

# **ANNUAL Town & School REPORT**

**Town of  
NEWPORT, VERMONT**

**For The Fiscal Year Ending  
December 31, 2022**

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\*appointed by Selectboard

### *Town Officers*

MODERATOR: Richard Tetreault .....	2023
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SELECTBOARD:	
Jerry Waterman .....	2023
Steve Barrup .....	2024
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SCHOOL DIRECTOR:	
3 Year Term – Lauren Dillon .....	2023
Dari-Joi Glover .....	2024
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LISTERS:	
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Arlene Brown .....	2024
Oscar Roberts .....	2025
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DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR: Denise Daigle .....	2023
FIRST CONSTABLE: William Bursey .....	2023
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*WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONER: Mike Baraw .....	2023
*NVDA REPRESENTATIVE: position not filled .....	2023
*ANIMAL CONTROL: Steve Edgerley .....	2023
HEALTH OFFICER: Steve Edgerley .....	2023
INSPECTOR OF WOOD AND TIMBER: (Appointed by Board)	
Mike Baraw .....	2023
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE:	
Stephen Lowell, Jim Hilliker, Linda Waterman, Robert Hilliker, Steve Edgerley, Maureen McGuire .....	2024
*SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE: Selectboard .....	2023
*CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:	
Glenn Foster, Chairperson .....	2023
Bruce Sargent, Ike Brunnette .....	2024
Chris Donovan .....	2025

### \*CEMETERY COMMISSION:

June Sheltra, Steve Edgerley, DeAnn Meunier, Vincent and Trish Buttice .....	2023
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### \*WATER COMMITTEE:

Becky Therrien, Chairperson, Dennis DeLaBruere, Dwight Brunnette, Ernest Choquette, Steve Barrup, Rene Patenaude .....	2023
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### \*CIVIL DEFENSE: Selectboard .....

### \*ZONING BOARD:

Glenn Foster, Ernest Choquette; Jeff Hall, Bruce Sargent, Ron Merrill, Ed Champine, Oscar Roberts (administrator) .....	2023
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### PLANNING BOARD:

Ernest Choquette, Becky Therrien, Linda Curtis .....	2023
Ed Champine, Joanne Guyette-Worth .....	2024
Mike Beaumier, Bruce Sargent .....	2025

### \*REPRESENTATIVE TO NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ON DISABILITY:

This position not filled. ....	2023
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### DEPUTY REGISTRARS: (Appointed by Town Clerk),

Curtis-Britch & Bouffard Funeral Home .....	2023
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## **Informational Town/School Meeting**

**FEBRUARY 22, 2022 AT 5:30PM VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON**

Present: Ernest Choquette, Jennifer Harlow, Steve Barrup, Richard Gosselin, Jerry Waterman, Denise Daigle, Richard Tetreault, Sarah Hardin, Shelly Lanou, DJ Glover, Barry Sahagian, CJ Thompson, Dwight Brunnette, , Jill Raymond, Lauren Dillon, Jason Willis, Norene and Steve Roberts, Maureen McGuire, Rosanne Sibarrs, Carla Lillicrap, Luke Vidic, Chris Hammond, Debbie Brunnelle, Celine Champine, Mary Ellen Reis

Below is the link if you would like to watch the meeting video:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84512345678>

Steve Barrup called the meeting to order at 5:30PM. Steve then turned the meeting over to our moderator, Richard Tetreault. Richard explained the purpose of this meeting and explained the ground rules for this meeting.

The moderator went thru the election of officers and gave each person on the ballot a chance to speak. Some of the candidates spoke on their behalf. Jill Raymond thanked Sarah Hardin for her dedication and commitment to the school board. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 3 of the warning. Jennifer Harlow thanked the voters for their support over the last year. Dwight Brunnette thanked Jennifer and her department for their hard work and dedication.

The moderator read article 4 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 5 of the warning. Jason Willis, the fire chief, explained this article and thanked the voters for their support. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 6 of the warning. Jason Willis explained this article. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 7 of the warning. Rick Gosselin and Jason Willis explained this article. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 8 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 9 of the warning. Shelly Lanou, the school principal, and Sarah Hardin, the school board chair, provided a slide show explaining a bit about our school, the budget, and staff. Sarah thanked her fellow school board members for their dedication and knowledge they each bring to our school board.

The moderator read article 10 of the warning. Sarah and Shelly covered the explanation of this article in their slide show presentation. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 11 of the warning. Jerry Waterman stated where the budget details of this article were located in the town report. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 12 of the warning. Steve Barrup stated where the budget details of this article were located in the town report. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 13 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 14 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 15 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 16 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 17 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 18 of the warning. Mary Ellen Reis thanked the voters for their support and explained what services Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging provides to the community. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 19 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 20 of the warning. Rosanne Sibarrs thank the voters for their support and explained what services Northeast kingdom Human Services provides to the community. Some discussion followed.

The moderator read article 21 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 22 of the warning. There were no comments.

The moderator read article 23 of the warning. Carla Lillicrap thanked the voters for their support and explained what Orleans-Essex VNA & Hospice provides to the community. There were no comments.

The moderator then turned the meeting back over to the select board. Steve asked if anyone had any additional comments or concerns. There were none. Rick made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry and passed on a voice vote.

**TOWN OF NEWPORT**  
***Annual Town/School Meeting***  
**VOTING RESULTS TOWN OF NEWPORT 2022**

NOTICE...TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF NEWPORT.  
VOTING BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT OCCURRED ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1st, 2022  
FROM 8:00AM TO 7:00PM AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE LOCATED AT 102  
VANCE HILL ROAD, NEWPORT CENTER.

The results of Australian ballot voting is as follows:

MODERATOR FOR A ONE YEAR TERM:

RICHARD TETREAULT – 105

UNDERVOTES - 1

SELECTBOARD MEMBER FOR A THREE YEAR TERM:

RICHARD GOSSELIN – 101

UNDERVOTE - 5

SCHOOL DIRECTOR FOR A THREE YEAR TERM:

CAMERON THOMPSON – 100

UNDERVOTE - 6

SCHOOL DIRECTOR FOR A TWO YEAR TERM

JILL RAYMOND –94

UNDERVOTE - 12

LISTER FOR A THREE YEAR TERM:

OSCAR ROBERTS - 101

UNDERVOTES – 5

LISTER FOR A ONE YEAR TERM:

STEVE NARAGHI – 95

UNDERVOTES – 10

WRITE IN – BRUCE SARGENT -1

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR FOR A ONE YEAR TERM:

DENISE DAIGLE – 103

UNDERVOTES - 3

FIRST CONSTABLE FOR A ONE YEAR TERM:

WILLIAM BURSEY, JR. – 95

UNDERVOTES – 11

SECOND CONSTABLE FOR A ONE YEAR TERM:

ANTHONY GLOVER – 97

UNDERVOTES – 9

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER FOR A THREE YEAR TERM:

MIKE BEAUMIER – 94

BRUCE SARGENT - 82

UNDERVOTES - 141

WRITE INS – ERNEST CHOQUETTE - 1

3. To see if the voters of the Town of Newport will vote to appropriate \$18,520.32 to the Orleans County Sheriff's Department. This will be used for routine patrols, answering complaints, and investigating incidents. It will also cover administrative expenses, including salaries, vehicle, benefits, liability insurance, maintenance, gasoline, supplies, telephone costs, and crime prevention programs. (\$18,520.32 was voted last year).  
YES – 96      NO – 9      UNDERVOTE - 1
4. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to approve a one year contract in the amount of \$50,572.00 to the Newport Ambulance Service, Inc. (\$50,211.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 99      NO – 5      UNDERVOTE - 2
5. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$37,000.00 to the Newport Town Fire Department to help defray expenses. (\$32,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 93      NO – 10      UNDERVOTE - 3
6. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$30,000.00 to the Newport Town Fire Department to be placed in a reserve fund for the purchase of equipment and vehicles that will outdate and/or need to be replaced. (\$30,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 88      NO – 16      UNDERVOTE – 2
7. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to the Town of Newport for dispatching services related to the fire department. (nothing was voted last year).  
YES – 91      NO – 14      UNDERVOTE - 1
8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$300.00 per student for "Special Busing. This amount to be paid directly to the bus service, if available. If busing is not available, individuals MUST present a bill to the Clerk's Office prior to October 1st, 2022, with verification that their child is attending a certified private school and the date of enrollment as a regular education student.  
YES – 71      NO – 34      UNDERVOTE - 1
9. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport approve the school board to expend \$3,162,165.00, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$21,174.00 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 10.79% lower than spending for the current year. (\$2,850,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 67      NO – 37      UNDERVOTES – 2
10. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport School District authorize the Board of School Directors to make repairs and improvements to the Newport Town School property in an amount not to exceed \$350,000.00, to be financed over a period of 5 years, subject to reduction by any available construction aid and grants received?  
YES - 79      NO - 25      UNDERVOTES - 2
11. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$283,829.14 for the General Fund expenditures and direct the Selectboard to deduct anticipated revenue (\$278,806.91 was voted last year).  
YES – 96      NO – 7      UNDERVOTES - 3

12. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$753,988.00.00 for the Roads and Equipment expenditures and direct the Selectboard to deduct anticipated revenue (estimated anticipated state aid revenue for 2022 \$102,865.00) ( \$745,234.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 101                      NO – 3                      UNDERVOTES – 2
13. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$21,000.00 for the Lister's expenditures (\$21,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 99                      NO – 5                      UNDERVOTES - 2
14. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to transfer into the re-appraisal fund the amount not used by the lister's budget in 2021 which is \$8,318.31.  
YES – 99                      NO – 5                      UNDERVOTES - 2
15. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$25,000.00 to the Goodrich Memorial Library (\$25,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 88                      NO – 16                      UNDERVOTES - 2
16. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$1,100.00 to Rural Community Transportation (RCT) for services provided to residents that live in the Town of Newport. (\$1,100.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 92                      NO – 12                      UNDERVOTES - 2
17. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$500.00 to the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Society to assist with it's commitments to rescuing, and finding homes for unwanted pets. (\$500.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 85                      NO – 18                      UNDERVOTES - 3
18. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging in providing services to residents of the town. (\$1,000.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 98                      NO – 6                      UNDERVOTES - 2
19. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$625.00 to the Old Stone House Museum to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its Educational Program, and direct the selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same. (\$625.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 88                      NO – 16                      UNDERVOTES - 2
20. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$3,188.00 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services a not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) organization, to provide psychiatric mental health services to residents of Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties. (3,188.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 88                      NO – 15                      UNDERVOTES - 3
21. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,200.00 to Umbrella, Inc. to provide services to residents of the Town. (\$2,200.00 was voted last year.)  
YES – 87                      NO – 17                      UNDERVOTES - 2
22. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$500.00 as requested by Orleans County Citizen Advocacy for the purpose of creating and supporting one-to-one relationships between people with disabilities and community volunteers, and to direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same. (\$500.00 was voted last year).  
YES – 88                      NO – 16                      UNDERVOTES - 2

23. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$4,200.00 to Orleans-Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licenses Nurses Aide, Homemaker, Personal Care Attendant, Hospice, and Maternal Child Health Programs, and other community health programs provided by the Agency. (\$4,200.00 was voted last year).  
YES -100                      NO - 3                      UNDERVOTES - 3

DATED AT NEWPORT CENTER THIS 1st DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 2022.

Denise Daigle – Town and School Clerk and Treasurer

**Warning**  
**ANNUAL TOWN/SCHOOL MEETING**  
**TOWN OF NEWPORT – 2023**

NOTICE...TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF NEWPORT.  
VOTING BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT FROM 8:00AM TO 7:00PM AT THE NEWPORT  
TOWN SCHOOL GYM IN NEWPORT CENTER ON TUESDAY MARCH 7, 2023  
ON THE FOLLOWING:

NORTH COUNTRY UNION HIGH SCHOOL AND CAREER CENTER –  
THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF NEWPORT AND OF THE SCHOOL  
DISTRICT ARE HEREBY WARNED AND NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE NEWPORT  
TOWN SCHOOL GYM IN NEWPORT CENTER, VERMONT ON TUESDAY  
EVENING, MARCH 7, 2023 AT 6:00PM TO TRANSACT THE FOLLOWING  
BUSINESS:

1. Request by the Clerk to dispose of the reading of the entire warning.
2. To elect a Moderator.
3. To hear and dispose of the reports of the Town Officers as follows
  - a. Fire Department report
  - b. Treasurer's report
  - c. Selectboard's report
  - d. Tax Collector's report
  - e. School Directors' report
  - f. Principal's report
  - g. Lister's report
4. To elect all necessary officers as follows:
  - a. Selectperson for a three year term
  - b. School director for a three year term
  - c. School director for a two year term
  - d. Lister for a three year term
  - e. Delinquent tax collector for a one year term
  - f. First constable for a one year term
  - g. Second constable for a one year term
  - h. Planning board member for a three year term
  - i. Planning board member for a three year term
  - j. Planning board member for a three year term
5. To see if the voters of the Town of Newport will vote to appropriate \$19,488.00 to the Orleans County Sheriff's Department to allow for police services in town for the contractual year of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. (\$18,520.32 was voted last year).
6. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to approve a one year contract in the amount of \$62,777.00 to the Newport Ambulance Service, Inc. (\$50,572.00 was voted last year).
7. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$40,611.74 to the Newport Town Fire Department to help defray expenses. (\$37,000.00 was voted last year).
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10. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport School District approve the school board to expend \$3,394,954.00, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year.
11. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$298,661.03 for the General Fund expenditures and direct the Selectboard to deduct anticipated revenue (\$283,829.14 was voted last year).
12. Shall the voters of the Town of Newport vote to appropriate \$826,355.58 for the Roads and Equipment expenditures and direct the Selectboard to deduct anticipated revenue (estimated anticipated state aid revenue for 2023 \$102,865.00) ( \$753,988.00 was voted last year).
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24. To Adjourn.

DATED AT NEWPORT CENTER THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2023.

STEVEN BARRUP	CAMERON THOMPSON
JERRY WATERMAN	DARI-JOI GLOVER
RICHARD GOSSELIN	LAUREN DILLON
Selectboard – Town of Newport	CHRIS HAMMOND
	JILLIAN RAYMOND
	School Board, Town of Newport

Received and recorded this 26th day of January, 2023.

DENISE DAIGLE – Town and School Clerk and Treasurer

## Select Board Report - 2022

Hello and another year has passed. It seems to me the years are going faster, but that is another story.

Our meetings are still held on the 1st Thursday of every month. The Select Board has voted to go back to in-person meetings. The Audio recordings along with Agendas and Minutes will be posted on the Town's website ([townofnewport.org](http://townofnewport.org)). If you haven't visited the website it is worth checking out.

As always if you need the Select Board to take action on an issue it needs to be placed on the agenda and warned. Please see the Town Clerk or Select Board to be placed on the agenda.

Town Meeting this year will be from the floor in person and voting on March 7th at 6pm at the School gymnasium.

Our Road Crew now consists of Mike Baraw, Road Commissioner; Equipment Operators, Jason Driver and Ty Camber. We feel that they are doing an excellent job maintaining our roads. The year 2022 was challenging and 2023 will be due to this inflationary period as you will see in the budget increases.

