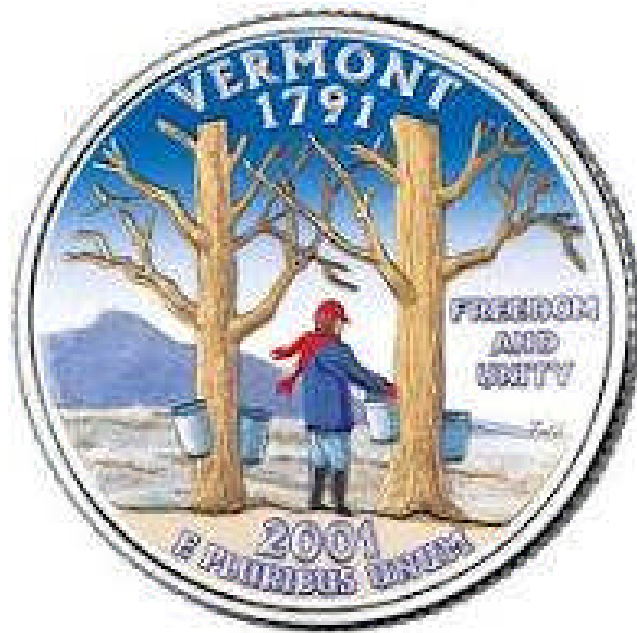


ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF STAMFORD
VERMONT



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

2020

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ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING
Monday, April 19, 2021 7:00 p.m.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 19, 2021 7:30 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTING HOURS
Tuesday, April 20, 2021 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

VOTER REGISTRATION

If you have already registered to vote in Stamford, please check the posted Voter Checklist to verify that your name is on the list. The Same Day Voter Registration Law went into effect on January 1, 2017 in Vermont. Eligible residents will be able to register to vote on any day up to and including election day at the town office or during the hours when the polls are open.

EARLY VOTER ABSENTEE BALLOT

An early or absentee voter, family member, authorized person or health care provider can request an absentee ballot in Vermont, without providing any reason for the request, by telephone, in person or in writing until 5 p.m. on the day before the election. You do not register by party in Vermont. You do not have to tell anyone which party you favor. Ways of voting absentee are:

- Vote in town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Pick up a ballot at the town clerk's office and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before election day or to polling place before 7 p.m. on election day.
- Have ballot mailed to you and mail or take it back to the clerk's office before election day or to polling place before 7 p.m. on election day.
- If disabled or ill, have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home on the day before or the day of the election.

TOWN OFFICE

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor's "Stay Home/Stay Safe" Executive Order and the continuing State of Emergency, the town office has taken prompt action to mitigate the spread of the virus. As a precaution, the Stamford town office is closed to the public until further notice. We will evaluate reopening when the Governor's Executive Order is suspended and the State of Emergency is lifted.

We ask for your patience and cooperation. We thank you for understanding during these unusual time requiring precautions for public safety and health. We believe taking these precautions are the best way to keep our community healthy.

The town office can be reached by telephone (802) 694-1361, fax (802) 694-1636, or email stamfordvt@live.com, and will schedule appointments for any town business that must be conducted in person.

Please visit the town website at www.townofstamfordvermont.org.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

	Term Expires
Town Moderator	
William Levine (1 year term)	2021
School Moderator	
William Levine (1 year term)	2021
Town Clerk	
Lori A. Shepard (3 year term)	2023
Treasurer	
Lori A. Shepard (3 year term)	2023
Selectboard	
Carol A. Fachini (3 year term)	2023
Christopher Warren (3 year term) (vacant)	2021
Daniel Potvin (2 year term)	2022
Nancy Bushika (2 year term)	2021
Michael Denault (3 year term)	2022
School Directors	
Kelly Holland (3 year term)	2021
Barbara Malinowski (2 year term)	2022
Erika Bailey (2 year term)	2021
Helen Fields (3 year term)	2023
Jessica Tatro (3 year term)	2022
Auditors:	
Vacancy (1 year term)	2021
Vacancy (2 year term)	2022
Vacancy (3 year term)	2023
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	
Sally A. Bohl (1 year term)	2021
Cemetery Commissioners	
David McKay (3 year term)	2021
Sally A. Bohl (3 year term)	2023
Janice Farinon (3 year term)	2022
Library Trustees	
Danielle Smith (5 year term)	2025
Tyna L. Senecal (5 year term)	2022
Barbara Goldstein (5 year term) (vacant)	2021
Linda Rodovick (5 year term)	2023
Caroline S. Burch (5 year term)	2024

