

# Town of BARNET Vermont

## Annual Report

for year ending  
December 31, 2013

## Town Meeting Day

**March 4, 2014**

At the Barnet School

**School Meeting at 10:00**

**Town Meeting to follow  
immediately after**

Lunch break at noon  
Breakfast and lunch items  
available



1924 Barnet Studebakers

Back Row: ?, Jim or Pete Emery, Dade Gilchrist, Jim or Pete Emery, ?, ?,  
Edgar Strobbridge, Mgr Bert Gilfillan  
Front Row: Dick Amadon, Charles Morrill, Hinman, Sumner Gilfillan,  
batboy Walt Morrill



2013 Barnet Studebakers - Red Team © Cedarbrook Studio

Back Row: Spencer Ford, Sandy Turman, Mike Lamp, Ben Heisholt, Jacob Jack-  
mauh, Peter Wagner, Jeff Lamothe  
Front Row: Bobby Farlice-Rubio, Scott Liveston, Toby Walls, Dave Stevenson,  
Mark Vaal



2013 Barnet Studebakers - Blue Team © Cedarbrook Studio

Back Row: Greg Jackmauh, Jeremy Roberts, Dot Robinson, Lou Bushey,  
Shannon Larocque, Bill Graves, Bill Marshall  
Front Row: Mike Bigelow, Jon Carpenter, Andrew Fisher, Wes Everts, Josh Lamothe

**Town of Barnet, Vermont**  
**For Your Information:**  
***Answers to Frequently Asked Questions***

**Contact Information & Hours of Operation**

**Town Clerk's Office**

Town Clerk: Benjamin Heisholt  
Asst. Clerk: Cathy McLam  
Telephone: 633-2256  
Fax: 633-4315  
Email: townclerk@barnetvt.org  
Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m. – Noon & 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Town Website: www.barnetvt.org

**Town Garage**

Road Foreman: Keith Gadapee  
Telephone: 633-4477

**Animal Control Officer**

Josephine Guertin  
Telephone: 748-4230

**Barnet Public Library**

Telephone: 633-4436  
Email: barnetpl@hotmail.com  
Hours: Monday: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Wed.-Thurs.: 12:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Board of Listers**

Telephone: 633-2256  
Email: listers@barnetvt.org  
Meetings: Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m. – Noon at the  
Town Clerk's Office. Please call for an appointment.

**Transfer Station & Recycling Center**

Supervisor: Bruce Marston  
Hours: Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
During summer from the first Wednesday after Memorial Day  
until the last Wednesday before Labor Day open 3-7 p.m. on  
Wednesdays.

**Barnet School**

Principal: Shawn Gonyaw  
Telephone: 633-4978  
Website: www.kidrow.net

**Caledonia Central Supervisory Union**

Telephone: 684-3801

**Meetings**

**Selectboard**

Second and fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the  
Town Clerk's Office.

**School Board**

Second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Barnet  
Elementary School.

**Planning Commission/Zoning Board**

First Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Town Clerk's  
Office.

**Municipal Calendar**

Feb. 26, 2014 – Deadline - Town Meeting Voter Registration  
Mar. 4, 2014 – Town Meeting Day (Office\* closed)  
Apr. 1, 2014 – Dog Licenses due  
May 25, 2014 – Memorial Day Services  
May 26, 2014 – Memorial Day (Office closed)  
May 28, 2014 – Transfer Station summer hours begin  
Jul. 4, 2014 – Independence Day (Office closed)  
Mid-July 2014 – Property Tax bills mailed  
Aug. 27, 2014 – Transfer Station summer hours end  
Sep. 1, 2014 – Labor Day (Office closed)  
Mid-Oct. 2014 – Property Taxes due (see bill for date)  
Mid-Oct. 2014 – Harvey's Lake water level lowered  
Nov. 27, 2014 – Thanksgiving Day (Office closed)  
Nov. 28, 2014 – Office closed  
Dec. 24, 2014 – Christmas Eve (Office closing at noon)  
Dec. 25, 2014 – Christmas Day (Office closed)  
Dec. 31, 2014 – New Year's Eve (Office closing at noon)  
Jan. 1, 2015 – New Year's Day (Office closed)

\*\*"Office" = Town Clerk's Office

**Other**

**Dog Licenses**

All dogs six months of age or older must be licensed annually  
between January 1 through April 1. Licenses may be obtained  
in person at the Town Clerk's Office or through the mail. A  
current certificate of rabies vaccination must be presented.

Fees for license on or before April 1:

- \$8.00 for neutered/spayed
- \$12.00 for unneutered/unspayed

Fees for license after April 1:

- \$10.00 for neutered/spayed
- \$16.00 for unneutered/unspayed

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## **Section 1**

# **General Town Information**

## Town Elected Officers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<b>Moderator</b>	Dennis McLam	March 2014
<b>Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>	Benjamin Heisholt	March 2015
<b>Selectmen</b>	Theodore Faris, Co-Chair	March 2014
	Gary Bunnell	March 2015
	Jeremy Roberts, Co-Chair	March 2016
<b>Listers</b>	Sarah Cook*	March 2014
	Scott Renfrew	March 2015
	John Cook	March 2016
	*Appointed to replace Ronald Morse, who resigned October 2013	
<b>School Directors</b>	Louis Bushey	March 2014
	Lori Werdenschlag	March 2014
	Shellie Samuels	March 2015
	Mary Skovsted	March 2015
	David Warden	March 2016
<b>Auditors</b>	Robert Roos	March 2014
	Jonathan Smires	March 2015
	Jeffrey Riley	March 2016
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	Lisa Bowden	March 2014
<b>1st Constable</b>	Vacant*	March 2015
	*Michael Bergeron resigned May 2013; no replacement was appointed	
<b>2nd Constable</b>	David Stevenson	March 2015
<b>Grand Juror</b>	Vacant*	March 2014
	*Michael Bergeron resigned May 2013; no replacement was appointed	
<b>Town Agent</b>	Jay Abramson	March 2014
<b>Trustee of Public Funds</b>	Merle Fitzgerald	March 2014
	William Hoar	March 2015
	William Graves	March 2016
<b>Library Trustees</b>	Sherri Colby-Schenck	March 2014
	Sarah Walls	March 2015
	Alan Boye	March 2016
	Mary Mallon	March 2017
	Julie Roos	March 2018
<b>Justice of the Peace</b>	Steven Adler	February 2015
	Marvin Bailey	February 2015
	Sue Coppenrath	February 2015
	Carrie Dunbar	February 2015
	Gordon Goss	February 2015
	William Graves	February 2015
	Dennis McLam	February 2015

## Town Appointed Officers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<b>Road Foreman</b>	Keith Gadapee	
<b>Health Officer</b>	Theodore Faris	July 31, 2015
<b>Deputy Health Officer</b>	Maurice Roberts	August 31, 2014
<b>Fire Chief</b>	Ronald Morse	
<b>Fire Warden</b>	Joseph Barrett	
<b>Budget Committee</b>	William Hoar	March 2014
	Sylvia Laferriere	March 2014
	Tammi Davis	March 2015
	Kevin Morrison	March 2015
	Brenda Ball	March 2016
	Stanley Robinson	March 2016
<b>Zoning Administrative Officer</b>	Shirley Warden	March 2016
<b>Zoning Board/ Planning Commission</b>	Dennis McLam, Chairman	July 2014
	Shane Stevenson*	July 2014
	Bruce Denio	July 2015
	Ben Adams	July 2015
	Gary Briggs	July 2015
	George Pierce	July 2016
	Jonathan Carpenter	July 2016
	Kathleen Crown	July 2017
	William Biddle	July 2017
	*Appointed to replace David White, who resigned October 2013	
<b>Asst. Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>	Cathy McLam	March 2014
<b>Emergency Management Coordinator</b>	Ronald Morse	
<b>Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Representative</b>	William Douglas	

**WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
OF THE TOWN OF BARNET  
TO BE HELD ON MARCH 04, 2014**

The legal voters of the town of Barnet are hereby warned to meet at the Barnet School in Barnet on Tuesday, March 04, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. to transact the following business:

- ARTICLE 1** To elect a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2** To elect a School Director for a term of 3 years.  
To elect a School Director for a term of 2 years.
- ARTICLE 3** Shall the voters of the Barnet School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to use a portion of the FY13 audited General Fund surplus in an amount necessary to eliminate the audited fund balance deficit in the Food Service Fund?
- ARTICLE 4** Shall the voters of the Barnet School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to transfer any remaining FY13 audited General Fund surplus to the Long Term Maintenance Fund?
- ARTICLE 5** Shall the School District vote to adopt a budget of \$4,927,127 for the school year ending June 30, 2015 including an appropriation of a sum of money for the support of schools with provisions for current expenses, capital improvements, a deficit, if any, and for other lawful purposes?
- ARTICLE 6** Shall the School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2015 in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?
- ARTICLE 7** To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Barnet this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.

Barnet School Directors  
 Shellie Samuels, Chair  
 Lori Werdenschlag Barbour, Vice Chair  
 David Warden  
 Louis Bushey  
 Mary Skovsted, Clerk

Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

**WARNING  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MARCH 4, 2014**

**The legal voters of the Town of Barnet, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barnet School on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at the conclusion of the annual school district meeting to act on the following Articles:**

- ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.**
- ARTICLE 2. To elect all other Town Officers as required by law and additional Town Officers as approved by the voters.**
- ARTICLE 3. To consider and act upon the report of the Town Auditors.**
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the American Red Cross of Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region?**
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont?**
- ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?**
- ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00) to Caledonia Home Health Care?**
- ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$17,050) to CALEX Ambulance Service?**
- ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Catamount Arts?**
- ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) to Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium?**
- ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Kingdom Animal Shelter?**
- ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to the Lake Harvey Association to be used for a boat monitoring/wash program dedicated to the prevention of milfoil and other invasive species at Harvey's Lake?**

- ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,775.00) to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.?**
- ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?**
- ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?**
- ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?**
- ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to Umbrella Inc.?**
- ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?**
- ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?**
- ARTICLE 20. To see what arrangements the Town and Town School District will vote for the collection of its taxes and by what lawful official for the ensuing year.**
- ARTICLE 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to defray the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the current year.**
- ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town vote to exempt from taxation the property owned by Lakeview Grange #359 located in West Barnet Village, for a period not to exceed 5 years, pursuant to 32 VSA Section 3840?**
- ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town vote to advise the Vermont State Legislature as follows:  
Whereas the establishment of a Public Bank in Vermont will help towns reduce the local tax burden by offering low cost bonds for public works and a depository for their accounts with competitive interest,  
Whereas a Public Bank that makes loans and investments in Vermont's people and our economy will help create jobs, income, and economic security for all Vermonters,  
We call on the State Legislature to create a Public Bank for Vermont that enhances the work of the Vermont Economic Development Authority, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation, the Vermont Housing Finance Agency, the Municipal Bond Bank, and Vermont chartered community banks and credit unions by accepting deposits from the state and municipal governments and making loan programs available for students, homeowners, municipalities and enterprises to make Vermont economically stable, self-reliant, and successful.**

**ARTICLE 24. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.**

**Barnet Selectboard:**

  
Theodore Faris, Co-Chair

  
Jeremy Roberts, Co-Chair

  
Gary Bunnell

Attest:   
Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

# WARNING

## NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

### MARCH 4, 2014

The legal voters of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are hereby notified and warned to vote, by Australian Ballot, at the polling place and between the hours specified by their municipality on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 to act on the following article.

**ARTICLE 1:** Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$ 694,978.00?

Steve Moxey	<del>John Campbell</del>
Kenneth N. Tomata	Claude O. Phipps
Deane Johnson	John Cape
<del>Mark [unclear]</del>	James W. LeWley
<del>Halper [unclear]</del>	Gore a Perkins
Deborah But	Priscilla Smith
<del>Bob [unclear]</del>	John Brown
Jack [unclear]	
Suzanne Smith	
Peter Keane	
Mrs Daigle	
Kevin [unclear]	
Jim Dailey	
<del>William [unclear]</del>	
<del>John [unclear]</del>	
<del>Mike [unclear]</del>	
Steve [unclear]	

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2014 Proposed Budget

BUDGET ITEM	2013 BUDGET	2013 ACTUAL thru 12/31/13	2014 PROPOSED BUDGET	2013-2014 % Change
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>				
Advertising	\$750.00	\$1,703.90	\$1,000.00	33%
Audit -- Financial	\$3,200.00	\$6,700.00	\$3,400.00	6%
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$5,000.00	\$5,766.50	\$6,000.00	20%
Bank Charges	\$50.00	\$49.57	\$0.00	-100%
Books & Subscriptions	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	0%
Cleaning	\$1,680.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00	1%
Copier	\$1,550.00	\$1,285.99	\$2,000.00	29%
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$2,500.00	\$3,049.84	\$2,700.00	8%
Heating Fuel	\$2,000.00	\$866.94	\$2,000.00	0%
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$13,000.00	\$16,845.00	\$14,621.00	12%
Planning	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	150%
Legal Fees	\$1,000.00	\$5,815.59	\$6,000.00	500%
Postage	\$2,100.00	\$2,211.18	\$1,500.00	-29%
Office Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$4,807.26	\$2,500.00	0%
Telephone - Office	\$3,300.00	\$2,770.78	\$3,000.00	-9%
Water/Sewer	\$1,900.00	\$946.47	\$1,500.00	-21%
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$42,655.00</b>	<b>\$54,619.02</b>	<b>\$53,046.00</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>BUILDING EXPENSES</b>				
Improvements	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	0%
Electricity	\$8,500.00	\$7,217.71	\$8,500.00	0%
Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$650.97	\$2,000.00	-33%
Misc. Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$269.95	\$1,000.00	0%
Trash Removal	\$2,200.00	\$1,909.92	\$2,000.00	-9%
<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>	<b>\$16,200.00</b>	<b>\$10,048.55</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>-7%</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>				
Purchases	\$1,000.00	\$45.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Baler Repairs	\$8,000.00	\$11,190.61	\$8,000.00	0%
Baler Supplies	\$7,000.00	\$5,908.01	\$7,000.00	0%
Forklift Fuel	\$2,500.00	\$2,917.19	\$2,500.00	0%
Forklift Repairs	\$7,000.00	\$4,267.82	\$6,000.00	-14%
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$3,566.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Skidsteer Fuel	\$1,000.00	\$1,440.08	\$2,000.00	100%
Skidsteer Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$68.57	\$2,000.00	0%
Warehouse Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$2,196.63	\$2,000.00	33%
Trucks--Diesel	\$28,000.00	\$33,038.04	\$33,200.00	19%
Trucks--Repairs	\$7,000.00	\$7,105.71	\$7,000.00	0%
<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$66,000.00</b>	<b>\$71,743.66</b>	<b>\$71,700.00</b>	<b>9%</b>

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2014 Proposed Budget

<b>BUDGET ITEM</b>	<b>2013 BUDGET</b>	<b>2013 ACTUAL thru 12/31/13</b>	<b>2014 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>	<b>2013-2014 % Change</b>
Grants--St of VT	\$49,000.00	\$47,067.00	\$55,000.00	12%
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$2,000.00	\$2,579.90	\$3,000.00	50%
Hazardous Waste (CEG Fees)	\$3,500.00	\$3,542.52	\$2,000.00	-43%
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$25.62	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous Income	\$2,000.00	\$124.20	\$0.00	-100%
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$1,000.00	\$96.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$500.00	\$275.00	\$500.00	0%
Sale of Recyclables	\$137,000.00	\$158,072.36	\$145,000.00	6%
Compost Income	\$1,000.00	\$947.30	\$1,000.00	0%
Electronics Income	\$7,778.00	\$8,554.08	\$10,000.00	29%
Scrap Metal Income	\$22,100.00	\$25,229.10	\$22,500.00	2%
Battery Income	\$3,500.00	\$2,362.00	\$3,000.00	-14%
Tire Income	\$14,500.00	\$13,250.90	\$14,500.00	0%
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$436,000.00	\$474,068.61	\$437,478.00	0%
<b>TOTAL NEK REVENUES</b>	<b>\$679,878.00</b>	<b>\$736,194.59</b>	<b>\$694,978.00</b>	<b>2%</b>

**MINUTES  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MARCH 5, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Barnet Elementary School gymnasium by Moderator Dennis McLam. The Barnet Elementary School band played the National Anthem. Mr. McLam led the salute to the flag, announced that lunch would be served by the school cafeteria at noon, and explained the rules of order for the meeting.

**ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.**

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Dennis McLam is expiring.
- Dennis McLam nominated by Mona Marceau.
- Theodore Faris moved that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Dennis McLam.

**ARTICLE 2. To elect all other Town Officers as required by law and additional Town Officers as approved by the voters.**

Selectman

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Jeremy Roberts is expiring.
- Jeremy Roberts nominated by Theodore Faris.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jeremy Roberts.

Lister

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of John Cook is expiring.
- John Cook nominated by Robert Roos.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for John Cook.

Auditor

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Jeffrey Riley is expiring.
- Jeffrey Riley nominated by Robert Roos.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jeffrey Riley.

Collector of Delinquent Tax

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Lisa Bowden is expiring.
- Lisa Bowden nominated by Mark Gilleland.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.

- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Lisa Bowden.

First Constable

- Moderator stated that two-year term of Timothy Gibbs is expiring.
- Michael Bergeron nominated by Jeremy Roberts.
- David Stevenson nominated by Mona Marceau.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Mona Marceau spoke, stating that she understands that Mr. Bergeron lives in Vermont only during the summer, and that his out-of-state residency may adversely affect his ability to serve as First Constable.
- Theodore Faris spoke: There are new laws that require elected constables to have significant law enforcement training; this would make Mr. Bergeron a good candidate.
- Michael Bergeron was elected by a show of hands vote (Michael Bergeron: 42 votes, David Stevenson: 32 votes)
- Mona Marceau asked what would result if Mr. Bergeron, who was not present for this meeting, did not wish to hold this office.
- Moderator Dennis McLam spoke, indicating that the Selectboard would appoint a replacement for Mr. Bergeron if he was to resign.
- Theodore Faris spoke, indicating that there is no difference between First and Second Constable in terms of authority. Each is independent of the other and of the Selectboard; the titles “First” and “Second” are only naming conventions.

Second Constable

- Moderator stated that two-year term of David Stevenson is expiring.
- David Stevenson nominated by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by David Warden.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for David Stevenson.

Grand Juror

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Michael Bergeron is expiring.
- Michael Bergeron nominated by Theodore Faris.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Michael Bergeron.

Town Agent

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Jay Abramson is expiring.
- Jay Abramson nominated by Mona Marceau.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jay Abramson.

Trustee of Public Funds

- Moderator stated that three-year term of William Graves is expiring.
- William Graves nominated by David Warden.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for William Graves.

Library Trustee

- Moderator stated that five-year term of Cathy McLam is expiring. Moderator indicated that Ms. McLam does not seek re-election.
- Julie Roos nominated by Sarah Walls.
- Jane Casavant nominated by Sherry Tolle.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Julie Roos was elected by a show of hands vote (Julie Roos: 84 votes, Jane Casavant: 8 votes)

**ARTICLE 3. To consider and act upon the report of the Town Auditors.**

- Mona Marceau moved to accept the report of the Town Auditors as it appears on page thirty-six of the Town Report. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the American Red Cross, Northern Vermont Chapter?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by James Verrill.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?**

- David Warden moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00) to Caledonia Home Health Care?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$17,050.00) to CALEX Ambulance Service?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Ronald Morse.
- Joyce Evans asked why CALEX is requesting so much more than in 2012 (\$7,160).
  - Celina Wright, CALEX President, responded: CALEX should have requested increased funding in 2012; the extremity of the increase in 2013 is in part because they did not request enough in 2012. Other factors include: a) an increase in the number of “non-transports” (when CALEX responds to a call but does not transport the patient); b) inflationary cost increases; and c) disadvantageous changes in CALEX’s “payer mix” (the percentages of payments received from private versus government insurances). The cost to Barnet taxpayers, even with the increase, is approximately ten dollars per capita; this is a good deal, and one of the lowest per capita costs in the state.
- Mona Marceau spoke, expressing a concern that, even if Barnet passes this appropriation their service may be adversely affected if other larger towns, such as St. Johnsbury, do not pass their appropriations.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke in support of CALEX, praising their subscriber program as a method for defraying taxpayer costs.
- Celina Wright spoke, indicating that CALEX has increased rates that it charges insurance companies, also in an effort to defray taxpayer expense.
- Kristen Nutter spoke in support of CALEX, indicating that she has worked at CALEX in the past, and observed that the staff obtains extensive and ongoing training.
- Mark Gilleland asked how CALEX’s expansion to serve Littleton, New Hampshire will be funded.
  - Celina Wright indicated that the Littleton operation will be self-funding – not using Vermont tax appropriations – through a contract with the municipality costing sixteen dollars per capita.
- Sarah Cook moved to fund CALEX’s increased appropriation request by reducing the appropriation to Caledonia County by \$10,000.
  - Theodore Faris spoke, indicating that the Town does not have the authority to adjust the County appropriation; it must pay the full amount billed as a tax.
  - Sarah Cook withdrew her motion.
- Theodore Faris spoke, stating that the Selectboard is very aware of the need for an ambulance service. The Board has not, however, received an annual report from CALEX, which would have been helpful in assessing their request.
  - Celina Wright indicated that the 2012 financial statements have not been audited yet, but she will forward the 2011 financial statements to the Selectboard.
- Mona Marceau spoke, stating that CALEX, based on the oaths of their employees, must provide the same level of ambulance service to the public whether their increased appropriation request is granted or not.
  - John Cook responded: There is a limit to the debt that CALEX can absorb in fulfilling their employees’ oaths; they will eventually go bankrupt, and the Town may be left without a quality ambulance service.
- William Barbour asked if there has been a change in service since CALEX expanded its service to include Littleton.

- Celina Wright responded: The St. Johnsbury operation was not affected by the move to Littleton: St. Johnsbury and Littleton are completely separate operations.
- Mona Marceau asked if any CALEX trucks were moved to the Littleton operation.
  - Celina Wright responded: A truck was moved to the Littleton operation, but it was replaced in St. Johnsbury with a new truck.
- Shirley Warden moved for a division of the assembly by paper ballot. Seven other voters seconded this motion. Paper ballots were distributed.
- While paper ballots were being tabulated by the Board of Civil Authority, State Representative Leigh Larocque spoke regarding legislation under consideration in the Vermont Legislature. Among these are a Senate bill that would make private schools (including St. Johnsbury Academy and Lyndon Institute, where many Barnet School graduates attend) subject to certain State requirements, and an increase in the gasoline tax, or a decrease in State aid to Towns for Class 2 roads, as a means to fund the transportation budget.
- David Warden asked Mr. Larocque why the variables in the formula for state education funding have been changed to the disadvantage of towns such as Barnet.
  - Mr. Larocque responded: Often the education fund has been depleted to fund other programs, and this has created problems.
- John Cook asked Mr. Larocque about a bill currently under consideration that would change the state education funding formula.
  - Mr. Larocque responded: This bill will not be acted on without amendment.
- The result of paper ballot vote was announced by the Moderator: 153 “Yes” votes, 26 “No” votes. The motion was passed.

**ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Catamount Arts?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by James Verrill.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) to Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Robert Roos.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to the Lake Harvey Association to be used for a boat monitoring/wash program dedicated to the prevention of milfoil and other invasive species at Harvey’s Lake?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- David Kristoff asked if this appropriation is working.
  - David Curtin, Vice President of the Lake Harvey Association responded: The lake has not yet been infected with milfoil or other invasive species; as this is the stated goal of this appropriation, it is working.
- David Kristoff asked if there are user fees for the program.
  - David Curtin responded: It is against State law to charge a fee for this service. Furthermore, charging a fee would encourage users to put potentially

contaminated vessels in the lake at other locations.

- David Warden stated that he has heard rumors of boats entering the lake at other locations, and asked if this can be stopped.
  - David Curtin responded: It is difficult to enforce a policy of all boats entering the lake at the southern boat access. The Association puts up signs around the lake and works to educate its members regarding the dangers of milfoil.
- Mona Marceau spoke: Hopefully the lakefront property owners are aware of this issue and do not allow others to put potentially contaminated boats into the lake at their properties. More education of people outside of the Association is needed.
  - David Curtin responded: This is a good suggestion, and the Association is working, through its upgraded website, signs, etc. to spread information about the threat of invasive species.
- Joyce Evans asked if the appropriation covers all of the expense for the program.
  - David Curtin responded: It does not cover all of the expense; the Association pays for any expenses above \$10,000.
- David Warden asked if boats are allowed to enter the lake at the public beach.
  - Theodore Faris responded: The Selectboard is not aware boats being allowed this access. The boat wash program at the southern public boat access is a joint project involving the Town, the Lake Harvey Association, and the State Fish and Wildlife Department.
- Joyce Evans asked where the water from the boat wash goes.
  - Theodore Faris responded: A pit containing crushed gravel was constructed when the boat wash was initiated. Approximately two to five gallons are used for each wash; most of it evaporates quickly.
- Michael Kennedy asked if there is signage along the South Peacham Brook indicating that boats are not permitted to enter the lake via this channel.
  - Theodore Faris responded, indicating that beavers make this channel impassable by boat, so no signage is necessary.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,775.00) to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mary Jean Thielen.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?**

- Robert Roos moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?**

- Mary Mallon moved the article as warned. Seconded by Richard Mallon.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to Umbrella Inc.?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?**

- James Verrill moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 19. To see what arrangements the Town and Town School District will vote for the collection of its taxes and by what lawful official for the ensuing year.**

- Lisa Bowden moved that taxes become due and payable in hand to the Town Treasurer during business hours on or before October 19, 2013, with said taxes to be actually received by said Treasurer on or before the due date without regard to postmark; and thereafter said taxes shall be payable to the Collector of Delinquent Tax with interest at the rate of 1% per month for the first three months, and thereafter at the rate of 1 ½ % per month, plus the collector's fee as provided by law. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Rosemary Spinelli suggested tax bills announce that the due date of taxes is a Saturday and the hours that the Town Clerk's Office is open on this Saturday.
  - Treasurer Benjamin Heisholt indicated that he will place such a notice on the tax bills in the future.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to defray the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the current year.**

- Jeremy Roberts moved to raise the sum of \$604,636 for the Selectmen's budget and \$529,700 for the Highway budget, for a total of \$1,134,336. Seconded by Mary Mallon.
- Theodore Faris spoke: The Selectboard reduced the workforce of the Highway Department from six to five employees in 2012; the budget figures reflect that change. The Board requests communication from taxpayers indicating if they are pleased with the level of service provided after this change.
- Mark Bowen spoke, indicating that although he appreciates the work done on

Comerford Dam Road in 2012, more work is required.

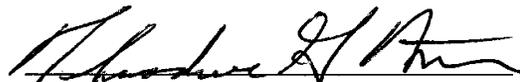
- Theodore Faris responded: The Selectboard does have plans to address this concern in 2013; this is reflected in the Road Foreman's Report.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke in support of the Town budget, complimenting the Selectboard for their fiscal responsibility and for considering the impact of their decisions on retired residents.
- Theodore Faris spoke: The Town has been "in business" for 250 years; it is with pride at such a time that the Selectboard can publish in the Town Report that the Town has no long or short-term debt other than 30-day payables. The Selectboard wishes that Montpelier and Washington, D.C. would handle their finances in a like manner.
- Gail Warnaar asked if the fifteen cent increase in the estimated tax rate (as reflected on page 73 of the Town Report) includes an increase in the budget of the Town.
  - John Cook responded: This increase is a result of the School's budget, not the Town's.
- Robert Roos spoke: It appears that the majority of the increase in the Town budget results from increases in the appropriation requests of CALEX Ambulance Service and Caledonia County. What does the County do for the Town?
  - Theodore Faris responded: The county appropriation is a tax billed to the Town: we pay our share and have no control over the dollar amount. Roy Vance, the Superior Court judge, does a good job crafting the budget. The increases this year are due, according to Judge Vance, to employment issues, losses in the past few years, and several bookkeeping errors. The budget increases to compensate for these factors will be spread over a two-year period starting with this year's appropriation. The appropriation pays for the courthouse and the Sheriff's Department.
- Michael Kennedy asked if the Town plans to apply any treatment to the foam on the Town Garage.
  - Jeremy Roberts responded: The Municipal Buildings Fund will be used to pay for treatment this summer – probably using stucco.
- David Warden asked if the Selectboard has plans to renovate the Town Hall.
  - Jeremy Roberts responded: We dedicated the Town Hall in 2009 with the intention of renovating the building to a usable state. First steps toward this, including possible foundation work and window replacement, are planned for 2013. The long-term goal is, with the help of a committee for the project, to move the Town Clerk's Office to the Town Hall and sell the Town Clerk's Office.
- Theodore Faris spoke regarding the work completed in 2012 on a salt shed at the Town Garage location.
- Jeremy Roberts spoke regarding the sale of town-owned properties in the past few years. The Selectboard's goal has been to return these properties to the tax rolls; the same goal is in mind for the Town Clerk's Office.
- Gail Warnaar suggested that the voters should cut \$10,000 from the Municipal Buildings Fund appropriation to lessen the impact of the increase in the School District budget.
  - Some brief discussion regarding this suggestion was had, but no motion to this effect was made.

- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.**

- Theodore Faris presented a pot of soldier beans as a gift from the Selectboard to Jeremy Roberts in appreciation for his service.
- Dylan Ford, Vice President of the Barnet Historical Society and part of the committee scheduling events for Barnet’s 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary spoke about events planned.
- Barbara Warden also spoke regarding 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, including a box social, dance, and parade.
- Mona Marceau spoke, encouraging residents to “like” the Facebook page of Barnet’s 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary to stay informed about events.
- Robert Farlice-Rubio, employee of Fairbanks Museum, spoke regarding museum brochures and coupons available at the meeting.
- Grace Gershuny and Shirley Warden spoke regarding Green-Up Day, scheduled for Saturday, May 4.
- Amy Miller, of the Milarepa Center, spoke regarding an open house to be held, as a part of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, at the Milarepa Center.
- Theodore Faris moved to adjourn. Seconded by Robert Roos.
  - Passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

  
 Dennis McLam, Moderator

  
 Theodore Faris, Selectman

  
 Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

**MINUTES  
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET  
MARCH 5, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. at the Barnet Elementary School gymnasium by Moderator Dennis McLam.

**ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.**

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Dennis McLam is expiring.
- Dennis McLam nominated by Rosemary Kinerson.
- William Biddle moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Dennis McLam.

