

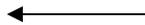
Town of Barnet Vermont

Year Ending December 31, 2015

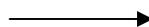
Harvey Lake Dam



Before



After



Town Meeting Day * Tuesday March 1

Barnet Elementary School

School Portion begins promptly at 10:00

Town Portion to follow

Lunch Break from 12:00-1:00

Breakfast and lunch items available

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: Mark Chase
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.
Wednesday: 12:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Thursday: 1 p.m. – 5:30 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 Monday of each month at 7:00 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. 24, 2016 – Deadline - Town Meeting Voter Registration
Mar. 1, 2016 – Town Meeting Day (Office* closed)
Apr. 1, 2016 – Dog Licenses due
May 29, 2016 – Memorial Day Services
May 30, 2016 – Memorial Day (Office closed)
Jun. 1, 2016 – Transfer Station summer hours begin
Jul. 4, 2016 – Independence Day (Office closed)
Mid-July 2016 – Property Tax bills mailed
Aug. 31, 2016 – Transfer Station summer hours end
Sep. 5, 2016 – Labor Day (Office closed)
Mid-Oct. 2016 – Property Taxes due (see bill for date)
Mid-Oct. 2016 – Harvey's Lake water level lowered
Nov. 24, 2016 – Thanksgiving Day (Office closed)
Nov. 25, 2016 – Office closed
Dec. 26, 2016 – Christmas Day observed (Office closed)
Jan. 2, 2017 – New Year's Day observed (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:

- \$9.00 for neutered/spayed
- \$13.00 for unneutered/unspayed

Fees for license after April 1:

- \$11.00 for neutered/spayed
- \$17.00 for unneutered/unspayed

**Town of Barnet, Vermont
Annual Report
Year Ending December 31, 2015**

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Section 1

General Town Information

Town Elected Officers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Moderator	Dennis McLam	March 2016
Town Clerk & Treasurer	Benjamin Heisholt	March 2018
Selectboard	Jeremy Roberts, Chair	March 2016
	Dylan Ford	March 2017
	Gary Bunnell	March 2018
Listers	John Cook	March 2016
	Sarah Cook	March 2017
	Scott Renfrew	March 2018
School Directors	David Warden	March 2016
	Louis Bushey	March 2016
	Robert Farlice-Rubio	March 2017
	James Schenck	March 2017
	Susan Roberts	March 2018
Auditors	Jeffrey Riley	March 2016
	Benjamin Gates	March 2017
	Jonathan Smires	March 2018
Delinquent Tax Collector	Lisa Bowden	March 2016
1st Constable	Steve Mosher	March 2017
2nd Constable	David Stevenson	March 2017
Grand Juror	David Willis	March 2016
Town Agent	Jay Abramson	March 2016
Trustee of Public Funds	William Graves	March 2016
	Merle Fitzgerald	March 2017
	William Hoar	March 2018
Library Trustees	Jane Casavant	March 2016
	Heather Counter	March 2017
	Julie Roos	March 2018
	Vacant*	March 2019
	Susan Roberts	March 2020
	*Sheri Colby-Schenck resigned November 2015; no replacement was appointed	
Justice of the Peace	Steven Adler	February 2017
	Sue Coppenrath	February 2017
	Carrie Dunbar	February 2017
	Gordon Goss	February 2017
	William Graves	February 2017
	Dennis McLam	February 2017
	Maurice Roberts	February 2017

Town Appointed Officers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Road Foreman	Mark Chase	
Health Officer	Theodore Faris	July 2018
Deputy Health Officer	Maurice Roberts	September 2017
Fire Chief	Ronald Morse	
Fire Warden	Joseph Barrett	
Beach Committee	Christen Emerson Joyce Evans Kelly Glentz Brush Philo Marcotte	
Building Committee	William Graves, Chair Jeremy Roberts Gary Bunnell Dylan Ford Benjamin Heisholt Cathy McLam Leigh Larocque Stanley Robinson Laurajean Stewart David Warden Dana Young	
Zoning Administrative Officer	Shirley Warden	March 2016
Zoning Board/ Planning Commission	George Pierce Jonathan Carpenter Kathleen Crown William Biddle Dennis McLam, Chairman Shane Stevenson Benjamin Adams Gary Briggs Bruce Denio	July 2016 July 2016 July 2017 July 2017 July 2018 July 2018 July 2019 July 2019 July 2019
Asst. Town Clerk & Treasurer	Cathy McLam	March 2016
Emergency Management Coordinator	Ronald Morse	
Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Representative	William Douglas	

**WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF BARNET
TO BE HELD ON MARCH 01, 2016**

The legal voters of the town of Barnet are hereby warned to meet at the Barnet School in Barnet on Tuesday, March 01, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following school meeting business:

ARTICLE 1 To elect a School Moderator.

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

ARTICLE 3 Shall the voters of the Barnet School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to approve the school board to expend \$5,046,333.00, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$15,176 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6% higher than spending for the current year.

ARTICLE 4 Shall the voters of the Barnet 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, 2016 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 5 Shall the voters of the Barnet School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Barnet this 30th day of January, 2016.

Barnet School Directors

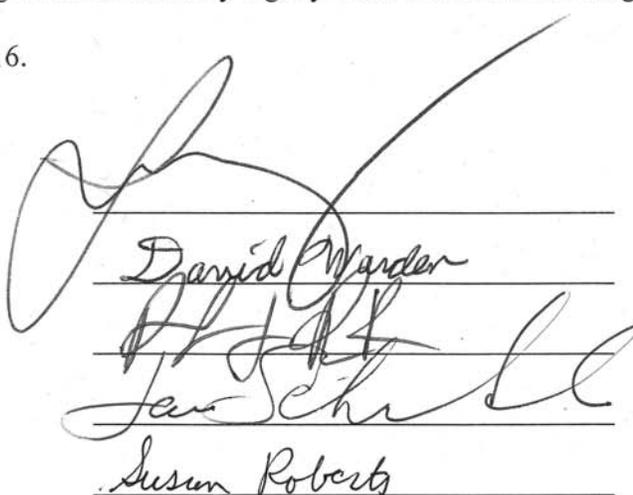
Louis Bushey, Chair

David Warden, Vice Chair

Robert Farlice-Rubio, Clerk

Jim Schenck

Susan Roberts



David Warden
Robert Farlice-Rubio
Jim Schenck
Susan Roberts



Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

**WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT
MARCH 1, 2016**

The legal voters of the Town of Barnet, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barnet School on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 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 Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?

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 conservation and preservation of collections of historical materials associated with the township of Barnet?

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

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?

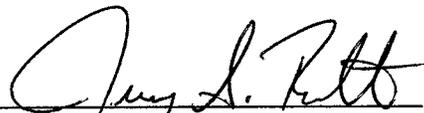
ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) to Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium?

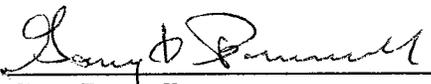
ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Kingdom Animal Shelter?

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 Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging?
- ARTICLE 14.** 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 15.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 16.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?
- ARTICLE 17.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?
- ARTICLE 18.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to Umbrella Inc.?
- ARTICLE 19.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?
- ARTICLE 20.** Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?
- ARTICLE 21.** 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 22.** 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 23.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Barnet Selectboard:


Jeremy Roberts, Chair


Gary Bunnell


Dylan Ford

Attest: 
Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

WARNING

NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

MARCH 1, 2016

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 1, 2016 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 \$716,673?

James W. Ahley	Samuel D. Dady Jr
Kiwi Flanders	Joseph E. McKenna
Gene A Perkins	Kenneth W. Johnson
Jodi Gye	Pauline Roegner
Ben Dmir	Diane Dague
Miriam Stands	James M. Batchelder
Ant B	David Gaudus
Robert	Alus Daight
William	William D. D.
Donna	Elyse Hubert
Heather Bunt	
Hittie Diggins	
Tom Keene	
Claude S. Phipps	
Carolyn A. Wade	

Town of Barnet 2015 Annual Report

BUDGET ITEM	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUAL as of 12/31/15	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$2,000.00	\$634.18	\$600.00
Audit -- Financial	\$4,500.00	\$10,700.00	\$6,500.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$6,000.00	\$2,773.64	\$6,000.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$79.98	\$0.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Cleaning	\$1,920.00	\$1,720.00	\$1,900.00
Copier	\$2,000.00	\$1,732.09	\$1,800.00
Deficit- 2014	\$0.00	\$16,890.85	\$0.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$2,500.00	\$4,655.16	\$2,700.00
Heating Fuel	\$1,600.00	\$1,971.29	\$2,000.00
Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$15,070.00	\$12,613.00	\$15,000.00
Planning	\$5,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00
Legal Fees	\$2,500.00	\$1,365.80	\$2,500.00
Postage	\$1,500.00	\$2,440.13	\$2,000.00
Office Supplies	\$3,000.00	\$4,316.42	\$3,300.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,200.00	\$3,077.72	\$3,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,400.00	\$845.63	\$1,400.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$52,290.00	\$74,815.89	\$51,800.00
Gross Wages	\$334,800.00	\$341,385.29	\$375,856.00
Overtime Wages-- Warehouse	\$7,500.00	\$8,625.86	\$7,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$21,225.00	\$21,730.31	\$23,737.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$5,000.00	\$5,082.63	\$5,552.00
State Unemployment Insurance	\$13,500.00	\$12,068.13	\$12,725.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$17,250.00	\$17,913.29	\$19,160.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$25,896.00	\$19,422.00	\$32,393.00
Health Insurance	\$63,000.00	\$59,684.67	\$0.00
Mileage - Employee	\$6,300.00	\$6,183.46	\$6,300.00
Mileage- Supervisor's	\$5,900.00	\$3,204.22	\$5,500.00
Personnel Equipment	\$1,200.00	\$1,595.72	\$1,300.00
Training	\$1,000.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,200.00
Travel	\$200.00	\$15.18	\$100.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$502,771.00	\$498,010.76	\$490,823.00
BUILDING EXPENSES			
Improvements	\$1,500.00	\$774.32	\$1,000.00
Electricity	\$8,800.00	\$7,631.08	\$8,100.00
Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$524.80	\$1,500.00
Misc. Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Trash Removal	\$2,100.00	\$4,271.44	\$3,000.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$15,400.00	\$13,201.64	\$14,600.00

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BUDGET ITEM	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUAL as of 12/31/15	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES			
Purchases	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Baler Repairs	\$10,000.00	\$3,311.97	\$6,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$9,000.00	\$5,457.62	\$6,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$3,000.00	\$1,971.41	\$2,000.00
Forklift Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$7,564.77	\$5,000.00
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,000.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$900.00	\$908.99	\$900.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$1,750.00	\$285.00	\$1,750.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$3,643.19	\$2,500.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$28,000.00	\$21,431.94	\$21,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$10,000.00	\$25,298.55	\$12,000.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$71,650.00	\$71,098.44	\$58,650.00
PROGRAMS EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$4,500.00	\$1,613.13	\$2,500.00
Permits & Fees	\$400.00	\$339.23	\$400.00
Composting	\$13,000.00	\$14,493.49	\$15,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$11,000.00	\$4,705.00	\$7,000.00
Dues & Subscription	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$20,087.00	\$10,454.15	\$14,000.00
Electronics Recycling	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$25,000.00	\$41,638.25	\$32,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$3,123.41	\$3,000.00
Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$0.00	\$20,379.21	\$17,000.00
Special Collections	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$869.37	\$600.00
Tire Disposal	\$9,000.00	\$8,196.95	\$9,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$89,487.00	\$105,812.19	\$100,800.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$731,598.00	\$762,938.92	\$716,673.00
DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS			
Interest			
Principal			
TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION			
CAPITAL FUND			
Capital Improvement Fund	\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$743,598.00	\$764,938.92	\$716,673.00
Grants--St of VT	\$61,250.00	\$111,791.75	\$59,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$1,800.00	\$1,449.00	\$1,500.00
Hazardous Waste (CEG Fees)	\$5,000.00	\$8,402.57	\$1,000.00
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$17.49	\$50.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$1,997.82	\$500.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$1,000.00	\$2,136.00	\$1,000.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$500.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$174,895.00	\$151,414.56	\$157,000.00
Compost Income	\$1,000.00	\$1,005.00	\$1,000.00
Electronics Income	\$8,000.00	\$16,136.25	\$10,473.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$18,000.00	\$6,875.80	\$9,000.00
Battery Income	\$3,000.00	\$2,922.58	\$4,000.00
Tire Income	\$9,000.00	\$12,325.25	\$12,000.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$460,153.00	\$450,701.20	\$460,000.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$743,598.00	\$767,325.27	\$716,673.00

**MINUTES
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT
MARCH 3, 2015**

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.
- David Warden moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- 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 Gary Bunnell is expiring.
- Gary Bunnell nominated by John Cook.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Gary Bunnell.

Town Clerk

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Benjamin Heisholt is expiring.
- Benjamin Heisholt nominated by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was made that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Benjamin Heisholt.

Treasurer

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Benjamin Heisholt is expiring.
- Benjamin Heisholt nominated by Mona Marceau.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Benjamin Heisholt.

Lister

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Scott Renfrew is expiring.
- Scott Renfrew nominated by John Cook.
- John Cook moved that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Scott Renfrew.

Auditor

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Jonathan Smires is expiring.
- Jonathan Smires nominated by Werner Kohnke. Seconded.

- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jonathan Smires.

Auditor

- Moderator stated that this office is vacant, having two years remaining of a three-year term. Robert Roos, who held this office, resigned and no replacement was appointed.
- Benjamin Gates nominated by Richard Gilmour.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by William Biddle.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Benjamin Gates.

Collector of Delinquent Tax

- Moderator stated that the one-year term of Lisa Bowden is expiring.
- Lisa Bowden nominated by Mark Gilleland.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Lisa Bowden.

First Constable

- Moderator stated that the two-year term of Steve Mosher is expiring.
- Steve Mosher nominated by Marvin Bailey.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Steve Mosher.

Second Constable

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

Grand Juror

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

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 Hoar is expiring.
- William Hoar nominated by Roseann Leute.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for William Hoar.

Library Trustee

- Moderator stated that five-year term of Sarah Walls is expiring.
- Susan Roberts nominated by Sarah Walls.
- Mona Marceau asked if Sarah Walls is seeking re-election.
 - Ms. Walls indicated that she is not seeking re-election.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Susan Roberts.

Library Trustee

- Moderator stated that this office is vacant, having one year remaining of a five-year term. Alan Boye, who held this office, resigned and no replacement was appointed.
- Jane Casavant nominated by Sheri Colby-Schenck.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jane Casavant.

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-four of the Town Report. Seconded by Mary Jean Thielen.
- 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 of Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region?

- David Willis moved the article as warned. Seconded.
- 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?

- John Cook moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- 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.
- Shirley Warden spoke, requesting that the Historical Society include more information in

their report appearing in the Town Report, including who wrote the report and who the President is.

- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for conservation and preservation of collections of historical materials associated with the township of Barnet?

- David Warden moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Kenneth Tyda spoke in opposition to the motion: Several of the appropriation requests may not be used or desired by some voters who must pay taxes to support the appropriations.
- Mona Marceau asked where the historical collections are stored, and if they are accessible to the public.
 - Roseann Leute, a member of the Historical Society spoke: Many of the collections are in the Goodwillie House, which is accessible during the summer months. A professional conservator, however, advised the Historical Society that some of the collections should be removed from this building during the winter. This conservator also advised that much conservation work must be performed on current collections.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00) to Caledonia Home Health Care?

- The article was moved as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$17,050) to CALEX Ambulance Service?

- The article was moved as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Werner Kohnke asked what the total budget for CALEX is.
 - Celina Wright, Representative of CALEX, spoke, indicating that she did not have the exact budget amount, but believed it to be approximately \$200,000.
- Shirley Warden spoke, indicating that she participates in a CALEX insurance program whereby she pays an annual fee to cover the cost of ambulance service in case her health insurance does not pay.
 - Celina Wright spoke: The program to which Ms. Warden referred is CALEX's subscription program; information regarding this program is mailed to every mailing address in the area.
- Mona Marceau spoke: CALEX should make an effort to present a public service announcement several times each year explaining the benefits of a local ambulance service.
- Celina Wright spoke: Voters should support CALEX because it is a non-profit corporation that operates twenty-four hour per day, 365 day per year to serve the community. Because of its billing structure it does not receive payments for the full amounts it bills and therefore always operates in a deficit.
- Sheri Colby-Schenck spoke: Is the appropriation from Barnet used to serve just Barnet residents or residents of other towns also?

- Celina Wright spoke: The appropriation requests to towns are made on a per capita basis, but Barnet funds are applied to the CALEX location in St. Johnsbury. Barnet funds are not used exclusively for residents of Barnet, but they are not used for the Littleton facility.
- Kenneth Tyda spoke: CALEX does good work that should be appreciated and funded, but they should present the voters with a budget.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

The Moderator at this time briefly recessed the meeting to allow Caledonia-1 State Representative Marcia Martel and Caledonia-3 State Representative Scott Beck to speak. As they are not Barnet voters, the Moderator asked if there were any objections to allowing them to speak. No objection was made. Ms. Martel spoke about a number of legislative issues, including clean water laws, Current Use, and a proposed gun law. Mr. Beck spoke primarily about legislative issues surrounding education and education spending, and answered various questions regarding the same.

ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Catamount Arts?

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

ARTICLE 11. 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 Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Kingdom Animal Shelter?

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

ARTICLE 13. 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.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 14. 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 Mona Marceau.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?

- Mona Marceau moved the article as warned. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.

- John Cook asked what services are offered by this organization.
 - Celina Wright spoke, indicating that the primary service is education programs for adults.
 - Stephanie Giese spoke, also indicating adult education services are offered, including a GED program.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?

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

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?

- 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 Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to Umbrella Inc.?

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Lisa Bowden spoke: Why does Umbrella's report indicate that their services are for women only, and not men?
 - Celina Wright spoke, indicating that Umbrella focuses on women because they are most often the victims of domestic abuse.
 - Lisa Bowden spoke: Ms. Wright's information is incorrect; men are often the victims of abuse and do not have a resource for assistance.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?

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

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?

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

ARTICLE 21. 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 shall become due and payable in hand to the Town Treasurer during business hours on or before October 17, 2015, 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 or fraction thereof, for the first three months, and thereafter at the rate of 1 ½ % per month or fraction thereof, plus the collector's fee of 8% as provided by law. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.

- Mona Marceau spoke: The Collector of Delinquent Tax should be commended: Most of the delinquent taxpayers have made arrangements for payment plans.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 22. 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 \$1,287,813 for the General Fund budget. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town vote to exempt from taxation the property owned by the Barnet Historical Society located in Barnet Center and known as the Goodwillie House, for a period not to exceed five (5) years, pursuant to 32 VSA Section 3840?

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

ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town of Barnet accept the contribution and dedication of all of the assets of Barnet Public Library, a Vermont nonprofit corporation, and thereafter operate the Barnet Public Library as a municipal library pursuant to Subchapter 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 22 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated?

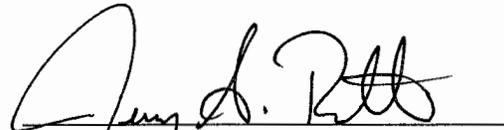
- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Rosemary Kinerson, who was Librarian for a number of years in the past, spoke, inquiring as to why this article is warned.
- Library Trustee Heather Counter spoke: This is primarily a “paperwork” issue to allow the Library to be in compliance with Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations. The Library was adopted by the Town in 1900, prior to the existence of the IRS.
- Catherine Baker spoke, asking what changes this article would cause.
 - Assistant Librarian Sherry Tolle spoke: For many years the Library has existed in a gray area between municipal and non-profit organization. The State of Vermont is willing to recognize the Library as municipal, but this article allows the Library to re-affirm its status in the eyes of the federal government.
- Rosemary Kinerson asked if passage of this article would make the librarians Town employees.
 - Sherry Tolle spoke, indicating that passage of this article would make the librarians Town employees.
 - Heather Counter spoke: Passage of this article will not change the amount budgeted from Town funds for the Library, but it will cause all of library financial reporting to emanate from the Town Treasurer rather than a Library Treasurer. The Library Trustees, however, would continue to exercise executive control over the Library.
- Mona Marceau asked if this article is essentially a “paperwork push.”
 - Sherry Tolle responded: Yes, it is essentially a “paperwork push.”
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 25. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

- Selectboard Chair Jeremy Roberts spoke about several items that the Selectboard is working on presently.
 - Harvey's Lake Dam. Mr. Roberts indicated that the Board continues to work to resolve problems caused by the present status of the dam. The Board has recently hired Robert Desrochers of Fairbanks Mill to advise the Board and seek solutions. Mr. Desrochers has recommended that the Board apply for a permit to remove sedimentation behind the dam, and thereafter work towards building a new dam at the outlet of the lake, and gradually cutting down the current dam or eventually removing it altogether.
 - Animal Control Ordinance. Mr. Roberts indicated that the Board has adopted a new ordinance to replace the former Dog Ordinance in hopes of giving the Board more options in enforcing the ordinance. The voters may request a special town meeting to reconsider this ordinance.
 - Town Hall renovations. Mr. Roberts reported that the Board has formed a committee to advise the Board on the proposed project of renovating the Town Hall and converting it to usable space for a new Town Clerk's Office and other town offices. The committee has retained the services of surveyor Andrew Dussault in order to determine property lines.
- Mona Marceau asked if the Board has a timeframe for the dam project.
 - Jeremy Roberts spoke: The Board is moving forward with the project per Mr. Desrochers's recommendations, but does not have a firm timeframe for the final stages, particularly as it relates to a new dam at the lake outlet.
- Mona Marceau spoke: If another election is held at the Fire & Rescue Station, there should be improvements in lighting and signage.
 - Jeremy Roberts spoke: It is agreed that improvements should be made; the November 2014 General Election was moved to the Fire & Rescue Station on short notice.
- Steven Adler spoke: Has Mr. Desrochers submitted a permit application for sediment removal, and has the Board contacted contractors to perform the work this spring?
 - Jeremy Roberts spoke: The Board is not aware of the status of the permit at this time. The Board is also not aware of what the permit will allow, so they have not yet contacted contractors.
- Rosemarie Spinelli spoke: What is the process to hold a special town meeting regarding the Animal Control Ordinance?
 - Jeremy Roberts spoke: A petition must be submitted to the Board containing the signatures of five percent of the voter checklist within forty-four days of the date of adoption.
- Catherine Baker spoke: What is the present status of the TransCanada Hydro Northeast tax appeal?
 - Dylan Ford spoke: The appeal is currently pending a trial in Vermont Superior Court.
- Grace Gershuny spoke promoting Green-Up Day, and indicating that she is resigning as Green-Up Day coordinator. Ms. Gershuny indicated that she hopes to persuade the Selectboard to appoint a Town Energy Committee.
- Shirley Warden spoke: The Zoning Board/Planning Commission is working on a revision of the Town Plan to include a flood plain resiliency plan. The Board plans to hold a public hearing in the next month or so.

- Susan Persson spoke, reporting on Beach Committee activities in 2014 and soliciting volunteers for playground fund-raisers.
- Robert Farlice-Rubio, an employee of Fairbanks Museum, spoke, thanking the voters for their appropriation to the museum, and indicating the benefits to residents that this appropriation affords.
- Wendy Fearon spoke, asking if there is a designated emergency shelter in town.
 - Moderator Dennis McLam spoke, indicating that the Barnet Elementary School is the designated emergency shelter.
- Moderator Dennis McLam adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.


Dennis McLam, Moderator


Jeremy Roberts, Selectman


Attest: Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

**MINUTES
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
TOWN OF BARNET
MARCH 03, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 12:50 p.m. at the Barnet Elementary School gymnasium by Moderator Dennis McLam.

The Moderator announced that prior to the commencement of warned articles, the School Board would present a slideshow presentation regarding the school budget and various other matters relating to School Board business. The lights were dimmed, and the presentation commenced as summarized below.

- Shellie Samuels presented a slide entitled “Budget at a Glance,” which compared the fiscal year 2016 budget and tax rates to the previous fiscal year.
- Louis Bushey presented slides providing detailed description and budget comparisons for several expenditure functions, and reasons for major expenditure increases and decreases.
 - James McFaul spoke, asking why there is a decrease in the expenditures for library and media.
 - Louis Bushey spoke: This decrease results from a cost shift from this category to technology expenditures in the Caledonia Central Supervisory Union (CCSU) budget.
 - James McFaul spoke, asking how many School Board members are on the CCSU board, and how the CCSU fits with the rest of the school administration.
 - Louis Bushey spoke: There are three members of the Barnet School Board on the CCSU board. CCSU provides professional leadership, guidance, and administrative functions to the School Board.
 - School Principal Shawn Gonyaw, who is not a Barnet resident, spoke, with the voters’ consent, regarding the leadership function of CCSU.
- Mary Skovsted presented slides providing details for high school tuition rates, school population including totals for each class, school population over the past nine years, and classroom configuration and class size policy.
- Robert Farlice-Rubio presented slides regarding school staffing for various functions over the past nine years, and trends in school staffing over the past nine years.
- Louis Bushey presented slides regarding CCSU: their composition, services provided, and goals.
 - John Cook spoke: Legal fees outside the Town’s control contributed to CCSU’s previous year deficit. The percentage of the Town School budget represented by the CCSU budget increases each year. Having only three Town voters involved in passing a budget the size of CCSU’s is not fair to Barnet voters; the School Board should not shift costs to CCSU, as it results in loss of local control.
 - William Graves spoke, stating his preference that a discussion of the issues material to the budget be postponed until there is a motion on the floor.
 - The Moderator agreed with Mr. Graves suggestion, and asked that the presentation be concluded without any further discussion from the floor.
- David Warden presented slides regarding the reasons why the tax rate decreased with a budget increase, the plan for a new playground.
- Shellie Samuels presented a slide regarding food service information.
- David Warden presented slides regarding roof deterioration issues, and the conclusion of the terms of Shellie Samuels and Mary Skovsted.

ARTICLE 1 To elect a Moderator.

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Dennis McLam is expiring.
- Dennis McLam nominated by Rosemary Kinerson.
- David Warden moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- 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 of Shellie Samuels is expiring. Moderator indicated that Ms. Samuels does not seek re-election.
- Susan Roberts nominated by Rebecca Boardman.
- Mona Marceau moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rosemary Kinerson.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Susan Roberts.

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

- Moderator stated that two-year term of Mary Skovsted is expiring. Moderator indicated that Ms. Skovsted does not seek re-election.
- James Schenck nominated by Beverly Larocque.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for James Schenck.

ARTICLE 3 Shall the School District vote to adopt a budget of \$5,010,724.00 for the school year ending June 30, 2016 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?

- Rosemary Kinerson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Deborah Nutter moved that this motion be decided by paper ballot.
 - Moderator asked if there were five other voters who also wished to vote on this motion by paper ballot. Five other voters signified this by show of hands; the Moderator announced that this motion would be decided by paper ballot.
- Marvin Bailey spoke: Is the School Board planning to use the Esden Fund to fund the new playground? The principal of this fund is restricted.
 - Shellie Samuels spoke: The School Board plans to use the Esden Fund to fund part of the matching funds for the playground project. Only gains on the investments will be used, not the principal.
- Mona Marceau spoke, asking for an explanation of the increases in the CCSU budget.
 - CCSU Business Manager Patricia Amsden, who is not a Barnet voter, spoke with consent of the voters. She reviewed the budget as appears on page 100 of the Town Report line-by-line and explained differences from the previous budget year. Much of the increase results from cost-shifts from School District expenditures to CCSU expenditures in the categories of Bookkeeper salary and technology.
- Gregory Jackmauh spoke: What was the cost at the school district level in the previous year for the technology functions shifted to CCSU?
 - Louis Bushey spoke: The CCSU-wide combined increase is approximately \$10,000. This change results in full-time support staff that was not available in the previous year.
- The vote for this article was conducted by paper ballot.
- While the votes were being tabulated, several voters spoke:
 - Shirley Warden spoke:
 - The Pre-Town Meeting Public Hearing was very poorly attended this year. Perhaps this should no longer be held.
 - The CCSU Superintendent's letter in the Town Report was addressed "To Whom it May Concern." This in an offensive way to address the taxpayers who support his salary.
 - Roseann Leute spoke: A sliding party will be held at the farm of Peter and Elizabeth Everts on Saturday, March 14, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- The Moderator announced the results of the vote: 112 total votes; 57 votes needed to pass. Total "Yes" votes: 71; total "No" votes: 41. The motion was passed.