	Term Expires
Justices of the Peace	
Sally A. Bohl	January 31, 2023
Rosemarie Curran	January 31, 2023
Peter Grudin	January 31, 2023
Angela Brothers	January 31, 2023
Tyna L. Senecal	January 31, 2023

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Zoning Administrator	
Ryan Rush-Booth (3 year term)	2023

Board of Adjustment	
Theodore N. Dobbert (3 year term)	2023
Peter Grudin (3 year term)	2021
Jean Kurpiel (3 year term)	2022
David L. Saldo (3 year term)	2021
Sheila G. Lawrence (3 year term)	2022

Emergency Management Director	
William Levine (1 year term)	2021

Emergency Management Coordinator	
Vacant (1 year term)	2021

Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator	
Vacant (1 year term)	2021

Dog Officer	
Luke McKay (1 year term)	2021

Energy Coordinator	
Jennifer Hughs (1 year term)	2021

Septic Officer	
Maura Hawkins (1 year term)	2021

Planning Commission	
Debra Burchard (4 year term)	2021
Sheila G. Lawrence (4 year term)	2022
Kurt Gamari (4 year term)	2024
Daniel J. Potvin (4 year term)	2023
David L. Saldo (4 year term)	2021
Helen F. Fields (4 year term)	2023
Aaron Malachuck (4 year term)	2024
John Dupras (4 year term)	2021
Jenifer Hughs (4 year term)	2022
Annemarie Potvin, alternate (1 year term)	2021

Conservation Commission

Martin Cristofolini (4 year term)	2021
David L. Saldo (4 year term)	2023
Kurt Gamari (4 year term)	2024
Sheila G. Lawrence (4 year term)	2022
Vacancy (4 year term)	2021
Vacancy (4 year term)	2024
Vacancy (4 year term)	2024

Road Commissioner

David R. Tatro (1 year term)	2021
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Tree Warden

Bruce Richardson (1 year term)	2021
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Bennington County Regional Commission

David R. Tatro (1 year term)	2021
Daniel J. Potvin (1 year term)	2021

Green Up Day Coordinator

Patricia Sullivan (1 year term)	2021
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Community Projects Committee

Patricia Sullivan
Helen Fields
Clay Zeller-Townson

APPOINTED BY STATE (with recommendation)

Fire Warden

Charles Dolle	June 30, 2021
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Deputy Fire Warden

Harry Klein	June 30, 2021
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Health Officer

Eunice Rice (3 year term)	March 31, 2023
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

School District meeting, 7 p.m.	April 19, 2021
Town meeting, 7:30 p.m.	April 19, 2021
Local election, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.	April 20, 2021
Dogs must be licensed with the town	April 1, 2021
Recycling cards renew	November 1, 2021
Property taxes are due	November 18, 2021

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Bennington County Sheriff's Department

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Vermont State Police

(802) 442-5421

Selectboard Meeting

The Stamford Selectboard meets at 6 p.m. in the town office on the first and third Thursday of each month.

School Director's Meeting

The Stamford School Directors meet remotely at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month.

Recycling Center

Saturday 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Summer – last Wednesday in April to the last Wednesday in October: 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Taxes

Taxes are due on the third Thursday of November by 8 p.m. If not received in the treasurer's office by the date due, they become delinquent and are subject to 8% penalty and interest at the rate of 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% for each month thereafter.

Stamford Elementary School (802) 694-1379

Stamford Community Library

Current curbside pickup hours are Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Internet access is available in the library parking lot. Regular hours will be announced when the library reopens for browsing. Our contact information is as follows:

Phone: 413-663-1414 Call or Text

Email: StamLibrary@gmail.com

Website: www.stamfordlibrary.org

AUDITING STATEMENT

The firm of Love, Cody & Company, Certified Public Accountants, conducted an audit for the Town of Stamford's cash receipts and disbursements for the year 2020. The financial statements, supplementary information and auditors' report are available for inspection in the town office during regular office hours.

WARNING FOR TOWN OF STAMFORD

The Legal Voters of the Town of Stamford, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the outside area in front of the Stamford Community Library in said Stamford at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021, to vote on the Articles of the Town Warrant. The meeting will then be adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at the Stamford Community Room at which time Article 1 will be transacted by ballot.