The Highway Budget went up \$72,367.58 and the General Fund Budget went up \$12,832.88. See Budget Comparisons in the Town Report.

Our Water and Sewer systems are working okay. The rate structure will stay the same for 2023.

You will also see under Recreation and Parks an increase, this is for a Boat Washing station and attendant at Strawberry Acres Access.

[www.allearthrenewables.com](http://www.allearthrenewables.com) is monitoring the solar system. Our site number is 1639. Also the warranty on the system is expiring this July so we have contracted with All Earth for a repair and maintenance contract. (See other in town expenses)

In closing the Select Board is thankful to everyone for their help in running the town, Denise Daigle, Avis Rollins, and the Listers, in the Town Clerks office; Mike, Jason, and Ty, at the Town Garage; and Charlie Buck at the Recycling Center.

We all owe YOU the voters for making Newport Town what it is. THANK YOU!

Respectfully submitted,  
 Jerry Waterman  
 Richard Gosselin  
 Steve Barrup



## Listers' Report - 2022

The transfers and permits for 2022 were a little less than in 2021, but still higher than “normal pre-COVID” times. In 2022 there were 122 transfers and 33 permits.

If you plan on changing the footprint of your property, or adding an addition or new building, it is important to remember to get a permit from the town clerk. New constructions cost \$57.00 and \$27.00 for any other changes.

We continue to attend as many workshops as possible to try our best to keep up with the constant changes of procedures that the state inflicts on us, especially current use.

Just a reminder, we do go on the road to check properties for any changes. We welcome anyone with any questions at all to give us a call to set up a time to meet with us. You can call our number 802-334-2830 or the town clerk's number 802-334-6442 anytime with questions or concerns. We encourage anyone with any questions with regard to your property's assessment to give us a call to go over this with us.

We thank you for the privilege of continuing to serve you.

Sincerely,  
OSCAR ROBERTS  
ARLENE BROWN  
HOSSEIN (STEVE) NARAGHI  
Listers - Town of Newport

## Cemetery Commission Report - 2022

First of all we would like to start by acknowledging two members that have passed away in 2022. William “Bill” Bursey and Charles Guadagni. These two gave countless hours to making sure that our cemeteries were always kept in the best shape possible. They will be very much missed by the commission. We also would like to thank Chuck – in his passing he gave a donation to his much loved cemeteries to be sure that his legacy would live on for years to come. We veteran commission members would like to welcome two new members, Vince and Trish Buttice to the commission!!

The commission would like to again acknowledge the amount of effort and work that is involved in keeping these cemeteries looking good – Jay Knight Property Management for doing the all of the cemeteries in town and keeping them in fine shape – Heritage Memorials who does our cleaning and repairing of the monuments plus gives us good advice on how to manage problems coming up in the future – Dan Pepin Excavating for helping on the Lake Road cemetery drainage problems.

We would like to also say a very important THANK YOU to the taxpayers for giving us the money to be able to keep the cemeteries in good shape.

WRIGHT CEMETERY on Collins Mill Road

As of this time most of the work we needed to get done is completed except for the upkeep of lawns, etc. that is ongoing. This year we will be out to fix any stones that have moved due to frost.

ROUTE 100 CEMETERY on Route 100

Ongoing repair of the driveway which seems to be getting better – but it has its days. Bush hogging did not happen last year due to the back log of work everyone seemed to have. We are in hopes that this will happen this year. There are still a lot of monuments left to be cleaned and straightened due to frost problems. This is a fairly large cemetery which means there is always problems which show up every spring that have to be tended to. We are also looking to remove the vault and replace this with some decorative stones. The vault is deteriorating rapidly and is in very bad need of attention. Also lawn maintenance is also on going.

LAKE ROAD CEMETERY (HOLBROOK BAY) on Lake Road

The work on a water drainage problem on the lower part of the new portion of the cemetery has been completed and is working perfectly. We are hoping to get a fair number of stones at this cemetery cleaned and repaired this year.

Once again we would like to thank you for your continued support. Stay Safe and Healthy.

Respectfully,

Cemetery Commission – Town of Newport

June Sheltra  
DeAnn Meunier  
Steve Edgerley  
Vince Buttice  
Trish Buttice

## Treasurer's Report

### STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED – 2022

	GRAND LIST	RATE	AMOUNT
TAXES ASSESSED – BILLED			
SCHOOL – RESIDENTIAL .....	992,903.37	1.4647	\$ 1,454,305.70
SCHOOL – NON-RESIDENTIAL .....	993,352.40	1.4433	\$ 1,433,705.63
GENERAL FUND .....	1,980,454.27	0.1069	\$ 211,710.38
ROADS.....	1,980,454.27	0.3226	\$ 638,894.63
APPROPRIATIONS.....	1,980,454.27	0.0899	\$ 178,043.07
HS-122 PENALTIES.....			\$ 1,180.45
			\$ 3,917,839.86
LESS CORRECTIONS TO TAX BILLS			\$ 12,530.25
ACTUAL AMT. TO BE COLLECTED BY TREASURER .....			\$ 3,930,370.11
COLLECTED AND TURNED OVER BY TREASURER.....			\$ 3,774,734.05
DELINQUENT TAXES TURNED OVER TO COLLECTOR.....			155,636.06
			\$ 3,930,370.11

## Delinquent Tax Collector's Report

Balance of 2021 taxes collected in 2022 .....	\$ 97,226.05
Total taxes billed in 2022 .....	\$ 3,930,370.11
2022 taxes collected by Treasurer as of 10/27/22.....	\$ 3,774,734.05
2022 delinquent as of 10/27/22 .....	\$ 155,636.06
2022 delinquent taxes collected as of 12/31/22 .....	\$ 50,180.65
2022 Current Use changes not yet collected.....	\$ 5,206.77
2022 delinquent taxes still outstanding as of 12/31/22.....	\$ 100,248.64
DENISE DAIGLE	
Delinquent Tax Collector	

## Dog Tax Report – 2022

Total dogs registered .....	124
Total fees collected .....	\$ 1,353.00
Less fees to state .....	595.00
Total deposited into general fund.....	\$ 758.00
DENISE DAIGLE	
Town Clerk and Treasurer	

## TOWN OF NEWPORT GENERAL LEDGER

### Comparative Budget Report

Account	Budget FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2022	Proposed FY - 2023
<b>REVENUES</b>			
<b>TAX REVENUE</b>			
Property Tax .....	\$ -	\$(201,932.64)	\$ -
Appropriation Tax.....	-	178,043.07	-
State of Vt - Current Use .....	57,692.00	57,692.00	-
<b>Total Tax Revenue .....</b>	<b>57,692.00</b>	<b>33,802.43</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>			
Liquor Licenses .....	255.00	370.00	-
Dog Licenses.....	600.00	758.00	-
<b>Total Licenses and Permits .....</b>	<b>855.00</b>	<b>1,128.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>INTERGOVERNMENT REVENUE</b>			
Local Fines .....	600.00	822.79	-
<b>Total Intergovernment Revenue.....</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>822.79</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
Town Clerk's fees/record. ....	20,000.00	28,558.00	-
Restoration Fund .....	-	5,933.00	-
<b>Total Charges for Services .....</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>34,491.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>INTEREST EARNED</b>			
Interest Earned .....	5,000.00	11,956.17	-
Interest earned-del.taxes .....	1,000.00	4,731.25	-
<b>Total interest Earned .....</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>	<b>16,687.42</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			
Zoning Income.....	-	1,149.00	-
Misc. Revenue.....	12,000.00	17,559.94	-
<b>Total Miscellaneous Revenues.....</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>	<b>18,708.94</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES .....</b>	<b>\$97,147.00</b>	<b>\$105,640.58</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOWN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES</b>			
<b>SALARIES/COMPENSATION</b>			
Select Board .....	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Select Board Secretary.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Town Treasurer/Clerk .....	45,267.94	45,044.61	48,436.70
Asst Town Clerk/Treasurer .....	1,180.00	856.49	1,180.00
Zoning/Planning.....	3,500.00	70.00	3,500.00
Health Officer.....	500	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>Total Salaries/Compensation .....</b>	<b>56,647.94</b>	<b>53,171.10</b>	<b>60,316.70</b>
<b>BENEFITS</b>			
Social Security (FICA) .....	10,540.00	11,503.93	5,565.00
Medicare (MEDI) .....	2,475.00	2,690.04	1,411.21
Health Insurance .....	20,650.76	20,910.50	24,247.64
Retirement .....	3,621.44	3,759.28	4,060.48
<b>Total Benefits .....</b>	<b>37,287.20</b>	<b>38,863.75</b>	<b>35,284.33</b>

Account	Budget	Actual	Proposed
TOWN MEETING & ELECTIONS	FY - 2022	FY - 2022	FY - 2023
Ballot Clerk's Compensatn .....	1,000.00	600.00	1,000.00
Town Reports.....	2,400.00	2,231.00	2,400.00
Elections .....	5,000.00	1,414.25	2,000.00
<b>Total Town Meeting &amp; Elections .....</b>	<b>8,400.00</b>	<b>4,245.25</b>	<b>5,400.00</b>
<b>LISTER'S EXPENSES</b>			
lister's Salaries .....	15,000.00	10,130.00	15,000.00
Telephone.....	500.00	597.12	625.00
Mileage .....	500.00	95.14	500.00
Computer Expense.....	3,000.00	1,448.15	3,000.00
Other expenses .....	2,000.00	708.39	1,875.00
<b>Total Lister's Expenses.....</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>	<b>12,978.80</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Office Supplies .....	5,500.00	7,669.37	6,000.00
Postage .....	2,000.00	1,888.00	2,000.00
Telephone.....	500.00	616.96	625.00
Copier Expense.....	500.00	325.00	500.00
Computer Expense.....	6,000.00	6,273.99	6,300.00
Advertising.....	2,500.00	1,121.76	2,500.00
Tax Map Maintenance .....	4,000.00	4,450.00	4,500.00
Web Site .....	500.00	-	500.00
Dog Expense .....	3,000.00	1,829.40	3,000.00
Liability Insurance.....	34,144.00	33,735.00	41,685.00
Grant Expense.....	5,000.00	-	3,000.00
Legal and CPA expenses .....	15,000.00	11,407.27	15,000.00
Restoration Expense .....	-	19,732.85	-
ATV Expense.....	250.00	225.00	250.00
Other Expense.....	3,500.00	1,082.77	3,500.00
<b>Total Operating Expenses .....</b>	<b>82,394.00</b>	<b>90,357.37</b>	<b>89,360.00</b>
<b>SANITATION</b>			
Recycling.....	12,000.00	10,855.09	15,000.00
<b>Total Sanitation.....</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>	<b>10,855.09</b>	<b>15,000.00</b>
<b>RECREATION &amp; PARKS</b>			
Strawberry Acres/Milfoil .....	5,000.00	-	7,500.00
<b>Total Recreation &amp; Parks .....</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>
<b>CEMETERIES</b>			
Labor-Lake Road/Wright Ce.....	8,000.00	8,300.00	8,000.00
Labor - Route 100 Cem.....	8,000.00	4,200.00	8,000.00
Other Expenses/Lake Rd./W .....	-	100.00	-
Other Expenses/Rte. 100 .....	20,000.00	12,825.00	20,000.00
<b>Total Cemeteries.....</b>	<b>36,000.00</b>	<b>25,425.00</b>	<b>36,000.00</b>
<b>OTHER TOWN EXPENSES</b>			
VLCT Dues.....	4,500.00	3,810.00	4,500.00
County Tax.....	28,500.00	27,677.91	28,500.00
Street & Bridge Lights.....	1,000.00	456.93	1,000.00

Account	Budget	Actual	Proposed
Other Town Expenses cont.	FY - 2022	FY - 2022	FY - 2023
Solar Panel Expense .....	-	292.50	1,000.00
<b>Total Other Town Expenses.....</b>	<b>34,000.00</b>	<b>32,237.34</b>	<b>35,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE</b>			
Electricity & Heat .....	2,000.00	1,500.32	2,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance .....	5,000.00	457.80	5,000.00
Groundskeeper .....	4,800.00	4,210.00	4,500.00
<b>Total Town Clerk's Office .....</b>	<b>11,800.00</b>	<b>6,168.12</b>	<b>11,500.00</b>
<b>OTHER VOTED ARTICLES</b>			
Fire Dept. - expenses .....	37,000.00	37,000.00	-
Fire Dept.-truck .....	30,000.00	30,000.00	-
Private School Busing .....	4,000.00	2,400.00	3,000.00
Orleans Cty. Sheriff Dept.....	18,520.32	18,520.32	-
Newport Ambulance .....	50,572.00	50,572.00	-
Goodrich Mem. Library.....	25,000.00	25,000.00	-
Northeast Kingdom Svcs.....	3,188.00	3,188.00	-
OrleansEssex VNA&Hospice .....	4,200.00	4,200.00	-
Dispatching Services.....	3,611.74	3,611.74	-
Orleans Cty. Citizen Adv.....	500.00	-	-
Rural Community Trans.....	1,100.00	1,100.00	-
Umbrella, Inc. ....	2,200.00	2,200.00	-
Area Agency on Aging .....	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
Old Stone House Museum .....	625.00	625.00	-
Cemetery Flags .....	300.00	384.00	300.00
Frontier Animal Society.....	500.00	500.00	-
<b>Total Other Voted Articles.....</b>	<b>182,317.06</b>	<b>180,301.06</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>
<b>Total Town Government.....</b>	<b>\$486,846.20</b>	<b>\$454,602.88</b>	<b>\$319,661.03</b>
<b>HIGHWAY REVENUE</b>			
Highway property tax.....	\$ -	\$638,894.63	\$ -
State Aid - Highways .....	115,000.00	110,401.42	-
Misc. Income - Highway .....	-	268.00	-
FEMA - Highway.....	-	6,883.20	-
Grant Money.....	-	203,426.98	-
<b>Total Highway Revenue .....</b>	<b>\$115,000.00</b>	<b>\$959,874.23</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EXPENSES</b>			
<b>SALARIES/COMPENSATION HWY</b>			
Regular Hours .....	\$131,735.00	\$125,138.68	\$136,735.00
Overtime .....	38,265.00	29,607.55	38,265.00
<b>Total Salaries/Compensation Hwy ..</b>	<b>170,000.00</b>	<b>154,746.23</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY BENEFITS</b>			
Social Security (FICA) .....	10,540.00	4,282.63	12,040.00
Medicare (MED) .....	2,465.00	1,001.77	2,816.40
Health Insurance .....	50,343.00	49,581.59	59,178.68
Retirement.....	13,600.00	13,341.46	16,270.50
<b>Total Highway Benefits .....</b>	<b>76,948.00</b>	<b>68,207.45</b>	<b>90,305.58</b>