**ARTICLE 2. To elect a School Director for a term of 3 years.**

- Moderator stated that three-year term originally held by Shannon Larocque is expiring. This seat is currently held by David Warden, who was appointed to replace Mr. Larocque when he resigned in October 2012.
- David Warden nominated by James Schenck.
  - o James Schenck spoke in endorsement of Mr. Warden's candidacy: he has always been a good resource for the School Board; the Board appreciated his willingness to fill in for Mr. Larocque.
- John Cook nominated by Jeremy Roberts.
  - o John Cook declined the nomination.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for David Warden.

**To elect a School Director for a term of 2 years.**

- Moderator stated that two-year term of James Schenck is expiring.
- John Cook nominated by Sarah Cook.
- Mary Skovsted nominated by Shellie Samuels.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Mary Skovsted spoke, stating that she has fond memories of attending Barnet School, and that she would be honored to serve if elected.
- John Cook spoke, stating that he has been a resident of Barnet since 2005, that he has been a critic of the School Board, and would be willing to serve if elected in order to apply his experience as a Selectman (in another Vermont town) and business owner.
- A vote by paper ballot was had, as required by state statute for the office of School Director.
- While paper ballots were being tabulated by the Board of Civil Authority, the School Board presented an informational slideshow regarding the school and the school district budget.
  - o Louis Bushey spoke regarding the following: implementation the school's mission and strategic plan through consistent implementation of school policies, improved communication within the school and community, instruction aligned with learning, creating new programs to enrich the curriculum, and increasingly integrating technology in all aspects of school life.
  - o David Warden spoke regarding the following: implementation the school's mission and strategic plan through insuring adequate space for all school programs, recognizing the importance of small class sizes, and maintaining and upgrading school facilities and equipment.
  - o Lori Werdenschlag spoke regarding the following: the school administration being responsive to changing needs of the students and the community, continued directions for

- growth, reflecting a balanced view of assessments, providing professional development to elevate instructional effectiveness, and remaining fiscally responsible.
- o Shellie Samuels spoke regarding the following: general information regarding the supervisory union, services provided by the supervisory union, and upward fiscal pressures.
  - o James Schenck spoke regarding the following: the student census, budget reductions, 2014 budget notes, why the tax rate is increasing more than the budget, tax rate calculation details, kindergarten through eighth grade staffing levels, high school tuition rates, and school budget growth.
  - The Moderator announced the tabulated results of the paper ballot vote: Mary Skovsted elected (Mary Skovsted: 90 votes, John Cook: 36 votes).

**ARTICLE 3. The total proposed budget of \$4,633,115 is the amount determined by the school board to be necessary to support the school district's educational program. State law requires that the vote on this budget be divided because (i) the school district's spending per equalized pupil last year was more than the statewide average and (ii) this year's proposed budget is greater than last year's budget adjusted for inflation.**

**(School Budget)**

**Part A. Shall the voters of the Barnet School District authorize the school board to expend \$4,534,402, which is a portion of the amount the school board has determined to be necessary?**

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Joyce Evans.
- Marvin Bailey moved to reduce the expenditures amount by three percent from the warned amount of \$4,534,402 to \$4,398,370. Seconded by Jeffrey Riley.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke: The School Board should consider larger class sizes; the school has an experienced staff that should be able to accommodate this change. The school should also attempt to raise money from other sources, such as direct solicitation, to ease the burden of funding placed on the taxpayer. It is good to hear that the school is pursuing grants, but the School Board needs to do more to suggest that they identify with the taxpayers in Barnet, which is not a wealthy town. Does the budget reflect finalized teacher contracts, or are these still being negotiated?
  - o James Schenck responded: The budget does reflect negotiated teacher contracts.
- Mona Marceau spoke: The Town of Peacham is considering closing their school. If Barnet was to absorb their students, what would we charge for tuition?
  - o Shellie Samuels responded: The "announced tuition" would be \$11,000. This figure, however, would be adjusted at the end of the school year once the actual cost per student is calculated.
- Mona Marceau spoke: Based on the School Board's presentation, St. Johnsbury Academy's tuition is increasing from \$14,570 to \$15,300, but there nine fewer high school students. How does this result in an increase in high school tuition expense?
  - o Shellie Samuel responded: The high school census numbers are three-year rolling averages, including home-schooled and private-schooled students. The figures presented by the School Board are accurate, but do not include special education students.
- Gail Warnaar spoke, addressing three separate points: 1) It would not be wise for the school to spend their time trying to raise funds, as suggested by Mary Jean Thielen, rather than on education. 2) The School Board has no control over much of the budget – most is composed of state requirements - so the three percent proposed cut would come at the expense of

enriching the learning experience. 3) It is a shame that so few voters are deciding this important matter. Australian ballot would allow more voters to participate.

- Jeffrey Riley spoke, addressing four separate matters:
  - Ms. Warnaar makes a good point regarding Australian ballot.
  - The proposal to cut three percent from the budget is a good one. This will force the School Board and the supervisory unions to find ways of cutting the budget. The salaries and benefits of taxpayers are not increasing to accommodate the school budget increases.
  - What is the status of the Barnet's request for a waiver from No Child Left Behind?
    - Shellie Samuels responded: There is no update to report. The Act, however, expires next year, so it will become a moot point soon.
  - What are the figures for home school and private school students?
    - Shellie Samuels responded: There are approximately thirteen students who attend private schools, and seven who are home schooled.
    - Sherry Tolle spoke: There thirty-nine private and home schooled students in kindergarten through eighth grade according to a count conducted by Ms. Tolle.
- Jeffrey Riley spoke: It seems that some students are schooled at home because of bullying. Is anything being done to address bullying?
  - Principal Shawn Gonyaw, who is not a Barnet voter, spoke with the permission of the voters: The School has a bullying policy. When there are student infractions the school communicates with the parents and applies a consequence for the student. The bullying problem is improving, as evidenced by data.
- Bridget Ferrin-Smith spoke: Experience of teaching at the St. Johnsbury School suggests that larger class sizes are detrimental. Also, the St. Johnsbury School has also implemented the same behavioral support system as Barnet, and it seems to be effective.
- Mary Mallon asked what effect the proposed three percent decrease would have on the educational program of the school.
  - Shellie Samuels responded: The School Board does not know exactly what changes would be made without first meeting and discussing the matter with the exact budget amount in mind.
  - Louis Bushey responded: The School Board did discuss possible cuts if the second vote was to fail, but not specific amendments to the first vote.
  - Lori Werdenschlag responded: The School Board would have to make cuts to important programs. The budget as presented is already scaled back as far as the School Board felt comfortable with. There is no space in the school for larger classroom sizes.
- Marian Wagner spoke: As a retired teacher, the School Board's presentation was impressive. The voters voted the School Board into office, and should trust their advice, not the advice of non-Directors.
- Barbara Warden spoke: Speakers should not present the voters with rumors without citing their source. Also, voters should volunteer at the school before they criticize the school.
- Susan Jensen, a teacher at Barnet School, spoke: What is happening with preschool funding?
  - Shellie Samuels responded: Preschool was funded from a grant for twenty years. This grant has expired, so we now must pay for one hundred percent of the program. It is unclear whether preschool will at some time be mandated. Preschool funding is a part of the increase in the school budget.
- Susan Jensen spoke, indicating that as a Tier II reading instructor half of the students she sees are two years behind in reading; new standards are increasing the reading proficiency required. Ms. Jensen also spoke in support of Ms. Warden's encouragement to voters to volunteer at the school.
- John Cook spoke: The state education funding formula results in penalties for schools that spend above the state's base per pupil spending level. These penalties include \$130,000 going to the state education fund from which Barnet School does not receive any benefit. It

also reduces the income-sensitive tax “prebate” that taxpayers receive as a reduction of their net taxes due. Mr. Cook indicated that he is in support of the three percent decrease.

- The amendment to the warned expense amount was defeated by voice vote.
- The article as warned was passed by voice vote.

**Part B. If Part A. is approved by the voters, shall the voters of the Barnet School District also authorize the school board to expend \$98,713, which is the remainder of the amount the school board has determined to be necessary?**

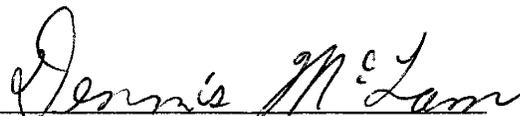
- Marian Wagner moved the article as warned. Seconded by Susan Persson.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke: If, as John Cook stated, passing this article will result in \$130,000 being sent to the State, we should not pass this article, and keep the \$130,000.
  - o John Cook responded: The \$130,000 sent to the state is a result of the entire state education funding formula. Voting down this article will not simply result in keeping the funds at Barnet. It would cause a recalculation of the formula, which would still result in funds being sent to the State.
- Gregory Jackmauh spoke: It would give voters more confidence in the efforts of the School Board to control costs if the administration budget (page ninety-five in the Town Report) increased at the same rate or less than the rest of the expenditures budget.
- Robert Roos spoke: It would be helpful if the financial reports appearing in the Town Report indicated the percentage increase (or decrease) from one budget year to the next. What is the overall expenditure budget increase percentage?
  - o James Schenck responded: The total expenditure budget increase from 2013 to 2014 is 5.7%.
- Robert Roos spoke: The School Board should make a better effort to keep the percentage increase more in line with the increase of incomes in the economy at large.
- Mona Marceau spoke addressing three points: 1) Mr. Roos makes a good suggestion regarding simplicity in the presentation of the Town Report financials. 2) Most employers, and Social Security, awarded only a three percent increase this year. The School Board should make a better effort to keep budget increases in line with salary increases. 3) The Town should vote by Australian ballot on this matter, as it would elicit more participation.
- Edward Ryan spoke in support of the School District budget, stating the voters elected the School Board to craft the budget, and they should trust them to do this job.
- Robert Farlice-Rubio spoke: The School Board made painful decisions at their budget meetings, and did admirably to increase the budget by only 5.7%.
- Stephanie Giese spoke: Ms. Giese has two children who attend the Barnet School, and wishes to thank and commend the Principal and School Board for a job well done.
- Margaret Clayton, a teacher at the Barnet School, spoke: The School Board is not asking for more than what the children need for a good education. There are new standards to which the school must adhere, and the school must act in the best interest of the children to help them keep up with these standards.
- Rosemarie Spinelli spoke: There are many taxes about which to complain, but education taxes are the most important taxes we pay, and should not be where we make cuts.
- Philo Marcotte spoke: New preschool funding, at approximately \$90,000, accounts for the majority of expenditures associated with this second vote. This is an invaluable program that has helped Mr. Marcotte’s children.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4. To see if the school district will authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2014 in the amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?**

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Robert Roos.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5. To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.**

- Shirley Warden spoke regarding spoke regarding three matters: 1) The Australian ballot has been voted down in Barnet in the past. It does not result in more voter participation, and should not be supported. 2) The Town must adopt a new Town Plan by September 2013. The Planning Commission/Zoning Board will discuss this at their meeting to be held March 12, 2013. 3) Barnet will host a Household Hazardous Waste collection on August 7, 2013.
- Theodore Faris spoke: On page fifty of the Town Report the Town Clerk refers to himself as a greenhorn. If he is a greenhorn, he is a most qualified greenhorn, and is doing a good job.
- David Warden, Historical Society President, spoke regarding Barnet 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary events.
- Shellie Samuels spoke, urging public participation at School Board meetings.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke, thanking the cafeteria workers for a delicious lunch, and the students who volunteered to be microphone-runners.
- John Cook spoke regarding new requirements for filing the Vermont Homestead Declaration.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

  
Dennis McLam, Moderator

  
Shellie Samuels, School Director

  
Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET  
NOVEMBER 12, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Barnet Elementary School gymnasium by Moderator Dennis McLam.

Sue Persson, Music Teacher at Barnet School, announced that a Veterans Assembly would be held at the school on November 13, 2013 at 1:30 p.m.

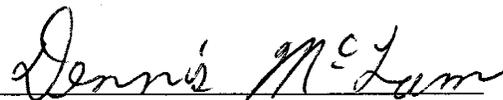
Moderator Dennis McLam read the warning as printed.

**ARTICLE 1. Shall the Barnet School District adopt its budget article or articles by Australian ballot?**

- Sarah Cook moved that the Barnet School District adopt its budget article or article by Australian ballot. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Sarah Cook spoke in favor of the motion: The main reason Ms. Cook started the petition for this article and meeting is that out of more than 1,300 voters on the checklist only 126 voted when the school district budget was passed at the annual school district meeting this year. More people should have the opportunity to vote; many voters are unable to attend the annual meeting due to work, disabilities, etc.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke in favor of the motion: We are not currently an agrarian society as New England was when the town meeting form of government was established. Most people now must work outside of town; conducting the vote during working hours on a Tuesday effectively denies many voters the opportunity to vote.
- Sherry Tolle spoke in favor of the motion: If this meeting was held next week, Ms. Tolle would be unable to attend due to a planned hospitalization. This demonstrates the inequity that occurs annually when many voters are, through no choice of their own, physically unable to attend. Yesterday was Veterans Day, when the nation honored veterans for their sacrifice. The current annual meeting system inadvertently dishonors many veterans by taking away their vote.
- Leigh Larocque spoke in opposition to the motion: Mr. Larocque's family's has in many ways participated in and supported Barnet School. Recently the Town of Walden, which adopts its school district budget by Australian ballot, has voted five times but still has not passed a budget; this ineffective method should not be used in Barnet.
- Sylvia Laferriere spoke on behalf of her brother Shannon Larocque in opposition to the motion: As a former School Board member, it seems evident that an Australian ballot vote would adversely affect the education of children in Barnet. Voters can have the most influence on the budget at School Board meetings during budget development, regardless of how the final budget adoption takes place. Australian ballot adoption would eliminate the question-and-answer dynamic that allows voters who do not attend budget meetings to better grasp the budget prior to voting.
- Sylvia Laferriere spoke in opposition to the motion: Two of Ms. Laferriere's children are examples of the many disabled students who, through the dedicated staff at Barnet School, have been able to excel. The Australian ballot vote would allow uninformed voters to vote in reaction to a number and unknowingly damage the school's ability to help children like hers.
- Kathleen Monroe began to speak regarding the information presented about the School District in the Town Report.

- o Moderator Dennis McLam indicated that Ms. Monroe is not a registered voter. Ms. Monroe indicated that she registered to vote through the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles. With the voters' consent, the Moderator allowed Ms. Monroe to speak.
- o Ms. Monroe again spoke regarding the Town Report, suggesting that it provides inadequate information on which to base a vote, which would be a problem if the school district was to adopt its budget by Australian ballot.
  - School Board member Lori Werdenschlag spoke: Underinformed and misinformed voters are, indeed, one reason to oppose the Australian ballot. In fact, with absentee ballots, some voters may even vote before the Town Report is published.
  - School Board member Shellie Samuels spoke: The School Board would approach the information it chooses to include in the Town Report differently if the budget was adopted by Australian ballot.
- School Board member David Warden spoke: A few years ago the voters at annual meeting changed the proposed budget to include trips to Fairbanks Museum, which had been cut by the School Board during budget development. This kind of budget editing would not be possible if the budget was adopted by Australian ballot.
- Mona Marceau spoke: The Town Report, as relates to both the town and the school district, is very confusing and omits much important information. The Barnet School is extraordinary, but taxpayers cannot afford to pay their taxes with the current budget.
- Roseann Leute spoke in opposition to the motion: Annual meetings are a fantastic form of local control that the voters should not abandon. Those who do not attend are absent because they do not find the meetings to be important. Perhaps more accommodations should be made for voters who find it difficult to attend.
- Mary Mallon spoke, suggesting that if the school district's budget is adopted by Australian ballot the town's should be also.
- Julie Roos spoke in opposition to the motion: Annual meetings are a great form of local government; changing to Australian ballot would detract from New England life. It is not realistic to expect voters with families to attend multiple Tuesday evening School Board meetings to discuss budget development.
- Shirley Warden spoke in opposition to the motion: There is an Australian ballot vote at annual meetings every year for the waste district budget. Often people who attend annual meeting cannot be troubled to participate in this vote, although it is in the same place and at the same time. It seems unlikely that very many more voters would participate in an Australian ballot vote for the school district budget. Also, it would be shameful if Barnet found itself in the same position as Walden, as discussed by Leigh Larocque earlier.
- Dylan Ford asked what would happen if this motion passed, and school budget was voted down in March.
  - o Moderator Dennis McLam spoke, indicating that the School Board would be required to develop a new budget, on which the voters would vote a second time. Mr. McLam also indicated that if this motion passes, voters will not be allowed to discuss the budget at annual meeting; the budget item would only be discussed at an informational hearing held prior to the Australian ballot budget vote.
- Dylan Ford spoke again, citing certain concerns regarding this issue: If certified daycare providers were available at the school during the meeting this would help many voters be able to attend. Also, this motion seems to be the first step towards the elimination of annual meetings altogether. Annual meetings are a powerful means for modeling civic involvement to the next generation.
- Robert Roos spoke about volunteering at the school, indicating that the school has many caring and dedicated teachers.
- Cathy McLam moved to call the question. Seconded. Passed by voice vote.

- Paper ballots were called for by seven or more voters. The Moderator announced that the vote would be by paper ballot, and that a “Yes” vote would be in favor of the motion, and a “No” vote against the motion.
- Paper ballots were distributed, and votes were cast by the voters and tabulated by the Board of Civil Authority.
- The Moderator announced that there were 70 “Yes” votes and 76 “No” votes. The motion was defeated.
- The Moderator adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.



Dennis McLam, Moderator



Shellie Samuels, School Director



Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

## Barnet Transfer Station & Recycling Center

**Location:** At end of Town Forest Road.

**Directions:** In Passumpsic Village, turn onto Bridge Street and cross the bridge over the Passumpsic River. As you come off of the bridge, take a right onto Town Forest Road and go the end of the road. Transfer Station will be on your left; Recycling Center will be straight ahead past the Transfer Station.

**Hours:** Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. During summer months from the first Wednesday after Memorial Day until the last Wednesday before Labor Day open 3-7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

**Requirements for use:** For rubbish generated by residences located within the Town of Barnet. A sticker is required to show the attendant that you are a resident or taxpayer of Barnet. This sticker can be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office.

### Current fees for disposal:

#### Transfer Station:

Mixed solid waste (MSW):

13 gallon (kitchen) bag:	\$1.00
30 gallon bag:	\$2.00
42 gallon bag:	\$3.00
55 gallon bag:	\$5.00
Or per cubic yard:	\$15.00

Construction & demolition debris (C &D): \$15.00 per cubic yard

Bulkies: \$15.00 each

Metal items: No charge

Tires:

Without rims, less than 16.5":	\$ 2.25 each
With rims, less than 16.5":	\$4.25 each
Without rims, larger than 16.5":	\$7.25 each
With rims, larger than 16.5":	\$14.25 each

#### Recycling Center:

Most acceptable items can be recycled at no charge. Please see the following page for a complete list. Also acceptable are the following electronic items:

- Computers
- Computer peripherals (external drives, scanners, etc.)
- Computer Monitors
- Printers
- CRTs (Cathode Ray Tubes)
- Televisions
- PDAs (Personal Digital Assistants), MP3 Players, Smart Phones (I-Phone, etc.)
- Electronic Game Consoles (Xbox, Playstation, etc.)
- Fax Machines
- Wireless Phones
- Telephones
- Answering Machines
- VCRs
- DVD Players
- Digital Converter Boxes
- Stereo Equipment
- Power Cords & Chargers

*Please Recycle the Following Items*

(1) NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, SORTED OFFICE PAPER, JUNK MAIL

Includes catalogs, phone books, glossy inserts, paperback books, colored paper, white paper, junk mail, envelopes with and without windows and stick-on labels, printed or unprinted white or lined computer paper, office and copier paper and index cards as well as construction paper and holiday wrapping paper. **NO** paper with foil of any kind attached to it or foil wrapping paper, bows, ribbons, carbon paper, string or rubber bands.

(2) CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, BROWN KRAFT BAGS AND BOXBOARD

Includes macaroni, cereal, toothpaste, shoe boxes, etc. **NO** string or handles. **NO** Foil covered boxboard. (Some toothpaste boxes and cascade dish soap boxes are not acceptable.) **NO** wax-coated cardboard, boxboard or cardboard soiled with food waste. Egg cartons and the like are O.K. Please remove excess tape. Staples are OK.

(3) TIN CANS

Labels OK. Flattening is not required. Separate from aluminum cans (a magnet will stick to tin-coated and metal cans). Please rinse clean of contents.

(4) ALUMINUM CANS, FOIL AND FOOD TRAYS

Labels OK. Flattening is not required. These must be rinsed clean of contents.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Potato chip bags and candy wrappers are **NOT** aluminum.

(5) GLASS (ALL COLORS)

Includes bottles, jars, plates, windows, mirrors, ceramic (including sinks and toilets broken up), Pyrex and drinking glasses also acceptable. Please rinse clean of contents. **PLEASE NOTE:** No lids, metal, aluminum or hardware of any kind!

(6) PLASTICS (1-7)

Look for 1 through 7 on the container. Includes soft drinks, water and juice bottles, salad oil, yogurt containers, peanut butter jars, milk jugs, detergent, shampoo and household products bottles & bags. Labels are OK. Automotive product containers are acceptable as long as they are completely drained of fluid and have a 1 through 7 on them. Plastic bags are kept separate along with bubble wrap. (bubble wrap is 2 or 4)

Lids may be included. **PLEASE** no Styrofoam no matter what the number is !

(7) AEROSOL CANS and PROPANE TANKS

Aerosol cans and Propane tanks **MUST NOT** be put in the trash compactor. We have a container in the Recycling Building for these items. Putting them in the trash compactor could cause serious injury **AND HAS CAUSED DEATHS IN OTHER STATES !**

**Please note: If you have fluorescent light bulbs, rechargeable and non-rechargeable batteries, hard cover books, tires or scrap metal, we take those items also. If you have any questions on an unlisted item or if you need more information you may call the NE Kingdom Waste Management District at 802-626-3532 or Bruce Marston at 802-748-1374.**

**Thank you for Recycling!**

*Bruce P. Marston*

Revised Jan. 24, 2013

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<i>The banner will be on the site for the life of the town &amp; business, if banner agreement is met annually.</i>		<i>If you don't have one, we offer an affordable discounted package with your Banner Sponsorship</i>	
<b><u>FIRST YEAR:</u></b>	<p><b>\$ 200.00</b>  <i>(includes banner design &amp; ad fee for first year)</i>                      to sponsor a page with a link to your business web page  <i>Only 1 sponsor per page</i></p> <p><i>2 Adspots: page sponsored &amp; sitemap</i></p>	<b>**Web Package: \$395.00</b>	<p><b>Free 1 webpage (\$500 value) with banner sponsorship.. plus an additional cost for annual hosting fee &amp; domain registration (\$195)</b>  <b>Links to website</b></p>
<b><u>Annual Advertising Costs</u></b> <i>(This is billed annually the date we receive payment)</i>			
<b><u>EVERY YEAR AFTER:</u></b>	<p><b>\$50.00</b>  <b>per year, per sponsor</b>  <i>(approx \$4.16 per month)</i>  <b>Multiple Banners: \$50 per banner</b></p>	<b>**Web Package Annual Maintenance \$245.00 yearly</b>	<p><b>\$50.00 for banner plus annual hosting of your business website, plus domain registration (\$195)</b></p>

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2013 Taxes and Tax Rates						
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Town Name	Education Homestead Taxes	Education Non-Residential Taxes	Municipal Taxes	Education Homestead Tax Rate	Education Non-Residential Tax Rate	Municipal / Local Agr Tax Rate
Barnet	1,612,513	1,919,689	1,130,134	1.4757	1.4108	0.4637
<i>Barnet FD #1</i>	0	0	478,383	0	0	0.0575
<i>Barnet FD #2</i>	0	0	8,203	0	0	0.0593
<i>Barnet FD #3</i>	0	0	5,777	0	0	0.0400
<i>Barnet FD #5</i>	0	0	5,623	0	0	0.0300
Burke	1,447,205	1,848,505	994,343	1.5076	1.4279	0.4329
Danville	2,186,501	1,829,432	1,287,792	1.3744	1.3991	0.4462
Groton	716,738	936,672	529,395	1.4312	1.3783	0.4518
Hardwick	1,593,901	995,984	1,866,444	1.5548	1.5710	1.1529
Kirby	482,857	263,309	197,640	1.3461	1.2693	0.3502
Lyndon	2,731,819	2,352,903	1,047,717	1.3845	1.4579	0.2960
<i>Lyndonville Village</i>	0	0	422,679	0	0	0.6202
<i>Highway</i>	0	0	957,003	0	0	0.3303
Newark	499,085	765,347	477,212	1.4237	1.3445	0.5195
Peacham	923,945	1,170,744	506,424	1.5610	1.4907	0.3680
<i>Peacham FD</i>	0	0	7,085	0	0	0.0800
Ryegate	945,103	962,500	706,781	1.5275	1.4710	0.5581
<i>So Ryegate Vill</i>	0	0	5,424	0	0	0.0400
<i>Ryegate FD #2</i>	0	0	5,339	0	0	0.0700
Sheffield	333,961	420,159	199,776	1.2657	1.3750	0.1987
St. Johnsbury	2,744,532	4,171,914	3,523,430	1.1098	1.3473	0.6339
<i>St. J Spec Serv Dist</i>	0	0	1,031,200	0	0	0.4119
Stannard	140,778	140,152	201,803	1.7618	1.5067	1.1670
Sutton	483,526	378,595	554,398	0.8353	0.8885	0.5562
Walden	502,734	706,686	482,515	1.5503	1.7049	0.5618
Waterford	1,500,556	1,210,923	673,630	1.6074	1.5724	0.3910
Wheelock	497,665	332,162	526,480	1.3452	1.4613	0.8884
<b>County Totals</b>	<b>19,343,420</b>	<b>20,405,676</b>	<b>17,832,632</b>			

**Section 2**

**Reports of Town Officers,  
Boards & Committees**

## **SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2013**

The year 2013 closed without any spectacular expensive weather events, for which we are glad. The road crew has done a commendable job of maintaining our roads in season. At the crew's suggestion we have not filled a sixth position which we had previously. The crew utilizes their machinery in an economical way. This winter the Board has purchased and installed a waste oil furnace for the Town Garage. This will use oil from the town equipment for heat; it also will avoid moving the waste off site. The new salt shed is working well and is a help to the crew.

This past year the West Barnet Village road job was completed with drainage, base, and paving. Thank you to village residents for their patience with the operation. Also culverts, concrete structures, were placed on Anderson Street; funds to help on expenses were obtained from a Structures Grant. Stone lining of a steep ditch of Somerhill Road was done also; funds from Better Backroads were used with a Town contribution. 2014 road plans include drainage and paving a section of County Hill Road, and an assessment of the McIndoes to Monroe Road. The latter has complications with the railroad bridge.

Barnet observed the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its charter in 2013. Through the efforts and participation of many, it was a great celebration. Thank you to all involved. It is of interest to note that the present age students will celebrate the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary; we have set the stage for them and wish them well.

The highway and Selectboard budgets for 2014 reflect, most notably, increases in the insurance costs and legal expenses. The expected increase of the two budgets is 2.3%. The reimbursement of highway project costs shows a large surplus for 2013. We had allocated money for those specific projects in 2012 and received money from the state for cost sharing. This surplus has been re-applied to the 2014 budget in line with the original intent of where the money was to be spent. State reimbursement is decided after the Board presents the annual budget. Nor is state funding available on a yearly basis, but on a revolving basis throughout the transportation district. It offers a challenge to be figured out by the Board and Clerk.

Regarding legal issues in which the Town is involved: The tax sale appeal suit is nearly settled. The workplace accident suit is progressing through the legal process. The TransCanada tax appeal suit is grinding along. We have been fortunate to retain, in our opinion, capable legal minds to represent the Town. These issues have taken a lot of time and effort by the Board.

Anyone following the meeting agenda will see a number of issues/notices that come before the Board. Some of these we have little or no input on as they arise from a different level of government. We do try to keep aware of these issues. We also maintain a presence with legislature through meetings and conversation.

As we look at the Reserve Accounts the Town is in good financial shape. We expect to purchase a truck this year and pay off the same late in 2014. Our intention is to maintain as little or no debt as is possible. It is only through the continued trust of the taxpayers that this situation can continue. We take our part seriously and appreciate your trust. As discussed at the 250<sup>th</sup> roundtable we intend to keep Barnet a good place to live and work.

Gary Bunnell  
Theodore Faris  
Jeremy Roberts

## **2013 Road Foreman's Report**

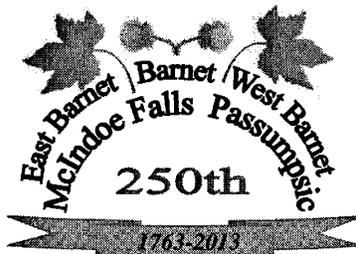
No different than the past, 2013 came in with challenges brought to us by "Mother Nature. January weather caused us to deal with snow covered roads in the morning and muddy roads in the afternoon which resulted in frozen ruts the rest of the winter. Fortunately the Town has equipped us with the tools to deal with most conditions. Snow and ice unfortunately caused over-expenditure in salt on both ends of 2013 which is a line item in the highway budget that is very difficult to predict. The damp spring and summer along with a new dust control system allowed us to stabilize gravel roads and control dust in a less expensive, more eco-friendly way. The use of magnesium chloride instead of calcium chloride for gravel stabilization as well as dust control worked well in 2013 and we look forward to giving it another try this summer.

Being successful in receiving grants in three areas of Town kept us busy upgrading water crossings, water runoff, and road surfaces throughout. The installation of two concrete box culverts on Andersen Street upgraded failing steel culverts and increased the water crossing capabilities in heavy rain events. With the use of local contractors combined with Town crew help and planning, the installation was successful and had very little financial impact. Thank you to all involved and those who were inconvenienced temporarily. From there a project on Somerhill Road involved stabilizing a recurring wash out along the Cooks' property. This project involved installing a stone lined ditch, adding a culvert crossing and improving lead outs to decrease the amount of sediment that moves in rain events that eventually ends up in our rivers and streams. Many thanks go to the landowners along Somerhill who worked with us in improving a recurring problem. Next, West Main Street was completed. The two year project was completed with drainage, new road base, guard rail and asphalt. The smooth ride through West Barnet could not have happened without the cooperation of landowners. Huge thanks go out to all involved. I can't stress enough the importance being able to collaborate with local contractors, landowners and residents in order reach a project goal with the least possible financial impact. Working together is always a win in the end.