Vermont law imposes requirements to ensure that elderly and disabled persons have access to polling places and town meeting. Individuals requesting alternative accommodations should contact the town clerk's office prior to the town meeting so that arrangements can be made in advance.

Article 1: To elect the following Town Officers:

- Town Moderator - 1 year term
- School Moderator - 1 year term
- Selectboard member - 2 year term
- Selectboard member - 3 year term
- School Director - 2 year term
- School Director - 3 year term
- Auditor - 1 year term
- Auditor - 2 year term
- Auditor - 3 year term
- Collector of Delinquent Taxes - 1 year term
- Cemetery Commissioner - 3 year term
- Library Trustee - 5 year term

Article 2: Shall the Town of Stamford use at least twenty five (25) percent of the 2020 positive town and highway fund balances to reduce the raise and appropriate?

Article 3: Shall the Town of Stamford authorize the expenditure of \$759,299.00 (General Expenses of \$285,778.00 and Highway Expenses of \$473,521.00) and if so, raise and appropriate \$648,409.00 through taxes and \$110,890.00 from anticipated revenues (less Article 2 if passed)?

Article 4: Shall the Town of Stamford authorize the Selectboard to sell town owned property to any interested buyer providing the interested buyer is not a property tax exempt entity?

Article 5: Shall the Town of Stamford borrow a sum not to exceed \$230,000.00 for the purpose of resurfacing the following roads: The Lane, Henry Hill, Jepson Road, Clough Road, Lincoln Road, and Robillard Road, said sum to be repaid over a five (5) year period?

Article 6: Shall the Town of Stamford replace the two older plow trucks with a new truck and borrow a sum not to exceed \$110,000.00 to be financed over a term of 5 years?

Article 7: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate \$3,925.00 for the maintenance and improvement of the town cemeteries?

Article 8: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate \$30,128.00 for the operation of the Town portion of the library?

Article 9: Shall the Town of Stamford exempt from taxation the Stamford Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for a period of five years per 32 V.S.A., Ch. 125-3840?

Article 10: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate \$54,025.00 for the operation of the Stamford Volunteer Fire Company?

Article 11: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 to deposit into the fire truck replacement account?

Article 12: Shall the Town of Stamford appropriate a total of \$1,600.00 to the following agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691?

\$700.00	Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging
\$500.00	BROC – COMMUNITY ACTION IN SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT (formerly Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council, Inc.
\$100.00	Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program (formerly known as Northern Vermont and George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Councils)
\$250.00	American Red Cross of Vermont and the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region
\$ 50.00	Green Up Vermont

Article 13: Do the Stamford voters desire to have the all-purpose room/gym as a community room for community events?

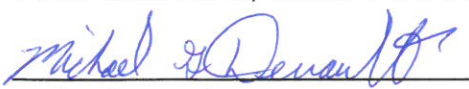
Article 14: Do the Stamford voters desire to have patrol services of the Bennington County Sheriff Dept.?

Article 15: Should the 8% penalty for delinquent tax payments be eliminated and replaced with a flat \$50.00 penalty fee and monthly interest of 1% for first 3 months and 1.5% thereafter if not received in the town office by the due date?


Article 16: Following the COVID-19 guidelines for physical access to public places, do the Stamford voters desire to have physical access to the Stamford Community Library?

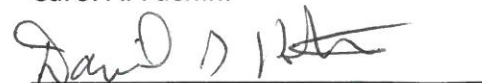
To transact any non-binding business deemed necessary and proper when met.

Dated at Stamford, Vermont this 18th day of March, 2021.


Michael Denault


Carol A. Fachini


Nancy L. Bushika


Daniel J. Potvin

**WARNING – WARRANT
STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Legal Voters of the Town School District of Stamford, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the School Hall in said Stamford at 7:00 p.m. on Monday April 19, 2021 to vote on the Articles of the Town School District Warning. The meeting will be adjourned until Tuesday April 20, 2021 at which time Articles I, II & III will be transacted by Australian Ballot between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Article I

To elect a Moderator.

Article II

To elect a School Director for (2) years.

Article III

To elect a School Director for three (3) years.

Article IV

To see if the voters of the School District shall approve the School Board to expend \$1,898,455 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 \$16,238 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6.4% higher than spending for the current year.

Article V

To see if the Stamford Town School District will vote to authorize the School Directors to borrow money on the notes of the Town School District or otherwise in anticipation of taxes.