Account	Budget	Actual	Proposed
FUEL	FY - 2022	FY - 2022	FY - 2023
Equipment-fuel .....	40,000.00	56,822.77	60,000.00
<b>Total Fuel.....</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>56,822.77</b>	<b>60,000.00</b>
<b>REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE</b>			
Loader .....	4,000.00	13,262.22	4,000.00
#7 - 2020 Western Star .....	4,000.00	5,685.89	5,000.00
Plows & Sanders .....	12,000.00	8,961.79	12,000.00
Backhoe.....	2,000.00	962.31	2,000.00
Screener Expense .....	3,000.00	4,365.31	3,000.00
Truck 4 - pick up .....	4,000.00	14,696.88	4,000.00
Mower.....	1,500.00	916.80	1,500.00
Ten whlr. -2023 Freightli .....	6,000.00	11,944.45	4,000.00
truck#6- 2016 ten whl int .....	7,750.00	4,556.36	7,000.00
Grader Expense .....	7,750.00	6,302.89	7,000.00
Other Equipment/deprec. ....	80,000.00	66,798.90	80,000.00
<b>Total Repairs/Maintenance .....</b>	<b>132,000.00</b>	<b>138,453.80</b>	<b>129,500.00</b>
<b>CONTRACTED SERVICES</b>			
Grant Expenses.....	4,000.00	196,637.61	4,000.00
Ditch Work .....	10,000.00	10,981.65	10,000.00
Bush Hogging .....	500.00	-	500.00
Bridge Maint Contractors.....	3,000.00	-	-
Street Sweeping Contracts.....	1,500.00	945.00	1,500.00
Other Contracted Services .....	10,000.00	5,553.08	10,000.00
<b>Total Contracted Services .....</b>	<b>29,000.00</b>	<b>214,117.34</b>	<b>26,000.00</b>
<b>MATERIALS &amp; SUPPLIES</b>			
Culvert Pipe .....	12,000.00	13,239.46	15,000.00
Cold Patch & Paving.....	125,000.00	113,684.51	125,000.00
Gravel Crushing.....	45,000.00	45,000.00	65,000.00
Purchase - Material .....	5,000.00	900.00	5,000.00
Salt .....	30,000.00	29,298.27	40,000.00
Sand .....	5,000.00	3,400.00	5,000.00
Chloride .....	40,000.00	41,401.82	45,000.00
<b>Total Materials &amp; Supplies .....</b>	<b>262,000.00</b>	<b>246,924.06</b>	<b>300,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN GARAGE</b>			
Tools .....	1,500.00	1,506.99	2,000.00
Radio .....	1,500.00	2,214.75	1,500.00
Telephone/Internet.....	1,900.00	1,795.79	1,800.00
Advertising.....	500.00	-	500.00
Electricity and heat .....	5,000.00	5,916.36	6,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance.....	5,000.00	3,707.57	5,000.00
Road Signs .....	3,000.00	3,247.53	4,000.00
Uniforms .....	10,000.00	9,851.72	10,000.00
Other Expenses.....	4,000.00	4,000.61	4,000.00
<b>Total Town Garage.....</b>	<b>32,400.00</b>	<b>32,241.32</b>	<b>34,800.00</b>

Account	Budget	Actual	Proposed
OTHER EXPENSES	FY - 2022	FY - 2022	FY - 2023
Training.....	500.00	-	500.00
Taxes Gravel pit - Cov. ....	2,500.00	2,821.46	2,900.00
Storage building.....	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	5,000.00	4,329.10	5,000.00
Highway Permit .....	2,640.00	1,350.00	1,350.00
<b>Total Other Expenses.....</b>	<b>11,640.00</b>	<b>8,770.56</b>	<b>10,750.00</b>
<b>Total Highway Department .....</b>	<b>\$753,988.00</b>	<b>\$920,283.53</b>	<b>\$826,355.58</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Transfer from Gen Fund .....	\$ -	\$ 66,798.90	\$ -
<b>Total Transfers .....</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 66,798.90</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>			
Recycling .....	\$ -	\$186,136.80	\$ -
<b>Total Other Capital Projects .....</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$186,136.80</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>WATER REVENUES</b>			
Water Fees .....	\$140,000.00	\$108,121.73	\$ -
Penalty on Overdue Water .....	-	2,927.30	-
Bank Interest on Water Ac.....	-	0.28	-
Misc Water Revenue .....	-	16,200.00	-
<b>Total Water Revenues .....</b>	<b>\$140,000.00</b>	<b>\$127,249.31</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>WATER EXPENSES</b>			
Water Postage.....	\$ 300.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 180.00
USDA Loan Payments.....	5,014.67	5,018.27	5,018.27
USDA Loan Payment.....	12,151.00	12,151.00	12,151.00
Water Professional Fees .....	10,000.00	20,337.07	10,000.00
Water Contracted Services.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
State Fees .....	500.00	81.45	500.00
Water Testing Expense.....	2,000.00	1,716.00	2,000.00
Water Other Expenses .....	4,000.00	1,389.79	4,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance Lines.....	10,000.00	3,098.56	10,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance Well.....	20,000.00	3,116.27	20,000.00
Water Electricity.....	11,000.00	8,334.99	11,000.00
Water Interest Expense .....	5,299.33	5,295.73	5,299.33
<b>Total Water Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$ 95,265.00</b>	<b>\$ 75,617.13</b>	<b>\$ 95,148.60</b>
<b>SEWER REVENUES</b>			
Sewer Fees .....	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 32,764.59	\$ -
Penalty on Overdue Sewer.....	-	716.48	-
<b>Total Sewer Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ 37,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,481.07</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>SEWER EXPENSES</b>			
Sewer Postage .....	\$ 111.50	\$ 58.00	\$ 120.00
USDA Loan Payments.....	2,467.67	2,570.52	2,467.67
Sewer Professional Fees.....	6,000.00	3,556.20	6,000.00
Sewer Contracted Services.....	4,200.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
State Fees .....	350.00	1,625.00	1,700.00

Account	Budget FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2022	Proposed FY - 2023
<b>Sewer Expenses cont.</b>			
Sewer Testing Expenses .....	4,000.00	1,456.00	4,000.00
Sewer Other Expenses.....	1,500.00	241.06	1,500.00
Repairs/Maintenance Lines .....	5,000.00	57.00	5,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance Field.....	15,000.00	6,633.17	15,000.00
Sewer Electricity .....	120.00	-	120.00
Sewer Interest Expense .....	2,032.33	1,929.48	2,000.00
<b>Total Sewer Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$ 40,781.50</b>	<b>\$ 22,326.43</b>	<b>\$ 42,107.67</b>
<b>CEMETERY REVENUES</b>			
Sale of Lots.....	\$ -	\$ 3,800.00	\$ -
Sale of Cornerstones.....	-	(115.00)	-
<b>Total Cemetery Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,685.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
ARPA FEDERAL GRANT .....	\$ -	442,170.51	\$ -
<b>Total ARPA Federal Grant .....</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>442,170.51</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS.....</b>	<b>\$(990,733.70)</b>	<b>\$ 42,551.38</b>	<b>\$(1,283,272.88)</b>

TOWN OF NEWPORT, VERMONT  
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types  
December 31, 2021

December 31, 2021

	Governmental Fund Types					Proprietary Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type		Total Primary Governmental (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Highway Fund	ARPA Fund	Equipment Fund	Sewer Fund	Water Fund	Cemetery Fund				
Assets											
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 2,628,331	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 556	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,628,887	
Cash - restricted	193,175	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	193,175	
Accounts receivable	-	-	-	-	-	8,368	-	-	-	35,617	
Delinquent taxes receivable	103,281	-	-	-	-	27,249	-	-	-	103,281	
Delinquent interest receivable	362	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	362	
Due from other governments	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	
Due from other funds	-	773,926	884,133	181,001	109,777	138,073	65,515	-	-	2,152,425	
Total assets	\$ 2,950,149	\$ 773,926	\$ 884,133	\$ 181,001	\$ 118,145	\$ 165,878	\$ 65,515	\$ -	\$ -	5,138,747	
Liabilities											
Current liabilities											
Accounts payable	\$ 83,930	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	83,930	
Notes and bonds payable - current portion	-	-	-	-	-	2,677	17,266	-	-	19,943	
Due to other funds	2,152,425	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,152,425	
Total current liabilities	2,236,355	-	-	-	-	2,677	17,266	-	-	2,256,298	
Noncurrent liabilities											
Notes and bonds payable - non-current portion	-	-	-	-	42,167	292,376	-	-	-	334,543	
Total liabilities	2,236,355	-	-	-	44,844	309,642	-	-	-	2,590,841	
Deferred inflows of resources											
Unearned revenue	103,643	-	884,133	-	-	-	1,576	-	-	989,352	
Taxes paid in advance	1,575	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,575	
Total deferred inflows of resources	105,218	-	884,133	-	-	-	1,576	-	-	990,927	
Fund balance											
Restricted	193,926	773,926	-	-	-	-	65,515	-	-	1,033,367	
Unrestricted	-	-	-	-	73,301	(145,340)	-	-	-	(72,039)	
Assigned	12,175	-	-	181,001	-	-	-	-	-	193,176	
Unassigned	402,475	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	402,475	
Total fund balance	608,576	773,926	-	181,001	73,301	(145,340)	65,515	-	-	1,556,979	
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance	\$ 2,950,149	\$ 773,926	\$ 884,133	\$ 181,001	\$ 118,145	\$ 165,878	\$ 65,515	\$ -	\$ -	5,138,747	

## *Report of the School Principal*

Dear Newport Center Residents;

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you, the families and students of Newport Center for another year. As we continue our journey to a “new normal” after the pandemic; I am excited to enhance our focus on student outcomes in academics and social / emotional development. We have a committed staff at Newport Town School (NTS) that care deeply about our shared community and students. We have been fortunate to remain fully staffed during these times of employee shortage in our Supervisory Union (SU) and throughout the state. This dedication allows us to continue to develop our systems and structures that create a positive learning environment for all learners. As the COVID variants waxed and waned throughout the 21-22 academic year, our school remained open for in person learning 5 days per week. Staff and students pulled together to maintain consistency and growth during another year of sickness and above average adult and student absences.

With a renewed focus on well-being and access to learning for all students our staff have implemented additional new curricula including: guided reading, math, phonemic awareness and spelling. Additionally, we continue to utilize our Social Emotional Learning team to increase student readiness to learn and develop friendships. Transferable skills including communication, problem - solving and critical thinking are key to success in our community and throughout life as active citizens. Our ability to intertwine the development of these skills and sense of belonging at NTS will support our students throughout their lives.

Moving forward with our Multi-tiered systems of support (Mtss) model, we are working to focus our teaching and learning on incremental growth. As we keep the Common Core Standards in mind; we work to support students to develop the individual skills and proficiencies required to meet those standards at each grade level. Teachers are enhancing their ability to toggle between the larger standards and all discrete skills required to attain each standard. The focus of not only what we are teaching but how students are learning will result in increased access to learning for all.

This approach to learning and growth could not occur without the support and dedication of our school board members. Each of the five members have committed countless hours over the years to ensure that Newport Town children have a high quality elementary educational experience. As two of our current board members step down; I appreciate their commitment over their tenure. Both Lauren Dillon and Chris Hammond have served on the school board for over a decade. During that time, they have remained dedicated to the school, while balancing that with a family and career. Their willingness and dedication to being stewards of the school and advocates for the children of Newport Center is commendable. Thank you both for your service.

In closing, as our community continues to grow and our student population increases; I remain focused on our collective commitment to student growth and community connectedness. I am honored to represent the NTS staff in communicating our appreciation for your support and our commitment to your children.

Sincerely;  
*Shelly Lanou, Principal*

## *Report of the School Board*

Dear Newport Town Community,

This has been a year of much change in school leadership. After many years of service as board chair Sarah Hardin decided not to run for reelection and her efforts and dedication to our town has been made clear to me as I've worked to step into her shoes as the new school board chair. I appreciate this opportunity to serve you and our children.

The school year has been busy with multiple capital improvement projects, a new school mission and vision statement, and growing student enrollment. We have also seen change in leadership at the Supervisory Union level as Superintendent, John Castle, departed to become the director of Vermont Rural Education Cooperative (VREC). In July, Elaine Collins stepped into her new role as Superintendent. A huge supporter of our local schools and communities, Elaine, has spent much of her career dedicated to the North Country Supervisory Union schools and has lived in the Kingdom for her whole life.

This Town Meeting Day our school will see more change as Lauren Dillon and Chris Hammond have chosen not to seek re-election as school directors. They have served our town and school for many years as school board members, overseeing much positive change and capital improvements. Lauren has served as Vice Chair and NCSU Board member. Chris has been active on the facilities committee, assuring our school is well maintained and prepared for the future. We thank them deeply for their years of service to our school and community.

This year the school came together to develop a new Mission and Vision:

**Mission**—Newport Town School is a community of learners that fosters each person to be an active member of our community and demonstrate independence, respect, empathy, perseverance and problem solving skills.

**Vision**—Newport Town School strives to support students to develop into life-long learners that welcome and support diversity, advocate for their needs, take pride in their accomplishments and envision a positive future for our community.

Last year, the taxpayers granted permission to make substantial repairs and improvements to the school building and grounds. To those efforts we have accomplished much. The facilities committee has been meeting regularly to oversee these projects and we owe big thanks to members, Chris Hammand and staff member Isaiah Casey. These projects included: electrical work to the old section of the building, plumbing in the bathrooms, upgrade to four classrooms with sinks (all classrooms are now equipped with sinks), new flooring in several classrooms, excavation of the old fuel oil tank, installation of new propane tank and switch over to a new boiler system. We are already seeing savings from the boiler improvements.

In continuation of our 5-year facilities upgrade plan, this spring/summer we will be expanding the parking lot and revamping the playground. The parking

lot project is expected to expand the number of parking spots and hopefully improve traffic flow aiming to decrease impact to the roadway during high traffic times. The playground will be funded through COVID related federal grant dollars. Our current playground is not appropriate for our preschoolers as it is rated for 5-12 year olds. The new playground will be accessible to all ages and abilities and will include a diversity of experiences.

With regard to the school budget, this year the board is proposing a 1 cent increase to the tax rate. We wish to remind voters that last year the school tax rate was level funded and to explain some factors that have impacted the budget increase this year. Some positive factors are that we have seen an increase in enrollment and our equalized pupil count (9.45%) along with an increase to the dollar equivalent yield (16.26%). A negative impact is that Newport Town has seen a substantial decrease to the Common Level of Appraisal for homes (-11.39%). Other budget drivers are that staff have seen an increase in compensation and more staff are accessing our health insurance which has seen rate increases this year. Our student enrollment is up; as of October 1, 2022, our school served 141 students in Pre-K – 8th grade. We have 12 more students enrolled than last year. We are trending up in our enrollment from a low of 90 in 2015. School staff in all positions have stepped up to fulfill our expanding school needs and assure a quality education for all students.

This Town Meeting Day the school board is interested in expanding attendance by offering in-building childcare. If this is something you wish to participate in, please contact the school for more details and to reserve a spot for your child/children.

