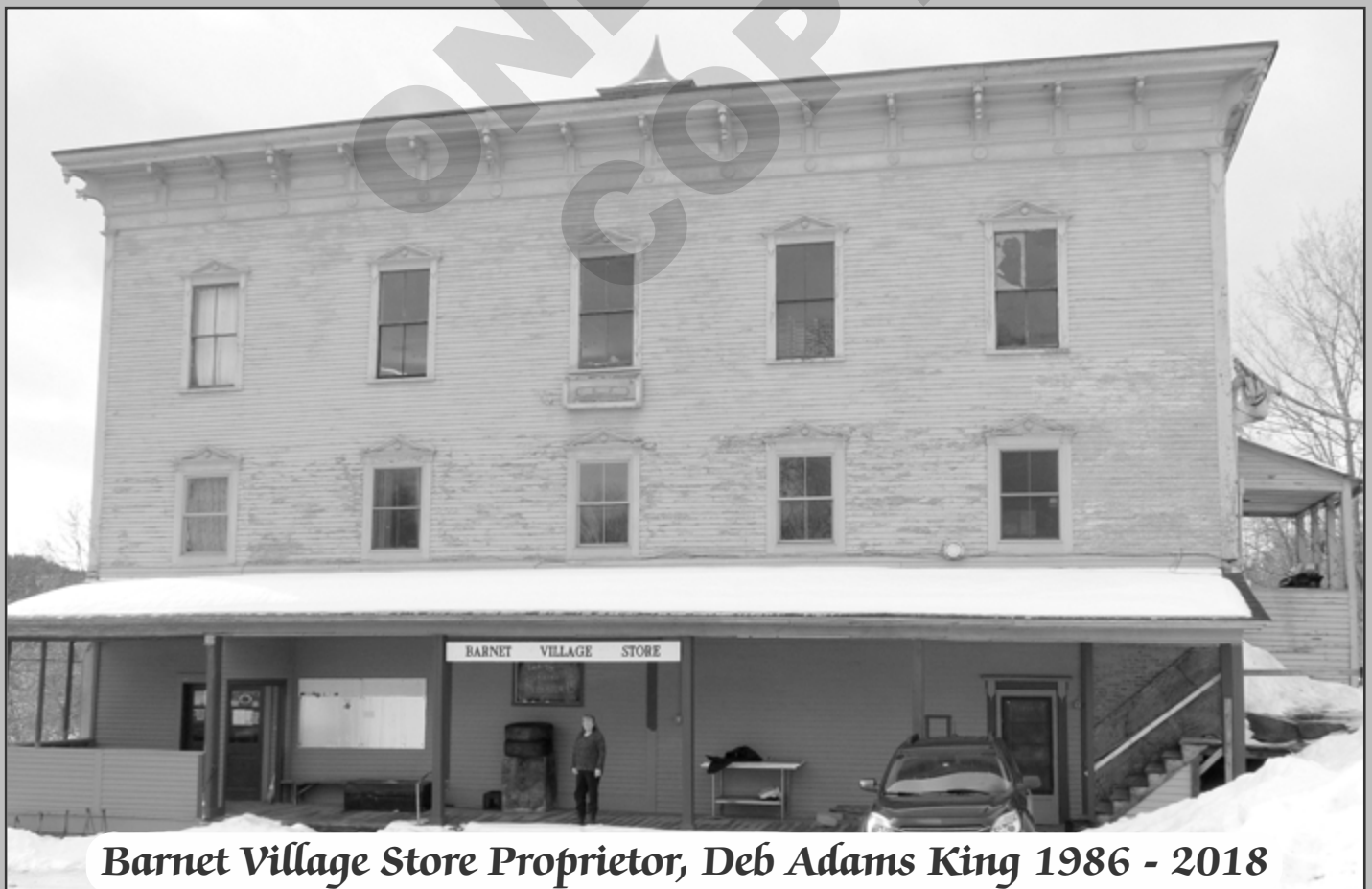


# ***Town of Barnet, VT***

***Report for the year ending December 31, 2018***

***Town Meeting Day: March 5, 2019 10:00 am***

***Barnet Elementary School***



***Barnet Village Store Proprietor, Deb Adams King 1986 - 2018***

**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: Catherine Roy  
Telephone: 633-2256  
Fax: 633-4315  
Email: [townclerk@barnetvt.org](mailto:townclerk@barnetvt.org)  
Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m. – Noon & 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Town Website: [www.barnetvt.org](http://www.barnetvt.org)

**Town Garage**

Road Foreman: Mark Chase  
Telephone: 633-4477

**Animal Control Officer**

Vacant  
Contact Caledonia County Sheriff  
or local Constables

**Barnet Public Library**

Librarian: Dylan Ford  
Telephone: 633-4436  
Email: [barnetpl@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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.

**Caledonia Cooperative School District Board of Directors**

Visit website for times and locations:  
[www.ccsuonline.org/ccsd](http://www.ccsuonline.org/ccsd)

**Planning Commission/Zoning Board**

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

**Municipal Calendar**

Mar. 5, 2019 – Town Meeting Day (Office\* closed)  
Apr. 1, 2019 – Dog Licenses due  
May 26, 2019 – Memorial Day Services  
May 27, 2019 – Memorial Day (Office closed)  
May 29, 2019 – Transfer Station summer hours begin  
Jul. 4, 2019 – Independence Day (Office closed)  
Early August 2019 – Property Tax bills mailed  
Aug. 28, 2019 – Transfer Station summer hours end  
Sep. 2, 2019 – Labor Day (Office closed)  
Mid-Oct. 2019 – Property Taxes due (see bill for date)  
Oct. 31, 2019 – Library Trunk or Treat Event  
Nov. 28, 2019 – Thanksgiving Day (Office closed)  
Nov. 29, 2019 – Office closed  
Dec. 25, 2019 – Christmas Day (Office closed)  
Jan. 1, 2020 – New Year's Day (Office closed)

\*"Office" = Town Clerk's Office

**Other**

**Dog Licenses**

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

Fees for license on or before April 1:

- \$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

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Annual Report  
Year Ending December 31, 2018**

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## **Section 1**

### **General Town Information**

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## Town Elected Officers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<b>Moderator</b>	Dennis McLam	March 2019
<b>Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>	Benjamin Heisholt	March 2021
<b>Selectboard</b>	Jeremy Roberts, Chair	March 2019
	Dylan Ford	March 2020
	Benjamin Gates	March 2021
<b>Listers</b>	John Cook	March 2019
	Sarah Cook	March 2020
	Michael Walsh	March 2021
<b>Caledonia Cooperative School District School Directors (representing Barnet on three-town, nine-member board)</b>	Louis Bushey	2019
	David Warden	2020
	Susan Roberts	2021
<b>Auditors</b>	Jeffery Riley	March 2019
	Joseph Breidenstein	March 2020
	Dennis Kauppila*	March 2021
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	Lisa Bowden	March 2019
<b>1st Constable</b>	Steve Mosher	March 2019
<b>2nd Constable</b>	David Stevenson	March 2019
<b>Grand Juror</b>	David Willis	March 2019
<b>Town Agent</b>	Steven Adler	March 2019
<b>Trustee of Public Funds</b>	William Graves	March 2019
	Merle Fitzgerald	March 2020
	Diane Thompson	March 2021
<b>Library Trustees</b>	Rebecca Boardman	March 2019
	Susan Roberts	March 2020
	Ashley Wright	March 2021
	Susan Wood	March 2022
	Julie Roos	March 2023
<b>Justice of the Peace</b>	Steven Adler	February 2021
	Susan Coppenrath	February 2021
	William Graves	February 2021
	Susan Jensen	February 2021
	Dennis McLam	February 2021
	Stanley Robinson	February 2021
	Shellie Samuels	February 2021

\* Appointed to replace resigned officer; election required at next annual or special town meeting

## **Town Appointed Officers**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires</u></b>
<b>Beach Committee</b>	Joseph Breidenstein Christen Emerson Philo Marcotte Daniel Pearl	
<b>Building Committee</b>	William Graves, Chair Jeremy Roberts Dylan Ford Benjamin Gates William Biddle Benjamin Heisholt Stanley Robinson Catherine Roy Laurajean Stewart Norman Stevenson David Warden Dana Young	
<b>Dam Committee</b>	Dylan Ford George Coppenrath Susan Coppenrath Donald Easter Joseph Mangiapane David Price	
<b>Emergency Management Coordinator</b>	Ronald Morse	
<b>Fire Chief</b>	Ronald Morse	
<b>Fire Warden</b>	Christopher Bunnell	
<b>Health Officer</b>	Michael Walsh	September 2021
<b>Health Officer, Deputy</b>	Maurice Roberts	September 2020
<b>Librarian</b>	Dylan Ford	
<b>Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Representative</b>	William Douglas	
<b>Road Foreman</b>	Mark Chase	

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<b>Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer, Assistant</b>	Catherine Roy	March 2019
<b>Transportation Advisory Committee Representative</b>	Benjamin Gates	
<b>Tree Warden</b>	Stanley Robinson	March 2019
<b>Zoning Administrative Officer</b>	Shirley Warden	March 2019
<b>Zoning Board/ Planning Commission</b>	Benjamin Adams	July 2019
	Gary Briggs	July 2019
	Bruce Denio	July 2019
	George Pierce	July 2020
	Mark Bowen	July 2020
	Karen Stark	July 2021
	William Biddle, Chair	July 2021
	Dennis McLam	July 2022
	Dakota Butterfield	July 2022

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**WARNING  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MARCH 5, 2019**

**The legal voters of the Town of Barnet, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barnet School on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles:**

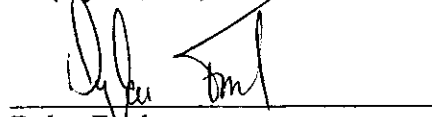
- ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2. To elect all other Town Officers as required by law and additional Town Officers as approved by the voters.
- ARTICLE 3. To consider and act upon the report of the Town Auditors.
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont?
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) 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 Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Catamount Arts?
- ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) to Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium?
- ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Kingdom Animal Shelter?
- ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging?
- ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,775.00) to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?

- ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?
- ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) to Umbrella Inc.?
- ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?
- ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?
- ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet vote to raise, and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be used by the five fire districts within the Town of Barnet? Dispersal of funds will be up to the discretion of the Selectboard in the form of a grant.
- ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town vote to exempt from taxation the property owned by Lakeview Grange #359 located in West Barnet Village, for a period not to exceed 5 years, pursuant to 32 VSA § 3840?
- 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

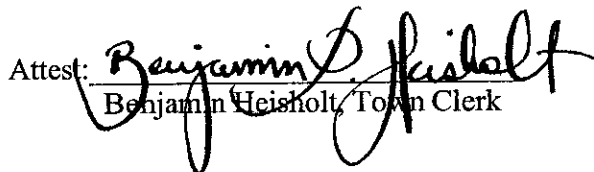


Dylan Ford



Benjamin Gates

Attest:



Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk


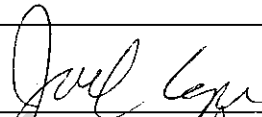
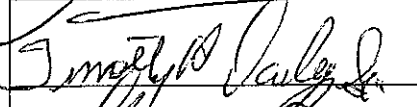
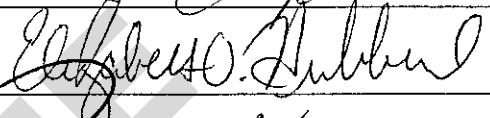
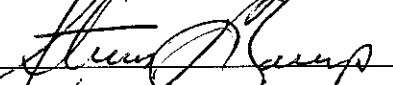
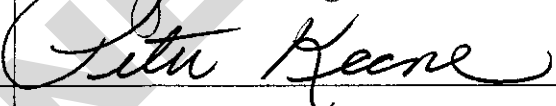


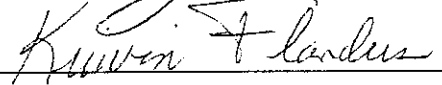
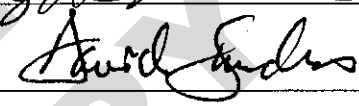
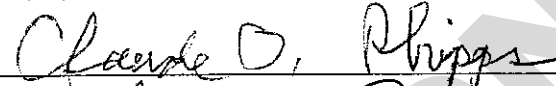
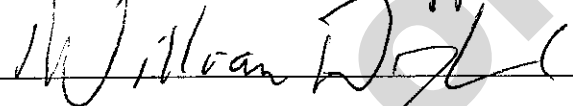
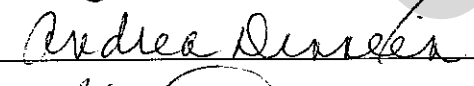
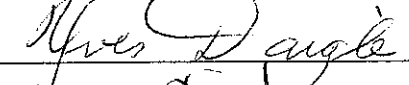


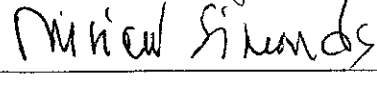

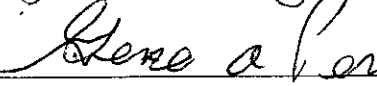



# WARNING

## NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

### MARCH 5, 2019

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 5, 2019 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 \$825,073?

 Newberry	 Lynn
 Bailey	 Hubbard
 Bump	 Keane
 Johnston	
 Flanders	 Jones
 Phipps	
	
 Deneen	
 Dugle	
	
	
 Degeuse	
 Simonds	
 Summey	
 Perkins	
	
 Smith	

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2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2018 BUDGET	2018 ACTUAL as of 12/31/18	2019 PROPOSED BUDGET
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>			
Advertising	\$400.00	\$576.25	\$400.00
Audit -- Financial	\$7,595.00	\$7,595.00	\$7,595.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$2,500.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$0.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Cleaning	\$1,600.00	\$1,880.00	\$1,920.00
Copier	\$2,000.00	\$1,947.43	\$2,000.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$5,000.00	\$5,985.58	\$5,000.00
Heating Fuel	\$1,500.00	\$1,798.10	\$1,500.00
Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$16,000.00	\$12,134.00	\$15,000.00
Planning	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Legal Fees	\$2,000.00	\$1,312.50	\$1,500.00
Postage	\$3,000.00	\$2,634.67	\$2,000.00
Office Supplies	\$3,600.00	\$13,897.22	\$3,600.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,200.00	\$3,190.17	\$3,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,100.00	\$967.68	\$1,100.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$50,595.00</b>	<b>\$54,453.60</b>	<b>\$47,715.00</b>
Gross Wages	\$379,193.00	\$377,731.57	\$394,610.00
Overtime Wages-- Warehouse	\$5,000.00	\$6,401.25	\$5,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$23,820.00	\$23,847.39	\$24,466.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$5,571.00	\$5,577.19	\$5,722.00
State Unemployment Insurance	\$13,500.00	\$3,451.29	\$5,000.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$19,990.00	\$20,201.46	\$21,010.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$34,000.00	\$58,466.00	\$55,000.00
Mileage - Employee	\$7,000.00	\$7,867.01	\$7,000.00
Mileage- Supervisor's	\$5,000.00	\$1,603.85	\$4,000.00
Supervisor Secretary Payments	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Personnel Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$160.49	\$500.00
Training	\$1,500.00	\$866.31	\$1,500.00
Travel	\$100.00	\$49.43	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$496,174.00</b>	<b>\$506,723.24</b>	<b>\$524,408.00</b>
<b>BUILDING EXPENSES</b>			
Improvements	\$1,000.00	\$8,450.00	\$1,000.00
Electricity	\$9,800.00	\$7,864.08	\$9,000.00
Maintenance	\$1,000.00	\$1,277.01	\$1,000.00
Misc. Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$43,801.25	\$1,000.00
Trash Removal	\$3,000.00	\$3,069.86	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>	<b>\$15,800.00</b>	<b>\$64,462.20</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>

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**2019 PROPOSED BUDGET**

<b>BUDGET ITEM</b>	<b>2018 BUDGET</b>	<b>2018 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2018</b>	<b>2019 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>			
Purchases	\$500.00	\$121.14	\$500.00
Baler Loan Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
Baler Repairs	\$6,000.00	\$4,720.52	\$1,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$10,928.71	\$8,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$2,200.00	\$2,623.14	\$2,200.00
Forklift Repairs	\$4,000.00	\$5,561.68	\$4,000.00
Misc. Equipment Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$2,362.17	\$1,500.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$3,000.00	\$6,931.69	\$5,000.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$2,258.38	\$2,000.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$18,000.00	\$23,637.43	\$21,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$10,000.00	\$18,803.99	\$12,000.00
<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$53,700.00</b>	<b>\$77,948.85</b>	<b>\$97,700.00</b>
<b>PROGRAMS EXPENSES</b>			
Advertising	\$1,000.00	\$1,150.85	\$1,000.00
Permits & Fees	\$450.00	\$333.60	\$450.00
Composting	\$22,000.00	\$21,567.00	\$20,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$3,000.00	\$8,852.83	\$3,000.00
Dues & Subscription	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$15,000.00	\$13,254.71	\$10,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$24,000.00	\$34,907.64	\$24,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$3,295.29	\$3,000.00
Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$30,000.00	\$49,133.87	\$25,000.00
Special Collections	\$300.00	\$27.99	\$300.00
Supplies	\$500.00	\$464.31	\$500.00
Tire Disposal	\$9,000.00	\$14,506.80	\$9,000.00
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$109,250.00</b>	<b>\$147,494.89</b>	<b>\$96,250.00</b>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$725,519.00</b>	<b>\$851,082.78</b>	<b>\$781,073.00</b>
<b>DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS</b>			
Interest			
Principal			
<b>TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION</b>			
<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>			
Capital Improvement Fund	\$35,000.00	\$33,450.00	\$44,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$35,000.00</b>	<b>\$33,450.00</b>	<b>\$44,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL NEK EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$760,519.00</b>	<b>\$884,532.78</b>	<b>\$825,073.00</b>
Grants--St of VT	\$59,000.00	\$77,972.35	\$59,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$35,000.00	\$39,585.00	\$41,000.00
Haz Mat/Paint Care (CEG Fees)	\$3,200.00	\$6,375.20	\$3,500.00
Interest Income	\$25.00	\$11.20	\$25.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$500.00	\$46,632.08	\$500.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$500.00	\$4,359.82	\$1,000.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$150.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$179,394.00	\$97,363.33	\$130,000.00
Compost Income	\$13,000.00	\$20,899.02	\$18,000.00
Electronics Income	\$22,000.00	\$24,222.42	\$15,000.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$10,000.00	\$31,017.45	\$25,000.00
Battery Income	\$3,750.00	\$6,432.00	\$8,000.00
Tire Income	\$9,000.00	\$12,756.70	\$12,000.00
Per Capita Assessment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$41,500.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$425,000.00	\$475,762.19	\$470,398.00
<b>TOTAL NEK REVENUES</b>	<b>\$760,519.00</b>	<b>\$843,463.76</b>	<b>\$825,073.00</b>

**MINUTES  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MARCH 6, 2018**

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, then read the preamble of the warning.

**The legal voters of the Town of Barnet, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barnet School on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles:**

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

- Moderator stated that one-year term of Dennis McLam is expiring.
- Dennis McLam nominated by Mark Bowen.
- William Biddle moved that nominations ceased. Seconded. Approved by voice vote.
- 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.**

Selectboard

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Gary Bunnell is expiring.
- Benjamin Gates nominated by Gary Bunnell.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Benjamin Gates.
- Jeremy Roberts spoke, thanking Gary Bunnell for his service as Selectboard Member. Mr. Roberts described Mr. Bunnell as a "silent leader," always leading by example and hard work. He was particularly invaluable in his role as Road Commissioner, where he put his expertise to good work, and was always available to assist, advise, and give direction.

Town Clerk & Treasurer

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

Lister

- Moderator stated that the three-year term of Christen Emerson is expiring. Moderator stated that Ms. Emerson has indicated that she does not seek re-election.
- Michael Walsh nominated.

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

#### Auditor

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

#### Auditor

- Moderator stated Benjamin Gates must vacate his office as Auditor, having been elected as Selectboard Member, as the two offices would conflict and cannot be held by the same individual. There are two years remaining on Mr. Gates's three-year term.
- Joseph Breidenstein nominated by Kaye Breidenstein.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Kaye Breidenstein.

#### Collector of Delinquent Tax

- Moderator stated that the one-year term of Lisa Bowden is expiring.
- Lisa Bowden nominated by Mark Gilleland.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Lisa Bowden.

#### Grand Juror

- Moderator stated that the one-year term of David Willis is expiring.
- David Willis nominated by Mark Bowen.
- 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 Steven Adler expiring.
- Steven Adler nominated by William Biddle.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Steven Adler.

#### Trustee of Public Funds

- Moderator stated that three-year term of William Hoar is expiring.
- Diane Thompson nominated William Graves.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.

- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Diane Thompson.

Library Trustee

- Moderator stated that five-year term of Julie Roos is expiring.
- Julie Roos nominated by Rebecca Boardman.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Julie Roos.

Library Trustee

- Moderator stated that this office has three years remaining of a five-year term. Jane Casavant, who held this office, resigned and Ashley Wright was appointed to replace her.
- Ashley Wright nominated by Rebecca Boardman.
- Hearing no further nominations, Moderator announced that nominations would cease.
- Moderator instructed Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Ashley Wright.