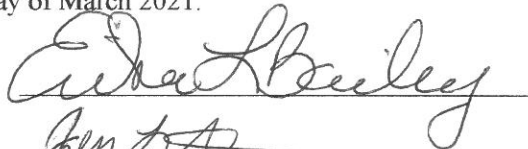
Article VI

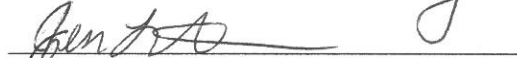
To see if the Stamford Town School District will vote to appropriate \$10,000 necessary for the upgrade of the heating control system at the Stamford School for the year beginning July 1, 2021.

Article VII

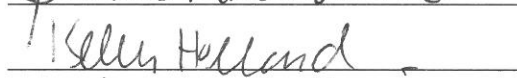
To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Stamford, Vermont this 15th day of March 2021.











SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Town of Stamford
Revenue Report
Calendar year ending December 31, 2020

Account	Description	2020 Budget	Income	Over/ (Under)	
				Budget	2021 Budget
100-6-00-01	Taxes				
100-6-00-01-000.015	National Forest (PILT)	\$32,000.00	\$34,508.00	\$2,508.00	\$32,000.00
100-6-00-01-000.020	State Owned Property	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
100-6-00-01-000.021	Sale of Town Property	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-6-00-01-000.025	Use Value	\$9,000.00	\$10,466.00	\$1,466.00	\$9,000.00
100-6-00-01-000.040	Property Tax Abatements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$41,150.00	\$45,174.00	\$4,024.00	\$41,150.00
100-6-00-02	Interest				
100-6-00-02-000.000	Future Needs Fund Int	\$0.00	\$102.30	\$102.30	\$0.00
140-6-00-02-000.005	Land Sales Fund Interest	\$1,200.00	\$1,652.50	\$452.50	\$1,200.00
100-6-00-02-000.010	Money Market Interest	\$150.00	\$317.63	\$167.63	\$150.00
100-6-00-02-000.015	Checking Interest	\$100.00	\$61.30	(\$38.70)	\$50.00
100-6-00-02-000.030	Planning Comm Int	\$0.00	\$6.05	\$6.05	\$0.00
120-6-00-02-000.040	Listers Fund - Interest	\$0.00	\$1,491.88	\$1,491.88	\$0.00
130-6-00-02-000.045	Equip Fund Interest	\$0.00	\$22.90	\$22.90	\$0.00
100-6-00-02-000.050	Firetruck Repl Fund Inter	\$0.00	\$409.28	\$409.28	\$0.00
100-6-00-02-000.055	Bldg Com Grp Interest	\$0.00	\$26.40	\$26.40	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$1,450.00	\$4,090.24	\$2,640.24	\$1,400.00
100-6-00-04	Permit & Fees				
100-6-00-04-000.005	Local Fines	\$1,700.00	\$1,303.98	(\$396.02)	\$1,000.00
100-6-00-04-000.010	Beer & Wine Licenses	\$185.00	\$185.00	\$0.00	\$185.00
100-6-00-04-000.015	Driveway Permits	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
100-6-00-04-000.020	Fish & Game Licenses	\$450.00	\$234.00	(\$216.00)	\$250.00
100-6-00-04-000.025	Wildlife Reports	\$40.00	\$39.00	(\$1.00)	\$40.00
100-6-00-04-000.030	Deed Recordings	\$8,000.00	\$9,075.00	\$1,075.00	\$8,000.00
100-6-00-04-000.035	Marriage Licenses	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
100-6-00-04-000.040	Copies Vital Statistics	\$500.00	\$250.00	(\$250.00)	\$250.00
100-6-00-04-000.045	Examination of Records	\$45.00	\$120.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
100-6-00-04-000.050	Cert. & Uncert Copies	\$1,500.00	\$2,615.00	\$1,115.00	\$1,500.00
100-6-00-04-000.060	Miscellaneous Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-6-00-04-000.065	Record Restoration	\$0.00	\$1,431.00	\$1,431.00	\$0.00
100-6-00-04-000.075	Mun Excess Weight Permit	\$100.00	\$140.00	\$40.00	\$100.00
100-6-00-04-000.080	Technology Fund	\$0.00	\$1,431.00	\$1,431.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$12,570.00	\$16,983.98	\$4,413.98	\$11,475.00
100-6-05	Other Revenue				
100-6-05-05-000.001	Penalties and Interest	\$10,000.00	\$11,201.14	\$1,201.14	\$12,000.00
100-6-05-05-000.002	Delinquent Tax Revenue	\$0.00	\$78,406.43	\$78,406.43	\$0.00
100-6-05-05-000.004	Reimb Tax Sale Exp	\$0.00	\$1,375.00	\$1,375.00	\$0.00
100-6-07-05-000.005	Receipts-Dog License	\$1,500.00	\$913.00	(\$587.00)	\$1,500.00
100-6-07-05-000.010	Receipts-Dog Officer & Re	\$0.00	\$47.88	\$47.88	\$0.00
100-6-07-05-000.035	Permits & Appeals-B of A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-6-07-05-000.040	Permits & Appeals-Adm Ofc	\$1,500.00	\$850.00	(\$650.00)	\$1,500.00
100-6-08-05-000.060	COVID/Election Grant Rev.	\$0.00	\$7,304.25	\$7,304.25	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$13,000.00	\$100,097.70	\$87,097.70	\$15,000.00

