/6/2023	\$ 50.00
3250	2--16	KB Electric	electric	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3251	5--65-12	Generator Pro	gas	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3252	5--65-12	Generator Pro	electric generator	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3253	6--9-2-3	Generator Pro	gas	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3254	6--9-2-3	Generator Pro	electric generator	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3255	7--86	Chamberlin Electric	electric generator	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3256	5--49	Summitt Energy	solar array	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3257	5--49	Summitt Energy	electric	6/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3258	8--5	Wade Ray P & H	plumbing	6/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3259		Grace Electric	electric	6/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3260	8--5	Gertz Electric	electric	6/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3261	4--64	Ryder Plumbing	plumbing	6/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3262	10--1	Heritage Home Services	gas	6/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3263	3--1	Michael Cardoza	new garage	6/26/2023	\$ 237.52
3264	2--20-8	John & Teri Simek	garage	6/26/2023	\$ 201.60
3265	2--11	Leif & Jeanne Amber	solar array	7/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3266	2--11	Leif & Jeanne Amber	electric	7/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3267	5--58-1	AJ Leblanc Heating	electric generator	6/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3268	5--58-1	AJ Leblanc Heating	gas	6/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3269	2--40	Revision Energy	electric	6/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3270	2--6-5	T.O. Electric LLC	electric	6/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3271	6--19-1-13	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	6/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3272	4--70-4	Mathew Constable	replace deck	6/26/2023	\$ 552.00
3273	5--31	Kevin Saretter P & H	plumbing	6/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3274	5--69	Huff & Gauthier	electric	6/29/2023	\$ 50.00
3275	5--31-1	James Jasper Electric	electric	7/6/2023	\$ 50.00
3276	7--86	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	7/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3277	4--77	Andrew Stokinger	solar array	7/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3278	4--77	Granite State Solar	electric	7/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3279	5--58-1	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	7/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3280	2--17-3	Jorge Torres Cartegena	shed	7/19/2023	\$ 100.80
3281	2--40	Nathan & Michelle Folan	solar array	7/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3282	2--40	Revision Energy	electric	7/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3283	2--6-5	St. Onge Plumb & Heat	plumbing	7/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3284	8--5	Ryan Noble	septic	7/18/2023	\$ 50.00
3285	1--28-9	Pete Hinckley	solar array	7/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3286	1--28-9	Tesla Energy	electric	7/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3287	4--44-1	Milford Plumb & Heat	plumbing	7/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3288	5--82	Rick Wenzel Oil	gas	7/25/2023	\$ 50.00
3289	5--33-1	Carrier Electric	electric	8/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3290	4--18	Manchester Electric	electric	8/1/2023	\$ 50.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permit #	Map/Lot	Applicant	Type	Date	
3291	7-60-13-3	Homestyle Heating	gas	8/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3292	10-44	Julianne Pires	deck addition	8/7/2023	\$ 121.60
3293	2-14	Robert Kent	fire repairs	8/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3294	3-9-9	Bot-L-Gas	gas	8/8/2023	\$ 50.00
3295	3-12	Bill Trombley Plumb & Heat	electric	8/8/2023	\$ 50.00
3296	3-12	Bill Trombley Plumb & Heat	gas	8/8/2023	\$ 50.00
3297	7--70-1	Meredian Land Services	septic	8/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3298	6--27	Anthony Cuddemi	electric	8/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3299	6--27	Anthony Cuddemi	finish basement	8/10/2023	\$ 105.60
3300	5--37	David Blais	new garage	8/18/2023	\$ 172.80
3301	8--12	Suburban Propane	gas	8/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3302	2--57	Wetherbee Plumbing	gas	8/16/2023	\$ 50.00
3303	2--6-1	Jon & Nicole Funicella	shed	8/22/2023	\$ 84.00
3304	6--6-2	Thomas Coyne	electric	8/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3305	5--31-1	Lorden Oil	gas	8/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3306	4--70-4	Prime Light & Power	electric	8/29/2023	\$ 50.00
3307	2--14	Prime Light & Power	electric	8/29/2023	\$ 50.00
3308	1--48-2	Trombly Enterprises	gas	8/29/2023	\$ 50.00
3309	5--33-11	Keegan Holt	garage	11/9/2023	\$ 252.00
3310	1--28-2	Mont Vernon Electric	electric	9/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3311	10--9	Mont Vernon Electric	electric	9/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3312	1--21-1	Monarch Plumb & Heat	gas	9/11/2023	\$ 50.00
3313		void			
3314	2--46-3	Meredian Land Services	septic	9/8/2023	\$ 50.00
3315	1--21-1	Monarch Plumb & Heat	plumbing	9/11/2023	\$ 50.00
3316	5--31-1	Bob Michad Heating	gas	9/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3317	1--21-1	Fermin Companies	electric	9/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3318	4--26-4	Ray Charest	replace deck	9/21/2023	\$ 112.50
3319	6--6-3	Septic Design of NH	septic	9/21/2023	\$ 50.00
3320	1--82-1	Cheryl Dexter	inground pool	9/23/2023	\$ 222.00
3321	1--82-1	Rob Morin Electric	electric	9/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3322	4--59	Mont Vernon Electric	electric	9/24/2023	\$ 50.00
3323	5--38	Max Richards Electric	electric	9/21/2023	\$ 50.00
3324	1--81-21	Eric's Maintenance	plumbing	9/28/2023	\$ 50.00
3325	5--71	Irving Energy	gas	9/28/2023	\$ 50.00
3326	6--47-11	Joel Turner	finish basement	10/2/2023	\$ 208.80
3327		void			
3328		void			
3329	8--26-1-1	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	10/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3330	1--24-6	S & H Land Services	septic	10/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3331	6--47-11	Karlson Electric	electric	10/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3332	6--48	James Jasper Electric	electric	10/3/2023	\$ 50.00
3333	2--49-1-2	Geoffrey Gosik	shed	10/10/2023	\$ 115.20
3334	1--24-5	Daniel Egan	new home	10/13/2023	\$ 1,478.40

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permit #	Map/Lot	Applicant	Type	Date	
3335	1--30	Rick Wenzel Oil	gas	10/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3336	4--18	Walter Sarette P & H	plumbing	10/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3337	7--22-1	Sunrun Solar	solar array	10/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3338	7--22-1	Sunrun Solar	electric	10/13/2023	\$ 50.00
3339	2--57	Netzero Renewable	solar array	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3340	2--57	Netzero Renewable	electric	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3341	5--26	Irving Energy	gas	10/18/2023	\$ 50.00
3342	10--44	TC Reilly Electric	electric	10/18/2023	\$ 50.00
3343	1--57-16	Sunenergy Solutions	solar array	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3344	1--57-16	Defatis Enterprises	electric	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3345	2--6-11	Freedom Forever	solar array	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3346	2--6-11	Freedom Forever	electric	10/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3347	5--26	Wetherbee Plumbing	gas	10/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3348	6--15-1	Generator Pro	gas	10/18/2023	\$ 50.00
3349	2--46-1	Meredian Land Services	septic	10/20/2023	\$ 50.00
3350	8--5	Suburban Propane	gas	10/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3351	1--81-21	Rymes Propane	gas	10/26/2023	\$ 50.00
3352	2--68	Lorden Oil	gas	10/26/2023	\$ 50.00
3353	4--44-1	Meredian Land Services	septic	10/26/2023	\$ 50.00
3354	6--48	Jason Wetherbee LLC	gas	10/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3355	9--13A	Rick Wenzel Oil	gas	10/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3356	6--61	Wetherbee Plumbing	gas	10/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3357	6--58	Neal Electric	electric	10/31/2023	\$ 50.00
3358	1--5-26	Freedom Forever	solar array	11/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3359	1--5-26	Freedom Forever	electric	11/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3360	1--50	Jim Niemi	screen room addt	11/2/2023	\$ 75.60
3361		void			
3362	6--58	Michael George	solar array	11/2/2023	\$ 50.00
3363	1--40-4	Suburban Propane	gas	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3364	1--59	Wetherbee Plumbing	gas	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3365	7--59-0	Nicholas Gendron	electric	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3366	5--2	Generator Pro	gas	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3367	4--44-7	Joyce Cooling & Heating	gas	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3368	5--2	Generator Pro	electric generator	11/7/2023	\$ 50.00
3369	2--46-3	Jonathan Grotke & Hayley Logan	new home	11/9/2023	\$ 1,020.80
3370	2--24	TC Reilly Electric	electric	7-Nov	\$ 50.00
3371	4--44-6	Loren Morse Electric	electric generator	11/10/2023	\$ 50.00
3372	2--11	Leif & Jeanne Amber	oil	11/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3373	1--28-4	Danielle Sermer	deck/screen room	12/5/2023	\$ 304.00
3374	5--47	Matt Murphy Electric	electric	11/15/2023	\$ 50.00
3375	2--65-9	Irving Energy	gas	11/15/2023	\$ 50.00
3376	1--28-8	Irving Energy	gas	11/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3377	4--44-6	Paiute Plumb & Heat	gas	11/17/2023	\$ 50.00
3378	5--33-2	Heritage Home Services	gas	11/21/2023	\$ 50.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permit #	Map/Lot	Applicant	Type	Date	
3379	5--33-2	Heritage Home Services	gas	11/21/2023	\$ 50.00
3380	6--44-5	TC Reilly Electric	electric	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3381	1--40-4	Chamberlin Electric	electric	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3382	2--46-3	AMP Electric	electric	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3383	7--38-1	Wired Electric LLC	electric generator	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3384	7--38-1	Rymes Propane	gas	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3385	6--47-12	Heritage Home Services	electric generator	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3386	6--47-12	Heritage Home Services	gas	11/27/2023	\$ 50.00
3387	2--46-3	Vortex Plumb & Heat LLC	plumbing/gas	11/29/2023	\$ 50.00
3388	1--82-1	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	12/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3389	2--46-3	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	12/1/2023	\$ 50.00
3390	6--47-2	Ciardelli Fuel	gas	12/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3391	7--60-12	Joyce Cooling & Heating	gas	12/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3392	4--26-3	Joyce Cooling & Heating	gas	12/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3393	1--48-2	Irving Energy	gas	12/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3394	5--67	Irving Energy	gas	12/5/2023	\$ 50.00
3395					
3396	6--16-2-4	Rymes Propane	gas	12/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3397					
3398	7--60-13-2	Generator Pro	electric generator	12/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3399	7--60-13-2	Generator Pro	gas	12/12/2023	\$ 50.00
3400	5--65-7	AJ Leblanc Heating	electric	12/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3401	7-52-2-2	The Generator Connection	electric generator	12/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3402	4--83	David Logan	demo house	12/14/2023	\$ 50.00
3403	4--77-1	Jeff Johnson	electric	12/19/2023	\$ 50.00
3404	7--3	FB Integrated Solutions	electric	12/23/2023	\$ 50.00
3406	7--86	Chamberlin Electric	electric	12/28/2023	\$ 50.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission continues to work on beautifying Carleton Pond. This year we focused on installing native plants and flowers to support the local birds, animals, and insects and removed dead and diseased trees. Choosing native species is important to maintain a natural habitat. Many thanks as always to JoAnn Kitchel for her wonderful story boards around Carleton Pond!

We celebrated Earth Day 2023 by hosting trail clean up at Herlihy Swamp. Volunteers helped to maintain the trails for everyone's enjoyment. If you are interested in lending a hand on a trail day, please reach out to us. Please, let's do our part by adhering to the following principles: respect conservation lands in our town by being good stewards of the land, do not chop trees, destroy vegetation, litter, or cause destruction. Leave no trace, so everyone can enjoy our beautiful woods and conservation lands. An important reminder is that occasionally some residents ride their horses on trails. We have received some complaints about dogs off leash, charging and spooking horses which can be very dangerous. Please always keep your dog on a leash and/or under control.

We are pleased to announce that we have been working with Josh Cudworth to design some permanent and long-lasting Conservation Signs. We are installing brand new signs for Herlihy Swamp and Hebert Forest this Spring. Along with the new signs, we are installing two new kiosks at Horton Pond and Hebert Forest. Ryan Korkuc of Amherst, NH, has graciously donated his time to build our Hebert Forest kiosk for his Eagle Scout Project. As the snow melts, get outdoors and come visit our new signs and kiosks!

Other projects we have worked on this year include adopting a policy for "Trail Stewards" (volunteers to help with designated trail work), mapping town trails with the Nashua Regional Planning Commission, and hearing multiple wetlands permits applications. We owe a debt of gratitude to David Brooks and Barry Salussolia who volunteered to work on our trails, clear brush, and downed trees. Also, a shout out to Fred Reis for taking care of the view lots on RT. 13, which always make our town proud!

We could use help building a few kiosks, so if you are handy & have some woodworking skills, please send us an email. We also have a vacant "Vice Chair" position open that involves assisting the Chair with administrative activities, so if you would like to volunteer, please email us.

Enjoy the great outdoors and stay safe!

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Gosselin, Chair

Joanne Draghetti, Secretary

Peter Tedder, Member

Judy Brophy, Alternate

Shelley Brooks, Alternate

Jay Wilson, Member

Delia Kostner, Member

Jim Bird, Alternate

CONSERVATION COMMISSION FINANCIALS

Profit and Loss Detail

			Type	Date	Memo	Split	Amount	Balance
	Income - Interest							
			Deposit	01/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.09
			Deposit	02/28/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.08	0.17
			Deposit	03/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.26
			Deposit	04/30/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.35
			Deposit	05/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.44
			Deposit	06/30/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.53
			Deposit	07/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.62
			Deposit	08/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	0.71
			Deposit	09/30/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	7.58	8.29
			Deposit	10/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	20.10	28.39
			Deposit	11/30/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	28.48
			Deposit	12/31/2023	Interest	Citizens Bank - Checking	0.09	28.57
	Total Income - Interest						28.57	28.57
	TOTAL						28.57	28.57

CONSERVATION COMMISSION FINANCIALS

Balance Sheet

			Dec 31, 23
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Citizens Bank - Checking			
Carleton Pond - Unrestricted			1,454.27
Unrestricted			7,903.27
WahLum - Unrestricted			1,028.90
Citizens Bank - Checking - Other			31.81
Total Citizens Bank - Checking			<u>10,418.25</u>
Total Checking/Savings			<u>10,418.25</u>
Total Current Assets			<u>10,418.25</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u>10,418.25</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity			
3000 · Opening Bal Equity			3,622.98
3900 · Retained Earnings			6,766.70
Net Income			28.57
Total Equity			<u>10,418.25</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY			<u>10,418.25</u>



Summer Reading Program at the Library



DALAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY

It was a magical year at the library! 2023 started with a focused campaign to get a new library for the Town of Mont Vernon. The Library Trustees submitted a warrant article for the new library project that was greatly reduced in price thanks to contributions from the Sophia G. Daland Trust, the Mont Vernon Library Foundation, and the generosity of hundreds of donors. A record number of voters showed up at Town Meeting in March with final results showing 285 YES/223 NO votes cast. The project lost by just 20 votes needed for a 60% margin. The Library Trustees and the Library Building Committee have worked diligently in 2023 to rework the project and address concerns from the community. The trustees will be presenting an updated warrant article in March 2024 for another chance to vote for a new library.

Just after Town Meeting, Children’s Program Director JoAnn Kitchel magically transformed the Mont Vernon Village School into a castle and hosted Wizarding Week to the delight of the children of Mont Vernon. The library staff came up with their own original idea for the 2023 Summer Reading Program theme and launched “*Reading is Magic*” in June and built the whole summer around this slogan. JoAnn and her family again surprised us with an original sculpture on the front library lawn and installed a rabbit popping out of a magic hat to get the kids excited for a summer of fun. For additional 2023 library statistics, please see our infographic. Special thanks to the Sophia G. Daland Trustees for their continued support of the library building maintenance expenses and to the Friends of the Library for their financial support of programs and projects. On behalf of the staff, we look forward to serving you this year and encourage you to “*Read More in 2024!*”

See you at the library,
Bonnie Angulas

Respectfully submitted by the Daland Library Trustees
Cindy Raspiller, Jane King, and Amy White



 **2023 Daland Memorial Library Year in Review**

OPEN
 S M T W T F S
 Five Days a Week
 37 Hours a Week



1,924 Service Hours a Year

VISITORS



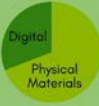
14,951


PROGRAMS 241 Programs with 5,407 attendees


121 Children's Programs  | 74 Adult Programs  | 46 General Programs (Both children and adults attending) 


CIRCULATION

15,856 Materials of which 4,891 were digital





10% Increase in Hoopla and Libby Digital Checkouts 

592 Materials Loaned Through Interlibrary Loan  Other Libraries


1120 Materials Borrowed Through Interlibrary Loan  Daland Library


BOOK CLUBS

886 Books borrowed for book clubs 

549 Total Book Club Attendance 

Eight Book Clubs

4 Children's 

4 Adult 

PODCAST



10 Podcast Episodes Published 

HIGHLIGHTS

Digital Borrows up: 10% 

New Library Cards 86 

1782 Total Library Cards

New Books 531 

Deleted Books 752 

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

206 Children Registered 

Total Books Read 3637

SOCIAL MEDIA

 Mont Vernon Daland Memorial Library

 @dalandlibrary

 @dalandlibrary

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

As we say goodbye to 2023 and look forward to 2024, I want to give a big thanks to my entire crew at the Highway Department and Transfer Station.

Each year tends to bring its own mix of challenges and this year was no different. We made it through another winter safely with many challenges. Winter season 2022/2023 seemed to be the wettest winter I can remember. We dealt with many icy storms and a majorly wet and heavy storm with significant tree damage in March. As spring came along, we were challenged with all the clean-up of all the fallen debris from the winter. The gravel roads have been holding up relatively well aside from the usual potholes now and again. June was a particularly wet month, with only a couple of days without rain, causing some washouts and road damage.

Dead tree removal continued along the roadsides. There are still more to be removed as ongoing maintenance of our roadways. We continue to update our street signs in accordance with Federal regulations.

Road projects and paving: The Brook Rd culvert/bridge project was finally completed in August. Brook Rd also received a much-needed rehab on the paved section between Kendall Hill Rd and the Amherst town line. We reclaimed about a ½ mile and base paved 3 inches and shim/overlayed the next 3/10 of a mile. Old Amherst Rd, Hillcrest Ave and Weston Hill all received a shim overlay where needed. We continue to work on roadside ditching efforts around town.

At the Transfer Station we continue to experience challenges with recycling. The market is ever changing with what costs the town money to dispose of and what the town receives money back for recycling. We ask residents to pay close attention to both direction from our attendants and signage to what is allowed in each container. As time goes on, we may see prices increase for removal of TV's, AC's, refrigerators, tires, etc. The cost to dispose of these items is often above the amount the town takes in. The Transfer Station also got an update as we replaced the old office trailer and reorganized some bins.

This year we partnered with the Purgatory Falls Fish and Game Club for the Annual Fishing Derby. The turnout was amazing, and the volunteers did an amazing job. A big thank you to all of them and a big thank you to Pelletier Rental Service for donating the food tent.

Regards,

Benjamin Crosby, DPW Director
and the Mont Vernon Public Works Staff

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

2023 Annual Report
To report an Emergency: 911
Non-911 requests: 603 673 5610 [MV PD/Dispatch]
Business: 603 673 6080 [Town Office]

Emergency Management had no activation or direct activity during 2022, as with the end of 2021, recommendations only.

For known upcoming weather events that could impact our power grid or impact road travel, you should plan for this a couple of days in advance, not the day before. Lessons learned from the 2008 ice storm – towns can be isolated for days – be prepared.

These are key points to plan ahead for:

- Ensure your generator has enough fuel and is proper running condition and is properly installed for use. Makeshift generator cords can cause more problems for your home and start fires and back-feed the power grid causing issues for power company workers and emergency services. Have properly installed generator and electrical panel switches and use proper generator cords.
- Have enough drinking water and other supplies available for at least 3 days as a minimum, depending on the event.
- Have working battery operated smoke and CO detectors.
- Have a fully charged cell phone(s).
- Avoid using candles for lighting. Battery operated lights and flashlights should be used.
- Have flushing water available, either in a tub or plastic storage tubs.
- If you have spare gasoline on hand for vehicles or generators, store in safe area, not in attached garages or in basements. When an event is over, use the gasoline you have in storage – today's gasoline does have a shelf life of couple of months.
- If wires are down – they are considered live unless power company advises.
- If your power lines are pulled from your house and you still have power, visual check to see if your neutral line is damage – if it is – this is an emergency. A possible indication is your lights are abnormally bright and plugged-in devices may start giving off a burning odor. Shut down incoming power at your electrical panel and call 911.

Safety and Planning starts with each of us.

Thank you
Jay S. Wilson
Emergency Management Director

FIRE DEPARTMENT

2023 Annual Report
montvernonfd@montvernonnh.us
Business Phone: 603-673-1383
To report an Emergency 911

The Mont Vernon Fire Department is your On Call/Volunteer fire department. We are an impartial group of citizens organized and trained with the sole purpose of protecting life and property within Mont Vernon and the surrounding communities. While we do not staff the fire house with any regularity, we will respond to your emergency needs 24/7/365. The MVFD is part of the Souhegan Mutual Aid Association, an organization designed to provide aid from neighboring towns for all types of emergencies.

For all business-related issues, call and leave a message at 603-673-1383 and a department official will return your call. To contact the dispatch center, you can call 603-673-1414 for assistance. The department is always looking for motivated individuals who have an interest in making a difference by volunteering to be a firefighter. We provide the training and equipment; we just need people who share a desire to give back to the community.

2023 was another distinctly unique year for the Fire Department as we saw a significant increase in call volume year over year. Additionally, we were fortunate to introduce 4 new members to the roster while we accepted the retirement of 20-year member Lt Brian Parlman.

2023 call volume was up 10% over 2022. Most of the increase was due to motor vehicle crashes (up 40%) and alarm activations (120%).

Brush/Outside Fire	5	Mutual Aid Given- To the scene	7
Building Fire/Smoke in the building	4	Motor Vehicle Crash	12
Chimney fire (contained)	2	Propane Leak/Odor	2
CO Alarm	5	Other	4
Assist DPW	1	Assist EMS	12
Fire Alarm Activation	16	Petroleum Spill	1
Illegal Outside Fire	7	Assist PD	4
Site Inspection (Fire Pit, Sprinkler, Burner, Foster)	18	Service Call/Detail	15
Outside Electrical Problem/Trees/Wires	16	Smoke Investigation	1
Mutual Aid - Station Coverage	7	Tree on House/Car	1

NH has very clear guidelines on outdoor burning. Permits are required for any outside fire. The Town of Mont Vernon has adopted the states on-line permitting process single use permits for outside fires. At any time of the year, when there is not a significant snow cover, a written or on-line issued permit is required for outside burning. Seasonal permits are also issued with inspection.

The MVFD and MVFD Association, for the first time, took on the responsibility, in partnership with the MV Recreation Dept, to run the Spring

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Gala 5K and once again host the Pancake Breakfast to kick off the Spring Gala. Additionally, we continued to support and provide concessions during the Summer Concert Series, glow sticks at Halloween and the Chili Cook-off at the Tree Lighting. We are sincerely appreciative of the support provided to us by the community through all these events this year.