**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-two of the Town Report. Seconded by Susan Persson.
- 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?**

- Mark Bowen moved the article as warned. Seconded by Sherry Tolle.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?**

- Kathleen Monroe moved the article as warned. Seconded by Nancy Bishop.
- 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 conservation and preservation of collections of historical materials associated with the township of Barnet?**

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

The Moderator allowed a brief intermission in the meeting for Vermont legislators Marcia Martel and Scott Beck to speak regarding various recent actions and potential future actions of the legislature. With the voters' approval non-voters Ms. Martel and Mr. Beck were allowed to speak. The legislators' presentations included discussion regarding a marijuana bill, a gun safety bill, and education funding law. Discussion followed regarding education funding, Act 46, and



school mergers.

**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?**

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

**ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$26,428.00) to CALEX Ambulance Service?**

- Michael Walsh moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Mona Marceau asked how CALEX Ambulance Service arrived at their appropriation request amount.
- Celina Wright, Representative of CALEX, spoke, referring to a CALEX document made available publicly: CALEX has two sources of revenues and costs – responding to 911 calls and transferring patients from hospital to hospital. CALEX is asking for increased town appropriations because 911 response revenues do not cover 911 costs. The increase in appropriation request in 2018 calculates to \$1.00 per capita for member towns; this funding will cover the cost of 911 to ensure response readiness. In order for towns to completely cover the cost of 911, the per capita rate would be \$20.00; the 2018 appropriation request calculates to \$15.50 per capita. Their plan is to increase the per capita rate for the next two years to achieve \$20.00 per capita in 2020. Even at \$20.00 per capita CALEX is the lowest cost EMS service in the State of Vermont.
- Lisa Bowden asked if there are costs for CALEX to participate in the 911 system.
  - Ms. Wright indicated that CALEX does pay dispatch service fees.
- Mona Marceau asked how CALEX can operate without being profitable with its 911 operation.
  - Ms. Wright indicated that CALEX is able to offset 911 operation losses with gains from its transport service.
- Gail Warnaar spoke in support of CALEX, stating that it is a good service and should not be allowed to diminish.
- Mary Jean Thielen spoke in support of CALEX, praising their staff, and stating that the service is a good investment.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

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

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

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

- Susan Persson moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mona Marceau.
- Donald Easter moved to amend the motion to appropriate the sum of \$2,000. Seconded.
- Robert Farlice-Rubio spoke: The Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium thanks the voters of Barnet for their support. The appropriation entitles all Barnet residents to free admission to the museum.
- Mr. Easter's motion to amend the original motion was passed by voice vote.

- Amended motion was passed by voice vote.

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

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded by Susan Persson.
- Mona Marceau asked if Kingdom Animal Shelter takes in dogs, or only cats.
  - A Kingdom Animal Shelter board member indicated that the Shelter intends to take cats and dogs, but currently has sufficient physical infrastructure and volunteer staff only for cats.
- Laurajeane Stewart spoke in support of the appropriation, stating that Kingdom Animal Shelter provides a valuable resource at a time when placement of homeless or misplaced animals is difficult.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging?**

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded by Patricia McLam.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,775.00) to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.?**

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

**ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?**

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?**

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

**ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?**

- Mark Bowen 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 Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) to Umbrella Inc.?**

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded by Patricia McLam.
- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?**

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded by Susan Persson.

- Motion was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?**

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

**ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town of Barnet include an appropriation for CALEX Ambulance Service, or any other ambulance service, in such amounts and for such periods as the Town Selectboard may from time to time negotiate, in the town's budget starting in the fiscal year 2019?**

- Sherry Tolle moved the article as warned. Seconded by Mark Bowen.
- Mona Marceau asked why this article is on the warning.
  - Celina Wright, Representative of CALEX, indicated that the Selectboard wished to obtain the voters' opinions on this issue.
- Michael Wright, CALEX Chief, spoke: CALEX is attempting to budget for a three-year period, and a contract arrangement would allow for more certainty with regard to budgeting. Ambulance is an essential service to support public safety, more analogous to the Highway Department than it is to the charitable and social service organizations receiving special appropriations. The Town has always approved CALEX's appropriation in the past, and it is not clear what the outcome would be if the appropriation was not approved.
- Michael Walsh asked if the proposed contract arrangement would replace the current special appropriation model.
  - Michael Wright indicated that a contract arrangement would replace the special appropriation.
- Michael Wright spoke: The proposed contract includes first aid training for Town employees. CALEX works closely with the Barnet Fire & Rescue Department, and replenishes rescue equipment used by the Barnet Fire & Rescue.
- Mona Marceau moved to amend the motion to change the word "appropriation" to "contract." Seconded by Dakota Butterfield.
- Selectboard member Jeremy Roberts spoke: The Selectboard brought this issue to the voters to allow them to decide if they wish to this long-standing appropriation relationship. The Selectboard would like to negotiate a contract with the voters' approval.
- Some discussion was had about proposed annual payment increases in the proposed contract arrangement.
- Michael Wright re-iterated comments made under Article 8 above: CALEX intends to increase per capita funding to \$20.00 by 2020.
- Michael Walsh spoke: In addition to normal rescue and transport service, CALEX also provides paramedic services at fires to which that Barnet Fire & Rescue reports. There should be a publicly stated cap on annual contract costs.
  - Selectboard member Jeremy Roberts spoke: All Selectboard meetings are public; the Selectboard invites public participation during discussions regarding contract costs, and approval of budgets.
- Mona Marceau asked if the situation regarding the ambulance service in Littleton, New Hampshire affects the per capita cost of the service in Barnet.
  - Michael Wright spoke: The situation in Littleton did not affect Barnet. Littleton's service turned out to be much different than service in Vermont towns. There

were many more no-transport calls, and other difficulties resulting in higher costs for the public.

- Town Agent Steven Adler spoke: Passage of this article would encourage the Selectboard to negotiate a contract arrangement, but would not require them to do so. The Selectboard does hope to be able to negotiate a contract.
- Jael Luomala asked what would happen if the Selectboard decides not to enter a contract.
  - Selectboard member Jeremy Roberts spoke: If a contract is not entered, CALEX would need to again request an appropriation.
- The amendment moved by Mona Marceau, to change the word “appropriation” to the word “contract,” was passed by voice vote.
- The amended 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 become due and payable in hand to the town Treasurer during business hours on or before October 20, 2018, 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 Sherry Tolle.
- School Director Louis Bushey spoke: It should be recognized that in this article “Town School District” is actually represented by the Caledonia Cooperative School District, not the Barnet School District. Property taxes will be collected by the town Treasurer for the former entity, rather than the latter, in the forthcoming tax collection season.
- 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.**

- Selectboard member Jeremy Roberts moved to raise the sum of \$1,509,380.01 for the General Fund budget. Seconded by Susan Persson.
- Jeremy Roberts spoke: The Selectboard focused on road paving in this 2018 budget. A substantial sum is budgeted for this line item, and a number of projects will be targeted. The Selectboard continues look toward improvements in the areas of culvert repairs and upgrades, and maintenance and repair of bridges. Other areas of focus of the Selectboard in the past year have been: cooperation with the Building Committee in moving toward a solution for improved municipal office space, and improving the watershed of Harvey’s Lake, Stevens River, and South Peacham Brook through possible changes to the Harvey’s Lake Dam, etc.
- Dakota Butterfield asked if there is a budget line item relating to the proposed improved municipal office space.
  - Dylan Ford responded: There is an annual appropriation to the Buildings Fund in the amount of \$50,000. Appropriations to this fund may be used for the proposed municipal building project. There is an upcoming “all-funders” meeting at which the Building Committee hopes to obtain some answers to questions relating to possible funding sources external to the Town. Later this year the Building Committee hopes to move toward an informational hearing and a town-wide vote on the issue.

- Mark Bowen asked if, at the proposed town-wide vote, the voters would be presented with options other than the McIndoe Falls Academy renovation proposal.
  - Selectboard member Dylan Ford spoke: The eleven-member Building Committee has been working for two and a half years on evaluating the various options for remodeling various buildings or new construction. The Committee determined that the McIndoe Falls Academy option was worth investigating, and with the Selectboard's approval conducted a feasibility study. The Committee also, with the Selectboard's approval hired an independent study of costs for construction of a new building on an unknown site. The latter study considered a building with less extensive community functions than the McIndoe Fall Academy proposal. The Committee intends to allow the voters to determine ultimately which of these possibilities is best.
- Jay Sprout spoke about the matter of electric bills paid by village residents for street lights. He argued that the street lights are an essential service available to all residents and taxpayers, not just village residents, and that the Town should therefore incorporate this expense into its General Fund budget.
  - Moderator stated he was inclined rule the proposed amendment out of order, since it was not warned.
  - Mr. Sprout argued that an amendment to the budget, to increase or decrease the total funds raised, would be appropriate without a warning.
  - Laurajean Stewart spoke: The Barnet Village post office is open twenty-four hours each day, accessed by many residents from outside the village, and relies on street lights for safe access. Street lights support the whole community.
  - Town Agent Steven Adler spoke: The Selectboard is required to set a budget, which the voters can alter in terms of total funds appropriated, but not in terms of individual budget line items. A vote of the kind suggested by Mr. Sprout would be advisory only, and not binding.
- Mona Marceau moved to call the question.
- Jeremy Roberts's motion to raise the sum of \$1,509,380.01 for the General Fund budget passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.**

- Jay Sprout moved to advise the Selectboard to investigate the cost of operating the street lights and sidewalks throughout the Town, and consider incorporating these costs in the General Fund budget in 2019. Seconded.
  - Theodore Faris spoke: The voters should keep in mind that several of the fire districts operate water systems. The motion on the floor does not consider the incorporation of these systems into the Town budget.
  - Mr. Sprout's motion was passed by a show-of-hands vote: 39 in favor, 24 opposed.
- Lister John Cook spoke: In 2018 the Listers, with a real estate appraisal firm, will commence a town-wide reappraisal of all properties in Barnet, with the exception of the two hydroelectric dam properties owned by Great River Hydro LLC. Property owners will be notified by phone or mail when the Listers or the appraisal firm plan to visit their properties. The Listers request that owners contact the Listers to advise of their telephone numbers. The reappraisal is scheduled to be completed in 2020.
- Caroline DeMaio spoke regarding Green Up Day, which is on Saturday, May 5, 2018.
- Howard Gaston spoke, stating that a Barnet voter, who was unable to attend this meeting,

asked him to comment urging voters to consider changing the time of the annual meeting to the evening.

- Selectboard member Jeremy Roberts spoke: The Selectboard will be assessing fees in the maximum amount allowable by law for late-filed Homestead Declarations. Also, there are a number of vacant seats in town office positions, including the Planning Commission/Zoning Board, and in the various fire districts.
- James Pircher spoke: A group of Barnet residents are forming a second amendment study group. Interested persons are encouraged to seek information from Mr. Pircher after this meeting.
- Christin Emerson spoke: There are currently two vacant positions on the Beach Committee.
- Shawn Larocque spoke, thanking the Town for dedicating the town report to his father, Leigh Larocque.
- Mona Marceau asked when Zoning Bylaws will be complete.
  - The Moderator, Dennis McLam, who is also the Zoning Board Chair, stated that the Bylaws are progressing towards adoption, and may be in effect by fall 2018.
- Meeting adjourned 12:03 p.m.

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## **2019 Fees for Mixed Solid Waste in Bags**

13 gallon kitchen trash bag	\$1.00
30 gallon trash bags	\$2.00
42 gallon trash bags	\$3.00
55 gallon trash bags	\$5.00

## **2019 Fees for Tires**

NOTE: Tires must NOT be put in dumpsters! Please ask the attendant where to leave your tires.

### **AUTOMOBILES & PICK-UP TRUCKS:**

Without rims, but less than 16.5 inches	\$2.25
With rims, but less than 16.5 inches	\$4.25
Without rims, but larger than 16.5 inches	\$7.25
With rims, but larger than 16.5 inches	\$14.25

\*Large truck and tractor tires 18 to 22 inches \$18.00

\*Large truck and tractor tires over 22 inches \$20.00

**\*Add \$5.00 if they have rims.**

## **2019 Fees for Construction Debris:**

Per cubic yard \$15.00

This fee includes bulkies (mattresses, furniture, roofing, etc) and all other household items with the exception of trash and things that are recyclable.

**Refrigerators are free at this time. Please ask the attendant where they need to be placed.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE FILL OUR DUMPSTERS ONE AT A TIME IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO SHIP TWO HALF FILLED DUMPSTERS AS WE ARE CHARGED A \$230 PICK UP FEE PER DUMPSTER WHETHER THEY ARE FULL OR NOT PLUS A SEPARATE FEE IS ADDED FOR EACH TON.**

**NOTE: We do not charge for metal.**

Thank you, Bruce Marston 12-8-18

**PLEASE READ THIS IMPORTANT NOTICE**

For the safety of yourself and others . . .

Do not put dangerous items in your household trash. People have been injured and even killed by unsafe items that have been disposed of improperly in trash bags. The following should NEVER be put into a trash compactor:

Gas cans, propane tanks, paint cans, sealed containers of any kind, anything of an explosive nature. Batteries of any kind, all fluorescent light bulbs, LED's, any bulbs containing mercury, aerosol cans and chemicals of any kind.

Please remember that we collect the items listed above along with many others not listed and the Northeast Waste Management District can help you with the safe disposal of anything that you are not certain of.

You may call the District at 626-3532.

In order to make recycling work, it is essential that everyone rinse their items and not include any trash or garbage in with your recyclables. If we all work together it won't be so difficult.

Hours of Operation:

Year round Saturdays from 8:00AM to 3:00PM

Wednesday from 3:00PM to 7:00PM on the first Wednesday after Memorial through the last Wednesday before Labor Day.

Thank you to everyone.

*Bruce P. Marston*

Jan. 24th, 2018



## Barnet Recycling and Waste Disposal Guide

Barnet Transfer Station, End of Town Highway 14, Saturdays 8:00am – 3:00pm,  
Additional Summer Hours (until Labor Day) Wednesdays 3:00pm — 7:00pm

<div>  <b>SORT ITEMS</b>  </div>	
<b>NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES &amp; OFFICE PAPER (JUNK MAIL)</b> Mix together - catalogs, telephone books, glossy inserts and paperback books, colored paper, white paper, wrapping paper and junk mail. Any color or type of paper can be in this category except: <i><b>NO brown Kraft bags, boxboard, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or metallic wrapping paper.</b></i>	<b>CORRUGATED CARDBOARD &amp; BROWN KRAFT BAGS &amp; BOXBOARD</b> Remove excess tape. Staples are OK. Please no strings, handles, or bags with plastic layers. <i><b>NO wax-coated cardboard, cardboard soiled with food waste, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or Styrofoam.</b></i> <b>*BOXES MUST BE FLATTENED*</b>
<b>TIN CANS</b> Labels are OK. Flattening not required. Separate from aluminum cans (A magnet will stick to tin but not to aluminum). <b>*MUST BE RINSED*</b>	<b>ALUMINUM CANS, FOIL AND FOOD TRAYS</b> Labels OK. Flattening not required. Snack bags and candy wrappers are not aluminum foil. <b>*MUST BE RINSED*</b>
<b>GLASS (ALL COLORS)</b> <b>*Remove lids – recycle with tin*</b> Any color bottle or jar. <i><b>NO porcelain, Pyrex, windows, crystal, lids, metal or wood. NO light bulbs.</b></i> <b>*MUST BE RINSED*</b>	<b>PLASTIC BAGS</b> Must be labelled #2, #4, or #5. Any color accepted. Includes bubble wrap. <i><b>No Ziploc or nylon woven bags (like grain/cat litter bags)</b></i>
<b>PLASTIC CONTAINERS #1 – #4 &amp; #5 Food Containers</b> <b>2 Gallons or smaller / NO BLACK PLASTIC / *MUST BE RINSED*</b> Look for the recycling number stamped on the container. Labels are OK, please crush larger containers. <i><b>#5 accepted if it's a food container. NO black plastic of any kind. NO automotive fluid bottles. NO vinyl siding, toys, CD cases, VHS tapes, Styrofoam, syringes, or medical devices. These are trash.</b></i>	



**NO...**

**DIRTY OR UNRINSED ITEMS**

**Black Plastic containers**

**Plastic Containers larger than 2 Gallons**

### **ADDITIONAL ACCEPTED MATERIALS:**

**FOOD SCRAPS:** All food scraps, including meat, bones, dairy. Please remove PLU stickers. No plastics, metals, paper.

**PLASTIC BAGS:** Any plastic bag that is labeled #2,4, or 5. Call for the current list of acceptable bags.

**SPECIAL WASTES:** Electronics, Automotive batteries, Rechargeable batteries, Alkaline batteries, Aerosols, Hard cover books, Fluorescent bulbs. Tires (fees apply).

**TRASH AND BULKY WASTES:** \$2.00/30 gallon bag, other fees apply for Bulky waste items. Residents can contract with private waste haulers, check out our Licensed Waste Haulers List on our website.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, Monday – Friday, May through the end of September in Lyndonville, and special events throughout the District June – September. Call for details.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
AT (802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602 On the web at [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), e-mail [outreach@nekwmd.org](mailto:outreach@nekwmd.org)



List of Items NOT ACCEPTED for Recycling  
Please put the following items in your trash unless otherwise stated

Unacceptable Plastics Include:

Any **black** plastic containers  
Motor oil, gas containers  
Pesticide containers  
Styrofoam of any kind  
Planting pots and trays  
Plastic furniture  
Plastic Toys  
Coffee Makers  
Coat hangers  
Vinyl Siding  
Maple Tubing  
CDs, DVDs, VHS, and cases  
Water line pipes and plastic tubing of any size  
**Hard, rigid plastic** (if it shatters, it's not accepted)

Unacceptable Plastic Bags and Films

Woven plastic bags  
Nylon Bags  
Ziploc Bags

Unacceptable Aluminum

Chip Bags, Snack Wrappers, Pop tart Wrappers  
Aluminum Flashing (recycle with scrap metal)  
Coffee Bags

Unacceptable Tin

Recycle these with Scrap Metal  
  
Frying Pans  
Large Pieces of Metal  
Nails, Screws, Fasteners  
Any tin that is a non-food container

Unacceptable Cardboard

Pringles containers  
Milk and Juice Cartons of any kind  
Ice cream and waxy or plastic frozen food boxes  
Cardboard with metallic interior  
Single-use coffee cups  
Soiled Cardboard  
Waxy Cardboard

Unacceptable Paper

Kraft brown paper bags (recycle with cardboard)  
White or Brown Boxboard (recycle with cardboard)  
Shiny, glossy, or metallic papers  
Paper plates, cups, bowls  
Single-use cups  
Napkins, paper towels, tissue paper

Unacceptable Glass

Crystal  
Incandescent light bulbs  
Automotive lights  
Pyrex  
Porcelain

Unacceptable Food Scraps

PLU Stickers (sticks on fruits, vegetables)  
"Biodegradable" cutlery, bowls, plates, utensils  
Food utensils  
Plates, bowls, cups  
Plastic bags  
Styrofoam  
Keurig cups

**ACTUAL TAXES AND TAX RATES**

<b>2018 ACTUAL Taxes and Tax Rates</b>							
<b>Caledonia</b>							
<b>Town Name</b>	<b>Education Homestead Taxes</b>	<b>Education Non-Residential Taxes</b>	<b>Municipal Taxes</b>	<b>Education Homestead Tax Rate</b>	<b>Education Non- Residential</b>	<b>Municipal Tax Rate</b>	<b>Local Agreement Tax Rate</b>
Barnet	1,456,298	2,035,989	1,505,468	1.3848	1.4296	0.6095	0.0028
<i>Barnet FD #2</i>	0	0	10,510	0	0	0.0755	0
<i>Barnet FD #3</i>	0	0	6,971	0	0	0.0500	0
<i>Barnet FD #5</i>	0	0	3,914	0	0	0.0200	0
Burke	1,438,354	2,640,870	1,385,475	1.5094	1.5687	0.5132	0.0010
Danville	2,402,247	2,074,195	1,339,804	1.4912	1.5318	0.4523	0
Groton	806,729	1,009,494	824,570	1.4949	1.5058	0.6810	0.0033
Hardwick	1,863,806	1,205,189	2,261,324	1.7008	1.5805	1.2262	0.0099
Kirby	548,479	345,769	320,145	1.5245	1.4699	0.5385	0.0008
Lyndon	3,004,310	2,716,845	1,201,852	1.5028	1.6132	0.3272	0.0041
<i>Lyndonville Village</i>	0	0	517,743	0	0	0.7423	0
<i>Lyndon Highway</i>	0	0	954,916	0	0	0.3209	0
Newark	523,963	855,245	577,766	1.4311	1.4631	0.6089	0.0023
Peacham	972,789	1,050,812	685,140	1.4992	1.3568	0.4820	0
Ryegate	978,223	979,254	814,811	1.4843	1.4951	0.6213	0.0027
<i>So Ryegate Vill</i>	0	0	5,424	0	0	0.0400	0
<i>Ryegate FD #2</i>	0	0	5,339	0	0	0.0700	0
Sheffield	433,924	454,006	185,990	1.5626	1.5613	0.1853	0
St. Johnsbury	2,987,215	4,454,178	4,815,632	1.2093	1.4518	0.8708	0.0017
<i>St. J Spec Serv Dist</i>	0	0	1,134,430	0	0	0.4628	0
Stannard	121,893	163,463	166,295	1.3860	1.6830	0.9000	0
Sutton	853,838	563,407	619,150	1.4310	1.3545	0.6137	0.0014
Walden	661,661	687,513	583,731	1.3658	1.5533	0.6317	0.0044
Waterford	1,423,332	1,478,637	821,638	1.5583	1.6088	0.4312	0.0022
Wheelock	601,282	359,503	436,386	1.5537	1.5524	0.7097	0.0059
<b>County Totals</b>	<b>21,078,341</b>	<b>23,074,368</b>	<b>21,184,424</b>				

## **Section 2**

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

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As we take a moment to review last year, it is hard to believe it has gone by so fast. We feel fortunate to be able to serve our town and we try to make the best decisions possible knowing your hard earned money is involved. This years report will outline day to day operations, on going projects and future endeavors.