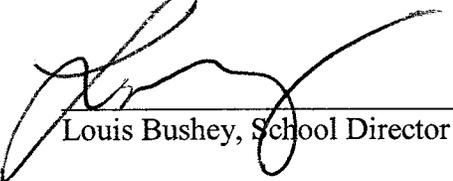
ARTICLE 4 Shall the School District authorize the Barnet School Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2016 in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?

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

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

- Louis Bushey spoke about the School Board's discussions with the Peacham School District regarding the possibility of consolidation.
- Edward Ryan spoke in appreciation for the work of the School Board.
- Moderator adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.


Dennis McLam, Moderator


Louis Bushey, 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, LED 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 January 5, 2015

2015 Taxes and Tax Rates						
Caledonia						
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	1,534,046	2,075,254	1,285,409	1.4408	1.4719	0.5224
<i>Barnet FD #1</i>	0	0	4,657	0	0	0.0575
<i>Barnet FD #2</i>	0	0	9,686	0	0	0.0690
<i>Barnet FD #3</i>	0	0	5,797	0	0	0.0400
<i>Barnet FD #5</i>	0	0	4,770	0	0	0.0250
Burke	1,530,366	2,278,066	1,212,894	1.5360	1.4608	0.4650
Danville	2,186,816	2,038,361	1,395,076	1.4244	1.4753	0.4801
Groton	787,060	1,013,366	643,270	1.5663	1.4753	0.5442
Hardwick	1,807,296	1,143,610	2,020,541	1.7807	1.7333	1.2343
Kirby	487,505	339,622	247,176	1.4105	1.4717	0.4300
Lyndon	2,831,763	2,436,647	1,087,518	1.4205	1.4990	0.3055
<i>Lyndonville Village</i>	0	0	456,369	0	0	0.6608
<i>Lyndon Highway</i>	0	0	1,048,242	0	0	0.3595
Newark	508,526	814,379	428,841	1.4724	1.3922	0.4617
Peacham	1,007,177	1,140,612	514,894	1.6427	1.4821	0.3728
<i>Peacham FD</i>	0	0	7,086	0	0	0.0800
Ryegate	989,788	959,486	728,685	1.5582	1.4676	0.5693
<i>So Ryegate Vill</i>	0	0	6,780	0	0	0.0500
<i>Ryegate FD #2</i>	0	0	5,339	0	0	0.0700
Sheffield	457,984	418,420	235,001	1.6091	1.4629	0.2337
St. Johnsbury	2,842,907	4,416,046	6,307,062	1.1718	1.4131	1.1377
<i>St. J Spec Serv Dist</i>	0	0	1,608,164	0	0	0.6426
Stannard	150,669	152,397	154,021	1.7807	1.5729	0.8500
Sutton	772,304	560,174	675,618	1.2855	1.3644	0.6738
Walden	620,273	664,150	601,398	1.2584	1.5668	0.6610
Waterford	1,460,329	1,344,435	725,666	1.6059	1.5649	0.4032
Wheelock	546,726	359,860	307,657	1.5369	1.3972	0.5187
County Totals	20,521,533	22,154,882	21,727,615			

Section 2

Reports of Town Officers, Boards & Committees

2015 Selectboard Report

The year 2015 was a year for action. Progress was made on many projects we have been discussing for years. The town of Barnet prides it's self on the success of our undertakings. This success is due to the countless hours of preparation that come from our Town Clerk's office and our dedicated citizens. We as a board are very thankful to have the overall support and confidence of the community allowing us to make decisions which ultimately shape the town in which we live.

The first and probably the most noticeable project was the Harvey's Lake Dam. For years there has been a lot of discussion about the different ways to solve the problem of back flow into Harvey's Lake. In the summer of 2015 the town took the first step of many to curb the damage large storms create. The next step will most likely be a new dam like structure at the outlet of the lake and the possible removal of the old dam. This approach will create a more consistent water level and a natural flow to South Peacham Brook.

The Bill Hoar Municipal Building committee has been working with a local surveyor to find the boundary lines of the property. This needs to be finalized before the Town approves funds for improvements. There were too many questions that needed answering before we could devise a plan for proceeding.

The Road Crew has been busy as well this year. They have added a road side mower to their fleet with the intention of keeping larger areas of our road sides clear. The Crew was instrumental in the vast paving projects which took place in 2015. We hope to continue with many more paving projects this year. The Town gravel pit is an area often over looked. The Road Crew and the Selectboard have been working on long term plans to manage our town gravel pit to ensure we can benefit from its resources for years to come.

One of the most difficult issues we faced in 2015 was dog control. For the first time in many years the Town of Barnet has an ordinance with a little more bite to it. Most of our citizens have no idea of how much time this particular item took up last year. Because of the hard work of our two constables, our local dog catcher and a little time, the dogs generating the most complaints no longer reside in the town of Barnet.

We are in the beginning stages of developing a forest management plan for our Town Forest. The Selectboard has given the St. Johnsbury Academy's Forestry class permission to use our forest as a teaching tool. The class will map out our timber and give us a plan outlining how best to manage our forest. We are hopeful our new forestry plan will also include how best to create and manage walking path away from our gravel pit.

We look forward to 2016 and the projects we will continue ensuring the Town of Barnet is one of the best towns in New England.

Jeremy Roberts

Gary Bunnell

Dylan Ford

Road Foreman's Report

After a long winter and spring, 2015 finally gave us some summer weather. The summer road maintenance was a busy season. We replaced and up-sized sixteen highway culverts, and cleaned many ditches with our backhoe and grader. We repaved almost 3.5 miles on eight different roads. A portion of this was paid through a Vermont Agency of Transportation grant, used for repaving 1.1 miles on Comerford Dam Road. Another grant was received for a box culvert on Barnet Center Road, which will be installed this spring.

In this past year we had two crew members leave Barnet. Good luck to Keith and Craig in your new positions. With that said, we also have some new faces at the town garage. Dennis Tillotson, Barry Snow, and I all started this year. Along with familiar faces Jason and Glenn, this is a very knowledgeable, dedicated, and committed road crew providing Barnet with a safe highway system.

Mark Chase
Barnet Road Foreman

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, 2015.

January 27, 2016

Jeffrey Riley
Benjamin Gates

Barnet Listers Report

Elected Listers are charged with assessing all properties in the town of Barnet on an equitable basis. Additionally, we maintain an accurate Grand List by reviewing and updating all property transfers, tax maps, permit work, deeds, surveys, and the Current Use program.

Barnet's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) as of January 1, 2016 has risen from 104.29 in 2015 to 105.52. The equalized education grand list is one percent of the equalized education property value. The CLA provides a town wide comparison of our total listed value to the state's estimate of total fair market value. This figure is used to adjust and equalize the state education tax rate for each town.

The town's equalized education property value is \$234,510,217 and the Coefficient of Dispersion is 18.38 effective Jan. 1, 2016. The COD is a measure of uniformity of appraisal for all properties in the grand list.

Every year the state completes an equalization study to determine the CLA and COD as factors to determine the education tax rate.

HS-122: The Homestead Declaration and income sensitivity form must be filed ANNUALLY in order to receive the residential tax rate and (for those qualified) a school property tax reduction. The easiest way to remember to file the form is to do it at the same time your income tax is filed by April 15th. After that date there is a penalty that is added to your tax bill.

Grievance notices are automatically mailed to property owners who have a change in appraisal during the year. Property owners can also grieve their property value without a change of appraisal by notifying the Listers' office during the grievance period late spring or early summer. Notice of the grievance period will be posted in town offices and in the newspaper.

Please contact the Listers' office if you have any questions. The Listers meet Monday and Thursday mornings from 9 A.M. until noon.

John Cook

Scott Renfrew

Sally Cook

Report of the Trustees For Public Funds, 2015

After this report, you will find a detailed financial report for the Esden Funds, as shared by the Town and the School District per Oliver Esden's intent.

Our investment plan has been to protect the original, restricted principal while the funds have opportunity to grow both by unrealized gain or accumulated value, and by reinvestment of earned dividends and interest. This plan has served well—the Town's share of Esden Funds has reached \$124,713 on December 31, 2015, and has gained \$1,150 since December 31, 2014, at a 1.01% rate of total return. Expected income for 2016 is \$3,410. You will see that the School District's share of the Esden Funds has reached \$127,458 on December 31, 2015, and has gained \$4,299 since December 31, 2014, at 1.03% rate of total return. Anticipated income is projected to be \$3,037 for 2016.

The beginning values over eleven years ago were \$53,168 for the Town, and \$53,168 for the School District. The funds have increased by 2.33 times in these years.

The Trustees have chosen to leave the fund management over these years with the local Edward Jones Company. As the public caretakers of the Funds, we have at times made suggestions to the private fund manager. We believe our roles have evolved, and we ask that our advice be sought before actual draws from the Esden Funds assets are made by either Town or School boards. These Boards have the choice and right by statute to spend any gains as may seem fitting.

The Trustees' original mission remains to hold sound investments for income and growth, while the original principal is always protected.

Merle Fitzgerald
William Graves
William Hoar

**Town of Barnet
Esden Fund
2015 Financial Reports**

Activity Summary

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2014	123,563.25
Income:	5,941.10
Gain (loss) in value of securities:	(5,062.11)
2015 Net Earnings or (Loss):	878.99
Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2015	124,442.24

Balance Sheet

Assets:	Dec. 31, 2014	Dec. 31, 2015
Cash	12,159.92	16,994.79
Corporate Bonds	12,110.88	11,055.22
Government Securities	7,666.74	7,638.07
Unit Trusts	37,290.96	35,346.96
Mutual Funds	54,334.75	53,407.20
Total Assets	123,563.25	124,442.24
 Fund Equity:		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	70,394.67	71,273.66
Total Fund Equity	123,563.25	124,442.24

Changes in Unit Trusts & Mutual Funds

	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>			<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>		
	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value
Van Kampen Build America Bonds	36.00	1,035.86	37,290.96	36.00	981.86	35,346.96
American Mutual Fund - Class C	690.51	36.70	25,341.75	730.75	33.43	24,429.01
Growth Fund of America - Class C	426.94	40.43	17,260.98	464.34	38.85	18,039.76
New World Fund - Class C	226.09	51.89	11,732.02	226.09	48.38	10,938.43
Totals	1,379.54		91,625.71	1,457.19		88,754.16

Barnet School District
Esden Fund
Fiscal Year 2015 Financial Reports

Activity Summary

Balance in Account Jun. 30, 2014	123,158.97
Income:	7,028.65
Gain (loss) in value of securities:	(1,676.70)
2015 Net Earnings or (Loss):	5,351.95
Balance in Account Jun. 30, 2015	128,510.92

Balance Sheet

Assets:	Jun. 30, 2014	Jun. 30, 2015
Cash	7,631.38	11,147.98
Corporate Bonds	12,109.92	12,094.56
Government Securities	9,746.02	9,679.98
Unit Trusts	26,880.80	26,010.79
Mutual Funds	66,790.85	69,577.61
Total Assets	123,158.97	128,510.92
Fund Equity:		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	69,990.39	75,342.34
Total Fund Equity	123,158.97	128,510.92

Changes in Unit Trusts & Mutual Funds

	<u>Jun. 30, 2014</u>			<u>Jun. 30, 2015</u>		
	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value	Number of Shares	Value per Share	Total Value
FT Build America Bonds	2.00	944.65	1,889.30	2.00	906.52	1,813.04
Van Kampen Build America Bonds	25.00	999.66	24,991.50	25.00	967.91	24,197.75
American Mutual Fund - Class C	694.81	36.29	25,214.73	728.18	36.66	26,694.93
Growth Fund of America - Class C	552.01	43.33	23,918.64	608.64	42.95	26,140.92
New World Fund - Class C	295.33	59.79	17,657.48	310.32	53.95	16,741.76
Totals	1,569.15		93,671.65	1,674.13		95,588.40

2015 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BARNET PLANNING/ZONING BOARD

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

The present Board consists of Benjamine Adams, William Biddle, Gary Briggs, Jonathan Carpenter, Kathleen Crown, Bruce Denio, Dennis McLam, George Pierce, and Shane Stevenson. (Adams, Briggs, and Denio were reappointed in July 2015.

At the annual organizational meeting in August chairman, McLam and vice-chairman, Biddle were reelected for one year terms and Shirley Warden was appointed secretary for the Board for one year.

The Board meets the first Tuesday of the month as needed, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office. Public hearing are held as required and notices appear in THE CALEDONIAN RECORD are posted in the Barnet and Passumpsic post offices, the Town Clerk's office and on the Town of Barnet web site "barnetvt.org". Draft minutes are available on the Town web site with in 5 days as required by State Statue. The approved minutes are recored in the records at the Town Clerk's office.

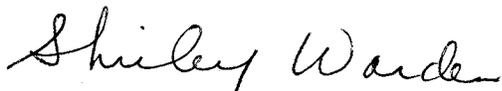
The Board met eleven times in 2015 at which they held 4 public hearings . One to approve the update of the Town Plan adding the flood resiliency section as required so property owners can qualify for flood insurance. The Board approved the changes and sent the plan to the Selectboard for adoption, which they did.

The other public hearings were for three setback from right-of-ways and one for change of use. All were approved.

Working with a new person, Irene Nagle, at NVDA the Board started considering the up date that need to be done to the Zoning Ordinance, which was last changed October 1997.

In the last few years the Legislature has passed many new laws changing the Zoning regulations that make the Barnet Ordinance have sections that are no longer allowed to be regulated.

The hope is to have this rewrite ready for adoption before the end of the year.



Shirley Warden, Secretary
Barnet Planning/Zoning Board

2015 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Twenty six completed applications were received in 2015. Four were referred to the Planning/Zoning Board for consideration. There were three requests for setback from right-of-ways variances, and one change of use. Two applications were returned because they were not needed.

Permits were issued for ten sheds, nine porches, three dwelling additions, three decks, two of each of the following, dwellings, green houses and residential garages, one of each of the following play ground at the school, home occupation, barn, pond, sign, solar & wind tower, garage addition, subdivision, change of use, and a ramp.

Two late fees were collected for building without a permit.

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 the VT Commissioner of Agriculture rules and MUST tell the "municipality" before building begins. I suggest you notify the Listers at 633-2256.

Application forms are available at the Town Clerk's office or on line at www.barnetvt.org. Please use a form dated September 2014 or newer and follow the two pages of instructions.

The permit fee is \$20.00 plus \$10.00 for recording. Public hearing applications, for (conditional uses, back lot, variance, site plan review or appeal) the fee is \$30.00 plus \$10.00 for recording. 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 to answer all your questions.



Shirley Warden
Barnet Zoning Administrative Officer

Report of the Collector of Delinquent Tax
 Lisa J. Bowden, Collector
 December 31, 2015

<u>Year</u>	<u>Taxes Charged to Collector</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Abated</u>	<u>Uncollected Tax as of 12/31/15</u>
2008	\$ 2,740.67	\$ 263.62	-0-	\$ 2,477.05
2009	135.62	135.62	-0-	-0-
2010	1,595.47	1,319.99	-0-	275.48
2011	7,781.03	1,047.08	-0-	6,733.95
2012	29,080.12	5,384.01	-0-	23,696.11
2013	52,100.98	17,326.25	-0-	34,774.73
2014	136,396.52	82,391.35	\$1,613.65	52,691.52
2015	<u>202,574.52</u>	<u>62,498.62</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>140,075.90</u>
	\$ 432,704.93	\$170,366.54	\$1,613.65	\$ 260,724.74

Unpaid Tax Balances by Taxpayer::

<u>2008</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2015</u>	
Alongi, Vito	\$1,440*	Kendall, James/Jere	\$ 6,594	Roy, Arthur Jr/Debra	\$27,163
Ellery, John & Donna	1	Kendall, James/Michelle	11,659	Samor, David et al	2
Noyes, Billy	1,036	Kendall, Marvin/Jere	99	Stone, Linwood	1,338*
		Mitchell, Stephanie	68*	Tetreault, Shawn	1,221*
		Noyes, Billy	555	Verrill, James/Lyczko, Thomas	2,576*
		Root, Jonathan/Leigh Ann	209		
<u>2010</u>		<u>2015</u>			
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	275	Achilles Wayne Estate	\$ 535	+ - denotes paid in full by publication date	
		Alongi, Vito	1,903*	* - denotes payment plan in effect	
		Bailey, Barbara	3,097		
		Blue Sky Builders	25,194		
		Boardman/ Brendan/Kate	528		
		Calcagni, Alex/Renee	418		
		Cesare, Beth Ann	676		
		Cushing, Ronald/Sylvia	181		
		Debarga, Theresa Estate	1,160		
		Ellinwood, Mark/Vicki	881		
		Fenoff, Cindy	860		
		Gardner Rev. Trust	2,473		
		Grady, Wm / Lorna	4,330		
		Grigg, William	445		
		Hall, Jennifer	2,587		
		Hannon, George	765		
		Hayes, Candace	563*		
		Hoyt, Justin/Erica	5,090+		
		Kendall, James	12,152		
		Kendall, James/Jere	6,757		
		Kendall, James/Michelle	11,104		
		Kendall, Marvin/Jere	102		
		King, Debora	5,495*		
		Kristoff, Barbara	3,144*		
		Linzer Fam Rev Trust	1,139*		
		Makris, Victor/Heideman Trust	1,751		
		Mitchell, Stephanie	2,025*		
		Moore, Kevin/Deborah	2,197		
		Moulton, J. Paul	364+		
		Narey, Joyce	3,728*		
		Noble, Deborah et al	1,218		
		O'Shana, Tracia	247		
		Ouellette, William	1,466*		
		Quinn, Norah	1,933*		
		Rivard, Martha	592*		
		Root, Jonathan/Leigh Ann	708		
<u>2011</u>					
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	\$1,103				
Bradley, John/Sharon	2,341*				
Noyes, Billy	1,057*				
Rivard, Martha	2,232*				
<u>2012</u>					
Alongi, Vito	\$ 451*				
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	911				
Bradley, John /Sharon	1,111*				
Debarga, Theresa Estate	278				
Gardner Rev. Trust	1,530				
Kendall, James	7,637				
Kendall, James/Michelle	8,486				
Makris, Victor Heideman Trust	346				
Rivard, Martha	2,187*				
Stone, Linwood	758*				
<u>2013</u>					
Boardman, Brendan/Kate	\$ 2,508*				
Cushing, Ronald/Sylvia	170				
Debarga, Theresa Estate	1,199				
Ellinwood, Mark/Vicki	828				
Kendall, James	8,024				
Kendall, James/Jere	6,350				
Kendall, James/Michelle	11,321				
Lantagne, John	1,916				
Makris, Victor/Heideman Trust	1,645				
Verrill, James/Lyczko, Thomas	810*				
<u>2014</u>					
Blue Sky Builders	\$20,775				
Calcagni, Alex/Renee	331*				
Cushing, Ronald/Sylvia	136				
Debarga, Theresa Estate	1,132				
Ellinwood, Mark/Vicki	860				
Hannon, George	1,524				
Kendall, James	8,746				

2015 REPORT OF BARNET FIRE & RESCUE

Call volume for 2015 was up by 14% over 2014. Barnet Fire & Rescue responded to 138 fire and medical incidents in 2015 as compared to 121 in 2014.. Emergency medical calls and motor vehicle accidents still account for over half of our call volume with the rest being a variety of incidents requiring fire department response. There were only two weeks out of the year that the Department was not called on for some type of assistance.

Our facilities and apparatus are still serving us well. Last year we started to replace the protective clothing worn by our firefighters. The standard regulating this gear states that it is to be replaced after 10 years and ours has reached that mark. We replaced 4 more sets this year, which brings us up to seven members having updated turnout gear. We will continue to inspect and replace 2-3 sets a year as needed. Replacement cost is around \$2000.00 to \$2500.00 a set. We still need to replace several air cylinders as they have reached the end of their certification. Also our gas meter is at a point that sensors and replacement batteries are no longer available and will need to be replaced. On the Emergency Medical side it is time to start replacing our AEDs

Occasionally I will get calls from residents inquiring if the Department cleans chimneys. The answer to that is no. The reason is twofold, first we do not have the proper equipment to thoroughly inspect a chimney for damage and secondly it would put the Town and Department at a greater liability. When we are called to an incident involving a chimney fire we will mitigate the situation by extinguishing the fire, check for any extension, make sure the flu is not plugged, and advise the resident not to use the chimney until it has been cleaned and inspected. For a list of certified chimney sweeps you can go to the Chimney Safety Institute of America's website at: <http://www.csia.org> and do a search within 30 miles of your ZIP. Just a closing thought on chimney fires. A chimney fire in action can be impressive. Indications of a chimney fire have been described as creating, loud cracking and popping noise, a lot of dense smoke, and an intense, hot smell. Chimney fires can burn explosively – noisy and dramatic enough to be detected by neighbors or people passing by. Flames or dense smoke may shoot from the top of the chimney. Homeowners report being startled by a low rumbling sound that reminds them of a freight train or a low flying airplane. However, those are only the chimney fires you *know* about. Slow-burning chimney fires don't get enough air or have fuel to be dramatic or visible. But, the temperatures they reach are very high and can cause as much damage to the chimney structure and nearby combustible parts of the house as their more spectacular cousins. With proper chimney system care, chimney fires are entirely preventable.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald L Morse, Chief

BARNET FIRE RESCUE
TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance reported on hand January 1st, 2015 \$ 8,001.73

Income

Donations \$390.00
911 Signs \$60.00
Interest \$2.82

Total \$452.82

January 1st balance plus income \$ 8,454.55

Expenses

VT State Firefighters Assoc. \$360.00
Building Maint. Equip \$148.62
Barnet Village Store(misc items) \$157.35
Donations \$500.00
Twin State raffle tickets \$60.00
Postage & Box Rent \$67.80
Vehicle maint & fuel \$52.45
Training \$210.00
Fire Equipment \$13.99
911 Sign Supplies \$223.89
K Nutter(reimbursement) \$151.95
Misc Meeting Refreshments \$107.32

Total \$2,053.37

Balance on hand December 31st,2015 \$ 6,401.18

Christopher Bunnell, Treasurer

Harvey's Lake Beach Committee- Town Report 2016

Summary of beach happenings for the year 2015

Activities

- Swimming lessons were held again this year, serving 97 children. Barnet residents received lessons for free, while students from other towns were charged a fee. We are exploring the idea of adding the series of lessons necessary to become a lifeguard so we can train local youth and potentially future beach employees.
- We continue to work toward increasing our reserve fund for playground improvements. Our fundraising efforts for this year were; another beach concert with admission by donation and refreshment sales, as well as the sale of ice creams, popsicles and water. You will notice that some improvements have been made. This work was done by a group of volunteers through the church with only minimal material expenses coming out of the beach budget. We are always interested in new fundraising ideas for the beach, please contact any member of the committee to make suggestions.

Improvements

- The Barnet School 6th grade enjoyed their annual service learning trip to the beach again, this year they planted flowers, raked the beach, and picked up other debris. This is a huge help in getting the beach cleaned up and ready for opening day!
- Again the Committee would like to thank the church for heading up the volunteer group! This group also constructed changing areas in the restrooms, fixed some broken picnic tables, and performed other small fixes within the gate house.
- Please be sure to check out our facebook page, 'Harvey's Lake, Vermont', here you can find all that is happening at the beach: beach pass forms, pavilion rental forms, swim lesson forms, upcoming dates, contact information, and much more!

Other News

- Pavilion rentals, as well as, beach pass sales increased again this year. We look forward to the continued increase of beach revenue.
- Due to circumstances Sue Persson has regretfully resigned from the beach committee. We THANK YOU Sue for all your efforts in getting this committee up and running and all your hard work in making the beach run smoothly. We know we will see you there over the summer, and still swimming in late October!
- Our volunteer members, Ruth Vaal and Sarah Walls have also decided that they are no longer able to commit so much time to the beach. We would like to THANK YOU for all your hard work, designing forms, swim lesson group organization, ice cream supplies, and all the other "stuff"!

As you can all see the Beach takes a lot of hard work and hands to make things run smoothly so it can be enjoyed by so many! We are always looking for help in any area that you can contribute! Please contact any of the committee members if you are interested in volunteering!

As always, THANK YOU, the town for your continued support to the beach!

Committee Members: Kelly Glentz Brush, Christen Emerson, Philo Marcotte, and Joyce Evans

More to come for the 2016 season! Visit the beach to see what's new!!

Librarian's Report 2015

The Barnet Public Library has had another successful year of providing books, services and programming to the area.

Adult & Children books	3,353	Patron computer usage/tech help	882
Audio/Video	784	Interlibrary loans	92
Patrons meeting/reading/studying	2,505	Patron visits	4,161

We provided over 8,000 individual services to area residents and visitors. Once again we had a year full of programs, projects, and new challenges. One of our continued successes have been with our adult programs, **Art At The Library**. We managed to fill almost every class with eager participants wanting to learn to make wreaths, needle felt birds and gnomes, decorate Ukrainian Eggs, and to try their hands at nature photography. We were again so grateful to have volunteers from the community to teach these classes. Much thanks to Elizabeth Everts, Becky Boardman, Annette Hyder, Sheri Colby Schenck, Joyce Evans and Sarah Walls. Thanks to Ken Dow (and our board members) for painting our bathroom a beautiful bright orange.

Our summer reading theme, **Every Hero Has A Story**, was quite successful in 2015. The kickoff was an afternoon of mask making and popsicles and asking ourselves "What is a hero?". The Vermont Institute of Natural Sciences came with their animal superheroes; raptors and a corn snake and drew a crowd of 60 (almost too many for our library). Wonldy Paye, a Liberian Storyteller came and told stories of unlikely heroes to 80 or so onlookers! The real fun for us was having our Hometown Heroes to the library. Ron Morse brought a Barnet fire truck, local EMT's brought the CALEX ambulance, and Trooper David Roos demonstrated the skills of his canine partner, Tori.

Halloween brought another night of fun with Trunk or Treat with over 200 area children attending dressed as mummies, clowns, fairies, knights, Minecraft characters and more. This year we had over 20 decorated car trunks including a Barnet fire truck and an emergency vehicle (complete with dogs dressed as Dalmatians). This is always one of our favorite events!

Other successes for 2015 include: a website, thanks to Jane Casavant and a generous grant from the Department of Libraries, our weekly story hours on Saturdays at 10:30, and around 80 new books due to a successful grant for children's books to keep the collection current. We continue to carry as many best sellers and new releases as we can afford and pride ourselves in providing what the community needs.

Thanks so much to the Barnet Community for another great year!

Dylan Ford & Sherry Tolle, Librarians [633-3831/barnetpl@hotmail.com/](mailto:633-3831/barnetpl@hotmail.com)
barnetpubliclibrary.com or Facebook/[barnetpubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/barnetpubliclibrary)

**Barnet Public Library
2015 Financial Report**

	2015 Budget	2015 Actual	2016 Proposed Budget
Income			
Donations	\$1,000.00	\$2,270.00	\$1,300.00
Grants	\$50.00	\$1,800.00	\$0.00
Town	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Fundraising		\$945.00	\$600.00
	\$26,050.00	\$30,015.00	\$26,900.00
Expenses			
Audio/Video	\$600.00	\$646.00	\$600.00
Adult books	\$1,900.00	\$2,008.00	\$1,900.00
Kid books	\$1,000.00	\$1,803.00	\$1,000.00
Newspaper & Magazines	\$200.00	\$529.00	\$200.00
Membership	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Mileage	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Gross Wages	\$18,400.00	\$17,448.00	\$18,900.00
Tax – payroll & other	\$1,500.00	\$1,335.00	\$1,500.00
Office supplies	\$150.00	\$705.00	\$300.00
One click digital	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$390.00
Computer	\$300.00	\$371.00	\$400.00
Postage	\$375.00	\$85.00	\$200.00
Special events	\$100.00	\$473.00	\$500.00
Telephone	\$486.00	\$485.00	\$490.00
Internet	\$414.00	\$413.00	\$420.00
Workshops	\$100.00		
Miscellaneous expense		\$635.00	
Fundraising expense		\$530.00	
	\$26,000.00	\$27,891.00	\$26,900.00

<u>Account balances:</u>	<u>As of</u> <u>12/31/14</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Expense</u>	<u>Non-recurring</u> <u>expense</u>	<u>Interest /</u> <u>Investment</u> <u>Income</u>	<u>As of 12/31/15</u>
Checking	\$22,163.98	-\$6,100.71	\$30,015.00	-\$27,891.00			\$18,187.27
Statement savings	\$5,737.41	-\$5,737.41					\$0.00
Building fund	\$5,328.60	-\$5,328.60					\$0.00
Investment Account***	\$69,091.95	\$17,166.72	\$2,375.94		-\$1,294.00	-\$4,393.58	\$82,947.03
	\$102,321.94	\$0.00					

*** Investment account is comprised of bequests in memory of Gina McBride, Arthur and Helen McLaren, Mildred Robinson, Horace Fairbanks and Albert Warden.