Once again, at this year's town meeting we will be requesting your support to replace the town's 23-year-old Engine 3 fire truck with a new all-wheel drive capable rescue-pumper fire truck improving the crew capacity from 2 to 4+ fire fighters to comply with current standards. This will be the 4th time we have brought this need to Town Meeting. Back in 2019, the initial cost was just under \$540K. This year, the cost is estimated to surpass \$1.3M for the same specifications. As taxpayers ourselves, we fully understand the impact of any purchase or project and how that will affect our tax rate. The fire truck being designed for 30 plus years of service and will meet the needs of the Department now and in the future. Our expectation is to pursue grant funding for this purchase. We would anticipate up to a 20% match and that could come from the approximately \$400K truck capital reserve fund we already have.

The Department is also requesting your support for a non-lapsing warrant article of \$25,000.00 to replace our personnel protective gear [aka bunker gear/helmets]; this is a multi-year warrant with submissions for grant funding.

For the upcoming year of 2024, the Fire Department will need to replace its existing SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus). The estimated cost for the replacement is approximately \$160,000.00, which could be paid for through a 7-year lease purchase agreement in order to keep residential tax impact consistent and nominal.

Your Fire Department

Auxiliary:

Megan Brown, Sharon Soucy

Firefighters:

Rick Crocker, John Hazen, James Landon, Michael Lewis, Heather Mason,
Pamela Giles,

Roger Seacole, Bruce Stone, Colin Rogers, Christian Shepherd, Jamison
Nevins, Sarabeth Ross,

Aaron Giles, Brant Mullens

Officers:

Lieutenants: Brian Parliman, Lucien Soucy, Dave Hall, L. Andrew Tighe,

Captain: Pim Grondstra

Deputy Chief: Randy Wilson

Assistant Chief: Kevin Pomeroy

Chief: Jay Wilson

Garden and Beautification needs volunteer members!

Responsibilities include flower bed and garden planting and maintenance, seasonal displays and attendance at community events such as Spring Gala or Lamson Farm Day.

Members must be appointed by the Selectmen and are appointed for three-year terms. If you are interested in joining the Garden and Beautification Committee contact a member of the current committee or attend one of their public meetings.

Current Members:

Jessica Pomeroy, Chair
Sean Mamone, Vice Chair
Ana Barrett Secretary

GREENLAWN CEMETERY



In 2023 we sold two burial sites and buried eight people.

As always, the Town DPW did a splendid job with the regular maintenance and mowing of the cemetery, keeping the grounds in tiptop condition.

We had one dozen sugar maple saplings planted.

We had a geophysical survey (ground radar) done on the site for the new cemetery up on the hill behind the post office. In 2024 we will start the process of getting a stone wall built to define the entrance to the new cemetery. This will be a volunteer effort with guidance and support from experienced wall experts. We will be soliciting stone donations. We will hire professional help to dig the wall trench and put in the gravel foundation.

The cemetery website can be accessed at <https://www.montvernonnh.us/board-cemetery-trustees> There you can find Rules, Prices, Instructions, and Contacts. You can also contact any of the trustees directly. We are here to help you.

We are lucky in Mont Vernon to have significant amounts in our cemetery trust funds. The majority of our expenses are reimbursed to the Town from these funds.

Respectfully Submitted

Lou Springer

Alyson Miller

Jay Wilson

HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Heritage Commission continued their efforts to preserve the historic character of Mont Vernon and to rehabilitate our 1781 Town Hall through fundraising and education efforts.

In addition to our Annual Mont Vernon calendar sale, we added multiple new fundraisers in 2023, including a fall mum sale and a winter wreath sale. Total fundraising efforts in 2023 garnered \$2108.00, including \$300.00 in personal donations, which was added to the Heritage Fund.

2023 Heritage Fund expenditures will reflect multiple payments for a Town Hall Feasibility Study and Schematics, 3D Laser Scanning of the Town Hall to assist with the Feasibility Study and Schematics, and a final payment for the updated Building Conditions Assessment. Both reports are now available on the Town Website under Heritage Commission.

In August 2023, the windows on the first floor of the Town Hall were removed for restoration. They are due to be replaced in Spring of 2024, at which time the second-floor windows will be removed for the same reason.

Administrative efforts in 2023 included nominating the Town Hall to the National Register of Historic Places, an effort we hope to see complete in 2024, and participation in planning for the Town Hall Rehabilitation portion of the Strategic Advisory Committee's Capital Improvement Plan. It is our hope that providing as much information as is available will assist in completing the rehabilitation in a timely fashion, but also with as little taxpayer burden as possible.

In preparation, the decision was made to request the creation of a Town Hall Restoration Fund and ask that it be funded with \$50,000 at the 2022 Town Meeting. The reasons for this are multiple, but the main points are that the cost of rehabilitating the Town Hall will not be insignificant. While there are grants available to offset the expense, they are not without the requirement of matching dollars. This vote was passed, and it was funded with \$50,000.00. We are asking for another \$50,000.00 this year to continue building for grant matching. Our original thought was that the bulk of the expense could be raised at once with grants, but the matching portion can be spread over multiple years easing the financial stress on the community. This is still true to an extent, but we are instead hoping to phase the project and start tackling the most urgent needs as soon as possible as some needs are proving too urgent to wait.

There are several items detailed in the updated Conditions Assessment that need repair, replacement, or upgrade, but the most pressing is the buildings stability. The updated report shows continued deterioration in the six years since the C.P. Williams Report with very few improvements beyond the roof replacement in

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2020. The first-floor substructure needs repair as well as the frame of the building. A structural engineers report (available in the updated Conditions Assessment) states that the frame of the building needs repairs. The clock tower supports are split, causing the tower to lean away from the building. The ramifications of the clock tower falling away from the building in a trajectory toward the road do not need to be explained, but taxpayer burden for emergency repairs could be massive. The Heritage Commission hopes to raise grant match dollars with yearly additions to a Town Hall Restoration Fund. We will continue to seek grant funding and donations to reduce the overall taxpayer cost but need your financial support to match these grants and continue the overall project.

This building was built on the dream of early Mont Vernon landowners, with the common mission of creating this little town we live in, and the Heritage Commission is committed to holding up our end of the bargain. This building, that legitimized our town, could stand for another 250 years with proper care and maintenance and support from our community.

The current balance of the Heritage Fund as of December 31, 2023, is \$82,058.22.

Expected 2024 expenditures:

\$2,125.00 Feasibility Study final payment

\$25,000 – LCHIP Window Restoration

\$10,000 – Moose Plate Window Restoration

TBD – Selective Demolition for Structural Repairs Quote

HERITAGE COMMISSION FINANCIALS

Balance Sheet

			Dec 31, 23
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Heritage Commission			82,058.22
Total Checking/Savings			<u>82,058.22</u>
Total Current Assets			<u>82,058.22</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u><u>82,058.22</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
Accounts Payable			-4,275.00
Total Accounts Payable			<u>-4,275.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities			<u>-4,275.00</u>
Total Liabilities			-4,275.00
Equity			
Retained Earnings			78,907.55
Net Income			7,425.67
Total Equity			<u>86,333.22</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY			<u><u>82,058.22</u></u>

HERITAGE COMMISSION FINANCIALS

Profit and Loss

	Type	Date	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
Income from Donations						
	Deposit	01/18/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Calendars	190.00	190.00
	Deposit	01/18/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Ornaments	395.00	585.00
	Deposit	01/18/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Calendars	465.00	1,050.00
	Deposit	03/06/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Valentines Day Raffle & 1 Calendar	100.00	1,150.00
	Deposit	07/20/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Spring Gala - Tie Dye	240.00	1,390.00
	Deposit	11/20/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Fall Mums	327.00	1,717.00
	Deposit	12/28/2023	Tow n of Mont Vernon	Calendars & Wreaths	801.00	2,518.00
Total Income from Donations					2,518.00	2,518.00
TOTAL					2,518.00	2,518.00

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The Historic District Commission, an appointed citizen commission, is charged with preserving the distinctive character of buildings and structures within the Historic District. The Commission reviews proposals for exterior alterations, new construction, and demolitions within the Historic District. Property owners residing in the Historic District meet with the Historic District Commission prior to the issuance of building permits and construction.

2023 applications for architectural change requests brought before the HDC included a solar panel installation proposal on Grand Hill Road and the full renovation of a home on Main Street. In both cases, the property owner(s) came before the commission with documentation describing the details of the work to be done.

Typically, photos, plans, drawings, and written descriptions are shared with commission members, providing the opportunity for detailed discussion and review. Based upon each project’s compliance with governing ordinances and guidelines, the commission votes to approve or request modifications to an application. Once an application is approved by the Historic District Commission, the property owner works with the Building Inspector to obtain necessary permits to move the project forward. The Mont Vernon HDC meetings are typically scheduled on the 4th Wednesday of the month as needed. Meetings are open to the public, and anyone with an interest is welcome to attend. For more information about the Historic District Commission, its responsibilities, governing documents, and applications, please visit the MV HDC page of the town website.

The commission looks forward to working with Historic District homeowners in 2024, as we continue to build access to helpful resources through the Mont Vernon town website.

Historic District Members

Howard Brown:	Selectmen’s Representative
Karolin Campbell:	Vice Chair
Tim Hageman:	Member at Large
Doug Irvine:	Chair
JoAnn Kitchel:	Secretary
Mary Katherine McNamara:	Member at Large
Brett Noble	Member at Large
Lina Pepper:	Member at Large

LAMSON FARM



Once again Lamson Farm Day was a lovely event! The meal came together nicely with a variety of baked beans to choose from, delicious coleslaw and cornbread to go along with the incredible chicken cooked by our Mont Vernon Fire Department and Auxiliary! Thank you to all who participated.

We are always looking for volunteers, so we created our Friends of Lamson Farm. It is a way to share your abilities that can benefit the farm. You may be able to help on special projects. You do not have to attend meetings, but you are certainly welcome. We meet at the Fire Station on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm. Someday you may want to even join the Lamson Farm Commission. We invite community members of all ages to attend a few meetings and see if they might like to be a Lamson Farm Commissioner when a vacancy arises. Anyone interested can shadow a current member and learn how they can help keep this beloved part of Mont Vernon a special and well cared for place for many more years. Please notice many of us Commissioners are not Spring Chickens anymore!

Lamson Farm Day will be held on Saturday September 28th. In the meantime, please get out and enjoy our farm. Take a hike, cross country ski, go snowshoeing and sledding. Walk the trails. Sit and relax on the bench in Joanne's garden enjoying a picnic lunch. Did you know that our Lamson Farm has been used many times for weddings or just the reception? It is also a wonderful spot for a family reunion! What a beautiful place to make special memories throughout the year!

On behalf of Lamson Farm Commission members,

Zoe Fimbel – Chairman and Historical Society Representative
Kevin Pomeroy - Vice Chairman - At Large
Earle Rich - At Large
Mark Walker - At Large
Heather Kennedy – Recreation Commission Representative
Tom Wahle – Conservation Commission Representative
Frank Oudheusden – Treasurer – At Large
Lou Springer- Tenant Liaison- Friend of Lamson Farm

LAMSON FARM COMMISSION TREASURERS REPORT

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

CASH BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2022:

TD Bank Checking	\$ 3,630.05
Gardens Account	689.61
TOTAL CASH	\$ 4,319.66

RECEIPTS:

Interest TD Bank checking	\$ 00.00
Interest Gardens Account	\$ 08.97
Total Interest/Earnings	\$ 08.97

Other Receipts:

Rent (House)	\$ 10,500.00
Ren (Land)	1,080.00
Donations	1,142.75
Large Group Fees	750.00
Lamson Farm Day 2023 Income	3,092.00
Investment Withdrawals	15,000.00
Total Other	\$ 31,564.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 31,573.72

DISBURSEMENTS:

Farmhouse Operations/Maintenance	\$ 15,107.28
Outbuildings	3,369.78
Office	82.00
Lamson Farm Day 2023 Expenses	4,446.23
Grounds Maintenance	3,450.00
Equipment	4,500.00
Charitable Donations	500.00
Large Group Fee Reimbursement	\$500.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 31,955.29

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023 \$ 3,938.09

CASH BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2023

TD Bank Checking	\$ 3,938.09
Gardens Account	0.00 (closed in 2023)
TOTAL CASH	\$ 3,938.09

INVESTMENT FUNDS BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2022

Wells Fargo Fund	\$ 154,345.45
Wells Fargo Fund/Market Appreciation Net	\$7,381.37
INVESTMENT FUNDS BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2023	\$161,726.82

TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENT FUND BALANCE, DEC. 31, 2023 \$165,664.91

Frank C. Oudheusden, Treasurer, Lamson Farm Commission

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Daland Memorial Library 2023 Income and Expenses		
2023 Income		
Interest	\$	2.52
Member, Visitor, & Memorial Gifts	\$	250.00
Grants and Program Donations		13175
Lost Materials, Patron fees		26.99
Town appropriation	\$	27,820.00
Miscellaneous	\$	20.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$	41,294.51
2023 Expenses		
Bank charges	\$	120.00
Postage	\$	188.44
Dues, Education, Mileage and Legal	\$	1,882.26
Library Study Committee	\$	1,470.79
Equip, Furn, Catalog	\$	3,051.07
Media	\$	11,930.97
Supplies	\$	2,469.74
Summer Reading Program	\$	2,919.46
Adult Programs	\$	1,011.82
Children's Programs	\$	10,224.15
Other/Special Projects	\$	5,092.23
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$	40,360.93
2023 PAYROLL		
Town Appropriation - SALARIES	\$	140,424.67
Town Appropriation & Daland Gift - FICA	\$	10,741.88
Daland Gift - CLEANING & SNOW REMOVAL	\$	2,203.96
	Total	\$ 153,370.51
Daland Trust and Friends of the Library 2023 Support		
Daland Trust 6/2022 - 5/2023	\$	16,143.44
Library maintenance and utilities		
Friends of the Daland Library	\$	5,883.52
Library programs and projects		

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES COMMITTEE



Patriotic Purposes Committee



The Patriotic Purposes Committee are citizens, approved by the Selectmen, who volunteer their time. The mission is to inspire pride and patriotism in Mont Vernon. We respectfully take responsibility for the care and posting of the flags on patriotic holidays and recognized events. On those days, service flags representing all branches of the United States military, Coast Guard, the New Hampshire flag and the POW-MIA flag are posted at the War Memorial. Historical and/or the current U.S. flags are posted in front of the Town Hall. The flag posting calendar is as follows: May-Memorial Day [Traditional and Observed}, June 14th-Flag Day, July 4th-Independence Day, September 11th - Patriot Day, and November 11th -Veterans Day. The committee follows the Federal Standard which stipulates many aspects of flag etiquette. Information on United States Flag etiquette is generally referred to as the Flag Code. General guidelines and answers may be found at <https://www.usa.gov/flag>

Action items for 2023: * With the awesome assistance of the Department of Public Works the telephone pole flags were posted in the spring and retired in late fall, * Memorial Day: bright red geranium plants were planted and flags were posted at each gravesite of Mont Vernon veterans in the Greenlawn Cemetery as well as at the War Memorial, * Started the next phase of the War Memorial lot beautification with the purchase of granite posts designated for fencing, * Hosted a November 11 Veterans Day appreciation reception held at the Fire Department. *Thank you to the Mont Vernon Girls Scouts-Brownies and Juniors who enhanced the afternoon with vocal renditions: You're a Grand Old Flag and God Bless the USA.* We collaborated with the Historical Museum to be opened as well. We appreciate our Veterans,
* Administered a protectant to the boxwood row in preparation for winter, * Displayed patriotic bunting with the awesome assistance of the Fire Department.

The Committee extends an invitation to join and to help perpetuate patriotism. The committee meets throughout the year to post flags, as needed, or when projects are in development.

May we forever be cognizant and grateful for the service and sacrifice of our men and women of our United States Military.

Respectfully submitted: Patriotic Purposes Committee [Jay Wilson, Zoe Fimbel, Meg Baker]; * Interested persons may contact the Town Hall at 603-673-6080, or mvpatriotic@yahoo.com or www.montvernonnh.us/patriotic-purposes-committee

PLANNING BOARD

It was another moderately busy year for the Planning Board with three subdivisions, one lot line changes, one conditional use permit, two Scenic Road hearings, and one zoning amendment.

In March, voters approved an updated ADU (Accessory Dwelling Unit) ordinance that allows, with numerous restrictions, detached ADUs. Although there have been multiple inquiries about detached ADU permits, only one application has been submitted, to date. Among the aims of the ADU change is to provide a method for residents to stay in Mont Vernon even though the children are grown and moved away.

The SAC (Strategic Advisory Committee), led by Paul Lavertu, is a subcommittee of the Planning Board and it has been meeting regularly to address critical background documents overdue for updates. The SAC has generated an updated The Master Plan, as required by NH RSAs. This is the foundation of our path into the future, and is a prerequisite to the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan). The CIP is a Financial Plan for The Town that facilitates managing taxes and municipal infrastructure development over 10-15 years. Similar to the Master Plan, it is a living document that is most effective when reviewed and updated regularly. The SAC has been working with department heads to determine capital requirements for the next 15 years. They are making great progress and we expect to see a complete plan in 2024.

2023 brought changes to the Planning Board as three members with 40+ years combined experience left the board. Chip Spalding, Dave Hall Jr., and Zach Johnson will be missed, and we all owe them thanks for their service to the town. Chip provided invaluable Civil Engineering insight and Dave gave thoughtful perspective from a development and construction perspective. Zach was a relatively new member but he was ramping quickly and asking the right questions. On the flip side, we have four new members that have taken the Planning Board plunge and it is great to have fresh perspectives and experiences brought into the deliberations and decisions. Jay Goodell, Brittany Soboliev, Michael Antonucci, and Christina Johantgen, Welcome aboard !

In 2024 we will examine the need for short-term rental regulations and there may be a ballot article in 2025. This is a complex issue and many towns in NH have experienced significant changes in community character due to un/poorly regulated short-term rentals. Mont Vernon has not been impacted, yet.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Bird, Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

It is my pleasure to present the annual report for the Town of Mont Vernon's Police Department. This year the police department had some additions in personnel. Officer Roman Soboliev was hired in March. Officer Soboliev, who was born and raised in Ukraine, has been a great addition to this Department and has shown that he is an excellent fit within his first phases of field training. He will begin the police academy in January. We are sad to see Administrative Assistant Laura Freeman step down from her position, for a job in the private sector, and we wish her luck. We have hired Katie Bates to fill Laura's role. Katie comes to us as a Certified Public Accountant with a background as an auditor for the State of New Hampshire. Lastly, we are happy to have Officer Kristopher Wolf back. Officer Wolf, who is an active member of the New Hampshire Army National Guard, has been in Texas as part of their border security mission since September of 2022. We are currently at full staff with four full-time officers, four part-time officers, and a part-time administrative assistant.

In 2023, we equipped all officers with body worn cameras. These cameras improve police accountability and provide video and audio evidence to independently verify events officers respond to. They are also a great training tool for officers and supervisors to be able to improve how they handle calls for service.

This year we continued our "Vacant House Check," "Good Day Mont Vernon," and "Caught in the Act" programs. We also want to remind everyone that we have an "Alzheimer's/ Dementia Alert" form and a "Developmental Disability Checklist" form to help officers when assisting people with special needs. These forms are available on the town's website. We continued to participate in the Community Drug Take Back Days in April and October, which brought in fourteen pounds of unused and unwanted prescription drugs. We also put on a class for new drivers and their parents about learning the laws and safe driving, as well as a class on fraud for seniors.

We received over \$40,000 in grants for 2023, which allowed us to purchase three new portable radios to replace outdated radios from the early 2000's, a new ballistic shield, which helps protect officers, and lastly new computer systems with printers for our police cruisers.

Please, never hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Mark K. Slavin

POLICE DEPARTMENT

	2021	2022	2023		2021	2022	2023
Aggravated DUI	0	0	0	Issuing Bad Checks	0	2	0
Allow Improper Person Operate	0	0	0	Juvenile	7	5	3
Animal Complaint	15	30	34	Littering	5	1	4
Arrest	31	30	34	Lost Property	3	9	10
Arson	0	0	0	Medical Assists	89	86	101
Assault (Simple)	2	7	6	Missing Person	2	4	4
Assist Citizens	56	77	49	Motor Vehicle Accidents	37	31	42
Assist Other Agency	41	49	85	Motor Vehicle Assists	35	35	51
Attempted Suicide	0	4	0	Motor Vehicle Complaints	43	47	44
Bail Jumping	0	0	0	Mutual Aid	20	23	28
Breach Bail Conditions	2	0	1	911 Hang-Ups	4	5	6
Burglar Alarms	29	24	25	Negligent Driving	4	0	3
Burglary	1	0	4	Obstructing Report Crime	0	2	0
Caught in the Act	32	42	60	OHRV Complaints	2	1	2
Certain Uses of Computer	0	0	0	Open Container	3	0	3
Child Pornography	1	0	1	Operation w/o Valid License	6	2	5
Civil	10	13	7	Paperwork Service	63	109	97
Computer Related Crimes	1	0	0	Parking Tickets	0	3	0
Conduct After Accident	2	3	1	Pistol Permits	26	25	18
Criminal Liability	0	0	0	Police Information	117	169	168
Criminal Mischief	12	8	1	Police Service	4	3	7
Criminal Neglect	0	0	0	Poss. Controlled Drug	1	1	4
Criminal Threatening	3	2	7	Poss. Controlled Drug in M/V	0	0	0
Criminal Trespass	7	2	1	Property/Bldg. Checks	5245	6181	6701
Cruelty to Animals	1	0	0	Receiving Stolen Property	0	0	0
Discharge Firearm	0	0	0	Reckless Operation	5	1	1
Dissemination of Private Sex Images	1	0	1	Repossession	1	1	7
Disobeying an Officer	2	0	0	Resisting Arrest	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	6	2	1	Road Hazards	67	84	120
Disturbances	22	19	27	Security Checks	42	60	38
Dog Complaints	36	48	36	Sex Offender Reg.	8	7	11
Domestic	8	9	4	Sexual Assault	1	1	3
Domestic Violence Orders	0	5	3	Stalking	2	0	1
Driving Aft. Susp. License	9	7	8	State Police Handled	12	35	28
Driving Aft. Susp. Registration	4	1	1	Suicide	1	0	0
DUI	3	1	6	Suspicious Activity	37	33	39
Endangering Welfare of Child	1	2	2	Suspicious Drug Activity	0	1	0
Failure to Comply - Sex Offender	0	0	0	Theft	37	15	16
False Report	1	0	0	Theft of M/V	0	0	0
Falsifying Physical Evidence	0	0	0	Town Ordinance Violation	0	1	1
Fingerprinting	10	4	31	Transport alcohol by minor	0	0	1
Fire Assists	37	24	33	Unlawful poss of alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks Permits	6	10	10	Unlicensed Dogs	0	6	0
Forgery	1	2	1	Untimely Death	6	4	1
Found Property	19	28	18	Vacant House Checks	1120	819	943
Fraudulent use credit card	0	1	0	VIN Verification	27	16	26
Good Day Program	1	4	2	Violation of Privacy	0	0	0
Harassment	3	2	5	Violation Protect Orders	2	0	0
Hawker/Peddlers Permit	0	0	1	Warrants	7	1	4
Identity Fraud	6	3	2	Warrants (In house)	5	4	5
Illegal Burn	0	2	2	Welfare Checks	25	43	36
Indecent Exposure	0	0	1	Witness Tampering	1	0	1
M/V SUMMONS	205	148	40				
M/V WARNINGS	781	727	933				
TOTAL M/V ACTIVITY	986	875	973	TOTAL POLICE ACTIVITY	7544	8341	9094

RECREATION

The Recreation Department offered the community of Mont Vernon many fantastic events and recreation opportunities in 2023! We are once again proud of the continued growth and development of the department. Most notable, and rewarding, is the ability to pull everyone together for community gatherings nearly every month of the year! The young and old, the new-to-town and the longtime residents, the strangers and the friends – all join forces to organize and/or attend our events. These events also provide opportunities to collaborate, not only with our residents, but also with other town departments, community groups, members of the school districts, as well as some of the small businesses in town. By providing these events again in 2023, we were pleased to be part of what makes Mont Vernon a special place for all of us to call home!