Our Road Foreman and Town Crew have had another year we can all be proud of. In 2017 we created a long term plan to focus on reclaiming and paving multiple roads in the next few years. Implementing this plan has increased our road crew's workload. All culvert upgrades and ditch work had to be done beforehand while still keeping up with their regular responsibilities. In keeping with our proactive budgeting philosophy, we have set up a tentative schedule for truck and equipment replacement. The board has discovered that it is more cost effective to replace items while they still have value than to wait until there is nothing left.

The Municipal Building committee continues to work on plans for the McIndoes Academy. The board is made up of volunteers who have spent countless hours trying to put together a vision that can be brought in front of the town for a vote. This process has taken time because of the multiple buildings and lots to be evaluated. We commend these members for investing their personal time, energy and expertise into making a difference in our town. We look forward to seeing what the future holds.

Many of our community members and board members have noticed that state and federal governing bodies have expanded the duties of our Town Clerk and Road Foreman in the last ten years. We have been discussing the problem created by the added demands and hope to come to you with what we feel is the best solution. We have valuable people in these positions and need to support them the best way we can.

We would like to conclude this years report by asking for your input and involvement. We are lucky many of you volunteer to be on a board or come to meetings to be informed on what is happening. There are wonderful people in our town and volunteering is a great way to meet some of them as well as give back to our great town.

Jeremy S. Roberts

Dylan Ford

Benjamin Gates

**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, 2018.

January 28, 2019



Jeffery Riley



Joseph Breidenstein



Dennis Kauppila

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## **Barnet Listers Report**

The town wide reappraisal is underway and should be completed by April 1, 2020. We, as Listers, appreciate the cooperation of residents so far.

During the contract period, NEMRC staff will inspect all real property in Barnet. This includes both exterior and interior inspections, as well as photographs of exterior and data collection to determine the value of properties.

Listers will mail notification prior to completing inspections in any given area. If the property owner is not at home at the time of the original inspection, a card stating that a visit was made, and how to make an appointment for an inspection, will be left at the time of each visit.

The Barnet Listers office will contact property owners and make appointments for the property inspectors. If your telephone is not listed or cell phone only, we will need you to give us a contact telephone number. Near the end of the reappraisal, a notice may be sent to property owners that need an inspection with information on how to make an appointment.

After completion of data collection and data entry, NEMRC will complete a thorough field review of all parcels in Barnet. This will consist of a drive-by of parcels to review data entered into the CAMA system, and establish final values. After completion of the field review, a report will be generated to allow the Listers office to examine and question the final value determinations.

The tentative timeline for the completion of the reappraisal is as follows:

- April 2020-Data Collection and Data entry to be completed
- April - May 2020 - Final Review
- May 2020 - Pre-Hearings
- June 2020 – Lodge Grand List and Grievance Hearings

The objective of this reappraisal is to generate accurate, defensible estimates of the fair market value for every parcel in the town of Barnet, VT, as of April 1, 2020. In addition, the estimates shall be integrated into the NEMRC Microsolve CAMA system so that future construction, subdivisions, and changes to existing properties may be valued using the same formulas.

The town of Barnet has 692 residential properties, 77 seasonal homes, 117 mobile homes, 31 commercial, 10 utilities, 15 farms, 2 woodland parcels, and 175 miscellaneous properties, according to the 411 report produced 7/27/2017, and approved by the state district advisor Doug Lay.

The total cost of the reappraisal will be \$100,800. Funds from the state ear-marked for the reappraisal are in a reserve account.

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 15<sup>th</sup>. 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

Michael Walsh

Sarah L. Cook



## Report of the Trustees for Public Funds, 2018

After this report, you will find a detailed financial report for the Esden Funds, as held by the Town per Oliver Esden's intent. The portion once held by the School District per Oliver Esden's intent is now held by the Caledonia Cooperative School District. The Trustees of Public Funds have oversight of the original, restricted principal for the Esden Funds, no matter where currently held.

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 an accumulated value of \$152,277.25 on December 31, 2018, but has lost value equaling \$2,674.05 since December 31, 2017, at a negative 1.7% rate of total return. Investment income for 2018 is \$3,317.73.

The beginning values over eleven years ago were \$53,168 for the Town, and \$53,168 for the School District. The Town's share of funds has increased by 2.85 times in these years.

The recent union of the Barnet, Walden, and Waterford school districts does affect the Esden funds, as the Cooperative School District Treasurer's name is added, and the Barnet School District Treasurer's name has been deleted. There is no financial report for either the Barnet School District or for the Caledonia Cooperative School District in this report. The remaining School portion of the Esden fund has been designated by the current Caledonia Cooperative School District board for access and use only for the benefit of Barnet citizens/residents/students. The three Trustees of Public Funds named below do receive monthly reports regarding the assignment and value of the "educational" Esden funds.

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 Cooperative School District 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  
Diane Thompson

**Town of Barnet  
Esden Fund  
2018 Financial Reports**

**Activity Summary**

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2017	154,951.30
Income:	11,142.41
Gain (loss) in value of investments:	(13,816.26)
2018 Net Earnings or (Loss)	(2,673.85)
Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2018	152,277.45

**Balance Sheet**

Assets:	Dec. 31, 2017	Dec. 31, 2018
Cash	3,220.21	6,298.51
Corporate Bonds	11,022.77	10,944.67
Government Securities	0.00	0.00
Unit Trusts	35,741.16	34,283.88
Mutual Funds	104,967.16	100,750.39
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>154,951.30</b>	<b>152,277.45</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	101,782.72	99,108.87
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>154,951.30</b>	<b>152,277.45</b>

**Changes in Unit Trusts & Mutual Funds**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2017</u>			<u>Dec. 31, 2018</u>		
	Number of	Value per		Number of	Value per	
	Shares	Share	Total Value	Shares	Share	Total Value
Van Kampen Build America Bonds	36.00	992.81	35,741.16	36.00	952.33	34,283.88
American Mutual Fund - Class C	1,089.47	40.23	43,829.38	1,152.68	36.95	42,591.42
Capital World Growth & Income - Class C	82.40	50.56	4,166.35	87.64	42.33	3,709.67
Growth Fund of America - Class C	1,017.26	45.95	46,743.23	1,147.70	39.24	45,035.83
New Economy Fund - Class C	74.07	40.19	2,976.79	81.96	34.52	2,829.26
New Perspective Fund - Class C	103.35	41.48	4,287.12	110.82	36.14	4,004.85
New World Fund - Class C	45.82	64.69	2,964.29	46.48	55.50	2,579.36
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2,448.38</b>	<b>1,275.91</b>	<b>140,708.32</b>	<b>2,663.27</b>	<b>1,197.01</b>	<b>135,034.27</b>

## 2018 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 Board meets the first Tuesday of the month, as needed, at 7 PM in the Conference Room of the Town Clerk's Office. Public hearings are warned as required by law, and appear in THE CALEDONIAN RECORD. They are also posted at the Town Clerk's Office, the Barnet Post Office, the Passumpsic Post Office, and can be viewed, along with the Agendas, at the Town Website -barnetvt.org.

Draft minutes are on the website as required by State statute within five days of each meeting, and approved Minutes are recorded in the public records at the Town Clerk's office.

In 2018, the Board started out one member short, but by year's end there was a full Board consisting of Benjamin Adams, William Biddle, Mark Bowen, Gary Briggs, Dakota Butterfield, Bruce Denio, Dennis McLam, George Pierce and Karen Stark.

Shane Stevenson chose not to be reappointed, and we thank him for his many years of service to the Board. Dennis McLam said he would stay on the Board, but not as Chairman, so in August William Biddle was elected Chairman, and Benjamin Adams as Vice-Chairman. Shirley Warden was reappointed Secretary.

The Board held six Public Hearings for Zoning Applications; four to consider Conditional Uses, and two for Back Lot Approval. All were granted.

After many years of hard work, the Board finalized the re-writing of the Barnet Zoning By-Laws to meet changes in the State statutes, update flood regulations, and to make other needed changes. A Public Hearing was held in June for the completed By-Law, at which it was approved. It was subsequently sent to the Select Board, who held a Public Hearing in July, after which the new Barnet Zoning By-Law was adopted and became effective on August 14, 2018.

Good job by all.

The Planning Commission is now reviewing the Town Plan to consider an enhanced Energy Plan, and a definition for Village Center designation.

They are also updating the Rules of Procedure for the Board.

Shirley Warden, Secretary

Barnet Planning / Zoning Board

2018 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BARNET ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

First, I wish to thank Sherry Tolle for stepping in for me while I was on medical leave from February until May. By the way, I am doing fine.

All structures over 50 square feet ( 5' x 10' ) with a few exceptions, require a Zoning Permit. A structure is defined as "an assembly of materials for use or occupancy ".

Application forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office, or online at [www.barnetvt.org](http://www.barnetvt.org). Please use a form dated February 2018 or newer, and follow the 2 pages of instruction.

The Permit fee is \$ 20.00 plus \$10.00 for recording. Public hearing applications for conditional uses, back lots variances / wavers, site plan review, or appeal fees are \$30.00 plus \$10.00 for recording. There is an additional \$10.00 recording fee for additional pages. The late fee for building without a permit is a doubling of original Permit fees ( \$40.00 & \$60.00 )

The Administrative Officer has 30 days to act on a completed application. The granted Permit is not valid for 15 days after being signed by the Administrative Officer, or 30 days after Zoning Board approval.

I may be reached at 802-633-4993 ( before 8:30 AM is best ) ; please leave a message so I can get back to you, and PLEASE repeat your phone # twice. My address is: 51 Warden Rd Barnet, VT 05821

In 2018, there were 30 completed applications received and approved. 8 were referred to the Board for Public Hearings; 6 for Conditional Use and 2 for Back Lot approval.

Permits were issued for 5 each of the following: porches, decks, barns, workshops; 4 each of the following: dwellings & residential garages; 3 each : wood sheds & dwelling additions; 2 gazebos & 2 apartments added to garages; then 1 each of the following: garage addition, pool, concrete pad, breezeway, chicken coop, home occupation, subdivision, and to change a deck to an enclosed porch.

One of the new changes in the Zoning Bylaw is that qualifying Agricultural & Silvicultural structures, which are exempt from Zoning Permits, MUST file an INTENT TO BUILD form with the Administrative Officer. The form is available online, or at the Town Clerk's Office.

2 new 911 Locatable Address Numbers were issued in 2018.

Shirley Warden,

Barnet Zoning Administrative Officer

Town of Barnet ~ 2018 Annual Report

Report of the Collector of Delinquent Tax  
Lisa J. Bowden, Collector  
December 31, 2018

<u>Year</u>	<u>Taxes Charged to Collector</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Abated</u>	<u>Uncollected Tax as of 12/31/18</u>
2012	\$ 16,061.21	\$5,503.47	-0-	\$10,557.74
2013	25,695.94	6,029.59	-0-	19,666.35
2014	27,000.31	6,164.53	-0-	20,835.78
2015	35,697.32	6,885.89	-0-	28,811.43
2016	53,125.98	20,831.41	-0-	32,294.57
2017	100,731.84	65,644.75	-0-	35,087.09
2018	<u>190,038.84</u>	<u>100,394.41</u>	<u>193.97</u>	<u>89,450.46</u>
	\$448,351.44	\$ 211,454.05	\$193.97	\$236,703.42

Unpaid Tax Balances by Taxpayer:

2012

Kendall, James \$ 7,637.18  
Kendall, James/Michelle 2,920.56

2013

Kendall, James \$8,023.83  
Kendall, James/Jere 6,350.81  
Kendall, James/Michelle 5,291.71

2014

Kendall, James \$8,746.07  
Kendall, James/Jere 6,594.75  
Kendall, James/Michelle 5,494.96

2015

Bailey, Barbara 3,026.01  
Fenoff, Cindy 525.22  
Kendall, James 10,369.43  
Kendall, James/Jere 6,756.68  
Kendall, James/Michelle 5,207.12  
Narey, Joyce 2,926.97

2016

Alongi, Vito \$ 341.71\*  
Bailey, Barbara Estate 3,132.05  
Debarge, Theresa Estate 1,190.31  
Kendall, James 10,117.60  
Kendall, James/Jere 5,873.81  
Kendall, James/Michelle 3,799.98  
Merchant, Donald Life Estate 2,261.99  
Narey, Joyce 4,170.16  
Noyes, Billy 818.59  
Stuart, Robert 588.37\*

2017

Alongi, Vito \$ 1,929.75\*  
Bailey, Barbara Estate 3,141.41  
Bradley, John 382.92  
Broughton, Marc 1,226.09  
Calcagni, Alex 302.31\*  
Debarge, Theresa Estate 1,177.27  
Hahr, Christopher 350.40\*  
Kendall, James 10,039.17  
Kendall, James/Jere 5,819.60  
Kendall, James/Michelle 3,758.36  
Labounty, David 1,721.41  
Merchant, Donald Life Estate 2,237.22  
Somers, Gilmore Estate 2,920.92  
Verrill, James 80.26+

2018

Alongi, Vito \$1,947.97\*  
Bailey, Barbara Estate 3,171.07  
Bogie, Calvin Jr & Darlene 1,506.92  
Bradley, John & Sharon 3,575.37  
Broughton, Marc 3,565.16  
Bunnell, Linda 1,694.78\*  
Campbell, Kathleen 793.00  
Choate, Paul & Elvira Trust 705.92  
Debarge, Theresa Estate 1,188.39  
Denio, Bruce 47.77  
Dzen, John Jr 2.25+  
Edmunds, Tarcia 1,841.79  
Ehlers, Jennifer 1,155.31  
Grigg, William 428.50  
Hahr, Christopher 900.47\*  
Jones, Sandra 6,005.22+  
Kendall, James 10,191.14  
Kendall, James & Jere 5,874.55  
Kendall, James & Michelle 3,793.85  
Kendall, Marvin 12.25  
King, Debora 6,548.12  
Labounty, David 1,737.66  
Lamothe, Jeffrey 2,107.24  
Larabee Morrisette 3,820.39  
Leclair, Jeffrey 149.06  
Merchant, Donald 2,258.34  
Mitchel, Stephanie 665.65\*  
Muller, Wayne 963.78  
Noble, Deborah et al 2,452.50\*  
Noyes, Billy 694.23  
Pilette, Joshua 906.60  
Rivard, Martha 1,255.02\*  
Root, Jonathan 663.78\*  
Roy, Richard & Catherine 216.44\*  
Schoenbeck, Roger 24.95  
Schwein-Perez, Denise 322.99+  
Somers, Paul & Laurie 2,334.15\*  
Stankiewics, Michael 7,742.88  
Stuart, Robert & Denise 3,113.90\*  
Timson, Bernard 73.34  
Verrill, James 2,997.76\*

\* Payment plan in effect

+ Denotes paid in full by publication date.

## **2018 REPORT OF BARNET FIRE & RESCUE**

Recently on a few calls to incidents on US Route 5 in the Town of Barnet there has been some confusion as to the proper address of the incident. To avoid the possibilities of 5 digit address numbers when E911 was implemented a number of years ago, US Route 5 was given a North and South designation. The split was made between the villages of Barnet and East Barnet at the US Route 5 and Little France Rd intersection. From that intersection north to the Waterford Town line is US Route 5 North, and south to the Ryegate Town line is US Route 5 South. **The North and South designation is NOT based on which lane of US Route 5 the residence or incident is located on.** Some of this confusion may be due to the caller's unfamiliarity with the area, mapping software that does not differentiate between North or South, and emergency alarm answering services that have inaccurate or partial information. If you are a resident along US Route 5 in the Town of Barnet and subscribe to any of these services please contact them to verify that they have the complete and correct E911 address.

Barnet Fire & Rescue responded to 155 fire and medical incidents in 2018 compared to 144 for the previous year. The breakdown of the incidents responded to are 63% were for EMS (medical emergencies), 21% for various fire related emergencies, and 17% for motor vehicle accidents. The increases in the EMS numbers reflect an increase in requests for service from a couple of different sectors of our population and are in line with other agencies around the State. We are currently operating with a roster of 20 members of which all are active and routinely respond to calls and attend meetings and training. Of those 20 members 5 are certified EMS providers, 6 members are Fire/EMS trained and 9 are Fire trained. Daytime coverage continues to be an issue and we are continuing to rely on mutual aid coverage for routine incidents more than we have in the past. As I have mentioned in past reports, we are always looking for new members who would be willing to serve the community and be part of a great brotherhood. If you are that person or know of someone contact any member or stop by the firehouse on any Tuesday evening for more information. Barnet Fire and Rescue provides all the training and equipment at no cost to it's members, we provide an hourly stipend for time spent on calls, and in addition we also provide an Accident & Sickness policy that provides coverage in addition to Workers Compensation.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald L Morse, Chief

**Barnet Fire Rescue  
2018 Treasurer's Report**

Balance on hand January 1, 2018 \$ 6,978.35

Income

Donations	\$ 2,104.00	
Interest	\$ 3.04	
Whitcomb raffle winnings	\$ 50.00	
BBQ receipts	\$ 1,822.00	
Dept T-Shirts & Sweatshirts, Patch	\$ 6.00	
Total Income	\$ 3,985.04	\$ 3,985.04

January 1st balance plus income \$ 10,963.39

Expenses

VT State Firefighters Assoc.		
Building Maint. Equip	\$ 127.23	
Paul Shields Memorial Garden	\$ 455.69	
Training	\$ 140.00	
Fire Equipment	\$ 19.59	
Misc Meeting & Reception Refreshments	\$ 512.33	
2017 Xmas Party	\$ 416.68	
BBQ expenses	\$ 996.23	
Postage & Box Rent	\$ 62.00	
Donations	\$ 130.00	
Dept T-Shirts & Sweatshirts, Patch		
Total Expenses	\$ 2,859.75	\$ 2,859.75

Balance on hand December 31, 2018 \$ 8,103.64

Christopher Bunnell, Treasurer

## **Harvey's Lake Beach Committee- Town Report 2019**

Summary of beach happenings for the year 2018

### **Activities**

- Swimming lessons were held again this year. This year we were only able to hire one certified Swim Lesson Instructor so with that and that we can only offer lessons up to level 3, we only served 32 children. Barnet residents received lessons for free. Fees were charged for students from other towns, such as, Danville, Peacham, Waterford, Walden, Hardwick, St. Johnsbury, Topsham, Ryegate and Newbury.
- Our reserve fund, for playground improvements, continues to grow. We have not been able to fund any new equipment yet but with the sales of popsicles and water we are still hopeful! 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 5th 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!
- We will continue to make any necessary improvements to the beach.

### **Other News**

- We continue to have break ins and vandalism which sets our improvement efforts back! This year one of the brand-new steel doors, that was installed in 2017, was destroyed, and the first round of entrance fee money was stolen, our first weekend of operation. After the season was over, several picnic tables, flower pots and our storage shed door was destroyed. PLEASE keep an eye out, as we continue to try to find ways to prevent these things from happening!
- We were so happy to have at least one returning guard for the season, and 4 new hires.
- We will be accepting applications for the 2019 season.
- **We are desperately trying to fill 2 vacant positions on the Beach Committee. The beach does not run without many hours of volunteer time!!** Please contact another committee member if you are interested in volunteering.
- There are currently discussions of beach rate increases, as well as, modifying beach rules. Once things are final notice will be posted!
- Please be sure to check out our web page, [harveyslakebeach.net](http://harveyslakebeach.net), there 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!

**\*\* Please be sure you are filling out your season beach pass correctly, listed people MUST be residents of the same household within the town! ONLY children UNDER 5 or Adults OVER 65 are free!\*\***

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

**Committee Members:** Christen Emerson, Philo Marcotte, Joe Breidenstein and Danny Pearl



### **Building Committee Report 2018**

The Barnet Building Committee members have been busy in a five-year study, with direction from the Select Board, to establish a planned improvement for Barnet's upcoming proposed town office and community building. During 2018, our committee has discussed the results, designs, and analyses provided by the feasibility as contracted through Arnold and Scangas. This concluded study of the historic McIndoe Falls Academy building was funded by our municipal planning grant. One committee focus in 2018 examined the potential for this Academy building and lands to house town offices, archives, and records; reading and archival space for the historical society; museum of logging, farming, sawmilling, and education; a continuing public lending library; large community meeting and event space; and an operating US post office. Another committee focus in 2018 was obtaining the cost and understanding the benefits of a potential new building for town offices and archives; historical society space; and community meeting space. Currently, the Town does not own a land parcel sufficient for this public building placement and use.