Along with routine maintenance, the target for 2014 is asphalt surfaces. The asphalt in Town has deteriorated in many areas. The worst areas will be addressed first and we will go as far as we can with the new resources in 2014. All poor areas will not be fixed due to costs. Please bear with us while we attempt to deal with this problem.

Sincerely,

Keith Gadapee, Road Foreman



Wow! What a wonderful time we had celebrating our Town's history. The 250th Committee and many organizations throughout the town worked tirelessly throughout 2013 to bring our history to life; and we had so much fun in the process.

We were lucky to have many talented entries for our logo contest. The logo we chose was designed by Sherry Tolle and joined us for every event throughout the year on our banner, our facebook page and on all our publicity.

Our town celebration started off last February with a snowy and slippery sliding (or sledding) party at Too Little Farm. The Everts graciously hosted our event as they had the perfect hill just waiting for all our sleds. About 100 people from the Barnet community and beyond enjoyed plastic sleds, tubes, old-fashioned runner sleds (the favorite), and even a homemade bike with skis instead of wheels! The snow fell all afternoon while adults and children drank cocoa, ate homemade cookies and donuts and watched friends and neighbors make their way up and down the sledding hill. Many stayed warm by the bonfire while others participated in the snowman contest.

In June we held a Barnet Studebaker baseball game at the Barnet School field to commemorate our 1925 team. The 2 teams (red and blue, both Studebakers) were made up of brave hometown men and women willing to play ball in front of over one hundred fans. Local talent Ally Morrison sang the National Anthem to start the game. Also joining us was the Studebaker Club of New England with their cars on display. We were fed by the Barnet Trailblazers and their delicious goodies.

July brought our Pavilion Swing Dance with swing band Lewis Franco and the Missing Cats. We had a Harvey's Lake slide show running during the performance with many old photos of the lake and old Pavilion dance hall (including the bear at the old filling station) thanks to Barbara Dunbar's significant collection. There was much recollecting, some dancing and fun was had by all...for about an hour and a half when the sky opened and our music was instantly accompanied by a torrential rain and the mad dash, with whoops and hollers of people running to their cars for cover. It was fun while it lasted!

To celebrate Roy's once "largest croquet mill in the world", we held a Croquet Tournament on the McIndoe's Academy lawn in August. We had 2 official courts, a practice court and a children's games court. There was a display of the history of the Roy Brother's Mill, as well as several private collections of the Roy Bros. Mill, Crystal Springs bottling company, and general Barnet artifacts and photographs. The Bayley-Hazen boys provided music after the tournament. The McIndoe's Church and the Barnet Preservation Group provided lunch and refreshments. Almost one hundred people came out on this bright and sunny day. Many of us left sunburned and invigorated full of good food, cake, and with bluegrass in our ears.

Many other town organizations were a wonderful and welcome part of the festivities. In April, Lakeview Grange hosted a "History of the Grange" Jeopardy which was raucous and fascinating. Ben's Mill held a blacksmithing demonstration day with artist and instructor Lucien Avery. Milarepa invited the town up to their center for an open house and the Dalai Lama's birthday party. Ted Faris organized a truck parade

and bagpiping concert to celebrate our culture and heritage. The Walter Harvey meeting house had their annual Kirkin O the Tartan service and potluck. The Harvey's Lake boat parade theme was Barnet Through The Ages. The Barnet Public Library celebrated their history at their annual 4th of July Art at the library event. The Barnet Presbyterian Church offered progressive church services with histories of each, throughout town. The Barnet Preservation Group welcomed North Sea Gas, a talented and entertaining band from Scotland. Karne Choling hosted a wildly successful open house with over 200 people attending. Samadhi cushions welcomed the community into their factory to see how their operation functions. Passumpsic River Outfitters offered free kayaks for the day to all residents for a beautiful day on the river. Howard Gaston organized a Barnet 2063 Roundtable discussion with many of the town's business owners and leaders to discuss our vision for the future of Barnet. And last, but certainly not least we are so grateful to the Barnet Volunteer Fire Department who set up and took down their tent for our events more times than we would like to mention! We thank you all for making this year so successful.

We would especially like to thank the Barnet Historical Society as they were very instrumental in the planning and hosting of many of the events. Many of our members of the 250th committee were borrowed from the Historical Society board, thus suspending some of their normal events. We thank them for their time and patience.

Thank you so much to the Town of Barnet not only for our appropriated funds to begin and maintain the yearlong celebration, but also to all the participants in all of the events. It was wonderful to have so many people out enjoying our town's history.

Barnet 250th Committee

**Budget Committee Report**

The Budget Committee has reviewed the budgets presented by the School Board and Selectboard.

After discussing the budgets with the School Board members and Selectboard, the committee recommends the approval of both.

Brenda Ball  
Tammi Davis  
William Hoar  
Sylvia Laferriere  
Kevin Morrison  
Stanley Robinson

**Town Auditor's Report**

In accordance with Title 24, Section 1681 of the Vermont Statutes, we have examined the accounts and records of the Town of Barnet.

To the best of our knowledge the financial statements in the Town Report represent the financial position of the Town of Barnet as of December 31, 2013.

January 29, 2014



Jeffrey Riley



Robert Roos

**Lister's Report**

The Board generally meets on Mondays and Thursdays from 9 am to 12 pm. During good weather we are often on the road inspecting properties so please call for an appointment.

We review 1236 parcels, and 125 Current Use properties.

John Cook  
Sally Cook  
Scott Renfrew

Report of the Trustees for Public Funds

Following this report, you will find a detailed financial report for the Esden Funds, for the Town and for the School District.

The investment intent has been to protect the original, restricted principal while allowing the funds to grow both by unrealized gain and by investment of earned dividends and interest. This approach has served both the Town and the School District well--Town's Esden Fund value for December 31, 2013, was \$112,451.89, and School's Esden Fund value for June 30, 2013, was \$107,543.16. A snapshot comparison for both at 2013's end showed the Town value at \$112,400 and the School value at \$116,000.

The beginning value over ten years ago was \$53,168 for Town, and \$53,168 for School. The total value grew by just over 9% from 2012 through 2013.

Through the years, the Trustees believe that we have made good decisions. The Select Board and the School Directors have the choice and the right by statute to spend all gains as deemed fit--with optional advice from the Trustees. The Trustees believe that our roles have evolved, yet the original mission remains--achieve sound investment for income and growth, but always protect the original principal. We ask that our responses and advice be sought before actual draws from the Esden Fund's growth and income assets are made by either Town or School Boards.

Merle Fitzgerald  
William Graves  
William Hoar

**Town of Barnet  
Esden Fund  
2013 Financial Reports**

**Activity Summary**

<b>Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2012</b>	<b>103,291.17</b>
<b>2013 Earnings:</b>	
Interest on Cash, CDs, Bonds, & Unit Trusts	3,328.51
Principal Returns on Bonds	1,124.59
Dividends on Mutual Funds & Unit Trusts	301.06
Capital Gains & Distributions	1,126.23
<b>Total Earnings</b>	<b>5,880.39</b>
<b>Add: Gain in value of securities</b>	<b>3,280.33</b>
<b>2013 Net Earnings or (Loss):</b>	<b>9,160.72</b>
<b>Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2013</b>	<b>112,451.89</b>

**Balance Sheet**

<b>Assets:</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2012</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2013</b>
Cash	3,101.23	7,554.33
Corporate Bonds	12,060.00	11,760.00
Government Securities	9,287.51	8,788.59
Unit Trusts	37,722.96	33,470.28
Mutual Funds	41,119.47	50,878.69
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>103,291.17</b>	<b>112,451.89</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	50,122.59	59,283.31
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>103,291.17</b>	<b>112,451.89</b>

**Changes in Mutual Funds**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2012</u>			<u>Dec. 31, 2013</u>		
	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value
American Mutual Fund - Class C	637.15	28.06	17,878.43	659.06	34.42	22,684.95
Growth Fund of America - Class C	362.39	33.09	11,991.58	387.22	41.11	15,918.41
New World Fund - Class C	212.33	52.98	11,249.46	215.17	57.05	12,275.33
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,211.88</b>	<b>114.13</b>	<b>41,119.47</b>	<b>1,261.45</b>	<b>132.58</b>	<b>50,878.69</b>

**Barnet School District  
Esden Fund  
Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Reports**

**Activity Summary**

<b>Balance in Account June 30, 2012</b>	<b>98,707.05</b>
<b>Fiscal Year 2013 Earnings:</b>	
Interest on Cash, CDs, Bonds, & Unit Trusts	2,887.83
Principal Returns on Bonds	469.80
Dividends on Mutual Funds & Unit Trusts	394.28
Capital Gains & Distributions	0.00
<b>Total Earnings</b>	<b>3,751.91</b>
<b>Add: Gain in value of securities</b>	<b>5,084.20</b>
<b>2013 Net Earnings or (Loss):</b>	<b>8,836.11</b>
<b>Balance in Account June 30, 2013</b>	<b>107,543.16</b>

**Balance Sheet**

<b>Assets:</b>	<b>June 30, 2012</b>	<b>June 30, 2013</b>
Cash	716.11	4,073.74
Certificates of Deposit	0.00	0.00
Corporate Bonds	11,940.00	11,610.00
Government Securities	10,188.79	10,135.61
Unit Trusts	28,563.78	26,542.48
Mutual Funds	47,298.37	55,181.33
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>98,707.05</b>	<b>107,543.16</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	45,538.47	54,374.58
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>98,707.05</b>	<b>107,543.16</b>

**Changes in Mutual Funds**

	<u>June 30, 2012</u>			<u>June 30, 2013</u>		
	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value
American Mutual Fund - Class C	661.952	27.10	17,938.90	672.280	31.23	20,995.30
Growth Fund of America - Class C	516.467	30.27	15,633.46	516.625	36.90	19,063.46
New World Fund - Class C	289.823	47.36	13,726.02	291.435	51.89	15,122.56
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,468.24</b>	<b>104.73</b>	<b>47,298.37</b>	<b>1,480.34</b>	<b>120.02</b>	<b>55,181.33</b>

**2013 REPORT OF THE BARNET PLANNING/ZONING BOARD**

The Board consists of nine members appointed by the selectmen, for four year terms, starting July 1st of each year.

The 2013 members were Ben Adams, William Biddle, Gary Briggs, Jonathan Carpenter, Kathleen Crown, Bruce Denio, Dennis McLam, George Pierce, and David White. Jonathan Carpenter and George Pierce were reappointed July 1, 2013.

In September David White resigned from the Board finding he had too many other obligations to devote the time needed to the Board. His resignation was accepted with regret and we wish to thank him for his years of service.

Shane Stevenson was nominated by the Board to fill out White's term, and appointed by the Selectmen to serve until July 1, 2014.

Dennis McLam, Chairman and William Biddle, Vice- Chairman were reelected and Shirley Warden was reappointed as Secretary for the Board.

The Board's regular meetings are the first Tuesday of the month, as needed, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office. Minutes are on file at the Town Clerk's office and may be viewed during regular office hours.

Public hearings are held as required and posted in three places and appear in THE CALEDONIAN RECORD.

The Board met 12 times and held 11 public hearings in 2013. There was one appeal, which was denied; seven subdivisions needing back lot approval five were approved and two were denied; and seven setback from property line variances approved.

The Earnet Town Plan, which expired September 22, 2013, was updated with the help of Gail Aloisio from NVDA. The Board made final approval of the draft on November 5, 2013 and held a public hearing on January 7, 2014, at which time they voted to send it to the Select Board for their adoption.

The Board worked with Ms. Aloisio and NVDA and applied for a planning grant from the State Department of Housing and Community Development to add the required Flood Resiliency Section and make any other additions required by new legislation and to assist in up dating the Zoning Bylaw, which was last done in 1997. A grant was awarded in the amount of \$6336 and the work has to be finished by May 18, 2015.

*Shirley Warden*

Shirley Warden, Secretary  
Barnet Planning/Zoning Board

**2013 REPORT OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Fifty one applications were processed in 2013. Eighteen were referred to the Barnet Planning/Zoning Board for one appeal; denied; seven backlot subdivision five approved, two denied; and seven variances approved.

Permits were issued for 5 subdivisions; 12 decks, 10 sheds, 6 residential garages, 5 dwelling additions, 5 tent platforms, 3 mobile homes, 3 new foundations, 3 breezeways, 2 replacement dwellings, 2 new dwellings, 2 carports, 1 of each of the following attached workshop, pond, cabin, pool, fence, storage tent, sugar house, art studio, porch, ATV sign, RV, greenhouse, to change a single family dwelling to a duplex.

Three late fees were collected for building with out a permit.

One enforcement of violation was issued and corrected. Seven letters of possible violations were sent and were corrected.

The State Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) now issue all sewage and potable water permits, this includes repair of failed systems. You should call Steve Rebillard at (802) 751-0458. They also issue subdivision permits, but this does not exempt you from a Barnet subdivision permit which may have different requirements.

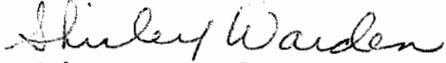
All structures over 50 square feet (5' X 10'), with a few exceptions require a permit. A structure is defined as " an assembly of materials for use or occupancy". Some agricultural structures maybe exempt, but they MUST qualify with VT Commissioner of Agriculture rules and MUST tell the "municipality" before you build, I suggest you talk to the Listers at 633-2256.

Application forms are available at the Town Clerk's office or you may print one from on line @ [www.barnetvt.org](http://www.barnetvt.org). Please use currant form dated August 2011 or newer and follow the 2 pages of instructions for help.

Permit fee is \$20.00 & \$10.00 for recording. Public hearing for variance, conditional use, back lot, site plan review or appeal, the fee is \$30.00 & \$10.00 recording fee. There is an additional \$10.00 recording fee for each additional page. The late fee is double the regular fee or \$40.00 or \$60.00.

The Administrative Officer has 30 days to act on a completed application, and the permit is not valid for fifteen days after it is signed by the Administrative officer or 30 days after Zoning Board approval.

I may be reached at (802) 633-4993, before 8:30 a.m. is best, other wise leave a message and I'll get back to you and try and answer all your questions.

  
Shirley Warden  
Barnet Zoning Administrative Officer

**Town of Barnet 2013 Annual Report**

Report of the Collector of Delinquent Tax  
 Lisa J. Bowden, Collector  
 December 31, 2013

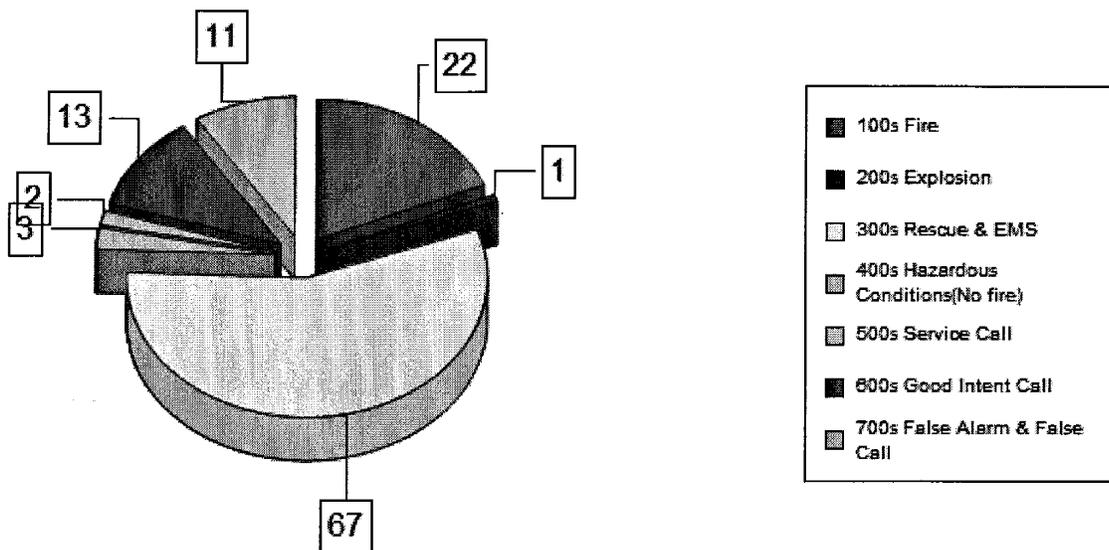
<u>Year</u>	<u>Taxes Charged to Collector</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Abated</u>	<u>Uncollected Tax as of 12/31/13</u>
2008	\$ 8,339.61	\$ 2,140.64	-0-	\$ 6,198.97
2009	1,735.98	1,198.05	-0-	537.93
2010	3,908.91	2,313.44	-0-	1,595.47
2011	12,139.37	4,044.87	-0-	8,094.50
2012	90,456.14	56,000.13	-0-	34,456.01
2013	<u>207,515.06</u>	<u>96,057.52</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>111,457.54</u>
	\$ 324,095.07	\$161,754.65	-0-	\$ 162,340.42

Unpaid Tax Balances by Taxpayer:

<u>2008</u>		<u>2013</u>	
Alongi, Vito	\$1,440.92	Alongi, Vito	\$ 1,788.27
Brown, Robert	3,270.42*	Bailey, Barbara	47.72
Ellery, John	451.11*	Boardman, Brendan/Kate	2,508.08
Noyes, Billy	1,036.52	Bradley, John/Sharon	1,594.89*
		Calcagni, Alex/Renee	393.65*
		Campbell, Kathleen	416.14+
<u>2009</u>		Campbell, Kathleen	2,167.32*
Rivard, Martha	\$ 537.93	Chase, Wayne/Jean	2,412.61+
		Cooper, Teresa	250.19+
		Cooper, Teresa etals	2,594.92
<u>2010</u>		Cushing, Ronald/Sylvia	170.58
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	\$ 420.49	Darling, William	1,766.79
Sherman, Darcie	1,174.98	Debarge Teresa Estate	1,574.58
		Edmunds, Tarcia	139.60+
		Fenoff, Cindy	444.26*
<u>2011</u>		Gardner, George	2,324.38
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	\$1,103.26	Grady, William/Lorna	2,957.48
Bradley, John/Sharon	2,341.15*	Grigg, William	418.02
Debarge, Earle	137.19*	Hayes, Candace	1,281.64*
Noyes, Billy	1,057.65	Hoyt, Stewart	1,850.13*
Rivard, Martha	2,374.54	Ingalls, Elyn	2,127.56
Sheehan, Tom/Rose	176.28+	Kendall, James/Jere	6,350.81
Sherman, Darcie	904.43	Kendall, James/Michelle	11,321.30
		Kendall, James	11,701.03
		Kendall, Marvin/Jere	95.60
<u>2012</u>		Kristoff, Barbara	3,548.42*
Alongi, Vito	\$ 1,694.78	Lamper, Michael	111.28+
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	911.58	Lantange, John	2,633.70*
Bogie, Calvin Jr./Darlene	1,294.59*	Makris/Heideman	1,645.81
Bradley, John/Sharon	2,022.27*	McGee, Timothy	1,000.00
Debarge, Theresa Estate	1,155.36*	Moore, Kevin/Deborah	2,444.34*
Gardner Rev. Trust	2,044.13	Musty, Peter	828.53
Hayes, Candace	284.39*	Noble, Deborah et al	194.97+
Hoyt, Stewart	3.98*	Noyes, Billy	775.91
Kendall, James	10,557.74	Pomroy, Thomas/Donna	3,114.67*
Kendall, James/Michelle	5,565.78	Rivard, Martha	1,278.73
Kristoff, Barbara	484.64*	Roy, Arthur/Debra	22,036.85
Makris, Victor	1,559.76	Sampson, Richard/Priscilla	608.37
Moore, Kevin./Deborah	599.87*	Settergren, Darrel/Anne	1,374.53*
Pomroy, Thomas/Donna	1,087.29*	Sheehan, Tom/Rose	191.20+
Rivard, Martha	2,187.76	Sherman, Darcie	1,240.92
Sheehan, Tom/Rose	181.20+	Stone, Linwood	1,201.91*
Sherman, Darcie	1,198.62	Verrill, James & Lyczsko, Tom	2,437.58
Stone, Linwood	1,175.42*	Webster, Roland et als	2,063.47
Young, Mary	447.05*	Young, Mary & Coathup, Robert	4,028.80*

\* - Denotes Payment Plan

+ - Denotes Paid in Full after 12/31/13



**2013 REPORT OF BARNET FIRE & RESCUE**

Barnet Fire & Rescue responded to 119 fire and medical incidents in 2013. This is a significant decrease in activity over 2012. The above chart shows the number of incidents by type as reported to the National Fire Incident Reporting System. The most frequently type of incident is the 300 Series which are emergency medical calls and all motor vehicle accidents. These amount to over 56% of call volume. Of the 119 incidents we responded to this year over 57% of them were between the hours of 8AM –5PM. These are the time when most of us are at work. Our average time to having a Barnet responder on scene of your emergency is 17.47 minutes. The reason I am citing these statistics is to make you all aware that in an emergency time is critical. The time to call for assistance is when you think you are in need of assistance not after you know you are. We would much rather arrive and find we were not needed than to know that if you had called earlier we could have made a positive outcome to the incident.

We currently have 22 members on the roster who are either trained in Firefighting, Emergency Medical Services or both. Currently we have 2 members that are enrolled in a Firefighter 1 certification program. All EMS providers are in the process of reviewing the new statewide protocols which define the scope of practice for the different certification levels and also transitioning to the new standards set by the National Registry of EMTs’. Barnet Fire and Rescue provides all the training and equipment at no cost to it’s members, we provide an hourly stipend for time spent on calls, and in addition to Workers Compensation we also provide an Accident & Sickness policy that provides coverage above workers comp.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald L Morse, Chief

BARNET FIRE RESCUE  
TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance reported on hand January 1st, 2013	\$ 14,457.34
Unreported 2012 interest	\$ 0.49
Actual balance on hand January 1st, 2013	\$ 14,457.83

Income

Radio Fund Drive	\$1,031.13
Donations	\$1,310.00
911 Signs	\$69.24
Twin State raffle tickets	\$150.00
Interest	\$5.42
Total	\$2,565.79

January balance plus income	\$ 17,023.62
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Expenses

VT State Firefighters Assoc.	\$428.00
Copies & More (printing)	\$149.15
Clark Communications (radios)	\$4,154.30
Lynn Card Co	\$83.95
Twin State raffle tickets	\$200.00
Postage & Box Rent	\$105.44
Vehicle maint & fuel	\$259.31
FW Webb (gas stove connections)	\$269.66
Lowes (gas grill & restroom mirrors)	\$320.09
St Jay Hardware	\$11.04
Training	\$354.00
Fire Equipment	\$237.85
EMS Supplies	\$85.90
Staples	\$159.98
Green Mtn Monogram (dept. t-shirts)	\$514.00
Misc Meeting Refreshments	\$184.35
Bank fees	\$9.00
Total	\$7,526.02

Balance on hand December 31st,2013	\$ 9,497.60
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Christopher Bunnell, Treasurer

## HARVEY'S LAKE BEACH REPORT SUMMER 2013

The 2013 beach season started with the Barnet School class of 2015 spending some time at the beach performing community service, led by music teacher and beach committee member Sue Persson. This is an annual "service learning" field trip for Barnet 6<sup>th</sup> graders, who for the past few years have contributed to help beautify the beach grounds by assisting the lifeguards with painting, raking, planting and unraveling the lines for the ropes and buoys that define the swimming area. We'd also like to thank parent volunteers who joined the 6<sup>th</sup> graders. All their efforts didn't go unnoticed as visitors always comment on how nice the beach looks. Barnet School was once again able to enjoy their "last day of school field day".

We were able to hire a few new lifeguards as this can sometimes be challenging given the yearly turn-over once seasoned lifeguards move on to more permanent full time jobs. Each year we advertise for certified lifeguards with certification in waterfront safety to fill new positions and then begin the training process for newcomers. This has also been the case when seeking a lifeguard with the certifications to teach swimming lessons; and each year the search continues for such a qualified individual. We had a good group of lifeguards for the 2013 season and hopefully they will decide to return for the 2014 season.

The fees for the 2014 season remain the same and will be as follows:

- Daily Passes:** **\$2.00 per person**  
Over age 65 and under age 5 free
- Weekly Passes:** **\$25.00 per family for the week**  
Limit one per family – maximum 6 members
- Season Passes:**
  - **Resident Taxpayer/Voter (with proof of residency)** **\$25.00 per family**; limit one family, maximum 6 members.  
**\$5.00 additional for each member over the maximum of 6**
  - **Non-Resident/Non-Taxpayer** **\$45.00 per family**, limit one family, maximum 6 members.  
**\$8.00 additional for each member over the maximum of 6**
- Pavilion Rental:** **\$45.00 per day; plus the daily fees per person not already on a season pass**
- Pavilion Rental for Weddings:** **Call for pricing information**

For all pavilion rentals/reservations, please call the Town Clerk's Office @ 633-2256. All checks should be made payable to: **Town of Barnet**

<b>Total Season Passes purchased for 2013:</b>	63 Resident	<b>for 2012:</b>	69 Resident
	36 Non-Resident		22 Non-Resident
	4 Weekly		5 Weekly

As always we'd like to thank those of you who visit the beach frequently and encourage everyone else to come and enjoy what Harvey's Lake has to offer. See you at the beach!

**Beach Committee Members:** **Bob Zita**  
**Sue Persson**  
**Kathy Zita**

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Barnet Library continues to offer activities, information, technology, newspapers, magazines, videos, books on CD and yes, even books.

Total visits to the library in 2013 were 4320, an average of over 83 people per week. 3501 printed materials were checked out; 82 audio and video items were borrowed; we loaned out passes to museums and state historic sites and parks; we handled 350 reference questions; patrons spent 518 hours on our computers; and spent 1395 hours meeting, reading or attending events.

The library is so much more than books these days. We loan out a Kindle and a Nook and a handheld GPS. There is 24/7 Wi-Fi available inside and outside the library. We have a pass to the Echo Museum, a pass for the Vermont State Parks, another for Vermont Historic Sites, one for Vermont History Museum and a pass to VINS (Vermont Institute of Natural Science). Through your library number you can take online enrichment courses through Universal Class, or borrow digital audio and ebooks through OneClickDigital.

Special events included a visit from Sidney Lea, Vermont's Poet Laureate, a week of Scottish Heritage fun for kids, Jake the Snake and Steve Amos, Art at the Library, Boston's Museum of Science's Rocket program, Trunk or Treat, Movie night, Duct Tape Jewelry and Christmas Crafts.

Ongoing events included a weekly poetry writing group, Baby and Me get togethers, and our Saturday morning Story Hour. Books are taken weekly to the Senior Meal site in West Barnet .

The library was used for meetings by the Barnet Historical Society, the Barnet 250<sup>th</sup> Committee, Barnet Busy Bees 4-H, and the County Democratic Committee and for their local Caucus.

The library has a page on facebook, updated daily with information about events, closings, and news. We can be reached by phone at 633-4436 or by email at [barnetpl@hotmail.com](mailto:barnetpl@hotmail.com).

Our hours are Mondays: 6:30-8:30 pm; Tuesdays: 10:00-4:00, Wednesdays and Thursdays: 12:30-4:00 and Saturdays: 10:00-2:00.

PS: A special thanks to Dylan and the Library Trustees who covered for me while I had surgery and during my recover. Thanks also to all those who volunteer their time and energy to the library in more ways than can ever be acknowledged.

**LIBRARY BUDGET**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2013 BUDGETED</b>	<b>2013 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2014 BUDGETED</b>
Donations	\$0.00	\$6,627.31	\$0.00
Grants	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Town Appropriation	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$25,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>	<b>\$30,677.31</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>

**EXPENSES**

Books	\$2,825.00	\$4,526.26	\$3,500.00
Magazines	\$250.00	\$329.00	\$330.00
Membership Pass	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Mileage	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00
Net wages	\$16,900.00	\$14,600.30	\$15,700.00
Office supplies	\$150.00	\$99.10	\$150.00
One Click Digital	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Computer	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
Postage	\$200.00	\$84.41	\$100.00
Special events	\$250.00	\$202.00	\$100.00
Tax	\$2,000.00	\$2,497.89	\$2,700.00
Telephone/internet	\$960.00	\$955.01	\$1,000.00
Workshops	\$0.00	\$72.00	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$23,935.00</b>	<b>\$23,866.70</b>	<b>\$24,930.00</b>

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>As of 01/01/2013</b>	<b>As of 12/31/2013</b>
	<b>\$52,441.20</b>	<b>\$64,806.89</b> Investment Account
	<b>\$5,725.91</b>	<b>\$5,131.17</b> Savings Account
	<b>\$5,323.44</b>	<b>\$5,326.25</b> Building Fund
	<b>\$18,487.09</b>	<b>\$19,886.84</b> Checking
	<b>\$81,977.64</b>	<b>\$95,151.15</b>

Investment Account includes bequests on behalf of  
 Gina McBride, Arthur and Helen McLaren, Albert Warden, Horace Fairbanks, Mildred Robinson

## BARNET WASTE MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR 2013

Our recyclers went into a slight slump for the year 2013. Actually, it was more than a slight slump. We only managed to have an increase in one category and that was electronics. The cold hard facts are we had an overall drop of approximately 25%. This has never happened before. Until this year we have always had an overall increase in tonnage.

The Barnet School also had a slight decrease in their figures this year.

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund, however, continues to do very well, even in these tough times. Everyone in town has made this possible through their generosity of donated returnable bottles and cans. We still have the same hard working folks helping again this year with everything from sorting bottles and cans, lugging them to Cole's Redemption Center and letting us know of neighbors who can use a little help. I would like to thank Tom Tolle, Donald Nelson (who can spot a deposit bottle or can from a mile away), Shirley Warden, Sheri Schenck, Sherry Tolle, Dixie Burns, Debby King and many others who have made this effort work.

Again this year, Paul Tomasi from the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District and his staff have been there to keep up with our pick-ups and to help with any unusual situations that we encounter.

I would like to thank those recyclers who have donated high quality dog cookies for our four-legged friends who visit each week. These dogs are the reason I am willing to freeze during the winter months. They truly make my day!