We started off the first two months of the new year by wrapping up 2022 and begin planning for the 18 gatherings and 12 monthly meetings we would host in 2023. Wow, it was a busy year! The coldest months in NH are the perfect time for planning and prepping. Our collaboration with The Crotched Mountain Youth Development Ski & Ride Club continued during this time as well, wrapping up in early March. This is a wonderful way to get outside, take in the fresh winter air, and enjoy where you live!

In early April, we held our Town Egg Hunt. Several weeks prior we welcomed about a dozen volunteers to the town hall for a grand egg-filling session, stuffing over 3000 eggs!! The bunny was thrilled to have all this help! Eggs were later hidden around the McCollom field and the MVVS playground. In addition to searching for eggs, children and families gathered in the MVVS MPR to play games, paint crafts, dress up for the photobooth, plant seeds, adorn themselves with temporary tattoos & stickers, as well as enjoy light refreshments. Outside, in the cool Spring air, children took part in an egg toss with friends, visited baby sheep, and delighted over the arrival of our Bunny, who rode in style in the Mont Vernon Fire Truck. The children awaited the countdown, facilitated by the Mont Vernon Police Department, and erupted onto the field in search of eggs! Hidden among them were the coveted ‘Golden Eggs’. The children who discovered these treasures exchanged them for a basket, which included generous donations made by the village school, and police and fire departments. The entirety of this day was made possible by the collaborative efforts of Lindsey Santana and Teri Simek, who for the 5th consecutive year (pre, mid and post-pandemic – excelling through every challenge!) donated their time, energy, and creativity to help organize this event and, in doing so, made many children and families smile! Thank you, Teri and Lindsey – you’ve been amazing leaders in our community and an absolute joy to work with!

This year we were able to grow our collaboration with the Lamson Farm Commission and the Conservation Commission by holding a Trail clean-up day in mid-April. This was a new activity we added to 2023, and we hope its success will enable it to continue! We recognized the need to rally volunteers to help

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keep up with the challenging task of clearing our hiking trails in town and focused our attention on the Lamson Farm Trails. We were so pleased to have 17 volunteers come prepared to rake, prune, chainsaw, and haul brush and fallen trees on a beautiful Saturday morning. Children and adults alike happily took to the challenge and successfully cleared off the Green and Yellow trails, and most of the Blue trail! How wonderful for our residents and fellow hikers! The Conservation Commission continued the momentum and tackled Herlihy Swamp trails the following weekend!

In May, we hosted the 30th Anniversary of Spring Gala and it was 'Groovy'! Spring Gala took on a 70's theme, complete with tie dye, themed floats & music, and lots of flower-power! This year we were challenged by spring-like weather, arranged multiple contingency plans, and held many deliberations leading up to the big day. Ultimately, we condensed the schedule a bit, took a chance on the weather, braved a few raindrops, and ended up having a fantastic entirely outdoor gala!!

The day kicked off with the MV Fire Department Associations' famous pancake breakfast, perfect to fuel us for a busy day! Again, this year we created a race committee whose preparation efforts ensured that the 5K and Fun Run road races continued, as it is an important part of the day. The event was flawless, and we were so grateful for all the energy and happiness that the runners brought to the center of town!

The parade that followed was simply spectacular -- full of inspiring marching music delivered by talented AMS students and The Amherst Town Band, many impressive floats constructed by young hands and even an x-wing fighter, bicycles decorated in 70's style, our Grand Marshal and sole Selectman, Jack Esposito, rightly honored with a special ride aboard a fire vehicle, Souhegan Seniors and soon-to-be MVVS graduates and lots of Girls Scouts all waving to the crowd, and the entire family of the youngest resident proudly marching down the street...tractors, police cars, and fire trucks, even from mutual aid towns....it all brought smiles to many faces...how could the rain not hold off with this representation?!

We promptly moved to the green where members of the SHS band greeted us with more live music! Our amazing DJ kept the tunes rolling while we set up for a magic show, and throughout the day, and children sat on the green completely engaged by BJ Hickman's magic performance the ENTIRE time! Families played lawn games, tie-dyed t-shirts, painted rocks, made flower crowns, sand art, and dreamcatchers, got tattoos, and visited the Historical Society Museum, as well as the MV Police Department and SV Rides booths. The MVCC crew rocked the grill and provided lunch concessions, we awarded prizes, recognized our Grand Marshal, Jack Esposito, and his 50+ years of service to Mont Vernon, and rounded out the day with two pie-eating contests! ...All before the clouds

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really opened up! Thank you to those of you who stuck around and helped to (quickly) pick up!

A special thank you to Rich Masters for once again being our enthusiastic MC and to Tom Wahle for lining up all the parade participants at Blood Road (and there were a lot this year!). Thank you to DPW and Garden & Beautification, led by Jess Pomeroy, for weeks of effort to get the town ready for our Gala celebration, and for DPW, Police, and Fire for preparing the road closures with the added challenge of multiple detours this year, and for of course providing safety. Thank you to Tom Lecklider, MVVS principal, for his rockstar support, the 6th-grade teachers for prolonging an already long week, the Girl Scout Troop Leaders for tunneling all those creative minds, and to an amazing hardworking team of 12 volunteers who created, setup, and carried out the activities of the day! We appreciated all the town groups who added their special touches to the event -- The Historical Society, The Heritage Commission, Garden & Beautification, The MVVS PTA, The Recreation Department, DPW, Police, and Fire Departments! There were LOTS of behind-the-scenes work involved in an event this size and we appreciated so much of the community contributing to the day -- AND to 30 years of this tradition! Peace, love, and happiness to all. 🍷❤️😊

July and August brought with it our Summer Concert Series. This year we were fortunate to be able to host ALL our concerts outside on the Green, as originally planned. Apart from one minor rain delay and a quick scramble to pop up a tent and protect the instruments, we were thrilled to have to make no other schedule changes! This summer's concerts were again one of our most successful -- well-attended, full of positive energy, and succeeded at bringing our community together on the Green! We welcomed back some favorites such as Monadnock Bluegrass, Sam Robbins, and local talent, The Incidentals, as well as a new group The Pop Farmers. The Mango Groove Steel Drum band offered great variety of music for the crowd later in the summer. The Mont Vernon Fire Department Association kept their grills hot and gave concertgoers the option of taking the night off from preparing dinner every Wednesday! These evenings were just another example of enjoying where you live and an opportunity to spend time relaxing with your neighbors!

Lamson Farm Day was greatly anticipated in September but was faced with the challenge of rainy weather. Despite the day being cool and overcast, with the looming threat of rain, those who attended had a wonderful time taking in some Mont Vernon history at the farm. The Recreation Department assisted the Lamson Farm Commission in hosting this quintessential day in town, by providing old-fashioned children's games, pony rides, a Pocket Lady roaming the dirt roads and fields, the operation of a vintage cider press, and general assistance. It brought smiles to our faces to bring this joy to the children and families of Mont Vernon.

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Candy collections, generous donations from residents, the sorting and distribution of treats, and magical decorations filled the month of October in Mont Vernon. Halloween came on a chilly night, prompting warm costumes and energized children. We embraced a beautiful October evening that provided a perfect atmosphere for trick-or-treating in the center of town. Our second annual display of “Ghosts on the Green” again added to the ambience, complete with a spooky haze, thanks to the MV Fire Department and their smoke machines! The preparations leading up to the 31st, orchestrated by the Recreation Department and a group of volunteers, allowed for another successful event! We utilized our updated communication methods again this year, thus maintaining an efficient and effective dialogue with village-area residents. Our correspondence enabled us to be able to sort, accurately distribute, and seamlessly deliver more than 38,000 pieces of candy to 39 trick-or-treating locations, and an additional five locations provided their own treats. The MV Police department organized “Trunk-or-Treat” in the McCollom parking lot, allowing for more festive décor, candy, and excitement from the children! Our trick-or-treat map was updated to reflect and accurately guide our families, and the evening that ensued was a well-organized night full of squeals of glee, excitement, and happiness in Town. As winter loomed on the horizon, we began preparations in November for the collaboration with our local ski venue, Crotched Mountain, in providing affordable ski/ride options for the children in Mont Vernon. The flexible program allowed for any combination of weekly lessons, rentals and/or ski passes in January and February.

Finally, we rounded out 2023 with a magical night outside our historic Town Hall for our Tree Lighting, as well as the celebration of 220 years of Mont Vernon history! We utilized our outdoor space, tents, heaters, and holiday lights to create a festive place to mingle with neighbors. The Town Hall parking lot was transformed into a winter wonderland, complete with holiday music, cookies, cocoa, birthday cake, commemorative ornaments, and happy residents! The MV Fire Department Association held their chili cook-off, Fire and Police collected for Toys for Tots, Santa and Mrs. Claus visited with children, while crafting took place inside the Town Hall meeting room. Our local Cub Scout Troop kicked off the Lighting Ceremony by engaging us in song on the front steps of the town hall, followed by a beautiful performance from the SHS Chorus, and lastly a presentation to recognize our honorary Tree Lighter, David Brooks. David has for years made quiet contributions to our community, most recently in his role as editor of The Flyer and on The Historical Society and Conservation Commissions. Rich Masters enthusiastically counted us down, the tree lit, and we all rejoiced!

Throughout 2024, our early morning exercise group continued to meet three days a week under the leadership of Stephanie Vore. This group now meets both via zoom and in-person. This has contributed to more involvement in these classes and a healthier community, a win-win!

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McCollom Field still boasts donated nets and sporting equipment for all in town to use and adds to the enjoyment of living in Mont Vernon!

Our electronic newsletter, The Mont Vernon Flyer, under the editorial guidance of David Brooks, continued to be an important communication for our community in 2023, and was successfully moved from an email version to fully online through the Town website. The Recreation Department continues to grow and develop its online communication by utilizing the new town website and tools as well. We held our monthly meetings via zoom, which continues to result in higher attendance, and we have worked to expand our networking opportunities and professional connections with other local Recreation Departments on both the Town and State level. This year we participated in the Southern NH Tour of Lights display organized by local Recreation Departments and The NH Recreation & Parks Association.

We are excited to see what lies ahead for Mont Vernon Recreation, and all the households it reaches, in 2024! We hope to be able to continue to make connections to residents in our community, grow town involvement, and add to our hometown. As always, we will strive to provide opportunities for everyone to get out and enjoy where they live! To join us in this endeavor, simply email MontVernonRecreation@gmail.com. The more you take part, the more we can offer our town!!

MONT VERNON RECREATION CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2024

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Town Egg Hunt | Saturday, March 30 th |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Gala | Saturday, May 18 th |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Concert Series | Wednesdays, July 10 th - August 7 th |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lamson Farm Day | Saturday, September 28 th |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Halloween | Thursday, October 31 st |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Lighting | Saturday, December 14 th |

(*All dates are tentative at the time of this publication*)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Morning Exercise Group | (ongoing T/R/S mornings; zoom & in-person) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mont Vernon Ski Club | (sign-ups begin in November 2024) |

Kind Regards,
Heather Kennedy
Mont Vernon Recreation Director

SELECTMEN’S REPORT

Another year has passed, and it is once again time to review the significant occurrences in our town government. 2023 would prove to be what I would consider our first “normal” year since 2019. The COVID crisis passed, and with it all the special precautions and government programs designed to combat it. All our departments were able to concentrate on their core missions and get back in earnest to serving the needs of the town.

Despite the difficulties in finding qualified personnel during the current labor shortage, both the police and highway departments have been successful in recruiting and adding new hires. Both are now at full strength. The fire department has added candidates as well.

As we mention every year in this report, a small town such as Mont Vernon also greatly depends on volunteers to function. We have been gratified to see many residents come forward over the past year to fill our committees and commissions. The Planning Board especially has added several new members during the last few months. We encourage all residents to consider adding their voices and experience to the further betterment of the town.

Overall, from a safety standpoint, 2023 was a better year for Mont Vernon.

The highway department had a very productive year in improving the condition and maintenance of our roads. Several sections of road were repaved to bring them up to standard. The failed culvert on lower Brook Road was replaced by a much superior new bridge, mostly paid for with federal funds. This was significant not only for its funding source, but in that it represents how the town is adapting to the extreme weather events that are becoming more common. It will be standard practice going forward to over-engineer these types of road issues to prepare for worst case scenarios.

The single biggest new development this past year was the completion of the 2023 Capital Improvement Plan by the Strategic Advisory Committee. This is the most important element in the Select Board’s efforts to recommit to long-term planning for the town. During 2022, the committee completed the editing and combining of previous committees’ efforts to produce the 2022 Mont Vernon Masterplan. Beginning early last year, the committee began work on the C.I.P. Whereas the masterplan is an aspirational strategic document or mission statement outlining the general goals and plans for the town’s future, the C.I.P. is a planning document derived from the masterplan that identifies and evaluates significant projects and purchases over a timeline of many years and tries to put a relevant cost to each. The last time one was completed was 2007. Over the course of last year, most of the department heads and committee leaders met several times with the S.A.C. to present and speak to what they foresee as their biggest needs for the next 10-20 years. The committee considered and vetted these proposals to produce their report. That report was then presented to the planning and select boards for additional comment. After consideration, the final

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draft was accepted by the planning and select boards at the end of 2023. That report is now available to the public on the town website or at the selectmen’s office. Many of the warrant articles and changes to the operating budget you will see at town meeting are the result of incorporating elements of the C.I.P. The S.A.C. has recommended a capital reserve strategy for most large purchases going into the future, as a means of smoothing out our annual tax burden over time. The Select Board concurs with this. We encourage everyone to read the report and gain a further understanding of the needs and challenges town budgets will face in the coming years. We hope that all of you will seriously consider supporting these new efforts as they are presented.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all our town employees and the many more residents of Mont Vernon who have given of their time to make our town a better community for all. If one were to ever account for all that time and effort, I am sure that figure would be staggering.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Quinlan, Chairman, Mont Vernon Board of Selectmen
Howard Brown, Selectman
John “Jack” Esposito, Selectman

SELECTMEN'S DISBURSEMENTS REPORT

Selectmen's Disbursements Report		Jan - Dec 23	Budget	Šover Budget
Expense				
410000 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
	Total 413000 · EXECUTIVE-Town Officers	6,650.62	7,159.39	-508.77
	Total 414000 · TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	60,007.19	66,324.27	-6,317.08
	Total 415010 · SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	233,355.71	253,493.00	-20,137.29
	Total 415100 · TREASURY	3,063.72	3,082.79	-19.07
	Total 415150 · TAX COLLECTOR	22,056.29	24,686.04	-2,629.75
	Total 415170 · TRUSTEES of TRUST FUNDS	2,948.89	3,419.62	-470.73
	Total 415200 · REAPPRAISAL of PROPERTY	13,869.50	80,000.00	-66,130.50
	Total 415300 · LEGAL EXPENSES	17,660.05	40,400.00	-22,739.95
	Total 419100 · PLANNING & ZONING	13,410.15	18,155.00	-4,744.85
	Total 419400 · GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDGS	112,493.24	126,800.00	-14,306.76
	Total 419500 · CEMETERY	29,705.48	59,355.00	-29,649.52
	Total 419600 · INSURANCE	53,038.36	56,560.00	-3,521.64
	Total 419700 · ADVERTISING & REGIONAL Assoc.	4,453.00	4,400.00	53.00
	Total 421000 · POLICE DEPARTMENT	596,730.86	800,342.68	-203,611.82
	421500 · AMBULANCE	17,000.00	17,000.00	0.00
	Total 422000 · FIRE DEPARTMENT	78,473.01	86,740.00	-8,266.99
	Total 424000 · BUILDING INSPECTION	31,156.59	34,664.76	-3,508.17
	Total 429000 · Emergency Management	1,125.42	1,500.00	-374.58
	429900 · Dispatch Center - MACC	95,611.32	92,000.00	3,611.32
	Total 420000 · PUBLIC SAFETY	820,097.20	1,032,247.44	-212,150.24
	431200 · HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			
	Total 431210 · PUBLIC WORKS - ROADWAYS	975,905.85	1,089,733.14	-113,827.29
	Total 431400 · PUBLIC WORKS - GENERAL	70,426.28	55,500.00	14,926.28
	Total 431200 · HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	1,046,332.13	1,145,233.14	-98,901.01
	Total 431600 · STREET LIGHTING	3,070.74	4,500.00	-1,429.26
	Total 432000 · SANITATION	208,455.14	219,816.30	-11,361.16
	Total 441000 · HEALTH DEPARTMENT	322.00	447.00	-125.00
	Total 444000 · WELFARE	10,384.57	18,354.62	-7,970.05
	Total 452000 · RECREATION	16,055.30	25,295.98	-9,240.68
	Total 455000 · LIBRARY	186,762.21	210,741.00	-23,978.79
	Total 456000 · HERITAGE COMMISSION	2,017.76	24,000.00	-21,982.24
	Total 458300 · PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	6,274.49	6,700.00	-425.51
	Total 458900 · GARDEN AND BEAUTIFICATION COM.	1,228.49	2,375.00	-1,146.51
	Total 461200 · CONSERVATION COMMISSION	2,086.36	10,950.00	-8,863.64
	Total 471000 · DEBT SERVICE	84,250.00	92,000.00	-7,750.00
	Total 491000 · INTERFUND OPERATING XFERS OUT	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Expense	3,154,048.59	3,650,545.59	-496,497.00

SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS REPORT

SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS REPORT		Jan - Dec 23
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
320000 · Rev. from Lic. Permits & Fees		
323000 · Building Permits		23,788.55
329000 · Other		
329151 · Planning Board Fees		2,961.25
329160 · ZBA Fees		100.00
329165 · Historic District Fees		100.00
329187 · Cable Fee / Franchise Fee		79,760.77
Total 329000 · Other		82,922.02
Total 320000 · Rev. from Lic. Permits & Fees		106,710.57
335000 · Receipts from the State		
335200 · Rooms/Meals Tax		246,946.86
335300 · Highway Block Grant		191,429.00
335000 · Receipts from the State - Other		7.50
Total 335000 · Receipts from the State		438,383.36
340000 · Charges for Service		
340100 · Receipts From Departments		
340101 · Police Department		20,744.94
340105 · Library Cleaning		1,991.53
Total 340100 · Receipts From Departments		22,736.47
340104 · Transfer Station Revenue		8,304.50
340106 · Recreation Revenue		5,310.00
340107 · Cemetery		
340108 · Lot Sales		1,200.00
340109 · Reimbursements From TTF Cy Prey		19,295.00
340110 · All other		5,340.56
Total 340107 · Cemetery		25,835.56
340900 · Other charges for services		
340903 · Town Histories		32.00
Total 340900 · Other charges for services		32.00
Total 340000 · Charges for Service		62,218.53
350000 · Income from Misc. Sources		
350300 · Rent of Town Property		400.00
350600 · Refunds & Reimbursemt		111,538.00
350999 · Other-Misc.		14,057.13
Total 350000 · Income from Misc. Sources		125,995.13
354501 · Suspense		
354500 · Road Bond		4,500.00
354508 · Miscellaneous-Suspense		14,155.21
354512 · Fishing Derby		1,099.29
Total 354501 · Suspense		19,754.50
Total Income		753,062.09
Gross Profit		753,062.09
Net Ordinary Income		753,062.09
Net Income		753,062.09



Proposed Budget
Mont Vernon

If you have recently made changes to your proposed warrant articles, you must click the "View/Calculate" button at the bottom of the budget tab in the portal to ensure that the values in this report have been updated.

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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130	Executive	15	\$0	\$7,159	\$7,448	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	15	\$0	\$86,325	\$81,272	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	15	\$0	\$294,732	\$315,325	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	15	\$0	\$80,000	\$46,500	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	15	\$0	\$40,400	\$30,400	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	15	\$0	\$18,155	\$18,913	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	15	\$0	\$126,800	\$126,000	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	15	\$0	\$59,565	\$79,330	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	15	\$0	\$56,590	\$64,407	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	15	\$0	\$4,400	\$4,710	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	General Government Subtotal		\$0	\$743,886	\$777,303	\$0
Public Safety						
4210	Police	15	\$0	\$709,251	\$833,515	\$0
4215	Ambulances	15	\$0	\$17,000	\$34,000	\$0
4220	Fire	15	\$0	\$86,740	\$114,847	\$0
4240	Building Inspection	15	\$0	\$34,865	\$36,208	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	15	\$0	\$3,000	\$7,431	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety	15	\$0	\$62,000	\$101,072	\$0
	Public Safety Subtotal		\$0	\$1,632,656	\$1,127,073	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Highway Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	15	\$0	\$1,240,371	\$1,398,588	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4318	Street Lighting	15	\$0	\$4,500	\$3,500	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$0	\$1,244,871	\$1,402,088	\$0



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					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Sanitation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	15	\$0	\$39,301	\$41,482	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	15	\$0	\$198,425	\$198,270	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4320	Other Sanitation	15	\$0	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		\$0	\$219,816	\$219,752	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4330	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4350	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Health Administration	15	\$0	\$447	\$560	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4410	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$0	\$447	\$560	\$0
Welfare						
4441	Welfare Administration	15	\$0	\$13,255	\$20,000	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4440	Other Welfare	15	\$0	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$0
	Welfare Subtotal		\$0	\$18,355	\$25,100	\$0



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024		
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	
Culture and Recreation							
4520	Parks and Recreation	15	\$0	\$25,298	\$24,628	\$0	
4550	Library	15	\$0	\$210,741	\$236,000	\$0	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	15	\$0	\$6,700	\$7,450	\$0	
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	15	\$0	\$26,375	\$31,375	\$0	
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$0	\$269,112	\$300,371	\$0	
Conservation and Development							
4611	Conservation Administration	15	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,945	\$0	
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$0	\$10,950	\$10,945	\$0	
Debt Service							
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	15	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	15	\$0	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$0	
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Debt Service Subtotal			\$0	\$92,000	\$92,000	\$0	
Capital Outlay							
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Operating Transfers Out						
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$5,955,192	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4220	Fire	07 <i>Purpose: New All-Wheel Fire Truck</i>	\$1,400,000	\$0
4220	Fire	14 <i>Purpose: Establish Capital Reserve PPE/SCBA</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	06 <i>Purpose: Construction of Access Road</i>	\$683,600	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	09 <i>Purpose: Highway Block Grant</i>	\$94,050	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	05 <i>Purpose: Construction of New Library Building</i>	\$55,000	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	06 <i>Purpose: Construction of Access Road</i>	\$17,500	\$0
4903	Buildings	05 <i>Purpose: Construction of New Library Building</i>	\$5,900,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	06 <i>Purpose: Add to Fire Truck Capital Reserve</i>	\$95,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	10 <i>Purpose: Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Construction of</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	11 <i>Purpose: Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Public Works Ve</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	12 <i>Purpose: Add to Capital Reserve Fund for Town Hall Rehabil</i>	\$50,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	13 <i>Purpose: Add to Capital Reserve for Radio Upgrades</i>	\$25,000	\$0
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$8,485,190	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$0	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund	15	\$0	\$20,000	\$50,000
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	15	\$0	\$3,200	\$4,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	15	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000
Taxes Subtotal			\$0	\$58,200	\$89,000
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	15	\$0	\$632,000	\$595,000
3230	Building Permits	15	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	15	\$0	\$0	\$10,000
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$0	\$662,000	\$625,000
From Federal Government					
3311	Housing and Urban Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection		\$0	\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency		\$0	\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
From Federal Government Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	15	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	15, 09	\$0	\$186,050	\$186,050
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution		\$0	\$0	\$0
3360	Water Filtration Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$386,050	\$386,050



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Charges for Services					
3401	Income from Departments	15	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
3402	Water Supply System Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3403	Sewer User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges	15	\$0	\$500	\$500
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$0	\$50,500	\$50,500
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	15	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
3503	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified	15	\$0	\$13,000	\$13,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$0	\$17,000	\$17,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914B	From Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	05	\$0	\$364,849	\$294,604
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	05	\$0	\$1,120,151	\$3,575,396
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$1,505,000	\$3,870,000
Other Financing Sources					
9934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources	06, 05	\$0	\$4,090,000	\$2,803,800
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$4,090,000	\$2,803,800
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$0	\$6,768,750	\$7,841,150



Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2024
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$3,955,192
Special Warrant Articles	\$8,485,150
Individual Warrant Articles	\$0
Total Appropriations	\$12,440,342
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$7,841,150
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$4,599,192

TAX COLLECTOR

Property taxes committed to the Tax Collector for collection in 2023 were \$ 9,557,007.00 Of this amount, 85% had been collected by December 31, 2023.