Barnet Waste Management Report 2015

The year 2015 saw another successful year of recycling in Barnet. We, again, had help from Donald Nelson, Tom and Sherry Tolle, Shirley Warden and Dixie Burns (Call 2-1-1) who continues to offer her support in providing us with information needed by the Good Neighbor Fund. Melvin Hale retired in July and Ken Dow who lives in West Barnet took Melvin's place. Ken has been doing a great job.

We'd also like to thank Jeremy Roberts and his students from Saint Johnsbury Academy, who did an outstanding job of wiring the building with electricity for lights.

To see how things have progressed, we're going to compare this year with 2012. The figures are quite remarkable. For instance, aluminum has increased from 0.47 tons to 0.79, hard covered books have grown from 0.6 tons to 1.2 tons, cardboard has increased from 16.23 to 17.55 tons, glass (mixed) has stayed steady at 15.91, cans have grown from 2.5 to 2.76 tons, e-waste has increased from 4.28 to 6.20 tons, mixed paper has dropped from 29.53 to 26.27 tons, plastic bags remained the same at 1.17 tons, other plastic has gone from 8.5 to 10.0 tons.

Our recyclables amount to 84.41 tons not including scrap metal*. Great job, everyone who recycles!

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund has had another successful year and I'd like to thank everyone who has donated to this cause. Debbie King of the Barnet Village Store and West Barnet Quick Stop continues to provide help to families through the bottle fund.

Tom and Sherry Tolle have continued to help with the bottle redemption. Shirley Warden continues to go above and beyond helping with everything.

We've been handling out more dog cookies than ever before; however, we have lost over a dozen dog friends in the last ten years. Our photo gallery of little four-legged friends is now close to eighty.

We need more people to pay attention to cleaning articles before bringing them to the recycle center. When people don't follow the rules of recycling, it makes more work for the rest of us. Please do your fair share.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Marston

*This total was not available to me at press time.

Memorial Flags

This is the 16th year that the 7th 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, 2015 they met the school bus at each cemetery and passed out the flags to the following students and staff.

Jordan Barbour, Logan Bogie, Luke Bogie, Michael Brink, William Burnett, Lydia Bushey, Alice Choate, Peter Collins, Madison Crown, Hannah Davis, Elizabeth Dauscher, Kieran Fletcher, Feisha Fournier, Garrett Gilmour, Elijah Goodwin, Logan Hillier, Jacinta Houde, Madison Labounty, Grace Larocque, James McChesney, Charlotte Mosedale, Nash Nunn, Alexis Perkins, Liam Pichard, Reanne Pierce, Jonthan Roy, Brette Stone, Molly Young

Cindy Mosedale and Aimee Hamden-McPhee

The following is the number of flags placed at each cemetery. 81 at McIndoes, 23 at Walter Harvey, 32 at West Barnet, 72 at Barnet Center, 9 at Stevens and 92 at Pleasant View.

We would like to thank the students and staff at the Barnet School for their help and hope this tradition will continue.

Patricia McLam and Lisa Bowden

Memorial Day Remembrance 2015

On Monday May 25th, 2015 the town of Barnet held Memorial Day observances at the Monument in Passumpsic Village at 8:30am and at the Monument in Barnet Village at 9:00am. The ceremony started with Tom Flannigan saying a prayer. The speaker for the day was Dave Curtin formerly of the 173rd Airborne Brigade. Dave spoke about the history of Barnet residents, specifically the roles played in previous wars. Also participating was the Woman's Auxiliary along with Debbie Smith who played Taps in Passumpsic and Dave Rock who played in Barnet Village.

We would also like to thank the community members who came out to observe the Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony and to the people that keep our memorial parks maintained.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeremy S. Roberts

Section 3

Town Financial Reports

Treasurer's Report

"The year 2015 was a year for action." So notes the Selectboard Report, found in Section 2 of this Town Report. Last year's Treasurer's Report noted that 2014 had been a year of preparation and planning for many investments in infrastructure and changes in services; 2015 saw the implementation of many of these. The Town's finances were, in comparison to some other years, disproportionately impacted. First and foremost among these, a major project involving the removal of built-up sediment upstream of the Harvey's Lake Dam was completed. The financial results from this can be found in section 42 of the General Fund budget and in the Reserve Fund. This significant outlay was the primary driver in an overall General Fund deficit. Additionally, the Selectboard budgeted and carried through with a significant increase in spending on road paving and construction projects in 2015. This involved jobs on eight roads in the General Fund budget (section 55) and a major grant project in the Reserve Fund. Although these projects have had an unfavorable effect on the tax rate, the Selectboard has chosen well and wisely to make needed repairs to the Town's infrastructure. The Town remains fiscally strong thanks to years of sound management; despite the 2015 shortfall, there remains a healthy accumulated surplus and 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.

The Barnet Public Library was folded into the Town's financial structure in 2015, as based on the voters' decision at the 2015 Town Meeting. This was a year of transition, as bookkeeping and banking was shifted from the domain of the Trustees to that of the Town Treasurer's office. I owe many thanks to all the Trustees, and especially Library Treasurer Heather Counter, for their efforts in making the transition a smooth one. Due to the nature of this year of change, the Library financial reports remain with the Town Officers reports in Section 2 of this Town Report; they will be included with the Town's financial reports in next year's Town Report.

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 2015, and anticipated activities in 2016.

Town financial documents are often difficult for taxpayers to understand because they differ from those encountered in business or personal lives. This is largely because Town finances are reported using Fund Accounting. Monies are separated into various funds because the Town must demonstrate that expenditures comply with any restrictions on the use of the 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 these required to be accounted for in another fund. The operating income and expenditures of the Selectboard, including the Highway Department, are included in the General Fund. In last year's Town Report there was discussion of separating the Highway Department into a distinct fund. The Selectboard determined this year, however, to continue to combine Highway monies in the General Fund. This decision was made after

much consideration with the object of retaining flexibility in assigning surplus funds to future budgets.

- 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: 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: 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. Heisholt, 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 income and expenditures of the Selectboard, including the Highway Department, are included in the General Fund. In 2015 the General Fund returned an operating deficit of \$20,966.62. The primary driver in the deficit was a major project involving the removal of built-up sediment upstream of the Harvey's Lake Dam. The financial results from this can be found in section 42 of the General Fund budget. Additionally, the Selectboard budgeted and carried through with a significant increase in spending on road paving and construction projects in 2015. This involved jobs on eight roads in the General Fund budget (section 55). Observing that there are a number of urgent road construction projects still uncompleted, the Selectboard maintained its paving and construction budget at the same level for 2016. Due to the deficit in 2015, however, the accumulated surplus account does not support a transfer to the General Fund budget in 2016 (sections 7 and 13). After struggling with outdated and non-functional technology at the Town Offices, the Selectboard has invested in computer maintenance and supplies in a number of departments in both the 2015 actual and 2016 budget columns. Many other items saw marginal inflationary increases in 2015, which are reflected the 2016 budget. In order to better track income and expenses, you may note that several line items in the budget have moved from one section to another. This will result in more consistency between departments and throughout the chart of accounts. Please refer to the column titled "Former Section/New Section" to see where individual line items have migrated to or from.

Town of Barnet, Vermont

2016 General Fund Budget

Selectboard: Jeremy Roberts, Gary Bunnell & Dylan Ford

(See pages following this report for schedules and notes)

<u>Former Section/ Section/ Note</u>	<u>New Section</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2014 Actual</u>	<u>2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 Actual</u>	<u>2016 Budget</u>
Revenues						
<u>Selectboard Income</u>						
1		Taxes				
a		Selectboard Budget Tax Appropriation	630,437.08	1,287,813.00	1,285,141.41	1,447,569.43
b		Change in Deferred Property Tax Revenue	(70,420.88)		(27,957.95)	
		Total Taxes	560,016.20	1,287,813.00	1,257,183.46	1,447,569.43
2		Town Clerk's Office Fees				
		Recording Fees	13,102.00	14,000.00	14,609.00	14,000.00
		General Office Fees	3,796.95	3,500.00	4,168.90	3,500.00
		Dog Licenses	1,596.00	1,500.00	1,640.00	1,500.00
		Dog Ordinance Violation Fees	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Liquor Licenses	210.00	150.00	210.00	210.00
		Other Licenses	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Town Clerk's Fees	18,904.95	19,200.00	20,627.90	19,210.00
3		Planning Commission & Zoning Board				
	6	Zoning Permit Fees				1,200.00
4		Transfer Station				
	6	Transfer Station Collections				40,000.00
5	6	Harvey's Lake Beach				
		Admission Charges				10,000.00
		Pavilion Rental				1,000.00
		Swimming Lessons Fees				2,000.00
		Total Harvey's Lake Beach				13,000.00
6		General Selectboard Income				
a		Late Filing Fees - HS-122 forms	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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<u>Section/ Note</u>	<u>Former Section/ New Section</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2014 Actual</u>	<u>2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 Actual</u>	<u>2016 Budget</u>
		Interest - Delinquent Taxes	10,647.98	10,000.00	20,119.06	10,000.00
b		Interest - Savings & Checking	17,409.23	10,000.00	6,378.98	15,000.00
	3	Zoning Permit Fees	1,150.00	1,200.00	570.00	0.00
		Highway Access Permits	20.00	0.00	10.00	0.00
c		State of VT - Current Use Payment (Selectboard's share)	31,879.00	20,000.00	32,674.00	30,000.00
d		State of VT - Fish & Game Land	8,388.48	8,300.00	8,388.48	8,300.00
e		State of VT - Reimburse Legal Fees	15,524.39	0.00	5,894.34	0.00
	4	Transfer Station Collections	37,566.25	40,000.00	40,383.85	0.00
f		Electronics Recycling Credit	55.75	200.00	189.48	200.00
g		Rent - Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
	5	Harvey's Lake Beach Admission Charges	9,293.00	10,000.00	11,282.50	0.00
	5	Harvey's Lake Beach Pavilion Rental	1,020.00	1,000.00	1,535.00	0.00
	5	Harvey's Lake Beach Swimming Lessons Fees	2,102.00	2,000.00	1,560.00	0.00
h		Tax Retainage Fee - Prior Year	6,991.38	6,000.00	7,119.77	6,000.00
		District Court of VT - Local Fines	687.32	100.00	263.50	100.00
		Forest Fire Expense Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Various Other Income	1,482.77	800.00	232.75	800.00
		Total General Selectboard Income	151,417.55	116,800.00	143,801.71	77,600.00
7 a		Use of Prior Surplus	95,000.00	72,000.00	72,000.00	0.00
		Total Selectboard Income	825,338.70	1,495,813.00	1,493,613.07	1,598,579.43
		Highway Income				
8		Taxes				
		Highway Dept. Budget Tax Appropriation	528,836.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Taxes	528,836.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
9		State Aid				
a		State Aid to Roads	185,721.52	185,000.00	185,552.79	185,000.00
		Total State Aid	185,721.52	185,000.00	185,552.79	185,000.00
10		Reserve Fund Proceeds				
		Proceeds from Highway Construction Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Reserve Fund Proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11 a		Flood Repair Proceeds				
		April 15, 2014 Flooding Event - FEMA Funds	12,409.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
		April 15, 2014 Flooding Event - State of VT Funds	2,481.88	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Flood Repair Proceeds	14,891.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
12		Other Highway Income				
a		State of VT - Current Use Payment (Highway share)	31,879.00	20,000.00	32,674.00	30,000.00
b		Insurance Claim	0.00	0.00	1,271.00	0.00
		Scrap Metal Sales	577.50	500.00	22.10	500.00
		Top Soil Sales	1,012.00	0.00	3,540.00	0.00
		Equipment/Tool Sale	0.00	0.00	900.00	0.00
		Various other receipts	75.96	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Other Highway Income	33,544.46	20,500.00	38,407.10	30,500.00

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13 a		Use of Prior Surplus	225,000.00	72,000.00	72,000.00	0.00
		Total Highway Income	987,993.54	277,500.00	295,959.89	215,500.00
		Total General Fund Income	1,813,332.24	1,773,313.00	1,789,572.96	1,814,079.43

Expenditures

Selectboard Expenditures

14 a	Salaries - Town Officers (See Schedule A):					
	16	Town Clerk & Treasurer	47,270.80	47,627.00	49,183.88	0.00
	16	Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	13,465.81	14,000.00	14,823.75	0.00
	16	Substitute Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	30.00	0.00
	17	Listers	12,897.20	10,000.00	12,173.86	0.00
	26	Selectboard	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
	19	Auditors	750.00	800.00	750.00	0.00
		Total Salaries - Town Officers	75,883.81	73,927.00	78,461.49	0.00
15	Payroll Benefits & Taxes:					
	a	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	25,956.47	5,000.00	9,782.79	10,000.00
		Health Insurance	81,489.95	19,000.00	19,024.67	19,927.32
	b	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)	15,000.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
		Reserve Fund Appropriation				
		Uniforms	3,392.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
	c	Retirement	13,804.62	2,500.00	2,684.88	2,500.00
	d	Unemployment Compensation	630.00	400.00	411.00	400.00
	e	Dental Insurance	2,725.59	700.00	622.14	700.00
		Total Payroll Benefits & Taxes	142,999.32	27,900.00	32,825.48	33,827.32
16 a	Town Clerk's Office (formerly "Office Supplies"):					
		<u>Salaries:</u>				
	14	Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk & Treas.				51,643.07
	14	Cathy McLam, Assistant Town Clerk &				16,000.00
	b	14 Substitute Town Clerk				0.00
		Total Salaries				67,643.07
	19	Printing Town Reports	2,299.40	2,500.00	2,327.75	0.00
		Land Record Books & Supplies	862.78	1,200.00	1,162.37	1,200.00
		Copier Expenses	1,782.16	1,500.00	1,680.41	1,500.00
		Tax Bills	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	c	Software Service Agreement	1,887.14	1,800.00	1,943.75	2,000.00
	d	Computer Maintenance, Supplies	2,009.51	1,500.00	691.97	4,000.00
	17	Tax Map Maintenance	2,950.00	3,000.00	3,550.00	0.00
	28	Postage				2,500.00
		Postage Meter Rental	319.96	400.00	203.39	100.00
	32	Internet	1,379.64	1,400.00	774.75	0.00
	28	Advertising				800.00

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		Various Office Supplies	1,425.07	2,000.00	1,408.83	1,500.00
		Total Town Clerk's Office	14,915.66	15,550.00	13,743.22	81,493.07
17		Listers' Office:				
	14	Salaries				12,500.00
	16	Computer Maintenance & Supplies				1,500.00
a	16	Software Service Agreement				250.00
	42	Mileage				400.00
	42	Training				300.00
b	16	Tax Map Maintenance				3,500.00
		Total Listers' Office				18,450.00
18		Planning Commission/Zoning Board:				
a		Administrative Officer Salary	2,500.00	2,750.00	2,750.00	3,000.00
b		Wages - Secretary	797.50	1,000.00	750.00	1,000.00
		Administrative Officer Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
		Advertising	427.50	600.00	243.00	600.00
		E911 Administrative Expenses	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
		Other	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
		Total Planning Commission/Zoning Board	4,225.00	5,200.00	4,243.00	5,450.00
19		Auditors:				
	14	Salaries				800.00
	16	Printing Town Reports				2,500.00
		Total Auditors				3,300.00
20		Landfill/Transfer Station:				
a		Salaries-Transfer Station (See Schedule D)	4,899.90	5,000.00	4,715.52	5,000.00
b		Environmental Compliance/ Post-Closure Testing	6,104.40	7,000.00	8,228.20	7,000.00
c	21	Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Annual Appropriation/Surcharge				7,000.00
		Supplies - Transfer Station	36.47	200.00	87.00	100.00
		Dumping Fee	17,275.61	15,000.00	18,965.22	17,000.00
		Hauling Fee	12,600.00	12,000.00	13,325.00	12,000.00
		Utilities - Electricity, Telephone, & Portable	1,597.19	1,100.00	1,452.02	0.00
	32	Toilet				
		Advertising - Transfer Station	81.00	150.00	103.50	150.00
d		Hired Equipment	300.00	250.00	300.00	250.00
		Equipment Maintenance	7.00	0.00	63.75	0.00
		Capital Expenditures	0.00	500.00	37.98	0.00
		Total Landfill/Transfer Station	42,901.57	41,200.00	47,278.19	48,500.00
21		Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District:				
	20	Annual Appropriation/Surcharge Fee	5,388.90	7,000.00	6,563.90	0.00
22		Barnet Recycling:				
a		Salaries (See Schedule E)	6,075.75	6,000.00	6,432.84	6,500.00
b	32	Fuel	676.64	400.00	319.97	0.00
		Equipment & Supplies	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
		Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Recycling	6,752.39	6,600.00	6,752.81	6,500.00

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23		Fire & Rescue:				
a		Volunteers' Reimbursement	2,593.25	5,000.00	3,138.47	5,000.00
b		Equipment & Supplies	12,741.61	12,100.00	11,209.60	12,100.00
		Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	1,035.68	2,000.00	1,638.30	2,000.00
c		Mutual Aid Dues & Dispatching Service	2,778.05	4,000.00	3,447.31	4,000.00
d		Rescue Squad Expenses	3,169.10	3,200.00	735.05	3,200.00
	32	Utilities - Fuel Oil	4,904.69	5,000.00	3,648.99	0.00
	32	Utilities - Electricity	1,999.89	1,800.00	1,784.15	0.00
	32	Telephone & Internet Service	1,717.87	1,500.00	1,716.97	0.00
		General Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	32	Building Maintenance	1,608.63	1,900.00	1,572.82	0.00
	32	West Barnet Firehouse - Heat	1,488.97	1,700.00	943.81	0.00
	32	West Barnet Firehouse - Lights	309.95	400.00	255.16	0.00
		Other	24.95	600.00	481.41	600.00
		Total Fire & Rescue	34,372.64	39,200.00	30,572.04	26,900.00
24		Harvey's Lake Beach:				
		Salaries - Lifeguards & Gate Attendants (See Schedule B)	15,596.20	17,300.00	16,090.25	17,300.00
		Swimming Lessons (See Schedule C)	837.50	1,100.00	1,331.00	1,100.00
		Employee Background Checks			180.00	200.00
		Utilities	1,248.94	1,200.00	1,245.13	1,200.00
		Operating Supplies	604.50	400.00	439.21	400.00
		Rubbish Removal	642.00	700.00	768.69	700.00
		Repairs to Dock/Bathhouse	0.00	200.00	64.00	200.00
		General Maintenance	4,848.65	1,500.00	2,591.72	1,500.00
		Advertising	82.80	300.00	218.92	300.00
		New Equipment/Capital Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Harvey's Lake Beach	23,860.59	22,700.00	22,928.92	22,900.00
25		Police Services:				
		Constable Charges - Dogs	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
		Constable Charges - Other	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
		Sheriff's Patrol	6,154.50	7,500.00	6,545.00	7,500.00
a		Other	650.00	400.00	406.11	400.00
		Total Police Services	6,804.50	8,600.00	6,951.11	8,600.00
26		Selectboard:				
a	14	Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
b		Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
		Total Selectboard	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
27		Elections Expenses:				
		Ballot Clerks	726.70	200.00	187.58	1,000.00
a		Moderator	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
		Advertising	756.00	500.00	342.00	800.00
b		Supplies/Equipment	54.12	50.00	37.00	50.00
c		Ballot Tabulator Expense	2,719.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Election Expenses	4,356.72	850.00	666.58	1,950.00
28		Advertising & Postage:				
	16	Postage	2,495.10	2,500.00	2,188.40	0.00
	42	Advertising	592.20	500.00	1,334.70	0.00
		Total Advertising & Postage	3,087.30	3,000.00	3,523.10	0.00

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29		Heat & Lights:				
	32	Town Clerk's Office - Fuel Oil	2,719.74	3,000.00	1,375.26	0.00
	32	Town Clerk's Office - Lights	1,022.89	900.00	1,065.03	0.00
	32	Town Hall - Fuel Oil	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	32	Town Hall - Lights	259.42	300.00	224.89	0.00
	48	Town Garage - Heat	4,116.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
	48	Town Garage - Lights	2,560.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Heat & Lights	10,679.64	4,200.00	2,665.18	0.00
30		Telephones:				
	32	Town Clerk's Office	1,047.71	1,000.00	1,084.60	0.00
	48	Town Garage	972.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
	32	Town Hall	119.20	0.00	0.00	0.00
	48	Cellular Phone	527.52	0.00	43.96	0.00
		Total Telephones	2,667.18	1,000.00	1,128.56	0.00
31		Building Maintenance:				
	32	Town Clerk's Office	3,501.61	3,000.00	1,629.54	0.00
	32	Town Hall - Water	0.00	450.00	444.64	0.00
	32	Town Hall - Caretaker	520.00	500.00	520.00	0.00
	32	Town Hall - Other	797.17	500.00	429.00	0.00
	48	Town Garage	1,903.17	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Building Maintenance	6,721.95	4,450.00	3,023.18	0.00
32		Buildings Utilities & Maintenance				
		<u>Town Clerk's Office</u>				
a	29	Fuel Oil				3,000.00
	29	Lights				900.00
	31	Water				400.00
	30	Telephone				1,000.00
	16	Internet				800.00
	31	Maintenance				3,000.00
		Total Town Clerk's Office				9,100.00
		<u>Barnet Public Library Building:</u>				
a		Fuel Oil	9,261.91	8,500.00	5,385.02	8,500.00
		Lights	749.91	900.00	747.87	900.00
		Water	1,260.94	1,400.00	1,530.44	1,400.00
		Carpet Service	307.52	300.00	0.00	300.00
		Heating & Plumbing	398.65	500.00	0.00	500.00
		Other Various	544.85	500.00	2,065.66	500.00
		Total Barnet Public Library Building	12,523.78	12,100.00	9,728.99	12,100.00
		<u>Town Hall</u>				
	29	Fuel Oil				0.00
	29	Lights				300.00
	31	Water				450.00
	30	Telephone				0.00
	31	Maintenance				1,000.00
		Total Town Hall				1,750.00
		<u>Transfer Station</u>				
	20	Electricity				800.00
	20	Telephone				650.00
	20	Maintenance				0.00

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	20	Portable Toilet				55.00
		Total Transfer Station				1,505.00
		<u>Recycling Center</u>				
a	22	Fuel Oil				400.00
	22	Maintenance				0.00
		Total Recycling Center				400.00
		<u>Fire & Rescue Station</u>				
a	23	Fuel Oil				5,000.00
	23	Lights				1,800.00
	23	Telephone				1,200.00
	23	Internet				550.00
	23	Maintenance				1,900.00
		Total Fire & Rescue Station				10,450.00
		<u>West Barnet Fire Station</u>				
a	23	Fuel Oil				1,700.00
	23	Lights				400.00
		Total West Barnet Fire Station				2,100.00
		Total Buildings Utilities & Maintenance	12,523.78	12,100.00	9,728.99	37,405.00
33		Insurance & Bonds:				
		Vehicles, Buildings & Town Officer Bonds	39,359.00	16,600.00	23,812.00	18,271.00
		Workers' Compensation	29,123.90	3,400.00	3,641.75	3,437.60
		Insurance Claim Settlement			1,205.14	0.00
a		Fire & Rescue Insurance	1,232.00	1,250.00	1,206.00	1,250.00
		Total Insurance & Bonds	69,714.90	21,250.00	29,864.89	22,958.60
34		Legal Expenses:				
a		Tax Appeals	14,216.69	9,000.00	10,682.61	9,000.00
b		Tax Collectors Items	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
c		General	1,190.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
d		Zoning	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
		Legal Settlements	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Legal Expenses	17,906.69	11,500.00	10,682.61	11,500.00
35		Interest on Loans:				
a		Tax Anticipation Borrowing	7,811.19	4,700.00	4,635.36	14,000.00
		Total Interest on Loans	7,811.19	4,700.00	4,635.36	14,000.00
36		Professional Services:				
a		Auditing	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
37 a		Capital Expenditures:	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
38		Tax Abatements:	0.00	0.00	1,615.61	0.00
39		Annual Appropriations:				
		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	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
		Barnet Public Library	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
		Caledonia Home Health Care	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00

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		CALEX Ambulance Service	17,050.00	17,050.00	17,050.00	17,050.00
		Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
		County Tax	30,024.00	29,349.00	29,349.00	28,558.00
		Fairbanks Museum	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
		Kingdom Animal Shelter	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
a		Lake Harvey Association	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
b		Memorial Day	536.00	500.00	1,134.75	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
		Northeastern Vermont Development Association	709.00	709.00	709.00	1,281.00
		Northern Vermont Resource Conservation & Development Council	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Rural Community Transportation	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
		Umbrella Inc.	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
		Vermont Center for Independent Living	280.00	300.00	280.00	300.00
		Vermont League of Cities & Towns	2,726.00	2,803.00	2,803.00	2,829.00
		West Barnet Senior Meal Site (formerly known as Volunteer Senior Meal Site)	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Annual Appropriations			100,650.00	100,536.00	101,150.75	100,343.00
40 a		Cemeteries:				
		Stevens Cemetery - Misc. Mowing	408.00	400.00	408.00	400.00
		Palmer Cemetery	408.00	400.00	608.00	400.00
		Pleasant View Cemetery Association	4,500.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00
		McIndoe Falls Cemetery	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Cemeteries			8,316.00	8,550.00	8,766.00	8,550.00
41		Appropriations to Reserve Accounts:				
	56	Equipment	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	56	Truck Account	125,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
a		Fire Department	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
b		Municipal Buildings Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
		Harvey's Lake Dam Fund		5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Appropriations to Reserve Accounts			225,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00
42		Miscellaneous Selectboard Expenses:				
	28	Advertising				500.00
a		Fire Warden Charges	625.94	800.00	334.80	800.00
	17	Listers Expenses	1,647.22	1,600.00	908.41	0.00
		Town Officers Meetings	1,139.00	1,000.00	810.00	1,000.00
		Health Officer Expense	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
b		Harvey's Lake Dam Maintenance	865.00	800.00	119,000.00	800.00
c		Harvey's Lake Dam Registration Fee				350.00
		Other Various	2,604.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Total Miscellaneous Expenses			6,881.16	6,400.00	121,053.21	5,650.00
43 a		Contingency:	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
44		Total Selectboard Expenditures:	835,920.89	502,913.00	615,324.18	543,276.99