The board would like to thank all the staff at Newport Town School for their dedication to educating our students and growing independent, respectful, empathetic, perseverant, problem solvers. We would like to thank our community for its continued support of our school.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jill Raymond,  
Board Chair

## NEWPORT TOWN SCHOOL 2022-2023 Staff Directory

<b>PRINCIPAL</b>	Shelly Lanou
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Denise DelaBruere
<b>STAFF</b>	
Pre-K	Melanie Barton
Kindergarten	Kellea Gosselin
Grade 1	Nicole Fletcher
Grade 2	Nicole Chaput
Grade 3	Aaron Benson
Grade 4	Christine Amyot
Grade 5	Megan Stevens
Grade 6	Jessica Maurice
SPED	Taylor McAllister
SPED	Julie Zenel
Intervention	Lisa Dunlavy-Spaulding
Intervention	Julie Thaler
Intervention	Jeanne Segretto
Library	J.C. Hines
Music	Jonathan DeRoehn
Guidance	Nedzsd (Jack) Hodzic
PE	Michelle Koch
Art	Heather Brault
Nurse	Mysha Atherton
Custodian/Bus Driver	Isaiah Casey
Bus Driver	Mario Forcier
Behavior Support	Jessica Farrar
BI	Heather Standish
SU	Ethan Gariepy
SU	Patrick Butterfield
Para	Desiree Coffin
Para	Cassie Royer
Para	Sierra Girard
SLPA	Kayla Allard
Speech	Laura Barnard
Para	Tonya Ashan
Para/ASP	Aline DeLaBruere
LNA	Susan Wright
Para/LNA	Toni Roberge
Food Director	Colleen Percy
Food Service	Michelle Robert
School Based Counselor	Kate Koetz
	Joselyn Barry



**NEWPORT TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

***Proposed Budget FY2023-24***

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>Budget FY-2022</b>	<b>Actual FY-2022</b>	<b>Proposed FY-2023</b>	<b>Proposed FY-2024</b>
<b>LOCAL REVENUES</b>				
Investment Earnings - Interest .....	\$ (6,000)	\$ (12,504.58)	\$ (10,000)	\$ (19,000)
Other Revenues - Rentals .....	(10,000)	-	-	-
Refund of Prior Years Expenditure .....	-	(25.20)	-	-
Misc. Other Local Revenue .....	-	(707.74)	(5,000)	(5,000)
<b>TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES .....</b>	<b>(16,000)</b>	<b>(13,237.52)</b>	<b>(15,000)</b>	<b>(24,000)</b>
<b>SUBGRANT REVENUES</b>				
Subgrants for Schoolwide Programs .....	(71,000)	(82,700.50)	(68,679)	(80,325)
Other Subgrants .....	-	(422.50)	(650)	(650)
<b>TOTAL SUBGRANT REVENUES .....</b>	<b>(71,000)</b>	<b>(83,123.00)</b>	<b>(69,329)</b>	<b>(80,975)</b>
<b>STATE REVENUES</b>				
Education Spending Grant .....	(2,417,775)	(2,417,775.00)	(2,788,447)	(3,029,959)
Small Schools Grant .....	(54,422)	(87,161.00)	(87,161)	(87,161)
Special Ed. Reimbursements - Intensive .....	(190,000)	(93,367.63)	-	-
<b>TOTAL STATE REVENUES .....</b>	<b>(2,662,197)</b>	<b>(2,598,303.63)</b>	<b>(2,875,608)</b>	<b>(3,117,120)</b>
<b>FEDERAL REVENUES</b>				
ARPA Preschool Grant .....	-	(7,392.00)	-	-
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUES .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,392.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUES</b>				
Fund Balance As Revenue .....	(50,000)	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER REVENUES .....</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES .....</b>	<b>(2,799,197)</b>	<b>(2,702,056.15)</b>	<b>(2,959,937)</b>	<b>(3,222,095)</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE REVENUES</b>				
Sales To Students .....	(12,000)	-	(12,000)	(12,000)
Sales To Adults .....	-	(1,214.79)	-	(4,000)
Transfer From General Fund .....	-	(32,028.47)	-	-
Misc. Other Local Revenues .....	-	-	(250)	(300)
State Additional Lunches .....	-	(1,113.95)	(900)	(1,000)
State add'l breakfast .....	-	-	(350)	(350)
Summer Food Service Program .....	-	(3,702.57)	-	-
Federal After School Snack .....	(2,000)	(3,265.00)	(975)	(2,000)
Fresh Fruit & Veggie Program .....	(5,000)	(5,667.84)	(6,000)	(6,000)
Federal School Lunch .....	(25,000)	-	(60,000)	(70,000)
Seamless Summer Option Subgrant .....	-	(99,032.01)	-	-
Federal School Breakfast .....	(6,000)	-	(24,500)	(29,450)
Other Subgrant Revenues .....	-	(2,363.66)	-	-
State School Lunch Match .....	(1,000)	-	-	(1,000)
<b>TOTAL FOOD SERVICE REVENUE .....</b>	<b>(51,000)</b>	<b>(148,388.29)</b>	<b>(104,975)</b>	<b>(126,100)</b>
<b>COVID REVENUES</b>				
ESSER II Subgrant Revenues .....	-	(166,338.80)	(97,253)	(48,259)
<b>TOTAL COVID REVENUES .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(166,338.80)</b>	<b>(97,253)</b>	<b>(48,259)</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL REVENUES .....</b>	<b>\$(2,850,197)</b>	<b>\$(3,016,783.24)</b>	<b>\$(3,162,165)</b>	<b>\$(3,396,454)</b>

**EXPENDITURES**

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>Budget FY-2022</b>	<b>Actual FY-2022</b>	<b>Proposed FY-2023</b>	<b>Proposed FY-2024</b>
<b>REGULAR EDUCATION</b>				
Salary - Elementary Teachers .....	\$ 422,335	\$ 462,413.22	\$ 475,478	\$ 535,875
Salary - Elementary Para .....	21,117	17,107.20	-	-
Substitutes Pay - Elementary .....	15,000	29,749.35	15,000	15,000
Teachers Retirement - Elementary .....	19,343	-	-	-
Health Ins - Elementary .....	142,735	132,820.62	133,844	140,229
Health Reimbursement Account .....	15,000	22,291.43	27,300	24,978
FICA - Elementary .....	32,309	35,783.40	36,374	42,142
Life Insurance - Elementary .....	872	-	348	375
VSTRS-OPEB Payment .....	-	1,340.00	4,206	3,018
Municipal Retirement .....	-	1,027.18	-	-
Workers Comp .....	3,706	3,808.08	3,756	4,019
Unemployment - Elementary .....	1,304	845.80	486	593
Tuition - Elementary .....	12,000	3,343.00	21,856	23,377
Dental Ins - Elementary .....	2,442	6,073.53	6,065	5,635
Long Term Disability - Elementary .....	1,071	1,729.54	1,617	1,661
Purchased & Technical Services .....	-	1,068.58	-	-
Contract Services-Excess Costs .....	-	35,310.38	30,000	30,000
Contracted Staff Through NCSU .....	66,660	83,256.57	85,781	93,188
Encore Program Assessment to NCSU .....	2,250	9,000.00	9,000	11,500
Tuition - Secondary .....	425,000	322,407.04	514,600	450,000
Supplies - Elementary .....	10,000	10,849.68	10,000	10,000
Supplies-Instructional Programs .....	-	-	-	3,000
Books/Periodicals - Elementary .....	3,500	3,612.37	3,500	3,500
Software .....	-	393.75	-	-
Equipment - Elementary .....	1,000	-	-	-
Dues/Fees - Elementary Siskin .....	3,000	505.00	3,000	3,000
Misc. Expenses .....	-	309.13	-	-
Dues/Fees-Co-Curricular .....	-	420.00	-	-
<b>TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION .....</b>	<b>1,200,644</b>	<b>1,185,464.85</b>	<b>1,382,212</b>	<b>1,401,090</b>
<b>PRE-K</b>				
Salary - PreK Teacher .....	-	51,230.00	51,230	56,875
Salary - PreK Para .....	-	11,593.80	18,018	33,419
Substitutes-PreK .....	-	926.52	-	-
Health Ins - PreK .....	-	4,045.40	-	4,000
FICA - PreK .....	-	5,182.13	5,297	6,907
Life Insurance - Pre-K .....	-	-	70	96
VSTRS-OPEB PAYMENT-PreK .....	-	1,340.00	1,402	1,509
Municipal Retirement-PreK .....	-	863.86	1,126	2,172
Workers Comp - PreK .....	-	398.47	547	677
Unemployment - PreK .....	-	61.06	122	206
Tuition - Pre K .....	-	-	2,732	2,712
Long Term Disability - PreK .....	-	228.79	235	280
Tuition Pre-K .....	22,000	48,847.04	29,248	30,112
Supplies-ARPA PreK Grant .....	-	1,715.00	-	-
<b>TOTAL PRE-K .....</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>126,432.07</b>	<b>110,027</b>	<b>138,966</b>



	Budget FY-2022	Actual FY-2022	Proposed FY-2023	Proposed FY-2024
<b>SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS</b>				
Salary - Schoolwide Teacher .....	125,270	83,985.00	83,985	57,443
Teachers Retirement - Schoolwide .....	3,293	-	-	-
Health Ins - Schoolwide .....	30,735	7,912.00	8,042	7,979
Health Reimbursement Account .....	3,000	2,037.96	2,100	1,672
FICA - Schoolwide .....	9,583	6,197.14	6,425	4,394
Life Insurance - Schoolwide .....	131	-	87	38
VSTRS Pension Payment .....	-	8,791.92	17,628	14,728
VSTRS New Teacher Assessment .....	-	-	1,402	-
Workers Comp - Schoolwide .....	896	653.24	663	431
Unemployment - Schoolwide .....	392	122.12	122	61
Tuition - Schoolwide .....	3,000	-	5,464	2,387
Dental Ins - Schoolwide .....	709	344.04	342	313
Long Term Disability - Schoolwide .....	351	318.23	286	178
<b>TOTAL SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS .....</b>	<b>177,360</b>	<b>110,361.65</b>	<b>126,546</b>	<b>89,623</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>				
Salary - Para .....	132,262	101,152.73	78,180	89,071
Substitutes Pay .....	-	115.09	-	-
Health Ins .....	18,422	35,377.60	24,261	27,653
Health Savings Account .....	-	2,200.00	-	-
Health Reimbursement Account .....	3,000	3,005.65	6,600	6,600
FICA .....	11,687	7,747.89	5,981	6,814
Life Insurance .....	340	-	104	104
Municipal Retirement .....	7,931	6,758.83	4,886	5,790
Workers Comp .....	1,680	1,016.61	618	668
Unemployment .....	1,225	396.88	243	275
Dental Ins .....	411	1,188.52	650	955
Long Term Disability .....	190	190.28	266	276
Services Purchased From NCSU .....	234,810	234,810.00	199,307	246,404
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION .....</b>	<b>411,958</b>	<b>393,960.08</b>	<b>321,096</b>	<b>384,611</b>
<b>EEE LOCAL</b>				
EEE Local .....	26,675	26,675.79	23,719	34,112
<b>TOTAL EEE LOCAL .....</b>	<b>26,675</b>	<b>26,675.79</b>	<b>23,719</b>	<b>34,112</b>
<b>GUIDANCE</b>				
Salary - Teacher .....	28,182	32,914.28	43,208	59,580
Health Ins .....	4,891	4,627.18	6,434	9,067
Health Reimbursement Account .....	-	-	1,680	1,900
FICA .....	2,156	2,429.82	3,305	4,558
Life Insurance .....	21	-	35	44
VSTRS New Teacher Assessment .....	-	804.00	-	1,509
Workers Comp .....	189	252.05	341	447
Unemployment .....	79	36.64	49	69
Tuition .....	-	1,017.00	-	2,712
Dental Ins .....	91	206.52	273	355
Long Term Disability .....	63	122.76	147	185
Supplies .....	1,500	689.75	1,500	1,500
<b>TOTAL GUIDANCE .....</b>	<b>37,172</b>	<b>43,100.00</b>	<b>56,972</b>	<b>81,925</b>
<b>NURSE</b>				
Salary - Nurse .....	43,582	2,065.87	37,966	80,612

	Budget FY-2022	Actual FY-2022	Proposed FY-2023	Proposed FY-2024
<b>Nurse cont.</b>				
Substitutes .....	-	431.36	-	-
Health Ins .....	8,152	-	12,900	26,378
Health Reimbursement Account .....	-	4,400.00	-	6,300
FICA .....	3,334	191.09	2,904	6,167
Life Insurance .....	44	-	44	70
VSTRS New Teacher Assessment .....	-	1,005.00	-	1,509
Municipal Retirement .....	-	-	1,733	2,019
Workers Comp .....	248	39.85	300	605
Unemployment .....	668	15.26	85	138
Dental Insurance .....	-	-	650	955
Long Term Disability .....	122	3.54	129	250
Contract Services From NCSU .....	-	28,238.62	48,071	-
Supplies .....	500	1,193.45	500	1,000
<b>TOTAL NURSE .....</b>	<b>56,650</b>	<b>37,584.04</b>	<b>105,281</b>	<b>126,002</b>
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES</b>				
Salary - Para .....	-	6,048.00	14,414	61,659
Health Ins .....	-	2,676.74	6,450	26,529
Health Reimbursement Account .....	-	-	2,100	6,600
FICA .....	-	420.75	1,103	4,717
Life Insurance .....	-	-	13	52
Municipal Retirement .....	-	378.03	901	4,008
Workers Comp .....	-	-	114	462
Unemployment .....	-	-	30	138
Dental Ins .....	-	-	325	1,200
Long Term Disability .....	-	-	49	191
Contract Services - School therapist .....	15,000	10,598.70	20,000	20,000
<b>TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES .....</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>20,122.22</b>	<b>45,499</b>	<b>125,556</b>
<b>SPEECH SERVICES</b>				
Salary - Para .....	-	4,855.91	18,875	21,370
Health Ins .....	-	2,064.65	8,344	2,000
Health Reimbursement Account .....	-	-	2,200	-
FICA .....	-	336.22	1,444	1,635
Life Insurance .....	-	-	26	26
Municipal Retirement .....	-	303.52	1,180	1,389
Workers Comp .....	-	-	149	160
Unemployment .....	-	-	61	69
Dental Ins .....	-	-	342	-
Long Term Disability .....	-	17.53	64	66
Excess Exp. Junior High .....	30,000	-	-	-
Regular Ed Speech Services .....	-	306.00	-	-
<b>TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES .....</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>7,883.83</b>	<b>32,684</b>	<b>26,715</b>
<b>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY</b>				
Regular Ed Occupational Therapy .....	-	180.81	-	-
<b>TOTAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>180.81</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</b>				
Salary-Improvement of Instruction .....	-	915.38	-	-
FICA .....	-	70.02	-	-
Municipal Retirement .....	-	37.84	-	-