Of the \$ 3,198.68 Timber Yield Taxes committed to the Tax Collector, 100% had been collected as of December 31, 2023. Of the \$14,230.00 Current Use Change Taxes committed to the Tax Collector, 100% had been collected by December 31, 2023.

All property with unpaid year 2022 taxes will be subject to deeding to the Town as of May 27, 2024.

Interest on lien taxes for 2023 is set by state statute at 12% per annum. Interest on delinquent property taxes is 8% and on unpaid Yield and Current Use Tax, 18% until they are lien and then they go to 12%.

I would like to thank the staff at Town Hall, the Selectmen, and the residents of Mont Vernon for their continued support throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Sue Leger

TAX COLLECTOR OUTSTANDING TAX LIENS

Outstanding Tax Liens as of December 31, 2023

Brisson, James & Denise 2010L-2022L	\$ 15,661.18	Payne, Randy & Deborah 2019L-2022L	\$ 19,673.47
Chaput, David 2007L-2022L	\$ 19,896.26	Porter, Sheril & Paul 2022L	\$ 21,765.02
Estabrook, Kary & Diana 2016L-2022L	\$ 6,623.37	Purchase, Michael 2003L-2022L	\$ 34,152.61
Gagnon, Rose 2012L-2022L	\$ 60,653.13	Rondeau, Ronald & Teresa 2007L-2022L	\$ 41,312.59
Griffin Revocable Trust 2022L	\$ 6,616.12	Stone, James E. 2021L	\$ 19,112.46
Jameson, Rosemary 2020L-2022L	\$ 10,722.08	Tamulonis, Kurt 2011L-2022L	\$ 79,605.71
Kaminski, Anthony 1988L-2022L*	\$451,548.48	Yang, Hai Teh 2105L-2022L	\$172,265.64
Main, Peter and Shelley 2022L	\$ 6,386.03		
		Total	\$ 965,994.15

*Lien deferred from deeding by Selectmen



Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year) or September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

Cover Page

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
Phone: (603) 230-5090
Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION ⓘ

Municipality: County: Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ⓘ

First Name Last Name
Street No. Street Name Phone Number
Email (optional)



Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020	
Property Taxes	3110		\$240,760.57	\$138.21	\$7,211.96	
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		\$45,900.00			
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance ?		(\$17,209.43)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022			
Property Taxes	3110	\$8,557,007.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$14,230.00			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$3,198.68			
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				
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Add Line					

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020	
Property Taxes	3110	\$25,014.94			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
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Add Line					
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$1,518.54	\$11,279.06	\$10.63	
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits:		\$9,584,659.73	\$297,948.63	\$148.84	\$7,211.96



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	\$8,141,871.34	\$161,547.37	\$93.21	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$14,230.00	\$44,614.06		
Yield Taxes	\$3,166.68			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$1,390.54	\$10,358.56	\$10.63	
Penalties	\$128.00	\$920.50		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$80,025.64		
-				
Add Line				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes		\$417.00		\$1,250.00
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
-				
Add Line				
Current Levy Deducted				



Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Lay for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	\$1,434,987.52	\$65.50	\$45.00	\$5,061.06
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$32.00			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?	(\$11,141.35)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?				
Total Credits	\$9,584,659.73	\$297,948.63	\$148.84	\$7,211.06

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$1,429,945.63
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$410,805.66



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$79,204.14	\$333,861.75
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$84,170.77		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$1,229.04	\$4,292.78	\$11,298.96
-				
Add Line				
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$85,399.81	\$83,496.92	\$345,160.61

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Redemptions		\$17,339.45	\$28,755.40	\$36,778.94
-				
Add Line				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190		\$1,229.04	\$4,292.78	\$11,298.86
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Add Line				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				\$3,557.21
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$66,831.32	\$50,448.74	\$293,525.60
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$85,399.81	\$83,496.92	\$345,160.61

For DRA Use Only

Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$1,429,945.63
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$410,805.66



MONT VERNON (309)

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

Preparer's Last Name

Date

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://geoptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's Signature and Title

TOWN CLERK

2023 was a big year for the Town Clerks office. Revenues went up \$57,000.00, online transactions increased to 47% of our total revenue and our dogs went up from 794 to 840. Thankfully, we only had the one election and town meeting.

Starting 1/1/2024 we did change our hours. We are now open Monday and Thursday 9am-1pm and Tuesdays 2pm-7pm. Trying to get more in line with the Town Hall hours, if and when we are ever moved across the street. The Tuesday hours are now in line with the state and our supports hours.

The some of the services that we continue to offer are:

- Motor Vehicle-Certified municipal agent for the State- Titling vehicles, plates and registrations along with many other functions.
- Elections- voter registration, address change, party affiliation changes, absentee ballots, testing of the ballot machines, validating ballots, candidacy filing, coordination of all Election Officials and training, reconciliation, and post-Election processes among many other tasks.
- Census upkeep- maintain current resident list for all properties in town.
- Record Keeper- Official record keeper for the Town, preserve and maintain all permanent records and any other statutory records required in a safe and secure area.
- Local Registrar- Issuance and validation of all Births, Deaths, Divorces and Marriages on behalf of the State.
- Dog Registrations- Maintain registrations and issuance of all dog licenses and tags.
- Boat Registration- Certified boat agent on behalf of the State.
- Notary Public- Free services to all town residents.
- Administering oaths and appointments to officials.
- Justice of the Peace

Dogs must be licensed by April 30th of each year (RSA 466:1). Mont Vernon currently has 840 licensed dogs. A late fee of \$1 per month is charged beginning June 1st for each unlicensed dog. Any dog still unlicensed after June 20th will be issued a civil forfeiture fine of \$25.00 in accordance with RSA 466:13.

All services are still offered and will continue to be offered in person. We also recommend all renewals to be done online, by mail, drop box or over the phone. Thank you so much for all your support.

Respectfully submitted,
Belinda Yeaton
Certified Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK

**REVENUES FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$622,775.93
Title Applications	\$ 1,198.00
Dog Licenses (including penalties & Fines)	\$ 5,525.00
Mail-In Fees (Motor Vehicles & Dog Lic)	\$ 3,536.00
Returned checks & Fees	\$ 6,727.09
Vital Statistics Copies	\$ 385.00
UCC Filings	\$ 360.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 42.00
MA Fees	\$ 9,900.00
Misc	\$ 2,448.70
Dump Sticker Fees	\$ 183.00
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	\$653,080.72

2023 MARRIAGES

DATE and PLACE	NAME OF PERSON A AND PERSON B	RESIDENCE TOWN/STATE
09/02/2023 LYNDEBOROUGH, NH	DENNIS DWIRE SUSAN GENDRON	MONT VERNON, NH MONT VERNON, NH
09/16/2023 NASHUA, NH	BENJAMIN ASHTON KATHERINE SPALDING	HAMPTON, NH MONT VERNON, NH

2023 BIRTHS

NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	DATE	PARENTS
CECILIA LUCY SHEPHERD	NASHUA, NH	01/31/2023	CHRISTIAN SHEPHERD AMELIA SHEPHERD
TOBIAS STEPHEN REYNOLDS	NASHUA, NH	02/15/2023	DYLAN DAVIS-LAMSON BEONCA REYNOLDS
CARLY-JEAN LIBERTY DOYLE	NASHUA, NH	04/10/2023	DOMENIC DOYLE DELENA DOYLE
ELISHEBA YULIA LUZ GULBRANSON	NASHUA, NH	04/29/2023	DAVID GULBRANSON DELANDRA GULBRANSON
LIAM HENRY CHEN	MANCHESTER NH	05/24/2023	SHANGWEN CHEN KELSEY CHICKERING
MAGNOLIA MARINE CRAVEN-OUELLETTE	NASHUA, NH	06/11/2023	NATHAN OUELLETTE PAIGE CRAVEN
KATHERINE LETA KJAR	NASHUA, NH	07/17/2023	JOSEPH KJAR KIMBERLYN KJAR
ASTRID MARIE OUDHEUSDEN	MANCHESTER NH	07/30/2023	FRANK OUDHEUSDEN MEGGIE OUDHEUSDEN
MILES KENNETH TERMINELLO	NASHUA, NH	09/07/2023	WILLIAM TERMINELLO IV SARAH TERMINELLO

2023 DEATHS

NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE OF DEATH	PARENTS NAMES
THEODORE WYMAN	MANCHESTER, NH	01/17/2023	JOHN WYMAN DEE DURGIN
NANCY YARRISH	MONT VERNON, NH	03/06/2023	ANDREW YARRISH DIANA MORGAN
ALICE TRUE	MANCHESTER, NH	03/12/2023	EVERETT MILNE DOROTHY SEVERANCE
MICHELE PUTNAM	MANCHESTER, NH	03/15/2023	JOHN TOMASO CONSTANCE MAHONEY
ROBERT IANNINI	NASHUA, NH	04/03/2023	EMANUELE IANNINI MILDRED HUNT
ROBERT RIENDEAU	MERRIMACK, NH	05/20/2023	EDGER RIENDEAU ROSE CARTIER
MICHAEL PURINGTON	MONT VERNON, NH	06/20/2023	HERMAN PURINGTON DOLORES DECATO
JOANNE PINCHARD	MERRIMACK, NH	06/24/2023	SHIZUTO MIZUIRE ANN SKIBA
MERLE CLARK	MERRIMACK, NH	07/17/2023	GEORGE RUSSELL JR RUTH ALEXANDER
SUSAN DONNELL	MONT VERNON, NH	07/30/2023	RODERICK SMITH CAROL BALLOU
BETSY ARNOTT	MONT VERNON, NH	09/13/2023	RICHARD KINLEY EILEEN SHAW
THOMASINA BERGERON	MANCHESTER, NH	09/23/2023	JOSEPH DONLAN MARY BRADY

TOWN CLERK

(CONT.)

KEVIN STEWART	NASHUA, NH	10/21/2023	KENNETH STEWART PHYLLIS MERKELLY
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Brook Rd. Bridge Project 2023



New Transfer Station Trailer 2023

TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station is located on Weston Hill Rd, Mont Vernon, NH
Phone Number 672-0055 (Department of Public Works)

If there is no power or inclement weather and on certain holidays: The Transfer Station may be closed. Refer to the Town website for updates.

***** Note Our Year-Round Hours*****

Tuesday 12:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Thursday 12:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Use of the Transfer Station is restricted to Town residents, and requires a valid Dump Sticker. One new sticker will be sent to every property owner, free of charge, in the tax bill immediately preceding the expiration of the current sticker. If you require another, they may be purchased at the Transfer Station and at the Town Hall for \$3.00. Renters should ask their landlord for the sticker, or purchase one as above.

Mont Vernon Recycles

NEWSPAPERS / MAGAZINES

Newspapers, magazines, glossy catalogs

HOW – Clean, dry, loose

NO! Soiled papers, strings, plastic or paper bags, non-glossy catalogs, junk mail, tissue, office paper, carbon paper; soda, beer or cereal boxes or brown paper bags.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Clean, dry, un-waxed cardboard

NO! Waxed, greasy or soiled cardboard or pizza boxes

GLASS

Glass bottles & jars (no caps),

NO! Window glass, ceramics or porcelain

ALUMINUM CANS

Aluminum beverage cans

Empty, rinsed clean, **flattened preferred**

STEEL FOOD CANS

Steel cans

HOW – empty, rinsed clean, flattened

NO! motor oil containers, cookware

PLASTIC CONTAINERS

Ask attendant what is current.

HOW – empty, rinsed clean, flattened

NO! Take out containers, styrofoam, motor oil containers, cookware or plastic bags.

MIXED PAPER

Junk mail, envelopes, cereal & shoe boxes, computer and office paper, shredded paper, telephone books.

TEXTILES

Clothing, shoes, sheets, curtains, towels

HOW – clean, dry in plastic bags

NO! Soiled or wet materials, rugs, pillows, socks or underwear.

PLEASE SEE ATTENDANT FOR:

Tires, leaves, compost, brush, metal & white goods, motor oil & antifreeze, batteries (car & household), fluorescent light bulbs, furniture, electronics, demolition & construction debris.

TREASURERS REPORT OF REVENUE

										TREASURER'S REPORT OF REVENUES		Jan - Dec 23
										Income		
										311001 - Property Tax Commitment		9,557,007.00
										312000 - Land Use Tax		14,230.00
										318503 - Yield Tax		3,198.68
										319010 - Interest and Penalties on All		29,314.63
										322000 - Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		624,545.84
										323000 - Building Permits		23,788.55
										329110 - Dog Licenses		4,237.50
										329111 - Dog Penalties & Fines		1,367.00
										329120 - Marriage Licenses		42.00
										329130 - U C C Fees		360.00
										329140 - Vital Statistics		331.00
										329147 - Dog Mail In Registration Fees		433.00
										329151 - Planning Board Fees		2,961.25
										329160 - ZBA Fees		100.00
										329165 - Historic District Fees		100.00
										329187 - Cable Franchise Fees		79,760.77
										329450 - Returned Check Charges		183.00
										333145 - Misc.		2,333.70
										340101 - Police Department		20,744.94
										340105 - Library Cleaning		1,991.53
										340104 - Transfer Station Revenue		8,304.50
										340106 - Revreation Revenue		5,310.00
										340107 - Cemetery		25,835.56
										340900 - Other charges for services		32.00
										350200 - Interest on Investments		58,637.38
										350300 - Rent of Town Property		400.00
										350600 - Refunds & Reimbursements		111,538.00
										350999 - Other - Misc.		14,228.55
										333501 - Dog License Due to State		1,852.00
										354500 - Road Bond		4,500.00
										354505 - Vitals Due State		299.00
										354506 - Marriage Lic. Due to State		258.00
										354508 - Miscellaneous - Suspense		14,155.21
										354512 - Fishing Derby		1,099.29
										Total Income		10,613,479.88

TREASURERS REPORT OF EXPENSES

		TREASURER'S REPORT OF EXPENSES	
		413000 - Executive - Town Officers	6,650.62
		414000 - Town Clerk's Office	60,007.19
		415010 - Selectmen's Office	233,355.71
		415100 - Treasury	3,063.72
		415150 - Tax Collector	22,056.29
		415170 - Trustees of Trust Funds	2,948.89
		415200 - Reappraisal of Property	13,869.50
		415300 - Legal Expenses	17,660.05
		419100 - Planning & Zoning	753.45
		419400 - General Government Bldgs	112,493.24
		419500 - Cemetery	29,705.48
		419600 - Insurance	53,038.36
		419700 - Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4,453.00
		421000 - Police Department	596,730.86
		422000 - Fire Department	78,473.01
		424000 - Building Inspection	31,156.59
		429000 - Emergency Management	1,125.42
		429900 - Dispatch Center - MACC	95,611.32
		431200 - Highways & Streets	1,046,332.13
		431600 - Street Lighting	3,070.74
		432000 - Sanitation	208,455.14
		441000 - Health Department	322.00
		444000 - Welfare	10,384.57
		452000 - Recreation	16,055.30
		455000 - Library	186,762.21
		456000 - Heritage Commission	2,017.76
		458300 - Patriotic Purposes	6,274.49
		458900 - Garden & Beautification Comm.	1,228.49
		461200 - Conservation Commission	2,086.36
		471000 - Debt Service	84,250.00
		491000 - Interfund Operating Xfers Out	29,978.83
		Total Ordinary Expense	3,193,726.43
		Other Expense	
		490000 - Unclassified	30,052.16
		493000 - Other Governments	7,157,013.00
		499001 - Suspense	191,799.16
		499000 - Special Projects	168,799.58
		Total Other Expense	7,547,663.90
		Total Expense	10,741,390.33



Mont Vernon Summary Inventory of Valuation

Reports Required: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon reports prescribed for that purpose.

Note: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7.

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

Assessor
John Hatfield (CNP)

Municipal Officials		
Name	Position	Signature
John Quinlan	Chairman	
John Esposito	Selectman	
Howard Brown	Selectman	

Preparer		
Name	Phone	Email
Joan Cleary	603-673-6080	jcleary@montvernonh.us



Land Value Only		Acres	Valuation
1A	Current Use RSA 79-A	5,445.17	\$344,703
1B	Conservation Restriction	0.00	\$0
1C	Discretionary Easements RSA	3.38	\$203
1D	Discretionary Preservation	0.00	\$0
1E	Taxation of Land Under Farm	0.00	\$0
1F	Residential Land	3,244.64	\$98,666,100
1G	Commercial/Industrial Land	35.60	\$1,053,100
1H	Total of Taxable Land	8,728.79	\$100,064,106
1I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable	1,030.07	\$4,162,582

Buildings Value Only		Structures	Valuation
2A	Residential	0	\$225,060,250
2B	Manufactured Housing RSA	0	\$1,741,920
2C	Commercial/Industrial	0	\$1,102,940
2D	Discretionary Preservation	0	\$0
2E	Taxation of Farm Structures	0	\$0
2F	Total of Taxable Buildings	0	\$227,905,110
2G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable	0	\$3,567,740

Utilities & Timber		Valuation
3A	Utilities	\$3,835,400
3B	Other Utilities	\$0
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA	\$0

5	Valuation before Exemption	\$331,804,616
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Exemptions		Total Granted	Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA	0	\$0
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf	0	\$0
8	Improvements to Assist Persons	0	\$0
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen	0	\$0
10A	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution	0	\$0
10B	Utility Water & Air Pollution	0	\$0

11	Modified Assessed Value of	\$331,804,616
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Optional Exemptions	Amount	Total	Valuation
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12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000	2	\$30,000
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-	\$0	7	\$502,390
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	\$0	0	\$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-	\$0	0	\$0
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems	\$0	0	\$0
17	Solar Energy Systems	\$0	20	\$281,570
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems	\$0	0	\$0
19	Additional School	\$0	0	\$0
19A	Electric Energy Storage	\$0	0	\$0
19B	Renewable Generation Facilities	\$0	0	\$0

20	Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$813,960
21A	Net Valuation			\$330,990,656
21B	Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21C	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained			\$330,990,656
21D	Less Commercial/Industrial Construction			\$0
21E	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained			\$330,990,656
22	Less Utilities			\$3,835,400
23A	Net Valuation without Utilities			\$327,155,256
23B	Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to			\$327,155,256



Utility Value Appraiser

Sansoucy Associates

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$3,835,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,835,400
	\$3,835,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,835,400



Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$500	76	\$38,000
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	\$700	0	\$0
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$2,000	5	\$10,000
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$0	0	\$0
Combat Service Tax Credit RSA 72:28-c	\$0	0	\$0
		81	\$48,000

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

Deaf Income Limits		Deaf Asset Limits	
Single		Single	
Married		Married	
Disabled Income Limits		Disabled Asset Limits	
Single		Single	
Married		Married	

Elderly Exemption Report

First-time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year		Total Number of Individuals Granted Elderly Exemptions for the Current Tax Year and Total Number of Exemptions Granted				
Age	Number	Age	Number	Amount	Maximum	Total
65-74	0	65-74	1	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$42,390
75-79	0	75-79	2	\$70,000	\$140,000	\$140,000
80+	0	80+	4	\$80,000	\$320,000	\$320,000
			7		\$520,000	\$502,390

Income Limits		Asset Limits	
Single	\$40,000	Single	\$75,000
Married	\$40,000	Married	\$75,000

Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Electric Energy Systems? (RSA 72:85)

Granted/Adopted? No

Properties:



Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Renewable Gen. Facility & Electric Energy Storage? (RSA 72:87)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? (RSA 79-E)

Granted/Adopted? No Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? (RSA 79-H)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? (RSA 79-G)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted the optional commercial and industrial construction exemption? (RSA 72:76-78 or RSA 72:80-83)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Percent of assessed value attributable to new construction to be exempted:
Total Exemption Granted:

Has the municipality granted any credits under the low-income housing tax credit tax program? (RSA 75:1-a)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Assessed value prior to effective date of RSA 75:1-a:
Current Assessed Value:



Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	411.10	\$103,296
Forest Land	4,248.59	\$219,851
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	358.44	\$15,494
Unproductive Land	133.58	\$1,931
Wet Land	293.46	\$4,131
	5,445.17	\$344,703

Other Current Use Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	674.18
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	3.46
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	161
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	233

Land Use Change Tax

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		\$104,309
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 0.00%	Dollar Amount:
Monies to Conservation Fund		
Monies to General Fund		\$104,309

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	0.00	\$0
Forest Land	0.00	\$0
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	0.00	\$0
Unproductive Land	0.00	\$0
Wet Land	0.00	\$0
	0.00	\$0

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	0.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	0
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	0



Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
Purgatory Falls Fish and Game Club	3.38	1	\$203

Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F				
Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
		0.00	\$0	\$0

Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D				
Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation

Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
<i>This municipality has no Discretionary Preservation Easements.</i>				

Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
<i>This municipality has no TIF districts.</i>					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357		
White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186		

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
<i>This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.</i>	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
<i>This municipality has no additional sources of PILTs.</i>	

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

This past summer, blooming bee balm, coreopsis, dotted horsemint, and coneflowers filled the banks of Carleton Pond with color and attracted an orchestra of singing crickets, buzzing cicadas, and fluttering butterflies. The lure of sitting on one of the benches or strolling along the clover-rich path turned the chore of going to and from the transfer station into an opportunity to find a moment of tranquility while also giving kids and dogs chances to run and play.

We residents were able to hit the pause button on our busy lives to watch dragonflies resting on cattails and bumblebees swaying among goldenrods because of the generosity of Roberta E. Wilkins. In 2017, she established a trust that provided funds for the plants, shrubs, and bulbs that now beautify Carleton Pond. It was because of her that the Mont Vernon Conservation Commission was able to create a flourishing landscape of native plants without the use of taxpayer funds. The Trustees of Trust Funds were honored to manage and to distribute the funds according to her wishes.

Along with managing capital reserve funds for the Town Hall renovations, a fire truck, and a new library, the trustees distributed funds from the following trusts:

- McCollom Scholarship Fund. Established in 1991 when the McCollom Institute was dissolved, this fund awarded \$1,000 to a graduating high-school student.
- Skenderian Family Trust #5. Established in 1977 by Dr. and Mrs. Skenderian, this trust awarded \$1,000 to a graduating high-school student.
- Kendall Trust. Established in 1945 in memory of Deacon William H. Kendall and his wife, this trust funded the purchase of Easter flowers by the Mont Vernon Congregational Church.
- Kendall Trust (1945) and Gladys Goodwin Trust (1983). These funds paid for the purchase of Memorial Day flowers for selected cemetery plots in Mont Vernon and Milford.
- Mont Vernon Police Department Trust. Established in 2020, these funds paid for supplies used by the D.A.R.E. program at MVVS.