Please remember that the cost of disposing trash is much more than recycling it. All of our recyclables are free to dispose of while trash costs \$60 a ton plus a \$200 hauling fee. And don't forget that every town in Vermont is taxed for each ton of waste that goes to a landfill.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce P. Marston

## **Memorial Flags**

This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students of Barnet have taken part in placing flags on the Veterans Graves in our town. Patricia McLam and Lisa Bowden had charge of getting the flags and new standards from the Town Clerk. On May 22<sup>th</sup> they met the school bus at each cemetery and passed out the flags to the following students. Ireland Austin, Kristian Baird, Savannah Bragdon, Allison Brink, Ethan Bushey, Rian Fried, Brandon Gallagher, John Gaston, Dylan Graham, Isaac Hahr, Rose Hahr, Nicholas Houde, Ethan Mosedale, Codey Pennypacker, Dessirea Pineo, Madison Roberts, Daelan Roosa, Morgen Roy, Logan Samuels, Madison Sutor, Joshua Turgeon. Staff members, Andrew Fisher and Kim Curschmann accompanied them.

The following is the number of flags placed at each cemetery. 79 at McIndoes, 23 at Walter Harvey, 32 at West Barnet, 71 at Barnet Center, 9 at Stevens and 89 at Pleasant View.

We would like to give a special thanks to Sylvia Evans for the 13 years she headed up the committee.

The students are respectful and interested and we thank them and the Barnet School and hope this tradition will continue.

Patricia McLam and Lisa Bowden

### **MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE 2013**

On Sunday, May 26, 2013 the Town of Barnet held Memorial Day observances at the monument in Passumpsic Village at 9:00 a.m. and at the monument in Barnet Village at 9:30 a.m. Speakers included Mr. David Curtin, Army, at Passumpsic and Capt. George Pierce, USN (Ret) at Barnet. This was the first time in many years that we have had two able speakers. Thank you gentlemen. Also participating were Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 793 of St. Johnsbury and Auxiliary. Barnet students playing taps were Ethan Bushey, Isaac Hahr, and Ethan Mosedale. At Barnet David Rock and son Garrett of Newbury played the pipes.

We appreciate Sue Persson's diligence in providing students to play taps and leading programs at the school for Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theodore G. Faris

## **Section 3**

# **Town Financial Reports**

## Treasurer's Report

The Town had a relatively quiet fiscal year in 2013, absent any large-scale weather events as in 2011 or wholesale changes to accounting methods as in 2012. The leading news item was the significant surplus (approximately \$300,000) returned by the General Fund. A further discussion of this surplus, and planned use for it, is found with the General Fund reports. The Town remains fiscally sound thanks to years of sound management; the Town continues to carry a healthy accumulated surplus (approximately \$105,000) and have no long-term notes payable. Both of these elements of Town finance result from the design of the Selectboard and the trust of the taxpayers.

As discussed in last year's Town Report, there were several accounting changes wrought by a 2011 Single Audit. Among these was the addition of two new funds, and changes in some functions of others. Due to the changes in lieu of a discussion of fund activities and changes in this Treasurer's Report there is a brief discussion at the start of each fund's financial reports. These vignettes describe the function of the fund, significant activities in 2013, and anticipated activities in 2014.

### A few comments on fund accounting:

Town financial documents may differ from what taxpayers are accustomed to in their business or personal lives. This is largely because Town finances are reported using Fund Accounting. Monies are separated into various funds for the express purpose of keeping these monies separate. This is because the Town must demonstrate that expenditures comply with any restrictions on the use of that money. These restrictions can be externally imposed, as in the case of the restriction placed by the benefactors on use of the principal in the Trust Fund – these balances are called *non-spendable* or *restricted*. Or the restrictions can be internally imposed, as with many of the Town's Reserve Accounts – these balances are called *committed* or *assigned* fund balances. Monies that can be expended without restrictions are referred to as *unassigned* fund balances. Fund accounting also allows the Town to demonstrate that the use of money complies with approved budgets, and with accounting standards imposed by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The following is a brief summary of the function of each of the Town's funds; a fuller discussion can be found with the reports from each fund.

- General Fund: The general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The operating budgets of the Selectboard and Highway Department are included in the General Fund. Beginning with the budgets for 2015, however, a Highway Fund will be established and the Highway Department budget will occupy its own fund separate from the General Fund. This change is planned to better comply with state law, which dictates that taxes raised for highway purposes must be used only for highway purposes.
- Reserve Fund: Used to account for a collection of various accounts held in reserve by the Town for future projects. Most of these are set aside by the Selectboard, with the approval of the voters, to prepare for large future expenditures while incurring minimal debt. They are each reserved for specific purposes and generally cannot be used otherwise.
- Trust Fund: Used to account for various permanent trust accounts established for the benefit of the Town. In each of the three current accounts the principal donated is non-spendable.
- Capital Assets Fund: Created as a result of the 2011 Single Audit, this fund maintains an accurate inventory of the value of land, building, vehicles, equipment, and infrastructure improvement, and their related depreciation.
- General Long-Term Debt Fund: Also established from the 2011 Single Audit. Pursuant to government accounting standards, long-term debt must be recorded in a separate fund. This fund therefore records any loans for equipment, trucks, et cetera, having a term longer than one year.

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin P. Deisholt  
Treasurer

**General Fund Reports**

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The operating budgets for the Selectboard and Highway Department are included in the General Fund reports. In 2015 the Highway Department budget will be moved to a new "Highway Fund," where, according to state statute, all taxes raised for Highway purposes will be assured to be used only for Highway purposes. Astute readers will note that the Statement of Revenue in former Town Reports has been jettisoned in favor of incorporating Selectboard revenues into a combined Selectboard budget and Highway revenues into a combined Highway budget. This change is intended to facilitate the shift to two separate funds in 2015. In 2013 the General Fund returned an operating surplus of \$300,074.75. This surplus was entirely a Highway surplus, as the Selectboard budget had a deficit of \$42,909.86 thanks to an increase in deferred property tax of \$71,698.61. The Highway Department surplus was \$342,984.61. This was due primarily to unexpected grants for three different road projects, these accumulating \$235,762.30. Also \$29,654.33 in additional reimbursements from August 2011 flooding (Irene) were granted by the state. Of the total surplus to which the 2013 will add, \$225,000 is applied to the 2014 Highway budget, and \$95,000 to the Selectboard budget. In the Highway budget the surplus will be used to offset an increased budget for paving and construction projects. Projects on County Hill Road, Monroe Road, Town Forest Road, and Roy Mountain Road, along with many others, are under consideration, but even with the increased appropriation it will not be possible to address all problem areas in 2014. The surplus applied to the 2014 Selectboard budget will be offset by an increased appropriation to the Truck Fund. The intent of this increase is to purchase a needed dump truck without incurring debt. Other major changes in the budgets from 2013 include an increase in insurance costs. These result from several claims made in recent years. Legal expenses continue to increase, as the tax appeals with TransCanada are anticipated to continue through 2014.

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**Selectboard Budget**

**Selectboard: Theodore Faris, Jeremy Roberts, & Gary Bunnell**

(See pages following this report for schedules and notes)

<u>Section &amp; Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
<b><u>Selectmen's Income</u></b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Taxes</b>				
a	Selectmen's Budget Tax Appropriation	583,898.56	604,636.00	602,169.55	630,635.00
b	Change in Deferred Property Tax Revenue	(6,462.98)		(71,698.61)	
	<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>577,435.58</b>	<b>604,636.00</b>	<b>530,470.94</b>	<b>630,635.00</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Town Clerk's Fees</b>				
	Recording Fees	16,675.00	14,000.00	14,415.00	14,000.00
a	General Office Fees	3,426.80	3,500.00	3,837.98	3,500.00
	Dog Licenses	1,514.00	1,500.00	1,438.00	1,500.00
b	Liquor Licenses	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
c	Other Licenses	25.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Fees</b>	<b>21,790.80</b>	<b>19,200.00</b>	<b>19,840.98</b>	<b>19,200.00</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>General Selectmen's Income</b>				
a	Late Filing Fees - HS-122 forms	126.03	100.00	0.00	0.00
	Interest - Delinquent Taxes	13,081.68	11,000.00	9,412.05	11,000.00
b	Interest - Savings & Checking	4,611.44	1,000.00	704.96	7,500.00

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<u>Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
	Zoning Permit Fees	1,030.00	1,200.00	1,080.00	1,200.00
	Highway Access Permits	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00
<b>c</b>	State of VT - Current Use Payment (Selectmen's share)	29,202.50	17,500.00	30,832.50	17,500.00
<b>d</b>	State of VT - Fish & Game Land	8,224.00	8,200.00	8,224.00	8,200.00
	Transfer Station Collections	40,885.00	40,000.00	40,035.50	40,000.00
	Electronics Recycling Credit	245.90	200.00	369.70	200.00
<b>e</b>	Rent - Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
	Harvey's Lake Beach Admission Charges	10,030.57	10,000.00	9,097.00	10,000.00
<b>f</b>	Tax Retainage Fee - Prior Year	5,885.42	6,000.00	6,426.56	6,000.00
	District Court of VT - Local Fines	131.00	0.00	882.59	100.00
	Forest Fire Expense Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	422.21	0.00
	Various Other Income	1,693.74	400.00	828.62	600.00
	Tax Sale Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total General Selectmen's Income</b>	<b>122,347.28</b>	<b>102,800.00</b>	<b>115,535.69</b>	<b>109,500.00</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>a Use of Prior Surplus</b>		<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>95,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Selectmen's Income</b>	<b>721,573.66</b>	<b>736,636.00</b>	<b>675,847.61</b>	<b>854,335.00</b>
 <b>Selectmen's Expenditures</b>					
<b>5</b>	<b>Salaries - Town Officers (See Schedule A):</b>				
<b>a</b>	Town Clerk & Treasurer	43,305.80	44,680.00	45,699.04	46,240.00
<b>b</b>	Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	14,168.72	13,000.00	13,312.43	14,000.00
<b>c</b>	Listers	7,083.25	7,000.00	8,288.00	9,000.00
	Selectmen	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Auditors	1,350.00	800.00	750.00	800.00
	<b>Total Salaries - Town Officers</b>	<b>67,407.77</b>	<b>66,980.00</b>	<b>69,549.47</b>	<b>71,540.00</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Office Supplies:</b>				
	Printing Town Reports	2,308.00	2,500.00	3,019.05	2,500.00
	Land Record Books & Supplies	1,107.39	1,200.00	1,684.79	1,200.00
	Various Office Supplies	1,907.06	2,500.00	1,581.36	2,500.00
	Copier Expenses	1,160.48	1,000.00	1,506.19	1,000.00
	Tax Bills	0.00	0.00	230.24	250.00
	Software Service Agreement	1,778.80	1,700.00	1,832.16	1,700.00
	Computer Maintenance, Supplies	1,428.35	1,500.00	76.49	1,500.00
<b>a</b>	Tax Map Maintenance	1,924.00	3,000.00	3,825.00	3,000.00
	Postage Meter Rental	203.40	400.00	229.83	400.00
<b>b</b>	Internet	1,317.14	1,400.00	1,379.64	1,400.00
	<b>Total Office Supplies</b>	<b>13,134.62</b>	<b>15,200.00</b>	<b>15,364.75</b>	<b>15,450.00</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Advertising &amp; Postage:</b>				
	Postage	2,960.00	2,500.00	2,420.00	2,500.00

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<b>Note</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Budget</b>	<b>2013 Actual</b>	<b>2014 Budget</b>
	Advertising	322.87	500.00	657.00	500.00
	<b>Total Advertising &amp; Postage</b>	<b>3,282.87</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,077.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Telephones:</b>				
	Town Clerk's Office	909.59	1,000.00	1,043.48	1,000.00
	Town Garage	1,420.44	1,500.00	1,024.04	1,100.00
	Town Hall	174.89	0.00	0.00	200.00
<b>a</b>	Cellular Phone	131.88	550.00	481.17	550.00
	<b>Total Telephones</b>	<b>2,636.80</b>	<b>3,050.00</b>	<b>2,548.69</b>	<b>2,850.00</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Heat &amp; Lights:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Town Clerk's Office - Fuel Oil	2,817.88	3,000.00	2,828.62	3,000.00
	Town Clerk's Office - Lights	954.97	900.00	1,031.33	900.00
<b>b</b>	Town Hall - Fuel Oil	926.25	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Town Hall - Lights	309.02	300.00	259.67	300.00
<b>d</b>	Town Garage - Heat	4,627.67	7,000.00	4,586.91	5,000.00
	Town Garage - Lights	2,392.75	2,500.00	2,559.53	2,500.00
	<b>Total Heat &amp; Lights</b>	<b>12,028.54</b>	<b>14,700.00</b>	<b>11,266.06</b>	<b>12,700.00</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership)</b>				
<b>a</b>	Fuel	7,729.64	7,000.00	8,182.17	8,000.00
	Lights	871.20	900.00	995.25	900.00
<b>b</b>	Water	792.00	800.00	792.00	800.00
<b>c</b>	Carpet Service	628.15	700.00	554.75	300.00
	Heating & Plumbing	5,000.00	500.00	136.15	500.00
	Other Various	522.50	500.00	469.00	500.00
	<b>Total Barnet Public Library Building</b>	<b>15,543.49</b>	<b>10,400.00</b>	<b>11,129.32</b>	<b>11,000.00</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Insurance &amp; Bonds:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Vehicles, Buildings & Town Officer Bonds	17,754.92	19,029.00	19,648.79	38,700.00
<b>a</b>	Workers' Compensation	15,480.00	18,388.00	17,264.00	29,507.00
<b>b</b>	Fire & Rescue Accident & Sickness	1,232.00	1,250.00	1,232.00	1,250.00
	<b>Total Insurance &amp; Bonds</b>	<b>34,466.92</b>	<b>38,667.00</b>	<b>38,144.79</b>	<b>69,457.00</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Legal Expenses:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Tax Appeals	1,988.50	5,000.00	4,952.70	9,000.00
	Tax Collectors Items	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
<b>b</b>	General	0.00	1,000.00	9,897.27	1,000.00
	Zoning	458.25	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	<b>Total Legal Expenses</b>	<b>2,446.75</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>14,849.97</b>	<b>11,500.00</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Interest on Loans:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Tax Anticipation Borrowing	7,467.94	2,000.00	1,372.14	8,300.00
	2011 Flood Relief Line of Credit	1,348.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Interest on Loans</b>	<b>8,816.05</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>1,372.14</b>	<b>8,300.00</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes:</b>				
	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	26,554.33	30,000.00	25,455.04	30,000.00

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<b>Note</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Budget</b>	<b>2013 Actual</b>	<b>2014 Budget</b>
a	Health Insurance	106,854.55	100,000.00	98,867.52	83,500.00
b	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,000.00
c	Uniforms	5,897.99	6,000.00	5,456.75	2,500.00
d	Retirement	12,281.58	14,000.00	13,112.84	14,000.00
	Unemployment Compensation	736.00	600.00	597.00	600.00
e	Dental Insurance	2,967.39	3,000.00	2,694.52	3,000.00
	<b>Total Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>155,291.84</b>	<b>153,600.00</b>	<b>146,183.67</b>	<b>148,600.00</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Building Maintenance:</b>				
a	Town Clerk's Office	1,748.30	2,500.00	3,880.93	2,500.00
	Town Hall - Water	264.00	300.00	264.00	300.00
b	Town Hall - Caretaker	520.00	500.00	520.00	500.00
	Town Hall - Other	337.00	500.00	758.00	500.00
c	Town Garage	3,316.52	2,000.00	3,373.81	3,000.00
	<b>Total Building Maintenance</b>	<b>6,185.82</b>	<b>5,800.00</b>	<b>8,796.74</b>	<b>6,800.00</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Fire &amp; Rescue:</b>				
a	Volunteers' Reimbursement	6,256.23	5,000.00	5,944.75	5,000.00
b	Equipment & Supplies (See Schedule B)	8,243.99	7,800.00	3,653.31	12,100.00
	Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	2,278.34	2,000.00	2,458.85	2,000.00
c	Mutual Aid Dues & Dispatching Service	3,061.87	3,000.00	3,661.93	3,000.00
	Other	507.46	1,500.00	99.85	1,500.00
d	Rescue Squad Expenses	860.85	2,300.00	1,536.49	3,200.00
e	Utilities - Fuel Oil	5,330.49	5,000.00	5,035.92	5,000.00
	Utilities - Electricity	1,732.12	1,800.00	1,683.11	1,800.00
	Telephone & Internet Service	1,316.82	1,500.00	1,565.97	1,500.00
	General Maintenance	0.00	0.00	250.15	0.00
	Building Maintenance	1,654.70	1,900.00	1,020.66	1,900.00
f	West Barnet Firehouse - Heat	1,450.55	1,700.00	1,168.31	1,700.00
	West Barnet Firehouse - Lights	268.02	400.00	467.14	400.00
	<b>Total Fire &amp; Rescue</b>	<b>32,961.44</b>	<b>33,900.00</b>	<b>28,546.44</b>	<b>39,100.00</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Annual Appropriations:</b>				
	American Red Cross	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	Area Office on Aging	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Barnet Historical Society	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	Barnet Public Library	20,500.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	25,000.00
	Caledonia Home Health Care	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
	CALEX Ambulance Service	7,160.00	17,050.00	17,050.00	17,050.00
	Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	County Tax	17,329.73	35,835.00	35,832.78	30,024.00
	Fairbanks Museum	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
a	Lake Harvey Association	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
b	Memorial Day	408.33	500.00	1,285.90	500.00
	Northeast Kingdom Human Services	1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00
	Northeast Kingdom Learning Services	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Northeast Kingdom Youth Services	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

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<b>Note</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Budget</b>	<b>2013 Actual</b>	<b>2014 Budget</b>
	Northeastern Vermont Development Association	700.00	709.00	709.00	709.00
	Northern Vermont Resource Conservation & Development Council	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Rural Community Transportation Umbrella Inc.	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
	Vermont Center for Independent Living	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
	Vermont League of Cities & Towns	280.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
c	Vermont League of Cities & Towns	2,509.00	2,520.00	2,787.00	2,730.00
	West Barnet Senior Meal Site (formerly known as Volunteer Senior Meal Site)	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
	<b>Total Annual Appropriations</b>	<b>72,312.06</b>	<b>104,339.00</b>	<b>105,389.68</b>	<b>99,738.00</b>
<b>18 a</b>	<b>Capital Expenditures (See Schedule C):</b>	<b>13,538.71</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>916.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Harvey's Lake Beach:</b>				
	Salaries - Lifeguards & Gate Attendants (See Schedule D)	16,370.45	16,000.00	15,582.64	16,000.00
a	Swimming Lessons	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
b	Utilities	1,051.93	1,200.00	959.97	1,200.00
	Operating Supplies	383.09	400.00	210.62	400.00
	Rubbish Removal	627.78	700.00	445.49	700.00
	Repairs to Dock/Bathhouse	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
c	General Maintenance	1,142.69	1,500.00	1,140.00	1,500.00
	Advertising	188.90	200.00	149.90	200.00
	New Equipment/Capital Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Harveys Lake Beach</b>	<b>19,764.84</b>	<b>20,200.00</b>	<b>18,488.62</b>	<b>20,600.00</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Police Services:</b>				
	Constable Charges - Dogs	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
	Constable Charges - Other	379.12	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Sheriff's Patrol	5,977.50	7,500.00	5,797.50	7,500.00
a	Other	367.75	400.00	262.85	400.00
	<b>Total Police Services</b>	<b>6,724.37</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>	<b>6,060.35</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Tax Abatements:</b>	<b>7,017.69</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Landfill/Transfer Station:</b>				
a	Environmental Compliance/ Post-Closure Testing	6,548.00	7,000.00	7,068.08	7,000.00
b	Salaries-Transfer Station (See Schedule E)	5,482.65	5,000.00	4,712.40	5,000.00
	Supplies - Transfer Station	72.80	200.00	59.76	200.00
c	Dumping Fee	16,059.65	15,000.00	18,965.41	15,000.00
d	Hauling Fee	11,400.00	12,000.00	16,795.00	12,000.00
	Utilities - Electricity	1,308.10	1,100.00	1,522.78	1,100.00
	Advertising - Transfer Station	115.50	150.00	81.00	150.00
e	Hired Equipment	300.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	Equipment Maintenance	0.00	0.00	657.04	0.00

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<b>Note</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Budget</b>	<b>2013 Actual</b>	<b>2014 Budget</b>
	Capital Expenditures	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
	<b>Total Landfill/Transfer Station</b>	<b>41,286.70</b>	<b>41,200.00</b>	<b>50,111.47</b>	<b>41,200.00</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District:</b>				
a	Annual Appropriation/Surcharge Fee	6,599.65	8,500.00	6,495.32	8,500.00
<b>24</b>	<b>Barnet Recycling:</b>				
a	Salaries (See Schedule F)	4,471.90	5,000.00	5,448.80	5,000.00
	Fuel	329.92	400.00	261.62	400.00
	Equipment & Supplies	142.69	200.00	0.00	200.00
	Advertising	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Recycling</b>	<b>4,944.51</b>	<b>5,650.00</b>	<b>5,710.42</b>	<b>5,600.00</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Elections Expenses:</b>				
	Ballot Clerks	903.11	200.00	150.50	1,000.00
a	Moderator	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Advertising	729.00	200.00	486.00	800.00
b	Supplies/Equipment	37.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
c	Ballot Tabulator Expense	1,971.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
	<b>Total Election Expenses</b>	<b>3,740.11</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>736.50</b>	<b>4,450.00</b>
<b>26 a</b>	<b>Selectboard Expenses:</b>	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
<b>27</b>	<b>Planning Commission/Zoning Board:</b>				
	Advertising	378.00	600.00	639.00	600.00
a	Administrative Officer Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
b	Administrative Officer Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
c	Wages - Secretary	810.00	1,000.00	1,317.19	1,000.00
	Other	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
	E911 Administrative Expenses	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	<b>Total Planning Commission/Zoning Board</b>	<b>4,188.00</b>	<b>4,950.00</b>	<b>4,956.19</b>	<b>4,950.00</b>
<b>28 a</b>	<b>Cemeteries:</b>				
	Stevens Cemetery - Misc. Mowing	395.00	500.00	374.00	400.00
	Palmer Cemetery	360.00	300.00	374.00	400.00
	Pleasant View Cemetery Association	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
	McIndoe Falls Cemetery	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<b>Total Cemeteries</b>	<b>8,255.00</b>	<b>8,300.00</b>	<b>8,248.00</b>	<b>8,300.00</b>
<b>29 a</b>	<b>Contingency:</b>	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
<b>30</b>	<b>Appropriations to Reserve Accounts:</b>				
a	Equipment	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
b	Truck Account	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	125,000.00
c	Fire Department	5,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00

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<u>Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
d	Municipal Buildings Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
	<b>Total Appropriations to Reserve Accounts</b>	<b>145,000.00</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	<b>225,000.00</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Professional Services:</b>				
a	Auditing	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>32</b>	<b>Reappraisal Expenses:</b>				
	Contracted Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Listers Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Reappraisal Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Expenses:</b>				
	Road Signs	851.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
a	Fire Warden Charges	4,472.49	800.00	2,921.71	800.00
b	Listers Expenses	1,463.30	1,600.00	1,635.87	1,600.00
	Other Various	1,853.00	2,000.00	1,570.00	2,000.00
	Town Officers Meetings	675.00	1,000.00	688.30	1,000.00
	Health Officer Expense	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
c	Barnet Charter Anniversary	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
	<b>Total Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	<b>9,315.34</b>	<b>8,100.00</b>	<b>9,315.88</b>	<b>5,600.00</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Total Selectboard Expenses:</b>	<b>713,389.89</b>	<b>736,636.00</b>	<b>718,757.47</b>	<b>854,335.00</b>
	<b>Total Income (see above)</b>	<b>721,573.66</b>	<b>736,636.00</b>	<b>675,847.61</b>	<b>854,335.00</b>
	<b>Surplus or (Deficit) (Income plus prior surplus applied, less expenditures)</b>	<b>8,183.77</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(42,909.86)</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Town of Barnet  
Schedules for Selectboard Budget**

**Schedule A - Town Officers' Salaries**

Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk & Treasurer	45,699.04
Cathy McLam, Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	13,312.43
John Cook, Lister	3,712.80
Ronald Morse, Lister	1,058.40
Scott Renfrew, Lister	3,516.80
Theodore Faris, Selectman	500.00
Jeremy Roberts, Selectman	500.00
Gary Bunnell, Selectman	500.00
Jeffery Riley, Auditor	375.00
Robert Roos, Auditor	375.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>69,549.47</b>

**Schedule B - Fire & Rescue Equipment & Supplies**

SCBA packs (masks & bottles) - 4 (E. Montpelier Fire Dept.)	2,000.00
Rubber boots - 2 pairs (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	298.00
Hose adapters (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	285.67
Hose & labor for repairs (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	233.50
Badges, collar pins, name plate (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	196.37
Parts & labor for repair of pump (West Barnet Garage)	183.15
Folding wheel choc	111.85
Pager repair (CVC Paging)	91.95
Pager replacement (CVC Paging)	91.95
Chainsaw bar cover (Ben Meadows)	54.68
Filling nozzle shutoff	35.49
Respiratory wipes (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	30.95
Electrical cord, receptacles (CED Twin State Electrical Supply)	23.50
Suspension system for helmets (Fire Tech & Safety of N.E.)	16.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,653.31</b>

**Schedule C - Capital Expenditures**

Laptop computer for Town Garage (CompuSys 2000, Inc.)	567.00
Cash register for Town Clerk's Office (W.B. Mason)	349.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>916.00</b>

**Schedule D - Harvey's Lake Beach**

Ambrose, Ally - Lifeguard	1,767.51
Bain, Gunther - Lifeguard	3,965.00
Bruckner, Emily - Lifeguard	3,096.00
Langham, Katelyn - Gate Attendant	3,402.00
White, Jacquelyn - Lifeguard	2,690.63
White, Theresa - Lifeguard	661.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,582.64</b>

**Schedule E - Transfer Station Salaries**

Hale, Melvin	4,256.00
Marston, Bruce	44.80
Nelson, Donald	84.00
Warden, Shirley	327.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,712.40</b>

**Schedule F - Recycling Center Salaries**

Marston, Bruce - Supervisor	3,264.80
Nelson, Donald	2,027.20
Warden, Shirley	156.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,448.80</b>

## **Town of Barnet, Vermont 2014 Selectboard Budget Notes**

### **1. Taxes**

- a. Net funds required for current-year operations for Selectmen's budget. For budget columns this is the difference between total expenditures and non-tax revenues (including use of prior surplus).
- b. Actual amounts include adjustment for change in the balance of the deferred property tax revenue account.

### **2. Town Clerk Fees**

- a. Includes copier, fax service, vehicle registration fees, etc.
- b. Town receives \$50.00 of \$100.00 state licensing fee.
- c. Includes civil marriage license fees.

### **3. General Selectmen's Income**

- a. Penalty paid to Town for late filers of Homestead Declaration forms that were due by April 15th. Beginning in 2012 the State gave Towns authority to waive this fee. Beginning in 2013, due to confusion caused by repeated statutory changes, the Selectboard elected to waive this fee for all late filers.
- b. Interest gained from savings accounts as a result of tax anticipation borrowing (see Section 13 for expense) plus other accounts yielding interest of lesser sums. In some years (e.g. 2013) interest income is not realized from tax anticipation borrowing because these funds are borrowed as needed from a line of credit.
- c. State payment to Town for loss in tax due to land enrolled in current use program. Uncertain funding due to legislative action. Current use payment divided between Selectboard and Highway budgets.
- d. Payment from State of Vermont for Roy Mountain Wildlife Area.
- e. Rent paid by Karne Choling for second floor at library building.
- f. Percentage of state wide education tax that is paid to town for administration of the program.

### **4. Use of Prior Surplus**

- a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request. 2014 Budget: Selectboard elected to use a significant 2013 surplus to offset an increased appropriation to the Truck Account (see section 30), and unanticipated increases in insurance expenses (see section 11).

### **5. Salaries – Town Officers**

- a. Benjamin Heisholt
- b. Cathy McLam. 2013 rate: 14.05 per hour. 2014 rate: 14.50 per hour.
- c. John Cook, Scott Renfrew, and Sally Cook. 2013 rate: 11.20 per hour. 2014 rate: 11.70 per hour.

### **6. Office Supplies**

- a. Contract with Cartographic Associates Inc. for maintenance of digital mapping (tax maps, etc.)
- b. Internet service at Town Garage and Town Clerk's Office.

### **7. Advertising & Postage**

### **8. Telephones**

- a. Road Foreman reimbursed for use of personal cell phone for Highway Department use.

### **9. Heat & Lights**

- a. Town Clerk's Office fuel usage: 816.1 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 31 at \$3.499 per gallon.
- b. Town Hall fuel usage: None in 2013.
- c. Town Garage propane usage: 2,341.6 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 30 at \$2.47 per gallon.

### **10. Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership Building)**

- a. Library Building fuel usage: 2,340.8 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 16 at \$3.509 per gallon.
- b. Water from Barnet Water System. Charged at \$198.00 per quarter.
- c. Carpet service. 2014 Budget: Changing service providers on May 1 with cost at \$15.40 once every four weeks.

### **11. Insurance & Bonds**

- a. In 2014, coverage to be purchased through Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT) for all except fire and rescue coverages, which will be purchased through the Berwick Agency. Policy held in 2013 non-renewed by carrier due to several claims in recent years. Coverage extended by VLCT at increased rates. Prior surplus applied in revenue budget to help offset increase (see section 4).

- b. Accident & Sickness policy, a supplement to workers' compensation coverage, still handled by Underwriters Agency.

**12. Legal Expenses**

- a. Town legal representation in appeals of tax assessments and in negotiations for transitional support payments from the power company. 2014 Budget anticipates further, increased, activity in TransCanada appeal.
- b. 2013 Actual consists of Roy claim.

**13. Interest on Loans**

- a. Tax anticipation borrowing. See section 3 for offsetting income amount. 2014: to borrow \$598,000 from Union Bank at a rate of 1.39%.

**14. Payroll Benefits & Taxes**

- a. Health Insurance. 2014: New health insurance system (Vermont Health Connect, or "the exchange"), with all employees assigned BCBS's "Platinum Standard" plan. This carries higher out-of-pocket exposure for employees.
- b. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation: To offset the above-referenced increased out-of-pocket exposure an appropriation is made to a reserve fund equaling \$2,500 for each full-time employee. These funds can be used by employees to cover out-of-pocket health care expenses.
- c. Highway Department uniforms.
- d. Mandatory for full time employees. Town contributes 5.25% of wages starting July 1, 2000. Employees pay 4.5% of wages. Fund managed by State of Vermont and similar to state employees and state teachers' retirement systems.
- e. Dental plan through Delta Dental. Town pays employee cost, employee pays for rest of family if they wish.