We have strived to satisfy our own and other citizen's questions. We obtained cost estimates from the study firm Arnold and Scangas and from independent estimator Steven Pitkin for rehabilitation and expansion of the Academy building. Steven Pitkin also provided a cost estimate for a new building on an undetermined, acceptable, undeveloped parcel—using a floor plan with necessary corridors, office spaces, vaults, storage, bath rooms, meeting spaces, community access and use, and safe egress and exit, along with an exterior design composition similar to the elementary school built in 1987.

To ensure confidence in the decision about our proposed municipal community building, we are taking our records, funding research, design facts and concepts, and cost estimates, into 2019 with another sensible planning step. Funded by an added municipal planning grant, and as directed by the Select Board, an independent consultant is hired to organize the committee's findings, records, and funding research; to gather further input from citizens; to provide presentations open to all citizens; and to inform voters about the building committee's work—its methods, steps, findings, and proposed plans. This effort clearly will be solid work done to both seek facts and to inform citizens. One outcome will be to establish firm values for grants, outside money, private donations, and Town reserve funds—as may be allocated toward Barnet's town office and community building. Renovation costs of a public building are funded in different ways, means, and phases than costs for a new development and building process. The benefits of a multipurposed community building can be examined for fundraising impact and strengthened grant sourcing. Acquiring and asserting space for official Town meeting space has been an essential part of the committee's planning.

Our committee has recommended to the Select Board that a vote be held June 14, 2019, to decide whether Town of Barnet will pursue renovation and expansion of the McIndoe Falls Academy and then whether the Town will accept the Academy Trustees' gift of land, building, and other assets.

Respectfully submitted,

Barnet Building Committee

## Dam Committee

The Dam Committee was created by the Selectboard to advise the Selectboard on matters relating to the Harvey's Lake channel and dam. Its members were appointed by the Selectboard, and serve at the pleasure of the Selectboard. Members are: Dylan Ford, George Coppenrath, Susan Coppenrath, Donald Easter, Joseph Mangiapane and David Price. Since its formation the committee approved an RFP for a first phase 30% engineering study necessary to determine the feasibility of moving forward; reviewed three submissions that resulted in the hiring of Inter-Fluve, Inc. to conduct the preliminary engineering phase of the project. A portion of this phase was to review and incorporate the watershed data from the Milone and Macbroom hydrology study completed approximately 10 years ago.

The 30% engineering design study was completed last November and was accepted by the Town of Barnet and State of Vermont. The report and 30% engineering design plans were paid for largely by the State of Vermont's Ecosystem Restoration Grant. The report is approximately 20 pages of data, analysis and recommendations, and is available to any Barnet resident in either electronic or paper format. To summarize: the report recommends removing 80% of the existing dam, retaining a portion of the fish ladder to stabilize the west bank of the river; constructing a natural stone water control structure in the outlet channel near the lake to maintain the lake level and prevent backflow; realigning South Peacham Brook along a relict flow path revealed in the floodplain elevation data; stabilizing the stream bed at the Harvey Lake bridge to ensure long term stability; and removing some of the accumulated sediment along the channel and strengthening some of the embankments.

The next phase of work will focus on obtaining funding and the completion of the remaining 70% engineering design which will present more detailed cost information for each operation.

Anyone who is interested in reading the 30% report with recommendations can obtain a copy from the Town Clerk's office.

## Barnet Public Library Librarian's Report

2018

Another year has passed and what a year it was! The most notable event of the year was certainly saying goodbye to our beloved Sherry and Tom Tolle. They are finally on to new adventures and warmer climates, enjoying retirement in Galax, Virginia. We miss them so much, but wish them luck and send them love. Sherry was instrumental in moving the library to its new location here at the Barnet Village Schoolhouse and making it the community space we have today.

As a result of Sherry's departure, we had our own adventures here finding someone to fill the role of Assistant Librarian. We were lucky enough to have 14 wonderfully qualified candidates out of which we chose Jackie Verley. She is an awesome addition to our Barnet Public Library family! Please come in and welcome her.

As for the workings of the library, we have all heard that print is dead and you may wonder what, then, is a library today? Print is certainly not dead here in Barnet. We have tons of new bestsellers, for kids and adults, and we buy books based on what YOU ask for. However, we are much more than just books. We continue to change and adapt and look for the next new thing that the people of Barnet need or want us to be. We really are a community space for Barnet. Recently we were asked if we would host a group interested in knitting, crocheting and needlework. Sure we would! They meet Monday evenings. We offer help with your iPads, phones and Kindles. We have a mini library at the West Barnet Senior Meal Site. We offer community billboards and are often a meeting site for local committees. We have public computers and tablets and ALWAYS free and open Wifi. Storyhours on Saturdays become a place where parents enjoy coffee and conversation together while their kids are busy reading books, singing songs and doing crafts. You, the Barnet community, are who we are here for.

Our summer reading program continues to be very popular. We offer 5 programs each summer. In 2018 we made paracord bracelets, cracked open geodes and made our own instruments. Trunk or treat, despite buckets of rain and 40 degree temperatures drew over 300 kids and adults this year. Thanks so much to all our loyal friends who always participate!

Art at the Library is still going! Every winter, the library Board of Trustees runs monthly programs for adults. In 2018 we offered a buy and sell on ebay workshop, an essential oils class, wreath making, altered books and paper ornaments art. These are always full of enthusiastic participants. Check our website for upcoming classes in 2019!

WE ARE WHAT YOU NEED US TO BE! Please come in and tell us what you would like to see here at the library. We are really your tax dollars at work.

Dylan Ford

Director, Barnet Public Library

For more information: [www.barnetpubliclibrary.com](http://www.barnetpubliclibrary.com) , 802-633-4436,  
Facebook.com/barnetpubliclibrary, or email us at barnetpl@hotmail.com

## Barnet Public Library

Account	2018 Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Town Tax Appropriation	28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00
Donations	1,500.00	2,038.50	1,500.00
Grants	1,400.00	-	200.00
Book Sale	-	60.00	-
Fundraisers	1,000.00	946.00	1,000.00
Interest on Bank Accts	-	11.32	-
	<u>31,900.00</u>	<u>31,055.82</u>	<u>30,700.00</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>			
Gross Wages	22,000.00	20,879.20	22,000.00
FICA Taxes (Soc. Sec.)	1,700.00	1,597.28	1,700.00
Workshops	200.00	-	200.00
<b>FACILITIES EXPENSES</b>			
Telephone	490.00	421.90	490.00
Internet Service	490.00	386.76	490.00
Maintenance & Renovation	400.00	-	400.00
<b>LIBRARY OPERATIONS</b>			
Audio/Video	300.00	261.69	300.00
Adult Books	1,750.00	1,725.92	1,750.00
Kid Books	1,250.00	985.83	1,250.00
Magazines/Newspaper	200.00	460.08	400.00
Membership Pass	50.00	25.00	50.00
One Click Digital	400.00	375.00	400.00
Website	300.00	220.00	300.00
Automation	500.00	186.53	-
Miscellaneous		34.90	
<b>SUPPLIES &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>			
Mileage	50.00	-	50.00
Office Supplies	500.00	350.06	650.00
Computer	500.00	872.11	500.00
Postage	200.00	62.50	200.00
<b>SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>			
Special Events	900.00	393.53	900.00
	<u>32,180.00</u>	<u>29,238.29</u>	<u>32,030.00</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>(280.00)</u>	<u>1,817.53</u>	<u>(1,330.00)</u>

## **Barnet Waste Management Report 2018**

We had another successful year of recycling in Barnet. We had help from Donald Nelson, Rusty Ehlers, Ken Dow, Tom and Sherri Tolle, Ernest Bourtelles and Dixie Burns (Call 2-1-1) who continues to offer her support in providing us with information needed for the Good Neighbor Fund to help others.

This year we kept over 110 tons of reusable materials, including almost 27 tons of metal, out of the landfill. And this figure includes 4.60 tons of food scraps (a.k.a. compost). The Barnet School also held back over 4 tons of mostly paper and cardboard, plus a little over 2 tons of food scraps. Our construction debris amounted to over 135 tons and we compacted almost 150 tons of household trash. Most figures were a little less than last year.

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund has had another successful year and I'd like to thank everyone who has donated their returnable bottles to this worthy cause. Debbie King of the West Barnet Quick Stop continues to provide help to families in our community with funds from the Good Neighbor Fund.

Tom and Sherri Tolle moved south so they no longer help with the bottle redemption. Shirley Warden continues to go above and beyond helping with absolutely everything and if it wasn't for folks at Casella and The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District we would not be able to do any of this!

Our little dog pals are still enjoying a snack when they stop in for a visit. We are always sorry to hear about the loss of any of our four-legged friends and we wish that they lived longer than they do. We seem to loose a few little dogs each year.

***The biggest loss of all this year, was the passing of Ken Dow who spent the last few years of his life working with us. It was requested, in his Obituary, that donations be made to The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund in his memory. His friends, family and fellow workers miss him terribly ! So far his friends and family have donated over \$ 200 to our worthy cause.***

We still 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*

Bruce Marston

### **Memorial Flags**

This is the 19<sup>th</sup> year that the Barnet School Students 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. In May 2018, they met the school bus at each cemetery and passed out the flags to the following 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and staff:

Students:

Sam Babcock, Maddie Blanchard, Matthew Calcagni, Natalie Esposito, Ryan Hall, Siri Jolliffe, Kyle Jones, Alaina Kendall, Tiffany Lavoie, Dylan Mason, Lilianna Passat, Sydney Perkins, Charlie Vaal, Jasmine Vincent, Yasmini Vincent, and William Wright

Staff: Billy Jo Roberts

The following number of flags were placed at each cemetery:

McIndoes - 79  
Walter Harvey - 28  
West Barnet - 32  
Barnet Center - 74  
Stevens - 9  
Pleasant View - 90

We were unable to remove the flags after Veterans' Day in November due to the early lingering snowfall. Those flags will be picked up in the spring with the welcome assistance of several home-schooled children in town.

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

Patricia McLam  
Lisa Bowden

## Memorial Day Remembrance 2018

On Sunday May 27, 2018 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 Ben Gates from the Barnet Presbyterian Church saying a prayer. The speaker for the day was Shellie Samuels who enlisted in the Air Force in 1983 serving the majority of her time in Panama. Also participating was VFW Post 793 and the VFW Woman's Auxiliary. This year playing taps was Louis Hannon (7th grade) accompanied by Sue Persson from the Barnet School and Debbie Smith. Dave Rock who played bagpipes at both services.

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

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## **Section 3**

### **Town Financial Reports**

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## Treasurer's Report

Town's finances were relatively stable in 2018. Actual revenues and expenditures were generally on target with regard to the budget, and planned long-term goals steadily progressed. Several small over-expenditures and under-expenditures were the primary drivers of variance in the General Fund. The Town remains fiscally strong thanks to years of sound management; 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.

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 describe the function of the fund, significant activities in 2018, and anticipated activities in 2019.

Town financial documents are sometimes difficult for taxpayers to understand because they differ from those encountered in business or personal lives. Town finances are reported using Fund Accounting: monies are separated into various funds because the Town must demonstrate that expenditures comply with restrictions on the use of the money. These restrictions can be externally imposed, as when benefactors restrict the 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.

- 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.
- 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.

I continue to appreciate the confidence committed to the Treasurer's Office by the voters, and the assistance of the many volunteer officers that help make the Town's fiscal policy operate effectively. These officers, notably the Selectboard, work countless unpaid hours behind the scenes and are the true indispensable cogs and heroes of town government.

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 2018 the General Fund returned an operating surplus of \$26,000.57. The total General Fund surplus, including 2018 and prior years, is now \$451,369.58. One driver the 2018 surplus was greater than usual interest collected on delinquent taxes (over budget by \$23,000). Collection of delinquent tax principal also worked to bolster the surplus, as deferred property tax revenue decreased by \$19,265. A number of marginal under-expenditures also contributed, off-setting several marginal over-expenditures, as is normally the case. Many line items saw slight inflationary increases in 2018, which are reflected the 2019 budget. Additional expenditures to repair roads, culverts, and bridges compromised by July 2017 flooding cost an unanticipated \$131,000. The Town expects to receive a portion of these costs back through Federal and State emergency grants. These funds have been slow to arrive, however, as the Town has yet to receive any 2017 emergency grant funds. For this reason the Selectboard opted to take out a line of credit from Union Bank in 2018 to cover current expenses; \$200,000 has been borrowed thus far. The Selectboard continued its focus on road infrastructure, budgeting and carrying through with a significant spending (\$355,334) on road paving and construction projects in 2018. This involved jobs on seven roads in the General Fund budget (section 55) and one in the Reserve Fund.

## **Town of Barnet, Vermont**

### **2019 General Fund Budget**

**Selectboard: Jeremy Roberts, Dylan Ford & Benjamin Gates**

(See pages following this report for schedules and notes)

#### Section

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#### Account

#### 2017 Actual

#### 2018 Budget

#### 2018 Actual

#### 2019 Budget

### **Revenues**

#### Selectboard Income

#### **1 Taxes**

<b>a</b>	Selectboard Budget Tax Appropriation	1,465,351.52	1,509,380.01	1,505,519.26	1,530,072.86
<b>b</b>	Change in Deferred Property Tax Revenue	(29,156.05)		19,265.16	
	<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>1,436,195.47</b>	<b>1,509,380.01</b>	<b>1,524,784.42</b>	<b>1,530,072.86</b>

#### **2 Town Clerk's Office Fees**

	Recording Fees	12,805.00	14,000.00	12,302.10	14,000.00
<b>a</b>	General Office Fees	3,566.98	3,500.00	3,472.51	3,500.00
	Dog Licenses	1,655.00	1,500.00	1,622.00	1,500.00
	Dog Ordinance Violation Fees	3,000.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
	Liquor Licenses	210.00	210.00	210.00	210.00
	Other Licenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Fees</b>	<b>21,236.98</b>	<b>19,210.00</b>	<b>17,706.61</b>	<b>19,210.00</b>

#### **3 Planning Commission & Zoning Board**

	Zoning Permit Fees	1,080.00	1,200.00	750.00	1,200.00
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#### **4 Transfer Station**

	Transfer Station Collections	43,343.00	40,000.00	41,125.75	40,000.00
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#### **5 Harvey's Lake Beach**

	Admission Charges	9,154.25	10,000.00	10,898.72	10,000.00
	Pavilion Rental	2,142.50	1,000.00	900.00	1,000.00

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<b><u>Account</u></b>	<b><u>2017 Actual</u></b>	<b><u>2018 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>2018 Actual</u></b>	<b><u>2019 Budget</u></b>
Swimming Lessons Fees	2,117.50	2,000.00	480.00	2,000.00
Concession Sales	0.00	0.00	85.15	0.00
<b>Total Harvey's Lake Beach</b>	<b>13,414.25</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>	<b>12,363.87</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>
<b>6 General Selectboard Income</b>				
a Late Filing Fees - HS-122 forms	3,887.74	0.00	1,210.61	0.00
Interest - Delinquent Taxes	14,876.78	10,000.00	33,249.23	10,000.00
b Interest - Savings & Checking	4,730.34	6,600.00	2,499.19	6,600.00
Highway Access Permits	10.00	0.00	10.00	0.00
c State of VT - Current Use Payment (Selectboard's share)	41,397.00	30,000.00	42,297.00	30,000.00
State of VT - Current Use Change Tax	297.66		0.00	
d State of VT - Fish & Game Land	7,898.94	7,900.00	7,654.17	7,900.00
e State of VT - Aquatic Nuisance Grant	7,840.00		8,340.00	8,340.00
Transfer Station Collections				
f Electronics Recycling Credit	0.00	200.00	0.00	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
Tax Retainage Fee - Prior Year	7,033.31	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00
District Court of VT - Local Fines	48.84	100.00	2,758.50	100.00
Insurance Claim - Fire & Rescue Dept			6,846.15	0.00
Various Other Income	(114.89)	800.00	298.35	800.00
<b>Total General Selectboard Income</b>	<b>95,105.72</b>	<b>69,800.00</b>	<b>112,363.20</b>	<b>78,140.00</b>
<b>7 a Use of Prior Surplus</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Selectboard Income</b>	<b>1,610,375.42</b>	<b>1,652,590.01</b>	<b>1,709,093.85</b>	<b>1,681,622.86</b>
<b><u>Highway Income</u></b>				
<b>9 State Aid</b>				
a State Aid to Roads	185,381.22	185,000.00	185,315.13	185,000.00
<b>Total State Aid</b>	<b>185,381.22</b>	<b>185,000.00</b>	<b>185,315.13</b>	<b>185,000.00</b>
<b>10 Reserve Fund Proceeds</b>				
Proceeds from Highway Construction Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Reserve Fund Proceeds</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>11 a Flood Repair Proceeds</b>				
July 1, 2017 Flooding Event - FEMA Projects - Federal Funds	196,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
July 1, 2017 Flooding Event - FEMA Projects - State of VT Funds	19,635.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
July 1, 2017 Flooding Event - FHWA Projects - Federal Funds	140,990.87	0.00	0.00	0.00
July 1, 2017 Flooding Event - FHWA Projects - State of VT Funds	7,938.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Flood Repair Proceeds</b>	<b>364,914.85</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

<u>Section &amp; Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
<b>12</b>	<b>Other Highway Income</b>				
<b>a</b>	State of VT - Current Use Payment (Highway share)	41,397.00	30,000.00	42,297.00	30,000.00
	Insurance Claim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Scrap Metal Sales	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Top Soil Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Equipment/Tool Sale	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Various other receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Other Highway Income</b>	<b>41,397.00</b>	<b>30,500.00</b>	<b>42,297.00</b>	<b>30,500.00</b>
<b>13 a</b>	<b>Use of Prior Surplus</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
	<b>Total Highway Income</b>	<b>591,693.07</b>	<b>215,500.00</b>	<b>227,612.13</b>	<b>215,500.00</b>
	<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>2,202,068.49</b>	<b>1,868,090.01</b>	<b>1,936,705.98</b>	<b>1,897,122.86</b>

## Expenditures

### Selectboard Expenditures

<b>15</b>	<b>Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes:</b>				
	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	10,636.38	10,000.00	10,725.13	10,000.00
<b>a</b>	Health Insurance	21,006.42	22,819.44	22,907.82	23,900.00
<b>b</b>	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Reserve Fund Appropriation				
	Uniforms				
<b>c</b>	Retirement	3,290.36	2,500.00	2,933.94	3,000.00
<b>d</b>	Unemployment Compensation	300.50	734.00	101.50	255.00
<b>e</b>	Dental Insurance	381.11	700.00	461.69	500.00
	<b>Total Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>35,914.77</b>	<b>37,053.44</b>	<b>37,430.08</b>	<b>37,955.00</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Town Clerk's Office (formerly "Office</b>				
<b>a</b>	<b>Supplies"):</b>				
	<u>Salaries:</u>				
	Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk & Treas.	55,678.58	56,936.25	58,487.18	59,783.06
	Assistant Town Clerk & Treas.	13,710.45	18,000.00	15,395.37	25,000.00
<b>b</b>	Substitute Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	54.25	0.00
	<b>Total Salaries</b>	<b>69,389.03</b>	<b>74,936.25</b>	<b>73,936.80</b>	<b>84,783.06</b>
	Land Record Books & Supplies	401.28	1,200.00	936.68	1,200.00
<b>c</b>	Copier Expenses	431.78	1,500.00	1,865.58	1,500.00
	Tax Bills	250.55	250.00	272.39	250.00
<b>d</b>	Software Service Agreement	1,376.96	2,000.00	2,131.14	2,000.00
<b>e</b>	Computer Maintenance, Supplies	3,289.20	5,000.00	1,451.73	5,000.00
	Postage	2,486.86	2,500.00	2,609.36	2,500.00
	Postage Meter Rental	188.64	200.00	193.66	200.00
	Advertising	824.20	800.00	725.00	800.00