The Trustees of Trust Funds are the custodians of Mont Vernon's perpetual care funds, charitable trusts, private donations, and capital reserve/expendable trust funds. In other words, we make the decisions on how to spend these funds based on the wishes of the donor, and we release capital reserve funds when requested by the appropriate government officials. We also choose how to invest the funds, based on statutes and our internal policies. If you are interested in establishing a trust fund, contributing to an existing trust, or would like information about the trust funds, please contact one of the trustees or attend a meeting on the

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

third Thursday of each month at 7:15 p.m. at Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Bayer, Chair

Alyson Miller, Secretary

Karen Mitchell, Treasurer

<u>MONT VERNON TRUSTEES of the TRUST FUNDS</u>		
<u>2023 FINANCIAL SUMMARY</u>		
Trust Funds Balance January 1, 2023		\$1,394,397.35
Income: Interest & Dividends		\$ 43,071.21
Capital Gains		\$ 22,487.87
New Contributions/Expenditures		(\$27,630.55)
Funds in Trust December 31, 2023		\$1,432,325.88
INVESTMENTS 12/31/2023	Original Cost	Market Value
US Equities		
25 General Electric Co	\$ 4,884.46	\$ 3,190.75
1732.696 Growth Fund of America	\$ 68,482.01	\$ 109,437.08
8 GE Healthcare Technologies	\$ -	\$ 618.56
2218 Investment Co of America	\$ 47,767.45	\$ 111,769.71
1 Wabtec Corp	\$ 78.06	\$ 126.90
2621 Washington Mutual Inv Fund	\$ 57,556.42	\$ 149,932.93
International Equities		
2325.444 American FDS Developing	\$ 25,020.91	\$ 23,998.58
2678.85 Cap World Growth & Income	\$ 106,096.35	\$ 161,052.52
857 Fidelity Diversified Intl	\$ 18,065.55	\$ 35,196.99
851.543 New World Fund	\$ 52,500.00	\$ 87,889.95
Taxable Fixed Income		
4573 American High Income Trust	\$ 52,085.16	\$ 43,442.41
4061 American FDS Inflation	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 36,994.93
3063 American Strategic Bond Fund	\$ 26,832.31	\$ 28,455.73
Mixed Assets		
5727.197 American Balanced	\$ 119,567.43	\$ 183,213.03
2651.636 Capital Income Builder Cl A	\$ 138,418.13	\$ 175,591.34
7269 Income Fund of America Cl A	\$ 123,319.56	\$ 170,386.02
Certificates of Deposit	1/1/2023	12/31/2023
	\$ 291,592.80	\$ 490,000.00
Capital Reserve Trust Funds January 1, 2023		\$ 984,902.52
Interest Income		\$ 35,682.83
New Contributions		\$ 244,000.00
Expenditure		\$ (191,818.18)
Capital Reserve Trust Funds December 31, 2023		\$1,072,767.17

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

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TRUST ACCOUNT	BAL 1/1/23	CAPITAL GAIN	INCOME	ADD/EXP	BAL 12/31/23
<u>CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND</u>		maintenance of specific graves			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 169,416.22	\$ 2,691.05		\$ 630.00	\$ 172,737.27
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 157,634.00	\$ 2,568.59	\$ 6,612.02	\$ (2,618.09)	\$ 164,196.53
CY-PRES ACCOUNT	\$ 321,056.29	\$ 5,231.50	\$ 13,466.83	\$ (19,295.00)	\$ 320,459.61
<u>SKENDERIAN TRUST #1</u>		medical aid to elderly/needy			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 49,994.98	\$ 794.14			\$ 50,789.12
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 39,534.62	\$ 655.11	\$ 2,773.71		\$ 42,963.44
<u>SKENDERIAN TRUST #2</u>		scholarships			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 41,397.40	\$ 657.57			\$ 42,054.97
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 1,400.56	\$ 35.21	\$ 1,325.92		\$ 2,761.69
<u>SKENDERIAN TRUST #3</u>		use of fire department			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 11,713.95	\$ 186.07			\$ 11,900.02
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 180.52	\$ 6.47	\$ 368.50		\$ 555.49
<u>SKENDERIAN TRUST #4</u>		income for any town commission, committee			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 49,993.89	\$ 794.11			\$ 50,788.00
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 6,868.09	\$ 126.32	\$ 1,761.64		\$ 8,756.05
<u>SKENDERIAN TRUST #5</u>		scholarships			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 116,131.47	\$ 1,844.66			\$ 117,976.13
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 5,625.06	\$ 126.25	\$ 3,772.12	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 8,523.43
<u>BANCROFT-LONG MEMORIAL TRUST</u>		income for beautification			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 18,594.98	\$ 295.36			\$ 18,890.34
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 4,506.92	\$ 78.59	\$ 715.72		\$ 5,301.23
<u>CLARA KENDALL TRUST FUND</u>		for cemetery improvements			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 18,578.88	\$ 295.11			\$ 18,873.99
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 5,680.02	\$ 92.94	\$ 744.40	\$ (294.97)	\$ 6,222.39
<u>FIDELIA WHIPPLE SHEDD FUND</u>		Income for improvement of the village			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 21,275.00	\$ 337.94			\$ 21,612.94
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 1,951.09	\$ 38.03	\$ 719.57		\$ 2,708.69
<u>GLADYS GOODWIN TRUST FUND</u>		Income for flowers on Temple Cemetery lots			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 1,014.69	\$ 16.12			\$ 1,030.81
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 1,004.09	\$ 16.16	\$ 61.99	\$ (29.98)	\$ 1,052.26
<u>McCOLLUM SCHOLARSHIP FUND</u>		Income for scholarships			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 86,496.84	\$ 1,373.94			\$ 87,870.78
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 4,417.84	\$ 83.63	\$ 2,803.60	\$ (1,100.00)	\$ 6,205.07
<u>GREGORY J. GRIFFIN TRUST</u>		Income for scholarships			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 34,405.08	\$ 546.50			\$ 34,951.58
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 1,594.45	\$ 36.23	\$ 1,115.30		\$ 2,745.98
<u>RUTH I. HANSCOM TRUST</u>		Income for aid to elderly residents			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 5,177.06	\$ 82.23			\$ 5,259.29
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 4,064.91	\$ 67.37	\$ 286.33		\$ 4,418.61
<u>LINDA T FOSTER TRUST</u>		Income for scholarships			
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 22,328.98	\$ 354.68			\$ 22,683.66
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 580.15	\$ 16.16	\$ 709.76		\$ 1,306.07

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

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<u>MV PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST</u>		Income for books & supplies				
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 40,357.01	\$ 647.31		\$ 395.04	\$ 41,399.36	
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 29,594.65	\$ 485.01	\$ 2,167.15	\$ (395.04)	\$ 31,851.77	
<u>AMY HUBBARD FEYS TRUST</u>		Income for books				
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 3,182.42	\$ 50.55			\$ 3,232.97	
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 3,912.99	\$ 64.31	\$ 219.82		\$ 4,197.12	
<u>Von WEBER FUND</u>		Income for library use				
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 31,609.11	\$ 502.09			\$ 32,111.20	
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 28,294.85	\$ 467.59	\$ 1,855.86		\$ 30,618.30	
<u>TEMPLE - GOODWIN FUND</u>		Income for books				
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 3,236.56	\$ 51.41			\$ 3,287.97	
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 13,550.73	\$ 220.33	\$ 520.08		\$ 14,291.14	
<u>MAUDE E. SMITH FUND</u>		Income for books				
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 1,591.20	\$ 25.27			\$ 1,616.47	
INCOME ACCOUNT	\$ 8,123.74	\$ 131.98	\$ 300.99		\$ 8,556.71	
<u>LIBRARY BUILDING EXPANSION FUND</u>		expendable trust				
P+I ACCOUNT	\$ 5,658.09	\$ 44.52	\$ 94.87	(\$2,837.10)	\$ 2,960.38	
<u>POLICE DEPT FUND</u>		expendable trust				
P+I ACCOUNT	\$ 4,133.44	\$ 49.44	\$ 100.83	(\$1,085.41)	\$ 3,198.30	
<u>CEMETERY FUND</u>		expendable trust				
P+I ACCOUNT	\$ 18,534.53	\$ 300.02	\$ 574.20		\$ 19,408.75	
<u>FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 296,291.86	\$ -	\$ 10,745.45	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 406,037.31	
<u>LIBRARY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 129,561.35	\$ -	\$ 2,359.07	\$ (51,713.17)	\$ 80,207.25	
Matching funds received from Daland Trustees						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 259,875.20	\$ -	\$ 6,235.33	\$ (51,713.16)	\$ 214,397.37	
<u>TOWN HALL CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ -		\$ 6.16	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,006.16	
<u>MVVS PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 207,252.13	\$ -	\$ 10,767.50	\$ (53,000.00)	\$ 165,019.63	
<u>MVSD TUITION CONTINGENCY FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 33,689.81		\$ 1,763.12		\$ 35,452.93	
<u>FUND TO EDUCATE STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 32,263.82		\$ 2,164.68	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 54,428.50	
<u>MVSD HEALTH & DENTAL INSURANCE FUND</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ -		\$ 357.12	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,357.12	
<u>TOWN-WIDE RADIO UPGRADES</u>						
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	\$ 25,000.00		\$ 1,276.53	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 51,276.53	
<u>ROBERTA WILKINS TRUST</u>		expendable trust				
P & I ACCOUNT	\$ 968.35		\$ 7.87	\$ (391.85)	\$ 584.37	

WELFARE

New Hampshire law requires every town and city to have a welfare program. The Town of Mont Vernon Welfare Department provides interim emergency assistance for eligible residents. Requests for assistance can be made through a written application process and an initial assessment intake. Eligibility is based on a financial review of basic needs and available applicant resources. The 2023 budget for the Mont Vernon Welfare Department was \$12,200 and it was not exceeded.

In 2023 the town provided assistance to three families in the form of utility help, rental support, and cremation services. The Welfare Officer is also available to all residents to provide support and information about federal and state assistance programs.

Welfare can be reached by email at welfare@montvernonnh.us or by phone at 603-673-6080.

Chloe Diorio-Bowes

Welfare Officer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During calendar year 2023, the Mont Vernon Zoning Board of Adjustment was called upon to conduct one hearing.

Case 1-2023 was an application for a special exception for a home business at 18 South Main Street, submitted by John Carbonneau and Kimberly Lund. The special exception was granted with a number of conditions.

As remains the situation, the ZBA would welcome inquiries re: serving as an alternate.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment in 2023 were:

David Sturm	Chair
Tony Immorlica	Vice Chair
Jason Johnson	
Stephen O'Keefe	
Charles Schuessler	

MILFORD AREA COMMUNICATION CENTER

The Milford Area Communications Center (MACC) has proudly served the region since 1986. We provide centralized Emergency Dispatch services for the Towns of Milford, Mont Vernon, Wilton and Lyndeborough. The services we provide include alarm monitoring, emergency radio, and telephone communications for Ambulance, Fire, Police, Public Works, and Emergency Management agencies within the towns we serve. MACCs services are further expanded to the community of Greenfield who receive Emergency Medical Services from the Town of Wilton Ambulance. Additionally, MACC also serves as the backup Emergency Communications Center for the Towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis & Mason.

Throughout 2023 MACC Base Dispatchers were here every minute of every day serving the citizen and visitors of the Souhegan Valley with Pride and dedication. This past year dispatchers handled over 60,589 calls for service in our communities. Additionally, they fielded 55,813 telephone calls and monitored 606,857 radio transmissions. It is our Emergency Dispatcher's responsibility to properly assess a crisis, ensure the proper personnel and equipment are sent to handle the situation and to monitor the incident until the emergency has passed. Contrary to a common misconception, 911 telecommunicators located in Concord & Laconia are not responsible for providing emergency dispatching to our first responders. The 911 telecommunicator's role is to route calls to the appropriate dispatch center such as MACC Base. If the emergency warrants, they will provide pre-arrival medical instructions to callers until emergency services are on scene. It is MACC Base personnel who ultimately dispatch the appropriate Emergency Service(s) to the calls for service.

In 2023, MACC Base saw several staffing changes, all of which our dispatchers navigated with true dedication to their profession and the mission of the Communications Center. We have seen projects that have been in process for some time come to completion and seen new projects begin to come to life that aim to continue moving the dispatch center forward into the future. As a result, we have been able to decommission some of our legacy radio equipment that was installed around 1989 and had surpassed its life expectancy by many years. Additionally, we saw the decommissioning of two radio transmitter sites that were longer in use by MACC as a result of radio infrastructure upgrades completed by our member towns.

As we enter 2024, we will continue planning for the future advancement of Emergency Dispatching services to the area. One such advancement includes the increase of full-time staff. Year after year we see our activities, roles and responsibilities within the Emergency Services Community increase. With the addition of a Full-Time Dispatcher MACC will be able to provide dispatcher coverage that is closer to staffing standards allowing us to better serve the visitors and citizens of our communities.

MILFORD AREA COMMUNICATION CENTER

Emergency Dispatchers routinely deal with things when they are at their worst, when citizens and our fellow first responders need experienced, competent professionals to help in the mitigation of complex situations. It is an honor and a privilege to work alongside a group of such dedicated individuals who routinely place them self before others in their service to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Anderson, Director

Nashua Regional Planning Commission 2023 Annual Report - Mont Vernon, NH

NRPC provides comprehensive transportation, land use, environmental, and economic development planning services and delivers extensive mapping and data assistance. As an NRPC member, the Town of Mont Vernon accessed a wide range of benefits in 2023, including:

Community-Based Transportation: NRPC administers funding for Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative bus service to provide affordable, wheelchair-accessible transportation to Mont Vernon residents for non-emergency healthcare and other essential activities. nashuarpc.org/RCC7

Conserved Lands Mapping: updated NRPC's database of conservation lands and Lamson Farm for use by the town's Conservation Commission.

Discounted New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation

Books: In conjunction with the NH Office of Strategic Initiatives, NRPC offers the annual NH Planning and Land Use Regulation Book to communities at a sizable discount. Mont Vernon's **Total Cost Savings** in 2023: **\$917**

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection: NRPC held six HHW collection events in 2023 for residents to properly dispose of hazardous household waste products. **27 Mont Vernon households** participated in these events. nashuarpc.org/hhw

Online GIS: MapGeo, NRPC's Live Maps App, is the Town's public GIS property viewer: nrpcnh.mapgeo.io. Est. Annual software **cost savings: \$3,000**

RSMS Project Kickoff: NRPC staff met with Town staff to discuss performing an RSMS project for the town, that seeks to assess the current state of public roads and develop a cost-effective plan to maintain, preserve, and repair the roads over 10 years. The next phase of the project begins in the Spring of 2024.

Tax Mapping: nashuarpc.org/TaxMapMTV NRPC maintains Mont Vernon's tax maps that are legally required under NH RSA 31:95-a at no additional cost to the town.

NRPC extends heartfelt thanks to citizens and staff who support regional planning, including:

NRPC Commissioners: Tim Berry, Mike Fimbel (alt)

Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Member: Ben Crosby

Nashua Regional Solid Waste Management District Representative: Mike Fimbel

Mont Vernon FY24 Dues: \$1,953

Respectfully Submitted – Jay Minkarah, Executive Director

2023 TOWN MEETING MINUTES, TOWN OF MONT VERNON, NH

David Sturm introduces everyone on stage. Selectmen John Quinlan (chairman), Jack Esposito and Howard Brown. Town Administrator Joan Cleary and Town Clerk Belinda Yeaton

Sergeant Daigneault lead us in the pledge. David thanked all of the town volunteers, veterans, firefighters, DPW, policeman. Moment of silence for those we've lost this past year.

Officially called to order at 7:12pm

David went over all the rules of the meeting. John Quinlan announced the formation of the Strategic Advisory Committee to come up with a master plan for the town.

Article 04 Construction of New Library Building

Proposed Warrant Article

Construction of New Library Building

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,950,000 for the construction of a new library building on land owned by the Town; for equipping and furnishing said building, for site development, architectural and other service fees; and for any other items incidental thereto and necessary for said construction.

Said appropriation to be raised in part by the issuance of not more than \$2,640,000 of bonds or notes, \$2,360,000 passed in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon.

The balance of said funds shall be raised as follows:

* Capital Reserve Funds

* To authorize the withdrawal of the 12/31/22 balance (\$89,849) from the Library Capital Reserve Fund created for the above stated Purpose.

* To further authorize the withdrawal of the 12/31/22 (\$223,151) from the Daland

2023 TOWN MEETING MINUTES, TOWN OF MONT VERNON, NH

Matching Funds
created for the above
stated purpose.

* Gifts to the Town

* To authorize the Select Board to accept the following
gifts to the Town in support of the above stated purpose:

* The Sophia G. Daland Trust in the amount of
\$855,000

* The Friends of the Daland Memorial Library in an
amount not less than \$42,000 and

* The Mont Vernon Library Charitable Foundation in an
amount not less than \$2,100,000. \$2,380,000 passed

* Town funds voted in this article may partially match NEH
Challenge Grant (CHA-286624) funds included in this
contribution.

* Any State, Federal, or any other aid that becomes
available for the above stated purpose. And to authorize
the Select Board to take any other necessary action
relative to the above stated purpose. The building will be
owned by the Town of Mont Vernon and will house the
public library, known now and in the future as the Daland
Memorial Library. Recommendations required (3/5 ballot
vote required)

The Selectmen are two for, one against this article.

There is no tax impact for 2023.

**2024 tax impact = .72 per
thousand.**

2025-2053 tax impact ranges from .75-.28 per thousand each year.

Failed 285 yes 223 no

Amendment moved by John second by Howard Brown

Cindy Raspiller Blood Rd Library Presentation

Spencer Lovette Treasurer of MVLCF made an amendment to raise the
amount that the MVLCF puts in to \$2,380,000 reducing the Cost to the
Town.

2023 TOWN MEETING MINUTES, TOWN OF MONT VERNON, NH

Jane King read a letter from David Sturm Trustee

Pete Tedder 70 Salisbury Rd spoke on wetland permits, Carlton Pond Park. Did the Library supply an itemized cost to the selectmen? Upset that the Conservation Committee couldn't view

Asked about full-time staff. Cindy answered.

Concerned that 25 households are the only ones that use the library.

Christine Hamilton supports the library, heart of the community

Tim Allen 81 Salisbury rd. lifetime member of friends of the library 28-year resident grateful for the library and the staff. Started senior program had many people attend. Current build is non-conforming.

Cindy Raspiller 2 blood rd. in favor of the library. Building should welcome all residents of the town. New building is all one level. Does not want to fail another generation.

Pete Teder 8.3 inflation. Crippling impact come tax time.

Emily Pease 4 Southview dr. Current programs for kids and will they be expanded? Joanne Kitchel 13 Main st Listed all the programs for kids currently.

Sheila Sturm 14 north Main st in favor. Address the comment that library will be dysfunctional in 20 years. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Libraries are changing to community centers research centers, books are still available but you can also get eBooks through the library

Spencer Tate Project Manager.

Derek Jamison is the RFP publicly available. Would like to see the response Anne Dodd 36 Mason Rd they are available with her.

Chip Spaulding Planning board civil engineer unclear absence of planning. No formal application sent to planning board or fire department. 41 acres picked the most restrictive parcel.

2023 TOWN MEETING MINUTES, TOWN OF MONT VERNON, NH

Bruce Schmidt 3 Southview dr supports the library Kids grew up using the library.

Anne Dodd 36 Mason Rd 1986 Daland Trustee 2006

Anna Szok Old Milford Rd New Library teacher we were told that there would be no tax impact. Why do we need such a big library? Concerned that money won 't be enough.

Sheila Sturm 44 % is what the library is asking for. Need assessment shows that we need a building this big.

Eileen Nabor 14 beech hill rd move the question

Christine Hamilton Main Job is writing budgets. Understands that people are concerned that we are just throwing money at this project. Feels that this amount will cover the entire project.

Steve Bennett 76 Old Amherst Rd Planning board reviewing no requirement to file an application library did do a presentation to the board. Been here 30 years and the library is to small

Lorri Hayes 4 Cranes crossing Mont Vernon deserves a new library. We deserve great things!

Kim Roberge Salisbury Rd Need a new library but not one this big 29 years believe in being fiscally responsible.

Spencer Lovett 14 Dow Rd all about the numbers if you vote no you will be rejecting 1.8 million.

John Quinlan 4 bonds on warrant and we have the right to choose which bond we choose.

Kim Roberge yells from the back of the room \$600,000 worth of interest.

Told she was out of order. David Sturm asked if the bonds discussion will be on the agenda the answer was yes.

Jack Esposito wants a level bond.

Question Called

Article 05 New Library Sprinkler System Design & Installation

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 for the addition of a fire sprinkler system to the new library building; for architectural and other service fees; and for any other items incidental thereto and necessary for said installation. Said appropriation to be raised by the issuance of not more than \$150,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon.

Recommendations required (3/5 ballot vote required).

The Selectmen support this article.

There is no tax impact for 2023.

2024 tax impact is .07.

2025-2033 tax impact ranges from .05-.07 per thousand.

David announced library results failed

Motion for reconsideration made by Eileen Nabor Second by Kim Roberge Hand count needed.

Yes 116 No 182 vote on Reconsideration failed.

Jerry Griffin Motion to table Article 5 second by John Quinlan

Passed by Hand Count

Article 06 Construction of Access Road

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700,000 (gross budget) for the construction of an access road to the new cemetery and proposed library, including parking lots for said library, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$700,000

\$653,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon.

Recommendations required (3/5 ballot vote required). The Selectmen support this article.

There is no tax impact

for 2023. 2024 tax

impact = .19 per

thousand.

2025-2043 tax impacts range from .17-.19 per thousand.

John Arrico Budget Committee

Tim Berry Old Milford Rd Penny

wise pound foolish

Kim Roberge Selectmen never discussed the RFP's for the road Why wasn't an independent review done. Bid that was given.

John Quinlan

Chip Spaulding Misinformation out there Trying to inform the town.

Alison Miller Cemetery Trustee All For the road does not want a road on Westin hill rd. David Hall What happens if the library passes and the road fails?

Sheila Sturm Call the question

Kim Roberge didn't get the answer "Will the road fail.

John Quinlan number is different because the quote is not the same as last year. Asphalt has sky rocketed. After review we hired meridian and the state approved the road.

Kim Roberge interrupted Spencer from Meridian

Spencer from Meridian

204 yes 149 no failed 57%

Article 07 New All-Wheel Drive Fire Truck

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$895,000 \$934,724 for the purchase of an all-wheel drive fire truck, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$600,000 \$568,024 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to authorize the withdrawal of at least \$295,000 from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Recommendation of the Board of Fire Wards required (3/5 ballot vote required).

The Selectmen are two for, one against this article.

There is no tax impact for 2023.
2024 tax impact = .25 per thousand.
2025-2035 tax impacts range from .16-.24 per thousand.

Jay Wilson Fire Chief
John Arrico Budget Committee 6-1 Pete King
Jay Wilson

167 yes 157 no failed

Sheila moved to restrict reconsideration

Article 8 Add to Fire Truck Capital Reserve

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 \$99,000 to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for this purpose. (Majority vote required.)

The Selectmen are two for, one against this article.