**15. Building Maintenance**

- a. Various maintenance and repair of Town Clerk's Office. Includes water expense.
- b. David Stevenson: 52 weeks at 10.00 per week.
- c. Various maintenance and repair of building and grounds. Includes mowing, fire extinguisher service, etc.
- d. Various maintenance and repair of new Town Garage. Includes water expense.

**16. Fire & Rescue**

- a. Wages for actual time at fires as submitted by Fire Chief paid at minimum wage.
- b. Annual budget for equipment purchases by Fire Department. 2014 Budget: Increase reflects shift of budgetary funds from 2013 to 2014; purchase intended for 2013 was not completed prior to year-end.
- c. Dues paid to Twin State Mutual Aid System and Grafton County Sheriffs Department for dispatching services.
- d. Equipment, supplies, medications, etc. used by rescue personnel. 2014 Budget: Increase at request of Barnet Fire & Rescue, to keep up with increasing costs and to replace aging Automatic Electronic Defibrillators (AEDs).
- e. Bimson Road Fire Station usage: 1,452.6 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 30 at \$3.549 per gallon.
- f. Propane gas for heat in building in West Barnet. Usage: 601.3 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 16 at \$2.395 per gallon.

**17. Annual Appropriations & Charges**

- a. Appropriation paid primarily through Town administration of boat monitoring payroll. Town also pays minor expense for electricity. Any over-expenditure at the end of the boat monitoring season is reimbursed to Town.
- b. Appropriation paid through expenditures associated with Town Memorial Day observance. Includes flags and flagstuffs for cemetery markers and advertising.

**18. Capital Expenditures**

- a. Funds used to purchase fixed assets (assets with anticipated useful life beyond current budget year) other than those provided through reserve funds.

**19. Harvey's Lake Beach**

- a. Wages for certified swim instructor. 2014 Budget: Line item added at request of Harvey's Lake Beach Committee.
- b. Telephone, electricity, portable toilets.
- c. Various maintenance of bathhouse, beach, and grounds.

**20. Police Services**

- a. Charges from veterinarians and animal control officer for boarding or destruction of dogs.

**21. Tax Abatements**

**22. Landfill/Transfer Station**

- a. Post-closure monitoring required as part of closure plan. This work done by Endyne Inc. of Montpelier.

- b. Gate attendant. Works 7 hours per week regularly, 11 hours per week during summer. Rates: 2014 rate: \$11.70 per hour.
  - c. Changed to Casella Waste Management in 2009 – current rate at 60.00 per ton.
  - d. Casella charges 200.00 per trip for MSW and for construction debris.
  - e. Mowing of former landfill to keep brush from growing.
- 23. Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District**
- a. Fee paid to Waste District to run program. Beginning April 2012, this \$22.55 surcharge paid to Waste District in addition to \$60.00 for solid waste disposal paid to Casella.
- 24. Barnet Recycling**
- a. Employed attendant Bruce Marston, etc. Works 8 hours per week regularly, 12 hours per week during summer. Rates same as transfer station attendant.
- 25. Election Expenses**
- a. Annual moderator salary for Dennis McLam.
  - b. LHS Associates - miscellaneous supplies for tabulator and other elections items.
  - c. Fee for maintaining vote tabulator for two elections during even-numbered years. Fee for each election is based on number of offices and the number of candidates. Also includes service contract on tabulator.
- 26. Selectmen's Expenses**
- a. Each Selectman reimbursed \$500 for expenses.
- 27. Planning Commission/Zoning Board**
- a. Wages are annual salary for Shirley Warden.
  - b. Beginning 2006 payment to Zoning Officer for expenses is a flat amount.
  - c. Secretary wages for Shirley Warden. Hourly rate same as Assistant Town Clerk. Budget based on approximately 75 hours worked annually.
- 28. Cemetery Appropriations**
- a. Stevens Cemetery, Palmer Cemeteries, monument in Barnet Village, lawn at library building maintained through agreement by the town with local contractor. Pleasantview Cemetery and McIndoe Falls Cemetery as private cemetery associations are appropriated funds per their requests.
- 29. Contingency**
- a. Extra funds added to budget to cover unforeseen items.
- 30. Appropriations to Reserve Accounts**
- a. Funds placed in reserve account to cover purchases of major road equipment other than dump trucks.
  - b. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of dump trucks. 2014 Budget: Increase to allow for planned purchase of new dump truck in 2014 without financing. Surplus funds applied to offset this increase (see section 4).
  - c. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of fire truck. Increased \$5,000 for 2013 per agreement prior to use of reserve funds for new Fire Station. Re-funding this account after 2012 expenditures to refurbish truck.
  - d. Appropriation voted in 2004 for funds set aside for future projects (salt sheds, town garage, Town Clerk's office, etc.).
- 31. Professional Services**
- a. 2012 Actual: Auditing required due to 2011 federal grant funds in excess of 500,000 (Federal Emergency Management Agency flood repair grants).
- 32. Reappraisal Expenses**
- 33. Miscellaneous Expenses**
- a. Fire warden equipment and forest fire expense. Approximately one-half of forest fire expense reimbursed by State.
  - b. Listers mileage, related expenses, computer assistance.
  - c. 2013 Budget & Actual: Appropriation to help fund Barnet 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations and commemorations.
- 34. Totals**
- a. 2013 Actual deficit due to increase in balance of deferred property tax revenue causing decrease in tax revenue (see section 1).

# Town of Barnet, Vermont

## Highway Department Budget

(See pages following this report for schedules and notes)

<u>Section &amp; Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
<b>Highway Income</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Taxes</b>				
	Highway Dept. Budget Tax Appropriation	545,132.66	529,700.00	527,722.77	529,650.00
<b>a</b>	<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>545,132.66</b>	<b>529,700.00</b>	<b>527,722.77</b>	<b>529,650.00</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>State Aid</b>				
<b>a</b>	State Aid to Roads	182,557.83	180,000.00	185,970.06	180,000.00
<b>b</b>	State Aid - Class 2 Roadway Program	175,000.00	0.00	175,000.00	0.00
<b>c</b>	State Aid - Structures Program	0.00	0.00	50,762.30	0.00
<b>d</b>	State Aid - Better Backroads Program	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
	<b>Total State Aid</b>	<b>357,557.83</b>	<b>180,000.00</b>	<b>421,732.36</b>	<b>180,000.00</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Reserve Fund Proceeds</b>				
<b>a</b>	Proceeds from Bridge Fund Reserve Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>b</b>	Proceeds from Highway Construction Fund	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00
	<b>Total Reserve Fund Proceeds</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Flood Repair Proceeds</b>				
	May 26-27, 2011 Flooding Event - FEMA Funds	94.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
	May 26-27, 2011 Flooding Event - State of VT Funds	18.94	0.00	0.00	0.00
	August 27-September 2, 2011 Flooding Event - FEMA Funds	3,078.71	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>b</b>	August 27-September 2, 2011 Flooding Event - State of VT Funds	0.00	0.00	29,654.33	0.00
	<b>Total Flood Repair Proceeds</b>	<b>3,192.37</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>29,654.33</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Other Highway Income</b>				
<b>a</b>	State of VT - Current Use Payment (Highway share)	29,202.50	17,500.00	30,832.50	17,500.00
<b>b</b>	Insurance Claim	48,166.12	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Scrap Metal Sales		0.00	220.35	0.00
	Various other receipts	816.85	0.00	596.54	0.00
	<b>Total Other Highway Income</b>	<b>78,185.47</b>	<b>17,500.00</b>	<b>31,649.39</b>	<b>17,500.00</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>a Use of Prior Surplus</b>		<b>75,000.00</b>	<b>75,000.00</b>	<b>225,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Highway Receipts</b>	<b>1,049,068.33</b>	<b>867,200.00</b>	<b>1,150,758.85</b>	<b>952,150.00</b>

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<b>Highway Expenditures</b>					
<b>7 a</b>	<b>Salaries - General Maintenance (See Schedule A):</b>	236,749.57	250,000.00	220,578.46	240,000.00
<b>8</b>	<b>Parts &amp; Supplies:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Blades & Chains	4,306.97	5,500.00	8,785.68	7,000.00
<b>b</b>	Tools	774.56	3,000.00	1,722.03	2,000.00
<b>c</b>	Safety Supplies	310.98	1,500.00	1,257.72	1,500.00
<b>d</b>	Other Various Shop Items	1,963.38	3,000.00	1,949.99	0.00
<b>e</b>	Shop Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
	<b>Total Parts &amp; Supplies</b>	<b>7,355.89</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>	<b>13,715.42</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Equipment Maintenance:</b>				
	Trucks	24,889.90	35,000.00	49,031.09	35,000.00
	Grader	5,527.47	5,000.00	5,249.67	5,000.00
	Loader (1991)	241.64	4,000.00	1,089.27	3,000.00
<b>a</b>	Loader (2010)	506.75	3,000.00	43.00	2,000.00
	Backhoe	233.78	4,500.00	684.74	4,500.00
	Pickup	2,812.83	3,000.00	1,701.70	3,000.00
<b>b</b>	Sanders	46.95	1,500.00	168.00	0.00
<b>c</b>	Plows & Chainsaws	1,583.80	2,500.00	349.40	0.00
	Chainsaws	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
	Other Equipment	930.89	2,500.00	497.66	1,000.00
	Welding Supplies	1,072.60	1,200.00	1,106.84	1,200.00
<b>d</b>	Tires	789.57	11,000.00	8,262.44	10,000.00
	Stock Items	182.12	5,000.00	132.73	0.00
<b>e</b>	Repairs of Damaged Equipment	13,978.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>52,796.62</b>	<b>78,200.00</b>	<b>68,316.54</b>	<b>65,200.00</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Gas &amp; Oil:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Gasoline	1,952.98	1,500.00	1,300.98	1,500.00
<b>b</b>	Diesel fuel	76,181.31	95,000.00	81,317.10	90,000.00
	Oil	3,789.31	5,000.00	4,380.33	5,000.00
	Other Petroleum Products	381.39	500.00	1,054.42	1,000.00
	<b>Total Gas &amp; Oil</b>	<b>82,304.99</b>	<b>102,000.00</b>	<b>88,052.83</b>	<b>97,500.00</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Contracted Services:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Hired Equipment (See Schedule B)	3,661.20	4,000.00	6,925.85	6,000.00
<b>b</b>	Sweeping Roads	0.00	4,500.00	3,630.00	4,500.00
<b>c</b>	Screening Winter Sand	23,785.00	20,000.00	19,494.80	20,000.00
<b>d</b>	Overburden Removal - Sand	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
<b>e</b>	Mowing Roadsides	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,030.00	7,200.00
	Other	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>f</b>	Crushing	71,138.00	85,000.00	69,273.25	80,000.00
<b>g</b>	Overburden Removal - Gravel	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
	Highway Department Education	375.00	500.00	520.00	500.00
	<b>Total Contracted Services</b>	<b>108,159.20</b>	<b>123,000.00</b>	<b>108,873.90</b>	<b>128,200.00</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Operating Supplies:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salt	29,546.37	23,800.00	44,608.46	40,000.00
	Cold Patch/Hot Mix	3,877.71	2,500.00	1,724.10	2,500.00

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	Specialty Aggregate	0.00	0.00	477.34	750.00
	Other	5,096.73	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
	Culverts	9,540.61	6,000.00	10,981.33	6,000.00
	Chloride	15,638.96	25,000.00	15,309.54	20,000.00
	Guardrails	4,206.00	5,000.00	7,128.00	5,000.00
b	Erosion Control	888.57	200.00	742.15	500.00
c	Sign Maintenance Program (formerly in Selectboard Expenditures budget)	0.00	2,500.00	314.95	1,500.00
	<b>Total Operating Supplies</b>	<b>68,794.95</b>	<b>66,000.00</b>	<b>81,285.87</b>	<b>76,250.00</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Bridge Repairs (See Schedule C):</b>				
	Special Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Miscellaneous Bridge Repairs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
a	Bridge Fund Appropriation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
	<b>Total Bridge Repairs</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Highway Construction Projects (See</b>				
a	Paving/Construction Projects	304,170.74	185,000.00	176,951.22	282,000.00
b	Construction Fund Appropriation	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
	<b>Total Highway Construction Projects</b>	<b>324,170.74</b>	<b>205,000.00</b>	<b>196,951.22</b>	<b>302,000.00</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Other Projects:</b>				
	Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Other Projects</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Total Highway Department Expenditures</b>	<b>910,331.96</b>	<b>867,200.00</b>	<b>807,774.24</b>	<b>952,150.00</b>
	<b>Total Highway Department Income (see above)</b>	<b>1,049,068.33</b>	<b>867,200.00</b>	<b>1,150,758.85</b>	<b>952,150.00</b>
	<b>Surplus or (Deficit) (Income plus use of prior surplus less expenditures)</b>	<b>138,736.37</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>342,984.61</b>	<b>0.00</b>

## Town of Barnet Schedules for Highway Department Budget

**Schedule A - Salaries**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Total</b>
Bedor, Joanna	914.25
Bourtelle, Ernest	38,683.90
Fearon, Glenn	42,042.05
Gadapee, Keith - Road Foreman	53,840.45
Gould, Thomas	43,190.07
Guertin, Reginald	907.63
LeClair, Jason	38,899.97
Stevenson, David	1,050.07
Tillotson, Michael	1,050.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>220,578.46</b>

**Schedule B - Hired Equipment**

All Around Rental	
Rental of asphalt saw cutting pavement	
Rental of dual drum roller for shoulder work	
Stan Robinson & Sons - Break up ice on Church Street bridge	200.00
Gary Roy - Trucking gravel for repair of roads in mud season	760.00
Kenneth Bunnell & Sons - Comerford Dam Road culvert backhoe work	495.00
C & C Bunnell Excavating - Trucking for repair of roads in mud season	440.00
Mathews Excavating - Trucking & excavator for repair of roads in mud season	3,818.35
Kenneth Bunnell & Sons - Break rocks raising asphalt, improve ditch lines on several roads	750.00
David Bogie Contracting - Removal of trucks from ditches (3)	462.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,925.85</b>

**Schedule C - Bridge Repairs**

Two bridge and structures repair projects (Anderson Street and Mill Hill) funded through Reserve Fund - see Reserve Fund reports for details

<b>Appropriation to Bridge Fund</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>
<b>Total Bridge Repairs:</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>

**Schedule D - Highway Paving/Construction Projects**

**West Main Street (State Aid #1)**

**Materials**

J.A. McDonald, Inc.	
Crushing of 3.5 inch stone base (3,080 cubic yards)	17,710.00
Crushing of gravel (483 cubic yards)	2,777.25
Everett J. Prescott, Inc.	
Culverts	6,870.80
Road fabric	3,920.00
Drainage pipes, etc.	534.96
HS Supplies	
Catch basins	686.00
Drainage pipes, etc.	620.00
Larrabee's Building Supply	
Grade stakes	104.64
Mortar mix	34.33
Flag tape	2.04
Pike Industries - Gravel, etc.	1,711.45
Dennis McLam - Mulch hay	72.00
Caledonian-Record - Construction notices	54.00
<b>Total Materials</b>	<b>35,097.47</b>

**Contractors**

C & C Bunnell Excavating, LLC - Trucking	850.00
JFB Trucking - Trucking	3,500.00
Gary Roy - Trucking	4,400.00
Mathews Excavating - Excavator, dozer, roller, trucks	24,105.00
Vermont Recreational Surfacing & Fencing - Remove existing guardrail, install new guardrail	3,654.00
Pike Industries, Inc. - Paving	77,378.64
<b>Total Contractors</b>	<b>113,887.64</b>
<b>Total West Main Street</b>	<b>148,985.11</b>

**Town Forest Road (Town Highway #14)**

Pike Industries - Pave top coat	19,018.03
<b>Total Town Forest Road</b>	<b>19,018.03</b>

**Somerhill Road (Town Highway #61)**

Mathews Excavating - Excavator work	4,860.00
Pike Industries - Gravel, etc.	3,012.96
Calco, Inc. - Straw erosion blanket	385.12
Morrison's Feed Bag, Inc. - Grass seed	48.00
Dennis McLam - Mulch hay	36.00
<b>Total Somerhill Road</b>	<b>8,342.08</b>

**Pavilion Lane**

H.S. Supplies - Catch basin, grate & mortar mix	606.00
<b>Total Pavilion Lane</b>	<b>606.00</b>

**Appropriation to Highway Construction Fund** **20,000.00**

**Total Highway Construction Projects:** **196,951.22**

## **Town of Barnet, Vermont**

### **2014 Highway Department Budget Notes**

- 1. Taxes**
  - a. Net funds required for current-year operations for Highway Department budget. For budget columns this is the difference between total expenditures and non-tax revenues (including use of prior surplus).
- 2. State Aid**
  - a. Funds received from State of Vermont based on mileage.
  - b. Vermont Agency of Transportation grant program for maintenance of Class 2 Town Highways. 2013 Actual includes revenue for a project on West Main Street in West Barnet (Town Highway #1).
  - c. Vermont Agency of Transportation grant program for maintenance of bridges and culverts. 2013 Actual includes revenue for a project to install two box culverts on Anderson Street in Barnet Village (Town Highway #57).
  - d. Vermont Agency of Transportation grant program to increase water quality and decrease maintenance costs on rural roads. 2013 Actual includes revenue for a project to decrease erosion along ditch line on Somerhill Road (Town Highway #61)
- 3. Reserve Fund Proceeds**
  - a. Funds transferred from our reserve account for bridges to pay town share of bridge repairs.
  - b. Town share of construction projects transferred from reserve fund.
- 4. Flood Repair Proceeds**
  - a. Revenue from State of Vermont for repair of damages resulting from flooding events of August 27 to September 2, 2011.
- 5. Other Income**
  - a. Beginning in 2009 actual and 2010 budget: Current use payment divided between Selectmen's and Highway budget according pro-ratio based on tax rates.
  - b. Funds from claims resulting from accidents with Town equipment.
- 6. Use of Prior Surplus**
  - a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request. See section 4 in the Selectboard budget for Selectmen's Income portion. 2014 Budget: Substantial Highway surplus in 2013 resulted primarily from unanticipated grant funds for highway construction projects. Combined with use of surplus in Selectmen's budget (see section 4), this use of surplus returns the full amount of the overall 2013 surplus (approximately \$300,000) to the taxpayers, in addition to the \$20,000 normally assigned for use of prior surplus. The application of surplus to the Highway budget is offset by road construction projects planned for 2014 (see section 14).
- 7. Salaries – General Maintenance**
  - a. Wages for all work other than specially designated projects.
- 8. Parts & Supplies**
  - a. Blades, cutting edges, and chains for dump trucks.
  - b. Small tools and parts replacements for small tools used in shop.
  - c. Beginning in 2013, budgeting specifically for items to prevent workplace accidents and injuries. These items formerly expensed to "Other Various Shop Items."
  - d. Former category eliminated in 2014 Budget, replaced by "Shop Supplies."
  - e. Any minor supply, not having a specific category above, that is used up or used and disposed of within the budget year.
- 9. Equipment Maintenance**
  - a. Maintenance of new loader purchased in 2011.
  - b. Category eliminated in 2014 Budget; each sander expenditure will be assigned to the truck of which the particular sander is a part.
  - c. Category eliminated in 2014 Budget; replaced by "Chainsaws" below. Each plow expenditure will be assigned to the truck of which the particular plow is a part.
  - d. Tires for trucks only.
  - e. Repairs to Town equipment damaged in accidents resulting in insurance claims.

**10. Gas & Oil**

- a. Gasoline usage: 351.1 gallons in 2013.
- b. Diesel Fuel: Purchased 22,693 gallons in 2013. Price as of December 30 at 3.695 per gallon.

**11. Contracted Services**

- a. Various equipment and contractors used for brief periods in non-employee role.
- b. Sweeping roads by Little Acres Landscaping.
- c. Screening of winter sand at Town pit. 2013 Actual: Donald Beattie (5,881 cubic yards at \$2.00) plus hired trucking.
- d. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access sand at Town pit. Budgeting as a category separate from general screening expenditures starting in 2014 to better track cost for each yard of sand.
- e. Mowing roadsides. 2014 Budget: Leasing mower and tractor from Tenco for one month for Highway Department to perform mowing.
- f. Crushing of gravel at Town pit. 2013 Actual: J.A. McDonald, Inc. – 1” minus crushed gravel, etc. (8,079 cubic yards at \$5.75), 3” minus ledge (3,080
- g. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access gravel at Town pit. Budgeting as a category separate from general gravel crushing expenditures starting in 2014 to better track cost for each yard of gravel.

**12. Operating Supplies**

- a. Salt purchased from Cargill Salt Co. and American Rock Salt Company. \$60.16 per ton for 2013-2014 season.
- b. New line item in 2012 – road fabric, grass seed, drainage, etc. used to control erosion.
- c. Sign maintenance program.

**13. Bridge Repairs**

- a. Funds to increase bridge fund for future projects.

**14. Highway Construction Projects**

- a. Road construction projects including paving. 2014 Budget: Using application of prior surplus (see section 6) to offset increase for planned 2014 projects. Grant revenues are not anticipated in 2014.
- b. Funds that have been raised for several years for highway reconstruction placed in reserve.

**15. Other Projects**

**16. Totals**

**Town of Barnet  
General Fund Balance Sheet**

<b>Assets:</b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2012</u></b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2013</u></b>
Checking Account	135,641.81	260,810.43
Investment Account	3,657.39	3,787.89
Regular Savings Accounts	5,660.88	2,789.16
Delinquent Tax Collector Checking Account	3.54	3.54
Undeposited Funds	620.00	9,758.02
Uncollected Delinquent Taxes	116,580.01	162,340.42
Various Accounts Receivable	4,449.12	468.91
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00
Due from State of VT - Class 2 Roadway Grant	0.00	175,000.00
Due from State of VT - Structures Grant	0.00	50,762.30
Due from State of VT - Better Backroads Grant	0.00	10,000.00
Due from FHWA - Flooding	59,134.62	0.00
Due from Other Funds	41,642.62	53,385.91
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>367,389.99</b>	<b>729,106.58</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Tax Appropriation Due to School District	63,562.13	122,844.81
Payroll Withholdings Payable	(176.24)	(50.44)
Various Accounts Payable	28,767.15	44,235.50
Fees due to Delinquent Tax Collector	38.35	703.30
Due to Other Funds	1,022.55	424.00
Deferred Property Tax Revenue	83,641.81	155,340.42
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>176,855.75</b>	<b>323,497.59</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Unassigned (Accum. Surplus)	94,669.06	105,534.24
Current Operating Surplus or (Deficit)	95,865.18	300,074.75
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>190,534.24</b>	<b>405,608.99</b>
 <b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	 <b>367,389.99</b>	 <b>729,106.58</b>

**Town of Barnet  
Statement of Taxes Raised  
Year Ended December 31, 2013**

**Grand List Computation:**

Real Estate	259,407,400.00
Add:	
Personal Property*	80,500.00
Less:	
Veterans Exemptions	(360,000.00)
Land Use	(13,857,490.00)
Voted Exemptions	(387,600.00)
<b>Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property</b>	<b>244,882,810.00</b>
<b>Net Grand List (1% of Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property)</b>	<b>2,448,828.10</b>

<u>Department</u>	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Homestead Rate</u>	<u>Non-Residential Rate</u>	<u>Taxes Raised</u>
<b>Town:</b>				
Town General	2,448,828.10	0.2460	0.2460	602,169.55
Highway	2,448,828.10	0.2155	0.2155	527,722.77
<b>Total Town</b>		<b>0.4615</b>	<b>0.4615</b>	<b>1,129,892.32</b>
<b>School:</b>				
Homestead	1,090,010.78	1.4757	0.0000	1,608,528.94
Non-Residential	1,359,622.32	0.0000	1.4108	1,918,155.20
Local Agreement	2,448,828.10	0.0022	0.0022	5,387.46
<b>Total Schools</b>		<b>1.4779</b>	<b>1.4130</b>	<b>3,532,071.60</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1.9394</b>	<b>1.8745</b>	<b>4,661,963.92</b>
Penalty added for late filing of Homestead Declarations:				0.00
Delinquent taxes for 2013:				207,515.06
 *Personal property taxed at non-residential rate of:		 1.4108		

## Town of Barnet Estimation of 2014 Tax Rates

The following estimation of 2014 tax rates is based on the 2013 Grand List valuations and proposed budgets. Estimated school tax rates are based upon the Equalized Grand List as determined by the State of Vermont as of January 1, 2014 and subject to amendments to Act 68 by the Vermont Legislature. They are shown here only to help indicate an estimated change using 2013 assessments.

<u>Department</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>2014</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>2013 Rate</u>	<u>Homestead</u> <u>Projected Rate</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>Non-Residential</u> <u>Projected Rate</u> <u>2014</u>
<b>Town:</b>					
General	602,169.55	630,635.00	0.2460	0.2575	0.2575
Highway	527,722.77	529,650.00	0.2155	0.2163	0.2163
<b>Town Totals</b>	<b>1,129,892.32</b>	<b>1,160,285.00</b>	<b>0.4615</b>	<b>0.4738</b>	<b>0.4738</b>
<b>School:</b>					
Homestead	1,608,528.94	*	1.4757	1.5433	
Non Residential	1,918,155.20	*	1.4108		1.4666
Local Agreement Tax**	5,387.46		0.0022	0.0024	0.0024
<b>School Totals</b>	<b>3,532,071.60</b>			<b>1.5457</b>	<b>1.4690</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4,661,963.92</b>	<b>1,160,285.00</b>		<b>2.0195</b>	<b>1.9428</b>

\*To be determined by rates set by State of Vermont in June 2014.

\*\*The Local Agreement Tax shown above under school is charged to every taxpayer to raise funds to cover taxes exempted by vote of the Town.

**Town of Barnet  
General Fund - Statement of Loan Transactions  
Year Ended December 31, 2013**

**Tax Anticipation Loans:**

**Borrowed during 2013:**

Passumpsic Savings Bank \$620,750 line of credit (0.92%)	400,000.00
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Repaid during 2013:	400,000.00
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<b>Balance as of December 31, 2013</b>	<b>0.00</b>
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**General Fund - Surplus or (Deficit)  
Year Ended December 31, 2013**

**2013 Surplus or (Deficit):**

**Selectboard Budget (General Fund)**

Income	675,847.61
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Expenditures	718,757.47
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<b>Selectboard Budget (General Fund) Deficit</b>	<b>(42,909.86)</b>
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**Highway Department Budget (Highway Fund)**

Income	1,150,758.85
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Expenditures	807,774.24
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<b>Highway Department Budget (Highway Fund) Surplus</b>	<b>342,984.61</b>
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<b>Total 2013 Operating Surplus or (Deficit)</b>	<b>300,074.75</b>
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**Statement of Changes - Accumulated Surplus Account**

Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2012	94,669.06
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Add: 2012 Operating Surplus	95,865.18
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Less: Transfer from Surplus Account to 2013 Selectboard Budget	(10,000.00)
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Less: Transfer from Surplus Account to 2013 Highway Department Budget	(75,000.00)
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<b>Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2013</b>	<b>105,534.24</b>
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**Reserve Fund Reports**

The Reserve Fund is used to account for a collection of various accounts held in reserve by the Town for future projects. Most of these are set aside by the Selectboard, with approval of the voters, to prepare for large future expenditures. They are each reserved for specific purposes and generally cannot be used otherwise. This advance planning allows for such projects as the construction of the new Town Garage and highway construction projects to be completed without financing costs or inordinate inflation of the tax rate. The total fund equity of the reserve accounts was increased from \$722,159 at the end of 2012 to \$812,672 at the end of 2013. This increase in value was due appropriations in excess of 2013 expenditures. The Passumpsic Village Store was sold in early 2013 with proceeds (\$17,250), deposited to the Municipal Buildings Fund, but these funds were paid to the State of Vermont later in the year to cover expenses for petroleum clean-up, causing this to be a net zero transaction. The Bridge Fund saw the most use this year, as projects on Anderson Street (box culvert), East Peacham Road (guardrail), and Mill Hill (retaining wall) were undertaken. Another transfer of \$65,000 from the Highway Construction Fund to the General Fund was aimed at defraying expenses for West Main Street construction costs, but proved to be unnecessary when unexpected state grants were obtained. The resulting General Fund surplus will be used in lieu of a Construction Fund transfer in 2014 to defray costs on 2014 projects. In 2014 the Truck Fund will be of use, as a new dump truck purchase is planned. Also, the Selectboard plans to implement a re-design of the Harvey's Lake Dam using the reserve account held for this function. The Municipal Buildings Fund begins to grow again after the completion of the Town Garage and Salt Shed construction in 2013, with the Selectboard eyeing a renovation of the Town Hall in the future.