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		Highway Expenditures				
45		Salaries - General Maintenance (See Schedule F):	220,305.16	230,000.00	214,338.46	230,000.00
46		Parts & Supplies:				
a		Blades & Chains	4,438.31	6,000.00	5,195.48	6,000.00
b		Tools	2,830.18	2,000.00	1,993.84	5,100.00
		Safety Supplies	521.78	1,000.00	769.63	1,000.00
c		Shop Supplies	3,095.97	2,500.00	2,479.00	2,500.00
		Total Parts & Supplies	10,886.24	11,500.00	10,437.95	14,600.00
47 a		Payroll Benefits & Taxes:				
15		FICA Taxes (Social Security)		25,000.00	16,961.47	20,000.00
15		Health Insurance		65,000.00	45,738.81	46,946.04
		Health Insurance Declination Stipend			8,000.00	10,400.00
b		Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
		Reserve Fund Appropriation				
15		Uniforms		3,000.00	2,394.96	3,000.00
c		Retirement		12,000.00	12,390.93	12,000.00
d		Unemployment Compensation		400.00	411.00	400.00
e		Dental Insurance		2,100.00	1,278.58	2,100.00
		Total Payroll Benefits & Taxes	0.00	109,000.00	88,675.75	96,346.04
48		Town Garage				
a		29 Fuel		5,000.00	2,215.74	5,000.00
		29 Lights		2,500.00	1,557.37	2,500.00
b		30 Telephone		1,100.00	2,638.57	1,100.00
c		30 Cellular Phone		550.00	403.96	550.00
		Internet Service			604.89	650.00
		Computer Maintenance & Supplies			32.00	500.00
31		Building Maintenance		3,000.00	2,571.14	3,000.00
		Advertising			124.20	200.00
		Total Town Garage	0.00	12,150.00	10,147.87	13,500.00
48 a		33 Insurance				
		Vehicles & Buildings		17,400.00	17,543.00	18,203.00
		Workers' Compensation		20,900.00	18,365.25	19,203.40
		Deductible Paid			1,500.00	0.00
		Claim Settlement			2,080.65	0.00
		Total Insurance	0.00	38,300.00	39,488.90	37,406.40
50		Equipment Maintenance:				
		Trucks	29,640.46	35,000.00	50,809.46	35,000.00
		Grader	2,693.36	15,000.00	14,699.60	10,000.00
		Loader (1991)	812.49	3,000.00	2,178.67	3,000.00
		Loader (2010)	6,169.16	3,000.00	1,318.53	3,000.00
		Backhoe	8,288.60	4,500.00	810.88	4,500.00
		Roadside Mower Tractor			3,244.43	2,000.00
		Pickup (2007)	2,636.04	1,500.00	983.08	0.00
		Pickup (2015)			2,626.20	1,500.00
		Chainsaws	147.48	500.00	46.86	500.00
		Other Equipment	465.44	1,000.00	1,622.04	1,000.00
		Welding Supplies	524.41	1,200.00	597.93	1,200.00
a		Tires	6,486.69	10,000.00	8,299.69	10,000.00
		Stock Items	0.00	0.00	94.63	0.00

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b		Repairs of Damaged Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Equipment Maintenance	57,864.13	74,700.00	87,332.00	71,700.00
51		Gas & Oil:				
a		Gasoline	662.20	1,000.00	412.30	1,000.00
b		Diesel fuel	84,081.75	85,000.00	50,382.76	85,000.00
		Oil	3,302.87	4,000.00	1,999.49	4,000.00
		Other Petroleum Products	1,560.30	2,000.00	1,352.34	2,000.00
		Total Gas & Oil	89,607.12	92,000.00	54,146.89	92,000.00
52		Contracted Services:				
a		Hired Equipment	2,735.00	6,000.00	1,512.50	6,000.00
		Sweeping Roads	3,866.50	4,500.00	4,620.00	4,500.00
b		Screening Winter Sand	20,822.00	16,000.00	9,675.00	16,000.00
c		Overburden Removal - Sand	0.00	10,000.00	12,443.00	10,000.00
d		Mowing Roadsides	7,200.00	8,000.00	8,400.00	0.00
e		Crushing	67,348.32	75,000.00	76,023.60	75,000.00
f		Overburden Removal - Gravel	12,143.75	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
		Highway Department Education	570.00	750.00	627.40	750.00
		Total Contracted Services	114,685.57	120,250.00	113,301.50	122,250.00
53		Operating Supplies:				
a		Salt	47,659.31	45,000.00	41,643.05	45,000.00
		Cold Patch/Hot Mix	2,142.58	2,500.00	3,948.75	2,500.00
		Specialty Aggregate	1,136.74	1,500.00	2,302.02	1,500.00
		Culverts	11,715.71	10,000.00	10,080.86	10,000.00
		Chloride	19,254.54	20,000.00	23,213.12	20,000.00
		Guardrails	2,310.00	5,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
b		Erosion Control	241.47	500.00	90.00	500.00
		Sign Maintenance Program	13.93	1,500.00	2,533.74	1,500.00
		Total Operating Supplies	84,474.28	86,000.00	83,811.54	91,000.00
54		Bridge Repairs:				
		Bridge Fund Appropriation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
		Total Bridge Repairs	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
55		Highway Construction Projects:				
		Paving/Construction Projects (See Schedule G)	168,221.07	281,500.00	273,534.54	282,000.00
a						
b		Construction Fund Appropriation	20,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
		Total Highway Construction Projects	188,221.07	381,500.00	373,534.54	382,000.00
56		Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts:				
a	41	Equipment Account	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
b	41	Truck Account	0.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00
		Total Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts	0.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00

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57		Other Projects:				
		April 2014 FEMA Flood Repair Projects				
		Contract Work	23,838.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Materials	2,526.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Total Other Projects	26,365.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
58		Total Highway Department Expenditures	822,409.11	1,275,400.00	1,195,215.40	1,270,802.44
		Total General Fund Expenditures	1,658,330.00	1,778,313.00	1,810,539.58	1,814,079.43
		General Fund Surplus of (Deficit) (total general fund revenues less total general fund expenditures)	155,002.24	(5,000.00)	(20,966.62)	0.00

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Schedule A - Town Officers' Salaries

Heisholt, Benjamin - Town Clerk & Treasurer	49,183.88
McLam, Cathy - Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	14,823.75
Tolle, Sherry - Substitute Town Clerk	30.00
Cook, John - Lister	4,367.03
Renfrew, Scott - Lister	3,574.35
Cook, Sarah - Lister	4,232.48
Roberts, Jeremy - Selectman	500.00
Bunnell, Gary - Selectman	500.00
Ford, Dylan - Selectman	500.00
Riley, Jeffery - Auditor	375.00
Roos, Robert - Auditor	375.00
Total	78,461.49

Schedule B - Harvey's Lake Beach Lifeguards & Gate Attendants Salaries

Brody, Bea	1,130.03
Kelsey, Patrick	3,520.00
Kill, Joseph	2,560.00
Langham, Katelyn	4,070.00
Langham, Michael	3,822.02
Roy, Morgen	988.20
Total	16,090.25

Schedule C - Harvey's Lake Beach Swimming Lessons

Kill, Joseph (wages)	705.00
Robillard, Gabrielle (wages)	0.00
Stahler, Lindsey (wages)	426.00
Stahler, Lindsey (reimburse for Red Cross certificates)	200.00
Total	1,331.00

Schedule D - Transfer Station Salaries

Dow, Kenneth	4,080.77
Warden, Shirley	634.75
Total	4,715.52

Schedule E - Recycling Center Salaries

Marston, Bruce - Supervisor	3,782.55
Nelson, Donald	2,509.88
Warden, Shirley	140.41
Total	6,432.84

Schedule F - Highway Salaries

Chase, Mark - Road Foreman	44,878.64
Fearon, Glenn	41,713.78
Fuller, Mark	312.00
Gadapee, Keith - Road Foreman	8,504.95
Guertin, Reginald	980.51
Gould, Thomas	1,698.61
LeClair, Jason	41,858.14
Morris, Craig	10,542.05
Snow, Barry II	28,453.88
Tillotson, Dennis	35,395.90
Total	214,338.46

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Schedule G - Highway Paving/Construction Projects

Brook Circle - Paving	27,094.93
Church Street - Culverts, drainage & paving	38,319.82
County Hill Road - Paving	36,172.76
Gilfillan Road - Reclaiming & paving	33,786.48
Granger Street - Paving	41,904.37
Monroe Road - Paving	26,599.65
South Main Street - Paving	20,111.00
Town Forest Road - Reclaiming, culverts, ditching & paving	49,545.53
Total	273,534.54

Town of Barnet, Vermont 2016 General Fund Budget Notes

Revenues

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's Office Fees

3. Planning Commission & Zoning Board

4. Transfer Station

5. Harvey's Lake Beach

6. General Selectboard 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 plus other accounts yielding interest of lesser sums.
- c. State payment to Town for loss in tax due to land enrolled in current use program. Uncertain funding due to legislative action.
 - Beginning in 2009 actual and 2010 budget: Current use payment divided between Selectboard and Highway budgets.
- d. Payment from State of Vermont for Roy Mountain Wildlife Area.
- e. Payment from State of Vermont in reimbursement of legal fees expended to defend State of Vermont real estate appraisal.
 - 2014 Actual & 2015 Actual: Reimburses expenses associated with 2012-2015 TransCanada tax appeal.
- f. Credit received from State for electronics items recycled at Barnet Recycling Center.
- g. Rent paid by Karne Choling for second floor at library building.
- h. Percentage of state wide education tax that is paid to town for administration of the program.

7. Use of Prior Surplus

- a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request.

8. Taxes

9. State Aid

- a. Funds received from State of Vermont based on mileage: Class 2 roads=52%, Class 3 roads = 48%.

10. Reserve Fund Proceeds

11. Flood Repair Proceeds

- a. Revenue for repair of road damage caused by declared disasters. Includes both funds received as of end of year and funds anticipated to be received in following year.

12. Other Income

- a. Beginning in 2009 Actual and 2010 Budget: Current use payment divided between Selectboard and Highway budgets.
- b. Funds from claims resulting from accidents with Town equipment.

13. Use of Prior Surplus

- a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request. Reported as a portion of total receipts beginning 2013 Budget.

Expenditures

14. Salaries – Town Officers

- a. This section eliminated beginning with 2016 Budget.

15. Payroll Benefits & Taxes

- a. FICA Taxes (Social Security):

- 2015 Budget: Highway Department portion of expenditure removed to Highway Expenditures.
 - b. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation: 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. Mandatory for full time employees. Town contributes 5.5% 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.
 - d. Paid to the Vermont League of Cities & Towns Unemployment Trust. Includes administrative fee of \$250 with the balance going into insurance fund to cover claims. The trust reimburses the State for any actual unemployment payments.
 - e. Town pays employee cost, employee pays for rest of family if they wish.
- 16. Town Clerk's Office (formerly "Office Supplies")**
- a. Beginning 2016 Budget changed title of this section from "Office Supplies" to "Town Clerk's Office." See notes below for line item changes related to this.
 - b. Occasional employee to keep office open when both Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk are unavailable.
 - c. Contract with New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC) for service on municipal software (grand list, land records, accounting, etc.), offsite backup plan, and disaster recovery.
 - d. 2016 Budget: Includes Town Clerk's computer replacement.
- 17. Listers' Office**
- a. Service on Listers' mapping software.
 - b. Contract with Cartographic Associates Inc. for maintenance of digital mapping (tax maps, planning & zoning maps).
- 18. Planning Commission/Zoning Board**
- a. Wages are annual salary for Shirley Warden.
 - b. Secretary wages for Shirley Warden.
- 19. Auditors**
- 20. Landfill/Transfer Station**
- a. Gate attendant. Works 7 hours per week regularly, 11 hours per week during summer.
 - b. Post-closure monitoring required as part of closure plan. This work done by Endyne Inc. of Montpelier.
 - c. Fee paid to Waste District to run program.
 - d. Mowing of former landfill to keep brush from growing.
- 21. Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District**
- 22. Barnet Recycling**
- a. Employed Transfer Station/Recycling Center Supervisor Bruce Marston, attendant Donald Nelson and other substitutes. Total employee hours 8 hours per week regularly, 12 hours per week during summer.
 - b. Propane gas for heater in recycling building.
- 23. 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.
 - c. Dues paid to Twin State Mutual Aid System and Grafton County Sheriff's Department for dispatching services.
 - d. Equipment, supplies, medications, etc. used by rescue personnel.
- 24. Harvey's Lake Beach**
- 25. Police Services**
- a. Charges from veterinarians and animal control officer for boarding or destruction of dogs.
- 26. Selectboard**
- a. Selectboard each paid \$500 annually.
 - b. Each Selectman reimbursed \$500 for expenses.
- 27. 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.
- 28. Advertising & Postage**
- 29. Heat & Lights**

30. Telephones

31. Building Maintenance

32. Buildings Utilities & Maintenance

Town Clerk's Office

- a. Town Clerk's Office fuel usage: 633.5 gallons in 2015.

Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership Building)

- a. Library Building fuel usage: 2,448.5 gallons in 2015.

Town Hall

Transfer Station

Recycling Center

- a. Recycling Center usage: 86.5 gallons in 2015.

Fire & Rescue Station

- a. Bimson Road Fire Station usage: 1,711.3 gallons in 2015.

West Barnet Fire Station

- a. Propane gas for heat in building in West Barnet. Usage: 638.1 gallons in 2015.

33. Insurance & Bonds

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

34. Legal Expenses

- a. Town legal representation in appeals of tax assessments and in negotiations for transitional support payments from power company.
- b. Generally consists of fees associated with tax sale proceedings.
- c. 2013 Actual consists of Roy claim.
- d. Legal fees for general legal advice for zoning matters, or for defense of zoning decision in Environmental Court.

35. Interest on Loans

- a. Tax anticipation borrowing. See revenues for offsetting income amount.
 - 2015: borrowed \$340,000 from Union Bank at a rate of 1.39%.
 - 2016: to borrow \$980,000 from Union Bank at a rate of 1.42%.

36. Professional Services

- a. Mudgett, Jennett, & Krogh-Wisner.
 - 2016 Budget: 2015 financial statements audit scheduled.

37. 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.

38. Tax Abatements

39. 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 for Memorial Day services in Passumpsic Village and Barnet Village.

40. Cemetery Appropriations

- a. Stevens Cemetery and Palmer Cemetery 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.

41. Appropriations to Reserve Accounts

- a. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of fire truck.
- b. Appropriation voted in 2004 for funds set aside for future projects (salt sheds, town garage, Town Clerk's office, etc.).

42. Miscellaneous Expenses

- a. Fire warden equipment and forest fire expense. Approximately one-half of forest fire expense reimbursed by State.
- b. New line item in 2014 Actual and 2015 Budget. For maintenance of dam and waterway above the dam.
- c. Beginning in 2016 Budget, new fee from State of Vermont.

43. Contingency

- a. Extra funds added to budget to cover unforeseen items.

44. Total Selectboard Expenditures

45. Salaries – General Maintenance

46. Parts & Supplies

- a. Blades, cutting edges, and chains for dump trucks.
- b. Small tools and parts replacements for small tools used in shop.
- c. Any minor supply, not having a specific category above, that is used up or used and disposed of within the budget year.

47. Payroll Benefits & Taxes

- a. New category in Highway Expenditures beginning with 2015 Budget. Formerly Selectboard and Highway expenditures for these items were combined.
- b. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation: 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. Mandatory for full time employees. Town contributes 5.5% 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.
- d. Paid to the Vermont League of Cities & Towns Unemployment Trust. Includes administrative fee of \$250 with the balance going into insurance fund to cover claims. The trust reimburses the State for any actual unemployment payments.
- e. Town pays employee cost, employee pays for rest of family if they wish.

48. Town Garage

- a. Town Garage propane usage: 1,424 gallons in 2015.
- b. Two lines: telephone and dedicated alarm line.
- c. Cellular phone for Road Foreman.

49. Insurance

- a. New category in Highway Expenditures beginning with 2015 Budget. Formerly Selectboard and Highway expenditures for these items were combined in the Selectboard Expenditures.

50. Equipment Maintenance

- a. Tires for dump trucks only.
- b. Repairs to Town equipment damaged in accidents resulting in insurance claims.

51. Gas & Oil

- a. Gasoline usage: 153.6 gallons in 2015.
- b. Diesel Fuel: Purchased 21,491 gallons in 2015.

52. Contracted Services

- a. Various equipment and contractors used for brief periods in non-employee role.
- b. Screening of winter sand at Town pit. 2015 Actual: Chief Crushing & Excavation (4,500 cubic yards at \$2.15).
- c. 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.
- d. Mowing roadsides. 2016 Budget: Purchased tractor and mower in 2015; this line eliminated.
- e. Crushing of gravel at Town pit. 2015 Actual: J.A. McDonald, Inc. – 1" minus crushed gravel (8,339 cubic yards), 3" minus ledge (3,016 cubic yards), 1 ½" stone (1,000 cubic yards); all products at \$5.83 per cubic yard.
- f. 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.

53. Operating Supplies

- a. Salt. \$80.56 per ton for the 2015-2016 season.
- b. Road fabric, grass seed, drainage, etc. used to control erosion.

54. Bridge Repairs

55. Highway Construction Projects

- a. Road construction projects including paving.
 - Beginning with 2015 Budget, all construction grant projects to be accounted through Highway Construction Account in the Reserve Fund. This allows for uncertainty with regard to whether a grant will be secured in

the current budget year. This line will be for non-grant projects only, and is therefore somewhat decreased due to this shift.

- b. Funds that have been raised for several years for highway reconstruction placed in reserve.
 - Beginning with 2015 Budget, all construction grant projects to be accounting through Highway Construction Account in the Reserve Fund. This allows for uncertainty with regard to whether a grant will be secured in the current budget year. This line is increased due to this shift.

56. Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts

- a. Funds placed in reserve account to cover purchases of major road equipment other than trucks.
- b. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of trucks.

57. Other Projects

58. Totals

**Town of Barnet
General Fund Balance Sheet**

Assets:	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Checking Account	116,805.99	7,837.96
Checking Account ICS	0.00	185,919.18
Tax Anticipation Note CD	276,663.19	0.00
Investment Account	3,796.41	0.00
Delinquent Tax Collector Checking Account	5.02	810.66
Petty Cash	200.00	300.00
Undeposited Funds	11,301.69	1,588.01
Uncollected Delinquent Taxes	229,830.03	260,724.74
Current Taxes Receivable	300.74	879.54
Various Accounts Receivable	94.99	15,112.50
Due from State of VT - April 2014 Flooding	2,481.88	0.00
Due to/from Other Funds	6,292.19	0.00
Total Assets	647,772.13	473,172.59
Liabilities:		
Tax Appropriation Due to School District	106,863.22	106,853.79
Payroll Withholdings Payable	911.67	356.67
Various Accounts Payable	43,613.75	37,609.85
Fees due to Delinquent Tax Collector	990.72	324.36
Due to Resident/Taxpayer	0.00	808.85
Sales Tax Payable	0.00	289.80
Due to/from Other Funds	42,336.20	10,881.37
Deferred Property Tax Revenue	217,266.79	245,224.74
Total Liabilities	411,982.35	402,349.43
Fund Equity:		
Fund Balance - Unassigned (Accum. Surplus)	80,787.54	91,789.78
Current Operating Surplus or (Deficit)	155,002.24	(20,966.62)
Total Fund Equity	235,789.78	70,823.16
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	647,772.13	473,172.59

**Town of Barnet
Statement of Taxes Raised
Year Ended December 31, 2015**

Grand List Computation:

Real Estate	261,641,500.00
Add:	
Personal Property*	80,500.00
Less:	
Veterans Exemptions	(360,000.00)
Land Use	(13,745,607.00)
Voted Exemptions	(655,700.00)
Net Real Estate & Personal Property	246,960,693.00
Net Grand List (1% of Net Real Estate & Personal Property)	2,469,606.93

<u>Department</u>	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Homestead Rate</u>	<u>Non-Residential Rate</u>	<u>Taxes Raised</u>
Town:				
Town General	2,469,606.93	0.5204	0.5204	1,285,141.41
Total Town		0.5204	0.5204	1,285,141.41
School:				
Homestead	1,062,480.33	1.4408	0.0000	1,530,821.63
Non-Residential	1,407,931.60	0.0000	1.4719	2,072,334.41
Local Agreement	2,469,606.93	0.0020	0.0020	4,939.44
Total Schools		1.4428	1.4739	3,608,095.48
Grand Total		1.9632	1.9943	4,893,236.89

Penalty added for late filing of Homestead Declarations: 0.00

Delinquent taxes for 2015: 228,126.04

*Personal property taxed at non-residential rate.

Town of Barnet Estimation of 2016 Tax Rates

The following estimation of 2016 tax rates is based on the 2015 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, 2016 and subject to amendments to Act 68 by the Vermont Legislature. They are shown here only to help indicate an estimated change using 2015 assessments.

<u>Department</u>	<u>2015</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>2015</u> <u>Homestead</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>Homestead</u> <u>Projected</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>2015 Non-</u> <u>Residential</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>2016 Non-</u> <u>Residential</u> <u>Projected</u> <u>Rate</u>
Town:						
General	1,285,141.41	1,447,569.43	0.5204	0.5534	0.5204	0.5534
Town Totals	1,285,141.41	1,447,569.43	0.5204	0.5534	0.5204	0.5534
School:						
Homestead	1,530,821.63	*	1.4408	1.4740		
Non Residential	2,072,334.41	*			1.4719	1.4575
Local Agreement**	4,939.44		0.0020	0.0022	0.0020	0.0022
School Totals	3,608,095.48		1.4428	1.4762	1.4739	1.4597
Grand Total	4,893,236.89		1.9632	2.0296	1.9943	2.0131

*To be determined by rates set by State of Vermont in June 2016.

**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, 2015

Tax Anticipation Loans:

Borrowed during 2015:

Union Bank tax anticipation note (1.39%)	340,000.00
Repaid during 2015:	340,000.00
Balance as of December 31, 2015	0.00

General Fund - Surplus or (Deficit)
Year Ended December 31, 2015

2015 Surplus or (Deficit):

Income	1,789,572.96
Expenditures	1,810,539.58
General Fund Budget Surplus or (Deficit)	(20,966.62)

Statement of Changes - Accumulated Surplus Account

Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2014	80,787.54
Add: 2014 Operating Surplus	155,002.24
Less: Transfer from Surplus Account to 2015 Selectboard Income	(72,000.00)
Less: Transfer from Surplus Account to 2015 Highway Income	(72,000.00)
Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2013	91,789.78

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 decreased from \$922,900.41 at the end of 2014 to \$804,425.72 at the end of 2015. This decrease in value was due largely to 2015 expenditures in excess of 2015 appropriations. The largest expenditure in 2015 was the project on Comerford Dam Road in the Highway Construction Account. This, however, was largely offset by a grant from the Vermont Agency of Transportation. Another new 2015 Freightliner dump truck was purchased from the Truck Account. The account balance was not sufficient to cover the entire cost; a one-year note in the amount of \$84,400 was secured. A new pick-up truck was also purchased from the Truck Account. The Selectboard purchased a tractor for roadside mowing from the Equipment Fund; it is hoped that this will help defray mowing expenses in the General Fund. In the Bridge Fund, preparations continued for a grant project involving a box culvert on Barnet Center Road; this project should be completed in 2016. The Municipal Buildings Fund continues to grow as Selectboard continues to prepare for the process of renovating the Town Hall.

**Town of Barnet
2015 Reserve Fund Activities**
(See following pages for Income and Expense Schedules)

<u>Account</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Add Appropriation</u>	<u>Add Other Income</u>	<u>Add Interest</u>	<u>Less Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2015</u>
● 92 Surplus	78,176.78			195.13		78,371.91
● Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	104,899.77		11,020.00	278.46	4,073.29	112,124.94
● Bridge Fund	114,572.36	30,000.00		264.57	49,564.00	95,272.93
● Equipment Account	134,275.89	20,000.00		251.35	71,924.00	82,603.24
● Fire Department Account	48,168.38	10,000.00		120.23		58,288.61
● Harvey's Lake Beach Fund	4,146.02		1,056.66	10.41	859.00	4,354.09
● Harvey's Lake Dam Renovation	26,162.80	5,000.00		52.21	15,798.08	15,416.93
● Health Reimb. Acct. Fund	11,779.95	1,800.00	2,250.00	0.00	7,414.35	8,415.60
● Highway Construction Account	32,874.85	100,000.00	175,000.00	77.91	264,583.35	43,369.41
● Highway Maintenance Fund	64,148.57			160.16		64,308.73
● Homeland Security Grants	189.04			0.47		189.51
● Land Record Restoration Fees	11,782.34		1,501.00	27.83	6,126.19	7,184.98
● Lister Education Funds	2,369.30			5.80	75.00	2,300.10
● Municipal Buildings Fund	232,702.97	50,000.00		578.71	9,750.24	273,531.44
● Municipal Planning Grant	1,737.64		1,611.00	(0.65)	3,351.12	(3.13)
● Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,555.85			3.88		1,559.73
● Truck Account	53,357.90	70,000.00		109.80	166,331.00	(42,863.30)
Totals	922,900.41	286,800.00	192,438.66	2,136.27	599,849.62	804,425.72

**Town of Barnet
Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

Schedule A - Other Income

Act 60/Reappraisal Funds

State of Vermont - Reappraisal funds & Grand List Study (EEGL)	11,020.00
Total	11,020.00

Harvey's Lake Beach Fund

Proceeds from Beach Committee fund-raisers & donations	1,056.66
Total	1,056.66

Health Reimbursement Account Fund

Funds remaining from 2014 plan	2,250.00
Total	2,250.00

Highway Construction Account

Grant from Vermont Agency of Transportation for Comerford Dam Road project	175,000.00
Total	175,000.00

Land Record Restoration Fees

Recording fee surcharge	1,501.00
Total	1,501.00

Municipal Planning Grant Fund

State of Vermont - Municipal Planning Grant funds for revising zoning bylaw	1,611.00
Total	1,611.00

Total Other Income	192,438.66
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**Town of Barnet
Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

Schedule B - Expenditures

Act 60/Reappraisal Funds

RB Technologies - New workstation	2,294.24
Amazon.com - Tablet computer	1,051.99
NEMRC - On-site tablet set-up	427.06
NEMRC - Software license for tablet	300.00
Total Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	4,073.29

Bridge Fund

<u>Barnet Center Road - Box culvert project</u>	
Calco, Inc. - Box culvert	45,214.00
Ruggles Engineering Services, Inc. - Professional engineering services	4,350.00
Total Barnet Center Road	49,564.00
Total Bridge Fund	49,564.00

Equipment Account

Paul Daigle - Roadside mower tractor (2007 Massey Ferguson)	60,000.00
New England Truck Tire - Grader tires	11,924.00
Total Equipment Account	71,924.00

Harvey's Lake Beach Fund

Amazon.com - Paddleboard	859.00
Total Harvey's Lake Beach Fund	859.00

Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations

Fairbanks Mill, Inc. - Professional services (project management for sediment removal)	15,798.08
Total Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations	15,798.08

Health Reimbursement Account Fund

Employee qualified health care expenses paid through HRAs	7,414.35
Total Health Reimbursement Account Fund	7,414.35

Highway Construction Account

<u>Comerford Dam Road - Construction & Paving Project</u>	
Materials	
HS Supplies - 18" culvert	2,610.00
Pike Industries, Inc. - Quarry run stone	1,065.10
Dennis McLam - Mulch hay	45.00
Morrison's Feed Bag - Grass seed	18.74
Total Materials	3,738.84
Contractors	
Pike Industries, Inc. - Paving	239,124.01
Pike Industries, Inc. - Reclaim	14,544.00
Richard Stevenson - Excavator	6,187.50

**Town of Barnet
Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

Vermont Recreational Surfacing & Fencing, Inc. - Guardrail	989.00
Total Contractors	260,844.51
Total Comerford Dam Road	264,583.35
Total Highway Construction Account	264,583.35
Land Record Restoration Fees	
Kofile Preservation - Restoration of: Marriage Records Volume 13, Index to Land Records Books 1-28, Land Records Volume 16	5,678.00
Kofile Preservation - Mylar envelopes for vital records	448.19
Total Land Record Restoration Fees	6,126.19
Lister Education Funds	
State of Vermont - Listers conferences/seminars	75.00
Total Lister Education Funds	75.00
Municipal Buildings Fund	
Graves Builders - Repairs at Public Library building	5,701.44
Andrew Dussault - Professional services (surveying services for Barnet Town Hall)	4,048.80
Total Municipal Buildings Fund	9,750.24
Municipal Planning Grant Fund	
Northeastern Vermont Development Association - Professional services (revision of zoning bylaw)	3,351.12
Total Municipal Planning Grant Fund	3,351.12
Truck Fund	
R.R. Charlebois, Inc. - 2015 Freightliner 114SD (includes 43,000 trade allowance for 2010 Freightliner)	134,548.00
Wells River Chevrolet - 2015 GMC Sierra 2500 (includes 20,142 trade allowance for 2007 GMC)	31,783.00
Total Truck Fund	166,331.00
Total Expenditures	599,849.62

**Town of Barnet
Statement of Reserve Fund Loan Transactions
For Year Ended December 31, 2015**

Truck Account

2015 Freightliner Dump Truck:	
<u>Community National Bank</u>	84,400.00
Balance due December 31, 2015	84,400.00

Balance due Community National Bank as follows:
September 2016 - \$84,400 (plus 0.75% interest)

**Town of Barnet
Reserve Fund Balance Sheet**

<u>Assets:</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Money Market Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	50,000.00	20,620.05
ICS Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	825,076.45	672,531.87
HRA Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	11,779.95	9,116.98
Due from Other Funds	42,336.20	12,258.20
Due from State of Vermont - Class 2 Roadway Grant	0.00	175,000.00
Total Assets	929,192.60	889,527.10
<u>Liabilities:</u>		
Loan Payable - Community Nat'l Bank (dump truck)	0.00	84,400.00
Due to Other Funds	6,292.19	701.38
Total Liabilities	6,292.19	85,101.38
<u>Fund Equity:</u>		
<u>Restricted Fund Balances:</u>		
Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	104,899.77	112,124.94
Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations	26,162.80	15,416.93
Homeland Security Grants	189.04	189.51
Land Record Restoration	11,782.34	7,184.98
Lister Education Funds	2,369.30	2,300.10
Municipal Planning Grant Fund	1,737.64	(3.13)
Total Restricted Fund Balance	147,140.89	137,213.33
<u>Committed Fund Balances</u>		
92 Surplus	78,176.78	78,371.91
Highway Maintenance Fund	64,148.57	64,308.73
Municipal Buildings Fund	232,702.97	273,531.44
Total Committed Fund Balance	375,028.32	416,212.08
<u>Assigned Fund Balances</u>		
Bridge Fund	114,572.36	95,272.93
Equipment Account	134,275.89	82,603.24
Fire Department Account	48,168.38	58,288.61
Harvey's Lake Beach Account	4,146.02	4,354.09
Health Reimbursement Account Fund	11,779.95	8,415.60
Highway Construction Account	32,874.85	43,369.41
Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,555.85	1,559.73
Truck Account	53,357.90	(42,863.30)
Total Assigned Fund Balance	400,731.20	251,000.31
Total Fund Equity	922,900.41	804,425.72
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	929,192.60	889,527.10

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, 2014	1,241.06
Add: Interest on savings account	3.10
Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2015	1,244.16

Palmer Cemetery Fund

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2014	748.89
Add: Interest on savings account	0.72
Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2015	749.61

Balance Sheet

	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Assets:		
Esden Fund Investments (Edward Jones)	111,403.33	107,447.45
Esden Fund Cash (Edward Jones)	12,159.92	16,994.79
Stevens Cemetery Fund - Savings	1,241.06	1,244.16
Palmer Cemetery Fund - Savings	748.89	749.61
Total Assets	125,553.20	126,436.01
Fund Equity:		
<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
Total Non-spendable Fund Balance	54,518.58	54,518.58
<u>Unassigned Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	70,394.67	71,273.66
Stevens Cemetery Fund	241.06	244.16
Palmer Cemetery Fund	398.89	399.61
Total Unassigned Fund Balance	71,034.62	71,917.43
Total Fund Equity	125,553.20	126,436.01

Capital Assets Fund Reports

The Capital Assets Fund 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.