Tax impact: .23 per thousand.

Jay made an amendment to up \$24,000

Amendment Passed

Lorri Hayes asked about the tax impact it would be
.30 per thousand

Passed by Hand Count

Article 09 Add to Capital Reserve for Radio Upgrades

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Town Wide Radio Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of upgrading the 1st Responder radios. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations required from the Fire Chief and Police Chief (Majority vote required.)
The Selectmen support this article.

Tax impact = .08 per thousand.

Passed by hand count

Article 10 Highway Block Grant

To see if the Town of Mont Vernon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94,050 for the purpose of reconstruction of Town roads. To be offset by anticipated Highway Block Grant funds. This special article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the purpose is completed or by December 31, 2026, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required).

The Selectmen support this article.

There is no tax impact for this article.

Passed by Hand Count

Article 11 2023 SCBA Equipment

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of purchasing SCBA equipment (air bottles, brackets, clips, masks). (Majority vote required)
The Selectmen support this article.

Tax impact = .06 per thousand.

Passed by Hand Count

Article 12 Establish a Capital Reserve Fund for Town Hall Rehabilitation

To see if the town will vote to establish a Town Hall Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the use of repairs, rehabilitation, and renovation of the Town Hall and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund, recommendations required from the Heritage Commission.
(Majority Vote Required)

The Selectmen support this article.

Tax impact = .15 per thousand.

John and Jack

Passed by hand count

Article 13 Readoption of the Optional Veterans Credit

Shall the Town of Mont Vernon readopt the OPTIONAL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$500? (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen support this article.

There is no tax impact for this article.

John and Jack

John Quinlan explains

Passed by hand count

Article 14 Operating Budget

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,508,371 \$3,538,043 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee supports this article. The Selectmen support this article.

Tax impact = 1.02 per thousand.

+\$1000 Line 422074

+\$18,672 Line 431230

+\$10,000 Line 431277

Amendment passed Passed by hand count

Article 15 Act Upon Reports

To act upon the reports of all Town Officers, Agents, Auditors, Committees, Commissions, etc. and raise and appropriate any money relative thereto.

Jack and John

Passed by Hand Count

Article 16 Other

To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Passed by Hand Count

David Closed the meeting at 11:30pm

Respectfully Submitted by

Belinda Yeaton

Mont Vernon Town Clerk

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS
OF
MONT VERNON, N.H.
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
June 30, 2023

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SCHOOL OFFICIALS
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Mr. Peter Eckhoff Chair - Term Expires 2024

Ms. Jessica Hinckley Vice Chair - Term Expires 2025

Mr. George Torres Secretary - Term Expires 2026

Ms. Sarah Lawrence - Term Expires 2024

Mr. Andrew Stokinger

Mr. Michael Berry Superintendent -Term Expires 2024

Mr. Steven Chamberlin Assistant Superintendent

Ms. Christine Landwehrle Assistant Superintendent

Ms. Amy Facey Business Administrator

Ms. Margaret Beauchamp Director of Special Education

Mr. Tom Lecklider Principal

Ms. Christine West School District Moderator

Ms. Lyn Jennings School District Treasurer

Ms. Amy Wyman School District Clerk

Vachon Clukay & Company PC, CPA - School District Auditor

Mr. Tom Lecklider School District Truant Officer

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT THIRTY-NINE
Amherst, Mont Vernon, and Souhegan Cooperative School Districts



MICHAEL BERRY
Superintendent of Schools

STEVEN CHAMBERLIN
Assistant Superintendent

CHRISTINE LANDWEHRLE
Assistant Superintendent

MARGARET BEAUCHAMP
Director of Student Services

AMY FACEY
Business Administrator

January 2024

Dear Mont Vernon Residents:

My name is Michael Berry. I have been privileged to serve as your Superintendent for the 2023 – 2024 school year. It is an honor to contribute to the Mont Vernon Town Report, which serves as the historical record of this community.

The Mont Vernon School District is governed by a School Board that cares deeply about the educational experience for students and the impact on the community. The Board adopted and committed to the following goals for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Increase communication between the School Board and community including, but not limited to, budget advocacy and facility committee support.
- The Board will monitor student achievement in literacy and mathematics.
- The Board will receive regular updates about policies, practices, and procedures related to security at MVVS.
- To facilitate the implementation of a facility study at MVVS.

The Board continues to oversee the literacy curriculum development, receive regular reports on the implementation of new evidence/research-based mathematics program updates on the work around improving the overall experience of students, and continually seeks ways to engage the community.

The faculty and staff have embraced focusing on literacy, mathematics, and the student's social-emotional well-being. They regularly collaborate around the needs of students. They willingly try new instructional strategies as they are devoted to continued learning. As an example of their dedication, the faculty requested an increase in the instructional day to support student learning better. The Mont Vernon Village School is an extraordinary place.

The FY25 Warrant maintains the necessary components to focus on students and high academic achievement. The proposed budget increase is due to the requirements in special education, the impact of inflation, and the need to offer competitive wages in a small number of positions. The Board is asking the community to support a facility study regarding the expansion/renovation of the building and savings of funds to reduce tax rate fluctuation.

I hope to see you at the Deliberative Session on February 7, 2024.

Best,

Michael Berry
Superintendent

1 School Street P.O. Box 849 Amherst, NH 03031-0849 Phone: 603-673-2690 Fax: 603-672-1786

MVVS School Board Report

Hello fellow Mont Vernon citizens, The Mont Vernon Village School continues to be a stellar example of a quality educational experience for our students. We are fortunate to have your continued support of the school, students, teachers, administration, and support staff, making MVVS a special learning environment.

The positive vibe of the learning experience is evident the minute you walk into the building. Principal Tom Lecklider, his staff, and the student body have embraced the S.O.A.R. spirit! I encourage you to visit the school to see and feel the excitement.

Academically, our students and teachers continue to learn their way out of COVID challenges with excellent results. National and state-level testing scores for math and reading are among the top in the state for all grade levels. Continued support at all levels is critical for students to excel. Our specialist support staff also adds another level of support to those children needing additional instruction. I encourage you to read Principal Lecklider's report for a deeper understanding of the successes that they are achieving in MVVS. As a Board, we are very pleased with the year-over-year results and the action steps that are in place to address any areas of concern.

The MVVS physical building is in solid shape as well. We have some short- and long-term facility concerns due to aging, but the building is in a good spot overall. The long-term facilities funding plan has been a key driver in helping maintain our building and pay for big projects without severely impacting the tax rate. Projects on the horizon for this fund include completing the HVAC system and updating the playground. The board will also review facility needs for an ADA ramp, a water system update, and a building generator. Your support in voting yes on this warrant article each year provides the funding required to complete these larger projects. Thank you.

We would also like to thank Roger Preston and the custodial staff for their efforts year-round. Roger has been very proactive in monitoring all facets of the building. This preventative approach to our maintenance plan has been successful and should lead to avoiding 'big ticket' expenses. The custodial staff has the building in great shape daily. We have heard from many people that they have integrated themselves into the daily fabric of the student's day at MVVS. Warrant article 4 from FY23 supported a continuation of the Middle School Study Committee's efforts starting in 2022. The Board formed a Facility Committee to investigate three areas:

- The Development of a Middle School Program.

- Increasing space due to a projected increase in enrollment. The New England School Development Council (NESDEC) projects a significant increase in enrollment.
- The development of preschool programs on campus as preschool needs are increasing.

The work of the Facility Committee is especially timely. The Amherst School District proposes a building project impacting Mont Vernon's tax rate. Their proposal moves 5th graders back to their elementary school. This means our MV students will make up a larger percentage of the average daily membership. Our tuition is based on ADM, among other factors.

We need to respond to the Amherst School District per the terms of our tuition agreement to either extend for the next five years (ending 2031) or share an intent to exit the agreement and cease to tuition our 7&8 students into the ASD.

The current Facility Committee is considering the results of the community survey sent out last year and the recommendations from the first Middle School Study Committee. The committee has received RFPs from 2 firms to complete the explorations as outlined above. The Board will provide regular updates.

The company that completes this study will provide the Board with project proposals so that we, as a community, can decide what we want to do moving forward. This information will help the Board decide whether to move forward with the remaining five years of our middle school students' tuition agreement. The Board thanks the community for funding warrant article 4 and allowing us to understand the costs associated with either a remodel and addition for expanding enrollment or the potential for bringing our middle school students back up the hill. There is much work to do, so anyone interested in joining the committee or attending a meeting is welcome!

On the School Board, Kristen Clark accepted a job opportunity overseas and had to resign. Kristen was a passionate board member, and her input has been missed. The Board appointed Andrew Stokinger to finish out Kristen's year term. He brings a strong business background to the board. He was a member of the first building committee for MVVS. He has continued in that role with the current MVVS building study committee.

The Board would like to thank everyone in the community for their continued support of the Mont Vernon Village School. It is a very special and unique school you can all be proud of.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pete Eckhoff Chairperson
Mont Vernon School Board

MVVS Principal's Town Report

To the residents of Mont Vernon, the Mont Vernon School Board, and the Superintendent of Schools,

I respectfully submit the 2023- 2024 School Year Report of the Principal of Mont Vernon Village School. I am honored and privileged to serve as the principal of MVVS. Over the past year, we have much to be proud of and thankful for in our school community. I continue to be humbled and impressed by the skill and talent of the team at the Village School. I am overwhelmed at the pride and spirit that is the Mont Vernon Community. Our mission is to engage, challenge, and support each learner. I will highlight areas within our school goals of promoting a literacy rich environment, supporting the development of mathematical thinking, and ensuring the social/emotional needs of our students are met. In each of these areas, we have seen great success this year.

I was honored this fall to accept an invitation to the Mont Vernon Board of Selectmen to recognize Mont Vernon Village School's ranking of #4 (out of 291) in Elementary Schools in the State of New Hampshire on the well-respected NICHE.com. Not only that, our students demonstrated exceptional year to year growth in both Math and Reading. This data was evidence of a job well done by the MVVS team.

It was exciting to celebrate our work in math and literacy with our community where we brought back the tradition of the math carnival and a literacy night in the spring highlighting writing. Over the course of the winter months, we captured the excitement of our students for reading with a fun reading game challenge, Bookopoly, coordinated by Mrs. Garrity and Mrs. Holm. We were also honored to welcome author Vivian Kirkfield to our school.

We continue to unite our school community around the theme of S.O.A.R.ing and the notion that it takes a village to SOAR together as the MVVS Falcons. The word SOAR has special meaning at MVVS:

S how Respect
O thers First
A lways Safe
R esponsible Citizens

Over the course of this year, we are holding four SOAR assemblies, each quarter, with a focus on one of our four core values. In September we kicked this off with our “Respect” assembly. At each of these assemblies, we are inviting a special member of the Mont Vernon community to speak to our student body about the theme (MVPD Officer D was our guest in September). Additionally, Monty the Falcon led our school in a spirited dance and cheers.

This fall, when we kicked off the school year, we, again, released videos of what it looks like to SOAR in various aspects of school, including lunch, recess, and hallways. We regularly reinforce this theme throughout our school and during our whole school announcements in the morning and afternoon. Students are recognized for their positive “SOAR”ing behaviors with SOAR slips. When students receive a SOAR slip, we read the recognition during announcements then post on our SOAR board outside the main office. Monty the Falcon, our school mascot, has made appearances at special events to reinforce the spirit and pride in our school when students are SOARing, including the Mont Vernon Spring Gala Parade. Over the course of the year, we focused on a variety of positive behaviors.

This past fall, we celebrated traditions and community events that are important to our school, including Grandparents/Special Friend Day, Operation Pumpkin, and our Veteran’s Day Ceremony.

During the summer, all new staff were trained in Responsive Classroom, which is an intentional approach to building community and responding to individual student needs in the classroom.

As has been the case for the past couple of summers, we ran three programs Extended School Year, ESY (for those students with special needs who need extra support), Title I (for other students who need extra support in math and/or reading), and variety of enrichment programs in math, literacy, the arts, and STEM (open to all students).

MVVS welcomed a few new members to our team this year. Scott Saucier is our new physical education teacher. Mr. Saucier brings several years of teaching experience at a local charter school. Sadly, Laura Oberst relocated out of State during the school year, yet were very fortunate to have Kara Kucenski join our team. Mrs. Kucenski brings years of experience as an educator in Connecticut to our team. We welcome Amber Sullivan and Kristen Roy to our team as

paraprofessionals. Both have acclimated quickly to our team and our community.

I am proud of the hard work our team continues to accomplish in organizing and implementing a Multi-Tiered System of Supports. This MTSS team is a cross section of our staff and helps to provide support and intervention to our students on an individual basis. We have been working hard on this system for three years and are excited to move this district-wide work forward in order to support each individual learner.

This fall, our leadership opportunities for students hit a new level. For our sixth graders, we have a variety of new “jobs” and responsibilities, including library helper, morning announcement voices, and kindergarten helps. One of the programs we have run for the past few years is our recess mentor opportunity. 5th and 6th grade students go to recess and facilitate games and activities with our K-3 students. This has proven to be very successful, and we have seen tremendous and positive leadership from these students.

The Operation Pumpkin tradition continued this fall, partnering with Souhegan High School’s ethics forum. The students from SHS visited our school in late October and performed an amazing musical then presented each of our students with pumpkins. This was a wonderful experience for our students, staff, and community. Thank you to Souhegan High School for their hard work in preparing for this event.

The Village School Community and the Mont Vernon Community have been partnering in many ways over the course of the past year. I would like to thank our MV Police Department, Fire Department, Rec Department, Daland Library, MV General Store, amongst others for their support of our school and various events this year. From the Welcome Back to School, to the Costume Parade to our guest readers from the community to the Winter Wonderland, we have been able to team up to make amazing things happen for our students, families, and community. I have also enjoyed connecting with members of our school community at our monthly “Lunch with your student” and “Coffee with the principal” events. Our sixth-grade class chose an Ancient Egyptian theme for their graduation and donned their creativity in the spring gala parade on their float.

The incredible MVVS PTA has been extremely active in supporting our school and our community. This fall, we saw tremendous turnouts at both our ice cream social and bingo night. Additionally, our book fair was very successful, and most recently, the Holiday Store saw terrific support. Winter Wonderland was, again, a tremendous success with a huge turnout of MVVS families. Our PTA also has supported our staff with meals and special recognitions. Thank you to President Kucenski and the entire PTA team for your amazing work and support.

On the facilities front, our team is doing excellent work in keeping our school updated and clean. One of our proudest moments was the firing up of our kiln, which was installed in the art/music room. Finally, after a flood in the upper hallway last year, we are proud to announce that the area is as good as new.

We continue to see strong involvement in our after-school programs including a flag football program, a clay/pottery club, a robotics program, our talent show, and an art club which donated a banner to Daland Memorial Library.

As we look to the new year, I am excited to continue building on the outstanding work happening in our school and community. Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school. Our motto is that “it takes a village” and this year ahead we are looking forward to “SOARING together as a village”.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Lecklider
Principal Mont Vernon Village School

**Mont Vernon School District
Annual Meeting Warrant
February 7, 2024 and March 12, 2024
Mont Vernon, New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Mont Vernon School District in the Town of Mont Vernon, County of Hillsborough, and State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified of the following Annual School District Meeting schedule:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Mont Vernon Village School, 1 Kittredge Rd., Mont Vernon, NH in said District on the 7th day of February 2024 at 6:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles 2 through 7. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended, and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Village School in said District, on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to vote by official ballot on warrant articles numbered 1 through 7.

Article 1. Election of Officers (voting by official ballot March 12, 2024)

To the following school district offices:

- a. To choose two (2) School Board Members for the ensuing three (3) years
- b. To choose one (1) School Board Member for the ensuing one (1) year
- c. To choose one (1) School District Moderator for the ensuing one (1) year
- d. To choose one (1) School District Clerk for the ensuing one (1) year
- e. To choose one (1) School District Treasurer for the ensuing one (1) year

Article 2.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling six million, six hundred thirty nine thousand, one hundred and six dollars (\$6,639,106)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be six million five hundred forty two thousand, six hundred forty six dollars (\$6,542,646), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Mont Vernon School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only? **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommended by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.99 per thousand

Estimated tax impact of not passing this article is: \$0.70 per thousand

**NOTE: Warrant Article 2 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.*

**Mont Vernon School District
Annual Meeting Warrant
February 7, 2024 and March 12, 2024
Mont Vernon, New Hampshire**

Article 3.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand (\$30,000) to put in said fund? This sum to come from new taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommended by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.09 per thousand

Article 4.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the School Property Maintenance Expendable Trust fund previously established in March 2007? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommended by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.15 per thousand

Article 5.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District change the name, but not the purpose, of the Students with Disabilities Capital Reserve Fund to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to said fund previously established in March 2016? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommend by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.05 per thousand

Article 6.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Health and Dental Insurance Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March 2023? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommend by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.03 per thousand

**Mont Vernon School District
Annual Meeting Warrant
February 7, 2024 and March 12, 2024
Mont Vernon, New Hampshire**

Article 7.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District establish a Technology Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c V for the purpose of purchasing, updating, maintaining, and replacing technology infrastructure and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Mont Vernon School Board as agents to expend from said fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Recommended by the Mont Vernon Advisory Budget Committee (3-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.05 per thousand

Given under our hands as said Mont Vernon, New Hampshire, on the 26th day of January, 2024.

Peter Eckhoff

Peter Eckhoff, Chair

Jessica Hinckley

Jessica Hinckley, Vice Chair

George Torres

George Torres, Secretary

Sarah Lawrence


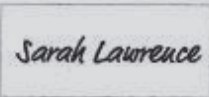
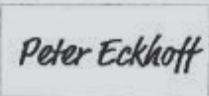
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2024
MS-26

Proposed Budget

Mont Vernon Local School

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from:
July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting**

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SCHOOL BOARD CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
Peter Eckhoff	School Board, Chair	<i>Peter Eckhoff</i>
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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for	Appropriations	Appropriations for	Appropriations for
			period ending	for period ending	period ending	period ending
			6/30/2023	6/30/2024	6/30/2025	6/30/2025
					(Revised)	(Not Recommended)
Facilities Acquisition and Construction						
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement	02	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering	02	\$0	\$90,001	\$1	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development	02	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4900	Building Improvement Services	02	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Subtotal			\$0	\$90,004	\$4	\$0
Other Outlays						
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Outlays Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers						
5220-5221	To Food Service	02	\$7,093	\$1	\$10,000	\$0
5223-5229	To Other Special Revenue		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310	To Charter Schools		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5390	To Other Agencies		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers Subtotal			\$7,093	\$1	\$10,000	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$6,639,106	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations for	Appropriations for
			period ending 6/30/2025 (Recommended)	period ending 6/30/2025 (Not Recommended)
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	\$15,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Change Name of Fund and Contribution to Special Ed</i>		
5252	To Expendable Trust/Fiduciary Funds	04	\$60,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Contribution to School Property Maintenance Fund</i>		
5252	To Expendable Trust/Fiduciary Funds	06	\$10,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Contribution to Health and Dental Insurance Fund</i>		
5252	To Expendable Trust/Fiduciary Funds	07	\$15,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Technology Expendable Trust Fund</i>		
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0
5252	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$90,000	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations for	
			period ending 6/30/2025 (Recommended)	period ending 6/30/2025 (Not Recommended)
2510 (940)	School Board Contingency	03	\$30,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Contingency Fund for Unanticipated Expenses</i>				
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$30,000	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2023	Revised Estimated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2024	Estimated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2025
Local Sources					
1300-1349	Tuition		\$18,167	\$0	\$0
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	02	\$8,390	\$7,000	\$10,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	02	\$63,610	\$69,446	\$86,178
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	02	\$8,216	\$70	\$70
Local Sources Subtotal			\$98,375	\$76,516	\$96,249
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Special Education Aid	02	\$136,007	\$35,207	\$35,207
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	02	\$1,138	\$1,000	\$1,000
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3280-3289	Other State Sources		\$27,891	\$2,037	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$165,046	\$38,244	\$36,207
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants	02	\$68,789	\$28,700	\$37,200
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	02	\$31,457	\$38,000	\$38,000
4570	Disabilities Programs	02	\$70,545	\$58,315	\$58,315
4680	Medicaid Distribution	02	\$12,421	\$8,000	\$8,000
4990-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4610)		\$78,326	\$0	\$0
4610	Federal Forest Reserve		\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources Subtotal			\$281,548	\$133,015	\$141,515



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2023	Revised Estimated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2024	Estimated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2025
Other Financing Sources					
5110-5130	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfers from Food Service Special Revenues Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5660	Other Financing Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	05, 06, 04, 07	\$50,000	\$130,000	\$80,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	02	\$297,481	\$132,520	\$145,000
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$347,481	\$262,520	\$225,000
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$872,410	\$919,295	\$596,971






Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 8/30/2025
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$6,639,106
Special Warrant Articles	\$90,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$30,000
Total Appropriations	\$6,759,106
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$508,971
Less Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	\$1,416,361
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$4,833,774

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Default Budget of the School District

Mont Vernon Local School

For the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025

RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

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SCHOOL BOARD OR BUDGET COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
Peter Eckhoff	School Board, Chair	<i>Peter Eckhoff</i>
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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Reductions or Increases	One-Time Appropriations	Default Budget
Instruction					
1100-1199	Regular Programs	\$3,345,812	\$285,280	\$0	\$3,631,092
1200-1299	Special Programs	\$918,287	(\$37,505)	\$0	\$880,781
1300-1399	Vocational Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs	\$12,884	\$43	\$0	\$12,927
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Instruction Subtotal		\$4,276,993	\$197,817	\$0	\$4,474,810
Support Services					
2000-2199	Student Support Services	\$488,908	\$37,360	\$0	\$526,269
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	\$170,274	\$5,465	\$0	\$175,739
Support Services Subtotal		\$659,183	\$42,825	\$0	\$702,008
General Administration					
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	\$28,352	\$199	\$0	\$28,551
General Administration Subtotal		\$28,352	\$199	\$0	\$28,551
Executive Administration					
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	\$250,802	\$7,196	\$0	\$257,998
2320-2399	All Other Administration	\$3,815	\$0	\$0	\$3,815
2400-2499	School Administration Service	\$241,490	\$32	\$0	\$241,521
2500-2599	Business	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2000-2099	Plant Operations and Maintenance	\$323,861	\$303	\$0	\$323,994
2700-2799	Student Transportation	\$289,921	\$25,977	\$0	\$295,898
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other	\$76,560	(\$34)	\$0	\$76,516
Executive Administration Subtotal		\$1,286,278	\$33,474	\$0	\$1,286,762
Non-Instructional Services					
3100	Food Service Operations	\$95,493	\$2,027	\$0	\$97,520
3200	Enterprise Operations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Non-Instructional Services Subtotal		\$95,493	\$2,027	\$0	\$97,520



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Reductions or Increases	One-Time Appropriations	Default Budget
Facilities Acquisition and Construction					
4100	Site Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
4300	Architectural/Engineering	\$90,001	(\$90,000)	\$0	\$1
4400	Educational Specification Development	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Facilities Acquisition and Construction Subtotal	\$90,004	(\$90,000)	\$0	\$4
Other Outlays					
5110	Debt Service - Principal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Other Outlays Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers					
5220-5221	To Food Service	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5230-5238	To Capital Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	\$20,000	(\$20,000)	\$0	\$0
5252	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	\$50,000	(\$50,000)	\$0	\$0
5263	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310	To Charter Schools	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5360	To Other Agencies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Fund Transfers Subtotal	\$70,001	(\$70,000)	\$0	\$1
Total Operating Budget Appropriations		\$6,396,304	\$146,342	\$0	\$6,542,646