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<u>Section &amp; Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
	Various Office Supplies	1,625.19	1,500.00	2,203.97	1,500.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Office</b>	<b>80,263.69</b>	<b>89,886.25</b>	<b>86,326.31</b>	<b>99,733.06</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Listers' Office:</b>				
	Salaries	10,872.00	12,500.00	8,770.28	12,500.00
	Computer Maintenance & Supplies	977.05	1,500.00	1,340.40	1,500.00
a	Software Service Agreement	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	Mileage	0.00	400.00	839.72	1,000.00
	Training	354.60	300.00		300.00
b	Tax Map Maintenance	3,879.62	3,500.00	3,225.00	3,500.00
	<b>Total Listers' Office</b>	<b>16,083.27</b>	<b>18,450.00</b>	<b>14,175.40</b>	<b>19,050.00</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Planning Commission/Zoning Board:</b>				
a	Administrative Officer Salary	3,000.00	3,500.00	3,945.50	3,500.00
b	Wages - Secretary	1,472.50	1,000.00	782.75	1,000.00
	Administrative Officer Expenses	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Advertising	530.00	600.00	360.00	600.00
	E911 Administrative Expenses	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Other	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
		<b>5,502.50</b>	<b>6,450.00</b>	<b>6,088.25</b>	<b>6,450.00</b>
	<b>Total Planning Commission/Zoning Board</b>				
<b>19</b>	<b>Auditors:</b>				
	Salaries	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00
	Printing Town Reports	2,358.26	2,500.00	2,090.10	2,500.00
	<b>Total Auditors</b>	<b>2,358.26</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>	<b>2,090.10</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Landfill/Transfer Station:</b>				
a	Salaries-Transfer Station	5,546.00	5,000.00	4,479.28	5,000.00
b	Environmental Compliance/ Post-Closure Testing	1,950.50	2,500.00	1,125.00	1,500.00
c	Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Annual Appropriation/Surcharge	8,095.43	7,000.00	7,093.48	7,000.00
	Supplies - Transfer Station	83.28	100.00	86.79	100.00
	Dumping Fee	24,833.92	20,000.00	23,167.72	23,000.00
	Hauling Fee	17,285.00	16,000.00	15,527.32	16,000.00
	Advertising - Transfer Station	60.00	150.00	70.00	150.00
d	Hired Equipment	300.00	250.00	300.00	250.00
	Equipment Maintenance	0.00	0.00	7.00	0.00
	Capital Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Landfill/Transfer Station</b>	<b>58,154.13</b>	<b>51,000.00</b>	<b>51,856.59</b>	<b>53,000.00</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Barnet Recycling:</b>				
a	Salaries	7,561.00	7,500.00	9,171.18	8,000.00
	Disposal Fees	1,170.00	1,000.00	1,830.00	1,000.00
	Compost Tote Fees	412.50	400.00	764.50	400.00
	Equipment & Supplies			128.20	
	<b>Total Recycling</b>	<b>9,143.50</b>	<b>8,900.00</b>	<b>11,893.88</b>	<b>9,400.00</b>

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<b>23</b>	<b>Fire &amp; Rescue:</b>				
a	Volunteers' Reimbursement	5,885.16	5,000.00	4,131.80	5,000.00
	Equipment & Supplies	10,607.02	12,100.00	11,382.32	12,100.00
	Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	4,283.22	2,000.00	895.18	2,000.00
	Mutual Aid Dues & Dispatching Service	4,449.95	4,000.00	3,997.00	4,000.00
	Rescue Squad Expenses	3,125.60	3,200.00	284.49	3,200.00
	Insurance Claim Expense			245.27	0.00
	Other	414.98	600.00	75.90	600.00
	<b>Total Fire &amp; Rescue</b>	<b>28,765.93</b>	<b>26,900.00</b>	<b>21,011.96</b>	<b>26,900.00</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Harvey's Lake Beach:</b>				
	Salaries - Lifeguards & Gate Attendants	15,158.95	17,300.00	15,058.67	17,300.00
a	Swimming Lessons	300.00	1,100.00	200.00	1,100.00
	Employee Training	130.00	850.00	150.00	850.00
	Employee Background Checks	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
	Operating Supplies	185.25	400.00	624.47	400.00
	Rubbish Removal	1,254.15	700.00	1,239.46	700.00
	Advertising	135.68	300.00	116.00	300.00
	Concession Purchases	329.86	0.00	323.82	0.00
	New Equipment/Capital Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Harveys Lake Beach</b>	<b>17,493.89</b>	<b>20,850.00</b>	<b>17,712.42</b>	<b>20,850.00</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Police Services:</b>				
	Constable Charges - Dogs	56.60	200.00	50.00	200.00
	Constable Charges - Other	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Sheriff's Patrol	5,480.00	7,500.00	6,766.00	7,500.00
a	Other	404.13	400.00	132.50	400.00
	<b>Total Police Services</b>	<b>5,940.73</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>	<b>6,948.50</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Selectboard:</b>				
	Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,010.50	1,500.00
a	Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,500.00
	<b>Total Selectboard</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>2,610.50</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Elections Expenses:</b>				
	Ballot Clerks	382.50	1,000.00	1,045.63	1,000.00
a	Moderator	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Advertising	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
b	Supplies/Equipment	0.00	50.00	31.61	50.00
c	Ballot Tabulator Expense	0.00	0.00	1,494.00	0.00
	<b>Total Election Expenses</b>	<b>882.50</b>	<b>1,550.00</b>	<b>3,071.24</b>	<b>1,550.00</b>
<b>32 a</b>	<b>Buildings/Grounds Utilities &amp; Maintenance</b>				
	<u>Town Clerk's Office</u>				
a	Fuel Oil	977.05	3,000.00	1,597.41	3,000.00
	Electricity	1,196.48	900.00	1,257.40	900.00
	Water	0.00	400.00	0.00	400.00
	Telephone	1,138.47	1,000.00	1,146.20	1,000.00
	Internet	719.88	800.00	659.89	800.00
	Maintenance	1,949.77	3,000.00	2,746.46	3,000.00

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	Total Town Clerk's Office	5,981.65	9,100.00	7,407.36	9,100.00
	<u>Barnet Public Library Building:</u>				
a	Fuel Oil	4,732.11	8,500.00	6,525.18	8,500.00
	Electricity	756.59	900.00	806.65	900.00
	Water	1,565.54	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00
	Other Various	3,626.75	1,300.00	2,375.86	1,300.00
	Total Barnet Public Library Building	10,680.99	12,100.00	9,707.69	12,100.00
	<u>Town Hall</u>				
	Electricity	243.52	300.00	229.16	300.00
	Water	444.64	450.00	444.64	450.00
	Maintenance	1,399.98	1,000.00	1,400.10	1,000.00
	Total Town Clerk's Office	2,088.14	1,750.00	2,073.90	1,750.00
	<u>Transfer Station</u>				
	Electricity	1,700.94	1,300.00	1,768.39	1,300.00
	Telephone	0.00	650.00	0.00	650.00
	Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Portable Toilet	0.00	55.00	0.00	55.00
	Total Transfer Station	1,700.94	2,005.00	1,768.39	2,005.00
	<u>Recycling Center</u>				
a	Fuel Oil	220.09	400.00	375.04	400.00
	Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Recycling Center	220.09	400.00	375.04	400.00
	<u>Fire &amp; Rescue Station</u>				
a	Fuel Oil	3,283.92	5,000.00	4,433.57	5,000.00
	Electricity	1,565.20	1,800.00	1,558.51	1,800.00
	Telephone	1,736.99	1,200.00	1,802.07	1,800.00
	Internet	0.00	550.00	0.00	550.00
	Maintenance	1,617.62	1,900.00	958.60	1,900.00
	Total Fire & Rescue Station	8,203.73	10,450.00	8,752.75	11,050.00
	<u>West Barnet Fire Station</u>				
a	Fuel Oil	893.40	1,700.00	390.97	900.00
	Electricity	272.17	400.00	290.18	400.00
	Total West Barnet Fire Station	1,165.57	2,100.00	681.15	1,300.00
	<u>Harvey's Lake Beach</u>				
	Electricity	250.08	200.00	1,361.39	200.00
	Telephone	433.59	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Portable Toilet	830.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Maintenance	1,291.11	1,700.00	2,177.37	1,700.00
	Total Harvey's Lake Beach	2,804.78	2,900.00	3,538.76	2,900.00
	<b>Total Buildings/Grounds Utilities &amp; Maintenance</b>	<b>32,845.89</b>	<b>40,805.00</b>	<b>34,305.04</b>	<b>40,605.00</b>

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<b>33</b>	<b>Insurance &amp; Bonds:</b>				
	Vehicles, Buildings & Town Officer Bonds	25,323.15	26,315.20	18,702.25	26,315.20
	Workers' Compensation	5,089.81	6,600.00	3,526.82	6,600.00
	Insurance Claim Settlement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
a	Fire & Rescue Insurance	1,189.00	1,250.00	1,172.00	1,250.00
	<b>Total Insurance &amp; Bonds</b>	<b>31,601.96</b>	<b>34,165.20</b>	<b>23,401.07</b>	<b>34,165.20</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Legal Expenses:</b>				
a	Tax Appeals	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Tax Collectors Items	552.50	500.00	0.00	500.00
	General	875.00	1,000.00	5,562.00	4,000.00
	Zoning	905.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Fire & Rescue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Animal Control	2,199.10	1,500.00	1,195.72	1,500.00
	Legal Settlements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Legal Expenses</b>	<b>4,531.60</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>6,757.72</b>	<b>8,000.00</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Interest on Loans:</b>				
a	Tax Anticipation Borrowing	5,487.05	5,400.00	5,157.38	5,400.00
	<b>Total Interest on Loans</b>	<b>5,487.05</b>	<b>5,400.00</b>	<b>5,157.38</b>	<b>5,400.00</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>Professional Services:</b>				
	Auditing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>37</b> a	<b>Capital Expenditures:</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>38</b>	<b>Tax Abatements:</b>	3,944.02	0.00	193.97	0.00
<b>39</b>	<b>Annual Appropriations:</b>				
	American Red Cross	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	Area Office on Aging	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Barnet Historical Society	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Barnet Public Library	25,000.00			
	Caledonia Home Health Care	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
a	CALEX Ambulance Service	24,723.00	26,428.00	26,427.52	0.00
	Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	County Tax	27,640.00	27,885.00	27,885.00	26,516.00
	Fairbanks Museum	1,700.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,700.00
	Kingdom Animal Shelter	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
b	Lake Harvey Association	16,675.45			
c	Memorial Day	909.00	500.00	2,061.80	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	1,281.00	1,281.00	1,281.00	1,281.00
	Rural Community Transportation	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
	Umbrella Inc.	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	Vermont Center for Independent Living	280.00	300.00	280.00	300.00
	Vermont League of Cities & Towns	2,927.00	2,990.00	2,990.00	3,070.00



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	West Barnet Senior Meal Site (formerly known as Volunteer Senior Meal Site)	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	<b>Total Annual Appropriations</b>	<b>116,560.45</b>	<b>76,809.00</b>	<b>78,350.32</b>	<b>48,792.00</b>
<b>40 a</b>	<b>Cemeteries:</b>				
	Stevens Cemetery - Misc. Mowing	442.00	400.00	475.15	400.00
	Palmer Cemetery	442.00	400.00	475.15	400.00
	Pleasant View Cemetery Association	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00
	McIndoe Falls Cemetery	3,400.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
	<b>Total Cemeteries</b>	<b>9,034.00</b>	<b>9,150.00</b>	<b>9,300.30</b>	<b>9,150.00</b>
<b>41</b>	<b>Appropriations to Other Funds:</b>				
a	Fire Department Fund	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	5,000.00
	Library Fund		28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00
	<b>Total Appropriations to Other Funds</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>93,000.00</b>	<b>93,000.00</b>	<b>93,000.00</b>
<b>42</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Selectboard Expenses:</b>				
	Advertising	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
a	Fire Warden Charges	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00
	Town Officers Meetings	735.00	1,000.00	835.00	1,000.00
	Health Officer Expense	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
b	Harvey's Lake Dam Maintenance	4,011.09	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00
c	Harvey's Lake Dam Registration Fee	350.00	350.00	350.00	1,000.00
	Harvey's Lake Boat Wash/Monitoring		17,000.00	20,771.35	20,000.00
d	Ambulance Service				30,690.00
	Fire Districts			300.00	0.00
	Economic Development				2,000.00
	Other Various	0.00	2,000.00	1,750.00	2,000.00
	<b>Total Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	<b>5,096.09</b>	<b>25,350.00</b>	<b>24,006.35</b>	<b>61,690.00</b>
<b>43</b>	<b>Contingency:</b>	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
<b>44</b>	<b>Total Selectboard Expenditures:</b>	<b>537,604.23</b>	<b>570,618.89</b>	<b>535,687.38</b>	<b>595,590.26</b>
	<b>Highway Expenditures</b>				
<b>45</b>	<b>Salaries - General Maintenance</b>	234,342.03	230,000.00	255,819.51	230,000.00
<b>46</b>	<b>Parts &amp; Supplies:</b>				
a	Blades & Chains	10,559.35	6,000.00	4,622.20	6,000.00
b	Tools	3,189.95	5,100.00	1,713.19	5,100.00
	Safety Supplies	292.39	1,000.00	740.87	1,000.00
d	Shop Supplies	2,928.68	2,500.00	3,273.33	2,500.00
	<b>Total Parts &amp; Supplies</b>	<b>16,970.37</b>	<b>14,600.00</b>	<b>10,349.59</b>	<b>14,600.00</b>
<b>47</b>	<b>Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes:</b>				
	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	17,726.54	20,000.00	19,999.36	20,000.00
a	Health Insurance	56,945.52	53,759.52	53,967.74	56,300.00
	Health Insurance Declination Stipend	7,039.00	10,400.00	10,500.00	10,400.00

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<b>b</b>	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Reserve Fund Appropriation				
	Uniforms	2,439.14	3,000.00	2,122.60	3,000.00
<b>c</b>	Retirement	13,991.81	12,000.00	12,915.41	12,000.00
<b>d</b>	Unemployment Compensation	300.50	734.00	101.50	255.00
<b>f</b>	Dental Insurance	1,454.52	2,100.00	1,846.34	2,100.00
	<b>Total Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>101,397.03</b>	<b>103,493.52</b>	<b>102,952.95</b>	<b>105,555.00</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>Town Garage</b>				
<b>a</b>	Fuel	1,243.63	5,000.00	883.35	5,000.00
	Electricity	2,767.20	2,500.00	2,744.15	2,500.00
	Telephone	1,235.11	1,100.00	1,237.47	1,100.00
<b>b</b>	Cellular Phone	585.00	550.00	540.00	550.00
	Internet Service	899.88	650.00	824.89	650.00
	Computer Maintenance & Supplies	566.18	500.00	2,365.42	500.00
	Building Maintenance	3,394.41	3,000.00	3,140.06	3,000.00
	Advertising	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
	<b>Total Town Garage</b>	<b>10,691.41</b>	<b>13,500.00</b>	<b>11,735.34</b>	<b>13,500.00</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>Insurance</b>				
	Vehicles & Buildings	16,606.46	17,693.72	10,008.51	17,693.72
	Workers' Compensation	18,627.33	18,233.88	12,838.67	18,233.88
	Deductible Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Claim Settlement	0.00	0.00	2,041.76	0.00
	<b>Total Insurance</b>	<b>35,233.79</b>	<b>35,927.60</b>	<b>24,888.94</b>	<b>35,927.60</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Equipment Maintenance:</b>				
	Dump Trucks	58,908.88	45,000.00	35,233.13	45,000.00
	Grader	3,836.02	10,000.00	12,607.12	10,000.00
	Loader (1991)	596.56	3,000.00	984.07	3,000.00
	Loader (2010)	2,870.24	3,000.00	831.20	3,000.00
	Backhoe	1,150.17	4,500.00	8,824.56	4,500.00
	Roadside Mower Tractor	978.73	2,000.00	1,980.66	2,000.00
	Pickup (2015)	2,506.04	1,500.00	1,513.69	1,500.00
	Chainsaws	52.95	500.00	79.11	500.00
	Other Equipment	223.74	1,000.00	1,409.51	1,000.00
	Welding Supplies	705.56	1,200.00	519.97	1,200.00
<b>a</b>	Tires	11,613.60	10,000.00	10,602.10	10,000.00
	Stock Items	139.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Repairs of Damaged Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>83,582.13</b>	<b>81,700.00</b>	<b>74,585.12</b>	<b>81,700.00</b>
<b>51</b>	<b>Gas &amp; Oil:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Gasoline	231.78	1,000.00	194.15	1,000.00
<b>b</b>	Diesel fuel	56,764.87	75,000.00	63,157.75	75,000.00
	Oil	2,210.19	4,000.00	2,751.52	4,000.00
	Other Petroleum Products	2,006.61	2,000.00	1,796.07	2,000.00
	<b>Total Gas &amp; Oil</b>	<b>61,213.45</b>	<b>82,000.00</b>	<b>67,899.49</b>	<b>82,000.00</b>
<b>52</b>	<b>Contracted Services:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Hired Equipment	0.00	6,000.00	2,560.00	6,000.00

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	Sweeping Roads	4,560.00	4,500.00	4,560.00	4,500.00
<b>b</b>	Screening Winter Sand	16,694.75	16,000.00	15,436.50	16,000.00
<b>d</b>	Overburden Removal - Sand	21,096.00	10,000.00	15,059.25	10,000.00
	Mowing Roadsides	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>e</b>	Crushing	73,757.13	75,000.00	69,601.47	75,000.00
<b>g</b>	Overburden Removal - Gravel	0.00	10,000.00	5,019.75	10,000.00
	Permitting		2,500.00	1,990.00	2,500.00
	Highway Department Education	525.00	750.00	661.61	750.00
	<b>Total Contracted Services</b>	<b>116,632.88</b>	<b>124,750.00</b>	<b>114,888.58</b>	<b>124,750.00</b>
<b>53</b>	<b>Operating Supplies:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salt	58,492.77	55,000.00	65,518.08	55,000.00
	Cold Patch/Hot Mix	1,067.25	2,500.00	2,400.55	2,500.00
	Specialty Aggregate	2,950.18	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
	Culverts	0.00	10,000.00	6,519.60	10,000.00
	Chloride	19,368.92	24,000.00	19,833.60	24,000.00
	Guardrails	60.00	10,000.00	6,641.00	10,000.00
<b>b</b>	Erosion Control	393.99	500.00	530.97	500.00
<b>c</b>	Sign Maintenance Program (formerly in Selectboard Expenditures budget)	597.77	6,000.00	4,119.09	8,000.00
	<b>Total Operating Supplies</b>	<b>82,930.88</b>	<b>109,500.00</b>	<b>105,562.89</b>	<b>111,500.00</b>
<b>54</b>	<b>Bridge Repairs:</b>				
	Bridge Fund Appropriation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	50,000.00
	<b>Total Bridge Repairs</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>
<b>55</b>	<b>Highway Construction Projects:</b>				
	TH #1 - West Barnet Road/West Main St			93,508.80	
	TH #8 - County Hill Road	1,674.53		36,582.00	
	TH #10 - Harvey Mountain Road	137,800.87		61,950.00	
	TH #14 - Town Forest Road	99,818.25			
	TH #23 - Kitchel Hill Road	41,507.70			
	TH #57 - Anderson Street			1,904.70	
	TH #60 - Stevenson Road			20,463.10	
	TH #71 - Old West Road			20,463.10	
	TH #81 - Garland Hill			20,463.10	
<b>a</b>	Paving/Construction Projects	280,801.35	282,000.00	255,334.80	282,000.00
	Construction Fund Appropriation	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	60,000.00
	<b>Total Highway Construction Projects</b>	<b>380,801.35</b>	<b>382,000.00</b>	<b>355,334.80</b>	<b>342,000.00</b>
<b>56</b>	<b>Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Equipment Account	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
<b>b</b>	Truck Account	70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	90,000.00
	<b>Total Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts</b>	<b>90,000.00</b>	<b>90,000.00</b>	<b>90,000.00</b>	<b>110,000.00</b>
<b>57</b>	<b>Other Projects:</b>				
	July 2017 FEMA Flood Repair Projects				

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<u>Section &amp; Note</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
	Contract Work	125,378.77		96,675.73	
	Materials	52,876.80		34,325.09	
	<b>Total Other Projects</b>	<b>178,255.57</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>131,000.82</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>58</b>	<b>Total Highway Department Expenditures</b>	<b>1,422,050.89</b>	<b>1,297,471.12</b>	<b>1,375,018.03</b>	<b>1,301,532.60</b>
	<b>Total General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>1,959,655.12</b>	<b>1,868,090.01</b>	<b>1,910,705.41</b>	<b>1,897,122.86</b>
	<b>General Fund Surplus of (Deficit) (total general fund revenues less total general fund expenditures)</b>	<b>242,413.37</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26,000.57</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for General Fund Budget**

**Schedule A - Town Clerk's Office Salaries**

Heisholt, Benjamin - Town Clerk & Treasurer	58,487.18
Roy, Catherine - Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	14,910.62
Tolle, Sherry - Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	484.75
Warden, Shirley - Substitute Town Clerk	54.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>73,936.80</b>

**Schedule B - Listers' Office Salaries**

Cook, John	4,090.15
Cook, Sarah	3,817.25
Emerson, Christen	441.00
Walsh, Michael	1,321.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,670.28</b>

**Schedule C - Transfer Station Salaries**

Bourtelle, Ernest	140.63
Dow, Kenneth	3,385.50
Nelson, Donald	93.75
Warden, Shirley	859.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,479.28</b>

**Schedule D - Recycling Center Salaries**

Bourtelle, Ernest	46.88
Ehlers, Daniel	3,826.91
Marston, Bruce - Supervisor	1,837.00
Nelson, Donald	3,460.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,171.18</b>

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

Choate, Alicia	3,442.71
Ducharme, Natalie	3,106.78
Lapete, Kylee	3,294.40
Morrison, Alyssa	4,177.40
Silver, Kaelynn	1,037.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,058.67</b>

**Schedule F - Highway Salaries**

Bourtelle, Ernest	4,974.00
Chase, Mark - Road Foreman	65,557.29
Fearon, Glenn	47,100.26
Fuller, Mark	409.50
Gould, Thomas	44,353.90
LeClair, Jason	48,503.10
Snow, Barry II	44,921.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>255,819.51</b>

## **Town of Barnet, Vermont**

### **2019 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**

- a. Includes copier, fax service, vehicle registration fees, etc.