	Budget FY-2022	Actual FY-2022	Proposed FY-2023	Proposed FY-2024
<b>Improvement of Instruction cont.</b>				
<b>TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,023.24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2220 LIBRARY</b>				
Salary - Library.....	11,340	-	-	-
Health Ins .....	1,630	-	-	-
FICA.....	868	-	-	-
Dental Ins .....	62	-	-	-
Long Term Disability .....	34	-	-	-
Purchased Services-SU.....	-	38,709.30	41,133	41,000
Supplies .....	-	76.43	-	-
Books/Periodicals .....	2,000	1,495.28	2,000	2,000
Computer Software.....	200	-	200	200
<b>TOTAL LIBRARY .....</b>	<b>16,134</b>	<b>40,281.01</b>	<b>43,333</b>	<b>43,200</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>				
Purchased & Technical Services.....	-	698.00	-	-
Contract Services .....	3,150	-	-	-
Supplies .....	-	-	-	8,000
Computer Software.....	5,924	1,602.74	-	1,107
Computer Software-BEST Grant.....	-	320.83	-	-
Equipment .....	6,000	-	6,000	-
<b>TOTAL TECHNOLOGY .....</b>	<b>15,074</b>	<b>2,621.57</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>9,107</b>
<b>BOARD EXPENSES</b>				
Salaries - Board.....	1,000	-	1,000	-
Board Member Services.....	-	800.00	-	1,000
Legal .....	3,000	132.85	3,000	3,000
Liability Insurance.....	11,000	5,257.53	5,111	5,111
Advertising .....	2,000	1,104.42	2,000	3,500
Dues.....	525	448.00	525	525
Other Board Expenses.....	70,000	266.04	55,607	-
<b>TOTAL BOARD EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>87,525</b>	<b>8,008.84</b>	<b>67,243</b>	<b>13,136</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT</b>				
NCSU Assessment .....	90,693	90,693.00	93,036	108,891
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.....</b>	<b>90,693</b>	<b>90,693.00</b>	<b>93,036</b>	<b>108,891</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL</b>				
Salary - Principal .....	79,000	84,000.00	84,000	93,600
Salary - Clerical .....	38,431	30,308.68	29,700	35,298
Substitutes-Clerical .....	-	350.00	-	-
Health Ins .....	38,794	36,320.42	35,177	42,426
Health Savings Account .....	8,400	-	-	-
Health Reimbursement Account .....	3,000	2,754.11	8,400	8,600
FICA.....	8,983	8,135.28	8,698	9,861
Life Insurance .....	218	-	200	200
Municipal Retirement.....	2,306	1,823.24	1,856	2,294
Workers Comp .....	931	884.36	898	967
Unemployment .....	261	122.12	122	138
Dental Ins .....	966	1,865.45	1,008	1,608
Long Term Disability .....	221	352.44	387	400
Contract Services .....	-	1,105.00	-	-

	Budget FY-2022	Actual FY-2022	Proposed FY-2023	Proposed FY-2024
<b>Office of the Principal cont.</b>				
Postage .....	1,000	480.89	1,000	1,000
Travel .....	250	203.15	250	250
Supplies .....	2,000	2,662.51	2,000	2,000
Equipment .....	500	-	-	-
Dues\Fees .....	500	1,458.45	500	500
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL.....</b>	<b>185,761</b>	<b>172,826.10</b>	<b>174,196</b>	<b>199,141</b>
<b>2520 FISCAL SERVICES</b>				
Fiscal Wages.....	-	461.76	-	-
Fica .....	-	35.33	-	-
Contract Fiscal Services From NCSU .....	19,600	19,600.00	20,200	21,000
Interest Current Loans .....	-	7,266.53	-	7,500
<b>TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES.....</b>	<b>19,600</b>	<b>27,363.62</b>	<b>20,200</b>	<b>28,500</b>
<b>AUDIT SERVICES</b>				
Audit Services.....	6,100	6,350.00	6,100	5,900
<b>TOTAL AUDIT SERVICES .....</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>6,350.00</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>5,900</b>
<b>CUSTODIAL</b>				
Salaries-Custodian.....	36,130	38,476.25	39,291	46,058
Summer Wages .....	7,000	6,578.80	7,000	9,500
Health Ins .....	12,249	15,110.90	12,900	17,311
Health Reimbursement Account .....	2,400	5,536.11	4,200	4,400
FICA.....	2,854	3,199.61	3,006	4,250
Life Insurance .....	-	-	26	26
Municipal Retirement.....	1,734	3,271.06	2,456	2,994
Workers Comp .....	2,213	2,377.85	2,589	3,035
Unemployment .....	104	61.06	61	69
Dental Ins .....	575	599.69	1,008	600
Long Term Disability .....	-	117.23	134	143
Contracted Serv .....	-	4,205.00	-	-
Water Services .....	14,160	9,769.91	14,160	14,160
Rubbish Services .....	2,500	2,354.87	2,500	2,500
Purchased Services .....	20,000	37,518.28	20,000	20,000
Contracted Serv .....	15,000	62,556.30	15,000	15,000
Symquest copier.....	5,145	9,028.18	9,000	9,000
Property Insurance.....	-	5,007.59	6,100	6,100
Telephone .....	3,000	7,197.78	3,000	3,000
Supplies .....	15,000	50,578.63	15,000	15,000
Electricity .....	21,000	27,769.74	25,000	25,000
Heating Oil.....	20,000	22,870.00	20,000	20,000
Non-Instructional Equip.....	1,850	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL CUSTODIAL.....</b>	<b>182,914</b>	<b>314,184.84</b>	<b>202,430</b>	<b>218,146</b>
<b>CARE &amp; UPKEEP OF GROUNDS</b>				
Contract Services .....	-	-	-	2,500
Snow Removal.....	-	-	-	5,500
Lawn Care .....	-	-	-	1,800
<b>TOTAL CARE &amp; UPKEEP OF GROUNDS.....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,800</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>				
Contracted Services - NCSU.....	75,000	81,799.36	70,000	87,549
<b>TOTAL TRANSPORTATION.....</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>81,799.36</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>87,549</b>

	Budget FY-2022	Actual FY-2022	Proposed FY-2023	Proposed FY-2024
<b>OTHER TRANSPORTATION</b>				
Field Trips .....	1,000	-	1,000	3,000
<b>TOTAL OTHER TRANSPORT.....</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICES</b>				
Long Term Debt - interest .....	986	-	986	12,018
Long Term Debt - principal.....	72,000	-	72,000	64,859
TRANSFER TO HOT LUNCH.....	17,000	32,028.47	-	-
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICES .....</b>	<b>89,986</b>	<b>32,028.47</b>	<b>72,986</b>	<b>76,876</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>				
Wages .....	43,435	43,752.82	41,694	48,773
Substitutes .....	-	553.00	-	-
BS/BC .....	18,094	17,144.45	12,900	19,311
Health Reimbursement Account .....	-	2,036.61	4,200	4,400
FICA.....	3,323	3,252.08	3,190	3,731
Life Insurance .....	-	-	52	52
Municipal Retirement.....	2,095	2,852.26	2,606	3,170
Workmans Comp .....	224	1,302.85	1,047	1,224
Unemployment Compensation .....	580	122.12	122	138
Long Term Disability .....	-	-	142	151
Repairs & Maintenance.....	-	22,670.66	-	1,000
Supplies .....	1,200	3,328.59	1,200	1,200
Supplies Fresh Fruits and Veggies.....	300	326.63	1,000	1,000
Propane.....	1,200	4,074.94	1,200	1,200
Food .....	30,000	41,913.58	30,000	45,000
Food fresh Fruits and Veggies .....	2,500	5,427.54	5,000	5,000
Software.....	-	761.53	-	1,000
<b>TOTAL FOOD SERVICE .....</b>	<b>102,951</b>	<b>149,519.66</b>	<b>104,352</b>	<b>136,350</b>
<b>COVID EXPENSES</b>				
COVID Related Expenses.....	-	178,487.80	97,253	48,259
<b>TOTAL COVID EXPENSES .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>178,487.80</b>	<b>97,253</b>	<b>48,259</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....</b>	<b>\$2,850,197</b>	<b>\$3,056,952.85</b>	<b>\$3,162,165</b>	<b>\$3,396,454</b>

PRELIMINARY		Three Prior Years Comparison - Format as Provided by AOE				ESTIMATES ONLY	
District: <b>Newport Town</b> SU: <b>North Country</b>		<b>T140</b> Orleans County		Property dollar equivalent yield	Homestead tax rate per \$15,479 of spending per equalized pupil		
				<b>15,479</b>	← See bottom note	<b>1.00</b>	
				<b>17,600</b>			
						Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income	
<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>FY2021</b>	<b>FY2022</b>	<b>FY2023</b>	<b>FY2024</b>		
1.	<b>Budget</b> (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 14 expenditures)	\$2,846,856	\$2,850,197	\$3,162,165	\$3,396,454	1.	
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	+				2.	
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	NA	NA	NA	3.	
4.	<b>Locally adopted or warned budget</b>	<b>\$2,846,856</b>	<b>\$2,850,197</b>	<b>\$3,162,165</b>	<b>\$3,396,454</b>	4.	
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+				5.	
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+				6.	
7.	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,846,856</b>	<b>\$2,850,197</b>	<b>\$3,162,165</b>	<b>\$3,396,454</b>	7.	
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data					8.	
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data					9.	
<b>Revenues</b>							
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenue)	\$417,422	\$432,422	\$373,718	\$366,495	10.	
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	+				11.	
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	NA	NA	NA	12.	
13.	<b>Offsetting revenues</b>	<b>\$417,422</b>	<b>\$432,422</b>	<b>\$373,718</b>	<b>\$366,495</b>	13.	
14.	<b>Education Spending</b>	<b>\$2,429,434</b>	<b>\$2,417,775</b>	<b>\$2,788,447</b>	<b>\$3,029,959</b>	14.	
15.	Equalized Pupils	129.64	126.51	131.72	144.14	15.	
<b>Education Spending per Equalized Pupil</b>		<b>\$18,739.85</b>	<b>\$19,111.34</b>	<b>\$21,169.50</b>	<b>\$21,020.94</b>		
16.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	\$370.92	\$354.10	\$22,394.00	16.	
17.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$60,000 for an individual (per equp)	-	\$198.82	\$5.18	\$4.66	17.	
18.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per equp)	-				18.	
19.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per equp)	-				19.	
20.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per equp)	-				20.	
21.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per equp)	-				21.	
22.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per equp)	-				22.	
23.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equp)	-	\$33.89	\$42.58		23.	
24.	minus Costs incurred when sampling drinking water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or retesting.	-				24.	
25.	minus	-				25.	
26.	Excess spending threshold	threshold = \$18,739	threshold = \$18,739	threshold = \$19,997	threshold = \$22,304	26.	
27.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	+				27.	
28.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$18,740	\$19,111	\$21,170	\$21,020.94	28.	
29.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	170.393% based on year 1170.393	168.873% based on year 1173.17	159.002% based on 1173.17	135.803% based on \$15,479	29.	
<b>Prorating the local tax rate</b>							
30.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [(S21,020.94 + (\$15,479 / \$1.00)]	\$1.7039 based on \$1.00	\$1.6887 based on \$1.00	\$1.5900 based on \$1.00	\$1.3580 based on \$1.00	30.	
31.	Percent of Newport Town equalized pupils not in a union school district	61.97%	60.90%	61.58%	65.58%	31.	
32.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (65.58% x \$1.36)	\$1.0559	\$1.0284	\$0.9793	\$0.8906	32.	
33.	<b>Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)</b>	108.70%	106.04%	101.57%	90.00%	33.	
34.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.8906 / 90.00%)	\$0.9714 based on \$1.00	\$0.9698 based on \$1.00	\$0.9642 based on \$1.00	\$0.9896 based on \$1.00	34.	
		If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a <b>PARTIAL</b> homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.					
35.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(S21,020.94 + \$17,600) x 2.00%]	2.77% based on 2.00%	2.76% based on 2.00%	2.65% based on 2.00%	2.59% based on 2.00%	35.	
36.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (65.58% x 2.39%)	1.72% based on 2.00%	1.69% based on 2.00%	1.63% based on 2.00%	1.57% based on 2.00%	36.	
37.	#N/A					37.	
38.	Percent of equalized pupils at North Country Sr UHSD #22	38.03%	39.10%	38.41%	34.42%	38.	
		- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$15,479 for every \$100 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value, an income yield of \$17,600 for a base income percent of 2.0%, and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.386. These figures use the estimated \$64,000,000 surplus from the Education Fund. <u>New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.</u> - Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor. - The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.					

## *NCSU Superintendent of Schools Annual Letter*

As many of you may already be aware, after serving as NCSU's superintendent for the last eight years, John Castle stepped down from his post on June 30, 2022 to pursue another opportunity, and I took over beginning July 1, 2022. In my 33 years of working in education in a variety of roles, I've had the privilege to work for a lot of superintendents. John's sense of integrity, advocacy for our students, passion for teaching and learning, and strong moral compass made him a very effective leader. Our supervisory union is a better place because of John's commitment to and vision for our schools, and I'm very fortunate for the awareness and experience needed in order to offer consistency and continuity of these same commitments and vision through this transition.

We continue to frame our work with students by thinking about NCSU's Design for Learning and our Work and Learning Plan. Both documents can be found on NCSU's website at <https://sites.google.com/ncsuvt.org/ncsu-learning-design/home>. Since it's been about nine years since we've looked closely at the Design for Learning, we will soon engage NCSU stakeholders to provide input into this framework for a potential revision.

As you know, education has undergone many changes over the last few years, creating some big challenges, including staffing and funding changes.

Like many schools and businesses in our region and state, NCSU has experienced some challenges with filling positions and retaining staff. Currently, we have approximately 52 positions open across our supervisory union, including approximately 27 teaching positions and 29 support staff positions. When we are short-staffed, everyone who is working in the system is doing more than is usual, which creates stress in the system.

You may have heard about some changes in the way that special education is funded. The legislature has mandated switching

from a reimbursement model to block grant funding. This has had an extremely negative effect on our SU-wide budgets. For this year and moving forward, the legislature is phasing in block grant funding. Instead of receiving 56% reimbursement of whatever the special education cost is, we receive a block grant per student. Districts and supervisory unions with lower special education students will see an increase in revenue, but at NCSU, we have lost approximately \$750,000 in revenue from FY22 to FY23.

Although our work with students in a post-pandemic world has had some challenges, I want to express how proud and grateful I am of our NCSU students, families, and staff. Illnesses continue to afflict both the students and staff. Because of increased absences, the need to differentiate and provide a multi-tiered system of support for students has increased. With students missing instruction, concepts or skills, and having different gaps in instruction, the need to deliver effective universal instruction while planning and implementing substantially different instructional pathways for the varied needs of students continues to be a large focus of our professional development and priority within schools. Additionally, students continue to require an increase of social-emotional support. For many students, a prolonged heightened sense of anxiety and uncertainty has compounded this need. Despite these challenges, NCSU's community of students, families, and staff have rallied to keep our educational systems progressing. We have not only done what's required, but we are also continuing to strive for excellence and to exemplify our district's 4C's of Character, Competence, Creativity and Community. Thank you for your support and for the opportunity to serve our community in my new role.

Elaine Collins  
Superintendent of Schools  
North Country Supervisory Union



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### LEARNING BELIEFS

Learning takes place in a culture that fosters...

Growth Mindset ♦ Curiosity ♦ Perseverance ♦ Relevance  
Mutual Respect ♦ Feedback & Reflection ♦ Instructional Access ♦ Equity  
Diversity ♦ Personal Responsibility  
Shared Leadership ♦ Individual & Collective Accomplishments  
Community Partnerships

### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Learners participate in experiences that/to...

Support Personal Pathways ♦ Include Problem-Based Projects  
Are Academically Rigorous  
Make Inter-Disciplinary Connections ♦ Contain Experiential Discovery  
Utilize Transferable Skills ♦ Encourage Student Voice  
Incorporate Technology ♦ Involve Physical Activity ♦ Create & Perform  
Engage The Community ♦ Occur In The Natural World  
Happen Anywhere & Any Time

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learners succeed by becoming...