**Town of Barnet  
2013 Reserve Fund Activities**

(See following pages for Income and Expense Schedules)

<u>Account</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Add 2013 Appropriation</u>	<u>Add Other Income</u>	<u>Add 2013 Interest</u>	<u>Less Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2013</u>
● 92 Surplus	76,970.42			528.08		77,498.50
● Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	81,259.82		10,972.50	818.49		93,050.81
● Bridge Fund	118,155.22	30,000.00		1,185.88	55,885.72	93,455.38
● Equipment Account	62,023.33	40,000.00		621.87	7,940.00	94,705.20
● Fire Department Account	27,557.01	10,000.00		278.26		37,835.27
● Harvey's Lake Beach Fund	2,532.12		240.00	17.37		2,789.49
● Harvey's Lake Dam	31,108.51			213.42		31,321.93
● Highway Construction	57,182.95	20,000.00		576.27	65,000.00	12,759.22
● Highway Maintenance Fund	63,158.66			433.31		63,591.97
● Homeland Security Grants	186.12			1.28		187.40
● Land Record Restoration Fees	8,815.98		1,470.00	63.89		10,349.87
● Lister Education Funds	2,237.78			15.09		2,252.87
● Municipal Buildings Fund Account	145,139.66	50,000.00	17,250.00	1,534.54	17,391.27	196,532.93
● Account	1,531.85			10.50		1,542.35
● Truck Account	44,299.47	50,000.00		499.45		94,798.92
<b>Totals</b>	<b>722,158.90</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>29,932.50</b>	<b>6,797.70</b>	<b>146,216.99</b>	<b>812,672.11</b>

## Town of Barnet Schedules for Reserve Accounts

**Schedule A - Other Income**

**Act 60/Reappraisal Funds**

State of Vermont - Reappraisal funds & Grand List Study (EEGL)	10,972.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,972.50</b>

**Harvey's Lake Beach Fund**

Proceeds from Beach Committee fund-raiser	240.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>240.00</b>

**Land Record Restoration Fees**

Recording fee surcharge - 2013	1,470.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,470.00</b>

**Municipal Buildings Fund**

Proceeds from sale of Passumpsic Village Store	17,250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,250.00</b>

**Total Other Income** **29,932.50**

**Schedule B - Expenditures**

**Bridge Fund**

Anderson Street - Install two new box culverts

**Materials**

Concrete Systems, Inc.	
36 foot 6' span x 4' rise box culvert	12,585.00
30 foot 6' span x 4' rise box culvert	10,490.00
Pike Industries, Inc. - Gravel, etc.	1,310.99
J.A. McDonald, Inc.	
Crushing of 3.5 inch stone base (28 cubic yards)	161.00
Crushing of gravel (56 cubic yards)	322.00
HS Supplies - Culvert	543.88
Larrabee's Building Supply - Cement, aqua barrier	134.34
Appalachian Supply - Underground union	81.00
Caledonian-Record - Road closure advertisement	60.75
Dennis McLam - Mulch hay	60.75
Allen Lumber - Twine, plywood	41.53
Morrison's Feed Bag - Grass seed	12.00
<b>Total Materials</b>	<b>25,803.24</b>

**Contractors**

Ross Page Foundations, LLC - Curtain walls & retaining walls	10,850.00
Mathews Excavating - Excavator & dump trucks	7,078.96
Vermont Recreational Surfacing & Fencing, Inc. - Supply and install guardrail with steel posts	4,549.00
Classen's Crane Service - Set box culverts	1,835.00
Pike Industries, Inc. - Paving	1,513.02
Barnet Water Company - Pipe location	65.00
<b>Total Contractors</b>	<b>25,890.98</b>
<b>Total Anderson Street</b>	<b>51,694.22</b>

## Town of Barnet Schedules for Reserve Accounts

<u>East Peacham Road - Guardrail repair</u>	
Vermont Recreational Surfacing & Fencing, Inc. - Supply and install used steel beam guardrail on bridge	2,759.00
<b>Total East Peacham Road</b>	<b>2,759.00</b>
 <u>Mill Hill - Retaining wall repairs</u>	
J.A. McDonald, Inc. - Rock probing/drilling	645.00
Ruggles Engineering Services, Inc. - Site visits, draft existing site plan	787.50
<b>Total Mill Hill Retaining Wall</b>	<b>1,432.50</b>
<b>Total Bridge Fund</b>	<b>55,885.72</b>
 <b>Equipment Account</b>	
Purchase of Goosen 18H Bale Chopper	7,940.00
<b>Total Equipment Account</b>	<b>7,940.00</b>
 <b>Highway Construction Account</b>	
Transfer to General Fund	65,000.00
<b>Total Highway Construction Account</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>
 <b>Municipal Buildings Fund</b>	
<u>Salt Shed Construction</u>	
Larrabee's Building Supply - Vinyl siding materials	141.27
<b>Total Salt Shed</b>	<b>141.27</b>
 <u>Passumpsic Village Store</u>	
State of Vermont - Proceeds from sale of store paid in satisfaction of amount due to Petroleum Cleanup Fund for cleanup of site	17,250.00
<b>Total Passumpsic Village Store</b>	<b>17,250.00</b>
<b>Total Municipal Buildings Fund</b>	<b>17,391.27</b>
 <b>Total Expenditures</b>	 <b>146,216.99</b>

## Town of Barnet Reserve Fund Balance Sheet

<u>Assets:</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2012</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2013</u>
Savings Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	577,260.08	865,634.02
Savings Account - Wells River Savings Bank	185,518.89	0.00
Due from Other Funds	1,022.55	424.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>763,801.52</b>	<b>866,058.02</b>
<u>Liabilities:</u>		
Due to Other Funds	41,642.62	53,385.91
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>41,642.62</b>	<b>53,385.91</b>
<u>Fund Equity:</u>		
<u>Restricted Fund Balances:</u>		
Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	81,259.82	93,050.81
Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations	31,108.51	31,321.93
Homeland Security Grants	186.12	187.40
Land Record Restoration	8,815.98	10,349.87
Lister Education Funds	2,237.78	2,252.87
<b>Total Restricted Fund Balance</b>	<b>123,608.21</b>	<b>137,162.88</b>
<u>Committed Fund Balances</u>		
92 Surplus	76,970.42	77,498.50
Highway Maintenance Fund	63,158.66	63,591.97
Municipal Buildings Fund	145,139.66	196,532.93
<b>Total Committed Fund Balance</b>	<b>285,268.74</b>	<b>337,623.40</b>
<u>Assigned Fund Balances</u>		
Bridge Fund	118,155.22	93,455.38
Equipment Account	62,023.33	94,705.20
Fire Department Account	27,557.01	37,835.27
Harvey's Lake Beach Account	2,532.12	2,789.49
Highway Construction Account	57,182.95	12,759.22
Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,531.85	1,542.35
Truck Account	44,299.47	94,798.92
<b>Total Assigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>313,281.95</b>	<b>337,885.83</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>722,158.90</b>	<b>812,672.11</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>763,801.52</b>	<b>866,058.02</b>

**Trust Fund Reports**

The Trust Fund is used to account for various permanent trust accounts established for the benefit of the Town. In each of the three accounts the principal donated to the Town is non-expendable. The total balance in this fund consists primarily of the Esden Fund, which is invested under the recommendation of the Trustees of Public Funds. Please see their report in Section 2 of this Town Report for a discussion of this fund. Two cemetery funds of lesser sums form the remainder of the Trust Fund. These two accounts see annual activity only of the addition of a modest growth via interest.

**Town of Barnet  
Trust Funds**

**Transactions Detail**

**Esden Fund**

(See separate report with Trustees of Public Funds' Report)

**Steven's Cemetery Fund**

Balance in account Dec. 31, 2012	1,233.99
Add: Interest on savings account	3.93
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2013</b>	<b>1,237.92</b>

**Palmer Cemetery Fund**

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2012	747.45
Add: Interest on savings account	0.72
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2013</b>	<b>748.17</b>

**Balance Sheet**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2012</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2013</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Esden Fund Investments (Edward Jones)	100,189.94	104,897.56
Esden Fund Cash (Edward Jones)	3,101.23	7,554.33
Stevens Cemetery Fund - Savings	1,233.99	1,237.92
Palmer Cemetery Fund - Savings	747.45	748.17
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>105,272.61</b>	<b>114,437.98</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
<u>Non-spendable Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	53,168.58	53,168.58
Stevens Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Palmer Cemetery Fund	350.00	350.00
<b>Total Non-spendable Fund Balance</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>
<u>Unassigned Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	50,122.59	59,283.31
Stevens Cemetery Fund	233.99	237.92
Palmer Cemetery Fund	397.45	398.17
<b>Total Unassigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>50,754.03</b>	<b>59,919.40</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>105,272.61</b>	<b>114,437.98</b>

**Capital Assets Fund Reports**

The Capital Assets Fund was created as a result of the 2011 Single Audit. It is used to maintain an accurate inventory of the value of land, buildings, vehicles, equipment, and infrastructure improvement, and their related depreciation. These assets are recorded at historical cost, or estimated historical cost. The Town began capitalizing newly acquired or constructed infrastructure assets - including road and bridge construction - at or over \$10,000 with an estimated useful life in excess of three years as of July 1, 2004. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Major activities in 2013 included the sale of the Passumpsic Village Store, four major highway projects, and the acquisition of a bale chopper by the Highway Department. The sale of the Passumpsic Village Store served to decrease both land and buildings assets, and to decrease the total accumulated depreciation.

**Town of Barnet  
Capital Assets Fund Activities**

	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2012</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2013</u>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Land	176,452.00		10,147.00	166,305.00
Buildings	888,892.95	141.27	3,753.00	885,281.22
Vehicles/Equipment	1,202,940.00	7,940.00		1,210,880.00
Infrastructure	2,313,905.96	332,307.10		2,646,213.06
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,582,190.91</b>	<b>340,388.37</b>	<b>13,900.00</b>	<b>4,908,679.28</b>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</b>				
Buildings	114,773.92	17,706.34	750.60	131,729.66
Vehicles/Equipment	636,312.73	58,623.45		694,936.18
Infrastructure	739,032.38	241,585.14		980,617.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,490,119.03</b>	<b>317,914.93</b>	<b>750.60</b>	<b>1,807,283.36</b>
<b>Total Capital Assets, Net</b>	<b>3,092,071.88</b>	<b>22,473.44</b>	<b>13,149.40</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>
<b>Schedules for Capital Assets Activities:</b>				
<u>Asset Increases:</u>				
Buildings Increases				
Salt Shed Construction		141.27		
Total Buildings Increases		141.27		
Vehicle/Equipment Increases				
Purchase of bale chopper		7,940.00		
Total Vehicle/Equipment Increases		7,940.00		
Infrastructure Increases				
Anderson Street Box Culvert Project		63,459.58		
West Main Street Construction Project		230,982.38		
Somerhill Road Drainage Project		18,847.11		
Town Forest Road Paving		19,018.03		
Total Infrastructure Increases		332,307.10		
<b>Total Asset Increases</b>		<b>340,388.37</b>		

Asset Decreases

Land Decreases

Sale of Passumpsic Village Store	10,147.00
Total Land Decreases	10,147.00

Buildings Decreases

Sale of Passumpsic Village Store	3,753.00
Total Buildings Decreases	3,753.00

**Total Asset Decreases** **13,900.00**

Accumulated Depreciation Decreases

Buildings Decreases

Sale of Passumpsic Village Store	750.60
Total Buildings Decreases	750.60

**Total Accumulated Depreciation Decreases** **750.60**

**Town of Barnet  
Capital Assets Fund Balance Sheet**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2012</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2013</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Land	176,452.00	166,305.00
Buildings	888,892.95	885,281.22
Vehicles/Equipment	1,202,940.00	1,210,880.00
Infrastructure	2,313,905.96	2,646,213.06
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,490,119.03)	(1,807,283.36)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>3,092,071.88</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>
 <b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance	3,092,071.88	3,101,395.92
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>3,092,071.88</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>

**General Long-Term Debt Fund Reports**

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The General Long-Term Debt Fund was created as a result of the 2011 Single Audit. Pursuant to government accounting standards, long-term debt must be recorded in a separate fund, rather than in a governmental fund such as the Reserve Fund, where it was previously recorded. This fund therefore primarily of any loans payable that were formerly recorded in the Reserve Fund. Also included is a new account - accrued compensated absences. This records the liability resulting from the Town's personnel policy, which commits to pay employees for accumulated vacation time under certain circumstances. The Town entered 2013 with no long-term debt other than accrued compensated absences, and did not incur any new debt; therefore the Town again concludes the year with minimal long-term debt. No additions to long-term debt are planned for 2014.

**Town of Barnet  
General Long-Term Debt Fund**

**Balance Sheet**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2012</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2013</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Amount Provided for Long-Term Debt	7,832.38	7,832.38
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accrued Compensated Absences	7,763.85	10,339.61
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>7,763.85</b>	<b>10,339.61</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance	68.53	(2,507.23)
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>68.53</b>	<b>(2,507.23)</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>

**Town of Barnet**  
**Combined Balance Sheet - All Funds**  
 As of December 31, 2013

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Reserve Funds</u>	<u>Trust Fund</u>	<u>Capital Assets</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>General Long-</u> <u>Term Debt</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>Assets:</b>						
Cash/Securities	277,149.04	865,634.02	114,437.98	0.00	0.00	<b>1,257,221.04</b>
Uncollected Delinquent Taxes	162,340.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>162,340.42</b>
Due from FEMA, State of VT, and FWHA - 2011 Flooding	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
Due from State of VT - Transportation Grants	235,762.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>235,762.30</b>
Accounts Receivable - Other	468.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>468.91</b>
Amount to be Provided for Long- Term Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,832.38	<b>7,832.38</b>
Due From Other Funds	53,385.91	424.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>53,809.91</b>
Capital Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,908,679.28	0.00	<b>4,908,679.28</b>
Accumulated Depreciation	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,807,283.36)	0.00	<b>(1,807,283.36)</b>
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>729,106.58</b>	<b>866,058.02</b>	<b>114,437.98</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>	<b>4,818,830.88</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Fund Balances:</b>						
<u>Liabilities:</u>						
Payroll Withholdings Payable	(50.44)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>(50.44)</b>
Tax Appropriation Due to School District	122,844.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>122,844.81</b>
Due to Other Funds	424.00	53,385.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>53,809.91</b>
Loans Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
Accrued Compensated Absences	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,339.61	<b>10,339.61</b>
Accounts Payable - Other	44,235.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>44,235.50</b>
Fees due to Del. Tax Collector	703.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>703.30</b>
Prepaid Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
Deferred Property Tax Revenue	155,340.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>155,340.42</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>323,497.59</b>	<b>53,385.91</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10,339.61</b>	<b>387,223.11</b>
<u>Fund Balances:</u>						
Non-spendable	0.00	0.00	54,518.58	3,101,395.92	0.00	<b>3,155,914.50</b>
Restricted	0.00	137,162.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>137,162.88</b>
Committed	0.00	337,623.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>337,623.40</b>
Assigned	0.00	337,885.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>337,885.83</b>
Unassigned	405,608.99	0.00	59,919.40	0.00	(2,507.23)	<b>463,021.16</b>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>405,608.99</b>	<b>812,672.11</b>	<b>114,437.98</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>	<b>(2,507.23)</b>	<b>4,431,607.77</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balances</b>	<b>729,106.58</b>	<b>866,058.02</b>	<b>114,437.98</b>	<b>3,101,395.92</b>	<b>7,832.38</b>	<b>4,818,830.88</b>

**Section 4**

**School Administration Reports**



**BARNET SCHOOL** *A VT Rural Partnership School Community*  
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**Barnet School Mission Statement**

*Barnet School strives to be a supportive community of learners in which every member meets the highest standards.*

**BARNET SCHOOL PRINCIPAL’S ANNUAL REPORT JANUARY 2014**

I am going to take a different approach with my report this school year. Each year frequently asked questions come my way. I will use my space this year to briefly address some of these questions. If at any time you have questions about the Barnet School please do not hesitate to contact me as I am always eager to talk with community members.

***What is the actual number of students that attend the Barnet School? What is the number of students projected for the coming school year? Is our enrollment shrinking or increasing?***

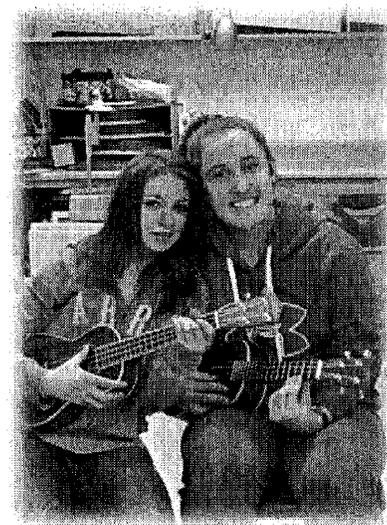
We are one of the few schools in the area with an increasing enrollment. As of January 27, 2014 we have 194 students in grades K-8 and 26 preschool students. That is a total of 220 students Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The table below is the estimate of our student population for the 2014-2015 school year. Barnet School enrollment has increased by between 2-8 students each school year.

<b>Barnet School Projected Enrollment 2014-2015</b>			
Pre-k	35	Kindergarten	20
First Grade	24	Second Grade	22
Third Grade	21	Fourth Grade	23
Fifth Grade	17	Sixth Grade	20
Seventh Grade	24	Eighth Grade	22
*Numbers as of 1/27/14 and may change as enrollment changes. Up to date enrollment will be given on Town Meeting Day.		Total	228

***What are the major accomplishments of this school year? What are students and staff most proud of accomplishing?***

We can be proud of many accomplishments at our school this year. Below are just the highlights so far!

- \* School wide weekly Community Meetings which feature a class presentation, celebrate birthdays and important events, and recognize students showing positive behaviors have been embraced by all.
- \* Barnet School is one of 8 schools recognized by the Vermont Agency of Education for the second year in a row as an exemplar PBiS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports) school. Our school showed improved student behaviors and academic success.
- \* Barnet student composers were featured in the Music-COMP's Opus 27 concert. Their original works were performed by professional musicians.
- \* Students and teachers have developed new writing curriculum together through the Young Writer's Project.
- \* The Winter Wellness program, which is almost entirely self-supporting, has a wellness option for 100% of our students and staff. Students ski, skate, bowl, snowshoe, swim and slide.
- \* The Vermont Rural Partnership organization awarded us a grant to fund a chicken coop designed, built, and cared for by student leaders.
- \* The Vermont Principal's Association awarded Barnet School a grant which will get an after-school mountain biking group off the ground.
- \* A group of Barnet teachers, in collaboration with other CCSU educators, are hard at work developing math curriculum that will increase the problem solving and critical thinking skills of students.



- \* Science teachers, in conjunction with the CCSU Science Collaborative, provide exemplary science learning opportunities for all of our students. It is gratifying to witness teachers in their third year of this program as mentors to teachers in their first or second years of science instruction. Students consistently ask for more hands-on, inquiry-based science learning opportunities and now they are getting it!

***How can the public find out more information about the Barnet School?***

There are several ways to find out what is going on at the Barnet School. We have a Facebook page that highlights current happenings. Our website, [www.kidrow.net](http://www.kidrow.net) is a great source of information. There is a weekly school newsletter that you can receive electronically by sending a request to [sgonyaw@kidrow.net](mailto:sgonyaw@kidrow.net) (if a paper copy is preferred please call the front office and we will gladly put you on our mailing list). The second Tuesday of each month the School Board meets to discuss our school’s present state and plan for the future. In addition, I am always willing to chat with community members and answer questions that may arise.

***How is student behavior monitored and tracked at the Barnet School?***

Barnet School is a Vermont Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBiS) school. This means simply that we choose to recognize and celebrate the positive behaviors that students do each and every day. In our sixth year as a PBiS school, we have many strategies for helping students who struggle to show positive behaviors, monitor and change their actions. Our data base tracks student behaviors and a team analyzes the data. Now all students and adults are on the same page with expectations for behavior. This table shows the number of behavior referrals over the past 5 years.

Barnet School Behavior Data 2009 – 2013				
2009 - 2010	2010 - 2011	2011-2012	2012 - 2013	2013 - 2014
2,405 referrals	764 referrals	397 referrals	322 referrals	170 referrals to date

***What supports are in place for students who struggle academically and socially?***

Currently we have 2.5 teacher positions dedicated to support students in grades K-8 who need extra support to be successful academically. These positions are staffed with teachers who have an abundance of strategies up their sleeves! We identify students through classroom and school-wide assessments and monitor their progress throughout the school year. At any given time, between 4 and 60 students receive these services. We also have three teacher positions dedicated to supporting students diagnosed with disabilities. Five paraprofessionals support students needing additional support. Two behavioral interventionists work with students struggling with behaviors. They monitor behavior plans, run social groups, and continually check in and encourage students to exhibit their best behaviors.



On another note, we have a number of retirements this school year. Five outstanding teachers-- Nancy Bailey, Jeannie Denson, Liddy Roberts, Sue Roberts, and Brooksie Stanton-- have decided to retire. They have a combined total of 120 years of service to our school district and 174 total years in the field. It is hard to imagine the halls of the Barnet School without these five individuals. Each has dedicated her career to helping students grow as learners and individuals. They will be missed.

In closing, I would like to express my excitement and joy in working as principal of the Barnet School. I appreciate the dedicated School Board, talented and enthusiastic faculty, supportive families and community, and most of all, the students who demonstrate a love of learning on a daily basis. I

look forward to many more years of working with the Barnet community. If ever you have questions, concerns, or comments about our school please feel free to contact me. I am always eager to talk with you and gain new perspectives.

*Respectfully submitted by Shawn Gonyaw*

*Superintendent's Report  
Caledonia Central Supervisory Union  
January, 2014*

The Caledonia Central Supervisory Union saw several significant changes in FY 2013 which have contributed positively to the overall organization. New personnel, the addition of an extended learning program in all four schools and strong work in preparation for the launch of the Common Core State standards (CCSS) are several noteworthy areas of growth.

In June 2013, our long-time Special Education Coordinator, Judy, Eklund, retired. To fill this position, we hired Andrea Wasson, an experienced educator and Special Education Coordinator from central Vermont. Andrea's extensive experience and knowledge have proved to be invaluable in regular education as well as special education. Her expertise in early literacy instruction is one of several areas in which we all benefit.

In the business office, Nichole Cloutier joined us in June, replacing Diane Cleary. At the same time, in the superintendent's office, a change in the role of Human Resources Specialist was assumed by Vanessa Koch, replacing Robin Hunt. As the complex work in Supervisory Unions continues to evolve in response to legislated changes, our employees are flexible and capable in meeting these expectations.

In the spring of 2013, we received word that our 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant for extended learning opportunities (after school) had been approved. Afterschool learning was a priority in all four schools at the time strategic plans were developed. It is a tremendous opportunity for our students to be able to enrich and expand their school day learning with greater variety and community connections. We hope that investment in our communities' youth and a spirit of volunteerism will bring community members into our schools in new and exciting ways.

Across the Supervisory Union our teachers have been working very hard to learn new methods of teaching in order to properly implement the Common Core standards for literacy and math. This work has been ably led by our Curriculum Coordinator, Jodie Elliott, and a representative group of teachers and administrators known as our CCSU Literacy and Math Councils. Given the rigor of the Common Core, virtually every teacher must become more skilled in the teaching of reading and writing as part of their curriculum. Similarly, any Math instruction will need to reflect the significant instructional shifts and increased rigor called for by these new national educational standards.

Given the accomplishments of the last five years, I strongly recommend that our schools engage in long range planning in 2014 in order to ensure that each community's vision for its school provides the direction to support our greatest resources – our students. In a time of increased pressure for centralization and consolidation, it is imperative that the voice of each community is expressed through long range educational plans. It is this process that will allow the Caledonia Central Supervisory Union to best support its four unique schools.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Tucker, Superintendent

**Section 5**

**School District Financial Reports**

Barnet School District						
FY15 Proposed Budget						
Revenue						
General Fund	Budget FYE June 30, 2013	Actual FYE June 30, 2013	Budget FYE June 30, 2014	Budget FYE June 30, 2015		
<b>Local</b>						
1323 Tuition	34,500	38,199	37,733	49,000		
1510 CD & MM Interest	4,500	35,036	34,555	34,555		
5900 Miscellaneous		136				
Miscellaneous Grants	4,500	9,204	4,500	6,500		
EPA Water Grant						
Refund Prior Year Tuition	1,964					
Transfer from Tuition Reserve	-					
Total Local Revenue	45,464	82,575	76,788	90,055		
<b>State</b>						
3110 General State Support Grant	3,791,764	3,791,764	4,009,293	4,119,027		
3114 On Behalf Tech Ed		4,857		2,204		
Education Spending	3,791,764	3,796,621	4,009,293	4,121,231		
3111 Transportation Aid	56,956	60,506	62,742	64,675		
3201 SE Mainstream Block Grant	99,703	99,703	98,794	103,412		
3202 SEER Reimbursement	229,342	319,980	285,592	332,694		
3203 Extraordinary Reimbursement		45,772		38,828		
3204 Essential Early Education	19,762	19,762	19,394	21,445		
3205 State Placed Student - Spec Ed	-	33,890				
3209 State Placed Student - Regular Ed		7,912				
Total State Revenue	4,197,527	4,384,146	4,475,815	4,682,285		
<b>Federal</b>						
4210 Education Jobs Fund	60,471	60,471	-			
4250 Consolidated Federal	55,000	66,905	55,000	68,328		
5900 E-Rate	24,627	47,389	25,512	24,960		
Total Federal Revenue	140,098	174,765	80,512	93,288		
<b>Other</b>						
5999 Prior Year Adjustment (Tuition)		8,340		6,946		
Carryforward				45,000		
Bond Refinancing Savings Allocation				9,553		
Total Other		8,340		61,499		
<b>Total GF Revenues</b>	<b>4,383,089</b>	<b>4,649,827</b>	<b>4,633,115</b>	<b>4,927,127</b>		

<b>Barnet School District FY15 Proposed Budget</b>				
<u>Expenditure Summary</u>	Budget FYE June 30, 2013	Actual FYE June 30, 2013	Budget FYE June 30, 2014	Budget FYE June 30, 2015
Function				
Direct Instruction	2,248,336	2,141,836	2,193,053	2,335,558
Direct Instruction - Pre-K	33,982	26,133	86,609	96,415
Student Support	232,427	228,031	238,917	237,106
Special Education	614,357	779,845	740,497	824,697
Guidance	76,621	74,700	81,845	61,391
Health Service	74,029	78,929	65,543	69,561
Speech & Language	63,492	55,045	55,576	65,729
Library & Media	66,161	49,341	75,179	73,102
Technology	45,077	57,310	79,302	82,521
Professional Development	40,000	47,479	45,000	72,143
School Board	128,499	130,460	159,581	140,506
Principal's Office	138,499	139,657	144,310	154,187
Fiscal Services	20,894	49,262	47,401	96,276
Plant & Operation	331,263	336,538	344,763	345,390
Transportation	142,500	151,595	155,000	157,205
Facility and Debt Service	126,952	125,679	120,539	115,339
Other Outlays & Adjustments		12		
Total Expenditures	4,383,089	4,471,852	4,633,115	4,927,127
FY13 Total Revenues		4,649,827		
<b>FY13 Unaudited Surplus</b>		<b>177,975</b>		

As Of: 14-Jan-14

Board Approved Budget

**Barnet School District  
FY15 Proposed Budget**

**General Fund**

Object Description	Budget FYE June 30, 2013	% of Budget	Actual FYE June 30, 2013	% of Actual	Budget FYE June 30, 2014	% of Budget	Budget FYE June 30, 2015	% of Budget
100 Salaries and Wages	1,726,674	39.39%	1,768,177	39.54%	1,824,696	39.38%	1,781,477	36.16%
200 Benefits	489,318	11.16%	485,163	10.85%	551,164	11.90%	545,253	11.07%
270 Professional Development	40,000	0.91%	47,479	1.06%	45,000	0.97%	47,500	0.96%
300 Contracted Services	157,718	3.60%	245,594	5.49%	219,835	4.74%	382,962	7.77%
331 Supervisory Union Assessment	97,478	2.22%	97,478	2.18%	111,495	2.41%	155,130	3.15%
400 Property Services	50,437	1.15%	56,901	1.27%	68,172	1.47%	79,551	1.61%
500 Purchased Services	219,747	5.01%	258,174	5.77%	229,647	4.96%	184,200	3.74%
560 Tuition	1,287,333	29.37%	1,189,689	26.60%	1,210,479	26.13%	1,398,656	28.39%
600 Supplies	153,724	3.51%	140,072	3.13%	171,462	3.70%	150,577	3.06%
700 Equipment	15,400	0.35%	12,390	0.28%	23,083	0.50%	23,439	0.48%
800 Dues, Fees & Interest	21,177	0.48%	46,643	1.04%	43,799	0.95%	44,099	0.90%
900 Principal Payments	112,000	2.56%	112,000	2.50%	112,000	2.42%	112,000	2.27%
900 Transfers	12,083	0.28%	12,083	0.27%	22,283	0.48%	22,283	0.45%
Other Outlays & Adjustments			12	0.00%				
Totals	4,383,089	100.00%	4,471,852	100.00%	4,633,115	100.00%	4,927,127	100.00%

**Notes:**

FY15 Transportation contract provided through Supervisory Union and is reported in Object 300 instead of Object 500.