Town of Stamford
Revenue Report
Calendar year ending December 31, 2020

Account	Description	2020 Budget	Income	Over/ (Under)	
				Budget	2021 Budget
100-6-10-05-000.050	Recycling Receipts-cards	\$7,000.00	\$2,750.00	(\$4,250.00)	\$5,000.00
100-6-10-05-000.055	Recycling Receipts-demo	\$1,000.00	\$234.00	(\$766.00)	\$500.00
100-6-10-05-000.060	Recycling Receipts-return	\$250.00	\$282.80	\$32.80	\$250.00
100-6-10-05-000.070	Recycling Recpt-Hauler Re	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
100-6-15-05-000.070	Receipts-Copier	\$10.00	\$2.25	(\$7.75)	\$5.00
100-6-15-05-000.075	Receipts-Fax	\$25.00	\$115.00	\$90.00	\$50.00
100-6-15-05-000.080	DMV Renewal Fee	\$50.00	\$18.00	(\$32.00)	\$10.00
100-6-20-05-000.099	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$0.00	\$58.66	\$58.66	\$0.00
120-6-30-06-000.005	Listers Education Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
120-6-30-06-000.010	Listers Per Parcel Maint	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
120-6-30-06-000.015	Grand List/Reappraisal	\$9,500.00	\$11,934.35	\$2,434.35	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$17,885.00	\$15,495.06	(\$2,389.94)	\$5,865.00
TOTAL		\$86,055.00	\$181,840.98	\$95,785.98	\$74,890.00

Town of Stamford
Highway Department
Revenue Report
Calendar year ending December 31, 2020

Account	Description	2020 Budget	Income	Over/ (Under)	
				Budget	2021 Budget
200-6-00-07-000.005	State Aid-Highways	\$36,000.00	\$47,092.62	\$11,092.62	\$36,000.00
200-6-00-07-000.030	Miscellaneous Receipts	\$0.00	\$9.67	\$9.67	\$0.00
200-6-00-07-000.045	Better Backroads Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
200-6-00-07-000.050	PACIF Grant Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
200-6-00-07-000.070	Clean Water Act Grant	\$4,000.00	\$6,710.00	\$2,710.00	\$0.00
TOTAL		\$40,000.00	\$53,812.29	\$13,812.29	\$36,000.00