##### **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. Selectboard agreed to reinstate penalty beginning in 2017.
- 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.
- d. Payment from State of Vermont for Roy Mountain Wildlife Area.
- e. Grant to reimburse Town for a portion of expenses for Harvey's Lake boat wash/monitoring program.
- f. Credit received from State for electronics items recycled at Barnet Recycling Center.
- g. Rent paid by Karme Choling for second floor at library building.

##### **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 Highway Income**

- a. Current use payment divided between Selectboard and Highway budgets.

##### **13. Use of Prior Surplus**

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

#### **Expenditures**

##### **14. Salaries – Town Officers**

##### **15. Payroll Benefits & Taxes**

- a. Health Insurance: Beginning in 2014, all employees assigned BCBS's "Platinum Standard" plan. This carries higher out-of-pocket exposure for employees.
- b. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation: To offset the above-referenced increased out-of-pocket exposure an appropriation is made to a reserve fund equaling \$2,500 for each full-time employee. These funds can be used by employees to cover out-of-pocket health care expenses.
- c. Mandatory for full time employees. Employees pay 4.5% of wages. Fund managed by State of Vermont and similar to state employees and state teachers' retirement systems. Town rate increased to 5.750% as of July 1, 2019.

- 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. Includes: service contract on copier, copy paper, tax bills, toner.
- d. 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.
- e. IT contract through RB Technologies, and various computer components and service.

**17. Listers' Office**

- a. Service on Listers' mapping software.
- b. Contract with CAI 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. Total employee hours 8 hours per week regularly, 12 hours per week during summer.

**23. Fire & Rescue**

- a. Wages for actual time at fires as submitted by Fire Chief paid at minimum wage.

**24. Harvey's Lake Beach**

- a. Wages for certified swim instructor.

**25. Police Services**

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

**26. Selectboard**

- a. 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. 2018 Actual: 1,000 for Primary Election, and 494.00 for General Election.

**28. Advertising & Postage**

**29. Heat & Lights**

**30. Telephones**

**31. Building Maintenance**

**32. Buildings Utilities & Maintenance**

- a. December 31, 2018: Fuel oil: 2.58 per gallon, Propane: 1.39 per gallon.

Town Clerk's Office

- a. Town Clerk's Office fuel usage: 799.6 gallons in 2018.

Barnet Public Library Building

- a. Library Building fuel usage: 2,767.4 gallons in 2018.

Town Hall

Transfer Station

Recycling Center

- a. Recycling Center usage: 149.3 gallons in 2018.

Fire & Rescue Station

- a. Bimson Road Fire Station usage: 1,884.5 gallons in 2018.

West Barnet Fire Station

- a. Propane gas for heat in building in West Barnet. Usage: 415.4 gallons in 2018.

**33. Insurance & Bonds**

- a. Accident & Sickness policy, a supplement to workers' compensation coverage.

**34. Legal Expenses**

- a. Town legal representation in appeals of tax assessments and in negotiations for transitional support payments from power company.

**35. Interest on Loans**

- a. Tax anticipation borrowing. See revenues for offsetting income amount.

**36. Professional Services**

**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. Beginning in 2019, Town contracts ambulance service, rather than appropriating funds to CALEX. See section 42.
- b. Appropriation paid primarily through Town administration of boat monitoring payroll. Town also pays minor expense for electricity.
- c. 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 beginning 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. For maintenance of dam and waterway above the dam.
- c. Beginning in 2016 Budget, new fee from State of Vermont.
- d. Beginning in 2019 Budget, Selectboard contracts ambulance service, rather than appropriation to CALEX. See section 39 for prior-year expenditures.

**43. Contingency**

**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 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. Health insurance:
  - All employees assigned BCBS's "Platinum Standard" plan. This carries higher out-of-pocket exposure for employees.



- b. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Reserve Fund Appropriation: To offset the above-referenced increased out-of-pocket exposure an appropriation is made to a reserve fund equaling \$2,500 for each full-time employee. These funds can be used by employees to cover out-of-pocket health care expenses.
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- e. Town pays employee cost, employee pays for rest of family if they wish.

**48. Town Garage**

- a. Town Garage propane usage. 635.5 gallons in 2018.
- b. Cellular phone for Road Foreman.

**49. Insurance**

**50. Equipment Maintenance**

- a. Tires for dump trucks only.

**51. Gas & Oil**

- a. Gasoline usage: 65.0 gallons in 2018.
- b. Diesel Fuel: 24,620 gallons in 2018. Price as of December 31 at 2.68 per gallon.

**52. Contracted Services**

- a. Various equipment and contractors used for brief periods in non-employee role.
- b. Screening of winter sand at Town pit. 2018 Actual: Chief Crushing & Excavation (7,530 cubic yards at \$2.05)
- c. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access sand at Town pit.
- d. Crushing of gravel at Town pit. 2018 Actual: Chief Crushing & Excavation – 1" minus crushed gravel (12,456 cubic yards), 5" crushed gravel (513 cubic yards); all products at \$5.34 per cubic yard.
- e. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access gravel at Town pit.

**53. Operating Supplies**

- a. \$80.85 per ton for the 2018-2019 season.

**54. Bridge Repairs**

**55. Highway Construction Projects**

- a. Road construction projects, including paving.

**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

<b>Assets:</b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2017</u></b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2018</u></b>
Checking Account	34,793.94	202,620.14
Checking Account ICS	64,083.57	93.60
PSB TAN ICS	15,786.82	0.00
Union Bank TAN Savings		1,256.66
Delinquent Tax Collector Checking Account	2.80	2.80
Petty Cash	293.90	314.30
Undeposited Funds	2,542.00	8,776.40
Uncollected Delinquent Taxes	258,494.08	236,884.90
Current Taxes Receivable	0.00	2,395.94
Due from State for Aquatic Nuisance Grant	7,840.00	8,340.00
Due from FEMA for July 2017 FEMA Projects	196,350.00	196,350.00
Due from State for July 2017 FEMA Projects	19,635.00	19,635.00
Due from FHWA for July 2017 FHWA Projects	140,990.87	140,990.87
Due from State for July 2017 FHWA Projects	7,938.98	7,938.98
Various Accounts Receivable	18,113.25	17,832.29
Due to/from Other Funds	0.00	63,884.92
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>766,865.21</b>	<b>907,316.80</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Tax Appropriation Due to School District	37,296.26	(39,395.56)
Union Bank Line of Credit		200,000.00
Payroll Withholdings Payable	(1,869.94)	(529.98)
Various Accounts Payable	40,110.06	48,929.55
Fees due to Delinquent Tax Collector	1,220.17	955.05
Due to Resident/Taxpayer	0.99	0.99
Sales Tax Payable	58.32	36.61
Due to/from Other Funds	(470.29)	65.09
Deferred Property Tax Revenue	239,150.06	219,884.90
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>315,495.63</b>	<b>429,946.65</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Unassigned (Accum. Surplus)	208,956.21	451,369.58
Current Operating Surplus or (Deficit)	242,413.37	26,000.57
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>451,369.58</b>	<b>477,370.15</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>766,865.21</b>	<b>907,316.80</b>

**Town of Barnet  
Statement of Taxes Raised  
Year Ended December 31, 2018**

**Grand List Computation:**

Real Estate	262,455,300.00
Add:	
Personal Property*	80,500.00
Less:	
Veterans Exemptions	(520,000.00)
Land Use	(14,387,331.00)
Voted Exemptions	(655,700.00)
<b>Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property</b>	<b>246,972,769.00</b>
<b>Net Grand List (1% of Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property)</b>	<b>2,469,727.69</b>

<u>Department</u>	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Homestead Rate</u>	<u>Non-Residential Rate</u>	<u>Taxes Raised</u>
<b>Town:</b>				
Town General	2,469,727.69	0.6095	0.6095	1,505,257.17
<b>Total Town</b>		<b>0.6095</b>	<b>0.6095</b>	<b>1,505,257.17</b>
<b>School:</b>				
Homestead	1,048,606.59	1.3848	0.0000	1,452,110.42
Non-Residential	1,421,926.10	0.0000	1.4296	2,032,785.68
Local Agreement	2,469,727.69	0.0028	0.0028	6,915.31
<b>Total Schools</b>		<b>1.3876</b>	<b>1.4324</b>	<b>3,491,811.41</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1.9971</b>	<b>2.0419</b>	<b>4,997,068.58</b>

Penalty added for late filing of Homestead Declarations: 1,221.32

Delinquent taxes for 2018: 190,038.84

\*Personal property taxed at non-residential rate.

**Town of Barnet  
Estimation of 2019 Town Tax Rate**

The following estimation of 2019 Town tax rate is based on the 2018 Grand List valuations and proposed budget. School District tax rates are excluded because they were unavailable at the time of printing.

	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2,469,727.69</b>	<b>1,505,257.17</b>	<b>0.6095</b>
<b>2019 Projected</b>	<b>2,469,727.69</b>	<b>1,530,072.86</b>	<b>0.6195</b>

**Town of Barnet  
General Fund - Statement of Loan Transactions  
Year Ended December 31, 2018**

**Tax Anticipation Loans:**

**Borrowed during 2018:**

Union Bank tax anticipation note (1.69%)	320,077.85
Repaid during 2018:	320,077.85
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2018</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Current Expense Note (in anticipation of Federal and State emergency funds):**

**Borrowed during 2018:**

Union Bank tax current expense note (1.79%)	200,000.00
Repaid during 2018:	0.00
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2018</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>

**General Fund - Surplus or (Deficit)  
Year Ended December 31, 2018**

**2018 Surplus or (Deficit):**

Income	1,936,705.98
Expenditures	1,910,705.41
<b>General Fund Budget Surplus or (Deficit)</b>	<b>26,000.57</b>

**Statement of Changes - Accumulated Surplus Account (total of years prior to 2018)**

Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2017	208,956.21
Add: 2017 Operating Surplus	242,413.37
<b>Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2017</b>	<b>451,369.58</b>

## Reserve Fund Reports

The Reserve Fund is used to account for a collection of various accounts held in reserve by the Town for future projects. Most of these are set aside by the Selectboard, with approval of the voters, to prepare for large future expenditures. They are each reserved for specific purposes and generally cannot be used otherwise. This advance planning allows for such projects as the construction of the new Town Garage and highway construction projects to be completed without financing costs or inordinate inflation of the tax rate. The total fund equity of the reserve accounts was increased from \$1,297,969.04 at the end of 2017 to \$1,436,312.92 at the end of 2018. This increase in value was due largely to 2018 appropriations in excess of 2018 expenditures. The largest expenditure in 2018 was for a paving and construction project on Joe's Brook Road. This grant project, expected to be partially reimbursed by the State of Vermont, was expended from the Highway Construction fund. The Selectboard uses this fund to pay for grant projects, because awarding of road construction grants is an unpredictable business, and is usually unknown in any given year at the time the budget is presented. A municipal planning grant was used by the Building Committee to continue to evaluate and assess options for new or renovated Town Offices; expenditures were mostly matched by grant revenue. The Municipal Buildings Fund continues to grow as Selectboard continues to work with the Buildings Committee on this municipal office building project. A town wide reappraisal of all properties commenced in 2018 and is expected to accelerate in 2019; the Act 60/Reappraisal Fund is well-positioned to cover the cost of this project. The Selectboard has laid out a tentative scheduled timeline for truck and equipment purchases, which should help to flatten annual expenses for these large purchases from the Truck Fund and Equipment Fund; these plans are reflected in budgeted 2019 reserve fund appropriations.

**Town of Barnet**  
**2018 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, 2018</u>
● Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	136,672.41		11,058.00	(1,101.65)	26,703.20	119,925.56
● Harvey's Lake Dam	25,852.37	5,000.00		(208.37)		30,644.00
● Homeland Security Grants	193.51			(1.57)		191.94
● Land Record Restoration	3,940.08		1,222.90	(31.66)	5,080.00	51.32
● Lister Education Funds	2,348.32			(18.95)		2,329.37
● Municipal Planning Grant	(512.16)		6,000.00	4.17	9,746.00	(4,253.99)
● 92 Surplus	80,013.32			(644.97)		79,368.35
● Highway Maintenance Fund	65,655.56			(529.21)		65,126.35
● Municipal Buildings Fund	378,066.32	50,000.00	150.09	(3,047.39)	30,012.39	395,156.63
● Bridge Fund	201,557.40	30,000.00		(1,637.17)		229,920.23
● Equipment Account	124,780.35	20,000.00	4,000.00	(1,029.94)	23,900.00	123,850.41
● Fire Department Account	79,734.43	10,000.00		(642.70)		89,091.73
● Harvey's Lake Beach Fund	5,354.49		333.19	(45.08)		5,642.60
● Health Reimb. Acct. Fund	3,428.66	3,490.28		(0.05)	6,929.12	(10.23)
● Highway Construction	233,613.38	100,000.00		(1,883.04)	59,019.92	272,710.42
● Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,592.38			(12.90)		1,579.48
● Truck Account	(44,321.78)	70,000.00		(45.77)	643.70	24,988.75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,297,969.04</b>	<b>288,490.28</b>	<b>22,764.18</b>	<b>(10,876.25)</b>	<b>162,034.33</b>	<b>1,436,312.92</b>

**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

**Schedule A - Other Income**

**Act 60/Reappraisal Funds**

State of Vermont - Reappraisal funds & Grand List	11,058.00
Study (EEGL)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,058.00</b>

**Equipment Fund**

Sale of chipper	4,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>

**Harvey's Lake Beach Fund**

Proceeds from Beach Committee fund-raisers & donations	333.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>333.19</b>

**Land Record Restoration Fees**

Recording fee surcharge	1,222.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,222.90</b>

**Municipal Buildings Fund**

Donation from Milarepa Center (designated to Municipal Buildings Fund at election of Selectboard)	150.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>150.09</b>

**Municipal Planning Grant Fund**

State of Vermont - Municipal Planning Grant funds for feasibility study on McIndoe Falls Academy	6,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>

<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>22,764.18</b>
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**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

**Schedule B - Expenditures**

**Act 60/Reappraisal Funds**

Listers payroll	900.00
NEMRC - reappraisal services	25,200.00
Mailings	603.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,703.20</b>

**Equipment Account**

Essex Equipment - new chipper	23,900.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,900.00</b>

**Health Reimbursement Account Fund**

Employee qualified health care expenses paid through HRAs	6,929.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,929.12</b>

**Highway Construction Account**

Joe's Brook Road paving project (State of Vermont grant)	59,019.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,019.92</b>

**Land Record Restoration Fees**

Kofile Preservation - Restoration of Land Records	5,080.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,080.00</b>

**Municipal Buildings Fund**

Town Hall roof	12,850.00
Recycling Center metal canister project	5,190.48
Municipal office study - architect and estimates	11,971.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,012.39</b>

**Municipal Planning Grant Fund**

Feasibility study on McIndoe Falls Academy	9,746.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,746.00</b>

**Truck Fund**

Interest on loan payment	643.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>643.70</b>

**Total Expenditures** **162,034.33**

**Town of Barnet**  
**Statement of Reserve Fund Loan Transactions**  
**For Year Ended December 31, 2018**

**Truck Account**

**2018 Western Star Dump Truck:**

<u>Union Bank</u>	50,000.00
<b>Balance due August 15, 2018</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>
Repaid during 2018	50,000.00
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2018</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Town of Barnet  
Reserve Fund Balance Sheet**

<b><u>Assets:</u></b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2017</u></b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2018</u></b>
Money Market Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	33,550.55	27,064.73
ICS Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	1,044,935.76	1,220,483.18
Passumpsic Financial Advisors - Cash	17,785.65	19,265.93
Passumpsic Financial Advisors - Investments	249,821.59	234,798.26
HRA Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	4,638.20	1,289.36
Due from Other Funds	6.00	155.09
Due from State of Vermont - Class 2 Roadway Grant	0.00	0.00
Due from State of Vermont - Structures Grants	(1,554.09)	(1,554.09)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,349,183.66</b>	<b>1,501,502.46</b>
<b><u>Liabilities:</u></b>		
Loan Payable - Union Bank (dump truck)	50,000.00	0.00
Due to Other Funds	0.00	63,974.92
Accounts Payable	1,214.62	1,214.62
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>51,214.62</b>	<b>65,189.54</b>
<b><u>Fund Equity:</u></b>		
<b><u>Restricted Fund Balances:</u></b>		
Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	136,672.41	119,925.56
Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations	25,852.37	30,644.00
Homeland Security Grants	193.51	191.94
Land Record Restoration	3,940.08	51.32
Lister Education Funds	2,348.32	2,329.37
Municipal Planning Grant Fund	(512.16)	(4,253.99)
<b>Total Restricted Fund Balance</b>	<b>168,494.53</b>	<b>148,888.20</b>
<b><u>Committed Fund Balances</u></b>		
92 Surplus	80,013.32	79,368.35
Highway Maintenance Fund	65,655.56	65,126.35
Municipal Buildings Fund	378,066.32	395,156.63
<b>Total Committed Fund Balance</b>	<b>523,735.20</b>	<b>539,651.33</b>
<b><u>Assigned Fund Balances</u></b>		
Bridge Fund	201,557.40	229,920.23
Equipment Account	124,780.35	123,850.41
Fire Department Account	79,734.43	89,091.73
Harvey's Lake Beach Account	5,354.49	5,642.60
Health Reimbursement Account Fund	3,428.66	(10.23)
Highway Construction Account	233,613.38	272,710.42
Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,592.38	1,579.48
Truck Account	(44,321.78)	24,988.75
<b>Total Assigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>605,739.31</b>	<b>747,773.39</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>1,297,969.04</b>	<b>1,436,312.92</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>1,349,183.66</b>	<b>1,501,502.46</b>



### **Trust Fund Reports**

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

## **Town of Barnet Trust Funds**

### **Transactions Detail**

#### **Esden Fund**

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

#### **Steven's Cemetery Fund**

Balance in account Dec. 31, 2017	1,253.91
Add: Interest on savings account	5.04
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>1,258.95</b>

#### **Palmer Cemetery Fund**

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2017	751.05
Add: Interest on savings account	0.72
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>751.77</b>

### **Balance Sheet**

	<u>Dec. 31, 2017</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2018</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Esden Fund Investments (Edward Jones)	151,731.09	145,978.94
Esden Fund Cash (Edward Jones)	3,220.21	6,298.51
Stevens Cemetery Fund - Savings	1,253.91	1,258.95
Palmer Cemetery Fund - Savings	751.05	751.77
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>156,956.26</b>	<b>154,288.17</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
<u>Non-spendable Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	53,168.58	53,168.58
Stevens Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Palmer Cemetery Fund	350.00	350.00
<b>Total Non-spendable Fund Balance</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>
<u>Unassigned Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	101,782.72	99,108.87
Stevens Cemetery Fund	253.91	258.95
Palmer Cemetery Fund	401.05	401.77
<b>Total Unassigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>102,437.68</b>	<b>99,769.59</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>156,956.26</b>	<b>154,288.17</b>

**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**

<b>Balance Sheet</b>		
	<u><b>Dec. 31, 2017</b></u>	<u><b>Dec. 31, 2017</b></u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Amount Provided for Long-Term Debt	7,231.52	9,719.46
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>7,231.52</b>	<b>9,719.46</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accrued Compensated Absences	7,231.52	9,719.46
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>7,231.52</b>	<b>9,719.46</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>7,231.52</b>	<b>9,719.46</b>

## **Section 4**

### **School Administration Reports**

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### Caledonia Cooperative School District Report

Members of each individual School District Board of Directors from Barnet, Walden, and Waterford met in separate meetings on Monday, December 17, 2018. The board's final act of business was to review and accept the FY '18 audits. I would like to thank the members of each Board of Directors for their years of service and their unwavering commitment to the education of our students.

You will notice that there is no FY '20 budget included in this town report. Due to the merger, a school district budget is being built to include the three schools, Waterford, Walden, and Barnet. As with any Australian ballot vote, there will be an informational budget meeting on **Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Walden School**. The budget vote will be held in each town on **Tuesday, May 7, 2019**. The ballot will also include the vote for director for the term of three years for each town. The votes will be tabulated as a whole to determine the outcome of the budget vote and individually for the respective directors. **Notice of our annual report availability will be mailed out by April 25, 2019.**

I want to thank the many volunteers, teachers, support staff, administrators, and community members who support the Caledonia Cooperative School District schools.

If anyone has questions about the new district, the budgeting process, or the work of the new district, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely:



Heather M. Gonyaw  
Caledonia Cooperative Board Chairperson



**BARNET SCHOOL** A VT Rural Partnership School Community  
163 Kid Row  
Barnet, VT 05821

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**Barnet School Mission Statement**

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

**BARNET SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT JANUARY 2019**

*"Keep your thoughts positive because your thoughts become your words. Keep your words positive because your words become your behavior. Keep your behavior positive because your behavior becomes your habits. Keep your habits positive because your habits become your values. Keep your values positive because your values become your destiny." --Mahatma Gandhi*

This has been a school year like no other at the Barnet School. Early in the school year the school made the news for having poorly managed student behavior. This was followed by tense parent and school board meetings, public criticism in the newspaper and an ongoing negative campaign on Facebook. This year has proven to be a challenge in keeping the positivity that is mentioned in the Mahatma Gandhi quote above. However, it is hard to be anything but positive when working in a school full of children and caring adults! Here are some celebrations to help us all remember that Barnet School is a supportive, nurturing and fantastic place for children to learn.