**Town of Barnet
Capital Assets Fund Activities**

	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Assets:				
Land	166,305.00			166,305.00
Buildings	901,279.62			901,279.62
Vehicles/Equipment	1,347,374.42	289,473.00	142,751.00	1,494,096.42
Infrastructure	2,886,382.67	587,681.89		3,474,064.56
Total	5,301,341.71	877,154.89	142,751.00	6,035,745.60
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings	149,756.18	18,026.52		167,782.70
Vehicles/Equipment	728,597.89	85,209.84	86,614.84	727,192.89
Infrastructure	1,241,597.29	301,007.53		1,542,604.82
Total	2,119,951.36	404,243.89	86,614.84	2,437,580.41
Total Capital Assets, Net	3,181,390.35	472,911.00	56,136.16	3,598,165.19

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

	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Assets:		
Land	166,305.00	166,305.00
Buildings	901,279.62	901,279.62
Vehicles/Equipment	1,347,374.42	1,494,096.42
Infrastructure	2,886,382.67	3,474,064.56
Accumulated Depreciation	(2,119,951.36)	(2,437,580.41)
Total Assets	3,181,390.35	3,598,165.19
Fund Equity:		
Fund Balance	3,181,390.35	3,598,165.19
Total Fund Equity	3,181,390.35	3,598,165.19

General Long-Term Debt Fund Reports

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 the year 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 the ensuing year.

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

Balance Sheet

	<u>Dec. 31, 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Assets:		
Amount Provided for Long-Term Debt	4,785.37	3,618.95
Total Assets	4,785.37	3,618.95
 Liabilities		
Accrued Compensated Absences	4,785.37	3,618.95
Total Liabilities	4,785.37	3,618.95
 Fund Equity:		
Fund Balance	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Equity	0.00	0.00
 Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	4,785.37	3,618.95

Section 4

School Administration Reports

Barnet Elementary School Report

2015-2016

Respectfully submitted by Shawn Gonyaw



*To begin, I would like to express my excitement and joy in working as principal of the Barnet School. The phrase **time flies when you are having fun** certainly applies to my experience at 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.*

Thank you to the Barnet School staff and Curriculum Coordinator, Jodie Elliott, for helping to make this school report reflect the wonderful program that the Barnet School offers students and families. We are fortunate to have wonderful people working with our young scholars.

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 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 (If a paper copy is preferred please call the office and we will gladly put you on our mailing list.) The second Monday of each month the School Board meets to discuss our school's present state and to plan for the future. In addition, I am always willing to chat with community members and answer questions that may arise.

What is a (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) MTSS and how does this approach work at the Barnet School?

For the past several years, our school has been implementing a three-tiered approach to instruction. The foundation for this approach is built upon talented classroom teachers at Tier I, skilled interventionists at Tier II, and highly trained special educators and support staff at Tier III.

At the classroom level (Tier I) teachers are implementing PBiS (Positive Behavior Intervention Systems) to promote appropriate behaviors, working collaboratively to develop common language and curriculum across classrooms, and delivering curriculum that meets state and national standards. We are striving to provide a first level of instruction that is differentiated, allowing each student to access the curriculum and learn to his/her fullest potential.

At the Tier II level we have trained staff members working with students in grades K-8 who struggle to grasp basic concepts. The chief role of these teachers is to work for short periods of time with targeted students to increase proficiency in areas identified as weak on assessment results. By intervening early we help students be more successful learners.

Special educators and support staff (Tier III) work with our students who have been identified as having a learning disability and who need instruction that is specialized to meet their needs. This three-tiered approach has proven to be successful in our school and is working for our students.

Student Enrollment:

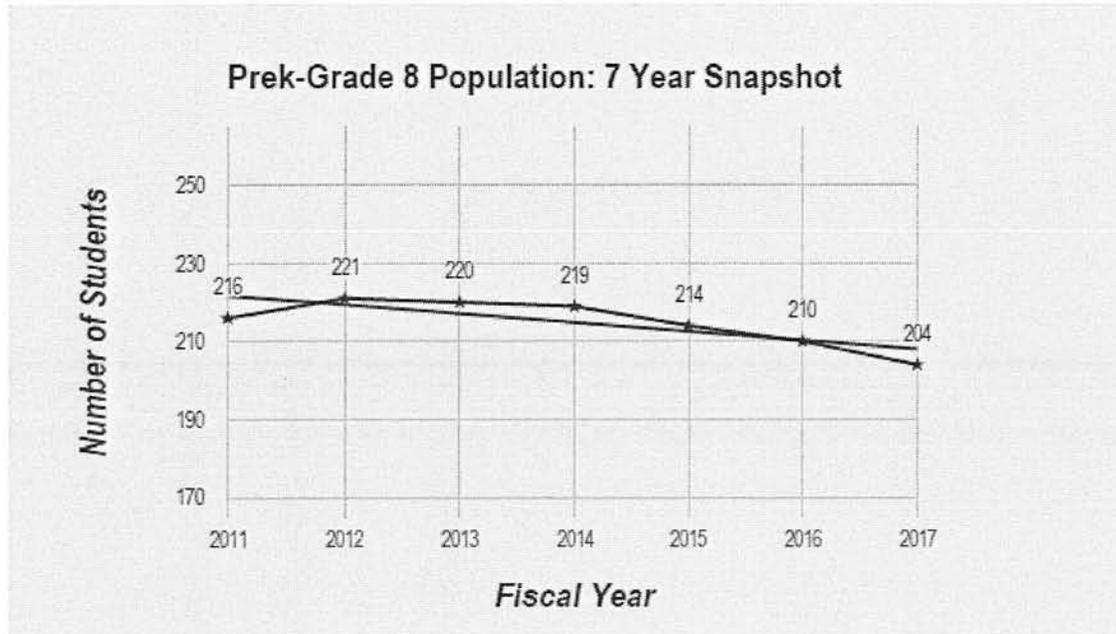
The following is a snapshot of our pre-kindergarten through high school population over the past seven years. Please keep in mind that the numbers for FY 2017 are projections and may change based upon families moving in or out of the district.

	Pre-K	K	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	High School	Total
FY 2011	30	24	17	25	26	16	21	13	19	25	84	300
FY 2012	30	23	18	23	21	25	19	24	18	20	81	302
FY 2013	27	24	23	26	17	22	23	20	23	15	73	293
FY 2014	27	24	21	21	22	17	20	24	22	21	75	294
FY 2015	21	16	27	20	21	20	21	20	28	20	81	295
FY 2016	28	18	16	30	19	21	13	19	20	26	78	288
FY 2017	29	17	18	16	30	21	21	13	19	20	92	296

**numbers updated on 1/15/16.*



The following is a snapshot of our pre-kindergarten through eighth grade population over the past seven years with a trend line indicating a stable student population:



Vermont State Assessment Program

Vermont joined with a cadre of other states to develop the next generation of educational tests for English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics. This group of states, known as the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium, created an assessment that is fully aligned with the Common Core State Standards. This is a computer-based assessment that is able to adjust in difficulty based upon student responses.

The Smarter Balanced Assessment replaced Vermont’s previous assessment test, the NECAP, in 2015. The new assessment of English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics asks students to demonstrate and apply their knowledge and skills in areas such as critical thinking, analytical writing and problem solving.

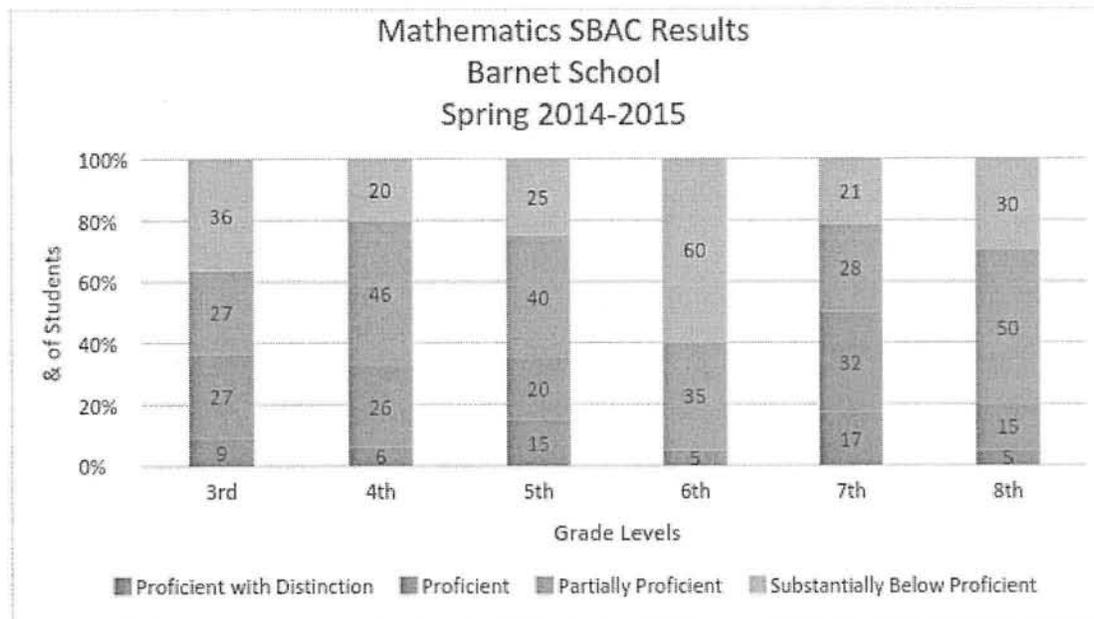
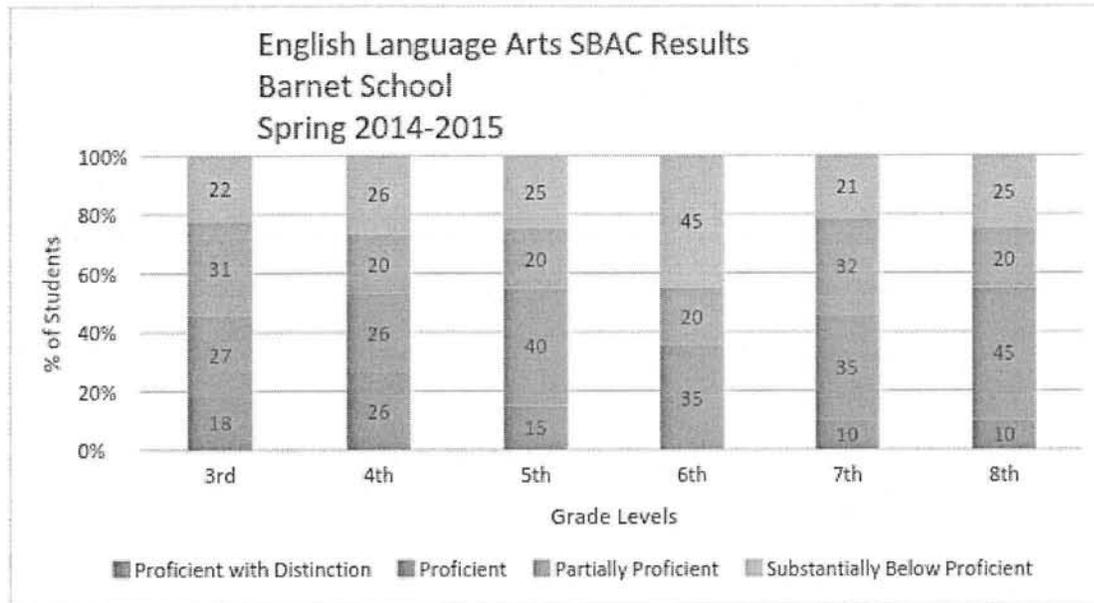
All students in grades 3-8 and grade 11 are assessed using the Smarter Balanced Assessment.

Since the student test scores establish a new baseline aligned with the Common Core, **they should not be compared to previous statewide test scores**. As with any change, there will be a period of adjustment as teachers and students get used to the new standards and tests.

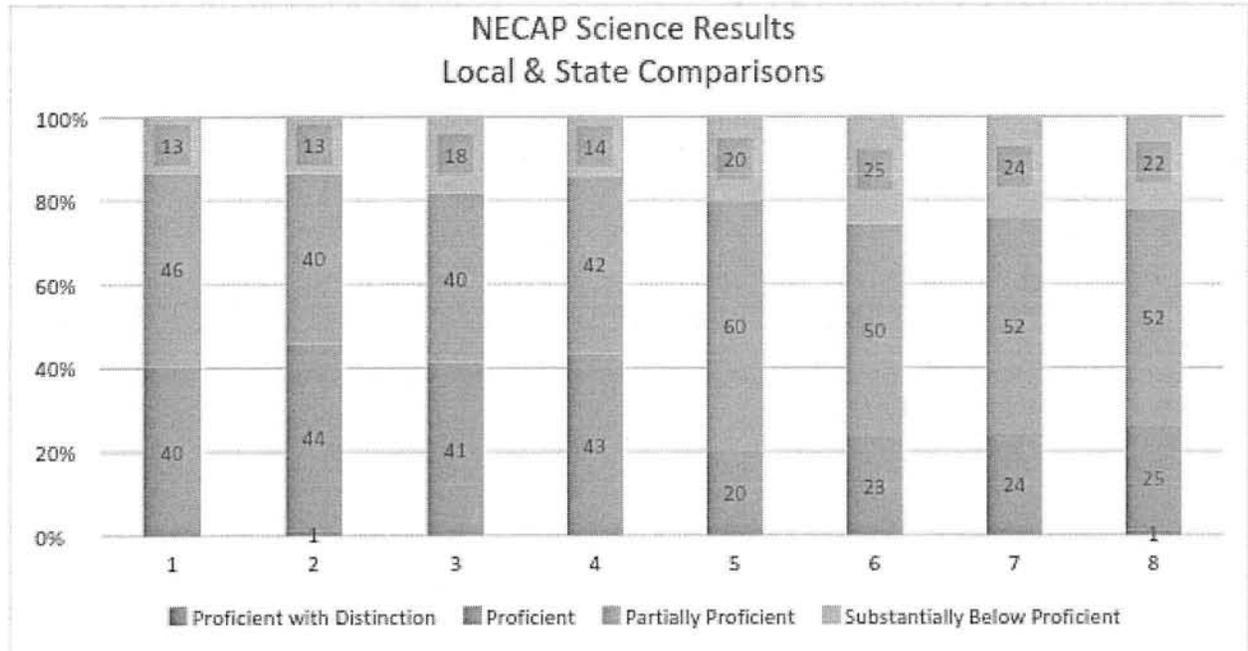
While no single test can give a complete picture of achievement, annual assessments can provide important information about student progress and areas for improvement, especially when combined with student grades and teacher reports. Parents and teachers can use this information to make sure students get the support they need to succeed.

The graphs below show the percentage of students in 2014-2015 that met the standard.

What percentage of students were proficient or above the standard on English Language Arts and Mathematics assessments (SBAC)?

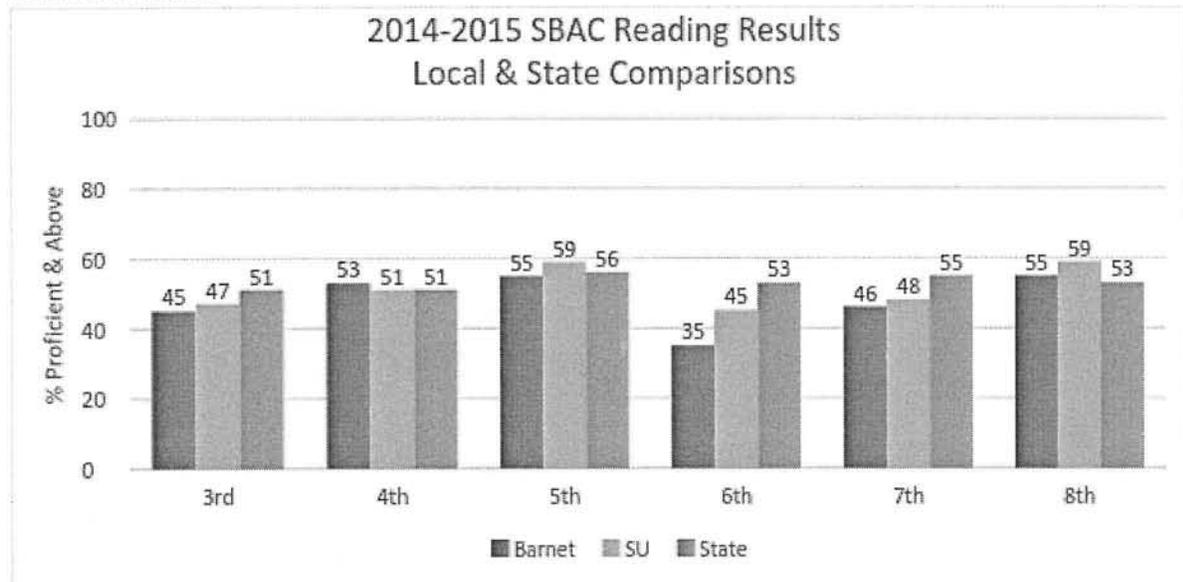


What percentage of students were proficient or above the standard on the NECAP Science assessment? How has our school done in comparison to the state?

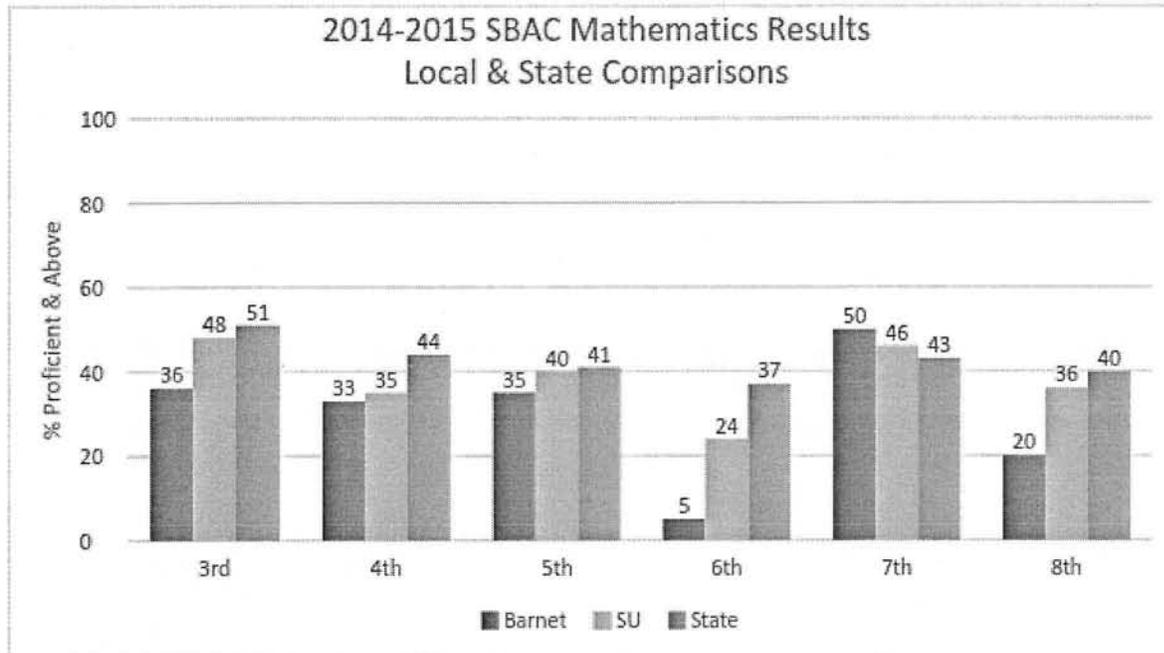


How did various subgroups of students compare to their peers (SBAC)?
(These results will be shared at a later date.)

How did our school's English Language Arts SBAC scores compare to Caledonia Central Union's and the State of Vermont's scores?



How did Barnet’s Mathematics, SBAC scores compare to Caledonia Central Union’s and the State of Vermont’s scores?



Since the SBAC is newly established and should not be compared to previous statewide test scores, we do not have a two-year trend in student achievement for English Language Arts and Mathematics. The SBAC will be administered to students for the second time in the spring of 2016.

Annual Yearly Progress (AYP)

Except from Vermont State Board of Education’s Resolution on SBAC and AYP Determination, (March 2015.)

We believe standardized tests play an important but limited public assurance role in education. Well-designed tests can help evaluate greater equity of outcomes for our students. Educators can use tests to set realistic targets for improvement. Test scores can be a trigger for detailed evaluation to learn what schools are doing effectively or to help identify strategies schools can use to get better. However, there are real limitations of what can be concluded about learning based on test scores, particularly in the first years of new tests and standards. While schools have secured sufficient internet access for testing, we should not confuse this with equity across the state. Districts with more access and whose students have more familiarity with technology will find it easier to administer these tests. Will the tests measure reading and mathematics or will they measure computer access and literacy? Over time, the computer adaptive tests will likely be better than their predecessors as they hold strong promise for individualizing and testing knowledge in applied settings. This is an improvement from other tests, yet it is a substantial change and, therefore, SBAC scores cannot be compared with earlier NECAP scores.

Therefore, The Vermont State Board of Education will not use SBAC scores for the 2014-2015 school year for the purpose of annual school evaluation determinations. Until students' education has been guided by the new standards and schools have practiced administering and interpreting SBAC, the results will not support reliable and valid inferences about student performance and should not be used as the basis for any consequential purpose. Unless empirical studies confirm a sound relationship between performance on the SBAC and critical and valued life outcomes ("college and career-ready"), test results should not be used to make consequential judgments about schools and students.

Barnet School Annual Yearly Progress (AYP)

Reading – Year 1 Corrective Action

Mathematics – Year 2 School Improvement

Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT)

The federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA) requires all public school teachers of "core" academic subjects to meet the "highly qualified teacher" (HQT) requirements of the Act. Under NCLBA educators of "core" subjects must be properly licensed and endorsed for the instructional levels they teach, and have the required content knowledge for the endorsement they are using in their assignment. The law also requires that schools receiving federal Title I funds notify parents when their child is being taught a "core" subject by a teacher who has not yet met the federal requirements. The Vermont Agency of Education determines the HQT status for their assignments both statewide and school-by-school.

Barnet had 100% of core classes taught by an educator who was HQT during the 2014-2015 academic year. In addition, there were no teachers teaching with provisional or emergency credentials.

Because the Smarter Balanced test is so new and different, the Agency of Education will not use results to make accountability decisions this year; Schools will maintain current status and actions.

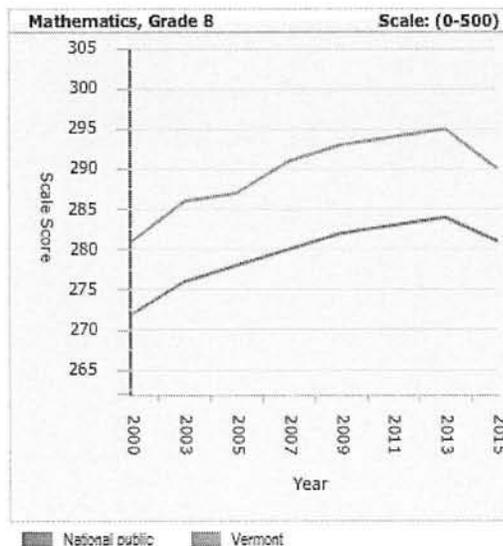
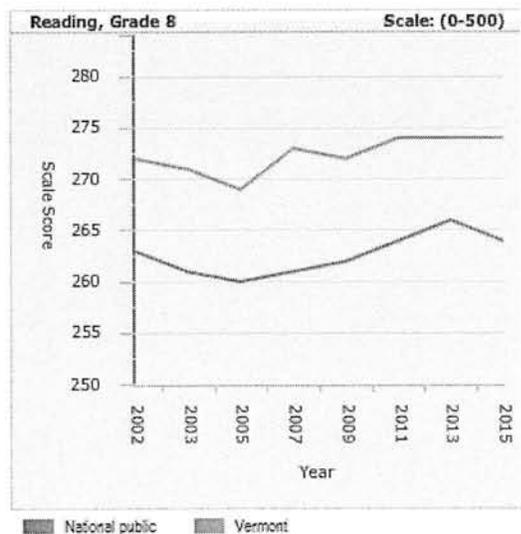
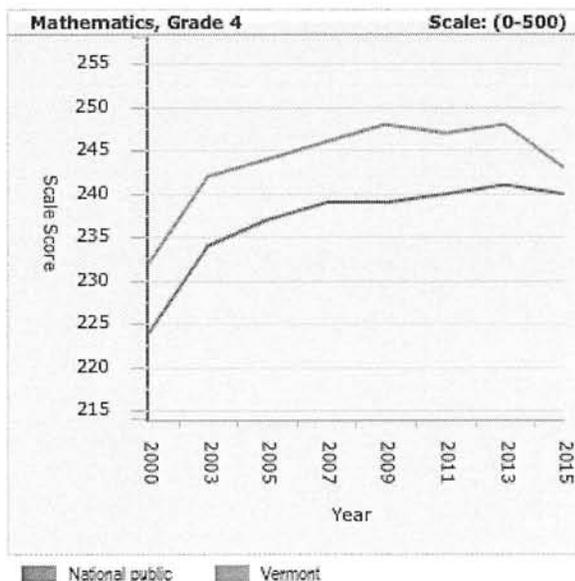
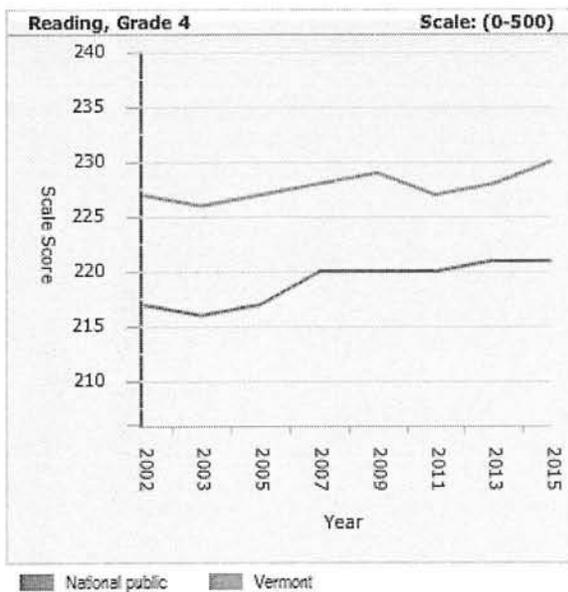


Stewardship Day is a schoolwide tradition that brings out entire school outdoors to engage in a number of projects varying from painting and gardening to trail work and more. One piece of the event is older students reading aloud to younger students in the outdoor classrooms - a beautiful way to make learning fun!