Caring, Kind & Grateful ♦ Confident & Self-Directed ♦ Honest & Fair  
Independent Thinkers ♦ Innovative Problem Solvers  
Academically Accomplished ♦ Effective Communicators & Collaborators  
Technologically Skilled ♦ Globally Aware ♦ Contributing Citizens  
Respectful of Our Environment  
Physically, Emotionally & Socially Healthy  
Appreciative Of & Skilled In The Visual & Performing Arts



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### SUPERVISORY UNION WORK & LEARNING PLAN

#### Equity

- Advance equity principles and practices

#### Social & Emotional Learning

- Deliver research-based practices with consistency that advance positive attitudes, habits, and actions

#### Content Standards and Transferable Skills

- Implement curricula based on current content standards
- Implement curricula based on NCSU transferable skills
- Promote effective digital learning

#### Student Engagement

- Promote inquiry-based learning
- Support interdisciplinary instruction
- Create multiple pathways
- Foster personalization

#### Student Voice & Leadership

- Promote student contributions and leadership in their communities
- Include students in authentic decision making at all levels

#### Formative Assessment and Data

- Provide multiple opportunities for feedback and reflection
- Use technology to support assessment, reporting and reflection
- Students engage in goal setting in age-appropriate ways
- Use qualitative and quantitative data to guide the reflection and review of programs, practices, systems and structures

*Approved by the NCSU Full Board December 2018*

NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION

**FY2024 Board Approved Assessment Budget**

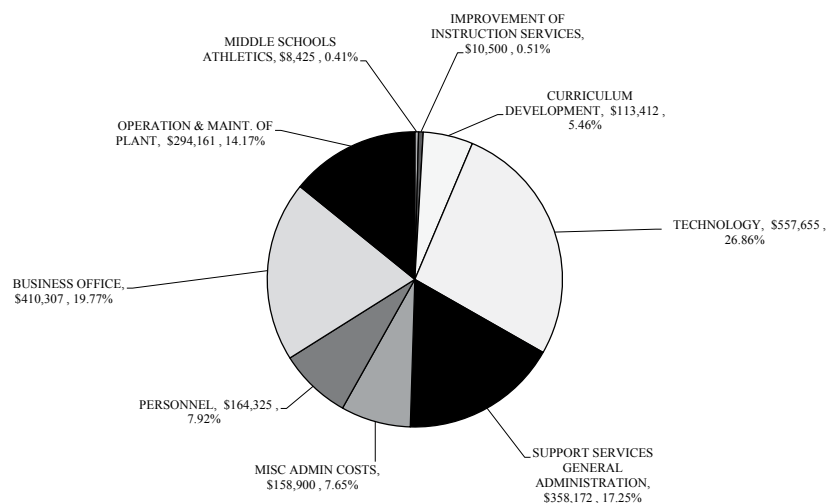
DESCRIPTION	FY 2023	FY2024
	Adopted Budget 7/1/22-6/30/23	Board Approved 7/1/23-6/30/24
<b><u>ASSESSMENT REVENUE</u></b>		
INTEREST		
INTEREST INCOME-CASH ACCOUNT .....	(\$ 15,000)	(\$ 15,000)
INTEREST INCOME-MONEY MARKET .....	(500)	(500)
<b>INTEREST REVENUE .....</b>	<b>(15,500)</b>	<b>(15,500)</b>
ASSESSMENTS .....	(1,646,936)	(1,935,357)
<b>TOTAL TOWN ASSESSMENT .....</b>	<b>(1,646,936)</b>	<b>(1,935,357)</b>
<b>MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE</b>		
FUND BALANCE AS REVENUE .....	(65,000)	-
INDIRECT COSTS REVENUE .....	(75,000)	(125,000)
<b>TOTAL MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE .....</b>	<b>(140,000)</b>	<b>(125,000)</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE .....</b>	<b>(\$1,802,436)</b>	<b>(\$2,075,857)</b>
<b><u>ASSESSMENT EXPENDITURES</u></b>		
<b>MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS</b>		
SALARY MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS .....	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,000
FICA .....	306.00	383
W COMP .....	30.00	42
PURCHASED SERVICE .....	1,000.00	1,000
SUPPLIES .....	1,000.00	2,000
<b>TOTAL MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS .....</b>	<b>6,336</b>	<b>8,425</b>
<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</b>		
SP PROJECTS P SERV .....	6,000	6,000
SP PROJECTS SUPPLIES .....	1,000	1,000
SPEC.PROJ.-FOOD .....	3,500	3,500
<b>TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION .....</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>10,500</b>
<b>CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT</b>		
DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM SALARY .....	48,189	50,602
WAGES CURRICULUM ADMIN ASST .....	20,153	22,324
BCBS .....	17,564	19,197
HRA .....	6,300	6,300
FICA .....	5,228	5,580
LIFE INSURANCE .....	100	90
MUN. RETIREMENT .....	1,260	1,395
WORKERS COMP .....	533	613
UNEMPLOYMENT .....	50	37
TUITION .....	770	1,229
DENTAL .....	724	724
LTD .....	232	226
TRAINING .....	750	750

	FY 2023	FY2024
	Adopted Budget 7/1/22-6/30/23	Board Approved 7/1/23-6/30/24
<b>CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CON'T.</b>		
TRAVEL .....	645	645
SUPPLIES .....	1,200	1,200
BOOKS & PERIODICALS .....	500	500
CONF & DUES .....	2,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>106,198</b>	<b>113,412</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>		
DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY .....	92,700	102,000
NETWORK/TECH SUPPORT WAGES .....	126,182	135,904
BCBS .....	47,098	68,555
HRA .....	8,400	8,400
FICA .....	16,744	18,198
LIFE INSURANCE .....	300	300
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT .....	15,302	16,654
WORKERS COMP .....	1,707	1,998
UNEMPLOYMENT .....	100	208
TUITION .....	1,800	1,800
DENTAL .....	1,700	2,000
LTD .....	744	738
PURCHASED SERVICE .....	183,500	183,500
TRAVEL .....	2,000	3,500
ROOMS & MEALS .....	400	400
SUPPLIES .....	2,000	2,500
SOFTWARE .....	3,500	3,500
EQUIPMENT .....	5,500	5,500
DUES & FEES .....	1,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL TECHNOLOGY .....</b>	<b>510,677</b>	<b>557,655</b>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN</b>		
SUP'T SALARY .....	134,667	139,984
SECRETARY WAGES (2) .....	93,541	99,988
BCBS .....	61,994	52,511
HRA .....	12,500	10,900
FICA .....	17,458	18,354
LIFE INSURANCE .....	250	226
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT .....	5,846	6,249
WORK COMP .....	1,780	2,016
UNEMPLOYMENT .....	75	125
DENTAL .....	2,210	1,875
LTD .....	776	744
AUDIT NCSU .....	10,200	10,500
LODGING & MEALS .....	1,500	1,500
TRAVEL .....	3,000	3,000
VSA DUES .....	5,000	5,000
PROF DEVELOPMENT-SECRETARY .....	200	200

	FY 2023 Adopted Budget 7/1/22-6/30/23	FY2024 Board Approved 7/1/23-6/30/24
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN CON'T.</b>		
PROF DEVELOPMENT	1,600	5,000
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN.</b>	<b>352,597</b>	<b>358,172</b>
<b>MISC ADMIN COSTS</b>		
LEGAL MISC TOWNS	1,000	-
MAINTANCE CONTRACT ADS	11,000	15,000
STORAGE PURCHASE SERVICE	1,000	-
LEGAL SERVICES	3,000	5,000
STIPEND TREASURER'S	1,050	1,050
PURCHASE SERVICE	7,600	7,600
EQUIP MAINT	1,500	4,000
PHONE EQUIP MAINT	2,500	-
MACHINE LEASES & RENTALS	8,200	10,000
CONSOLIDATED INSURANCE	16,000	20,000
TELEPHONE	6,500	7,000
POSTAGE	12,000	12,000
INTERNET	1,100	45,000
MISC TOWNS ADVERTISING	750	750
ADVERTISING	5,000	5,000
MISC FOOD MEETINGS	8,000	8,000
MISC TOWN INVOICES	500	500
OFFICE SUPPLIES	10,000	12,000
BOOKS	500	500
FURNITURE	2,500	2,500
MISCELLANEOUS DUES/FEES	3,000	3,000
<b>TOTAL MISC. ADMIN. COSTS</b>	<b>102,700</b>	<b>158,900</b>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>		
PERSONNEL WAGES	109,746	117,014
PERSONNEL BCBS	16,048	17,555
PERSONNEL HRA	4,200	4,400
PERSONNEL FICA	8,396	8,952
PERSONNEL LIFE INS	58	52
PERSONNEL RETIREMENT	6,859	7,313
PERSONNEL WORKERS COMP	856	983
PERSONNEL UNEMPLOYMENT	50	83
PERSONNEL TUITION	5,760	5,760
PERSONNEL DENTAL	342	600
PERSONNEL LTD	373	363
PURCHASED SERVICE PERSONNEL	500	600
PERSONNEL TRAVEL	100	100
PERSONNEL CONF/DUES	550	550
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	<b>153,838</b>	<b>164,325</b>

	FY 2023 Adopted Budget 7/1/22-6/30/23	FY2024 Board Approved 7/1/23-6/30/24
<b>BUSINESS OFFICE</b>		
SALARY DIRECTOR BUSINESS	70,403	72,062
WAGES FINANCE ASSISTANTS	86,541	91,733
WAGES BUSINESS ADM ASST	34,285	36,590
WAGES COURIER	2,000	2,200
SALARY STAFF ACCOUNTANT	38,040	42,547
BCBS BUSINESS OFFICE	85,922	96,834
HRA	15,000	18,000
FICA BUSINESS OFFICE	17,692	18,753
LIFE INS BUSINESS OFFICE	225	225
RETIREMENT BUSINESS OFFICE	15,561	16,444
WORKERS COMP BUSINESS OFFICE	1,804	2,041
UNEMPLOYMENT BUSINESS OFFICE	200	200
TUITION BUSINESS OFFICE	2,000	2,000
DENTAL BUSINESS OFFICE	2,425	2,425
LTD DIRECTOR BUSINESS	786	753
TRAVEL BUSINESS OFFICE	5,000	5,000
ROOMS & MEALS BUSINESS OFFICE	400	500
DUES & FEES BUSINESS OFFICE	1,400	1,500
PROF DEV BUSINESS OFFICE	500	500
<b>TOTAL BUSINESS OFFICE</b>	<b>380,184</b>	<b>410,307</b>
<b>OPERATION &amp; MAINT. OF PLANT</b>		
FACILITIES DIRECTOR WAGES/BENEFITS	-	99,500
CUSTODIAN WAGES/BENEFITS	8,586	19,053
OPERATION AND MAINT PURCHASE SERV	3,500	5,000
CUSTODIAN PURCHASES SERVICE	16,500	17,688
RUBBISH REMOVAL	2,000	2,400
STORAGE RENTAL SPACE	1,020	2,020
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	2,800	3,500
<b>TOTAL OPERATION &amp; MAINT. OF PLANT</b>	<b>34,406</b>	<b>149,161</b>
<b>OPERATION &amp; MAINT. OF PLANT</b>		
RENT	145,000	145,000
<b>TOTAL OPERATION &amp; MAINT. OF PLANT</b>	<b>145,000</b>	<b>145,000</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,802,436</b>	<b>\$2,075,857</b>

## NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION FY2024 BUDGET



## Newport Ambulance Service, Inc.

### Newport Town 2022 Report

Our call volume increased to 3107 calls in 2022 from a total of 3052 in 2021. In 2022 Newport Ambulance responded to 171 emergency calls in the Town of Newport and transported 26 Town residents from North Country Hospital to receive care in other facilities. We have also responded to 61 calls for mutual aid.

Our Crews continue to work close with the Vermont Dept. of Health and Vermont Emergency Medical Services to assist with the statewide COVID 19 testing and Vaccine sites throughout the state. In 2022 Newport Ambulance hosted a drive through Covid testing site. We also have delivered thousands of Covid and flu vaccines to patients throughout Orleans and Essex County. We currently are serving as a drive through COVID-19 and Flu vaccine site at our 830 Union Street location 2 days a week.

Newport Ambulance has been fortunate to continue and receive funding from the Coronavirus Emergency Outbreak Testing & Vaccination Administration Grant. This funding will be used to purchase our new 2022 chevy ambulance, with a new Stryker power load stretcher, and pay for the station's driveway to be repaved without putting those costs onto the taxpayers.

Currently the ambulance service has 3 crews providing 24/7 service. This service presently has 6 ambulances, and a Paramedic first response car that are stocked and available to respond, at the Advanced Life Support level, at any time.

Newport Ambulance substation in Morgan and is running a crew there 24/7. This will help serve parts of Derby, Holland, Morgan, Charleston, and Brighton.

Newport Ambulance facilities are located at 830 Union St, Newport and 8437 RTE 111, Morgan.

Newport Ambulance Service thanks you for your support and looks forward to serving you and your town.

Respectfully  
Jeffrey J. Johansen,  
Executive Director



## Newport Center Volunteer Fire Department Report

To the Residents of Newport Town,

NCVFD would like to Thank all the residents for the continued support through the year. This year we have transitioned our dispatching services from the Vermont State police to Newport Police Department. This transition has gone very smooth and the dispatching is more reliable and we have better communication with the dispatchers during emergencies. With the change we go from a free service from the State Police to a service that we need to pay for. With this being said we had many issues with not getting called to potentially serious incidents and being told by the VSP supervisor that the dispatcher forgot. The State was also looking at charging emergency services and they have had and still having big issues with staffing of dispatchers. NCVFD felt with going to Newport PD we will have dispatchers that live and know the area which will help us get to emergencies quicker.

This year we did not expect a raise in the appropriations of \$37,000. We were asked by the selectboard to add \$3611 for dispatching. So for our appropriations we will be asking for \$40,611. Also we will be asking for the \$30,000 for the equipment fund for the purpose of replacing trucks and outdated equipment and personal protective equipment. This past year we have bought 6 sets of protective pants and boots. We also contracted with a Grant writer to hopefully receive grants.

As always questions about the department or visits to the station are welcomed. NCVFD strives to give Newport Town the best Fire Department we can and what the Town deserves.