Reasons for Reductions/Increases & One-Time Appropriations

Account	Explanation
3100	Food Service
2200-2299	Increase in Contractual Obligations
1400-1499	Increase in Contractual Obligations
2310-2319	Increase in Contractual Obligations
2600-2699	Increase in Contractual Obligations
1100-1199	Increase in Contractual Obligations
2320 (310)	SAU Assessment
2400-2499	Increase in Contractual Obligations
1200-1299	Decrease in legally obligated student services costs
2000-2199	Increase in legally obligated student services costs and contractual obligations
2700-2799	Special Ed Transportation is legally required
2800-2899	Decrease in Contractual Obligations

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MVVS PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FUND
As of June 30, 2023

Date	Description	Activity	Balance
June 30, 2013	Balance at 6/30/2013		\$27,528.19
July 1, 2013	Article 4- Raise and appropriate up to \$15,000 to be funded from surplus, if available on July 1, 2013	\$15,000.00	\$42,528.19
February 14, 2014	Board approved expenditure for building/system assessment and energy audit	(\$12,000.00)	\$30,528.19
June 30, 2014	Interest Earned	\$7.75	\$30,535.94
September 18, 2014	Article 4- Raise and appropriate up to \$65,000	\$65,000.00	\$95,535.94
September 24, 2014	PSNH study retrofit expenditure approved by the Board on June 12, 2014	(\$21,675.91)	\$73,860.03
June 30, 2015	Interest Earned	\$5.93	\$73,865.96
June 30, 2016	Interest Earned	\$227.51	\$74,093.47
July 1, 2016	Article 4- Raise and appropriate up to \$26,134	\$26,134.00	\$100,227.47
June 30, 2017	Interest Earned	\$636.99	\$100,864.46
July 1, 2017	Article 3- Raise and appropriate \$50,000	\$50,000.00	\$150,864.46
June 30, 2018	Interest Earned	\$1,948.31	\$152,812.77

MVVS PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FUND
Continued

Date	Description	Activity	Balance
July 1, 2018	Article 5- Raise and appropriate \$50,000 from surplus if available on June 30, 2018.	\$50,000.00	\$202,812.77
June 30, 2019	Interest Earned	\$4,388.68	\$207,201.45
July 1, 2019	Article 3- Raise and appropriate \$50,000 to come from surplus, if available on June 30, 2019.	\$50,000.00	\$257,201.45
June 30, 2020	Interest Earned	\$3,865.56	\$261,067.01
July 1, 2020	Article 3- Raise and appropriate \$50,000 to come from surplus, if available on June 30, 2020.	\$50,000.00	\$311,067.01
June 30, 2021	Interest Earned	\$201.26	\$311,268.27
July 1, 2021	Article 5- Raise and appropriate \$50,000 to come surplus, if available on June 30, 2021.	\$50,000.00	\$361,268.27
December 16, 2021	School Roof	(\$207,102)	\$154,166.27
June 30, 2022	Interest Earned	\$323.17	\$154,489.44
July 1, 2022	Article 5- Raise and appropriate \$50,000 to come from surplus, if available on June 30, 2022.	\$50,000.00	\$204,489.44
September 8, 2022	Duct Board Replacement	(\$88,000.00)	\$116,489.44
June 30, 2023	Interest Earned	\$7,756.73	\$124,246.17

Mont Vernon School District
FUND FOR EDUCATING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
As of June 30, 2023

Date	Description	Activity	Balance
July 1, 2016	Article 3- Fund Established		\$30,000.00
June 30, 2017	Interest Earned	\$139.85	\$30,139.85
June 30, 2018	Interest Earned	\$397.87	\$30,537.72
June 30, 2019	Interest Earned	\$689.08	\$31,226.80
June 30, 2020	Interest Earned	\$482.41	\$31,709.21
June 30, 2021	Interest Earned	\$22.35	\$31,731.56
June 30, 2022	Interest Earned	\$62.59	\$31,794.15
June 30, 2023	Interest Earned	\$1,247.13	\$33,041.28

MVSD TUITION CONTINGENCY FUND
As of June 30, 2023

Date	Description	Activity	Balance
July 1, 2017	Article 4- Fund Established		\$31,549.17
June 30, 2018	Interest Earned	\$338.23	\$31,887.40
June 30, 2019	Interest Earned	\$719.52	\$32,606.92
June 30, 2020	Interest Earned	\$503.73	\$33,110.65
June 30, 2021	Interest Earned	\$23.36	\$31,134.01
June 30, 2022	Interest Earned	\$65.37	\$31,199.38
June 30, 2023	Interest Earned	\$1,302.23	\$34,501.61

Mont Vernon School District
 Actual Expenditures for Special Education Programs and Services
 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 per RSA 32:11a

	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023
REVENUES		
Special Education Aid	\$82,204	\$136,007
IDEA Grant	\$60,524	\$70,545
Medicaid	\$21,043	\$12,421
Total Revenues	<u>\$163,771</u>	<u>\$218,973</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries	\$394,645	\$433,634
Employee Benefits	\$203,603	\$221,828
Purchased Services	\$521,930	\$330,745
Supplies	\$10,241	\$4,917
Equipment	\$3,316	\$0
Dues & Fees	<u>\$290</u>	<u>\$290</u>
Total Expenditures	\$1,134,025	\$991,414
Net Cost of Special Education	\$970,254	\$772,441

Mont Vernon School District
 Report of the Treasurer to the Mont Vernon School Board
 Fiscal Year 07/01/2022-06/30/2023

Cash on hand- as of 07/01/2022	\$1,019,022.37
Total Receipts- 07/01/2022-06/30/2023	\$5,890,757.89
Total Payments-07/01/2022-06/30/2023	<u>(\$6,685,265.38)</u>
Cash Balance- as of 06/30/2023	\$224,514.88

Lyn Jennings, Treasurer

March 17, 2023

To the School Board
Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District for the year ended June 30, 2022. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated July 18, 2022. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District adopted and implemented GASB Statement No. 87 – *Leases*. There was no effect on beginning of the year balances as a result of adoption of the new standard. We noted no transactions entered into by the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the governmental activities financial statements were:

Management's estimates of the useful lives of capital assets are based upon historical records of utilization, necessary improvements and replacements. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the useful lives of depreciable capital assets in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Significant estimates also include actuarial assumptions used in determining cost-sharing pension and other postemployment benefits costs and single employer other post-employment benefit costs which are based on plan audited financial statements and a plan actuarial valuation report, respectively. We evaluated the assumptions used in the plan audited financial statements and the plan actuarial valuation report to determine that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

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

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

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

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

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

Disagreements with Management

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

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated March 17, 2023.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

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

Other Audit Findings or Issues

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

The District changed its accounting policy for capitalization of assets during the year and elected to retroactively implement the capitalization threshold effective July 1, 2022. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the change in accounting policy has been reported as a restatement to the District's beginning net position in the financial statements and is described in Note 12 to the basic financial statements.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the management’s discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of changes in the District’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, schedule of District OPEB contributions, schedule of changes in the District’s total OPEB liability and related ratios, schedule of changes in the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability, and schedule of District pension contributions, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management’s responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the School Board and management of the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Wachon Clukay & Company PC

**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

To the School Board
Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Mont Vernon, New Hampshire School District (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. In addition, because of inherent limitations in internal control, including the possibility of management override of controls, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected by such controls. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the School Board, and others within the organization, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Vachon Clukay & Company PC

Manchester, New Hampshire
March 17, 2023

MVVS Grade 6 Graduates 2023

Aftanas, Caterina
Ambrose, Samuel
Barney, Madilyn
Black, Joseph
Crean, Sophia
Cudworth, Jayce
Densmore, Lucy
Dufoe, Brooke
Duvvuri, Ritvik
Goodhue, Robert
Heneberry, Paul
Hinckley, James
Jeanbaptiste, Haleigh
Jolin, Abigail
Kennedy, Gwendolyn
Kucenski, Aiden
Kuhn, Karis
Manire, Evan
Ortiz, Damian
Prevett, Jackson
Reynolds, Crew
Santana, Natalie
Schwoegler, Grace
Simek, Samantha
Simpson, Abigail
St. Denis, Soleil
Stokinger, Ender
Valenzuela, Adrian
Wilkins, Lucy
Yeaton, Collin
York, Charlotte

2023-2024 School Year

Enrollment October 1, 2023

Total MVVS Students: 231 (2 teachers per grade level)

- Grade K: 32 students (16 students per class)
- Grade 1: 32 students (16 students per class)
- Grade 2: 31 students (15.5 students per class)
- Grade 3: 32 students (16 students per class)
- Grade 4: 34 students (17 students per class)
- Grade 5: 32 students (16 students per class)
- Grade 6: 38 students (19 students per class)

MV students at Amherst Middle School

- Grade 7: 35 students
- Grade 8: 32 students

MVVS Staffing

Certified Staff: 25.4

Support Staff: 10.8

Mont Vernon School District
Teachers and Professional Staff

Last	First	Position	FY24 Salary
Anderson	Amanda	Nurse	\$62,515.00
Anderson	Christina	Teacher	\$65,535.00
Blake	Zakery	Teacher	\$68,615.00
Brown	Charline	Teacher	\$79,555.00
Dagdigian	Shakeh	Teacher	\$75,669.00
Gallagan	Megan	Teacher	\$58,030.00
Garrity	Patricia	Library	\$65,535.00
Girard	Anna	Guidance	\$77,612.00
Hall	Sherry	Teacher	\$55,489.00
Holm	Margaret	Teacher	\$79,555.00
Hopfenspirger	Carol	Teacher	\$75,669.00
Kucenski	Kara	Teacher	\$68,615.00
Lavoie	Amy	Teacher	\$71,779.00
Lawrence	Alexandra	Teacher	\$55,819.00
Lawrence	Mackenzie	Teacher	\$64,036.00
Mattie	Janet	Teacher	\$77,612.00
Mazak	Suzanne	Teacher	\$53,001.00
McGregor	Stephanie	Teacher	\$53,637.00
Meador	Lori	Speech	\$75,669.00
Millas	Sara	Teacher	\$77,612.00
Mondor	Melanie	Teacher	\$55,159.00
Philibotte	Lorin	Teacher	\$71,779.00
Rimol	Karen	Teacher	\$31,822.00
Saucier	Scott	Teacher	\$29,601.00
Tighe	Kimberly	Teacher	\$71,779.00
Valihura	Christie	Teacher	\$58,633.60
Ward	Jacqueline	Teacher	\$45,401.40

Approve 

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Minutes

Deliberative Session Meeting for the Mont Vernon School District

February 8th, 2023

Mont Vernon Village School Multi-Purpose Room

Mont Vernon, NH

Attendees:

Administration: Steven Chamberlin- Interim Superintendent, Christine Landwehrle- Assistant Superintendent, SAU #39 Business Administrator- Amy Facey, and Tom Lecklider- Principal of the Mont Vernon Village School.

Mont Vernon Village School Board Members: Chair- Sarah Lawrence, Vice Chair- Peter Eckhoff, Secretary- Jessica Hinckley, Stephen O'Keefe, and Kristen Clark.

Mont Vernon School District Moderator: Peter King, 36 Kendall Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH

Mont Vernon School District Clerk: Autumn Grdina, 4 Pinkham Ave, Mont Vernon, NH.

Attorney for the District: Stephen Bennett Esq. Wadleigh Starr & Peters, Manchester, NH

Minute Taker: Danae A. Marotta

Public: (speakers or commenters) Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH and Kim Roberge, 35 Salisbury Road, Mont Vernon NH, Bonnie Angulas, 3 Bakers Way, Mont Vernon NH, Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane, Mont Vernon NH, Stephen O'Keefe, 3 Chestnut Circle, Mont Vernon NH, Anne Dodd, 26 Mason Road, Mont Vernon NH and Zach Johnson, 9 Cemetery Road, Mont Vernon NH

The number of voting attendees: 22

Call to Order

Moderator of the Mont Vernon School District, Mr. Peter King, called the 2023 Mont Vernon School District Deliberative Session to order at 6:00PM.

The Moderator thanked the public for their attendance and being engaged in our local governance. It is great to see you come out to support your school, community, and children and take part in the democracy that makes Mont Vernon a very special place. He lives at 36 Kendall Hill Road and was elected as your School District Moderator.

The Moderator continued his introduction, the Deliberative Session will occur in the multipurpose room (MPR) and All voters will of course be able to vote on the articles via paper ballot on March 14th, 2023. He would like to thank the SAU, and in particular Mr. Jonathan White for handling the technology to accommodate this meeting as well as SAU #39 Facilities Director, Mr. Roger Preston, and the Village School Staff, for preparing the building for this

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meeting. Now, as we begin, please rise for an invocation, and remain standing afterward to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

We gather to make decisions for our community and schools. May we use only our best skills and judgment keeping ourselves impartial and neutral as we consider the merits and pitfalls of each matter that is placed before us and always act in accordance with what is best for our community and our fellow citizens. Thank you.

The Moderator continued, this evening we are participating in the 2023 School District Deliberative Session. On Tuesday, March 14th, between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. again here at the Village School, all registered voters will be able to vote by paper ballot on the warrant, as we agree to its wording tonight. We will not be voting on any of the warrants tonight. Please mute or turn off your cell phone.

The Moderator recognized Mont Vernon School Board Chair, Ms. Sarah Lawrence, to introduce the board.

Ms. Lawrence noted that in attendance is MVSF Vice Chair, Ms. Jessica Hinkley, MVSF Secretary, Ms. Kristen Clark, Mr. Peter Eckhoff, and Mr. George Torres.

The Moderator recognized SAU #39 Interim Superintendent, Mr. Steven Chamberlin, to introduce the administrative team and a brief presentation on the Mont Vernon Village School.

Mr. Chamberlin noted that in attendance is SAU #39 Business Administrator, Ms. Amy Facey, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Christine Landwehrle, Tom Lecklider, MVVS Principal, and Ms. Meg Beauchamp, Director of Student Services.

Mr. Chamberlin's presentation is as follows:

I am privileged to serve as your Interim Superintendent and please know I'm extremely grateful for this opportunity. One of the charges of a superintendent is to provide a welcome back speech at the beginning of the year. This year I set "promise" as the theme of the 2022-2023 school year. I like the word "promise", there's a couple of meanings, there's a promise meaning a commitment and promise meaning potential. Please know I'm deeply committed to the schools of the SAU 39 fulfilling the promise of public education and I'm honored to tell you right here right now that I believe the Mount Vernon Village School does fulfill the promise of public education. This is a special school, a school filled with faculty and staff with high expectations, great skill and care for each child, and faculty and staff that places students at the center of all things. They know each child here and they do what's best for each child. Each month we do a presentation by the faculty and staff and they provided that each year of the Mount Vernon School journey there's a special developmentally appropriate research-based activity for each grade level, it's so much fun to watch that and understand the student experience. They are committed to evidence and research based and this group of faculty and staff is willing to innovate. I've been privileged to sit and meet with teachers learning from invested devoted professionals. I've seen firsthand Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Christine Landwehrle's vision of a rigorous engaging curriculum come to fruition. I've seen MVVS Principal, Mr. Tom Lecklider, value each student by committing to the whole child with high academic expectations. This really is a special place. I'd like to thank the Mont Vernon Board for their commitment to student learning and understanding

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the burden that the New Hampshire funding system places on the residents of this community. I would also like to acknowledge the great work of Mr. Roger Preston, our SAU #39 Facility Director this week. It was his diligence and his team's work ethic that minimized the impact of the burst pipe this week and able to get back at it after one day. I look forward to continuing this work through the end of the school year and next year supporting Mr. Mike Berry the Superintendent Designee as he transitions to the superintendency next year. Tonight, I look forward to working with Business Administrator, Ms. Amy Facey, and all of us to provide all the information you need to understand the FY 24 Budget. That is what we are here for and welcome.

The Moderator noted that they do not have a budget committee this year.

The Moderator noted the attendance of Mr. Stephen Bennett, esq. from Wadleigh, Starr & Peters,

Mr. King noted our work tonight is to decide the wording, including dollar amounts where appropriate, of the article on which all registered voters will have an opportunity to vote during the March 14th election here at the Village School, where you will also be voting to elect candidates for important town and school positions. As voters at today's Deliberative Session, under SB2 rules, you are able to do two things. First, explain, discuss, and debate each warrant article. Second, take one of two courses of action on each warrant article. First course of action maintains the original wording of the warrant article, in which case that wording is placed on the March 14th official ballot. No vote is required to maintain the original wording of the warrant article. Second course of action, vote to amend the original wording of the warrant article. If the amendment is approved, the amended warrant is placed on the March 14th Official Ballot. To amend, a motion made and seconded, with a favorable vote by a simple majority is required. Finally, I am going to request a motion to restrict reconsideration after actions are complete for each article. If this is moved, seconded, and approved, the voters will not be able to revisit this article during this meeting tonight.

The Moderator displayed the rules and procedures.

1. Only Mont Vernon registered voters plus those SAU staff and school district staff recognized by the moderator may participate in the meeting. Only Mont Vernon registered voters are entitled to vote.
2. Each motion to amend will be voted on before another motion to amend will be entertained. The moderator will not accept amendments to amendments.
3. Each speaker will state their name and address each time they visit the microphone and will be limited to three minutes. No individual will be allowed to speak a second time until all who wish to speak for the first time have spoken.
4. Speakers must speak from the central microphone. All comments must be addressed to the Moderator and not to the audience. Personal attacks or discussions will not be allowed.
5. No motion to call the question will be accepted by the moderator until there has been sufficient debate on the article.

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6. A motion to restrict reconsideration in accordance with RSA 40:10 should be made immediately following the announcement of the vote on that article.
7. Motions to pass over, table, and postpone will not be accepted, within the discretion of the moderator.
8. Any voter may challenge any ruling of the Moderator. This is your meeting, and you ultimately decide the rules. Majority vote decides.

The Moderator asked the public if they were in support of these rules.

The public was in support.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 1 Election of Officers.

Election of Officers (voting by official ballot March 14, 2023) To the following school district offices:

- a. To choose one (1) School Board Member for the ensuing three (3) years
- b. To choose one (1) School District Moderator for the ensuing one (1) year
- c. To choose one (1) School District Clerk for the ensuing one (1) year
- d. To choose one (1) School District Treasurer for the ensuing one (1) year

The Moderator noted that they cannot change Article 1, thus it will not be discussed at the meeting.

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 1.
Ms. Jessica Hincley, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

The Moderator noted that Article 1 is to be placed on the ballot.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 2 Operating Budget

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling six million, three hundred forty nine thousand, four hundred fifty dollars (\$6,349,450)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be six million two hundred sixty six thousand, three hundred four dollars (\$6,266,304), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Mont Vernon School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only? Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Estimated tax impact of passing this article is: \$1.84 per thousand.

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Estimated tax impact of not passing this article is: \$1.58 per thousand.

***NOTE: Warrant Article 2 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.**

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 2.
Ms. Jessica Hinckley, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

Ms. Lawrence's presentation on the operating budget is as follows:

We have an increase in Student Services cost this year. The main drivers of that are transportation and student need. Our second component is an increase in our tuition to the Amherst Middle School that is based on the number of students that we send to the middle school, and it's also based on the average cost per pupil so that changes year by year based on the number of overall students. Our third component is a competitive wage adjustment for our non-union employees, this is food service staff, facilities and office staff making those positions more competitive in today's market. Fourth, we have to account for inflation. There's rising gas prices, prices of utilities and also our facilities service contracts. The last big piece of our story and our budget drivers are our risk management, the investment in capital reserves. We would like to maintain our commitment to facilities, and we have obligations to Special Education and some concerns about our health and dental insurance.

Ms. Lawrence reviewed the Executive Summary.

<u>Budget Comparison*</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
FY23 Operating Budget -> FY24 Proposed	\$476,200	8.1%
FY23 Operating Budget -> FY24 Default	\$393,054	6.7%
FY24 Default -> FY24 Proposed	\$83,146	1.4%

She reviewed the Salaries and Benefit Budget Assumptions:

Salaries and Benefits:

- MVEA Contract in 3rd Year, expires 6/30/2025
- 5% Market Adjustment for Non-Union Employees

* Health and Dental Insurance Employer Contribution Rate

- 4.1% Increase for Health Insurance
- 1.5% Increase for Dental Insurance

** NH Retirement Employer Contribution Rate FY24-FY25

- 1.38% Decrease from 21.02% to 19.64% for Teachers
- 0.53% Decrease from 14.06% to 13.53% for Non-Teachers

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Ms. Lawrence reviewed the enrollment projections from the NESDEC report. They are early in the process with NEDEC, and it will continue to be refined as time goes on. As you can see enrollment is going up, please keep that in mind going forward.

She noted that there will be no change with the certified staffing.

There is a negligible change with the custodian (2.45 to 2.7).

Ms. Lawrence reviewed the budget by category.

Category	FY23 Voted	FY24 Proposed	\$ Change	% Change
Transportation	\$213,164	\$283,711	\$70,547	33%
Student Services	\$1,012,899	\$1,167,000	\$154,101	15%
Facilities	\$323,704	\$359,780	\$36,076	11%
Administration	\$767,450	\$827,278	\$59,828	8%
Curriculum	\$3,359,310	\$3,526,634	\$167,324	5%
Food Service	\$107,330	\$108,447	\$1,117	1%
Technology	\$89,393	\$76,600	(\$12,793)	(14%)
Total	\$5,873,250	\$6,349,450	\$476,200	8.1%

Ms. Lawrence replied that their percentage can fluctuate. She noted that the food service line is relatively flat.

Ms. Lawrence reviewed the default calculation. They start with the FY 23 Adopted Budget, \$5,923,250 remove the one-time warrant article (\$50,000), add in student services (\$210,923), add in tuition (\$102,582), add in salaries, and benefits contractual (\$50,966), add in the SAU #39 apportionment (\$29,903) and subtract miscellaneous (\$1,320). The FY 24 Default calculation is \$6,266,304 accounting for a 6.7% change.

The proposed budget is the following:

FY24 Default Calculation	\$6,266,304	% Change
Salary/Benefit Adjustments (non-union)	\$59,887	1%
Transportation-Reg. Ed.	\$13,790	.2%
Facilities	\$16,608	.2%
Misc.	(\$7,139)	0%
Subtotal Changes Default to Proposed	\$83,146	1.4%
FY24 Proposed Budget	\$6,349,450	

Ms. Lawrence displayed the budget composition pie chart.

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She discussed the projected revenue.

Revenue	FY23	FY24	Difference
Food Service	\$107,329	\$108,446	\$1,117
Grants	\$87,015	\$87,015	\$0
Other Federal/State/Local	\$114,457	\$115,000	\$543
Prior Year Fund Balance	\$347,481	\$150,000	(\$197,481)
Subtotal Revenues	\$656,282	\$460,461	(\$195,821)

She noted that this is an estimated Unassigned Fund Balance.

Ms. Lawrence noted the Projected Tax Rate as follows:

	FY 23	FY 24	Difference
Total Appropriation	\$5,923,250	\$6,349,450	\$426,200
Less: Revenue	\$656,282	\$460,461	(\$195,821)
Less: Adequacy Aid	\$1,118,479	\$974,018	(\$144,461)
Less: Statewide Property Tax	\$315,426	\$484,338	\$168,912
Tax Effort	\$3,833,063	\$4,430,633	\$597,570
Valuation	\$325,148,387		
Tax Rate	\$11.79	\$13.63	\$1.84

Ms. Lawrence turned it over to the Moderator.