The BLT has come to Barnet School. This is not the traditional Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato that you think about but rather the Barnet Leadership Team. This is a group of students led by dedicated staff members who are invested in moving our school from great to stellar! So far this school year, the group has partnered with the PTF to organize a food drive, with the proceeds going toward the creation of blizzard boxes. They have worked with students to solicit ideas and plan whole-school PBIS celebrations. There is a group who manage the chicken coop- this would be the Chicken Tenders! This group meets often and continues to brainstorm ways to continually improve our school.

Barnet School students and staff have an agreed upon set of expectations; we call these the BARKS expectations. The acronym stands for Be safe, Allow learning, Respect people and property, Kindness in words and actions, and Show perseverance. These are the cornerstone of our PBIS system. As in any organization where over 200 individuals make up a community, we have individuals who struggle to follow these expectations. Our goal is to teach children how to make better decisions. Each academic year, the Vermont PBIS staff recognizes schools throughout the State for striving to improve conditions that will allow students to thrive behaviorally and academically. There is an annual gathering of all PBIS schools in October. Recognition in the form of a plaque was given to our school for aspiring to always look for ways to improve the school climate and decrease behaviors. Please note that this recognition is **not given out for perfection, but rather continued growth**. Our school community was proud to accept this recognition for the eighth year in a row.



Barnet School Behavior Referrals 2009 – 2018									
2009 -10	2010 -11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-2019
2,405	764	397	322	321	401	289	288	180	140 (to date)

We understand at the Barnet School that the reason we put energy into our PBIS behavioral system is to increase the academic success of students. Our emphasis is on growth, not perfection. Students come to school from all backgrounds and with many differing experiences. Some come to preschool as readers and others arrive having never held a pencil. That is okay; we work with students and families to help everyone continue to grow. One aspect of our school that has allowed continued growth for all students is the way we teach reading in grades K-6. In a traditional school setting a teacher is responsible for teaching all students in his or her classroom to read. This equates to a reading hour that is divided up among 12-25 students, giving little time for individual attention. Barnet School has developed a system that allows a team of reading teachers to be responsible for 3 to 6 students for an hour-long lesson. Each of our 34 reading groups is customized to the level of expertise and need of the members. By doing this, we can make smaller groups of students who struggle and give them in-depth instruction, but we can also create groups of students who are excelling and challenge them at their level. The net result has been increased literacy proficiency for students. This transfers to other academic areas, as students who can read fluently are able to read math, science and social studies materials with ease, therefore giving greater focus to the content.

There are too many great aspects of the Barnet School to mention in this letter. If you would like to find out more and keep current on the happenings in our school there are a few ways to do so. We have a Facebook page that highlights current happenings and can be found by searching for Barnet School on Facebook and liking our page. Our website, [www.kidrow.net](http://www.kidrow.net) is a great source of information. There is a school newsletter that you can receive electronically by sending a request to [shawn.gonyaw@ccsuvt.net](mailto:shawn.gonyaw@ccsuvt.net) (if a paper copy is preferred, please call the front office and we will gladly put you on our mailing list). If ever you have questions, concerns, or comments about our school, please feel free to contact me. I am always eager to talk with you and gain new perspectives.

In closing, I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to be principal of the Barnet School for the past nine years. The students at the Barnet School have been a pleasure; they demonstrate a love of learning on a daily basis. I encourage you to get involved with our school. There are opportunities for mentoring, volunteering and being a valued member of the school. Your active involvement will only help students to better achieve their goals. I encourage you to email or call when you have questions or concerns. We teach students to solve problems by taking the time to have face-to-face conversations. **I am always willing to talk.** Finally, I want to send a note of gratitude to all of those who reached out in support of our school during the trying times this school year. Your positive thoughts and notes of encouragement made a huge difference.

*Respectfully submitted by Shawn Gonyaw*



## **Section 5**

### **Reports of Organizations Requesting Appropriations**

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**American Red Cross**

New Hampshire and  
Vermont Region



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

Dear Benjamin,

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping local communities prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters, most commonly home fires.

Our work also includes the collection and supply of blood and blood products throughout the United States, emergency communication services for Military Service Members and their families, training courses for emergency preparedness, as well as certification courses for Licensed Nurse Assistants, babysitting, and First Aid/CPR.

In order to provide these essential services, the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont is grateful to receive municipal support from our friends in the Town of Barnet. This year, we respectfully request an appropriation of **\$250.00**. These funds will stay right here in our region, so that we can continue to serve your friends and neighbors during their hours of greatest need.

Last year, the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont provided the following services throughout the region:

- We assisted a local family in the face of disaster, on average, once every 17 hours, helping nearly 1,500 individuals.
- We installed more than 3,400 smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in homes through our Home Fire Campaign.
- Trained 24,500 people in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills.
- We collected 90,447 units of blood at over 3,400 blood drives. All 40 hospitals in NH and VT depend on Red Cross collections.
- In NH/VT, 275 service members were connected with their families through the Emergency Communications efforts of our Service to the Armed Forces department.

As you know, a disaster or emergency can strike anyone at any time without warning, and the American Red Cross is committed to being in the Barnet community to help your residents in times of need. Your support will go a long way to ensure that people in this region receive the support they need, when they need it.

On behalf of the 1,300 volunteers and staff throughout New Hampshire and Vermont, I thank you for your consideration of this request to support the humanitarian work that we do. While we sincerely hope that no disasters effect your area in the coming year, you can rest assured that if they do, the American Red Cross will be there.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rachel Zellem".

Rachel Zellem  
Regional Development Specialist

New Hampshire Headquarters • 2 Maitland Street, Concord, NH 03301 • 1-800-464-6692  
Vermont Headquarters • 32 N Prospect Street, Burlington, VT 05401 • 802-497-5995  
[www.redcross.org/nhvt](http://www.redcross.org/nhvt)



## Barnet Historical Society

For Town Meeting March 2019

The Barnet Historical Society was fifty years old this year. On the first of September we celebrated by honoring the Scottish heritage of our early settlers with an event we called Caledonia Day. We had music and dance performances, meals that had Scottish dishes, a black smith demonstration and cemetery tours.

The Goodwillie House was open for public viewing that day, and Barnet Day in Fall Foliage, and four other days. We were able to provide other private tours for people who called ahead. The Goodwillie House, like most over 200 year old structures, requires on going repair and preservation. The window glazing continues. We replaced some interior shades to prevent sun damage. Fortunately, the exterior painting is holding up. We have had to work on a few trees on the property, especially one close to the house.

We have had a wonderful donation of material relating to the building of the Comerford Dam. The 1930 Census shows that the population of Barnet swelled an extra thousand people. We would surely love more information on the town at that time.

We also improved our method of tracking memberships, addresses and dues.

This year, 2019, we intend to start a genealogy help group, meeting at the library, once in the evening, and once in the day, every month.

We are planning on 2 newsletters, a display of Goodwillie Genealogy at the Goodwillie House, 6 open days plus accommodating tour requests at other times. We hope to expand our photograph files too this year.

Thank you, citizens of the Town of Barnet, for helping us with the ongoing preservation of our town history: people, places and stuff.

Sincerely,

John Fairchild, President

**Caledonia Home Health & Hospice**  
**Visit Statistics for 2019 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 735 visits to the town residents of Barnet, VT. Our staff visited 42 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.

**2019 Town Appropriation Visit Statistics Barnet, VT**

- Home Care (Therapy, Nursing, MSW) = **368 visits**
- Maternal Child Health= **50 visits**
- Hospice (Nursing, Therapy, Personal Care, Respite) = **46 visits**
- Long Term Care (Case Management, Personal Care, Respite) = **271 visits**

**Total Visits in Barnet, VT = 735 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."*

## Catamount Arts 2018

The residents and voters of Barnet played a very important role in the success of Catamount Arts during 2018. Through your 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 Tap Into Film 48 Hour Student Film Slam, Community Film Series, monthly free Bluegrass Night, and gallery exhibits and receptions. In the Summer of 2018, thousands of residents once again found themselves on top of Dog Mountain each Sunday where Catamount Arts offered a free 10-concert music series for the second year in a row. These free events were funded in large measure through appropriations from communities in our area.

During 2018, Catamount Arts was able to present more than 200 films and 100 live performances, also 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.

As part of our mission to promote lifelong community engagement in the arts, Catamount Arts offers a wide range of classes, workshops and camps for people of all ages. Learning opportunities at Catamount range from short play writing, Claymation, and bookbinding, to mask making, French lessons, and filmmaking through mediums such as stop motion animation. Catamount Arts partners with local elementary, middle and high schools to provide in-school and out-of-school creative learning activities. Inspired by El Sistema, Catamount Arts once again partnered with Northeast Kingdom Community Orchestra, Northeast Kingdom Classical Series, and the St. Johnsbury School District to continue our EPIC Music program, which provides free violin instruction to students in grades 1-5 into its second year. We also partner with local Head Start programs to provide arts integration activities and professional development for teachers. In addition, more than 4,500 students and teachers enjoy shows by professional performers in our School-Time Performance series.

With the continuing growth of its many cultural offerings and Arts Education program, Catamount and its patrons 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.



December 20, 2018

Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk  
Town of Barnet  
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 2019 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 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. Last year, 372 Barnet residents visited the Museum. 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 2018, visitors marveled in the wonders of our live native butterfly house, and we set the world record for the largest astronomy lesson! In 2019, the Museum will install a lift to make the planetarium accessible to all, host the grand opening of our new on-site STEM lab for local middle and high schoolers, bring in hands-on summer exhibits on building and engineering, and sponsor an exciting lineup of public events, including a Lunar Landing celebration! 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 your town's residents and visitors, and contribute to a 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:** Kingdom Animal Shelter is a limited access, **all volunteer, non-profit certified 501(c) (3), animal rescue organization**. Our mission is to facilitate the placement of rescued, abandoned, abused or neglected animals in safe, life-long homes. We respect the inherent value of every animal in our care and we strive to prevent overpopulation and cruelty to animals.

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 Barnet, St. Johnsbury, Lyndon, Danville, Passumpsic, Peacham, Groton, Waterford, Concord, Kirby, Cabot, Walden, Hardwick, Sheffield, Sutton, Wheelock, Burke and Ryegate. From January through November 2018, we took in 125 cats and adopted out 122 cats. We work with area schools to raise awareness of the importance of spay/neuter programs and the responsibilities of pet ownership. **Each cat that comes to the shelter costs roughly \$300-\$500 for vaccinations, testing, spay/neuter, other medical treatment, food, and lodging.**

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 before they go home with their forever family. 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 operating expenses of approximately \$85,000 (excluding depreciation) which pays for veterinary bills, food, rent, utilities, and supplies. Ongoing fundraising efforts include yard and bake sales, spaghetti dinners, a calendar, raffles, and more. We also participate in and organize many community events in the area such as spay/neuter clinics, Colors of the Kingdom, The Maple Fest, Autumn on the Green, St. Johnsbury Pet Parade/Bark in the Park, Santa Paws, and others.

We were honored to receive a bequest and donation of a building which allowed us to jump start the renovation of our new facility, which we moved into in November 2018. We received many donations and are forever grateful to all the donors, businesses and contractors who helped turn our dream into a reality. We are in a much better position to care for area cats and to provide other related services to the communities of this area.

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--President, Nancy Rivet, Rod Lauman, David Gile, Jennifer Smith, Deb Moore, Kathy Bouffard

1161 Portland Street  
PO Box 462  
St. Johnsbury, VT 05819  
802-473-3377  
email: [info@kingdomanimalshelter.com](mailto:info@kingdomanimalshelter.com)  
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March 2019

For over 39 years, the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging has been a valued and trusted resource for older Vermonters to age in place. Our mission is to deliver the person-centered support necessary for our older Vermonters to sustain their independence and live well in their communities.

Our valuable services include a Senior Helpline, Medicare counseling and Bootcamp, specially-trained staff who help people develop long-range planning as they age, exercise and mobility programs, family and caregiver support programs and grants, case management for those who need a bit more support with aging in place, as well as assistance in applying for fuel, food, and pharmacy programs.

Our nutrition programs partially fund meal sites and home delivered meals under the guidance of our registered dietitian. Working with RCT and Legal Aid, we provide solutions for the complex challenges people face while living in a rural community. In addition, our work is supplemented by over 300 volunteers who serve as Senior Companions, Meals on Wheels drivers, wellness program leaders, and home-based caregivers.

Our service area extends across the entire Northeast Kingdom. During this past year 134 residents of Barnet used the services of our organization to meet their needs. People called our Helpline for assistance with caregiving and programs such as 3SquaresVt, Medicaid and Medicare, fuel assistance, transportation, and many other topics. Our website [www.nekcouncil.org](http://www.nekcouncil.org) provides information on many of our programs and services.

We sincerely thank the residents of Barnet for your continued support to make a difference in the lives of your residents who are often the most vulnerable. As a private non-profit, we are able to remain independent and put the focus on our clients who need unbiased assistance.

If you have a friend or family member who may benefit from our services, please contact us. We're just a phone call away at the Senior Helpline: 800-642-5119.

In gratitude,

Meg Burmeister  
Executive Director

The mission of the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging is to "Help People Age with Independence and Dignity." Our goal is to enhance the ability of these Vermonters to live as independently as possible, actively participating in and contributing to their communities.

[www.nekcouncil.org](http://www.nekcouncil.org)

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[www.nkhs.org](http://www.nkhs.org)

December 4, 2018

Town Clerk and Select Board Members  
Town of Barnet  
P. O. BOX 15  
BARNET, VT 05821



Serving the NEK  
since 1960

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

We at Northeast Kingdom Human Services (NKHS) thank you and your town voters for supporting our agency services in the past! We are asking for your appropriation support again to be added to the 2019 Town Meeting Warning.

Article: Shall the **Town of Barnet** vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of **\$1775.00** to **Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.**, a not for profit 501(c)(3), to support the provision of 24 hour, 7 days a week emergency/crisis services to residents of the **Town of Barnet**.

We calculate our appropriations request by \$1.05 per person from your town's 2010 census, or the same amount as last year to help support our Emergency Crisis Services program. Our dedicated emergency crisis on-call employees provide 24 hours a day, 7 days a week support for anyone calling for themselves or someone they love who is in a mental health crisis. These services are not fully funded through any other funding streams, so your support is very important.

NKHS is a Designated Agency contracting with the State of Vermont serving the mandated service areas providing responsive and efficient community-based, consumer-sensitive, recovery-based mental health, addiction, and intellectual/developmental services to residents of all ages in the Northeast Kingdom. NKHS has a dedicated staff over 500, **10 from the Town of Barnet**, who provide compassionate and, often life-saving services, to several thousand individuals and families in the Northeast Kingdom. Between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 we served 3,376 individuals, of whom, **64 resided in your town**.

As a not for profit agency, our dedicated volunteer Board of Directors provides oversight for the leadership team and the organization. If you need more information, please contact Ruth Marquette, Administrative Assistant, at 334-6744, ext. 2325, or visit our website at [www.nkhs.org](http://www.nkhs.org). Thank you for your support and recognition of our value to the Northeast Kingdom.

*We're all about being human.*

## Northeast Kingdom Learning Services

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.

*It is our mission to inspire and empower learners, birth and beyond.*

- **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 2018, NEKLS in collaboration with partnering high schools awarded 57 high school diplomas** in the tri-county region.
- **The General Educational Development Program (GED)** leads to a high school diploma equivalency. **In FY 2018, NEKLS awarded 18 GED's** in the tri-county region.
- **Adult Education and Literacy Programs** served **269 students for more than 9,012 hours in FY 2018 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 students' 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 2018, NEKLS served 9 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 **106 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 2018, Northeast Kingdom Learning Services Early Intervention and Family Support Specialists received over 400 referrals to EI and Family Support services.**
- **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 2018, NEKLS served 54 K-12 students in the tri-county region.**
- **In FY18 NEKLS also provided tobacco prevention education to schools in Orleans and Northern Essex counties.** Tobacco coordinator Ally Howell was also named *Our Voices Xposed (OVX) Advisor of the Year* by the Agency of Education and Vermont Department of Health. **NEKLS again collaborated closely with community partners to address the area's opioid epidemic. These efforts resulted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Opioid Overdose Awareness & Memorial Walk.**

*NEKLS has a staff of 57 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](mailto:info@neklsvt.org).*

*Thank you for your generous support!*



**Town Report Summary**

2018 NEKYS Served 62 in Barnet

*NEKYS has been offering vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975  
In 2018 NEKYS served 3259 individuals throughout Caledonia and Essex Counties*

**NEKYS Family Programs Provide:**

- Staff is available 24 hours/7days a week to support youth, families, and individuals.
- 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 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade. Adult mentors establish supportive relationships that result in improved academic performance and positive life choices.
- Summer Central Scholarship program offering 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 youth, families, and individuals.
- 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.

**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.
- Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) – works with adjudicated youth to reduce/eliminate repeat offenses; works with at-risk youth using prevention techniques to keep them out of the juvenile justice system; truancy work with school systems.

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 14, 2018

Re: Town Appropriation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. ("RCT") is requesting to be placed on the Town Warning for March 2019 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 five 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.

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.

RCT provided 28 Barnet residents with 1,921 trips travelling 60,647 miles at a cost of \$32,892; for an average cost of \$17.12 per trip.

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



Activity Report for Barnet  
Fiscal Year 2018 \* July 2017 – June 2018  
Town Appropriation Request: \$1,200

Since 1976, Umbrella has ensured that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties have access to services that make for strong women, supported families and safe homes. Umbrella operates 4 multi-faceted, client-centered programs and plays a crucial role in decreasing the incidence and impact of domestic and sexual violence. Services offered include:

**The Advocacy Program** is an essential safety net for people affected by intimate partner violence and sexual abuse. The Advocacy Program meets the needs of victims in crisis while also offering preventive programming to local schools and youth groups with a focus on gender respect, consent and healthy relationships. In 2018, 706 individuals received direct advocacy, 24 adults and 23 children were sheltered for a total of 2,443 bed-nights, and 366 adults and 2,015 youth were reached at 124 prevention programming events.

**Kingdom Child Care Connection (KCCC)** is a community-based child care resource and referral center for Caledonia and southern Essex counties. KCCC is responsible for helping families find and pay for high-quality childcare services while also increasing the availability and quality of child development services through professional development opportunities and targeted programmatic supports. In 2018, 520 families were connected with the Child Care Financial Assistance Program.

**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. In 2018, the Family Room helped 75 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.

**Cornucopia** is a culinary arts job-training program for women with barriers to employment. This 14-week program introduces women to the culinary arts through the preparation and packaging of Meals-on-Wheels for Newport area seniors. After completing the program women are assisted with securing employment with local businesses that fit their individual strengths and interests enabling them to achieve economic self-sufficiency. In 2018, Cornucopia empowered 10 women through hands-on culinary and hospitality training and produced over 30,615 meals nutritionally-balanced meals to homebound, Newport-area seniors and 3,100 meals at its weekly community meal site.

Given that some services are provided anonymously, it is difficult to provide each town with a precise number of people served by Umbrella. However, at least 9 households in Barnet were served by Umbrella in 2018 and the community as a whole benefited from prevention and outreach programs in schools, as well as training and consultation for human service and law enforcement professionals.

Community support is critical to sustain our programming and to discover innovative approaches to the work Umbrella does. We are deeply grateful for Barnet's support.

Respectfully,

Amanda Cochrane  
Executive Director

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

**Request Amount: \$280.00**

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with 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 (85% of whom have a disability) 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'18 (10/2017-9/2018) VCIL responded to over **3,700** 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 **315** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **11** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **149** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **83** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **87** individuals with information on assistive technology; **45** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **532** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **41** people and provided **33** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

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. Our Windham County office also houses the Vermont Interpreter Referral Service (VIRS) (previously under the VT Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) and provides statewide interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings.

During FY '18, **2** residents of **Barnet** received services from the following programs:

- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)  
  (**\$225.00** spent on meals for residents)
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)

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](http://www.vcil.org)**.

Jan. 2, 2019

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,

*David Anderson*

David Anderson, President

West Barnet Meal Site

Board of Directors

## **Section 6**

### **Reports of Other Recipients of Town Funds**

ONLINE  
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**DEAN SHATNEY, SHERIFF  
CALEDONIA COUNTY  
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***ANNUAL REPORT***

For 2018

We completed another audit for our office this past year and it resulted in no findings or problems of any kind. 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 and have a slight increase with construction and traffic. This increase is due to the fuel prices. We continue to add vehicles to our fleet, replacing cars that have served us well. We have thirteen marked cars, a 2014 van for prisoner transports, one unmarked car being used for civil process service. The radar cart is working well and in many towns. That purchase was with the use of Governors Highway Safety Grant funds. 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 25 Law Enforcement Officers to start the new year and 2 new deputies will go to the academy in March. 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, but are unable to do that right now. Our new location is wonderful and working as it should. We've had a lot of visitors and people stopping by with question. We are more visible and easier to reach. Plus the savings on the tax payers went from \$50,000, down to \$27,000. In 12 years, that expense will go away and the county will own the building.

If anyone has questions or concerns, please call me or stop by 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. Doing our best to keep the trails as safe as possible, and we will again answer snowmobile related complaints.

Please check out our facebook page. Thank You.