Respectfully Submitted  
Chief Jason Willis  
Cell # 802-487-7456  
Email ncvsdchief1@gmail.com



## NEWPORT CENTER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2022

### OPERATING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 1/1/2022.....	\$ 22,480.00
Deposit - Newport Town 2022 Town Meeting .....	37,000.00

#### Expenses:

Building Maintenance .....	656.72
Dispatch Software .....	1,128.00
Electricity .....	1,769.69
Equipment Maintenance.....	3,009.84
Dues .....	609.00
Gear.....	2,708.94
Gas/Diesel Fuel .....	1,466.54
Heat .....	4,575.24
Internet/Phone .....	1,659.75
Membership Appreciation .....	388.58
Office Supplies .....	308.46
Postage .....	90.00
Propane .....	12.05
Rubbish Removal .....	801.27
Sow Plowing/Sanding.....	1,000.00
Training/memberships .....	3,221.10
Travel.....	74.18
Glover's Market .....	30.00
Flowers Bill Bursey .....	77.01
Supplies Halloween .....	396.87
Water/Sewer.....	807.90

<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$ 24,791.14</b>
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<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2022.....</b>	<b>\$ 35,141.42</b>
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### CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND

Beginning Balance 1/1/2022.....	\$ 30,153.35
Deposits – interest.....	22.08
Deposit - Newport Town 2022 Town Meeting .....	30,000.00

#### Expenses:

First Responder Grant Writer .....	1,500.00
HSE – Gear .....	11,458.56

<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2022.....</b>	<b>\$ 47,216.87</b>
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### SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 1/1/2022.....	\$ 950.15
Deposit interest.....	.69
Deposit .....	300.00

<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2022.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,250.84</b>
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## FUND RAISING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 1/1/2022.....	\$ 8,792.72
Deposits four wheeler raffle.....	7,580.00
Donations .....	250.00
Deposits water hauling .....	8,500.00
Deposits from Bar B Que.....	3,491.00
Deposits Gun Raffle .....	11,220.00
Expenses	
Walts Sales and Service.....	6,419.00
Bar B Que.....	1,189.98
City of Newport water .....	3,005.00
Truck Payment .....	5,728.30
Guns for raffle.....	6,425.48
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2022.....</b>	<b>\$ 17,065.96</b>

### Newport Center Volunteer Fire Department Members

#### Officers

Chief Jason Willis  
 Asst. Chief Larry Percy  
 Captain Steve Roberts  
 Captain Pedro Grondin  
 Lieutenant Shane Marquis  
 Lieutenant Cody Glover

#### Firefighters

Madison Mosher	Josh Royer
Jim Warman	Noreen Roberts
Skye Wetherall	Lydia Pouliot
Camden Willis	Skylar Morse
Jeff Young	Israel Sanville
Jon Higgins	Chris Coderre
Kyle Mead	Chris Lowery
Roland Coderre	Eli Roberts
Shayne Morse	Bryant Tuller
Christina Young	Harlee Hannux
Paul Tetreault	



Dear Brownington Neighbors:

The mission of the Orleans County Historical Society, Inc. (doing business as the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village) is to tell the unique stories of Orleans County through preservation, education and inspiration. We are proud to have loyally served our shared community for over 100 years.

**Preservation:** Since 1915, the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village has worked to preserve the rich history of your county and region. The Historic Village cares for eight historically-significant buildings, a remarkable collection of artifacts that illustrate aspects of the region's past. We celebrate the life and legacy of African American Alexander Lucius Twilight each year and especially each September on the day designated 'Alexander Twilight Day' by the Vermont legislature.

**Education:** Over thirty educational programs are offered to local youth and families throughout the year. Programs highlight the heritage arts, crafts, themes and skills common in 19th century Orleans County and which remain relevant today. We are thrilled to announce that our educational programs will expand into local schools in 2023! We also provide guided tours to over one thousand guests of the museum each season. People come away from tours with a deep understanding of important local history and the way Orleans County helped shape the early years of our state and country.

**Inspiration:** Our organization offers more than ten seasonal events on the museum's property. Each season's events inspire the community to engage with local history through a whole host of fun and accessible opportunities. Many of the events offered are totally FREE to the public! From the 100-year-old Old Stone House Day to the popular and fun Twilight Stars Party; from exhibit openings to the Historic Village Halloween Walk, the public comes out in droves to enjoy the historic spaces, stories and fun celebrated each year.

We make all our spaces, events and programs as accessible to the whole community as possible. Brownington residents are automatically members. This allows you to receive free or discounted tours, programs, events, space rentals and purchases from our gift shop as well as a front seat to local history happenings right in your town! Without your support, we couldn't do this important work. **A Brownington without the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village would be a town without its own history** and without all the opportunities the organization provides to share, celebrate, preserve and cherish the stories and spaces that make Brownington home. Thank you for helping us keep local history alive.

Sincerely,  
 Molly Veysey, Executive Director

## Orleans County Sheriff's Department

### 2022 REPORT – TOWN OF NEWPORT

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department has been honored to provide the **Town of Newport Center** with patrol services this past year. The enclosed chart shows the total incidents, total arrests and traffic violations for your town from January 1st, 2022 through December 30th, 2022.

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department has had the opportunity to work this past year with the United States Marshal's, ATF (Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms), DEA (Department of Drug Enforcement Agency), United States Border Protection/Customs, Homeland Security Investigations, Vermont Drug Task Force, Newport Police Department and Vermont State Police in an effort to make our community a safer place to live and a pleasurable place to come and visit. We will continue to work with our Federal and Local partners to continue with the effort to fight back against violence occurring within our community.

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department continues to be supplemented by the Newport Police Department for dispatching services for nights and weekends. We all continue to be very pleased with the level of service that has been afforded to this department and the towns we serve.

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department participates in the Governor Highway Safety Program and look forward to providing the added coverage to our community in 2023.

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department currently has a Deputy assigned to Lake Region Union High School as their School Resource Officer. Deputy Morrill has done extremely well in the position and has built wonderful relationships with students, staff and families.

We continue to work in partnership with the Newport Restorative Justice Board to maintain a "Drug Take-back" box in our lobby at the Sheriff's Department. The Department has collected approximately 220 lbs of prescriptions in 2022. We also participate with Wal-Mart and Kinney Drugs in Derby on National Drug Take Back Day. Each year this program, in cooperation with the DEA, is responsible for getting hundreds of pounds of drugs out of medicine cabinets and off the street and properly disposed of by incineration.

In December the Sheriff's Department celebrated the 15th anniversary of "Operation Santa". We received generous, overwhelming support from many local area businesses and community members. Thank you! The program helped bring a happy holiday season to over 311 children in our community. We want to once again thank our own Tammy Lacourse who works tirelessly all year to make this a success. If you know of a family or child (children) in need throughout the year with clothing or other needs please contact your school to let them know, if not please contact the Orleans County Sheriff's Department to see if we can help.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer L. Harlow, Sheriff

### TOWN OF NEWPORT - TOTAL LAW INCIDENT REPORT

Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
Accident.....	4
Agency Assist.....	14
Animal Problem.....	2
ATV Incident/Complaint.....	2
Background Investigation.....	1
Burglary.....	1
Citizen Assist.....	11
Citizen Dispute.....	2
Civil Process.....	24
Custodial Interference.....	1
Directed Patrol.....	5
Juvenile Problem.....	2
Motor Assist.....	2
Motor Vehicle Complaint.....	9
Property Check.....	1
Sex Offender Registry Check.....	4
Speed Cart.....	1
Subpoena Service.....	5
Suspicious.....	3
Traffic Stop.....	60
Trespass.....	1
TRO/FRO Service.....	4
Vandalism.....	1
Vin Verification.....	5
Wanted Person.....	2
Welfare Check.....	6
911 Hangup.....	1
<b>Total Incidents for Town of Newport</b>	<b>174</b>

### TOWN OF NEWPORT - TOTAL ARREST REPORT

Driving with Arrest on In-State Warrant.....	1
Burglary.....	1
Driving with a Criminally Suspended License.....	3
Drugs.....	1
Driving Under The Influence.....	1
Eluding A Police Officer.....	1
Grossly Negligent Operation.....	1
Unlawful Mischief.....	1
Violation Of An Abuse Prevention Order.....	1
Violation Of Conditions Of Release.....	1
<b>Total Arrests(by count) for Town of Newport</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Total Arrests (by person) for Town of Newport</b>	<b>9</b>

### TOWN OF NEWPORT - TOTAL TRAFFIC VIOLATION REPORT

<b>Total Traffic Tickets.....</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Total Warnings.....</b>	<b>36</b>



**NORTHEAST KINGDOM HUMAN SERVICES, INC. (NKHS)**

181 Crawford Road – Derby, P. O. Box 724, Newport, VT 05855 • 802-334-6744 or 800-696-4979  
2225 Portland Street, P. O. Box 368, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819 • 802-748-3181 or 800-649-0118

**Emergency Crisis Line 802-334-6744 – 24 hours a day/7 days a week**

**www.nkhs.org**

Thank you **Town of Newport** voters, for your appropriation support at your Town Meetings. Annual appropriations are a vital funding source to provide needed services to residents who cannot otherwise afford care. The 2023 appropriation request of **\$3188** is the same amount voted on at the 2022 Town Meeting. This represents 3.31% of appropriation requests from 48 towns. We offer supportive confidential program services for Emergency/Crisis Services, mental health, addiction, and/or developmental/intellectual disabilities. Our mission is to empower individuals, families, and communities by promoting hope, healing, and support.

**Summary Activity Report July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022:**

- **2887** individuals of all ages in our service area utilized support services.
- **60** individuals **from the Town of Newport** accessed supportive care at NKHS.
- Employees provided **over 94 hours** of community consultation, education, and outreach in community meetings, events, and trainings in NKHS offices, area schools, and businesses at no cost to participants. We offered QPR (Question, Persuade, and Refer) suicide awareness and prevention trainings, Youth Mental Health First Aid, and other educational opportunities to at least 200 Northeast Kingdom community members.
- **552** total dedicated professional employees, **15 from the Town of Newport**, support community members in the Derby or St. Johnsbury offices, the satellite office in Hardwick, telehealth, in homes, in schools, and throughout Northeast Kingdom communities.

Good mental health is important for everyone. As a Designated Agency serving the Vermont's system of care, NKHS has a responsibility for assuring that a comprehensive range of services are available regardless of an individual's ability to pay. A sliding fee scale is available for those in financial need. Northeast Kingdom Human Services is asking the Town of Newport voters to consider helping neighbors, family members, and friends receive the supports they need to live a happy, fulfilling life and be an active and contributing member in your community.

**Thank you so much for your support!**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelsey Stavseth, Executive Director  
Board of Directors  
Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.



Activity Report for Newport Town  
Fiscal Year 2023 – July 2022 – June 2023  
Town Appropriation Request: \$2,200

Since 1976, Umbrella has ensured that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties have access to services that cultivate a Northeast Kingdom where all people thrive free from abuse and oppression. 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:

**Social Change** focuses on prevention education and initiatives in schools and in the community that aim towards preventing gender-based violence, and creating a community where abuse and oppression are acknowledged and addressed. One of our strategies is to provide pathways for girls to work within this social change and prevention field through the Youth in Power Program. In FY22, we provided 1865 youth with educational workshops throughout our 17 school partners. We provided 214 adults with educational programs through 12 workshops and 5 advocacy training sessions.

**Advocacy Program** serves survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, teen dating violence, as well as violence related to gender or sexual orientation - which in total we characterize as gender-based violence. In our work, the client leads and we support them in any way they need us to including legal advocacy, housing advocacy, support with parenting after trauma and more. In FY22, 633 individuals received direct advocacy, 65 adults and 39 children were housed in our emergency shelters as a result of fleeing domestic or sexual violence and 25 people were housed in our Transitional Housing program.

**Family Based Services** focuses on child-care and strengthening family relationships. *Kingdom Child Care Connection (KCCC)* assists families in the Northeast Kingdom to receive subsidized childcare, appropriate child care referrals and specialized childcare placement support. *The Family Room* offers supervised visitation for families throughout the Northeast Kingdom. In FY22, KCCC served 732 families and the Family Room worked with 50 families, serving 70 children.

**Economic Empowerment** serves women with significant barriers to employment in Orleans and Northern Essex Counties. Our *Cornucopia* program, and our social enterprise, *Dolcetti* each wrap around women to support them in building job readiness skills while helping them to address challenges in their lives so they are able to move towards financial self-sufficiency. In FY22 as part of the skill-building program, participants packaged and prepared 30,453 meals for homebound seniors through Meals on Wheels.

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 69 households in Newport Town were served by Umbrella in Fiscal Year 2022 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 Newport Town's support.

Respectfully,  
Amanda Cochrane, Executive Director

## Rural Community Transportation

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT), is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which has provided public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, and Essex Counties since 1991, and now serves Lamoille County. RCT operates fare-free shuttle and commuter bus routes, allowing connections between towns in our region and the ability to travel throughout Vermont and beyond. RCT also provides demand-response transportation services under several programs, such as Medicaid, the Elderly & Disabled program, and Rides 2 Wellness.

RCT runs four commuter routes to enhance access to employment, connecting Morrisville to the towns of Barre and Waterbury, and St. Johnsbury to Montpelier and to Littleton. We operate three shuttle routes tying Morrisville, Newport/Derby, and St. Johnsbury/Lyndonville residents and nearby Vermonters to essential locations, from grocery stores to medical centers. Shopping routes provide similar service spanning Morrisville and Stowe in the west, Newport and surrounding towns in the north, and Lyndon to New Hampshire in the east. Our neighbors who utilized over 130,000 rides in FY2022 have expressed their gratitude and noted their dependence on our services.

As COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed and Vermont moves forward, RCT remains committed to providing safe, reliable, accessible, and affordable transportation, and continues to be responsive to the safety needs of riders, including those who may not have another means of pandemic-sensitive transportation.

RCT gratefully benefits from a robust and growing volunteer program, with sixty volunteers providing rides to neighbors and those needing non-shuttle transportation to access vital services. We depend on our volunteers to help meet the needs of their neighbors near and far.

RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, our funding sources typically require between 20% and 50% locally matched dollars. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required local match, and are therefore crucial to RCT's operations. Your generosity allows RCT to transform your funding into the ability to thrive, grow, and provide your community with reliable quality transportation service.

Jessy M Pelow  
Office Administrator  
jpelow@riderct.org  
802-748-8170 x.1319



For over 44 years, the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging has been a valued and trusted resource for older Vermonters to age independently, their way. 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 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 14 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 320 volunteers who serve as home-delivered meal drivers, wellness program leaders, friends who make neighborly check-in phone calls, and home-based caregivers.

Our service area extends across the entire Northeast Kingdom, all Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans counties. During this past year, 65 residents of Newport Town 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, our e-learning portals Trualta and GetSetUp, fuel assistance, and transportation, among other services. Our website [www.nekcouncil.org](http://www.nekcouncil.org) provides information on many of our programs and services.

We sincerely thank the residents of Newport Town 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 Helpline: 800-642-5119 or (802) 748-5182.

Meg Burmeister  
Executive Director  
[www.nekcouncil.org](http://www.nekcouncil.org)

The staff at the NEK Council on Aging wish to extend a special note of thanks to all the residents of the towns that supported us with an appropriation or donation during the COVID-19 pandemic. Requests for our services increased substantially and we remain grateful for the support of our friends in the Northeast Kingdom as we continue to help elder Vermonters to age positively.

## Orleans County Citizen Advocacy



*"Our Mission is to create and support relationships between community volunteers and individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities so that all are heard, empowered and fully included in the community. We strive to engage all members in opportunities that enhance quality of life."*

Dear Newport Town Voters,

Orleans County Citizen Advocacy (OCCA) was founded in 1988 to promote friendships between individuals with developmental disabilities and community volunteers. Through one to one matches, we help our members build empowering relationships where each person is respected, included, and heard.

In the last few years, in order to address challenges of isolation and loneliness brought on by the covid pandemic, we have attempted to increase meaningful opportunities for community inclusion by offering a variety of in-person and online activities. However, we continue to face obstacles to meeting the diverse unmet needs of people with disabilities in our communities.