The Moderator asked the public for questions or comments.

Ms. Kim Roberge, 35 Salisbury Road, Mont Vernon NH, asked about the Special Education Transportation contract and what increase they will see incrementally.

Mr. Chamberlin replied that they are finalizing the contract. They did a formal RFP and they had three firms going to a pre-bid conference. Only one firm submitted a formal bid. It is projected to be a 4 year contract and there are incremental increases but what would impact the increase more is utilization. They have a rider on there for gas costs and this contract is structured for two different rides. Over time they will be able to recoup savings. The more concern is utilization.

Ms. Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH, questioned if the FY 24 Unassigned Fund Balance was an estimate.

Ms. Lawrence replied; correct.

Ms. Kim Roberge commented that it would she noted that she does not want the slide displaying the projected revenue to be misleading.

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Ms. Lawrence responded that they have this debate every year and they have included that on each piece.

Ms. Bonnie Angulas, 3 Bakers Way, Mont Vernon NH, asked if there were other tuition expenses.

SAU #39 Business Administrator, Ms. Amy Facey, responded that is tuition for 7th and 8th grade.

Ms. Angulas asked for the cost and inquired about the ways to make that number smaller.

Ms. Lawrence replied that would be to renegotiate the contract or change the number of students that are going to the Amherst School District. There is a small offset with 3 students coming here from ASD.

Ms. Angulas asked so there are no other schools included.

Ms. Lawrence replied no.

Ms. Naber commented that the amount of \$150,000 is the Unassigned Fund Balance if we were to vote yes on all of the warrant articles that becomes \$15,000 off the operating budget.

Ms. Facey replied that the \$150,000 is a worst case scenario at this time of projected revenues and expenses. We don't want that number to be too high because that would artificially inflate the tax rate. This is a conservative number. As you see last year, it was \$347,481 less \$50,000 for the Capital Reserve. We do not know if it is going to pass, and this is just the budget and not the warrant articles.

Ms. Lawrence added that it is a rough year. One tool that the district could look at is a Tax Rate Stabilization Fund. They do not have one established, it is something they should consider. Towns can do it and school districts can also do that. They would have to have a warrant article to establish the fund and then another one to fund it.

Ms. Roberge commented that as she understands it their tax rate this year was \$11.79 and would go to \$13.63. If we added all of those other things to them, which would mean that it would come out of what would come back to the taxpayers, the tax rate would be up to \$14.03.

Ms. Facey replied if that \$150,000 is all that is realized.

Ms. Roberge asked if the increases are for the positions that you are advertising and looking for or for people that are already in place.

Mr. Chamberlin replied both, there are some open positions that we could not fill this year and some for current staff.

Ms. Roberge inquired for clarification on the positions.

Mr. Chamberlin replied that it is for food services.

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Ms. Roberge noted that she was looking for a dollar amount. She added that the Town of Mont Vernon is looking at \$5 million in warrant articles and a 10% in in out town budget as well.

Ms. Lawrence explained that they went back and forth on a lot of the items, there's really not much wiggle room as you know, and the transportation cost is a fair amount of that unfortunately. It is what it is. We can't include it in the default and yet it's here. The other things really if we don't make those changes, we don't feel that we can get staff to come in in those positions or to keep staff. That's a problem. The facilities piece is looking to maintain the facility, so we don't have issues here. It's all in alignment with what the board has maintained as a commitment to the community to the students to the facility. I want this to be a different story but it's not.

Ms. Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane, Mont Vernon NH, inquired if the start time changed back to their original time would it affect the transportation costs.

Mr. Chamberlin responded that the transportation cost is based on the number of buses.

The Moderator instructed the Clerk to place Article 2 on the ballot as currently worded.

Ms. Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon motioned to restrict reconsideration. Ms. Kim Roberge seconded the motion.

A vote was taken. Motion passed.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 3 Contribution to Property Maintenance Fund.

Article 3 – Contribution to Property Maintenance Fund

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be added to the School Property Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March 2007? This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation.

Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.11 per thousand.

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 3. Ms. Jessica Hinckley, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

The Moderator recognized Ms. Lawrence for a presentation.

Ms. Lawrence displayed the Long Term Facilities Plan

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Item	Amount	Fiscal Year
Roof	\$207,102	Completed FY22
HVAC Duct Replacement	\$243,000 *	FY22-FY25
Playground Equipment	\$100,000	FY28
Fire Alarm System	\$140,000	FY31
Expand Facilities Plan (ADA Ramp, Water System Design, HVAC Equipment, etc.)	TBD	TBD

She displayed the HVAC Duct Replacement Project that is in process. Phase I was completed in FY 22 using ARP and ESSER III funds. Targeted Replacement in FY22–FY24. There was also \$88,000 and an estimate of \$100,000 for the second phase of the project. That targeted replacement would be expected to be completed by FY 25.

Ms. Lawrence displayed the Long Term Facilities Funding Plan. The fiscal year is listed in the first column and the contribution in the second column. Any withdrawals based on the projected projects are in the third column and then the balance over on the right. In FY 22, we contributed \$50,000, we withdrew \$207,000 for the roof replacement, that left a balance of \$154,000. In FY 23, a \$50,000 contribution and \$88,000 was used for phase one of the HVAC duct replacement leaving \$116,000. In FY 24 we would be asking for a \$35,000 contribution not a \$50,000 making our balance \$151,000 again with the anticipation of \$100,000 or slightly more in FY 25. We are being mindful of the fact that this is a difficult year for the tax rate but also knowing that if we do not continue to fund this it's going to be a lot more painful down the way. Instead of asking for \$50,000 the board felt it was prudent to reduce the ask to \$35,000.

Ms. Lawrence noted that was the end of her presentation on that article.

The Moderator asked the public for comments.

Ms. Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane asked what the ESSER funds are.

Ms. Facey replied; Elementary Secondary Schools Emergency Relief.

Mr. Peter King, 36 Kendall Hill Road, Mont Vernon, noted his appreciation for the fund and the foresight for the projects, the building looks great. In the past, playground equipment has been privately funded. It would be wonderful for the community to support playground equipment.

Ms. Facey added that this facilities plan is being reviewed by Facilities Director, Mr. Roger Preston. There are other pressing needs that they are looking at first, but it is a possibility.

The Moderator instructed the Clerk to place Article 3 on the ballot as currently worded.

Ms. Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane, Mont Vernon NH, motioned to restrict reconsideration.

Ms. Kim Roberge, 36 Salisbury Road, Mont Vernon NH to second the motion.

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A vote was taken. Motion passed.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 4- Mont Vernon Village School Renovation/Addition Study

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for the purpose of developing an Architectural and Engineering Study including a conceptual design, program study, cost estimate, and site review for a renovation/addition to the Mont Vernon Village School? This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.18 per thousand.

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 4.
Ms. Jessica Hinckley, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

The Moderator recognized Ms. Clark for a presentation.

Ms. Clark explained that this warrant article is a continuation of the efforts of the Middle School Study Committee that put together a list of options for us. As we know there's going to be some work done over in Amherst that could impact our tax rate and we also have our growing community and a coming need to renegotiate our contract and weigh those options. What this allows us to do is to take in consideration the results of the community survey that was sent out a couple months back and the recommendations from the Middle School Study Committee. They can figure out an amount so that we as a community can make a decision as to what we want to do moving forward. It also helps us if we do decide to move forward with renegotiating our contract with our partners down the hill. Despite the really difficult year this is of critical importance for us to put out this year because of the timing of the contract renegotiations. We really need that dollar amount on our options in terms of whether we can add on to this location, if we need a separate building or if we need to consider other opportunities.

Ms. Lawrence added that the NESDEC projections are showing a rise in enrollment. If this is even remotely true, we would bump into some space concerns here pretty quickly. Not knowing what the cost associated with an addition would be would tie our hands. Funding this particular warrant article would give us the opportunity as a community to understand what the costs are associated with either a remodel and addition for expanding enrollment or the potential for bringing our middle school students back up the hill. The timing of it is critical this year if the warrants pass down in our neighboring community things would happen quickly. We would need to be making decisions here or at least be informed as to what our options are. Without this funding we have no choice there is nothing that you can do. We understand it's a difficult year.

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Ms. Clark displayed the scope and cost estimate.

<u>Scope</u>	<u>Cost Estimate</u>
Architectural	\$20,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conceptual Design for Pre Bond Pricing • Timing: March 2023-March 2024 • Exclusions: MEP or Structural Engineering (information exists) 	
Conceptual Estimate	\$17,500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide Construction Cost Estimate • 3 Options for Public Presentation • Exclusions: Value Engineering Services; Print Reproduction Costs 	
Pre-bond Civil Engineering	\$15,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site Review-Stormwater, Wastewater, Utilities, Grading, Wetlands • Code Compliance, Development Regulations 	
Subtotal:	\$52,500
Owner's Contingency	\$7,500
Total:	\$60,000

Ms. Roberge commented I have a hard time wrapping my head around this and the reason is that I believe this school's capacity is 292 students which brings us almost to the top of that graph. I think that that comes down to better negotiations with our contract with Amherst. There are some things in the contract negotiation that we did based on their capital expenses. I would love to know what we could do with the site. Mont Vernon has gone through some very large growth in subdivisions recently, we don't have any of those on our planning board chart at this time in the size of the ones that we had previously. As a matter of fact, some of the larger lots have been bought up by single owners that are just going to put one house in there and it could have gone to a subdivision process. Like you said, NESDEC enrollment will continue to fluctuate but I'm not sure whether we're going to see that growth as we seem to. I still am not sure whether you can do something based on what's required in a middle school. That's a different debate. Maybe a contract negotiation with AMS is better than putting our money towards this one. I'm not sure that that's the right choice for our students at this time.

Ms. Wyman inquired for the detail in the contract and if they wanted to end that. She understands that the timing hinges on that. If we don't spend the money now to figure out their options, then we are stuck.

Ms. Lawrence responded that it is a 5 year agreement with an option to extend for an additional 5 years. Typically, those agreements have been 10 year contracts. Knowing that there was a building project on the table in Amherst we negotiated a 5 year contract for flexibility understanding that when building decisions happened down the hill it will impact our tax rate here. This would help them figure out what next steps are even possible. The timing is critical.

Ms. Clark added that being aware of their options will help them in negotiations.

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Mr. Zach Johnson, 9 Cemetery Road, Mont Vernon NH, asked when the negotiations are going to happen.

Ms. Lawrence replied that the point is to make a decision July 1st 2026.

Mr. King asked if the contract is up for renegotiation or is it just an opportunity to continue for another 5 years.

Ms. Lawrence replied yes, there is an opportunity on both sides to say yes or no, that is the flexibility. She would have to look at the language again.

Mr. Steven O'Keefe, 3 Chestnut Circle, Mont Vernon NH, commented first of all I am very passionate about this article. I think this is something that is going to be a huge benefit not only to the community but really as we make the decisions for our seventh and 8th grade students to properly understand which path or which mechanism to provide their level of education that we are trying to provide inside this building at such a high level. When we take a look at the tuition agreement, we're in year number two of the current tuition agreement that was negotiated back two years ago. At this deliberative session, we had legal counsel inform us that we were not allowed to have the automatic renewal mechanism to that agreement triggered. It would have to come back to this body and the community for a more formal vote in year number five as to whether or not it's going to continue. It forces this community into an automatic renegotiation of that current contract.

Mr. O'Keefe continued; the contract was built on five different pillars. Number one, the support of our current students going down to the seventh and eighth grade curriculum from a qualitative standpoint, making sure that they had the proper care and the transition leaving sixth grade down there. It covered our faculty and staff to make sure that we were mandating professional development coordination between our sixth grade educators here as well as our sixth grade educators over there. It mandated the coverage of our paraprofessionals to make sure that the paraprofessionals were actually bundled together. The negotiation team had uncovered that we were being billed for quarter hours throughout the year and it just didn't make sense. We couldn't tell if a Mont Vernon paid paraprofessional was taking care of an Amherst student so we're trying to streamline that process. The fourth piece was to make sure that there was a cap on the tuition agreement to make sure that it didn't exceed a certain level year over year. I know the town of Amherst is going through a negotiation on the ballot with their faculty and their support staff. There's a cap that actually could be potentially triggered as a result of both of those articles passing. That would protect the community of Mont Vernon against those escalating costs because we didn't have a seat at that negotiation table. The final piece was making sure that that overall agreement had an end date of five years. We chose five years to be very specific. The five years was to allow this community to get together and say, "what do we want to do?" because there's a qualitative approach and there's a quantitative approach. Our community probably can educate 40 to 60, 7th and 8th grade students inside this building with significant changes for an amount that's less than 1.5 million dollars. Then you've got the qualitative side. Do we offer the quality education, the experience of meeting new peers in our 7th and eighth grade environment down at the Amherst Middle School, is that going to be the best situation for them. This

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community needs to properly understand what changes need to be made to this building to make sure that we can properly review and analyze that situation. More importantly, this building right now is at capacity. It doesn't sound like it is because the building is built for 268 and please correct me if I'm wrong. I think our capacity was 270, I think is what the study committee said but our music program is on the stage. Our teachers are sharing classrooms throughout the day. When we say that we're at capacity we truly are. We're looking over here in the corner there's art on a cart. I don't know if this is going to be a very similar situation to Amherst five or ten years from now hopefully it's not. This community has really embraced this building, this school, and the school system. It's going to continue to support it and this is the first step to get us to that discussion. What is it going to cost for us to properly educate our 7th and 8th grade students?

Ms. Lawrence added that Mr. O'Keefe was part of the negotiation.

Mr. Johnson commented that it is a good idea to get an estimate of costs.

Ms. Lawrence noted that the Middle School Study Committee did a break down of costs but without knowing what things look like there is no way to know what that is. There are different requirements for middle school, certification, class structure, etc. The only way to explore that is to fund this to do it right.

Ms. Clark added that we are paying the current amount tuition, but if they do the renovations on the middle school, we are on the hook for some of those capital costs. We as a town do not have any stake or ownership in that building. That is part of the conversation.

Ms. Lawrence remarked that additionally the potential is to move the 5th grade back to elementary school.

Ms. Roberge noted that Barca Architects did a study on the building in 2014, with two different revisions, and should be reviewed.

Mr. King noted that he was the Chair of the Middle School Study Committee, and the committee did a lot to get where they did. They presented a bunch of options and a ton of questions. The questions need professional input to be answered. The downside of not moving forward is our hands will be tied and we will have to accept the next tuition agreement because we'll have no place to put our students and we really have no bargaining power if we haven't looked into another option. You hate to spend money for no reason, but I think there's definitely a reason here to see if this is the right place or is the Middle School the right place. We never even tried to answer those questions as a Middle School Study Committee, but we did end it with a bunch of options and questions.

Ms. Lawrence added that the report is available on the SAU website.

Mr. Chamberlin mentioned that the flat pool is 3% but we went to 5% for 4 positions but we also increased time in the custodial position. It is \$40,000 for a 3% pool, and \$20,000 to attract and retain employees.

The Moderator instructed the Clerk to place Article 4 on the ballot as currently worded.

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Ms. Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH, motioned to restrict reconsideration. Ms. Kim Roberge, 36 Salisbury Road, Mont Vernon NH to second the motion.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 5. Students with Disabilities Fund Warrant Article.

Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Mont Vernon School District Students with Disabilities Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2016? This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.06 per thousand.

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 5. Ms. Jessica Hinckley, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

The Moderator recognized Ms. Lawrence for a presentation on this article.

Ms. Lawrence remarked that the Students with Disabilities Fund is an existing fund. There is a current balance I believe of \$32,000, the recommended contribution request is \$20,000, which would bring it to \$52,000. The reason for this ask is to reduce our risk. It provides support for unanticipated needs, as you can see one of the main drivers of our budgetary change is a need in student services. If one or more students come in with a significant need this money could be used to help offset that cost.

Ms. Roberge added that I understand the purpose of this. If a student comes into our district, we have to fund it and we'd like to keep this under \$14 per thousand. I understand it's a minor number, but it does get us under \$14 if all the other warrants pass.

Ms. Lawrence responded that they did talk about not funding this and expending this, \$32,000 does not go far. They felt as a board that it would be helpful to have \$50,000 in that fund to smooth out a year when they could have an increase. That is why this is article 5.

She noted the order of the warrant articles.

Ms. Kim commented that she wants to zero one of the next two out. She would like to be under \$14 per thousand. I understand that it's a conservative number, but the Town Budget was up 14% and the Budget Committee is presenting to try to get under 10% and they are proposing \$5 million dollars in warrant articles.

The Moderator asked Ms. Roberge if she wanted to make a motion to amend the article.

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Ms. Naber noted that she does have the report from December 2021. This capital reserve was established in 2016. There's been no money added to, no money expended from it. It now has a balance of \$31,731. It would seem to me over a period of what six years it's never been tapped, I see no reason to add to it.

Ms. Kim Roberge motioned to based on history of what has gone in and out of that account and knowing that if someone comes in the district that there is a fluctuation that we will have to fund it. That we make this warrant article \$0 dollars.

The Moderator asked Ms. Roberge if she had a copy of Article 5.

Ms. Kim Roberge, 35 Salisbury Road, Mont Vernon NH, motioned to amend warrant article 5 shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to zero dollars (\$0) to be added to the Mont Vernon School District Students with Disabilities Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2016? This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. Majority vote required. Ms. Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH, to second the motion.

The Moderator asked for discussion.

Mr. Chamberlin responded; this year there were discussions about freezing the budget due to unanticipated costs due to fluctuation in special education. Why did we call this risk mitigation, the goal is to implement the budget that is supported by this community. That is what gets voted. If we don't have the funds then you freeze the budget, you move funds around and you reduce the program. This year there's a significant discussion with the board it really is about self-insurance at a time that this year. Things happened that we were able to implement the budget with the fluctuation in circumstances. It is very possible that someday we will have to freeze a budget to fund to meet our legal obligations. By putting money away that reduces the risk and increases our ability to implement the budget as supported by the voters. The \$20,000 hasn't been used. Typically, a cost for a student could be six figures so you'd have to find six figures. Having fifty thousand dollars means you only have to find half. What you're doing is perfectly right, I trust the voters and trust the will, but this was done to increase insurance to implement the budget as supported by the voters, not freeze it and not reduce program. When I got here this was a very risky amount in this day and age with what we're facing with students.

The Moderator asked Mr. Bennett if it was possible to amend a warrant article to \$0.

Mr. Bennett replied yes.

A vote was taken. Amendment fails.

The Moderator asked for further discussion.

There were no further comments or questions.

The Moderator instructed the Clerk to place Article 5 on the ballot as currently worded.

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Ms. Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane, Mont Vernon NH, motioned to restrict reconsideration.
Ms. Eileen Naber, 14 Beech Hill Road, Mont Vernon NH to second the motion.

A vote was taken. Motion passed.

The Moderator introduced Warrant Article 6. Health and Dental Insurance Fund

Shall the Mont Vernon School District establish a Health and Dental Insurance Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for unanticipated health and dental insurance payments and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Mont Vernon School Board as agents to expend from said fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation.

Majority Vote Required.

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.05 per thousand.

Ms. Sarah Lawrence, 13 Joe English Rd, Mont Vernon, NH motioned to move Article 6.
Ms. Jessica Hinchlev, 9 Rangeway Road, Mont Vernon NH, seconded the motion.

The Moderator recognized Ms. Lawrence for a presentation.

Ms. Lawrence discussed that article 6 would help to provide support for unanticipated health or dental insurance plan changes. We are contractually obligated to this as a benefit for all of our staff over 30 hours. This would allow us to buffer any changes that happen that are not anticipated, for example, if someone went from a single plan to a family plan. Right now, we would not have a buffer associated with that. The board felt that it might be prudent to put fifteen thousand dollars aside in this fund to mitigate any changes in the insurance election. It is not an existing fund so it would be a new fund.

Ms. Wyman, asked about the language "to name the Mont Vernon School Board as agents to expend."

Mr. Bennett responded that it is typical.

Ms. Naber complimented the board. I think that this is the first time that the tax impact was expressed correctly.

There was no further discussion.

The Moderator instructed the Clerk to place Article 6 on the ballot as currently worded.

Ms. Amy Wyman, 4 Wallace Lane, Mont Vernon NH, motioned to restrict reconsideration.
Ms. Anne Dodd, 26 Mason Road, Mont Vernon NH to second the motion.

Approve *Anton Hodina*

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Mr. O'Keefe noted thanked Mr. King for being Moderator for 5 years. He thanked the Board and the Administration, and they have built a special place.

The Moderator encouraged the public to vote on March 14, 2023, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Mont Vernon Village School. He noted that there was a school board meeting after this deliberative session. He recognized members of the public for their interest in positions for the MVSD.

The Moderator adjourned the Deliberative Session at 7:33PM.

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TOWN OF MONT VERNON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2023**

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 B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
 C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(Three-Year Term) <input type="radio"/> George Torres (Write In) <input type="radio"/> 39</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-In)</p>	<p>TREASURER</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(One-Year Term) LYN JENNINGS <input type="radio"/> 504 <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-In)</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(One-Year Term) AMY WYMAN <input type="radio"/> 490 <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-In)</p>
<p>MODERATOR</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(One-Year Term) Christie West (Write In) <input type="radio"/> 59 <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-In)</p>		

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 2. Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget passed with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein, totaling six million three hundred forty nine thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$6,349,450)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be six million two hundred sixty six thousand three hundred four dollars (\$6,266,304) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Mont Vernon School District or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40: 13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only? **Majority vote required.**

YES 281
NO 302

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)
 Estimated tax impact of passing this article is: \$1.84 per thousand
 Estimated tax impact of not passing this article is: \$1.58 per thousand

*NOTE: Warrant Article 2 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.

ARTICLE 3. Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be added to the School Property Maintenance Expendable Trust fund previously established in March 2007? This sum to come from June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balances (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

YES 403
NO 180

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)
 Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand
 Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.11 per thousand

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for the purpose of developing an Architectural and Engineering Study including a conceptual design, program study, cost estimate, and site review for a renovation/addition to the Mont Vernon Village School. This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI (d) and RSA 32:7, V. **Majority vote required.**

YES 324
NO 261

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-6)
 Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand
 Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.18 per thousand

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

Result Verified
3/29/23

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 5. Shall the Mont Vernon School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Mont Vernon School District Student with Disabilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established in March 2016? This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

376
YES
NO
193

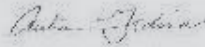
Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)
Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand
Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.06 per thousand

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Mont Vernon School District establish a Health and Dental Insurance Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c for unanticipated health and dental insurance payments and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Mont Vernon School Board as agents to expend from said fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2023. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

327
YES
NO
242

Recommended by the Mont Vernon School Board (5-0)
Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand
Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.05 per thousand

Ballot Results
Verified
3/29/23



VOTE FOR BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT



Sergeant Aaron Daigneault hands out certificates at DARE Graduation



MVPD escorts Souhegan 2023 Inaugural Graduation Walk at MVVS

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Meetings: As needed November and December

Conservation Commission: PO Box 444

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm

conservationcommission@montvernonnh.us

Greenlawn Cemetery: PO Box 444

Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month March - November at 5:30pm

cemeteries@montvernonnh.us

Heritage Commission: PO Box 444

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm

heritagecommission@montvernonnh.us

Historical Society: PO Box 15 Meetings: 1st

Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm Museum

Open: 1st and 3rd Saturdays May – October

1:00-4:00pm

Lamson Farm Commission: Meetings 1st

Thursday of the month at 7:00pm

Trustees of Trust Funds: PO Box 211

Meetings: 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30pm

Zoning Board: PO Box 444 Meetings: 3rd

Tuesday of the month as needed