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) also known as “the Nation’s Report Card,” NAEP is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America’s students know and can do in various subject areas (Reading and Mathematics). NEAP does not provide scores for individual students or schools; instead, it offers results regarding subject-matter achievement for populations of students.

Students in grades 4 and 8 are assessed using the NAEP. Vermont’s public schools had a small gain in performance for the 2015 spring assessment. The graphs below show Vermont’s student progress overtime.

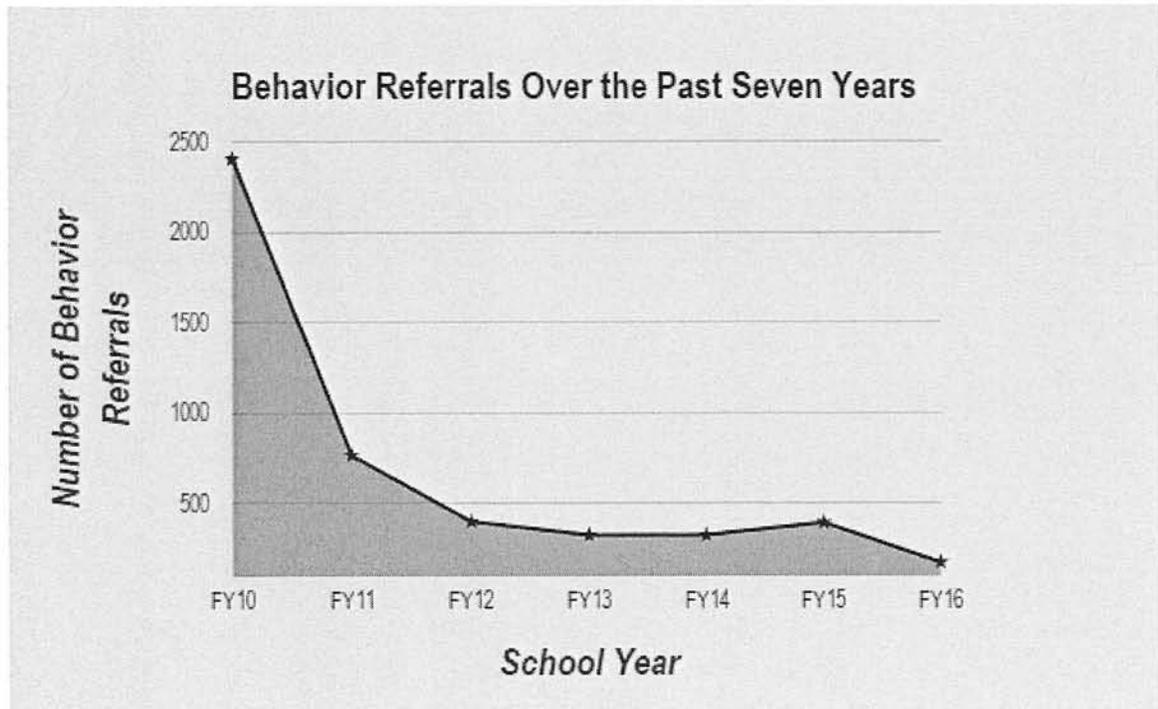


How is student behavior monitored and tracked at the Barnet School?

Barnet School is a Vermont Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) school. This means simply that we choose to recognize and celebrate the positive daily behaviors of students. In our eighth year as a PBIS school, we have many strategies for helping struggling students to show positive behaviors, monitor, and change their actions. Our database tracks student behaviors and a team analyzes this data on a regular basis. The team looks at trends in the data to propose action steps that improve student behavior. It is valuable to look deeper into the data than just overall numbers. This further analysis indicates that the majority of behavior referrals (41%) are categorized as minor classroom disruptions whereas 2.5% are categorized as physical aggression. It is exciting to be at the place where we can use our behavioral data to make informed decisions that have shown over the past several years to decrease the number of undesired behaviors.

We are proud to report that this is the fourth year in a row that our improved behavioral data has earned us recognition from the Agency of Education as being an exemplar school – a recognition that only two schools in our state have maintained for four consecutive years 😊

Barnet School Behavior Data 2009 – 2016						
2009 - 2010	2010 - 2011	2011-2012	2012 - 2013	2013 - 2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
2,405 referrals	764 referrals	397 referrals	322 referrals	321 referrals	390 referrals	169 referrals to date



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

Several years ago we recognized that the transition to the Common Core State Standards would mean a drastic increase in student expectations. With changing curricula comes gaps in student learning. A great example of this is in mathematics where our middle school students are finding that the new expectations include understanding concepts that they were never taught. These gaps have occurred throughout our program and in the programs of schools across the country. Luckily for our students, we currently have 2.5 teacher positions dedicated to support students in grades K-8 who need extra support to bridge these gaps. These positions are staffed with teachers who have an abundance of strategies up their sleeves!

When constructing our school-wide schedule, a time called “tutorial” was incorporated in grades 3-8. This is a time where interventionists and classroom teachers work with smaller groups of students to teach concepts that have been identified through assessments as gaps. At any given time, up to 60 students receive services from interventionists. We also have three teacher positions dedicated to supporting students diagnosed with disabilities. These teachers support students in many ways ranging from the creation and instruction of separate curricula, to co-teaching with the classroom teacher to modify instruction as it is delivered. Two behavioral interventionists work with students who struggle with behaviors. These interventionists monitor behavior plans, run social groups, and continually check in and encourage students to exhibit their best behaviors. We have also gained several volunteers who donate their time to read with students, practice math facts, and help with homework. This is an area where I encourage community members to get involved. There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer that will directly support students.

What are students learning about in grades K-2 at the Barnet School?



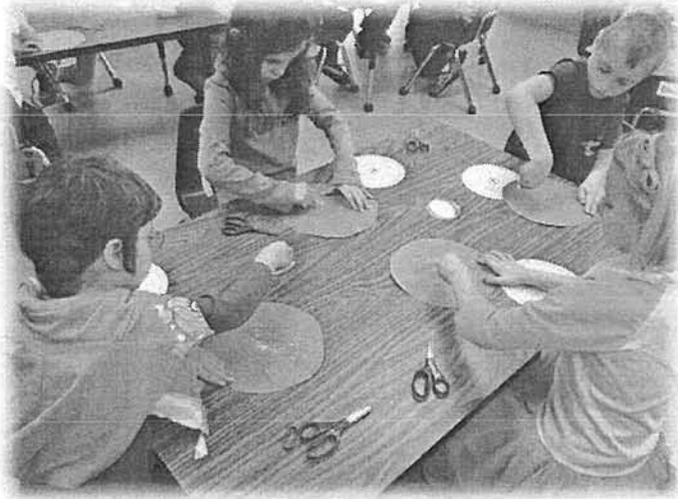
The **preschool team** strives to lay the foundation for a lifelong love of learning by encouraging children to become independent, self-confident, and inquisitive learners. Children are given numerous opportunities each day to participate in active and creative exploration. The picture below illustrates the writing center, favorite interest areas in preschool; a place where children can experiment with writing and explore different ways to convey messages in print.

Children have a wide variety of writing tools and props that promote creative writing. At the writing center, children have the opportunity to develop and extend their understanding of written words.

In **music** the academic learning is musical literacy, reading and writing music notation. The first concept relating to this is steady beat, which is now introduced in Preschool instead of Kindergarten. Here are some preschoolers keeping the beat to recorded music.



Students in grades **kindergarten through fourth grade** are learning the difference between problems that they can solve and those that are potentially dangerous and serious. The program ***Kelso's Choice*** is a conflict management program that teaches student several positive ways to deal with minor conflicts. The program features a frog named Kelso who walks the students through nine conflict



management choices for "small" problems. The choices are: go to another game, respectfully talk it out, walk away from the problem, ignore the problem, make a deal, tell the person to stop the problem behavior, apologize, wait and cool off and share and take turns. Emphasis is put on students being smart enough and strong enough to solve a small problem on their own; however, problems that are dangerous and serious should always be brought to a trusted adult.

The **first and second grade** students are learning about nonfiction reading and writing. Students work together to identify nonfiction text features. They look for captions, glossaries, diagrams, indexes, important words, and maps. They learn to use these features to find information in texts and in the writing of their own non-fiction books.



Second graders use many different materials to create arrays in their introduction to a unit focusing on multiplication. They use fancy erasers, blocks, drawings, and themselves! Second graders make a human array of 5 rows of 3 students.

Reading Recovery students are first graders who benefit from an extra half hour of daily literacy support. They read familiar texts, write about their reading, sort words and letters, and begin a new book each day. This work, in addition to classroom instruction, accelerates these young readers. By the end of twenty weeks, they are reading and writing at or above grade level. Individualized time and instruction early on in the learning process pays off by building independence and confidence that carries on through the grades.



Second graders work on finding nonfiction text features in their reading groups. They begin with a highly engaging books on subjects such as how to make spy tools and then search the book for certain text features. Students share the different places they found features and explain why these features help with understanding nonfiction text.

Second graders read about dinosaurs and learn that their living relatives are birds. This leads them to a study of raptors, like owls. Each student dissects an owl pellet to determine the diet of these carnivorous, modern "dinosaurs".



Reading groups promote questioning, research, and scientific inquiry. We read to learn!

What are students learning about in grades 3-5 at the Barnet School?

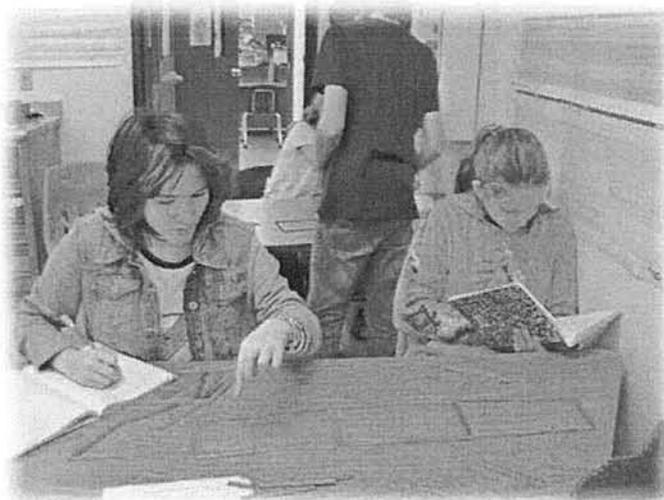
Third and fourth graders students demonstrate a variety of passing skills while working with a partner during physical education class. Before this activity, the class discussed the importance of stepping toward their target to increase accuracy.



Third and fourth graders at Barnet School experiment with levers. As a part of their simple machines unit, students challenge themselves to describe how the position of the fulcrum impacts the lifting of the load. Students were surprised to discover how prevalent levers are in the world around them and made many great connections!

What are students learning about in grades 6-8 at the Barnet School?

Seventh and eighth grade students investigate geometrical patterns. They make patterns with popsicle sticks, create a data table, use finite differences to spot the rate of change and then find the algebraic function that models their pattern. Students also explain in words why their algebraic function is a model for the pattern! Students are also challenged to make new models!



Sixth, seventh and eighth grade students have the opportunity four days a week to strengthen and expand their learning during their Tutorial time. One example is students exploring whether or not the number of containers of water poured into the uniquely shaped vase and the height of the water in that vase forms a linear relationship. After making a prediction, conducting the experiment, measuring the height of the water, and documenting the data in a table, students then used their individual laptops to create a scatterplot using Google Sheets to determine the shape of the graph and the reasoning behind it. Students thrive on opportunities to conduct hands-on experiments coupled with tech applications to analyze and make sense of the data collected.



Barnet World Language Program

Barnet students are engaged in academic learning in their **Spanish classes**. The primary focus in all Spanish classes K-8 is communication. Students do not need to be fluent in Spanish to communicate effectively in the language. Barnet students are very motivated to learn Spanish with the goal of being able to communicate in the target language in mind at all times.

Visits to the Fairbanks and Montshire Museums

Many grades benefit from the relationship Barnet School enjoys with the Fairbanks Museum and the Montshire Museum. These amazing resources complement student learning about science and more. In this photo we see third and fourth graders engaged in a learning activity about bats. Students are role playing the bats, using echolocation to determine the location of their prey. This lesson contributes to a unit of study about habitats, and relates closely to our own habitat in Vermont, where the bat population has been affected recently.

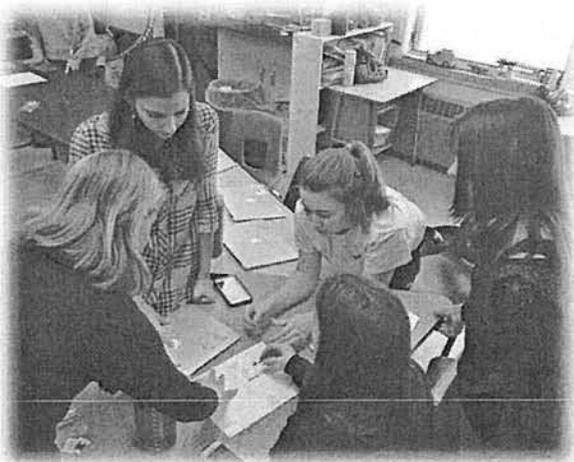




Barnet **middle school students** thrive in a whole myriad of collaborative and hands-on learning opportunities while in STEAM in both indoor and outdoor classrooms. They love sharing their knowledge with younger buddies in partnered endeavors, thrive while engaged in engineering projects, especially through ECO building projects and robotics, continue to adore using the bread oven and chickens in integrated learning opportunities and are fascinated by scientific inquiry in general. This year, students have stretched themselves as we have added artistic

interpretation and performing arts to the STEAM classroom through the Creative Schools Initiative project as a means to demonstrate scientific concepts and principles.

This year, **Barnet Student Leadership** has focused on the following four goals: *Improve School Experiences, Foster Community Engagement, Collaboratively Work to Solve School-Based Problems and Plan and Implement Enrichment Initiatives.* Students have brainstormed ways they could help in all four categories, determined which activities are within and beyond their control of influence and prioritized activities. Our group is young but motivated. In their first month of meeting, students coordinated and implemented a school-wide card drive where hand-made letters were delivered to residents of the St. Johnsbury Health and Rehabilitation Center for the holidays. Additionally, they unanimously decided to support Barnet's 2016 Green-Up Day and are



helping plan an adventure-based learning program for our school in collaboration with Vermont Rural Partnership and High 5 Adventure Learning Center. Our students take great pride in their skill-sets and ability to serve. They are able to fill a vital role in our community when their voices are heard and energies channeled.

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Superintendents Report

Dear Citizens,

The Schools in Caledonia Central Supervisory Union continue to move forward with our Multi-tiered Systems of Support. This system ensures that every student receives an intervention or enrichment opportunity at his or her academic level. We have transitioned to the Common Core State Standards and continue to develop our curriculum. I'm pleased with the progress we are making and the dedicated commitment from our faculty and staff.

The passing of Act 46 has created many challenges for our schools and communities to work through. As with many well intended pieces of legislation, Act 46 attempts to find a simple solution to a challenging situation that involves unique communities and years of history with local control. The goals of the legislation (equal educational opportunity, efficient operations, sustainable systems and transparency) are all things CCSU has been working towards. Act 46 requires us to consider changing the basic rules of one board per town, one budget per school, and the communities that board members represent. It's a complicated task. One important item that all community members need to be aware of is that under Act 46 the state has set an allowable growth cap for school districts. Spending above the growth cap is penalized. There are components of Act 46 that I feel can benefit school systems. This is not one of them.

Districts within CCSU have seen significant increases in their budgets due to costs that are outside of the boards' control, such as increases in special education, increased tuition cost, and health insurance rates. These factors combined with the double taxation penalty has created a significant problem. Due to this, Danville and Walden School Boards are seeking to move their school budget meetings from March to May. The rationale behind this change is to allow time for the legislation to make a final decision on the tax penalty. The outcome of their decision may impact all of our schools, particularly Danville and Walden. If the penalty remains without modifications, Danville and Walden may need to be restructured in some capacity. This would involve a reduction of force and rethinking service delivery. We need time to do this in a meaningful way that will not reduce the quality of education provided to the children we serve. Moving the meetings to May will assist us in being able to present a more accurate budget, one that is reflective of up to date legislative changes and well thought out personnel decisions.

The major component of Act 46 requires schools to consolidate with other like schools. CCSU has been moving forward in a productive manner on this front. CCSU will be adopting a RED (Regional Education District) Side by Side merger configuration. Barnet, Peacham, and Walden are having discussions with Waterford and Concord about creating a PreK-8 district with High School choice. Danville is engaged with discussions with Cabot and Twinfield about creating a PreK-12 district. Each district would have one board, one budget and a supervisory union board like we do now. We are working with a consultant that will be assisting us in determining the financial and educational implications of these potential mergers. This is a process and no decisions have been made regarding specific partnerships. Communities will need to vote and adopt any merger plan that is proposed. The conversations have been productive and beneficial.

I encourage any community members who want to participate in this process to attend board meetings and stay engaged. These are still our schools and we need to do what is best for our children and communities. If anyone has questions or concerns please contact me directly or your district board chair. We stand ready to assist in any way possible. I can be reached at mathew.forest@ccsuonline.org.

Sincerely,

Mat Forest

Dr. Mathew G Forest
Superintendent Of Schools

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E.L.O. Director's Annual Report January 2015

The E.L.O. (Extended Learning Opportunities) Program has had a great beginning to the third year. We operate 4 - 8 week sessions after school at all 4 schools for students in Kindergarten through the 8th Grade. Daily we serve around 100 students among the 4 schools. We also offer a 5 week summer program.

We have focused on the student goals 1) to improve academic performance and 2) to demonstrate the 21st Century skills of collaboration and problem solving and on the program goals 1) to increase the use of 21st Century skills and 2) to increase individual health and wellness.

During the school year students have been offered classes in video creation, Lego robotics, computer coding, math, science, writing, French, Spanish, art, music, P.E., rocketry, sewing, cooking, and outdoor adventures among others.

This summer the weekly themes were The Amazing Race, Outdoor Adventures, Small Business Know How, Science and Technology, and Culinary Camp. Of the students attending this summer, 33% improved their reading level, 56% maintained their reading level, and only 11% lost reading skills over the summer. This is in comparison to national data that shows that more than 80 percent of children from economically disadvantaged communities lose reading skills over the summer because they lack access to books, learning resources, and such enrichment opportunities as trips to the library, bookstore, or museum.

The program has received benefits from several outside resources this year. A Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant provided storage for the mountain bikes at Barnet. All 4 schools will benefit from being selected for the Vermont Tinkering Project which is sponsored by the Montshire Museum and the Vermont Department for Children and Families. We have also received a Children's Literacy Foundation Grant to provide books to the E.L.O. students at Walden and a grant from the Osterman Family Foundation through Catamount Arts that will provide a teacher and artist in each school to work with the students on learning about and creating fables.

Thank you to the volunteers and staff that provide E.L.O. in our communities! As the federal funding for this program is reduced by 25% next year, and more the following year, please consider volunteering your time to support the program.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Gaston, Project Director

"It is the mission of the Caledonia Central Supervisory Union and its four member schools to create a learning community in which each individual can achieve the highest standards of excellence in intellectual growth and citizenship."

Section 5

School District Financial Reports

**Barnet School District
3 Year Comparison**

	FY15 Budget		FY16 Budget		Without Penalty		With Cost Containment Penalty	
					FY17 Budget			
Total Budgeted Expenditures	4,927,127		5,010,724		5,046,333			
Revenues	(805,896)		(983,155)		(784,719)		LIMIT	
Total Education Spending (Act 68)	4,121,231		4,027,569		4,261,614		Ed. Spending	Amount of reduction to avoid penalty
							4,140,056	121,558
Equalized Pupils <i>FY17 as of 12-21-15</i>	280.21		280.70		280.82			
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	14,708		14,348		15,176		6%	Tax up to Threshold
							14,743	Tax on Amount over
								433
Excess Spending Threshold	16,166		17,103		14,743		2.76%	
District Spending Adjustment	Base Rate 9,285 158.40%		Base Rate 9,459 151.69%		Act 46 language Base education amount 9,870 x Base Rate 1.00 = Yield 9,870		9,870 9,870 1.00 1.00 9,870 9,870 1.494 0.044	
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate	0.98 1.55		1.00 1.52		1.54		1.494 + 0.06 1.56	
Actual Homestead Tax Rate per \$100	102.96% 1.508		104.29% 1.455		105.52% 1.457		1.416 + 0.058 1.474	
Increase/(Decrease) % of change			(0.05) -3.5%		0.003 0.2%		0.019 1.3%	
Non Residential Tax Rate	1.515 1.4714		1.535 1.4719		1.538 1.4575			
Increase / (Decrease) in Education Spending Per Cent Increase/(Decrease)			(93,662) -2.3%		234,045 5.8%			
1 cent on Tax Rate	27,335		27,690		29,247			

**Barnet School District
Proposed Budget
Revenue**

General Fund	Budget FYE June 30, 2015	Actual FYE June 30, 2015	Budget FYE June 30, 2016	PROPOSED Budget FYE June 30, 2017	Budget Increase/ (Decrease)
Local					
1320 Tuition	49,000	91,189	75,826	71,584	(4,242)
1361 Tuition - Special Ed.			12,000	5,000	(7,000)
1510 Interest	34,555	36,643	18,500	2,000	(16,500)
1920 Winter Wellness, shed donation	6,500	12,711	6,500	6,500	-
1990 Miscellaneous		252			-
Total Local Revenue	90,055	140,795	112,826	85,084	(27,742)
State					
3110 General State Support Grant	4,119,050	4,119,050	4,025,018	4,259,061	234,043
3114 On Behalf Tech Ed	2,181	2,181	2,551	2,553	2
Education Spending	4,121,231	4,121,231	4,027,569	4,261,614	234,045
3111 Transportation Aid	64,675	64,560	63,301	63,301	-
3201 SE Mainstream Block Grant	103,412	103,412	107,816	109,028	1,212
3202 SEER Reimbursement	332,694	249,712	372,085	334,483	(37,602)
3203 Extraordinary Reimbursement	38,828	17,870	78,300		(78,300)
3204 Essential Early Education	21,445	22,089	22,715	24,589	1,874
Total State Revenue	4,682,285	4,578,874	4,671,786	4,793,015	121,229
Federal					
4250 Consolidated Federal-moved to grants	68,328	70,378	72,942 *		(72,942)
4581 Medicaid Grant			2,371	-	(2,371)
5900 E-Rate	24,960	12,505	22,134	22,470	336
Total Federal Revenue	93,288	82,883	97,447	22,470	(74,977)
Other					
5999 Prior Year Adjustment	6,946	(2,280)			-
Carryforward	45,000		123,253	137,780	14,527
Bond Refinancing Savings Allocation	9,553	9,553	5,412	7,984	2,572
Total Other	61,499	7,273	128,665	145,764	17,099
SubTotal General Fund Revenues	4,927,127	4,809,825	5,010,724	5,046,333	35,609
* Less consolidated Federal grant moved from general fund per audit			(72,942)		72,942
Total General Fund Revenues	4,927,127	4,809,825	4,937,782	5,046,333	108,551

Budget - General Fund Summary

Barnet School District FY17

Account Description	FY15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Classroom Instruction					
1100.100. - Salaries**	1,069,045	991,001	1,078,501	1,088,530	10,029
1100.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits**	291,643	307,399	343,415	399,864	56,449
1100.300. - Fairbanks and other Student Services	5,500	12,194	6,500	6,500	0
1100.332. - SU Support Services			9,417	9,417	0
1100.400. - Equipment repairs	1,500	1,182	2,000	1,000	(1,000)
1100.560. -Tuition	1,246,766	1,188,482	1,279,225	1,462,931	183,706
1100.500. - other services - travel, site licenses	13,380	12,480	4,611	4,950	339
1100.600. - Supplies/Consumables	19,813	28,389	27,945	39,800	11,855
1100.700. - Furniture/Equipment	889	17,619	4,560	7,125	2,565
1100.800. - Fees	6,000		11,480	16,335	4,855
Total: Classroom instruction - regular ed - 1100	2,654,536	2,558,746	2,767,654	3,036,452	268,798
Special Ed. Instruction					
1200.100. - Salaries	317,887	336,672	292,216	183,962	(108,254)
1200.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	107,503	105,659	90,796	68,541	(22,255)
1200.300. - Professional Services outside SU	13,150	39,876	8,500		(8,500)
1200.332. - FY17 All Teachers serving Barnet moved to SU as required by State	113,530	95,408	176,252	276,090	99,838
1200.500. - Tuition and Site Licenses	215,170	85,462	254,000	86,600	(167,400)
1200.600. - Supplies/Consumables	7,500	3,657	4,500	4,000	(500)
1200.700. - Furniture/Equipment	2,000	8,445	2,000	2,500	500
Total: Direct Instruction - Special Ed. - 1200	776,740	675,179	828,264	621,693	-206,571
Extra Curricular					
	under 1100s				
1400.600. - Supplies, uniforms				5,400	5,400
1400.800. -Fees - winter wellness			6,000	2,500	(3,500)
Total: Extra Curricular - 1400	0	0	6,000	7,900	1,900
Guidance					
2120.100. - Salaries	40,581	39,162	40,337	41,333	996
2120.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	18,160	11,986	11,624	12,474	850
2120.300. - Professional Services	2,000		3,220	3,900	680
2120.600. - Supplies/Consumables	650	530	2,400	2,400	
2120.800. - Fees		45		150	150
Total: Guidance - 2120	61,391	51,723	57,581	60,257	2,676
Health/Nurse					
2130.100. - Salaries	44,368	46,064	47,009	48,559	1,550
2130.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	23,193	23,003	24,160	25,398	1,238
2130.300. - Professional Services			300	300	
2130.600. - Supplies/Consumables	2,000	1,107	1,700	1,700	
Total: Health/Nurse - 2130	69,561	70,174	73,169	75,957	2,788
Student Psychological Services					
2140.300. - Professional Services	7,500		12,750	13,500	750
Total: Psychological Svc. - 2140	7,500	0	12,750	13,500	750