Town of Stamford
Expenditure Report
Calendar year endng December 31, 2020

Account	Description	2020 Budget	Expenditures	Under / (Over) Budget	2021 Budget
100-7-00-00	Administrative Officer				
100-7-00-00-110.000	A.O. Salary	\$1,500.00	\$900.00	\$600.00	\$1,500.00
100-7-00-00-540.000	A.O. Education Fund	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
100-7-00-00-610.000	A.O. Expenses	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
	Subtotal	\$1,700.00	\$900.00	\$800.00	\$1,700.00
100-7-00-05	Auditors				
100-7-00-05-110.000	Auditor Salary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-00-05-320.000	Audit	\$10,450.00	\$10,450.00	\$0.00	\$10,450.00
100-7-00-05-531.000	Postage	\$750.00	\$815.24	(\$65.24)	\$850.00
100-7-00-05-550.000	Town Reports	\$2,250.00	\$2,196.00	\$54.00	\$2,250.00
	Subtotal	\$13,450.00	\$13,461.24	(\$11.24)	\$13,550.00
100-7-00-10	Board of Health				
100-7-00-10-110.000	Health Officer Salary	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-00-10-610.000	Brd of Health Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-00-13	Cemetery (BY WARRANT)				
100-7-00-13-430.000	Cemetery Maintenance	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
100-7-00-13-430.001	Cemetery Mowing	\$2,425.00	\$2,425.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
100-7-00-13-430.005	Cemetery Stone Reserve	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
	Subtotal	\$3,925.00	\$3,925.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-00-20	Conservation Commission				
100-7-00-20-110.000	Conservation Comm Salary	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00
100-7-00-20-610.000	Conservation Comm Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00
100-7-00-25	Del Tax Collector				
100-7-00-25-110.000	Salary-Del Tax Collector	\$2,500.00	\$3,851.65	(\$1,351.65)	\$3,000.00
100-7-00-25-545.000	Delinquent Tax Sale Exp	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
100-7-00-25-610.000	Del Tax Office Expense	\$450.00	\$188.80	\$261.20	\$450.00
	Subtotal	\$5,450.00	\$4,040.45	\$1,409.55	\$3,450.00
100-7-10-10	Dogs				
100-7-10-10-110.000	Dog Officer Salary	\$2,400.00	\$354.00	\$2,046.00	\$2,400.00
100-7-10-10-610.000	License Book & Tags	\$150.00	\$256.55	(\$106.55)	\$275.00
100-7-10-10-610.005	Dog Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$22.88	\$977.12	\$500.00
	Subtotal	\$3,550.00	\$633.43	\$2,916.57	\$3,175.00
100-7-10-35	Elections & Town Meetings				
100-7-10-35-110.000	Ballot Clerks	\$800.00	\$962.53	(\$162.53)	\$250.00
100-7-10-35-110.005	Moderator Salary	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
100-7-10-35-320.000	Law enforcmt elections	\$300.00	\$324.38	(\$24.38)	\$325.00
100-7-10-35-610.000	Ballots	\$20.00	\$22.00	(\$2.00)	\$20.00
100-7-10-35-610.010	Election Expenses/Supplie	\$0.00	\$3,301.34	(\$3,301.34)	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$1,170.00	\$4,660.25	(\$3,490.25)	\$645.00
100-7-12-15	Emergency Management				
100-7-12-15-110.000	Emerg Mgmt Coord Salary	\$75.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
100-7-12-15-530.000	Emerg Mgmt Telephone	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-12-15-540.000	Emerg Mgmt Training	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
100-7-12-15-610.000	Emerg Mgmt Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$251.34	\$748.66	\$1,000.00
100-7-12-15-741.000	Generator Maintenance	\$500.00	\$499.61	\$0.39	\$500.00
	Subtotal	\$1,725.00	\$775.95	\$949.05	\$1,700.00