To address these needs, OCCA has begun a brand-new program to create a "hotline" for anyone in Orleans County with developmental disabilities (or their caregivers) to call for help. Our goal is to assist people who may fall through the cracks between what private and public support networks provide. We intend to get the hotline up and running in the beginning of 2023 with a robust publicity campaign. We will periodically evaluate and adjust our program to ensure effectiveness. We encourage anyone who is interested in volunteering for any of our programs to contact us.

Since its inception, OCCA has continued to function without any federal or state funding. We have a small budget and low overhead. Our activities are funded through town appropriations, donations and small grants. All appropriations stay in Orleans County and directly impact and benefit our neighbors. We thank Newport Center voters for your past support, and once again are asking for an appropriation of \$500.

Best Wishes,  
Rich Ossias      Ann Stannard  
Co-Chairs, OCCA Board of Directors

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT



NEK Broadband had a successful and busy year. Construction continued throughout 2022, and customers in Concord, Waterford, and Lunenburg were connected to our fiber-optic internet network! We prepared multiple grant applications, received significant funding from a multitude of sources, and were able to procure and purchase a majority of the materials needed to continue construction throughout our district.

## PREPARING FOR CONSTRUCTION

- We purchased over 700 miles of fiber optic cable.
- More than \$2 million in hardware and equipment was ordered.
- We submitted the necessary applications to eight electric and communication utility companies, giving us access to more than 12,000 utility poles spread over 500 miles of roadways in 24 towns. We are now able to prepare these poles for installation.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

2022 Budget to Actual (Projected)			2023 Proposed Budget	
NEK BROADBAND	BUDGET	ACTUAL (Projected)		
Administrative Grant Revenue	\$494,750	\$762,065	Administrative Grant Revenue	\$2,252,718
Operations Revenue	\$203,000	\$49,138	Operations Revenue	\$747,767
Capital Grant Revenue	\$26,006,250	\$5,565,444	Capital Grant Revenue	\$28,785,288
<b>Total Cash In</b>	<b>\$26,703,000</b>	<b>\$6,377,567</b>	<b>Total Cash In</b>	<b>\$31,930,789</b>
Administrative Cost	\$494,750	\$617,969	Administrative Cost	\$1,847,193
Operational Cost	\$215,900	\$97,353	Operational Cost	\$566,601
Construction Cost	\$25,705,000	\$5,565,444	Construction Cost	\$28,785,288
<b>Total Cash Out</b>	<b>\$26,415,650</b>	<b>\$6,280,766</b>	<b>Total Cash Out</b>	<b>\$31,219,081</b>
Annual Net Cash Flow	\$403,134	\$96,801	Annual Net Cash Flow	\$711,707
Increase in Capital Assets	\$25,705,000	\$5,565,444	Increase in Capital Assets	\$28,785,288



## GRANTS & FINANCING

- This year, the Vermont Community Broadband Board (VCBB) approved \$8,023,915 in Pre-Construction Grants and \$20,865,889 in Construction Grants.
- We secured American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Recovery Funds from 13 towns, totaling \$941,750 plus an added \$941,750 in matching funds from the VCBB.
- We secured and completed a USDA Rural Business Development Grant to build seven miles, serving 90 premises.

## BUILDING CAPACITY

- We hired three full-time employees in 2022, and are in the process of hiring additional staff.
- Contracts have been finalized with all major construction and operations companies.
- We secured warehouses in both Saint Johnsbury and Brighton.

## CONSTRUCTION AND SERVICE PROJECTED GROWTH BY YEAR



**432** 

**SERVICE AVAILABILITY**  
OUR SERVICE IS AVAILABLE TO 432 ADDRESSES IN CONCORD, WATERFORD, AND LUNENBURG.

**36** 

**MILES BUILT**  
IN 2022, WE BUILT 36 MILES OF OUR NETWORK THROUGHOUT THE NEK BROADBAND DISTRICT.

## ABOUT NEK BROADBAND

We are a Communications Union District (CUD), a municipal entity representing our 51 member communities in Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans counties, plus Wolcott in Lamoille County. Our district is building high-speed broadband internet infrastructure for underserved communities in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont.

## SIGN UP FOR UPDATES

To order our service, get updates, or sign up for our newsletter, fill out the form at [get.nekbroadband.org](http://get.nekbroadband.org).





## Orleans Essex VNA and Hospice, Inc.

SERVICE REPORT FY 2022

Orleans Essex Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Hospice, Inc. provides professional quality home health services to the residents of the 24 communities in Orleans and northern Essex counties. We serve the elderly, homebound and chronically ill through the VNA and homemaker programs and the terminally ill through our Hospice program. Special programs include a variety of clinics available to the public. As the only not-for-profit agency serving the area, our services are available to anyone in need regardless of their ability to pay and all clients are charged the same fee for the same service. We are locally controlled by a volunteer Board of Directors representing the towns we serve. We adhere to strict regulations, which prohibit the practice of charging more to a client who can afford services to compensate for those who cannot. All revenue, by law, goes back into the Agency to provide, maintain, and improve services and programs.

### SUMMARY OF SERVICES:

Total Agency Visits FY 2022 .....	41,113
Total Visits FY 2022 -Town of Newport .....	1,471

During Fiscal Year 2022, home based services were provided to 61 individuals in Newport Center for a total of 1,471 multi-disciplinary visits. 16 residents received services through Agency-sponsored wellness programs.

Appropriation Request for 2023 .....	\$4,200.00
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Members of your community are in need of services daily and they receive them from the dedicated staff of the Orleans Essex VNA and Hospice, seven days a week, 24-hours a day. The funds your community appropriates to our Agency allow us to continue providing much needed care to individuals without third party insurance and those unable to pay, and provide special programs open to all community members. The Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice is supported by donations, service fees, and the generosity of communities who realize that in order to continue providing high quality home health services to their family members, friends, and neighbors, appropriations are desperately needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Newport Local Health Office Annual Report 2022

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. Your district office is at the address and phone number above. We provide essential services and resources to towns in Essex and Orleans Counties in order to protect and promote the health and well-being of people in Vermont. For example, in the past year and beyond, the Newport Local Health Office:

**Protected communities from COVID-19:** Since the pandemic began three years ago our doors have remained open, and we've been able to serve communities thanks to individuals, families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless others that worked with us to meet the needs of local towns. We provided vaccine, testing, and information, along with other key public health services.

**Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease:** In collaboration with community partners, since COVID-19 response efforts began, we hosted over 70 COVID-19 vaccination clinics and provided over 7,370 COVID-19 doses. Since August 2021, all local health offices have also documented and helped manage 8,125 COVID-19-related situations, including 1,271 COVID-19 outbreaks.

**Ensured local preparedness for future emergencies:** We worked with partners like schools, hospitals, and emergency personnel to ensure effective pandemic response and support preparedness to distribute medicine, supplies, and information during public health emergencies. This year, we responded to the emergence of human monkeypox virus by sharing information and providing vaccine to community members.

**Stayed attentive to people and communities most underserved:** We provided services and resources to people who are more likely to experience adverse health outcomes due to health inequities. For example, we provided vaccine at schools without access, shelters, meal, and food distribution sites, farms, and more.

**Collaborated with Town Health Officers around environmental health:** To help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health, we collaborated with towns and other local partners. Find information about environmental health including lead, cyanobacteria (blue-green algae), food safety, drinking water, climate change, healthy homes, healthy schools, and more at [www.healthvermont.gov/environment](http://www.healthvermont.gov/environment).

**Provided WIC services and resources to families and children:** Provided WIC nutrition education and support to 1,068 individuals between July 1, 2021 and June 31, 2022, while enabling them to save on groceries so they can have more to spend on other things their family needs. WIC also empowers families with breastfeeding/chestfeeding support and provides referrals to other health and nutrition services. Learn more at [www.healthvermont.gov/wic](http://www.healthvermont.gov/wic).

**Supported student health and youth empowerment:** According to the Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 59% percent of students in Essex County and 45% in Orleans County agree or strongly agree that they "believe they matter to people in their community." The state average is 58%. Regionally, efforts like mentoring and after-school enrichment programs help to ensure youth feel valued and included.

**Promoted health in all policies:** Health is not just individual behaviors and access to care, it's also housing, transportation, food access, education, natural resources, and other social determinants of health. We worked with towns, schools, worksites, healthcare providers, and other community organizations to establish plans, policies, and programming that improve health and wellness. To achieve health, we must continue to work together to improve opportunities for health across all sectors and periods of our lives.

Learn more about what we do at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local/Newport>

## Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2022 by processing less recycling compared to 2021 – 2,579 tons in 2022 compared to 2,952 tons in 2021. While most commodities showed decreases of about 40 tons, compostable material led the decline in commodities with a drop of 182 tons compared to 2021. Scrap metal and battery tonnages were nearly identical in 2021 and 2022. Recycling markets were very strong for nearly all of 2022, but took a dramatic drop in the last quarter.

The District ended 2022 with a surplus of \$5,604.53. Revenues in 2022 were 6.63% above projections, while expenses were 5.98% above projections. The District continued to benefit from the after affects of the pandemic through elevated commodity prices. Surcharge revenue was the primary driver for strong revenues in 2022. Some fees used to generate revenues will increase headed into 2023. The reintroduction of employer sponsored health insurance and an inflation rate of over 7% are the drivers of these increases in 2023. The per capita assessment will increase from \$0.84/person to \$1.06/person, and the surcharge will increase a dollar from \$24.99/ton to \$25.99/ton. Hauling fees and fees for tire management will remain unchanged in 2023.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District membership in 2022. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3rd in the state behind only the Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The NEKWMD is entering 2022 with a proposed budget of \$846,615.50 – an increase of 4.6% compared to 2021.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and two part-time employees in 2022. 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.

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 47,600 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

## 2023 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 13</b>	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Corinth Transfer Station</b>
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 20</b>	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Waterford Transfer Station</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 24</b>	12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Glover Transfer Station</b>
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 3</b>	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Derby Recycling Center</b>
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 17</b>	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Jay Transfer Station</b>
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 15</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	<b>Maidstone 1342 Rte. 102</b>
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 5</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	<b>Cabot Recycling Center</b>
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 19</b>	8:00 a.m. – 1:00p.m.	<b>Westmore Transfer Station</b>
<b>SATURDAY, SEPT. 16</b>	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Lyndon Recycling Center</b>

**The NEKWMD reserves the right to terminate any collection early in the event that we are at storage capacity.**

**\*HHW Collections are free and open to residents of all DISTRICT TOWNS\***

Please limit HHW disposal at listed events to 20 gallons. If you have more than 20 gallons, or are a business, please call our office to schedule an appointment at our Lyndonville facility, May 2 – Oct. 5, 2023.

**Not going to be able to make any of these dates? NOT A PROBLEM!** The NEKWMD will be accepting these materials by appointment at our Lyndonville facility from May 2, 2023 to October 5, 2023. Due to regulatory handling requirements, hazardous wastes will not be accepted without an appointment. Scheduling ahead ensures that a qualified individual will be on-site ready to accept your hazardous waste.

What are *Household Hazardous Products*? They are consumer products that contain ingredients that **may be**:

**Toxic**- poisonous if eaten, breathed, or absorbed through the skin

**Corrosive**- can burn or destroy living tissue if spilled on skin

**Reactive**- creates fumes, heat, or explosion hazards if mixed with certain materials such as water

**Explosive**- can explode with exposure to heat or pressure

**Flammable/Ignitable**- can easily be set on fire

To determine if a product in your home is hazardous, check the label for the following words:

Danger indicates that the substance is extremely flammable, corrosive, or toxic.

Poison means that the substance is highly toxic.

Caution/Warning is put on all other hazardous substances that are a somewhat lesser hazard, but are still dangerous if the directions are not followed closely.

Conditionally Exempt Generator businesses can also use the Lyndonville collections for the actual cost of the disposal of their materials. Please call ahead for pricing and an appointment.

**CONTACT THE NEKWMD IF YOU HAVE ITEMS, YOU CANNOT IDENTIFY**

**802-626-3532 or 800-734-4602 or [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org)**

The NEKWMD hazardous waste collection program is made possible in part by a grant from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. This year's grant totaled \$74,074.00



## Acceptable HHW Materials

### HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- AEROSOLS
- AIR FRESHENERS
- AMMONIA
- ARTS AND CRAFTS SUPPLIES
- BLEACH
- CLEANERS (INCLUDES: DRAIN, OVEN, FLOOR, WINDOW, TOILET, RUG, ETC.)
- DISINFECTANTS
- METAL & FURNITURE POLISH
- MOTHBALLS
- MERCURY THERMOMETERS
- NAIL POLISH & REMOVER
- NI-CD, LITHIUM, MI-MH, AND BUTTON CELL BATTERIES
- SPOT & STAIN REMOVERS
- ALKALINE BATTERIES \*

### GARDEN SUPPLIES

- CREOSOTE
- DIOXINS
- FERTILIZERS
- FLEA KILLERS
- FUNGICIDES
- HERBICIDES
- INSECT SPRAYS
- MURIATIC ACID
- NO-PEST STRIPS
- PESTICIDES
- RODENT KILLERS

### GARAGE

- ANTIFREEZE
- BRAKE FLUID \*
- CORROSIVES
- CAR WAXES AND CLEANERS
- ENGINE DEGREASERS
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS \*
- GASOLINE/DRY GAS
- KEROSENE
- LEAD-ACID CAR BATTERIES \*
- LIGHTER FLUID
- OIL-BASED PAINT
- LATEX-BASED PAINT
- PAINT THINNER
- PROPANE CYLINDERS
- SEALANTS
- STAINS/STRIPPERS
- SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS
- TRANSMISSION FLUID \*
- WOOD PRESERVATIVES
- USED MOTOR OIL AND FILTERS \*

\* ALSO ACCEPTED AT OIL AND BATTERY STATIONS YEAR ROUND

#### PLEASE DO NOT BRING:

- ASBESTOS
- EXPLOSIVES, INCLUDING GUN POWDER, AMMUNITION
- FLARES
- INFECTIOUS WASTE
- PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
- RADIOACTIVE WASTE, INCLUDING SMOKE DETECTORS
- UNKNOWN GAS CYLINDERS
- EMPTY CONTAINERS

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List of Common Items **NOT ACCEPTED** for Recycling  
Please dispose of the following items in the trash unless otherwise stated.  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT SAFELY AND PROPERLY DISPOSING OF A MATERIAL- CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM  
WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
(802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), e-mail [outreach@nekwmd.org](mailto:outreach@nekwmd.org)

#### 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

Any type

#### 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 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 Food Scraps

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

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### Vital Statistics - 2022

Births.....	24
Marriages.....	11
Deaths .....	22

All vital records are public information and are available at the Town Clerk's office. Recent privacy concerns and the ability to steal identities led us to omit the names from the report.

# 2023 Vaccine Clinics



## **The Animal Doctor**

56 Eastern Avenue, Newport Center, VT

**802.334.1503**

**All Wednesdays in March**  
**10am-12pm**

**Curbside vaccines available for  
all dogs and cats!**

**Please bring previous vaccine records  
for your pets if you have them.**

# Notes