Budget - General Fund Summary

Barnet School District FY17

Account Description	FY15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Speech & Language Services					
2150.100. - Salaries	48,110	64,189	53,938		(53,938)
2150.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	4,620	6,265	12,774		(12,774)
2150.300. - Professional Services other than SU	6,750	7,855	5,000	7,000	2,000
2150.332. - SU Services				59,178	59,178
2150.400. - Equipment repairs	1,500		500		(500)
2150.600. - Supplies/Consumables	2,000	856	1,500	1,000	(500)
2150.700. - Furniture/Equipment	2,750	1,465	1,200	99	(1,101)
Total: Speech & Language - 2150	65,730	80,630	74,912	67,277	(7,635)
Student Occupational Therapy					
2160.332. - SU Occupational Therapist	6,000	35,659	17,346	16,943	(403)
Total: Occupational Therapy - 2160	6,000	35,659	17,346	16,943	(403)
Student Physical Therapy					
2170.300. - Professional Services		13,644	6,600	3,000	(3,600)
Total: Physical Therapy - 2170	0	13,644	6,600	3,000	(3,600)
Other Student Support					
2190.332. - SU 504 Support Services	1,200	747	1,200	1,200	0
Total: Student Support - Other - 2190	1,200	747	1,200	1,200	0
Curriculum Development / Staff Professional Development					
2210.100. - Salaries				7,700	7,700
2210.200. - Payroll taxes, tuition reimbursement	47,500	43,492	32,000	32,589	589
2210.300. - Workshops and Consultants		362	15,500	7,500	(8,000)
2210.332. - SU Curriculum Coordinator & Math Coach	24,643	44,461	25,382	37,603	12,221
Total: Staff Training/Curriculum Development - 2210	72,143	88,315	72,882	85,392	12,510
Library Media/Technology					
2220.100. - Salaries	41,861	25,945	26,796	28,016	1,220
2220.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	22,941	21,550	14,529	15,143	614
2220.300. - Software services moved to SU	32,536	31,543	3,910		(3,910)
2220.332. - SU-wide Services and Licenses			42,580	48,929	6,349
2220.400. - Technology Equipment Lease	27,077	25,077	27,077	27,077	0
2220.500. - Site Licenses, some moved to SU	8,458	4,678	11,008	7,410	(3,598)
2220.600. - Supplies/Consumables	7,850	9,094	8,250	6,300	(1,950)
2220.700. - Furniture/Equipment	14,900	31,867	550	500	(50)
2220.800. - Fees			250	400	150
Total: - Library Media/Technology - 2220	155,623	149,754	134,950	133,775	(1,175)
General Administration - School Board and Superintendent Office					
2300.100. - Salaries - Board and Clerk	3,780	5,820	5,860	3,780	(2,080)
2300.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	323	516	614	296	(318)
2300.300. - Legal Services	11,000	1,768	11,000	11,000	0
2320.331. - SU Assessment	92,210	92,210	98,007	101,169	3,162
2300.500. - Liability Insurance	8,110	7,589	8,393	7,600	(793)
2300.600. - Supplies/Consumables	1,200	512	1,200	1,000	(200)
2300.800. - Fees	1,600	2,623	1,600	2,000	400
Total: General Admin/School Board. - 2300	118,223	111,038	126,674	126,845	171

Budget - General Fund Summary

Barnet School District FY17

Account Description	FY15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Principal Office					
2410.100. - Salaries	117,848	121,311	123,945	129,161	5,216
2410.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	19,056	12,247	12,158	20,440	8,282
2410.300. - Professional Services- VT Leadership		1,496		3,500	3,500
2410.500. - Site Licenses, mileage	7,588	2,460	2,300	700	(1,600)
2410.600. - Supplies/Consumables	4,295	3,039	4,295	4,500	205
2410.700. - Furniture/Equipment	700	169	700	100	(600)
2410.800. - Fees	1,100	1,654	300	350	50
Total: Principal Office - 2410	150,587	142,376	143,698	158,751	15,053
Business and Fiscal Services					
2520.331. - SU Business Assessment	65,416	64,755	75,189	77,794	2,605
2520.800. - Fees and Interest	30,860	19,394	36,500	1,000	(35,500)
Total: Fiscal services - 2520	96,276	84,149	111,689	78,794	(32,895)
Plant Operation					
2600.100. - Salaries	111,341	94,157	106,328	115,342	9,014
2600.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits	56,862	35,790	38,940	49,722	10,782
2600.400. - Property Svcs - water, rubbish, repairs	49,474	47,502	54,883	50,193	(4,690)
2600.500. - Phone, property insurance, travel	35,584	27,000	38,122	26,900	(11,222)
2600.600. - Supplies/Consumables, energy	93,529	75,315	95,514	88,800	(6,714)
2600.700. - Furniture/Equipment	2,200	21,023			0
Total: Plant Operation - 2600	348,990	300,787	333,787	330,957	(2,830)
Transportation to and from Schools					
2710.100. - Salaries		11,607			
2710.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits		1,085			
2710.332. - Paid for by SU, reimbursed by District	157,205	149,205	201,817	157,720	(44,097)
2710.500. - Special Transportation FY15	47,800	17,114			0
Total: - Transportation to/from - 2710	205,005	179,011	201,817	157,720	(44,097)
Transportation - other activities					
2720.100. - Salaries			3,000	3,000	0
2720.200. - Payroll Taxes & Benefits			230	230	0
2720.500. - Contracted transportation		5,604			0
Total: Transportation - Extra-curr/Athletics - 2720	0	5,604	3,230	3,230	0
Debt					
5100.830. - Interest	3,339	3,562			0
5100.910. - Principal	112,000	130,568			0
Total: Transportation - Extra-curr/Athletics - 2720	115,339	134,130	0	0	0
Prior Year Adjustments					
5200.800. - Prior year adjustments		-5,911		0	0
Total: Transfer to Food Service - 5310	0	-5,911	0	0	0
Transfer to Food Service					
5310.900. Transfer difference between income & costs	22,283	56,538	36,521	51,300	14,779
Total: Transfer to Food Service - 5310	22,283	56,538	36,521	51,300	14,779

Budget - General Fund Summary

Barnet School District FY17

Account Description	FY15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Other Transfers					
5390.900. Transfer to ELO program				15,390	15,390
Total: Transfers - other - 5390	0	0	0	15,390	15,390
Subtotal Approved FY16 budget	4,927,127	4,732,293	5,010,724	5,046,333	35,609
5990.900. **Grant positions transferred out of general fund per audit			(72,942)		72,942
Grand Total:	4,927,127	4,732,293	4,937,782	5,046,333	108,551

**BARNET SCHOOL DISTRICT
TEACHER CONTRACTED COMPENSATION
FY2016**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Contract</u>
Adams, Caroline	Grades 6-8	\$51,434
Bogie, Eric	Physical Education	\$36,855
Bogie, Eric	Physical Education	\$15,795
Browne, Catharine	Special Education	\$63,660
Bushey, Melissa W	Media Specialist	\$44,873
Clayton, Margaret	Tier II	\$61,386
Fearon, Christina	Grades 1/2	\$55,983
Gonyaw, Shawn M	Principal	\$85,432
Gray, Ashley	Foreign Language	\$20,770
Guyer (Kopec), Candice	Pre-K	\$36,496
Jensen, Susan	Tier II - grant funded	\$66,572
Lamar, James	Grades 1/2	\$61,386
Lyon, Linda J	Special Education	\$54,872
Macdonald, Heather	Speech Language Pathologist	\$51,153
McCarthy, Beverly J.F.	Art	\$26,114
Mosedale, Cindy	MS Science	\$54,564
Norton, Amanda D	Grade 2	\$36,496
Nutt, Elizabeth	Grade 5	\$36,496
Persson, Susan	Music	\$63,736
Pilner, Melinda	Pre-K	\$48,035
Roberts, Billy Jo	Grades 6-8	\$52,650
Roy, Angel M	Guidance	\$40,000
Rumball-Petre, Erica N	Grades 3/4	\$36,496
Smith, Steven	Kindergarten	\$37,494
Sproston, Anne M	Accelerated Math	\$53,878
Stahler, Lindsey A	Grades 3/4	\$43,032
Stevenson, Penny	Kindergarten	\$66,572
Vaal, Ruth	Nurse	\$46,566

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2017 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/>

FY2015 School Level Data

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

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

School level data	Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total	Total	Stu / Tchr	Stu / Admin	Tchr / Admin
			Teachers	Administrators	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio
Alburgh Community Ed Center	PK - 8	211	21.20	2.00	9.95	105.50	10.60
Dorset School	PK - 8	213	19.00	1.00	11.21	213.00	19.00
Weathersfield School	PK - 8	215	16.75	1.00	12.84	215.00	16.75
Barnet Elementary School	PK - 8	216	22.40	1.00	9.64	216.00	22.40
Burke Town School	PK - 8	217	18.10	1.00	11.99	217.00	18.10
Berkshire Elementary School	PK - 8	221	14.80	1.00	14.93	221.00	14.80
Fairfield Center School	PK - 8	242	20.70	1.00	11.69	242.00	20.70
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data		457.86	38.73	1.99	11.82	230.52	19.50

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.

FY2014 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 8 school district, FY2013 FTE ≥200
(29 school districts in cohort)

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

Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest)
26 out of 29

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

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
Burke	PK-8	200.98	\$12,676
Alburgh	PK-8	202.78	\$12,138
Barstow Joint/Contract Dist	PK-8	209.56	\$12,811
Barnet	PK-8	209.58	\$12,821
Fairfield	PK-8	223.57	\$13,335
Weathersfield	PK-8	236.71	\$12,086
Watts River Valley USD #36	PK-8	237.47	\$13,162
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data		532.89	\$11,631

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.

FY2016 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		
			SchIDist	SchIDist	SchIDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
			Equalized Pupils	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
T010	Barnet	PK-8	280.70	14,356.75	1.5026	1.5026	104.29%	1.4408
T036	Burke	PK-8	283.60	15,421.33	1.6140	1.6140	105.08%	1.5360
T003	Alburgh	PK-8	311.89	14,796.74	1.5487	1.5487	105.73%	1.4648
T072	Fairfield	PK-8	324.18	14,101.71	1.4759	1.4759	94.68%	1.5588

The Legislature has required the Agency 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
Year Ended June 30, 2015**

Statement of Loan Transactions

Tax Anticipation Loans (General Fund)

Balance as of June 30, 2014	0.00
Borrowed during fiscal year 2015	1,392,325.00
Repaid during fiscal year 2015	(1,392,325.00)
Balance as of June 30, 2015	0.00

Bond Payments on New School

Balance as of June 30, 2014	100,000.00
Less: Payment on principal	(100,000.00)
Balance as of June 30, 2015	0.00

Boiler Note

Balance as of June 30, 2014	36,000.00
Note dated July 23, 2013	60,000.00
Less: Payment on principal 6/28/13	(12,000.00)
Less: Payment on principal 7/22/13	(12,000.00)
Less: Payment on principal 11/23/14	(36,000.00)
Balance as of June 30, 2015	0.00

Special Savings Accounts

Esden Estate Funds (Edward Jones)

Balance as of June 30, 2014	123,158.97
Add: Increase in value of investments	5,351.95
Balance as of June 30, 2015	128,510.92

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

NOTE:

The audited Combined Balance Sheet for June 30, 2015 is on the following page.

BARNET BUDGET RATIONALE

		FY17	
Expenses			Major Variances
			Increase/(Decrease)
Regular program tuition includes 2 contingencies; -12 graduating + 26 moving up to grade 9		186,133	
Special Education - all areas (168,400 = tuition)	*	(189,308)	
	subtotal	(3,175)	
Salaries 5% increase, new hires, union agreement + column movement		86,730	
Health insurance 8% premium increase plus individual plan changes		49,300	
Unemployment rates reduction from 1.25% to .26%		(2,250)	
	subtotal salaries & insurance increase	133,780	
Phone/internet budget reduced to actual costs		(10,820)	
Plant maintenance fuel, supplies and contracted service based on need		(11,390)	
Food service transfer; cost increases + adds shared director		14,779	
ELO program loses 25% of grant funding; asking districts for 15%		15,390	
Library budget reduced		(3,159)	
<u>Note: Barnet's assessment share increases from 29.1% to 30.6% based on students/staff formula</u>			
SU Superintendent office assessment - adds support staff health insurance	3,162		
SU Business office assessment - adds support staff health insurance as approved	2,605		
SU Curriculum Coordinator/Math Coach increase for non-grant services	12,221		
SU Technology - moves SU-wide on-line annual fees to SU line	6,349	(5,799)	less site licenses moved to SU
SU Transportation (regular to/from school)	(3,725)		
	SU total	14,813	
Estimate \$1,000 interest on line of credit instead of Tax Anticipation loan	**	(35,500)	
all other areas		(6,167)	
AMOUNT OF INCREASE ON EXPENSE SIDE OF THE BUDGET		108,551	
Revenues			(Increase)/Decrease
*Plus a decrease in Special Ed. State Revenues (due to expense reduction)		112,816	
More fund balance to return (\$137,780 from FY15; \$123,253 prior year)		(14,527)	
** Interest revenue estimated to be less; also paying less (above)		27,742	
All other revenues		(537)	
Education Spending Increase		234,045	

Other notes:

Special Ed. Teachers have been moved to SU budget; centralized as required by the State

Food Service personnel have been moved to SU budget with one Director

CFP Title IA grant funded position moved out of general fund per audit 72,942

Caledonia Central Supervisory Union General Fund Summary					
	Budget FYE June 30, 2015	Actual FYE June 30, 2015	Budget FYE June 30, 2016	Budget FYE June 30, 2017	Increase/ (Decrease)
Expenditures					
2321 Superintendent's Office	329,864	279,922	311,181	338,526	27,345
2420 Special Area Administration		6,044		7,000	7,000
2520 Business Office	213,595	241,134	249,894	248,225	(1,669)
2210 Curriculum Development	82,363	113,581	96,998	121,369	24,371
2225 Technology			140,920	158,289	17,369
2700 Transportation including special ed.	241,827	223,808	510,366	516,156	5,790
Special Education - all other services	304,027	319,516	320,927	1,009,453	688,526
Food Service Director added and personnel centralized					
3120 Salaries and benefits				236,167	236,167
Cost increase of \$1,545 over current configuration to be shared among the districts.					
subtotal expenditures	1,171,676	1,184,005	1,630,287	2,635,185	1,004,898
6999 prior years deficit			44,537		(44,537)
Total Expenditures	1,171,676	1,184,005	1,674,824	2,635,185	960,361
Revenues					
1510 Interest	150	265	150	150	-
1931 Superintendent's Office Assessment	313,024	313,024	294,341	328,896	34,555
1934 Business Office Assessment	213,595	213,595	249,894	248,225	(1,669)
1991 Grant Administration Revenue	9,532	7,807	9,532	10,000	468
1992 E-Rate Reimbursement	7,158	1,032	7,158	6,480	(678)
<u>District Reimbursements for Services Provided</u>					
1945 Curriculum Development	82,363	113,581	96,998	121,369	24,371
1943 Technology			140,920	158,289	17,369
1942 Transportation	241,827	223,808	510,366	516,156	5,790
1941 Special Education *	304,027	318,912	320,928	1,009,453	688,525
Food Service				236,167	236,167
1990 Miscellaneous	-	1,882	-	-	-
subtotal revenues	1,171,676	1,193,906	1,630,287	2,635,185	1,004,898
1931 Prior Year deficit			44,537		(44,537)
Total Revenues	1,171,676	1,193,906	1,674,824	2,635,185	960,361
Fund Balance	(44,537)	9,901			
Assessments by District					
	30.6%	39.9%	12.3%	17.2%	
	Barnet	Danville	Peacham	Walden	Total
Superintendent's Office	100,658	131,350	40,399	56,490	328,896
Business Office	75,969	99,132	30,490	42,634	248,225
Total	176,627	230,482	70,888	99,124	577,121
Prior Year Assessments	171,391	223,361	86,562	107,459	588,773
Assessment Increase/(Decrease)	5,236	7,122	(15,673)	(8,335)	(11,652)

* Special Education professionals have been moved from district to SU budget as required by State
 Note: No raises for Superintendent office, business office, and other SU Administrators

Section 6

**Reports of Organizations Requesting
Appropriations**



American Red Cross
New Hampshire and
Vermont Region



January 25, 2016

Barnet Town
PO Box 15
Barnet, VT 05821

Dear Select Board,

Please disregard any prior appropriation requests and accept this letter as a request for funds from **Barnet** for the upcoming fiscal year in the amount of **\$250**.

The American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the New Hampshire and Vermont communities prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters. These services help 1000s of Vermonters each year, and would not be possible without the help of generous donors and hundreds of local volunteers working together 365 days a year.

In this past year, the American Red Cross provided the following services throughout the two states:

- Red Cross disaster volunteers responded to **354** local disasters, helping over **1,000** people.
- We installed **over 500** smoke detectors in homes through our Home Fire Campaign.
- **283** Nurse Assistants and **26** Phlebotomists graduated from our trainings.
- We held **510** blood drives and collected **120,000** units of blood.
- We connected **317** military members with their families and loved ones with the help of our Service to the Armed Forces department.
- We currently have over **1,330** volunteers throughout the two states that help to make these services happen.

The American Red Cross provides all its emergency relief services *free* with no support from federal or state governments. In order to be able to provide these services, the Red Cross reaches out to partners in the community like Barnet for funding. It is for this reason that the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont respectfully requests a donation of **\$250**.

As you know, disaster can strike at any time without warning, and the American Red Cross is committed to being in Barnet and its surrounding areas to help. Including any incorporated towns, villages and census designated areas, Barnet is the home to 1,708 Vermonters. Your donation will go a long way in ensuring that these citizens receive the support they need when confronted by disaster.

On behalf of the volunteers and staff throughout the two states, thank you for your consideration of this request to support the humanitarian work that we do. While we hope that no disasters hit your area, rest assured that the American Red Cross will be there to help if they do.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Claire Giroux-Williams".

Claire Giroux-Williams
Development Specialist
Claire.girouxwilliam@redcross.org
802-660-9130 ext. 111

Barnet Historical Society Report 2015

The Barnet Historical Society would like to thank the town for giving us the funds to have another productive year at the Goodwillie House and out in the community.

Our sledding party at Elizabeth and Peter Everts Too Little Farm was another successful event last winter. Community members of all ages spent the afternoon zipping down the hill on sleds, warming up by the bonfire, and sipping Kingdom Coffee Roasters coffee and cocoa.

As stewards of the historic Goodwillie House, the Society made several improvements to that building. Perhaps the most significant and beautiful change was refurbishing the Mary Goodwillie Somers bedroom. The room now serves as a showcase for this remarkable woman's talents as a seamstress. In addition, the Society has built new display cases, installed new light-blocking shades, rebuilt the rear door, created new displays and began creating a new room that will house a circulating display of historic photographs. Our goal is to keep the Goodwillie House exhibits fresh and a little bit different so it is worth a trip every year.

We continue to archive photographs into our organization's computer. We always appreciate new photographs we may not have in our collection. We can scan and return them; they are invaluable to the town's history.

The Celebrate Barnet group and the Barnet Historical Society had an amazing turnout at our 100th Anniversary of the last long log drive at Tom and Sherry Tolle's property in August. We estimated around 500 people came to listen to music by the Bayley Hazen Boys and log drive history from Bill Gove. We had local presenters in history, tools and blacksmithing.

We look forward to another productive year including our project to make the "secret room" in the basement better reflect its historic appearance and to make it more accessible to the public.

Every year we have more items sealed and safely stored for the winter thanks to the money we appropriated last year.

The members of the Barnet Historical Society consider it an honor to help preserve and protect the history of our town.

We welcome you all to visit the Goodwillie House this summer to see our progress and all the changes we have made.

Caledonia Home Health & Hospice
Visit Statistics for 2016 Town Appropriations

Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice (CHHC) is Northern Counties Health Care's (NCHC) certified Medicare and Medicaid comprehensive Home Care and Hospice division.

Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice has proudly served the residents of Caledonia and Southern Essex counties since 1968. Our mission is to enhance the quality of life of individuals and families by providing compassionate, accessible and affordable patient-centered health services to our community.

In the last year, Caledonia Home Health and Hospice was honored to provide 660 visits to the town residents of Barnet, VT. Our staff visited 38 homes of community members living in the Barnet area.

While working with residents, we provided physical, occupational, and speech therapies. We provided skilled nursing, medical social work, personal care attendants, and even home makers. We work together with primary care physicians so that care is specific and structured to treatment goals.

2016 Town Appropriation Visit Statistics Barnet, VT

- Home Care (Therapy, Nursing, MSW) = **390 visits**
- Maternal Child Health= **41 visits**
- Hospice (Nursing, Therapy, Personal Care, Respite) = **82 visits**
- Long Term Care (Case Management, Personal Care, Respite) = **147 visits**

Total Visits in Barnet, VT = 660 visits

Testimonials

"In the past 11 years of my care giving, home health has been my support at all times. They are the best! I could not have done it without them... I'm glad to have them on my side. They are a great team. We need more like them."

"My Physical Therapist and Nurse were methodical, practical, and explained things to me in terms I could understand. They were friendly, courteous, good listeners, and punctual as well as professional."

"The staff is very kind and caring. They make you feel good by the way they treat you as a friend and not a patient. They are on time and call 1st to let you us know they are coming. Very knowledgeable in all areas of healthcare. Thank you!"

"People from home health care agency were kind, communicative, thoughtful, and patient. Nothing but good thoughts for those people."



Another busy year providing Emergency Services in our region. CALEX continues to provide the highest quality of pre hospital care to all the towns we serve providing 911 coverage at the Paramedic level 24/7/365. Serving 12 towns in Vermont & New Hampshire – Saint Johnsbury, Waterford, Barnet, Concord, Kirby, Victory, Danville, Peacham, Walden and in New Hampshire – Littleton, Sugar Hill, Easton.

Our volume is slightly up for Barnet responses from 100 last year to 108 responses this year. Our busiest day is Friday and our busiest time is from 1200-1500. Our average response time for our entire service area in our VT operation is seven minutes and forty-two secs. Across our fleet of 6 Ambulances we put on 116,177 miles and with our paramedic intercept vehicle 7,513 miles. Overall for our agency we both VT & NH we responded to 3,623, up 270 responses over last year. CALEX provided 742 inter-facility transports throughout the year, 330 of these were Dartmouth-Hitchcock and the remaining to a variety of hospitals and facilities across VT & NH.

While we continue to strive to keep our town appropriations level funded, each year it becomes a greater challenge given the amount of no transports, rising costs of medical supplies, vehicle expenses and insurance reimbursements which do not always cover the costs of providing the service. Most folks don't realize that 1/3rd of our responses (550 in St. Johnsbury) are not billable, yet we must be ready at all times. Of the other 2/3rds of our responses, almost 40% are not billable. I am pleased however to report we were able to keep our appropriation requests for 2016 at the same amount as 2015. We will consider an appropriation increase for 2017 as that will mark four years since our last appropriation increase.

We have started a fundraising effort for new ambulance purchases as our fleet is aging. Recommended replacement is 5 years and our fleet average is 8 years currently. Our newest truck purchased in 2012 has over 100,000 miles on it. We have placed an order for our newest ambulance which costs just over \$160,000, it is expected to arrive early fall of 2016. We have incorporated new crew safety concepts into this design which will create the safest possible environment for our crews to work. You can help support our fundraising campaign or obtain more information by visiting us at www.buildanambulance.org

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. Visit us at www.calexambulance.org to sign up today!

CALEX also began working in Vermont Department of Health with a new community outreach program called the Fallscape – fall prevention/self-management program. CALEX provides personnel to conduct home visits to provide education to older adults to use everyday situations and tools to prevent falls/injury and to stay in their homes longer. Adults ages 65 and older in Vermont saw 5,023 emergency room visits from falls in 2010 resulting in 1,600 hospitalizations, and 120 fatalities. CALEX responded to over 330 falls during 2015, majority of these required hospitalization.

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. Moving into 2016, we will be adding two more full-time employee's to help with staffing. We currently employ 14 Full-time staff, 1 part-time Financial Assistant, 27 other per diem staff and an additional 9 per diem staff to help instruct our CPR and First Aid classes.

As we end 2015, I look forward to another successful year of providing the very best of pre hospital care to our communities. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and experienced team providing care for when it is needed to anyone who may need our service in the communities we serve.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Wright, NREMT-P
Chief Executive Officer

Catamount Arts 2015

The residents and voters of Barnet played a very important role in the success of Catamount Arts during 2015. 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 free 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 2015, 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 went to provide much needed funding for Catamount School Time Performances, which benefits more than 4000 schoolchildren in grades pre-k through eight.

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 many cultural offerings and Arts Education program, Catamount and its patrons also directly and indirectly contribute more than \$1,500,000 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 11, 2015

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 2016 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! In 2016, the Museum will be bringing to St. Johnsbury a traveling exhibit called "X-Ray Vision: Fish Inside Out" from the Smithsonian Institution. 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.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Kane".

Adam Kane, Executive Director



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, Peacham, Danville, Groton, Waterford, Concord, Kirby, Cabot, Hardwick, Sheffield, Burke and Ryegate. We have successfully placed close to 600 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 \$62,000 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 such as spay/neuter clinics, Subaru's *Share the Love*, Autumn on the Green, Cinco de Meow, Dime-a-Dip, St. Johnsbury Pet Parade/Bark in the Park, and others.

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 (**unchanged from last year's request**) to assist us in our mission of finding homes for unwanted or abandoned cats, 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:

Helen Morrison & Heidi Sessions, Co-Presidents
Nancy Rivet, Klari Emmons, Rod Lauman, David Gile

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LAKE HARVEY BOAT MONITOR REPORT 2015 - Kathy Wirthwein

2015 monitoring began the weekend of May 23, and was ongoing 7 AM to 7 PM every day until September 7, Labor Day, after which the lake was to be lowered for Dam work. In 2015 we monitored 779 boats. The 2010 to 2014 totals were 644 to 851 boats. We monitored 47 May 23 to 31, 155 in June, 264 in July, 256 in August, and 57 through Labor Day. The 2015 779 boat total included 615 visiting groups. 319 of the boats were kayaks brought by about 175 visiting groups. Many kayaks come in pairs or groups up to 5. Eight more boats were monitored the final weekend after Labor Day.

Among our 615 visiting groups 317 (or about half) were last in Harvey's Lake either this year or last. We noted 58 of the Harvey Lake boats as heading for docks. Our departure total was about same but hordes also left after Labor Day. Pontoon users of the lake totaled 37 including entire summer residents, 1 week visitors, boaters who house pontoons on land nearby, and traveling boats. Boaters came here from 63 different bodies of water. Six groups (some kayaks this year) came from Lake Champlain, which contains every aquatic nuisance. Two boats came from nearby Ticklenaked Pond, which now has milfoil. Other milfoil threats included Willoughby (15), Crystal (4), Morey (2), Fairlee (3), Shadow in Glover (1) and Memphremagog (4). The Connecticut River was last used by 14 visitors, Moore Dam by 8, and Marshfield Dam by 4. The not far trans-Canada Launch contains milfoil, as do some other locations.

For this report I compared invasive species lists acquired as a boat monitor between 2002 and 2015. In 2002 Eurasian Watermilfoil was listed for 57 VT lakes or ponds. In 2007 we were up to 62 and 66 in 2011, with perhaps 1 lake added since. In 2007 an additional list was created for "river/creek/swamp/wetland". This added 24 to 62, thus 86. By 2011 the 2 lists totaled 95. More recent lists combine everything, with a current (2015) 96 Eurasian Watermilfoil total. The various Lake Champlain or Connecticut River locations are combined and counted one time in the total.

My first list of aquatic nuisance species besides milfoil is for 2012. Water Chestnut total jumped from 19 in 2012 to 28 in 2014 and 29 in 2015. Curly-leaf Pondweed increased from 30 in 2012 to 37 in both 2014 and 2015. European Frogbit was listed in 6 locations in 2012 and 9 in 2014 and 2015. Brittle Naiad has increased from 6 to 8 locations. Alewife appears for first time in 2 locations in 2014. Spiny water flea (a zooplankton) is listed in Lake Champlain for the first time in 2015.

Zebra mussels are currently in 2 VT lakes: Lake Champlain and Lake Bomoseen. This is spread easily because the microscopic larva stage can latch to boat surfaces. And the Spiny Water Flea (a zooplankton) is sticky especially to fish lines. Visiting expert Josh Mulhollem expressed concern that zebra mussels would happily thrive in Lake Harvey if introduced. More departure boat washes are being set up on Lake Champlain.