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Account	Description	2020 Budget	Expenditures	Under / (Over) Budget	2021 Budget
100-7-15-40	Employee Benefits				
100-7-15-40-210.000	Health Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-15-40-220.000	Employer FICA	\$6,820.00	\$6,425.05	\$394.95	\$6,725.00
100-7-15-40-220.005	Employer Medicare	\$1,595.00	\$1,502.74	\$92.26	\$1,575.00
100-7-15-40-221.000	Workmen's Compensation	\$1,745.00	\$1,740.06	\$4.94	\$1,333.00
100-7-15-40-227.000	Medical Life & Disability	\$420.00	\$452.00	(\$32.00)	\$440.00
100-7-15-40-228.000	Vt State Ret System Town	\$3,320.00	\$3,339.34	(\$19.34)	\$3,605.00
100-7-15-40-229.000	Unemployment Compensation	\$100.00	\$98.40	\$1.60	\$155.00
	Subtotal	\$14,000.00	\$13,557.59	\$442.41	\$13,833.00
100-7-20-45	Energy Coordinator				
100-7-20-45-110.000	Energy Coordinator Salary	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-20-45-610.000	Energy Coord. Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-20-55	Fire Dept (BY WARRANT)				
100-7-20-55-621.000	Fire Truck Replacement	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
100-7-20-55-623.000	Fire Dept Appropriation	\$53,025.00	\$53,025.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
	Subtotal	\$73,025.00	\$73,025.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-20-65	Forest Fire Warden				
100-7-20-65-110.000	F Fire Warden Salary	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
100-7-20-65-610.000	F Fire Warden Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
100-7-30-55	Interest				
100-7-30-55-812.000	Int-Tax Anticipation Loan	\$2,600.00	\$2,085.62	\$514.38	\$2,600.00
	Subtotal	\$2,600.00	\$2,085.62	\$514.38	\$2,600.00
100-7-35-57	Law Enforcement				
100-7-35-57-320.000	Law Enforcement-Sheriff	\$33,735.00	\$30,570.17	\$3,164.83	\$33,735.00
	Subtotal	\$33,735.00	\$30,570.17	\$3,164.83	\$33,735.00
100-7-40-55	Library (BY WARRANT)				
100-7-40-55-110.000	Librarian Salary	\$20,625.00	\$14,724.00	\$5,901.00	ARTICLE
100-7-40-55-110.005	Asst Librarian Salary	\$0.00	\$1,287.00	(\$1,287.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-40-55-110.010	Sub Librarian Salary	\$800.00	\$440.67	\$359.33	ARTICLE
100-7-40-55-220.000	FICA-Library	\$1,639.00	\$1,258.62	\$380.38	ARTICLE
100-7-40-55-221.000	Workmen's Compensation	\$109.00	\$108.16	\$0.84	ARTICLE
100-7-40-55-801.000	Library Appropriation	\$7,800.00	\$7,800.00	\$0.00	ARTICLE
	Subtotal	\$30,973.00	\$25,618.45	\$5,354.55	\$0.00
100-7-40-65	Listers				
100-7-40-65-110.003	Assessor Clerk	\$15,000.00	\$9,077.25	\$5,922.75	\$10,000.00
100-7-40-65-110.005	Assessors Fees	\$10,000.00	\$11,385.00	(\$1,385.00)	\$0.00
100-7-40-65-320.000	Listers Software Support	\$3,565.00	\$3,987.36	(\$422.36)	\$4,000.00
100-7-40-65-321.000	Reappraisal Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-40-65-432.000	Listers Mileage	\$100.00	\$39.68	\$60.32	\$100.00
100-7-40-65-532.000	Mapping	\$0.00	\$9,214.35	(\$9,214.35)	\$0.00
100-7-40-65-540.000	Listers Education Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-40-65-610.000	Listers Office Supplies	\$700.00	\$794.55	(\$94.55)	\$700.00
100-7-40-65-610.005	Reappraisal Expense	\$0.00	\$4,960.00	(\$4,960.00)	\$0.00
100-7-40-65-615.000	Abatements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$29,365.00	\$39,458.19	(\$10,093.19)	\$14,800.00