As Of: 14-Jan-14

Board Approved Budget

<b>Barnet School District FY15 Food Service Budget</b>						
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Function:</b>	<b>Food Service</b>	<b>Budget FYE June 30, 2013</b>	<b>Actual FYE June 30, 2013</b>	<b>Budget FYE June 30, 2014</b>	<b>Budget FYE June 30, 2015</b>
	Object Code					
	100	Salaries and Wages	43,250	47,842	46,006	46,355
	200	Benefits	18,756	19,812	21,583	19,703
	300	Professional Services	-	689	-	-
	400	Property Services	1,500	980	2,000	1,500
	500	Purchased Services	175	980	1,200	1,200
	600	Supplies	63,702	65,884	75,350	72,475
	700	Equipment				
	800	Other				
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>127,383</b>	<b>135,206</b>	<b>146,139</b>	<b>141,233</b>
	As Of:	14-Jan-14				

			30,500	23,939	25,700	26,500
	1610	Food Service Sales	12,083	12,083	22,258	22,283
	1990	General Fund Transfer	2,500	2,543	2,500	2,550
	3450	Food Service Match	82,300	89,839	85,030	89,900
	4550	Child Nutrition				
		Prior Year Adjustment				
		<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>127,383</b>	<b>128,405</b>	<b>135,488</b>	<b>141,233</b>
		<b>FY13 Total Expenditures</b>		<u>135,206</u>		
		<b>FY13 Unaudited Deficit</b>		<b>6,802</b>		

**BARNET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TEACHER CONTRACTED COMPENSATION  
FY2014**

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Teaching Assignment</u>	<u>Contract</u>
Adams	Caroline	Grade 5/6 Math & Science	\$48,185
Bailey	Nancy	Kindergarten	63,662
Boardman	Rebecca	Art	38,197
Bogie	Eric	Health/Physical Education	47,057
Browne	Catharine	4-6 Special Educator	59,705
Bushey	Melissa	Library/ Media/Tech Specialist	41,861
Clayton	Meg	K-8 Tier II	57,145
Denson	Jean	Guidance Counselor	63,662
Dodge	Jennifer	Grade 7/8 Special Education	39,301
Fearon	Christina	Grade 1/2	52,101
Gray	Ashley	Foreign Language	19,011
Jensen	Susan	K-8 Tier II & Reading Recovery	63,662
Lamar	James	Grade 2	58,349
Lyon	Linda	K-3 Special Education	49,617
MacDonald	Heather	Speech Language Pathologist	38,488
Mosedale	Cindy	7/8 Math & Science	50,669
Pace	Christine	7/8 Humanities	41,785
Parker	Sarah	Early Education	27,056
Persson	Susan	Music	60,909
Reade	Ingrid	Early Education	28,648
Roberts	Billy Jo	Grade 5/6 Humanities	49,541
Roberts	Elizabeth	Grade 4	61,253
Roberts	Susan	Grade 3	61,253
Smith	Steven	Grade 1	21,367
Stanton	Alexandra	K-8 Tier II	28,610
Stevenson	Penny	Grade 1	63,662
Terrien	Molly	Kindergarten	38,021
Vaal	Ruth	Nurse	43,368
			<u>\$1,316,145</u>

**Caledonia Central Supervisory Union  
FY15 Budget - General Fund Only**

	Budget FYE June 30, 2013	Actual FYE June 30, 2013	Budget FYE June 30, 2014	Budget FYE June 30, 2015
<b>Revenues</b>				
01-1510 Interest	600	180	220	150
01-1931 Superintendent's Office Assessment	352,619	352,618	359,846	313,024
01-1934 Business Office Assessment	59,315	59,314	86,573	213,595
01-1991 Grant Administration Revenue	9,525	13,002	11,970	9,532
01-1992 E-Rate Reimbursement	-	5,188	6,250	7,158
01-1990 Miscellaneous Income			250	
01-1994 District Reimbursements:				
Professional Development				82,363
Transportation				241,827
Special Education		218,501	218,596	304,027
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>422,059</b>	<b>648,803</b>	<b>683,705</b>	<b>1,171,676</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Function				
Superintendent's Office	270,647	280,738	281,245	329,864
Professional Development				82,363
Business Office	151,412	148,383	183,864	213,595
Transportation				241,827
Special Education		218,501	218,596	304,027
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>422,059</b>	<b>647,622</b>	<b>683,705</b>	<b>1,171,676</b>
<b>FY15 Assessment Schedule</b>		<b>1,181</b>		
	<b>Barnet</b>	<b>Danville</b>	<b>Peacham</b>	<b>Walden</b>
Superintendent's Office	92,210	117,417	44,987	58,410
Business Office	62,920	80,120	30,698	39,857
<b>Total Assessment</b>	<b>155,130</b>	<b>197,537</b>	<b>75,685</b>	<b>98,267</b>
<b>Board Approved Budgets</b>	<b>4,927,127</b>	<b>5,860,299</b>	<b>1,690,552</b>	<b>2,608,202</b>
<b>Per Cent of District Budget</b>	<b>3.15%</b>	<b>3.37%</b>	<b>4.48%</b>	<b>3.77%</b>

Town of Barnet 2013 Annual Report

PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by AOE

ESTIMATES ONLY

District: <b>Barnet</b> County: <b>Caledonia</b>		<b>T010</b> <b>Caledonia Central</b>				Statutory calculation. See note at bottom of page.	Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner. See note at bottom of page.
				<b>9,382</b>	<b>1.01</b>		
<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>FY2012</b>	<b>FY2013</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>		
1.	<b>Budget</b> (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$4,225,562	\$4,387,946	\$4,637,414	\$4,927,127		
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-		
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-		
4.	<b>Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget</b>	\$4,225,562	\$4,387,946	\$4,637,414	\$4,927,127		
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-		
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-		
7.	<b>Gross Act 68 Budget</b>	\$4,225,562	\$4,387,946	\$4,637,414	\$4,927,127		
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	\$155,130		
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-		
<b>Revenues</b>							
10.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$656,376	\$591,325	\$623,822	\$805,896		
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-		
12.	plus Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	not allowed	not allowed	not allowed		
13.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-		
14.	<b>Total local revenues</b>	\$656,376	\$591,325	\$623,822	\$805,896		
15.	<b>Education Spending</b>	\$3,569,186	\$3,796,621	\$4,013,592	\$4,121,231		
16.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	281.02	273.58	273.72	279.20		
17.	<b>Education Spending per Equalized Pupil</b>	\$12,700.83	\$13,877.55	\$14,663.13	\$14,761		
18.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$420.03	\$464.04	\$440.37	\$413		
19.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	-	\$18		
20.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-		
21.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-		
22.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-		
23.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	N/A	N/A	-	-		
24.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-		
25.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-		
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$12,701	\$13,878	\$14,663	\$14,761		
27.	<b>District spending adjustment</b> (minimum of 100%) (\$14,761 / \$9,382)	148.652% <small>based on \$8,544</small>	159.091% <small>based on \$8,723</small>	160.235% <small>based on \$9,151</small>	157.332% <small>based on \$9,382</small>		
<b>Prorating the local tax rate</b>							
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (157.332% x \$1.010)	\$1.2933 <small>based on \$0.87</small>	\$1.4159 <small>based on \$0.89</small>	\$1.5062 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.5891 <small>based on \$1.010</small>		
29.	Percent of Barnet equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.000%	100.000%	100.000%	100.00%		
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.000% x \$1.59)	\$1.2933	\$1.4159	\$1.5062	\$1.5891		
31.	<b>Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)</b>	106.01%	105.25%	102.07%	102.96%		
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.589 / 102.96%)	\$1.2200 <small>based on \$0.800</small>	\$1.3453 <small>based on \$0.87</small>	\$1.4757 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.5434 <small>based on \$1.07</small>		
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>							
33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (157.332% x 1.84%)	2.68% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.86% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.88% <small>based on 1.90%</small>	2.89% <small>based on 1.84%</small>		
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.000% x 2.89%)	2.68% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.86% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.88% <small>based on 1.90%</small>	2.89% <small>based on 1.84%</small>		
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-		
36.		-	-	-	-		

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

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

School: Barnet Elementary School  
S.U.: Caledonia Central S.U.

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

FY2013 School Level Data

Cohort Description: K - 8, FY2013 enrollment ≥ 200  
(29 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)  
25 out of 29

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Berkshire Elementary School	PK - 8	202	13.80	1.00	14.64	202.00	13.80
	Westford Elementary School	PK - 8	205	17.00	1.00	12.06	205.00	17.00
	Alburgh Community Education Center	PK - 8	210	20.20	2.00	10.40	105.00	10.10
	<b>Barnet Elementary School</b>	<b>PK - 8</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>20.53</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>10.67</b>	<b>219.00</b>	<b>20.53</b>
← Larger	Grand Isle Elementary School	PK - 8	220	19.70	1.00	11.17	220.00	19.70
	Waits River Valley USD #36	PK - 8	226	27.00	1.00	8.37	226.00	27.00
	Weathersfield School	K - 8	231	21.00	1.00	11.00	231.00	21.00
<b>Averaged SCHOOL cohort data</b>			<b>455.93</b>	<b>39.90</b>	<b>1.99</b>	<b>11.43</b>	<b>229.55</b>	<b>20.09</b>

School District: Barnet  
LEA ID: T010

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

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

FY2012 School District Data

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

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

Grades offered in School District

Student FTE enrolled in school district

Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

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

Smaller →	Alburgh	K-8	178.87	\$14,270
	Dummerston	K-8	178.93	\$14,721
	Burke	K-8	181.57	\$11,734
	<b>Barnet</b>	<b>PK-8</b>	<b>188.08</b>	<b>\$13,127</b>
← Larger	Putney	K-8	188.54	\$14,640
	Berkshire	K-8	189.91	\$9,168
<b>Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data</b>			<b>122.96</b>	<b>\$12,477</b>

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

FY2014 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchDist Equalized Pupils	SchDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller →	T007 Bakersfield	K-8	224.41	12,918.17	1.3270	1.3270	104.89%	1.2651
	T225 Waterford	PK-8	241.54	14,331.24	1.4721	1.4721	91.58%	1.6074
	T036 Burke	K-8	270.58	14,801.13	1.5204	1.5204	100.85%	1.5076
	<b>T010 Barnet</b>	<b>K-8</b>	<b>273.72</b>	<b>14,663.13</b>	<b>1.5062</b>	<b>1.5062</b>	<b>102.07%</b>	<b>1.4757</b>
← Larger	T018 Berkshire	K-8	275.03	11,203.66	1.1509	1.1509	106.15%	1.0842
	T059 Dorset	K-8	281.80	14,540.32	1.4936	1.4936	109.73%	1.3612
	T003 Alburgh	K-8	297.56	13,150.86	1.3509	1.3509	102.71%	1.3153

The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

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

**Barnet Town School District  
Combined Balance Sheet  
As of June 30, 2013**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Food Service Fund</u>	<u>Government-Wide Fund</u>	<u>Estate Funds &amp; Student Activity</u>	<u>Total of All Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>					
Checking/Savings Accounts	(48,694.16)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(48,694.16)
Esden Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	107,543.16	107,543.16
Prepaid Expense	14,250.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,250.26
Accounts Receivable	58,201.96	23,371.95	0.00	0.00	81,573.91
Due to/from other funds	(52,057.14)	(46,809.53)	0.00	0.00	(98,866.67)
Petty Cash	269.35	20.00	0.00	0.00	289.35
Due from Staff	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08
Buildings and land (net)	0.00	0.00	2,558,977.00	0.00	2,558,977.00
Due from CCSU	27,498.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,498.49
Due from DOE	150,866.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	150,866.58
Amount to be Provided	0.00	0.00	252,586.00	0.00	252,586.00
Student Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,898.15	20,898.15
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>150,335.42</b>	<b>(23,417.58)</b>	<b>2,811,563.00</b>	<b>128,441.31</b>	<b>3,066,922.15</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Bond Payable	0.00	0.00	209,263.37	0.00	209,263.37
Boiler Note Payable	0.00	0.00	43,322.63	0.00	43,322.63
Tax Anticipation Loan Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accounts Payable	47,449.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,449.87
Accrued Salaries Payable	6,742.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,742.30
Employee Withholdings Payable	13,748.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,748.64
Grant	0.00	(400.82)	0.00	0.00	(400.82)
Due to other funds	(102,132.16)	3,265.49	0.00	0.00	(98,866.67)
Due to CCSU	59,193.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	59,193.47
Due to Student Groups	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,898.15	20,898.15
Deferred Revenue	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>27,002.12</b>	<b>2,864.67</b>	<b>252,586.00</b>	<b>20,898.15</b>	<b>303,350.94</b>
<b>Fund Balance:</b>					
Fund Balance - Unrestricted	123,333.30	(26,282.25)	2,558,977.00	0.00	2,656,028.05
Fund Balance - Reserve Accounts:					
Long term maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tuition	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax stabilization	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Esden Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	107,543.16	107,543.16
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>123,333.30</b>	<b>(26,282.25)</b>	<b>2,558,977.00</b>	<b>107,543.16</b>	<b>2,763,571.21</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</b>	<b>150,335.42</b>	<b>(23,417.58)</b>	<b>2,811,563.00</b>	<b>128,441.31</b>	<b>3,066,922.15</b>

**Barnet Town School District  
Year Ended June 30, 2013**

Statement of Loan Transactions

**Tax Anticipation Loans (General Fund)**

Balance as of June 30, 2012	0.00
Borrowed during fiscal year 2013	1,414,446.00
Repaid during fiscal year 2013	(1,414,446.00)
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2013</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Bond Payments on New School**

Balance as of June 30, 2012	300,000.00
Less: Payment on principal	(100,000.00)
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2013</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>

Interest paid fiscal year 2013: \$12,952.50

**Boiler Note**

Balance as of June 30, 2012	0.00
Note dated July 23, 2012	60,000.00
Less: Payment on principal	(12,000.00)
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2013</b>	<b>48,000.00</b>

Interest paid fiscal year 2013: \$726.07

Special Savings Accounts

**Esden Estate Funds (Edward Jones)**

Balance as of June 30, 2012	98,707.05
Add: Increase in value of investments	8,836.11
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2013</b>	<b>107,543.16</b>

Note: The Esden Estate Funds are invested under the recommendation of the Trustees of Public Funds. See their report elsewhere in this Town Report.

**Section 6**

**Reports of Organizations Requesting  
Appropriations**



**American Red Cross**  
Vermont & the New Hampshire  
Upper Valley Region

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



October 11, 2013

Benjamin Heisholt  
Town of Barnet  
PO Box 15  
Barnet, VT 05821

Dear Benjamin,

The American Red Cross of Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley is on call to help our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year. A local Red Cross volunteer is often the first “neighbor on the scene” after a disaster strikes offering a hot cup of coffee, a warm blanket and a glimmer of hope to those in need. Supported primarily by volunteers, the Red Cross provides emergency support for victims of fire, flood and other disasters as well as instruction in health, safety and aquatics courses. Whether we are helping one family recover from a devastating home fire, providing emergency shelter and supplies to hundreds of families after a major disaster, or food and water for first responders, we have historically been a vital part of the local community.

Over the past two years, we have been focusing on disaster preparedness, specifically, working to help communities become better prepared when a disaster strikes. This program is called the Local Disaster Shelter Initiative and its purpose is to offer each town in our region the training, support, and supplies to open its own emergency shelter during times of disaster when outside assistance is not available. This initiative helps communities build resiliency and take an invaluable step toward a level of preparedness that meets today’s realities. To date, 40 communities have joined this initiative and dozens more are taking steps to participate. If your community is not yet involved in the Local Disaster Shelter Initiative, contact Larry Kupferman for more information at (802)660-9130 ext. 113 or [Larry.Kupferman@redcross.org](mailto:Larry.Kupferman@redcross.org).

Since the Red Cross is not a government agency, we rely on individuals, businesses and local communities to support our efforts in helping to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. Toward that end, we are asking each community for a donation based on its current population. We would greatly appreciate your support in the amount of \$250 this year. Your partnership will help ensure that the American Red Cross has the resources to support communities like the Town of Barnet and throughout Vermont and the Upper Valley when they need it most.

Sincerely,

Larry Crist  
Regional Executive  
Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region



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*Advocacy. Action. Answers on Aging.*

## The Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont

The Area Agency on Aging is a private, non-profit, organization serving the residents of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties. We support people age 60 and older in their efforts to remain active, healthy, financially secure and in control of their own lives. The Agency connects older adults and their families with the services they need to live with independence and dignity.

Our staff works closely with seniors and their families offering assistance with Medicare, Social Security, Medicaid, public assistance programs, in-home services and many other types of help. There is no charge for services provided by the Agency, but many of those we assist donate to help support our work.

During the past year your support allowed us to provide assistance to 95 residents of Barnet as well as more than a thousand seniors from across the Northeast Kingdom and supported a broad variety of important programs for older adults and their families. These programs include Meals-on-Wheels, supportive services to help seniors continue to live at home, health insurance counseling, transportation for medical and other appointments, legal services and help for family caregivers.

Thank you for your support over the years and for your help in letting people know about the services we provide. Please give your careful consideration to our request this year, and let us know if we can be of assistance to you or someone you know.

Sincerely,

Lisa Viles  
Executive Director

A program of the North East Kingdom Council on Aging, Inc.  
Tel: 748-5182 Fax: 748-6622 Email: [info@nevaaa.org](mailto:info@nevaaa.org)



## Barnet Historical Society

The Barnet Historical Society has had a busy year.

We spent the spring and some of the summer giving the Goodwillie House a facelift. The members of the board decided that we need to change some things to keep the Goodwillie experience fresh. We rearranged some rooms to highlight some of our items that have gone unappreciated. The board felt some of our linens and clothes needed attention and invited Susan Chandler, a specialist in historic preservation of linens to the house to review our collections. She gave us much needed guidance. If you come to the Goodwillie House you will see some lace, some quilts and some flapper dresses newly acquired and appreciated. The Goodwillie House was also painted over the summer and some of the trees around it were thinned so you can see it more clearly coming up over the Barnet Center Road.

The House was open over a half dozen times this season to the public. We hope to open more and have some rotating displays highlighting different periods of history. We always welcome requests for private tours as we love to share what we have. For tour requests call Dylan Ford (633-3831).

The Barnet Historical Society, knowing that 2013 was our turn to celebrate the 250th year of the signing of our town's charter, some of our members decided to form a committee specifically for that event. We became the lead organization through which the 250th finances were secured and organized. We also organized two events ourselves.

Along with our Annual meeting in August, we organized a Box Social. For those of you unfamiliar with this idea, it is a chance to purchase a meal and enjoy eating with your friends and neighbors. Most people attending bring a meal for 2 or 4 or a family that is auctioned off to the highest bidder. This year we had traditional Scottish lunches, a Mediterranean feast, and many others, along with fabulous desserts. We all went home stuffed and hope to make this an annual event. The Annual Meeting of the Historical Society is always open to everyone, with entertaining speakers and fun for all.

On September 16, the day of signing of our charter, we organized a Reading at the Barnet Center Church. Much of the actual charter was read. It was broken up by members of the community, students, a selectman and the board acting out certain stories from Barnet history. The event was followed by a delicious cake and cider. It was attended by about 100 spectators.

This coming year we have the Vermont Historical Society History Expo coming up in June. The theme for the expo is "artists and artisans". We, as a town, will be displaying all of our 250th events. It is June 21-22 at the Tunbridge Fairgrounds. We will also be inviting Susan Chandler back with an invitation to other Historical Societies to tour our collection with her. We will have a couple of speakers this season as well.

We had so many requests to make some of our 250th events annual, that the 250th committee has asked the Historical Society to continue the festivities. We have created a "Celebrate Barnet" fund that will provide the town with future funding to continue "community events related to the history, development, or culture of Barnet." Have no fear, there will be another baseball game!

Thank you all so much for your support. Be on the lookout for the continued celebration of our town's history!



Well it has certainly been an exciting and busy year for us here at CALEX.

On March 1, 2013 CALEX began a new adventure across the river into New Hampshire serving the towns of Littleton, Easton, and Sugar Hill, operating out of the Littleton Fire Station on Main Street. Since March 1st CALEX has responded to 961 calls throughout these New Hampshire communities. In addition to 911 responses, the Agency is also the first called to provide emergency and non-emergency transports for Littleton Regional Hospital, transferring patients to various hospitals and facilities throughout New Hampshire and beyond based upon the specialty care needs of the patient or at the request of the patient. Our staff has integrated extremely well with the Littleton Fire Department as well as the additional public safety agencies and departments throughout Littleton, Easton, Sugar Hill and the adjoining communities to provide highly trained EMS professionals, staffing 24/7/365 at the Paramedic level. In addition the Agency provides the availability of a second ambulance also housed at the Littleton Fire Department for back-up station coverage and transfers between facilities.

On September 19, 2013 CALEX widened its Vermont coverage area at the request of the Management and Board of Directors of Danville Rescue Squad, Inc. Under contract the Agency provides its dedicated and professional emergency response staff to the citizens of the Towns of Danville, Peacham, and Walden, operating as DBA Danville Rescue. CALEX was enhanced as a number of the existing Danville Rescue members were added to its roster. Currently crews are staged at the Danville Rescue Squad Inc. station located at 379 Brainerd Street, from 0700-1900hrs and are responding from our St. Johnsbury based station during the night time hours. When poor weather threatens or exists, the Danville station is staffed at night as well.

CALEX Management, the Board of Directors, and the dedicated staff, continually strive to provide the best possible emergency medical care with the highest quality of professionals while at the same time maintaining strict financial controls. We utilize crew resource management by moving ambulances and staff across the region to provide coverage during peak demands on the system while at the same time keeping expenses as low as possible without risking patient care. This type of resource management represents the benefits of regionalization which will one day be the norm in pre-hospital emergency services. Sharing the capital costs, the operating expenses, and the benefits from excellence in emergency medical services across the region is the very basis that Caledonia Essex Area Ambulance Service Inc. a multi-county agency, was first formed to realize. As communities grow, populations increase, services are in higher demand, so too must the size of the region included in sharing expenses, assets, and income.

As is the case with nearly all of the ambulance services in Vermont and New Hampshire and most of those throughout the country as well, often the greatest challenges of operations are financial in nature. In response to these challenges and whenever possible, in advance of these challenges, all involved with the Agency work together to explore ways to control expenses without sacrificing the quality CALEX has always and will always demand for its services. With the new healthcare changes now upon us and those still to come, the Management of CALEX holds real hope that greater financial flexibility will result allowing the Agency to move forward as it strives to continuously improve upon its services and prepare for increasing demands for services.

CALEX St. Johnsbury continues to serve as the area's American Heart Association CPR and First Aid Public Training Center. Classes are offered monthly to the public, they can also be arranged to be held privately, and are also held for large and small businesses throughout the Kingdom. Of course, having seen first-hand the positive difference immediate CPR and First Aid can make to patient outcomes, we urge everyone, from teens to seniors to take part in these classes. Imagine the joy in knowing you made the difference in saving a life, easing fears, and/or discomfort. Those who have been able to make the difference in even the life of a stranger will tell you how wonderful the experience truly is.

CALEX continues to provide Paramedic Intercept services to the surrounding areas beyond its primary service areas as well as Critical Care Paramedic Transport services to the most critically ill patients in our region. In 2013, we have realized amazing patient outcomes due in part, to the quality skills our crews have provided to our citizens and even those just passing through the area. Their dedication to training and to performing at the peak of their certification levels are exemplified by these outcomes. CALEX has received accolades from highly regarded Physicians in both Vermont and New Hampshire for the skills and knowledge that have been demonstrated by its crew members in 2013.

As we end 2013, having grown in less than a year as the primary ambulance service of six communities to now the primary service to 12 communities across Vermont and New Hampshire, with nearly 50 dedicated healthcare professionals on staff, we look forward to and are truly honored to continue to provide the best possible care to each person we serve throughout 2014 and beyond. Our crews, some who have served this Agency for as many as 20 years, continue to study and learn to reach greater certification levels and/or to reach excellence at their current certification levels. We are fortunate to have such a wonderful team and we believe those served by Caledonia Essex Area Ambulance Service, Inc. are indeed the true benefactors of their dedication.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our staff, their families, and the CALEX Board of Directors for their continued support and dedication to the Agency's mission.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Wright, NREMT-P  
Chief Executive Officer

## **Catamount Arts 2013**

The residents and voters of Barnet played a very important role in the success of Catamount Arts during 2013. Through support at Town Meeting and by attending many of the films and performances offered throughout the year, the citizens of Barnet helped to keep the Arts vital and available to all of the residents of the Northeast Kingdom.

In the past year, Catamount has invited and encouraged the residents of Barnet to participate in many of its community offerings, including the Community Film Series, Independent Lens, the Children's Summer Film Festival and gallery exhibits and receptions. These free events were funded in large measure through appropriations from communities in our area. Catamount has also made its space available for use by organizations in Barnet and other communities and is fulfilling its promise of becoming a cultural and artistic meeting place for all residents of the area.

During 2013, Catamount was able to present more than 100 films and 30 live performances, in large measure due to the generosity of the voters of Barnet. Your appropriations helped to underwrite the costs of these presentations as well as helping Catamount pay for such general operating expenses as heating and electricity.

A significant portion of the appropriation provided by the voters of Barnet also want to provide much needed funding for Catamount School Time Performances, which benefits more than 4000 schoolchildren in grades pre-k through eight, and for the upkeep of the Art Gallery, which each year presents a regular series of exhibits by artists from Barnet and the surrounding area.

Catamount is also very proud of the fact that a sizable portion of its almost 1000 members are residents of Barnet. These members form the core of Catamount's patrons and serve as cultural and artistic ambassadors to their own community.

With the continuing growth of its Community Arts Center, Catamount and its patrons also directly and indirectly contribute more than \$1,300,000 each year to the local economy while also securing a meeting space for local Masons for generations to come. However, in these tough economic times, Catamount greatly needs and appreciates the financial support of all residents, including the residents of Barnet. For this reason, Catamount respectfully requests your continued support and appropriation for the coming year.



December 16, 2013

Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk  
PO Box 15  
Barnet VT 05821

Dear Mr. Heisholt:

The Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium respectfully requests that the following special appropriation article appear on the 2014 warning for Barnet Town Meeting:

**"Shall the Town vote the sum of \$1,700 to support the operation of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium during the ensuing year, in exchange for free unlimited general admission to the Museum for all Barnet residents?"**

The Fairbanks Museum invites all Barnet residents to take full advantage of their unlimited free general admission to the Museum to explore the nature, beauty, and wonders of our world. Your municipal appropriation provides essential support for the care of the Museum's historic building and the maintenance and exhibition of the most extraordinary educational collections in northern New England. These are among our region's most prized assets. Each year the Museum offers new opportunities for exploration and discovery, so do come for a visit! As you know, the Museum also is fully engaged in community economic, educational, and cultural development initiatives and contributes significantly to the attraction of visitors to our region.

The Board of Trustees, staff, and volunteers of the Museum are tremendously grateful for the support, encouragement, and collaborative planning that have marked the Northeast Kingdom's relationship with the Museum. We hope that the Museum, in turn, delivers services, programs, and a commitment to community development that benefit Barnet's residents and visitors of all ages and contribute to Barnet's remarkable quality of life. I have enclosed our most recent annual report. Complete financial information is also always available upon request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Kane". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Adam Kane, Executive Director  
encl.



*Shall the Town of Barnet vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Kingdom Animal Shelter to provide services to residents of the Town?*

**KINGDOM ANIMAL SHELTER MISSION STATEMENT:** The purpose of the Kingdom Animal Shelter is to facilitate the placement of stray and unwanted animals and pets in desirable homes; to establish and maintain an animal shelter and associated procedures that promote health, care and handling; and to prevent overpopulation and the prevention of cruelty to animals. The animals in our care, our guests, are never euthanized merely because we lack space or because the animal's stay with us has exceeded a predefined amount of time.

Kingdom Animal Shelter, Inc., is an **all-volunteer, no-kill, non-profit** 501[c]3 organization incorporated in 2003. We are a proud member of the Vermont Humane Federation, PETS 911, the HSUS (Humane Society of the United States), the ASPCA, and the NEK Chamber of Commerce.

We provide many services to the area, including accepting stray and unwanted cats to our shelter, rescues from abusive and hoarding situations, and trap/neuter/release (TNR) of feral and barn cats, a serious and ongoing problem in the communities we serve. We take in cats from St. Johnsbury, Lyndonville, Barnet, Danville, Waterford, Concord, Kirby, Cabot, and several others. We have successfully placed close to 450 cats in forever homes since opening in our present location in 2009. We work with area schools to raise awareness of the importance of spay/neuter programs and the responsibilities of pet ownership.

The cats in our care are with us until they are adopted. During their stay they are lovingly cared for, played with and socialized by our many volunteers. Any medical needs are tended to promptly and the cats are provided with vaccinations as appropriate. They are spayed or neutered, or a voucher provided for those who are adopted before they are of age. We welcome cats of a wide variety of ages, colors, and personality types.

Our volunteers work tirelessly to raise the funds necessary to meet our annual budget of approximately \$50,000, which pays for veterinary bills, food, rent, utilities, and supplies. Ongoing fundraising efforts include yard and bake sales, a calendar, raffles, and more. We also participate in and organize many community events in the area. In Danville, we recently assisted with a spay/neuter clinic generously sponsored by the Danville Animal Hospital.

We operate with no federal or state funding, which means we depend on the generosity of towns and individuals to meet our operating expenses. We're asking for a contribution of \$500 to assist us in our mission of reducing the area's cat overpopulation and providing quality care and a safe, clean shelter for our cats until they are adopted. We welcome any assistance given to help our animals in need. We greatly appreciate your interest and support.

Kingdom Animal Shelter Board of Directors:

Sandy Butkovich, Klari Emmons, Heidi Sessions, Rod Lauman, Helen Morrison, Nancy Rivet, David Gile

1664 Memorial Drive

PO Box 462

St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

802-741-7387

email: [info@kingdomanimalshelter.com](mailto:info@kingdomanimalshelter.com)

[www.kingdomanimalshelter.com](http://www.kingdomanimalshelter.com)

## LAKE HARVEY BOAT MONITORING REPORT 2013

2013 monitoring began the weekend of May 27, was ongoing 7 AM to 7 PM every day until September 8, then discontinued unless exceptional weather appears to spur activity. In 2012 only 2 boats showed up after Sept 9. Weather only totally stopped boater activity on 3 days.

	2013	2012	2011	2010
May 23-31	16	73	22	80
June	158	232	167	145
July	313	270	345	274
Aug	179	232	152	160
September	25	44	73	40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>691 *</b>	<b>851**</b>	<b>759***</b>	<b>699****</b>

- \* The 2013 691 boat total included 532 visiting cars as some visitors brought 2 or more kayaks. The kayaks totaled 317 and arrived in about 168 groups.
- \*\* The 2012 851 boat total included 693 visiting cars as some visitors brought 2 or more kayaks. The kayaks totaled 344 and arrived in 175 cars or groups.
- \*\*\* The 2011 759 boat total included 618 visiting cars as some visitors brought 2 or more kayaks. The kayaks totaled 327 and arrived in 186 cars or groups.
- \*\*\*\* The 2010 699 boat total included 597 visiting cars. The kayaks totaled 234 and arrived in 141 cars or groups.

Among our 532 visiting cars 282 were last in Harvey's Lake either this year or last. And 74 visitors were first time boat users this year from elsewhere. So 176 visiting groups were of some concern.

Boaters came here from 42 different bodies of water. Ten came from Lake Champlain, which contains every aquatic nuisance. Boaters are being careful, and some are using Clorox. Three boats came from nearby Ticklenaked Pond, which now has milfoil. Other milfoil threats included Willoughby (8), Halls Pond (1), Morey (1), Fairlee(1), Memphremagog (1), Little Pond (1), and Long Pond (1). The Connecticut River was last used by 11 visitors, Moore Dam by 7, and Marshfield Dam by 5. We need to watch The Connecticut River because it connects various lakes, and who knows what we need to watch for after Irene in 2011.

This year's VT Boat Access Training Manual (2013) mentions that in 2012 Milfoil was removed from 488 boats of the 17,557 inspected which is close to 3% of boats inspected. And 700 intercepts (about 4% of boats) included all aquatic nuisances. The number of intercepts has been increasing since 2009. There is increasing concern about microscopic problems including bacteria and invisible stages of zebra mussels.

We have our work cut out for us; prevention is key. We seek funds for the upcoming 2014 boating season – donations from our membership, and again a \$10,000 appropriation from the Town of Barnet at Town Meeting Day in March.

**PREVENTION IS THE ONLY CURE  
HELP US KEEP LAKE HARVEY PURE!**



**ARTICLE REQUESTED FOR 2014 TOWN MEETING**

To see if the town/city of **Town of Barnet** will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$1775** to **Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.** to assist in maintaining services in mental health, developmental services, family counseling, services to children and the elderly, substance abuse treatment, Psychiatric care, and 24-hour emergency services.

**Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.  
2013 Annual Report Summary**

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. is a private not-for-profit organization serving Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties. It is organized and directed by local citizens who believe that human services should be cost effective and responsive to the needs of our local communities. **The mission of NKHS is to enrich communities and enhance the ability of individuals and families to improve their lives.**

NKHS serves residents who are challenged by conditions that affect the mind, body, and spirit. Services are provided to individuals with severe and persistent mental illness, individuals with alcohol and drug problems, children with severe emotional disturbances and their families, individuals with developmental disabilities such as mental retardation and autism, and a 24-hour crisis intervention program for anyone in need. Fees are charged based on the person's ability to pay. No one is refused services for lack of ability to pay.

We have offices in Derby, Hardwick, and St. Johnsbury and reach out to other communities in the schools, homes, and other locations.

We greatly appreciate your interest, your help in letting people know about the services we provide, and your financial support.

**FY 2013 SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR THE TOWN OF Town of Barnet**

2010 Census Count for your town: **1708** Persons served in your town: **51**

Our 2014 request for support is calculated on \$1.05 per person based on the last census.

NKHS employs **6** citizens from your community.

Thank you for your support.

Eric Grims  
Executive Director

Andy Barter  
President, Board of Directors

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.  
P. O. Box 724, Newport, VT 05855  
802-334-6744



**NORTHEAST KINGDOM LEARNING SERVICES, INC.**

55 Seymour Lane, Suite 11, Newport, VT 05855

Phone: (802) 334-6532 Fax: (802) 334-6555 www.neklsvt.org

Non-Traditional Educational Services for Children, Youth, Adults, Families, and Businesses

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services (NEKLS) is requesting town funds to help support the programs that NEKLS delivers in your area. Adult educational services, job skills, transitional support and family services are some of the many programs that are available to the residents of the area. NEKLS also has Community Education Centers in Newport, Hardwick and Canaan, with part-time centers in Island Pond and Gilman.

For over 40 years, NEKLS has been serving residents of Orleans, Essex and Caledonia counties. Services are provided to people of all ages wanting to earn a high school diploma or GED, to learn basic computer skills, or to improve college and career readiness skills. Our Adult Education program provides a wide variety of free services.

In 2013, NEKLS introduced the NEKLS Mobile Lab to the Northeast Kingdom. The Mobile Lab was funded by a grant from FairPoint Communications and the vehicle to transport the Mobile Lab was generously donated by North Point and the Auto Saver Group. We now have one more way to bring services to the most rural areas of the Northeast Kingdom.

Partnering with local schools, the NEKLS Tutorial program provides academic support to students of all grade levels who may be struggling in school. While parents with children ages 0 to 6 are able to access help through our Children’s Integrated Services program which promotes a child’s growth and development and supports families during pregnancy/postpartum and their child’s early years.

State and federal budget challenges continue to impact the funding of community non-profit organizations such as NEKLS. As a result, town funds are vital to our efforts to introduce new instructional options and maintain the same level of high program quality. We hope you will continue to support NEKLS as we look forward to another year of being a supportive partner in the community.

We respectfully request an appropriation of \$300.00 for the coming year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Tarryk

Executive Director

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTERS**

<b>NEWPORT</b> 1 Main Street Newport, VT 05855 (802) 334-2839	<b>ST. JOHNSBURY</b> 1222 Main Street, Suite 102 St. Johnsbury, VT 05819 (802) 748-5624	<b>CANAAN</b> 5 Park Street Canaan, VT 05903 (802) 266-3933	<b>HARDWICK</b> 64 North Main Street Hardwick, VT 05843 (802) 472-3183	<b>ISLAND POND</b> 49 Mill Street Extension Island Pond, VT 05846 (802) 723-4261	<b>GILMAN</b> PO Box 231 19 Parish Street Gilman, VT 05904
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# Northeast Kingdom **Youth** Services

24 Bagley Street, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819  
Phone: (802) 748-8732 • Fax: (802) 748-2383  
Email: nekys@nekys.org

## **Town Report Summary**

2013 NEKYS Served 78 in Barnet

*NEKYS has been offering vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975  
In 2013 NEKYS served 2956 individuals throughout Caledonia and Essex Counties*

### Families:

*NEKYS staff is available 24 hours a day to support families through periods of crisis and conflict.*

*Through mediation and individual and group support with parents and youth, NEKYS' staff works with families with children from birth through adolescence to develop the tools they need to cultivate safe, nurturing homes. Families learn problem-solving skills and create self-directed plans designed to keep conflicts from reaching a crisis.*

### Youth:

*NEKYS' serves all young adults ages 15-22 including those who have been in foster care, are homeless, or at high risk of homelessness or need support navigating the system.*

- *NEKYS' provides support, life skills education and leadership opportunities to assist young adults to achieve their self-directed goals.*
- *NEKYS' Elm Street Transitional House has ten beds which provide homeless youth with safe overnight housing with an awake, overnight staff member.*
- *The Living Room Community Center engages our community in creating a safe environment where young adults high school age through 22 are empowered to make healthy choices through peer support, youth leadership, community engagement, and prevention groups. The Center is open from 12 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, during which time youth have access to a meal, washer and dryer, a shower, computers for both job search and entertainment, a pool table, movies, life skills groups, art activities, and peer support.*
- *Summer Central Calendar and Scholarship Program distributes an annual resource calendar so parents know of recreational opportunities for their children and provides scholarships for children to attend summer activities they otherwise could not afford.*
- *JUMP Mentoring matches at-risk students in 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades with adult mentors once a week in the school, building relationships that can last through high school and beyond. JUMP mentors work to establish supportive, guiding relationships that result in improved academic performance and positive life choices.*

### Restorative Justice:

*Responding within a restorative framework, NEKYS' Restorative Justice Programs address the needs of crime victims, the community, and those who have violated the law, utilizing a strength-based approach to assist participants to make things right, to the fullest extent possible, for those who have been affected by their actions.*

- *NEKYS' Caledonia and Essex Court Diversion Programs are voluntary community-based alternatives to the usual criminal justice system for individuals referred by the local State's Attorney. Upon successful completion of Diversion, participants will have their charges dismissed.*
- *The Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program works with 16 to 20 year olds who get a civil "ticket" for possessing or consuming alcohol or possessing small amounts of marijuana. Upon successful completion, the individual's permit / license is not suspended and a fine is avoided.*
- *The Juvenile Reparative/ Restitution Project holds youth's accountable to victims and the community. Follow-up services assure that restorative conditions of probation are completed and damage to victims & communities is repaired.*
- *The Driver's License Suspension program assists eligible participants to get their license reinstated while paying off their fines and fees over time.*

### Peer Wellness:

*NEKYS' Peer Wellness Program is a non-clinical, non-stigmatizing, inclusive, and confidential service offered to individuals 15 through the age of 25 in our community. Peer Wellness provides an alternative to traditional mental health services through peer support and Wellness Recovery Action Planning (copyright). The program is supported by well trained Peer Support Specialists who view themselves in recovery of mental health challenges that have stemmed from trauma and who can relate their shared experiences with fellow peers.*

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services is a private, non-profit agency governed by a community-based, volunteer Board of Directors. We rely on grants, contracts, and appropriations from the towns we serve to continue our mission. Thank you for supporting families in our community. Please call our office at 748-8732 if you have any questions or concerns.

## Rural Community Transportation, Inc.

1161 Portland Street Saint Johnsbury, Vt. 05819  
(802) 748-8170 Fax: (802) 748-5275

Town of Barnet  
1743 US Route 5 South  
PO Box 15  
Barnet, VT 05821

Date: November 15, 2013

Re: Town Appropriation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. ("RCT") is requesting to be placed on the Town Warning for March 2014 for an appropriation in the amount of \$1,100.00. This is the same amount that was requested and appropriated last year.

RCT has been providing service in your community for over twenty years and must reach out again for community support in order to maintain the quality of service that is needed for the members of our community.

RCT is a nonprofit corporation providing transportation to the elderly and disabled, Medicaid and general public through a van/bus and volunteer service. Between all of our programs, RCT provides over 194,600 rides per year.

RCT transports people to, adult-day service facilities, senior meal sites and necessary medical treatments such as, dialysis, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, physical therapy, special medical needs and other appointments.

Last year RCT provided 28 Barnet Residents with 2,100 trips travelling 98,877 miles.

We hope you will be able to assist us with this request and we look forward to continuing our service that is needed by the members in your community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

*Mary Grant*

Mary Grant  
Executive Director



**Report of 2013 Activity for Barnet**  
**Town Appropriation Request: \$400**

Umbrella exists to ensure that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties offer safety, support and options for self-determination to women and families. To this end, we provide the following services:

**The Advocacy Program** is the essential safety net for people affected by intimate partner violence and sexual abuse. We meet the needs of victims in crisis while also offering preventative programming to local schools and youth groups with a focus on gender respect, consent, and healthy relationships. **In 2013 we:**

- supported 892 individuals with direct advocacy
- responded to an average of 163 crisis hotline calls per month
- housed 26 adults and 10 children in our shelter for a total of 1,073 bed-nights, and
- reached 318 adults and 728 youth with our prevention programming.

**Kingdom Child Care Connection** is the community-based child care resource and referral center for Caledonia and Southern Essex counties. **In 2013 we:**

- helped 80 families find high-quality child care for a total of 107 children at no-cost, and
- connected over 445 families with the State of Vermont's Child Care Financial Assistance Program.

In addition to our work with families, we also interacted directly with the region's 80+ child care providers, **offering over 178 hours of professional development opportunities** to make sure the people responsible for taking care of our communities' youngest citizens have the tools and resources they need to do their best.

**The Family Room** is a supervised visitation and monitored exchange center offering child-centered support for parents seeking to establish or rebuild relationships with their children. **Last year we helped 102 children develop safe, healthy relationships with their non-residential parent.** Additional services such as parenting education, counseling and mediation can also be arranged in order to help families address their unique goals and needs.

**Cornucopia** is our newest program geared towards helping women-in-transition achieve economic self-sufficiency. This 17-week job-skills training program introduces women to the culinary arts as they prepare Meals-on-Wheels for Newport-area seniors. After completing the program women are assisted with securing employment with a local business, in a position that fits their individual strengths and interests. **To date, Cornucopia has provided 2,096 nutritionally-balanced meals to Newport-area seniors and has recently begun operating a senior meal site once a week.**

Given that some of our services are provided anonymously, it can be difficult to provide precise usage figures for towns. At least 13 Barnet households were served directly by Umbrella in 2013, and the community as a whole benefited from prevention and outreach programs at schools as well as training and consultation for human service and law enforcement professionals. Community support is critical to sustaining our programming and discovering innovative new approaches to the work we do. We are deeply grateful for Barnet's support.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle Fay".

Michelle Fay  
Executive Director

## THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING TOWN OF BARNET SUMMARY REPORT

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with significant disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

Data for our FY'13 (Oct. 2012-Sept.2013) show VCIL responded to over **2,218** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **310** individuals to help increase their independent living skills (including **10** peers who were served by the AgrAbility program and **11** peers who received specialized Benefits to Work Counseling). VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **173** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 47 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **164** individuals with information on assistive technology; 40 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **428** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During FY '13, **3** residents of **Barnet** received services from the following programs:

- Meals on Wheels (MOW)  
(emergency meals provided for resident \$91.00)
- Home Access Program (HAP)  
(over \$14,900.00 spent on modifications)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)  
(over \$950.00 spent on assistive technology)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at:  
**1-800-639-1522**, or, visit our web site at **www.vcil.org**.



January 17, 2014

To: Board of Selectmen  
P.O. Box 15  
Barnet, Vt. 05821

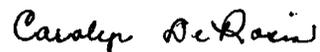
From: West Barnet Sr. Meal Site  
P.O. Box 134  
Barnet, Vt. 05821

Dear Friends,

Our meal site continues to be well attended with more than 10,000 meals served again this year, including both at the site and home delivered. We are grateful that our organization benefits so many in our community.

We hope we can continue, as many of the people we serve are some of the most vulnerable both physically and financially. We would greatly appreciate your support again this year for our organization, and thank you in advance for that continued support.

Sincerely Yours,



Carolyn DeRosia,

West Barnet Meal Site

**Section 7**

**Reports of Other Recipients  
of Town Funds**

DEAN SHATNEY, SHERIFF  
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**ANNUAL REPORT**

For 2013

We completed the audit for our office this past fall and it resulted in no findings or problems of any kind. Paula Watts our Office Manager and Bookkeeper does a wonderful job of making sure all our t's are crossed and our i's dotted. The state of the Caledonia County Sheriff's Department is very good. We have kept our rates for service the same for the past few years as we know the times are tough and we want people to feel that they can still afford our services. We continue to add vehicles to our fleet, replacing cars that have served us well. With these new vehicles we now have ten marked cars, a marked 4-wheel drive van for prisoner transports, one unmarked car being used for civil process service. We have a large enclosed trailer that we use as an office at the fair and other security details. This trailer may be utilized as a command post at a mass casualty incident as well. We have an ATV and two snowmobiles that we use for our snowmobile patrols. We recently purchased two golf carts to use to educate young operators about concerns with texting and phone use while driving. The project is (ROAD), Responsible Operators Against Distractions. We continue to do town patrols and we feel that the towns that we patrol are a safer place to live & drive in because of our presence. The patrols are community based. Which means each town is different, so the patrols may be different. We are taking a proactive response instead of a reactive response. Deputies are getting out of the cars and talking to the people who live in the communities. This effort has helped with both fighting crime and communications with the towns. The Sheriff's Department has twenty Law Enforcement Officers to start the new year. With 2 employment slots available, we hope to fill them before summer. We have the best civil process server, in the state, and he has very few papers he cannot serve...generally because they have moved. We have become more active with local schools to ensure the safety of students and staff. We have been involved with drills and evacuation plans and will continue to assist as needed.

If anyone has questions or concerns, please call me at the office. My door is always open. I look forward to serving this county as the Sheriff. I grew up here, raising a family here, and will do everything in my power to keep it a safe place. We have established a wonderful working relationship with Northeast Vermont Regional Hospital and are helping them make certain that their patients and staff feel safe while in the hospital. We will again do snowmobile patrols throughout the county, if we get snow, doing our best to keep the trails as safe as possible, and we will again answer snowmobile related complaints.

Please check out our website listed at the top of this page. Thank You.

Sincerely,  
Sheriff *Dean Shatney*

## **Executive Committee Report**

The NEKWMD finished 2013 in solid financial condition. Recycling markets were fair to good throughout the year. Stronger than expected revenues for recycling, scrap metal, and the surcharge on trash allowed us to end the year with a surplus of \$49,302.46. Spending for the year was \$7,014 more than budgeted, while revenues exceeded projections by over \$56,317. The sale of recyclables generated \$158,072 in revenues for 2013. That figure represents approximately 25% of the 2013 budget. While strong recycling markets were responsible for some of the excess revenue, surcharge revenues exceeded projections by \$38,069.

The NEKWMD is entering 2014 with a proposed budget of \$694,978 - an increase of 2.2%. However, due to the addition of several towns over the last 2 years, the surcharge on non-recycled waste (trash) will drop \$0.55 per ton to \$22.00 per ton in 2014. Our surcharge on trash remains just below the State average.

The District welcomed the town of Topsham in 2013. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The Vermont legislature passed Act 148 early in 2012. This piece of legislation includes, among other things, mandatory pay-as-you-throw for trash disposal and phased-in landfill bans for certain recyclables, leaf and yard wastes, and source separated organics. In 2014 the NEKWMD will be looking to assist our members in complying with the provisions of Act 148, strengthen outreach to businesses and seasonal residents, and promote greater participation in recycling programs throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and two part-time employees in 2013. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly and sets the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget at their Town Meeting in March.

Since fees for NEKWMD membership (the surcharge on trash of \$22.00/ton) are based on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

The 50,500 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

### ***NEKWMD Executive Committee***



### **Report to the Voters of Barnet**

The Northeastern Vermont Development Association – the state’s only regional planning commission and economic development corporation – has been serving your community and the Northeast Kingdom for more than 60 years. We continue to assist local officials with land use, transportation, and emergency planning, and we serve the businesses of the Kingdom, promoting sustainable economic growth.

Understanding that many of our communities have limited resources to deal with increasingly complex issues and state and federal requirements we work to ensure that our planning, technical assistance, and business services help to address important local needs. This year our staff met with every community to review existing plans and recommend strategies for updating and implementing them. Training programs that we offered covered a variety of topics, including disaster planning and flood resilience, due process in planning and zoning, and foreign trade benefits. Also, nearly every community in our region has participated in our well-attended local road foreman trainings.

In 2013, NVDA was at work in your town. Our staff prepared a local Hazard Mitigation Plan, as well as a Municipal Planning Grant application that is intended to update the Barnet Town Plan and Zoning Bylaws. We also updated your community’s Basic Emergency Operations Plan and conducted traffic counts.

Most of us are aware that an infusion of EB-5 investment funds will bring substantial and positive developments to communities in the Northeast Kingdom, particularly in the manufacturing, hospitality, and tourism sectors. These developments are attracting other developments and NVDA has responded by hiring an additional economic development specialist for the region and by marshalling resources to identify the impacts on our region’s services, infrastructure, and housing stock so that our communities can prepare. Earlier this year NVDA established a Foreign Trade Zone that will increase the competitiveness of our region’s businesses and facilitate trade.

For communities and businesses in the region, NVDA is the first contact for information and technical support on land use planning, project development, permitting, financing, and grant assistance. We maintain staff in Newport and St. Johnsbury, which allows us to better meet the needs of our vast region. You can visit our website [www.nvda.net](http://www.nvda.net) and follow us on Facebook for latest news and events, and planning resources.

Thank you for all of your efforts in your community. We truly value your continued support and look forward to serving you in 2014.

Sincerely,  
David Snedeker, Executive Director

**Section 8**

**Real Estate Transactions  
&  
Vital Records Reports**

**Town of Barnet, Vermont  
2013 Real Estate Transactions**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
1/3/2013	Davis, Allan	Bearce, Sherri etal	House & lot Brook Circle
1/4/2013	Knights, Jeffrey	Knights, Jeffrey & Melinda	Land Little France Road
1/4/2013	Knights, Jeffrey	Knights, Jeffrey & Melinda	Mobile home & land Little France Road
1/11/2013	Vereline, Michael	Blue Sky Builders	House & lot Campers Lane
1/18/2013	Robinson, Carol N Trust	Robinson, Carol etal	Subdivision US Route 5 North
1/22/2013	Davidson, Andrew	Davidson, Andrew & Michelle	House & lot Davidson Lane
1/23/2013	McGrew, Verne & Margaret Trust	McGrew, Verne & Margaret	House & land US Route 5 South
2/8/2013	Barnet, Town of	Cooley Brothers	Building US Route 5 North
2/14/2013	Robinson, Carol N Trust	Passumpsic Valley Land Trust	Subdivision land US Rte 5 North
2/14/2013	Bowen, Mark S	Bowen, Mark S Revocable Trust	House & land Denio Road
2/15/2013	Carr, Nancy E Estate	Blouin, Patricia etal	House & lot West Barnet Road
2/28/2013	Zindel, Carol A Estate	Zindel-Lauterbach, Laura etal	Camp & lot Pavillion Lane
3/13/2013	Barnet, Town of	Donovan, Edward A III	Leases Goss Hill Road
3/13/2013	Donovan, Edward A III	Sax, Ian	Land Goss Hill Road
3/14/2013	Perrin, Robert & Jane	Kozy Korner	Camp & lot Sunny Beach Lane
3/20/2013	Blouin, Patricia etal	BCBCH	House & lot West Barnet Road
3/20/2013	Keenan, Virginia Estate	TARRIER, Sandra	House & land Gilchrest Lane
3/25/2013	Laliberte, Marcel & Bibianne	Walls, Toby & Sarah	House & land Ferguson Road
3/28/2013	Gilleland, Mark Sr	Gilleland, Mark Sr & Bowen, Lisa	House & lot Garland Hill
4/2/2013	TARRIER, Sandra	TARRIER, Henry & Sandra	House & lot Church Street
4/8/2013	Musty, Peter & Waelter, Donna	Ellinwood, Mark & Vickie	House & land Gilchrest Lane
4/12/2013	Roy, Bruce & Catherine	Adams, Benjamin & Caroline	House & land Ferguson Road
4/18/2013	Webster, Roland & Ingalls, Elynn	Ingalls, Elynn	Land Garland Hill
4/23/2013	Cotnoir, Larry & Dolly	King, Joseph Sr & Jamielee	House & lot US Route 5 South
4/25/2013	Adams, Bryan	Adams, Nicole & Adams, Shirleyann	Mobile home Roys Campground
4/26/2013	Behr, Edward Jr & Kimberly	Kohl, John III & Melissa	Lot Rake Factory Road
4/29/2013	Wilson, James & Gibson, Lauren	Northcutt, Kimberly etal	House & land Aiken Farm Road
5/6/2013	Adams, Bryan & Sandra	Adams, Michael & Sandra	House & land Park Place Lane
5/7/2013	Temple, Frank Estate	Temple, Jeffrey etal	Land Rake Factory Road
5/9/2013	Kipp, Margaret	Kipp, Margaret C Trust	House & land Tower Road
5/10/2013	Perkins, Justin	Perkins, Erica	House & lot River Road
5/23/2013	Dozois, Jayne etal	Burnell, Marc & Kathryn	House & lot Anderson Street
5/28/2013	Withers, Michael & Jennifer	Doerner, Carl & Doerner, Casey	House & land US Route 5 South
5/31/2013	Moghari, Sheryl	Thompson, Jeremy & Heisholt, Audrey	Land Garland Hill
6/11/2013	Morrison, Charles A & Iris C	Morrison Family Trust	House & lot US Route 5 North
6/11/2013	Morrison, Charles A & iris C	Morrison Family Trust	Land Harvey Mountain Road
6/11/2013		Morrison Family Trust	Land Old West Road

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
7/1/2013	Moore, Thomas & Joyce	Popko, Barbara	Mobile home Roy's Campground
7/1/2013	Heywood, John & Rachel	Somers, Charles	House & lot US Route 5 South
7/3/2013	Schrade, Richard Jr	Schade, Richard Jr & Carini, Michele	House & land Kitchel Hill
7/9/2013	Moulton, J Paul	Moulton, J Paul & Snyder, Alice	Land Cloud Brook Road
7/19/2013	Brill, Jeremy	Larocque, Shawn	Mobile home only
7/22/2013	Percy, Milton & Rena	Reed, Frank & Cheryl	Mobile home Roy's Campground
7/15/2013	Suyemoto, Joe	Suyemoto, Joe & Fletcher, Christine	Camp Sunny Beach Lane
7/17/2013	Roy, Bruce & Catherine	Graham, Ronald & Lyn	Subdivision land & rights-of-way
8/9/2013	Larocque, Shawn	Larocque, Steven	replacement Mobile home
8/14/2013	Sager, Jayne C	Leszczynski, Michael	House River Road
8/14/2013	Bertolini, Martin & Cathy	Skovsted, Gary & Marlene	House & land Brook Hill Road
8/16/2013	Bertolini, Martin & Cathy	O'Malley, Ryan & Allison	Subdivision land Brook Hill Road
8/16/2013	O'Malley, Ryan & Allison	O'Malley, Ryan & Allison	House & land Brook Hill Road
8/19/2013	Zwick, Rodney & Connie	Mitchel, Stephanie	House & land Old Silo Road
8/26/2013	Chagnon, Douglas	Chagnon, Douglas & Jean	Camp & lot Miller Lane
8/30/2013	Pouliot, Christopher	Bank of America	House & lot West Main Street
8/30/2013	Bank of America	Federal Nat'l Mort Assoc.	House & lot West Main Street
9/3/2013	Sorrentino, Phillip & Mary	Berge, Wayne & Sherman, Jan	Subdivision Slayton Lane
9/19/2013	Fillion, Diane & Boone, Sandra	Perkins, Justin	House & lot US Route 5 North
9/24/2013	Somers, Gilmore & Virginia	Myers, Marcy etal	House & lot Mosquitoville Road
9/26/2013	Farman, Karolyn	Dunbar, Chad	House & lot Farman Road
9/19/2013	Hoar, William & Ila	Greaves, Kelly etal	House & lot West Main Street
9/26/2013	Frechette, David & Sydney	Butterworth, Stewart & Jeanne	Camp & lot Shoreline Drive
10/2/2013	Shields, David & Shields, Daniel	Robinson, Dorothy P etal	Right-of-way only
10/7/2013	Wright, David & Lori	Tarrier, Henry & Sandra	Right of First Refusal
10/7/2013	Tarrier, Henry & Sandra	Beckhardt, Robert	House & land Gilchrest Lane
10/9/2013	Smith, Francis	Moss, Michael	Mobile home Roy's Campground
10/9/2013	Lawler, Michael	Morrison Farm	Land Groton Road
10/10/2013	Kitchel, Douglas B Jr Trust	Kitchel, Paula S Trust	Land
10/14/2013	Chamberlain, Everett	Chamberlin, Steven	House & lot US Route 5 North
10/16/2013	Bergeron, Michael & Kathryn	Harveys Lake Bunker	House & lot Roy Mountain Road
10/16/2013	Starrett, Sheryl Estate	Starrett, Jennifer & Starrett, Sarah	Camp & lot
10/18/2013	Boyle, Peter J	Leightcap, Rande	Land County Hill Road
10/23/2013	Soucy, Irene	Rivers, Jacob & Leah	Land Little France Road
10/23/2013	Ball, James	Ball, James & Lisa	House & lot Old Silo Road
10/28/2013	Goss, Gordon	Winn, John & Donna	Farm & land Maple Lane
10/28/2013	Goss, Gordon	Winn, John & Donna	Farm & land Bony Woods Road
10/30/2013	Carter, Scott & Denise	Holland, Francis & Sandra	Mobile home & land Ferguson Road
10/31/2013	McAlpine, Charles & Marilyn	McAlpine, Charles	House, lot & right-of-way Cottage Lane

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
11/13/2013	Card, Timothy & Tutt, Cheryl	Hyde, David & Roos, Julie	House & land Strobridge Hill
11/18/2013	Knights, Madalyn Trust	Knights, Jeffrey & Melinda	sbdvn land Knights Lane
11/21/2013	Locke, Phyllis	Locke, Raymond III & Locke, Janet	House & lot Harvey Mountain Road
11/21/2013	Langley, Ronald & Abrams, Kathleen	Barnet Water System Inc	Easement Carter Street
11/21/2013	Stone, Linwood	Barnet Water System Inc	Easement Carter Street
11/26/2013	EYC Inc	Emmons, James & Young, Dana	Lot McLaren Hill Road
11/26/2013	Emmons, James	Young, Dana	Lot McLaren Hill Road
12/4/2013	McAlpine, Charles	McAlpine, Jeffrey etal	House, lot & right-of-way Cottage Lane
12/6/2013	Pesaturo, John & Ann	Pesaturo Family Trust	House & land Willie Hunter Lane
12/6/2013	Yersel, Metin & Beth	Vincent, Raymond III & Monica	House & lot West Barnet Road
12/12/2013	US Bank	US Bank	House & lot Old Silo Road
12/19/2013	Starrett, Jennifer & Starrett, Sarah	Morris, Kirk	Camp & lot Hawkes Lane
12/23/2013	Cross, Michael & Lisa	Cross, Michael	House & lot Passumspic Village
12/23/2013	Badger, Alice	Weber, Marjorie	House & lot US Route 5 South
12/23/2013	Slayton, Nancy	Morrison, Kimberly etal	House & land Slayton Lane
12/24/2013	Lang, Joan	March, Jeremiah & Connie	House & lot Smith Road

## 2013 Vital Records\*

### Births

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Middle Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Letourneau	Ainsley	Taylor-Marie	2/13/2013		Letourneau, Tabitha M
Lamothe	Eva	Celeste	2/18/2013		Lamothe, Olivia Anneliese
Adams	Elliott	Foster	4/4/2013	Adams, Benjamin Quincy	Roy, Caroline S O'Brien
Johnston-McWilliams	Declan	Kirill	6/2/2013		Johnston-McWilliams, Sorcha
Lazenick	Ryder	Timothy	7/8/2013	Lazenick, Matthew James	Fleurie, Phylcia Marie
Roy	Ainsleigh	Jane	8/14/2013	Roy, Bernard L	Gearity, Jessica L
Skovsted	Anna	Marcelle	9/20/2013	Skovsted, Eric Bryant	Houde, Mary Ann
Bogie	Callie	Elaine	10/31/2013	Bogie, Calvin Sherman	Real, Kristina Marie

### Deaths

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Souviney	Edna	1/27/2013	3/4/1925	McIndoe Falls
Mayer	Joseph	1/31/2013	4/22/1930	Barnet
Davidson	Margaret	2/8/2013	3/10/1918	Barnet
Colby	Melvin Everett	3/16/2013	9/28/1914	Barnet
Florio	Zachary Michael	4/24/2013	3/17/1991	Passumpsic
Robillard	Eric Albert	5/11/2013	3/5/1962	St. Johnsbury, VT
Davis	Ross Gerald	5/13/2013	3/4/1925	McIndoe Falls
Bogie	Calvin Sherman Sr	7/1/2013	11/1/1923	Barnet
Tetreault	Douglas Paul	7/5/2013	9/9/1954	Barnet
Knights	Madalyn Bessie Capron	8/14/2013	3/5/1923	Barnet
Davis	Allan Ross	11/17/2013	2/20/1944	McIndoe Falls

### Civil Marriages

<u>Applicant A</u>	<u>Applicant A's Residence</u>	<u>Applicant B</u>	<u>Applicant B's Residence</u>	<u>Date</u>
Johnson, Kirsty Tay	Barnet, VT	Hill, Taylor William	Greensboro, VT	5/18/2013
Northcutt, Roy Franklin	Barnet, VT	Singleton, Barbara Jo-Ann	St. Johnsbury, VT	6/29/2013
Stewart, Allyson Winter	Chicago, IL	Albertus, Michael Edward	Chicago, IL	10/12/2013

\*Note: Not all births, deaths, and marriages involving residents of Barnet, Vermont are reported here. Events occurring out of state are not reported here, regardless of residence. Also, it is the policy of the Town of Barnet, as of the printing of this 2013 Town Report, to omit records in the Town Report when parties to the event specifically request that we do so. For this reason two marriage records are omitted from the 2013 report. All vital records are public record and available for review and copying at the Town Clerk's Office.