Our boaters have been extremely cooperative, and have been arriving with clean boats. Of personal concern is the possible spread of invasive species by Hurricane Irene type flooding, and the influences of climate change on what becomes more invasive. So we need to be on the lookout for new threats as well as the now well-known. Ideally no "different" or "new" species of plants or animals should be introduced into any lake.

We have our work cut out for us; prevention is key. We seek funds for the upcoming 2016 boating season – donations from our membership, and again a \$10,000 appropriation from the Town of Barnet at Town Meeting Day in March.



The Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging, formerly doing business as the Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont, 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 Council 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 Council, but many of those we assist donate to help support our work.

During the past year your support allowed us to provide assistance to 91 residents of Barnet as well as more than 6,000 seniors from across the Northeast Kingdom and to implement 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

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**Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.
Annual Summary for July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015**

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. (NKHS) strives to meet the needs of at risk and vulnerable individuals of all ages living in the Northeast Kingdom. We are a 501(c)(3) private not-for-profit organization with oversight by the volunteer Board of Directors and Program Standing Committee members who support the agency's belief that human services should be cost effective and responsive to the needs of our local communities.

FY15 Summary:

- 64 residents from the **Town of Barnet** received services
- 3823 total individuals were provided services across the Northeast Kingdom in the community, office, homes, schools, and through emergency services
- These services could not be provided without our dedicated staff of 485+, 12 from the Town of Barnet

Fees charged are based on the person's ability to pay. No one is refused services for lack of ability to pay. NKHS is asking for your town's contribution by appropriating **\$1775.00** towards our 24 hour, 7 days a week emergency/crisis services we provide in the Northeast Kingdom.

The mission of NKHS is to enrich communities and enhance the ability of individuals and families to improve their lives.

Please visit our website at www.nkhs.org for more information about our agency and services. We greatly appreciate your interest, your help in letting people know about the services we provide, and your financial support.

D. W. Bouchard
Executive Director

Nancy Warner
President, Board of Directors

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services Nearly 50 Years of Service

NEKLS began with one woman, Eva Warner, teaching area residents to read at their kitchen table. It is *so much more* almost 50 years later.

The mission of Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. is to promote a culture of lifelong learning and individual self-sufficiency that engages all community members through an array of high quality educational services through children's programs, adult education and literacy, and family literacy programs.

- **The High School Completion Program (HSCP)** collaborates with local schools to provide a path to a high school diploma for anyone 16 or older. Program participants may have left school or may still be enrolled in their partnering high school. **In FY 2015, NEKLS in collaboration with partnering high schools, awarded 83 high school diplomas** in the tri-county region.
- **The General Educational Development Program (GED)** leads to a high school diploma equivalency. **In FY 2015, NEKLS awarded 13 GED's** in the tri-county region.
- **Adult Education and Literacy Programs** served **368 students for more than 11,314 hours in FY 2015 in the tri-county region.** In addition to HSCP and GED services, our teachers provided math, reading and writing skill development, job skills development, computer literacy and support in their transition to work or college.
- NEKLS teaches English as a second or other language (**English Speaking Other Languages**) to students from around the world who have come to settle in our beautiful Northeast Kingdom. **In FY 2015, NEKLS served 15 ESOL students in the tri-county region.**
- NEKLS Community Learning Centers offer **group and individual computer training.** In addition to computer classes, an average of **46 community members a month** access email, search the web, perform job searches, complete online job applications, or apply for unemployment benefits at the **five Community Learning Centers in the tri-county region.**
- **Children's Integrated Services (CIS)** is Vermont's comprehensive approach to provide child development and family support services. **In FY 2015, Northeast Kingdom Learning Services Early Intervention Specialists** provided support to increase **school readiness skills for 229 children in the tri-county region.**
- **The Tutorial Program** provides one-on-one and group instruction to K-12 students at any number of locations including area libraries and town halls. **In FY 2015, NEKLS served 110 K-12 students in the tri-county region.**
- NEKLS has also provides **prevention programming** aimed at reducing underage alcohol and tobacco use. **In FY 2015, NEKLS provided prevention education to 12 schools and at 16 community events throughout Orleans County.**

NEKLS has a staff of 75 dedicated professionals committed to serving the needs of the Northeast Kingdom. Please contact us at 1-844-GO NEKLS (466-3557) if you or someone you know has need of our services or at info@neklsvt.org

Thank you for your generous support!

Town Report Summary

2015 NEKYS Served 79 in Barnet

*NEKYS has been offering vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975
In 2015 NEKYS served 3088 individuals throughout Caledonia and Essex Counties*

NEKYS Family Programs Provide:

- Staff is available 24 hours/7days a week to support families through periods of crisis and conflict.
- Supportive counseling for youth and families, case management, support for youth and families within their schools, and family mediation.
- Outdoor adventure opportunities that include kayaking, canoeing, hiking, swimming, and mountain climbing. The group works on learning coping skills and self-care strategies.
- Adult mentors once a week in the school for at-risk students in the 1st-8th grade. Adult mentors establish supportive relationships that result in improved academic performance and positive life choices.
- Summer Central Calendar and scholarship program so parents know of recreational opportunities for their children and offers scholarships for children to attend summer activities they otherwise could not afford.

NEKYS Youth Program Include:

- Staff is available 24 hours/7days a week to support families through periods of crisis and conflict.
- Support to local young people ages 15-22 that are homeless or at risk of homelessness; have current or past involvement with foster care; are pregnant and/or parenting; experiencing mental health issues; struggling with substance abuse; have current or past involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Programs that utilize a positive youth development, trauma-informed approach that is tailored to meet the needs of young people. Encouragement for each young person is to identify their strengths and achieve goals related to housing, education, employment, and life skills.
- Access to short-term and long-term housing support that addresses the complex needs of young adults who are 18-22 years old. Young adults receive support which include in-home case management, rental assistance, landlord mediation, job skill development, and educational advancement support.
- Opportunities for young people ages 15-25 to connect with supportive adults in a safe substance-free environment Monday through Friday from 12-5 pm.
- Connections with positive peers, educational groups that focus on healthy life choices, and opportunity for young people to “give back” through community service.

NEKYS Restorative Justice Programs Include:

- A voluntary and confidential alternative to court proceedings for individuals ages 10 through adult.
- Programs based on restorative justice practices that give the person who violates the law the opportunity to identify and repair the harm done to the victim, the community, and themselves.
- Opportunity for the individual who completes the requirements of the program to have his or her case closed in the legal system.
- Help for individuals to regain their driver’s license while they pay off their fines and fees.
- Support for 16 to 21 year old youth who are referred to the program after receiving a notice to report from a police officer for possession and/or consumption of alcohol or marijuana.
- Assistance for youth ages 10 through 22 who have been adjudicated in Family Court, are on probation and require additional support by the Department for Children and Families.
- Pretrial Services – a new program involving risk assessment and needs screening.

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.

1677 Industrial Parkway
Lyndonville, VT 05851
Phone: 748-8170; Fax 751-8349

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

Date: November 25, 2015

Re: Town Appropriation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. ("RCT") is requesting to be placed on the Town Warning for March 2016 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, last year RCT provided over 206, 987 rides.

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 23 Barnet Residents with 2,325 trips travelling 54,155 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 2015 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 2015 we:**

- supported at least 496 individuals with direct advocacy
- housed 17 adults and 13 children in our shelter for a total of 1578 bed-nights

Kingdom Child Care Connection is the community-based child care resource and referral center for Caledonia and Southern Essex counties. We are responsible for helping families find and pay for high-quality child care services while also increasing the availability and quality of child development services through professional development opportunities and targeted programmatic supports. **In 2015 we:**

- helped 79 families find high-quality child care at no-cost
- connected 538 families with the Child Care Financial Assistance Program
- supported the creation of 5 new child care programs in our region's most underserved areas
- offered 235 hours of professional development to 88+ child care providers to ensure the people responsible for taking care of our 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 offered 1051 hours of visitation to help 105 children develop safe, healthy relationships with their non-residential parent.** Additional services such as therapeutic visitation, parenting education, and mediation can also be arranged in order to help families address their unique goals and needs.

Given that some of our services are provided anonymously, it can be difficult to provide precise usage figures for towns. At least 17 Barnet households and 1 child care provider were served directly by Umbrella in 2015, 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 black ink, appearing to read "R. A. Swain".

Renee A.K. Swain
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.

In FY'15 (10/2014-9/2015) VCIL responded to over **3,265** 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 **346** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **18** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **238** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 68 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **100** individuals with information on assistive technology; 42 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **500** 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 '15, VCIL provided direct services to Vermont residents utilizing the following programs/services:

- Information, Referral and Assistance (I,R &A)
- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)

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 20, 2016

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

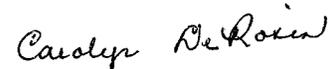
From: West Barnet Sr. Meal Site
P.O. Box 134
Barnet, Vt. 05821

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 communities.

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
CALEDONIA COUNTY
1126 MAIN STREET SUITE 2
ST. JOHNSBURY, VT 05819
802-748-6666 FAX 802-748-1684
E-MAIL: dean.shatney@vermont.gov
www.caledoniasheriff.com**

ANNUAL REPORT

For 2015

We completed another audit for our office this past year 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. We have twelve marked cars, a 2014 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, two golf carts, and two snowmobiles that we use for our snowmobile patrols. With project (ROAD), Responsible Operators Against Distractions, we want to continue to educate operators about phone use and texting while driving. 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. 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. 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. We continue to look at 24 hour dispatching for the county, in the county, but are unable to do that right now. I'm looking into a different location for the department's office because of the high rent the state wants to charge the county for our current spot. Lastly, I would like to recognize Deputy Steve Jeffrey, for assisting the delivery of a baby while on a detail this past year. That doesn't happen very often, and good to see our first aid training was utilized. Congrats Steve, job well done.

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. We have continued with our great 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 2015 with 44 of 49 towns reporting increased recycling volumes. Recycling markets were steady to declining through the end of the year. Unfortunately, the steep drop in global oil prices drove the cost of many commodities, including recyclables, down in 2015. In spite of the poor recycling markets the District ended 2015 with a surplus of \$2,386. While we exceeded budgeted expenses by 2.87% (\$21,340.92) revenues were 3.19% (\$23,727.27) above 2015 projections.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District in 2015. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3rd in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources approved our new Solid Waste Implementation Plan in November of 2015. This plan along with Vermont's Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) will guide our efforts over the course of the next several years. The NEKWMD assisted 14 towns in implementing unit-based pricing, held two hauler meetings, and served on a state-wide committee relating to the Universal Recycling Law in 2015. 2016 will see more of the same in helping our member communities comply with Vermont's Universal Recycling Law.

The NEKWMD is entering 2016 with a proposed budget of \$716,673 - a decrease of 3.6%. The surcharge rate of \$23.25 will remain unchanged for 2016. Our surcharge on trash remains just below the State average of \$24.04.

The NEKWMD was staffed by ten full-time and three part-time employees in 2015. 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 with the District's Executive Director to set 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 the surcharge on trash is 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.

We would like to express our appreciation to our able staff for their continuing commitment to our mission. The 50,000 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



To the Voters of Barnet:

Since 1950, the Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) has been the regional advocate for stronger communities and vibrant local economies. We are the only combined regional planning and economic development organization in Vermont, and we serve the largest geographic region of the state – the beautiful Northeast Kingdom.

Each year we request dues from our member communities. These funds are vital to us as they help defray the costs of providing direct assistance to the 50 municipalities and scores of businesses in our region in areas such as:

- Land use planning at the local and regional level – including town plans, zoning bylaws, and on-call technical assistance for local officials;
- Transportation studies, infrastructure inventories, and project planning;
- Digital mapping and GIS data services;
- Grant writing and administration;
- Direct business support and referral services to the employers in our region.

With local governance becoming increasingly complex, we've recently expanded our service offerings. These services include:

- Emergency planning –Local Emergency Operations Plans, All-Hazard Mitigation Plans; and assistance with flood hazard planning and regulation;
- Economic development planning and helping to grow businesses in our communities;
- Benchmarking and reporting activities for the region's USDA Rural Economic Area Partnership (REAP) Zone – a program that has brought millions of dollars to the region;
- Developing and maintaining a federal Foreign Trade Zone designation to improve the competitiveness of companies in our region;
- Providing municipal education and training opportunities for local officials in many of the areas listed above.

How is this relevant to Barnet? In 2015, NVDA staff helped to prepare a Local Emergency Operations Plan and provided information on emergency preparedness and training exercises. We prepared maps for the Barnet Town Plan and assisted with its adoption. We also conducted a town highway bridge inventory.

NVDA's municipal dues are based on \$0.75 per capita rate, with a maximum of \$3,500 and a minimum of \$250. We remain the most affordable of all regional commissions in Vermont and we take great pride in providing cost-effective professional services to the communities and businesses of the Northeast Kingdom.

At our annual meeting Barnet was "confirmed" as a planning community by the NVDA board, which allows your community to benefit from a number of planning initiatives. We look forward to pursuing these opportunities with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,
David Snedeker
Executive Director

Section 8

**Real Estate Transactions
&
Vital Records Reports**

Town of Barnet, Vermont 2015 Real Estate Transactions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
1/8/2015	Pearl, William & Gwen	VTEL Wireless	Easement Pearlmont Rd
1/9/2015	Locke, Billie	Bunnell, Tony	Building & lot US RT 5 South
1/14/2015	Price, David & Hill, Martha	Price, David Baird Trust & Hill, Martha Abbott Trust	House & lot Roy Mountain Rd
1/29/2015	Case, Neko	Cobb Timber	House & land Groton Rd
2/2/2015	Bedor, Brian & Charlene	Leroux, Joshua	House & lot Town Forest Rd
2/5/2015	Davis, Ross Estate	Parker, Penny & Dimick-Parker, Amanda	House & lot US RT 5 South
2/20/2015	Cicerchia, Joseph	Cicerchia, Joseph & Phyllis	Camp & lot Stetson Ln
2/23/2015	Lawrence, Peter	Lawrence, Susan	Camp & lot Pavilion Ln
3/4/2015	Cornelius, Karla	Cornelius, Karla Trust	Camp & land Harvey Mtn Rd
3/4/2015	Cornelius, Karla	Cornelius, Karla Trust	Camp & lot Woodland Ln
3/11/2015	Fed Nat'l Mtg Assoc	Stevenson, Shane	House & lot West Main St
3/12/2015	Lanham, Jessica	Deem, Carrie	House & land Aiken Farm Rd
3/16/2015	Price, Richard	Price, Richard & Susan	Land Somerhill Rd
3/30/2015	Tay, Francis Jr	Hill, Taylor & Kirsty	House & lot County Hill Rd
4/7/2015	Gombas, Neal Estate	Gombas, Neal Trust	Land Morrison Hill Rd
5/7/2015	Johnson, Wayne C Jr	Joly, Robert J	House & lot Rake Factory Rd
5/14/2015	Harrington, Harold & Marilyn	Harrington, Timothy & Tracy	Land Strobridge Hill Rd
5/14/2015	Evans, David F etal	Holliday, Samuel & Carolyn	House & lot US RT 5 South
5/15/2015	Bedell, Gerald	Bedell, Gerald & Nancy	Camp & lot Bailey Farm Lane
5/15/2015	Wilson, Sharon	Wilson, Sharon L Trust	Farm & land Rockledge Lane
5/18/2015	McBride, Vinalrae	Ehrlich-Ingraham Trust	Land only Little Scotland Rd
5/19/2015	Roos, Robert	Roos, Robert Jr Trust	House & land Barnet Center Rd
5/29/2015	Ehrlich-Ingraham Trust	Mucha, Patty	Subdivision Little Scotland Rd
6/1/2015	Chapman, Beverly & Willey, Richard	Cochran, Gary & Kari	House & lot US Rte 5 So
6/2/2015	Ruppert, Jonathan Estate	Hanaford, Robert	Mobile home unlanded Roy's campground
6/3/2015	Briscoe, Mary E	Campbell, Jodi & Robert	House & lot US Rte 5 So
6/8/2015	Klemchuk, Stephen	Lewis, Richard	Life interest Strobridge Hill
6/8/2015	Scott, Mary	Smith, Tyler & Emily	Land subdivision Brook Hill Road
6/11/2015	Rivers, Michelle (Wheelock)	Tanner, Dawn & Carr, Michael	Mobile home unlanded Roy's campground
6/15/2015	Kinerson, Irene P	VTel Wireless Inc	Lot Kinerson Lane subdivision
6/19/2015	Donnelly, Mary Ann Revocabale Trust	Brill Donnelly Trust	House & land Whitehill Road
6/22/2015	Riley, Barbara	Stark, Matthew & Karen	House & land Morrison Hill
7/3/2015	Raeder, Robert & Wendy	Morris, Elizabeth & Norman Jr	Camp & Lot Pavillion Lane
7/9/2015	Perez, Julio	Perez, Julio & Denise	House & land US Rte 5 South
7/15/2015	Edney, Nancy	Edney, Nancy Revocable Trust	House & lot Bimson Dr
7/15/2015	Stevenson, Norman	Stevenson, Norman & Stevenson, Jacob	Land Morrison Hill
7/16/2015	Fournier, Tyler & Margaret	GJR Revoc. Trust & Evans, Elizabeth W Revoc. Trust	House & land Morrison Hill Rd
7/17/2015	Tilden, Nancy etal	Knights, Gregory	Farm & land Knights Lane
7/20/2015	Streeter, Delvan	Streeter, Debra	House & land Bailey Hazen Rd

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
7/22/2015	Zeien, Pamela etal	Siri, Melinda & Stephen	House & lot Roy Mtn Rd
7/22/2015	Ehrlich-Ingraham Family Trust	Vermont Land Trust	Land Little Scotland Rd
7/22/2015	Ehrlich-Ingraham Family Trust	Vermont Land Trust	Land Little Scotland Rd
7/22/2015	Hyman, Carol Stubbe Revocable Trust	Hyman, John Patton Revocabale Trust	House & land Brook Hill Rd
7/24/2015	Kinerson, Irene P Estate	Walsh, Diane	House & land Farrow Farm Rd
7/24/2015	Kinerson, Irene P Estate	Kinerson, Richard & Lois	Right-of-way Farrow Farm Rd
8/7/2015	Allen, Hiram & Lois	Locke, Bradford	House & land Old Silo Rd
8/18/2015	Langley, Ronald & Abrams, Kathleen	Mosedale, andrew & Cindy	Boundary Line Agreement
8/21/2015	Morrison, Carol	Somers, Charles	House & lot US Rte 5 South
8/24/2015	Wulf, Alfred	Keiper, Christina	House & land Keyser Hill Rd
8/24/2015	Bashaw, Bonnie	Cole, Kevin	House & lot Brook Hill Rd
8/24/2015	Cole, Kevin	Dow, Warren	House & lot Brook Hill Rd
8/27/2015	Kinerson, Irene Estate	Kempton Farms Partnership	Farm & land Kinerson Lane
8/31/2015	TOPO	P&G Farm Properties	Farm & land Goodwillie Rd
9/1/2015	Poston, Richard	Dolgin, Steven & Alyssa	Mobile home unlanded Roy's Campground
9/3/2015	Skovsted, Gary & Marlene	Skovsted Family Trust	House & land Brook Hill Rd
9/4/2015	Wheelock, Franklin & Lydia	Yen, Christopher & Logan, Sarah	House & lot Greenleaf Lane
9/9/2015	Seiler, Farrell S Family Revocable Trust	Seiler, Farrell	House & lot Town Forest Rd
9/9/2015	Seiler, Farrell	Seiler, Farrell S Family Revocable Trust	House & lot Town Forest Rd
9/10/2015	Schoolcraft, Gary & Claudette	Maple View Mororsports	Garage & lot West Main St
9/14/2015	Turman, Sandra & Robinson, Dorothy	Baker, James & Lacey	House & lot Kitchel Hill Rd
9/16/2015	Bunnell, Calvin & Cherryll	C&C Bunnell Excavating	Land Joes Brook Rd
9/16/2015	Founds, Robet & Liu, Jessica	NOBSKA Real Estate Holdings	House & lot Old Silo Rd
9/17/2015	Fitchett, Marie & Lessard, Cindy	Rowe, Sarah	Right-of-way Wild Leek Lane
9/21/2015	Mucha, Patty	Gile, David & Jennifer	Title clean-up Little Scotland Rd
9/28/2015	Fogg, Alan & Lorna	Goodwin, Jeffrey & Donna	Land Barnet Center Rd
10/2/2015	Cusumano, Michael & Seidel, Sandra	White, Levering & McGurn, Georgef	House & lot County Hill Rd
10/8/2015	Ingalls, Ellyn	Somers, Charles	House & lot US Rte 5 South
10/11/2015	Mattsson, Gosta Estate	Nester, Kathryn	House & lot Roy Mtn Rd
10/19/2015	Ruppert, Jonathan Estate	White, Wayne & Matthew	Mobile home unlanded Roy's Campground
10/22/2015	Olsen, Gordon & Nancy & Olsen, Douglas	Fitch, Larry	Right-of-way Woodland Lane
10/26/2015	Dunbar, Carrie & Hacking, Robert	Somers, Gilmore	Land Mosquitoville Rd
10/28/2015	Fisette, Frances	Stahler, Howard Jr & Gray, Elaine	Land US Rte 5 North
10/28/2015	Fearon, Wayne & Roberta-Ann	Cooley Brothers	Building & lot Creamery Lane
10/28/2015	Catanzarita, Mary	Wright, Travis	House & land Morrison Hill Rd
10/28/2015	Mosedale, Andrew & Cindy	Barnet Fire District #2	Easement Carter St
11/6/2015	Willard, Heather (Smith)	Smith, John	House & land US Rte 5 South
11/6/2015	Crown, Kathleen	Crown, Kathleen etal	House & lot US Rte 5 South
11/6/2015	Laferriere, Virginia & Laferriere	Laferriere, Virginia etal	Camp & lot Slayton Lane
11/9/2015	Robinson, Andrew Estate	Robinson, Deanne	House & lot US Rte 5 North
11/9/2015	Robinson, Deanne	Nash, Darcie (Sherman)	House & lot US Rte 5 North
11/9/2015	Nash, Darcie (Sherman)	Grady, Bruce & Grady, Donald	House & lot US Rte 5 North

<u>Date</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Description of Parcel</u>
11/16/2015	Call, Kenneth & Joan	Federal National Mortgage Assoc	House & lot Sunnyside Lane
11/19/2015	Fairchild, John & Fairchild, Teresa	Mangione, Zachary	House & land Ferguson Rd
11/19/2015	Churchill, Howard Estate	Lazerick, Mathew	House & land Strobridge Hill Rd
11/19/2015	Quimby, Charlotte	Lazerick, Mathew	House & land Strobridge Hill Rd
12/3/2015	Starrett, Jennifer	Morris, Brent	Camp & lot Roy Mtn Rd
12/8/2015	NOBSKA Real Estate Holdings	Pilette, Joshua & Pilette, Mark	House & lot Old Silo Rd
12/11/2015	Morrison, Carol etal	Morrison, Carol	House & lot US Rte 5 South
12/14/2015	Jennings, Arthur	Jennings, Arthur & Demetry, Sarah	House & lot Harvey Mtn Rd
12/14/2015	Urie, Pauline Estate	Urie, Robert & Urie, Sharon	House & lot County Hill Rd
12/14/2015	Scott, Theresa	Morin, Scott & Patricia	House & land Roy Mtn Rd
12/16/2015	Morrison, Carol	Morrison, Kevin J	House & lot US Rte 5 S
12/18/2015	Hoffman, Robert	Hoffman, Robert & Brodzinski, Carey	Land Strobridge Hill Rd
12/18/2015	Marceau, Allan & Mona	Chaloux, Maurice & Laurie-Ann	House & lot West Main St
12/21/2015	Pearl, Christopher & Lamarre-Pearl, Gail	Wilmoth, Ashley	House & lot Garland Hill Rd
12/21/2015	Mayer, Rebecca	Adams, Richard & Agnes	House & land Whitehill Rd
12/23/2015	Bogie, Danise	Bogie, David	Land Garland Hill Rd
12/23/2015	Bogie, Danise	Bogie, David	House & lot Garland Hill Rd
12/24/2015	MacDonald, Paul Estate	Cohen, Tomas & Hillary	House & land Garland Hill Rd
12/30/2015	TOPO	Marceau, Allan & Mona	House & land Barnet Ctr subdivision

2015 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>
Deem	Hudson	Neil	1/11/2015	Dunbar, Chad W	Deem, Carrie Christian
Wahl	Annabelle	Lynn	1/29/2015	Wahl, Brandon Donahue	Allen, Miranda Lynn
Bourbeau	Annabel	Lynn	7/18/2015	Bourbeau, Shawn Paul	Cummings, Eleanor Noonan
Powers	Eowyn	Joy	7/24/2015	Powers, Seth William	Savage, Anna Lee
Smith	Silas	Daniel	8/1/2015	Smith, Tyler George	Scott, Emily Elizabeth
Adams	Olive	Raven	8/12/2015	Adams, Benjamin Quincy	Roy, Caroline Susannah
Peirce	Alexia	Mae	8/14/2015	Peirce, Matthew William	Bennett-Graham, Ashley Marie
Drown	Olin	Zachary	8/26/2015	Drown, Zachary Jeffrey	Riendeau, Beth Anne
Heisholt	Clara	Irene	10/1/2015	Heisholt, Benjamin Peter	Vieira, Claudia Michelle
Langley	Elliott	Michael	10/3/2015	Langley, Connor Michael	Leach, Alicia Leah
Lapierre	Jacob	Emile	10/7/2015	Lapierre, Joseph Buddy	Powers, Heather Lynn
Patneau	Samuel	Robert	11/23/2015	Patneau, Joshua John	Lemear, Holly Sara

Deaths

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Willey	Patricia Lillian	1/5/2015	5/17/1946	West Barnet
Robinson	Susan Lee	1/8/2015	11/10/1964	Barnet
Crown	Harry David	2/1/2015	9/20/1952	McIndoe Falls
Kinerson	Helen Irene	3/12/2015	2/24/1926	West Barnet
Paradis	Wayne David	5/1/2015	2/23/1957	McIndoe Falls
Thompson	Franklyn A	6/29/2015	2/17/1937	McIndoe Falls
Bauman	Edythe M	7/31/2015	5/25/1921	Barnet
Dwyer	Scott R	8/2/2015	3/7/1989	St. Johnsbury, VT
McGandy	Martha	8/25/2015	8/24/1929	Barnet
Scott	David Newell	8/29/2015	4/27/1947	Barnet
Labounty	Gloria Ann	10/21/2015	7/12/1952	Passumpsic
Choate	James Hartley	12/31/2015	4/7/1949	West Barnet

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>
Fortin, Nicquella Lea	Barnet, VT	Timson, Shawn Michael	Barnet, VT	4/11/2015
Holland, Francis Todd	Barnet, VT	Taylor, Abbey Marie	Barnet, VT	7/4/2015
Foehring, Heather Joan	Barnet, VT	Mulligan, Brendan William	Barnet, VT	8/1/2015
Flynn, Courtney Anna	Cambridge, MA	Tzelnic, Alexander Paul	Cambridge, MA	8/3/2015
Mangiapane, Mariann Jane	Barnet, VT	Sjolander, Seth Thornton	Wheelock, VT	8/22/2015
Roy, Winifred Catherine	Cushing, ME	Davenport, James William	Cushing, ME	9/19/2015
Cookson, Angela M	Barnet, VT	Courtemarche, Keith Alan	Barnet, VT	10/25/2015
Thayer, Kevin Allen	Barnet, VT	Lima, Ana Paula	Barnet, VT	11/8/2015
Cummings, Ethan Smith	Barnet, VT	Lawuo, Dolo	Barnet, VT	12/31/2015

Note: Not all births, deaths, and marriages involving residents of Barnet, Vermont are reported here. Events occurring out of state are not reported unless requested by a resident who is a party to the event. Also, it is the policy of the Town of Barnet to omit records from the Town Report when parties to the event request that we do so. No records, however, are omitted from this 2015 report. All vital records are public record and available for review and copying at the Town Clerk's Office.