Sincerely,  
Sheriff Dean Shatney



**Caledonia Essex Area Ambulance Service Inc.  
2018 Town Report  
Barnet  
2018 CALEX Responses 104**

Compassionate professionals delivering the highest quality emergency medicine, specialty care, and training to our providers and communities.

2018 was yet again a very 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 9 towns – Saint Johnsbury, Waterford, Barnet, Concord, Kirby, Victory, Danville, Walden and Peacham.

Our volumes continue to rise overall for our system. We are up slightly in Barnet last year to 94 responses this year 104. Our average response time to the scene for our entire service area is little over seven minutes. Overall our agency responded to 3,262 requests for service. CALEX provided 715 inter-facility transports throughout the year, in VT and an additional 353 in NH for a total of 1,167 inter-facility transports. These transports are a critical point of our service, reducing any delays of getting our patients to definitive care whether it be trauma services, cardiac care or other specialty services at a higher level care facility such as DHMC or UVMHC. Our overall fleet mileage for 2018 was 131,930, averaging of 361 miles per day. We are in the process of replacing our 2009 Chevy C4500 Ambulance is has over 189,000 miles on it. We will be remounting this Osage box onto a new 2019 C5500 chassis and it is scheduled to be completed mid-March. We maintain a fleet of 5 Ambulances and one Paramedic intercept vehicle.

We wish to thank all our town for their ongoing support as we have moved away from special appropriations to contracts for service based on a 3 year contract. CALEX continues to provide a high quality, low cost solution for our communities. We feel moving forward these contracts allow for better budgeting for not only our service, but it is helpful for all our communities to plan as well knowing the cost over a 3 year period.

CALEX was proud to be recognized by the American Heart Association for the second consecutive year for Mission Lifeline, Bronze Plus which shows our most up to date evidence based treatment guidelines to improve patient care and outcomes of those effected by cardiac disease and sudden cardiac arrest. Our EMS crews had several truly life-saving events in 2018, which again shows our level of dedication and commitment to training and excellence in Emergency Medical Services.

CALEX St. Johnsbury continues to serve as the area's American Heart Association CPR and First Aid Public Training Center. Classes are offered monthly to the public, they can also be arranged to be held privately, and are also held for large and small businesses throughout the Kingdom. For more information you can visit us at [www.calexambulance.org](http://www.calexambulance.org). You can also sign up today to take a course and learn CPR / 1<sup>st</sup> aid.

As we end 2018, 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. We hope you will continue to support us and approve our funding requests so we can continue providing the very best Emergency Medical Care to the region.

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, NRP  
Chief Executive Officer



## **LAKE HARVEY 2018 BOAT MONITOR REPORT – Kathy Wirthwein**

2018 monitoring began May 24th Memorial Day weekend and continued until Tuesday September 18th with 7 am to 7 pm coverage every day. Then voluntary hours were covered until Sept 30 except full coverage September 22 and 23. After September 9th we counted 37 visitors.

This year's boat total was 617 (as of Sept 9th) and included 509 visiting groups. Among these 248 kayakers were brought by 148 visitors. We had quite a few paddle boats and not typical visitors. Among our 509 visitors 113 were last in Harvey's in 2017 and another 204 were repeat last time Harvey's users. I tallied 54 different OK locations as last water body visited. The zebra mussel threat was Lake Champlain (7) and recently added Memphremagog (2). Milfoil threats were: Willoughby (11), Fairlee (6), Morey (4), Halls (3), Ticklenaked (4), Crystal (2), Shadow in Glover (2), Memphremagog (2) and Lake Champlain (7) for a total of 41. The nearby Connecticut River locations are not listed. For the second season spiny water flea is listed in Lake Champlain. This sticks to fisherman's lines and equipment as well as to boats. Note that 101 VT lakes are listed as having the Eurasian watermilfoil; and about 21 lakes have invasive plants without having milfoil. But we only saw boats from the milfoil infested lakes.

New laws require boats to remove and leave plugs out after exiting a lake, so that water inside of a boat will complete draining during road travel. Our concern with kayakers is contaminant trapping sticky mud, or algae (like "rock snot"?) when dragged over mud or rocks, as well as any water splashed into the boat. And among the diverse places visited there could be not yet known threats.

We pay least attention to microscopic. This September we again (although less so than in 2017) observed an algae-like slime floating on calm water along the shore in mornings. This was probably cyanobacteria (bacteria with chlorophyll), which has some toxic species, and which have sometimes closed swimming areas on Lake Champlain. Bacteria are not listed as "invasive species". The assumption is that they are already everywhere, and that environment changes have encouraged proliferation with major and increasing problems in some locations including some massive problems in Canada and Florida, etc. Global warming, supposedly infiltration of their nutrients from shorelines, and calm water on warm mornings, influence proliferation (due to the chlorophyll) or visibility on the water surface.

This year we added our monitor house and a state of the art high pressure washer which washes boats with 140 degree hot water. We are now equipped to wash off the microscopic zebra mussel larva stage (and the mussels if seen), kill bacteria, plus remove most slime on boats docked in water for prolonged periods. The zebra mussels can survive up to a month, depending on what you read, out of water. So the pressure wash is needed with hot water. The mussels can even shut out chemical cleansers. Common sense (no stated VT law) suggests that home rinsing of kayakers should remove dirt containing embedded plant components or bacteria. Sunlight (including UV) is believed to reduce bacteria in our homes as well as outdoors. We hope (based on a previously posted internet study of weather influences) that 5 to 7 sunny days can kill most threats on clean looking boats. Lake Champlain has been washing boats at exit points, and most traveling boaters have been arriving already cleaned. **Thanks to our monitoring program, boater awareness and voter support, prevention – so far - is working!**

## Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2018 by processing slightly less recycling compared to 2017 – approximately 2750 tons in 2018 compared to approximately 2975 tons in 2017. Significant drops in organics and cardboard were responsible for most of the decline. A few items, including mixed paper, batteries, and tires saw increases in tonnage, while most other items saw tonnages that were flat or lower than last year. Recycling markets remained steady throughout most of 2018 and were generally average or slightly lower than average.

The District ended 2018 with a deficit of \$41,069.02. The District ended 2017 with a surplus of \$55,755.82. Revenues in 2018 were 11% above projections. While budgeted expenses were 16.3% above projections. The catastrophic failure of our baler on September 24, 2018 was the largest reason for the deficit. Not only did we have to pay to ship materials off-site, we lost revenue from the sale of those materials. We anticipate having a new baler by the end of February, 2019.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District membership in 2018. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The NEKWMD is entering 2019 with a proposed budget of \$825,073 – an increase of 8.5% compared to 2018. The vast majority of the increase is due to the addition of a \$41,000 baler payment over the next 5 years. The surcharge rate of \$24.25 will increase by \$0.50 for 2019. Our surcharge on trash remains below the State average of \$26.59.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and four part-time employees in 2018. 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 nearly 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 region's advocate for stronger communities and vibrant local economies. We are a combined regional planning and economic development organization in Vermont, serving the largest and most rural region of the state – the beautiful Northeast Kingdom.

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

2018 has been a busy year. Local governance has become increasingly complex. NVDA continues to expand our service offerings as needed and now include, but are not limited to:

- Land use planning– town plans, zoning bylaws, ordinances;
- Transportation studies, infrastructure inventories, and project planning;
- Digital mapping and GIS data services;
- Grant writing and grant administration;
- Direct business support and referral services to employers in our region;
- Energy planning to give towns heightened standing in the permitting of renewable energy projects;
- Water quality planning and implementation to help communities meet new statutory requirements;
- Emergency planning assistance for disaster and flood hazard plans;
- Brownfield assessments and planning for redevelopment projects;
- Economic development planning to grow and strengthen local businesses;
- Maintaining a federal Foreign Trade Zone designation to assist companies that import for their operations;
- Providing training opportunities and on-call technical assistance for local officials.

How have we assisted Barnet? In 2018, NVDA staff provided grant support on a study of a proposed adaptive use of McIndoe Falls Academy. We also provided guidance on bylaw amendments, performed traffic counts, and completed a road erosion inventory to help the town meet water quality requirements of Act 64. Finally, we provided technical assistance for town highway stormwater mitigation through Grants in Aid funding.

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

Your town has been “confirmed” as a planning community by the NVDA board, which allows your community to benefit from a number of planning initiatives and financial opportunities. We look forward to pursuing these opportunities with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,  
David Snedeker  
Executive Director

Vermont League of Cities and Towns 2018 Overview  
*Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at [www.vlct.org](http://www.vlct.org).

## **Section 7**

### **Real Estate Transactions & Vital Records Reports**

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**Town of Barnet, Vermont  
2018 Real Estate Transactions**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Seller</b>	<b>Buyer</b>	<b>Description of Parcel</b>
1/22/2018	Morrison Family Trust	Morrison, Edgar C	Land only Old West Rd
1/29/2018	Bearce, Wayne & Sherri A	Blanchard, Sarah R	Dwl & land Roy Mountain Rd
2/1/2018	Bank of New York Mellon	Roy, Trent M & Jessica L	Dwl & land Schoolhouse Rd
2/6/2018	Miller, Harold F	Miller, Marcheta A GST exempt Trust	Dwl & land Miller Lane
2/8/2018	New England Power Co.	Great River Hydro, LLC	Transmission Lines
2/13/2018	McLam, Dennis Dean	McLam, Dennis Dean & Jeanne M	Dwl & land W Barnet Rd, & Roy Mtn Rd
2/13/2018	Whitehill, Sheryl	Roberts, Jeremy & Roxanne	Land only US Rte 5 North
2/15/2018	Gould, Yale S	Gould Lebel Trust	Dwl & land Little France Rd
3/2/2018	Robinson, Gary L	Robinson, Heather K etal	Land only Warden Rd
3/7/2018	Murphy, Peter & Julie	PJM Harvey's Lake, LLC	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Lane
3/7/2018	Wursthorn, Vickey L	Wursthorn, Karla R	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Lane
3/8/2018	Havens, Angela	Somers, Paul R & Laurie C	Land only Garland Hill
3/19/2018	Bussiere, Marjorie S ( Weber)	Bussiere, Marjorie S (Weber) & Michael B	Dwl & land US Rte 5 South
3/19/2018	Knights, Gregory P	Knights, Jonathan & Paula	MHL Little France Rd
3/29/2018	Roberts, Jeremy & Roxanne	County Hill Properties, LLC	Land only County Hill Rd
3/29/2018	Roberts, Jeremy & Roxanne	County Hill Properties, LLC	Land only US Rte 5 North
3/29/2018	Northcutt, Roy & Gajtka, Cheryl Ann	Gajtka, Cheryl Ann	Dwl & land Granger Street
4/3/2018	Wheelock, Edward	Redmond, David	MHU Dike Lane
4/23/2018	Gallagher, Karen M	Pratt, Jeffrey T	MHL Bridge St
5/2/2018	Stewart, Joan	Stewart, Randy	Dwl & land Brook Hill Rd
5/2/2018	Stewart, Randy	Stewart, Randy & Leonarda	Dwl & land Brook Hill Rd
5/14/2018	King, Debora F	Barnet, Town of	Easement
5/24/2018	Kendall, Michelle	Kendall, James	Dwl & land Demaio Lane
5/25/2018	Kendall, Michelle	Kendall, James	Dwl & land US Rte 5 No
5/25/2018	Kendall, Michelle	Kendall, James	Dwl & land 38 Cannon Lane
5/29/2018	Ingraham, Henry A & Ehrlich, Amy	Bean, Benjamin & Brown, Chelsea	Dwl & land 85 Grange Hall Lane
5/31/2018	Morris, Norman E & Elizabeth A	Bernardoni, Kate S & Morris, John B	Dwl & land Pavilion Lane
6/1/2018	Carter, Brian	Perkins, Jennifer & Roland	MHU Hillside Lane
6/4/2018	Giese, Alan R & Stephanie E	Deatrick, Daniel & Kucia, Margaret	Dwl & land Tower Rd
6/4/2018	McKinley, James W, Jr	Raeder, Robert & Wendy	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain RD
6/6/2018	Campbell, Patrick & Hope	Yancey, Christopher & Michel, Nadine S	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain Rd
6/7/2018	Kittredge, Rachel M	Kittredge, Rachel M Trust	Dwl & land Church St
6/8/2018	Bailey, Richard C Estate	Girouard, Judith E	Dwl & land Symns Pond Rd
6/8/2018	Owens, Kreg & Yvonne	Ammons, Vicky D	Dwl & land Joes Brook Rd
6/8/2018	Weber, Melinda & Bernd	Eastman, Ann & Spooner, Wendy	MHU Hillside Lane
6/15/2018	Holland, Francis Todd & Sandra L	Christian, Lewis J & Mikolich, Andrew Jay	MHL Ferguson Rd
6/18/2018	Edney, Nancy H Rev Trust	Fullerton, Walter T Jr	Dwl & land Bimson Dr
6/22/2018	Scott, Mary	Scott, Mary Life Estate	Dwl & land Brook Hill Rd
6/25/2018	Schulz Trust No 1	Vereline Michael	Dwl & land Campers Lane

Date	Seller	Buyer	Description of Parcel
6/25/2018	Girouard, Judith	Girouard, Judith Life Estate/ Girouard, Nicholas	Dwl & land Symns Pond Rd
6/29/2018	Lenahan, Margaret	Simpson, Wendy & Davis, Nicholas	MHL Symns Pond Rd
6/29/2018	Jones, Sandra Ann, & Pogue, Suzanna Bowles	Jones, James Anthony Cyrus	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Rd
7/2/2018	Matson, Hudson	Hathaway, Timothy Alan & Gayle	Dwl & land McKinley Dr
7/11/2018	Jones, Patricia Helen Estate	Clark, Susan Elizabeth 2012 Rev Dec Trust	Dwl & land West Main St
7/13/2018	Cobb Timber, LLC	Case, Neko	Dwl & land Groton Rd
7/18/2018	Lindsay, Irene E Estate	Lindsay, Guy & Weaver, Laura & Maynes, Holly	Land only Barnet Center Rd
7/23/2018	Habin, Eugene F & Karleen R	Rogers, Michael S & Elizabeth A	Land only Goodwillie Rd
7/30/2018	Bradley, Jared C	Cavoretto, John	Dwl & land Anderson St.
7/30/2018	Bowman, Joseph & Betty Ann	Kay, Emanuel & Weikert, Jeanne	MHU Hillside Lane
7/31/2018	McPherson, Ronald & Delores	Lemay, Nathan	Land only Gadley Hill Rd
8/1/2018	Young, Dana & Kathleen M Larney-	Cohen, Tomas A & Hillary A	Dwl & land Brook Hill Rd
8/6/2018	Tolle, Thomas & Sherry	Doolan, Christoher & Reed, Amber Faye	Dwl & land US Rte 5 South
8/6/2018	McGandy, Margaret	Fanelli, Stephen L	Dwl & land Old Silo Rd
8/6/2018	Knights, Kevin	Langley, Connor Michael & Leach, Alicia Leah	MHL Little France Rd
8/8/2018	Roberts, James W & Elizabeth	Roberts, Elizabeth	Dwl & land McKinley Dr
8/9/2018	Blue Sky Builders	Lavigne, Jill	Unlanded Condo
8/16/2018	Roy, Bruce L & Catherine L Trust	Adams, Benjamin Q & Caroline R	Land only Garland Hill
8/24/2018	McLaughlin, Barbara S Living Trust	JAYM Harvey's Lake, LLC	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain Rd
8/27/2018	Mottau, Edward & Kathleen	Stevenson, Jacob A	Land only Garland Hill
8/30/2018	Bedell, Gerald W & Nancy M	Jones, James Anthony Cyrus	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Lane
9/12/2018	Rockwell, Irini N	Kogan, Yelena A & Thomas, Chester M III	Dwl & land Somerhill Rd
9/24/2018	McCarthy, Thomas J	Judd, Robert & Lisa Darling	Dwl & land Rake Factory Rd
9/26/2018	Young, Dana	Gadapee, Edward	Land only McLaren Hill Rd
10/1/2018	Mitchell, Jessie & Andrew	Carpenter, Jessa & Emmons, Peter	Dwl & land Bridge St
10/1/2018	PJM Harvey's Lake, LLC	Hall, Aaron M	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Lane
10/8/2018	Bernard, Peter & Michelle	Wheelock, Franklin & Lydia	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain Rd
10/24/2018	Harpin, Richard J	DeJesus, Hiram	Dwl & land Old Silo Rd
11/2/2018	Dawson- Egerton Trust	Egerton, Mary Jane etal	Dwl & land Tripp Lane
11/5/2018	Kennedy, Edmund R Life Estate	Olson, Robert K	Dwl & land Us Rte 5 No
11/5/2018	Bussiere, Marjorie Smith, & Michael Bertrand	Morehouse, Peggy A	Dwl & land Us Rte 5 So
11/7/2018	Shanklin, Donald B	Barth, Deborah M	Land only Harveys Lake
11/7/2018	Collins, Stanley S & Gladys L Revoc Liv Trust	Collins, Matthew M	MHL & ROW Roy Mountain Rd
11/12/2018	Roberts, Elizabeth G	Mittenthal, Peter	Dwl & land McKinley Dr
11/19/2018	Wright, Kenneth L & Virginia L	Schimke, David E & Virginia L	MHL Barnet Center Mtn Rd
11/29/2018	Smith, John	Powers, Seth & Anna	Land only McIndoe Falls
12/17/2018	Kendall, James	Lapierre, James B, Rivers, Leah M & Lipka, Gary A	Dwl & land DeMaio Lane
12/17/2018	Redfield, Sandra I	Stark, Richard & Ginger Living Trust	Land only Roy Mountain Rd
12/24/2018	Ehlers, Jennifer & Daniel S, Sr	Ehlers, Jennifer & Daniel S, Sr & Ehlers, Daniel S, Jr	Dwl & land Brook Hill Rd

## Civil Marriages

<b>Applicant A</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Applicant B</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Date</b>
Thiel, Kimberly Paige	Barnet, VT	Achilles, Andrew Scott	Barnet, VT	2/2/2018
Nordstrom, Evelyn Phyllis	Barnet, VT	Beckhardt, Robert Michael	Barnet, VT	6/15/2018
Ingerson, Victoria Jean	Lyndon, VT	John, Michael Allan	Barnet, VT	6/11/2018
Letourneau, Tabitha Marie	Littleton, NH	Demers, Holden William	Littleton, NH	7/14/2018
Pastula, Katharine Elizabeth	Barnet, VT	Bishop, Patrick Michael	Barnet, VT	8/4/2018
Graves, Emily Marie	Novato, CA	Spring, Jesse Mason	Novato, CA	8/4/2018
Schierberl, Maia Marie Fox	Boston, MA	Morin, Matthew Thomas	Boston, MA	8/11/2018
Colgrove, Kristen Deanne	Barnet, VT	Mosher, Jeffrey Duane	Barnet, VT	9/1/2018
Powell, Autumn Ashley	San Francisco, CA	Robert de Macedo Soares	San Francisco, CA	9/2/2018
Gaston, Rebecca Lea	Barnet, VT	Locke, Bradford Jonathan	Barnet, VT	9/15/2018
Harvey, William Zachary	Barnet, VT	Jefferson, Shannon Marie	Barnet, VT	9/22/2018
Moore, Larry Darnell Jr	Camp Pendleton, CA	Bruckner, Allyson Berry	Camp Pendleton, CA	9/28/2018

## Births

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>	<b>Birth Date</b>	<b>Father</b>	<b>Mother</b>
Fentiman,	Patrick	Hamilton	1/31/2018	Fentiman , Travis	Trudeau, Anne-Marie Noelle
Dunbar,	Allyson	Jane	4/12/2018	Dunbar, John Harold	Swanson, Candace Elizabeth
Daniels,	Shiloh	Justus	7/7/2018	Daniels, Kevin Michael	Daniels, Sarah Elena
Ladd,	Ross	Merrill	8/30/2018		Ladd-Carter, Elizabeth McPherson
Bigelow- Gilman,	Maverick	Fordyce	12/6/2018	Bigelow, Chad David Jr	Gilman, Allison Hope



## Deaths

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Date of Death</b>	<b>Residence</b>
Davis	Gregory Charles	1/18	Danville, VT
Muller	Wayne Burton	1/23/2018	Barnet, VT
Johnson	Lillian	3/12/2018	Barnet, VT
Morrisette	Yves Leo	4/10/2018	McIndoe Falls, VT
Morgan	William Paul	5/25/2018	West Barnet, VT
Morrison	Susan Jane	6/20/2018	Morrisville, VT
Conant	David Stoughton	6/27/2018	Barnet, VT
Derosia	Carolyn Elizabeth	6/16/2018	McIndoe Falls, VT
Dunn	Richard Dean	6/18/2018	Barnet, VT
Crane	Henry Joseph	6/28/2018	McIndoe Falls, VT
Harran	Donne Franklin	3/20/2018	Passumpsic, VT
Somers	Gilmore K III	8/27/2018	Mosquitoville, VT
Stevenson	Marilyn Elizabeth-Georgia	10/10/2018	Barnet, VT
Nester	Audrey Marie	10/28/2018	Barnet, VT
Dalton	Joan G	11/9/2018	Barnet, VT
Santorello	Inez	11/21/2018	Mosquitoville, VT
Locke	Kelsey Lee	12/6/2018	Groveland, MA
Snyder	Alice Moulton	12/2018	Glenside, PA