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Account	Description	2020 Budget	Expenditures	Under / (Over) Budget	2021 Budget
100-7-40-75	Planning & Development				
100-7-40-75-110.000	Planning Com Salaries	\$225.00	\$75.00	\$150.00	\$225.00
100-7-40-75-110.005	Salary - Septic Officer	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-40-75-540.000	Planning Com Education	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
100-7-40-75-560.000	Bennington Cty Reg Dues	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
100-7-40-75-610.000	Planning Com Expenses	\$200.00	\$1,128.40	(\$928.40)	\$200.00
100-7-40-75-680.000	Grant Expenses-Plan Com	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$4,550.00	\$5,203.40	(\$653.40)	\$4,550.00
100-7-50-30	Selectboard				
100-7-50-30-110.000	Selectboard Chair Salary	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
100-7-50-30-110.005	Selectboard Member Salary	\$2,880.00	\$3,180.00	(\$300.00)	\$2,880.00
100-7-50-30-110.010	Admin Asst Salary	\$5,875.00	\$4,100.75	\$1,774.25	\$5,000.00
100-7-50-30-322.000	Liability Insurance	\$12,550.00	\$12,563.04	(\$13.04)	\$10,665.00
100-7-50-30-539.000	Legal Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$185.00	\$815.00	\$1,000.00
100-7-50-30-540.005	Sel Education Fund	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$100.00
100-7-50-30-551.000	Sel Bid Advertisement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-50-30-560.000	VLCT Dues	\$2,090.00	\$2,090.00	\$0.00	\$2,090.00
100-7-50-30-610.000	Sel Office Supplies	\$150.00	\$319.00	(\$169.00)	\$350.00
100-7-50-30-610.005	Selectboard Expenses	\$300.00	\$1,876.93	(\$1,576.93)	\$300.00
100-7-50-30-655.000	Sel Tax Sale Purchase	\$3,000.00	\$1,970.97	\$1,029.03	\$3,000.00
	Subtotal	\$28,895.00	\$27,185.69	\$1,709.31	\$26,285.00
100-7-55-75	Solid Waste & Recycling				
100-7-55-75-110.010	Rec Labor-Other Employee	\$2,600.00	\$2,700.00	(\$100.00)	\$2,600.00
100-7-55-75-110.015	Rec Labor-Op & Monitor	\$8,945.00	\$9,072.00	(\$127.00)	\$9,085.00
100-7-55-75-324.005	BCSW Alliance	\$4,495.00	\$3,908.50	\$586.50	\$4,870.00
100-7-55-75-430.000	Rec Repair And Maint	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00
100-7-55-75-610.000	Recycling Expenses	\$30,000.00	\$40,823.22	(\$10,823.22)	\$40,000.00
100-7-55-75-622.000	Recycling Electricity	\$350.00	\$382.18	(\$32.18)	\$400.00
	Subtotal	\$47,390.00	\$56,885.90	(\$9,495.90)	\$59,455.00
100-7-60-77	Taxes				
100-7-60-77-800.000	Bennington County Taxes	\$7,300.00	\$8,140.40	(\$840.40)	\$8,200.00
	Subtotal	\$7,300.00	\$8,140.40	(\$840.40)	\$8,200.00
100-7-70-35	Town Office				
100-7-70-35-110.000	Pay for Unused Days	\$0.00	\$940.00	(\$940.00)	\$0.00
100-7-70-35-110.010	Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$48,880.00	\$50,760.00	(\$1,880.00)	\$52,000.00
100-7-70-35-110.020	Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	\$14,980.00	\$15,088.00	(\$108.00)	\$15,915.00
100-7-70-35-320.005	Record Restoration	\$0.00	\$309.36	(\$309.36)	\$0.00
100-7-70-35-420.000	Software Support & Maint	\$3,550.00	\$3,066.19	\$483.81	\$3,100.00
100-7-70-35-430.000	Equip Maint And Repair	\$0.00	\$800.00	(\$800.00)	\$0.00
100-7-70-35-431.000	Office Equipment Purchase	\$100.00	\$400.49	(\$300.49)	\$100.00
100-7-70-35-530.000	Telephone & Internet	\$1,200.00	\$1,179.25	\$20.75	\$1,200.00
100-7-70-35-531.000	Postage	\$350.00	\$344.28	\$5.72	\$350.00

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Account	Description	2020		Under / (Over)	2021
		Budget	Expenditures	Budget	Budget
100-7-70-35-531.005	Tax Bills and Postage	\$800.00	\$1,406.30	(\$606.30)	\$1,000.00
100-7-70-35-532.000	Travel Expenses	\$300.00	\$481.45	(\$181.45)	\$500.00
100-7-70-35-540.000	Education & Travel Expens	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$500.00
100-7-70-35-541.000	T.O. Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-70-35-560.000	Dues and Memberships	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$0.00	\$55.00
100-7-70-35-610.000	Office Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$1,950.89	(\$950.89)	\$1,000.00
100-7-70-35-610.005	Copier Expense/Supplies	\$550.00	\$605.81	(\$55.81)	\$575.00
100-7-70-35-894.000	Bank & Check Charges	\$150.00	\$219.03	(\$69.03)	\$200.00
	Subtotal	\$72,615.00	\$77,606.05	(\$4,991.05)	\$76,495.00
100-7-80-40	Town Officers Salaries				
100-7-80-40-110.005	Cemetery Comm Salaries	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$75.00
100-7-80-40-110.015	Justice of Peace Salaries	\$125.00	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$125.00
100-7-80-40-110.020	Library Trustees Salaries	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
100-7-80-40-110.030	Tree Warden Salary	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
100-7-80-40-110.050	Bennington Cty Com Salary	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$50.00
100-7-80-40-110.055	Green Up Day Coordinator	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
	Subtotal	\$425.00	\$125.00	\$300.00	\$425.00
100-7-90-50	Zoning Board of Adjust				
100-7-90-50-110.000	ZBA Salaries	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$125.00
100-7-90-50-540.000	ZBA Education	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
100-7-90-50-610.000	ZBA Expenses	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
100-7-90-50-611.000	ZBA Permits & Appeals	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
	Subtotal	\$325.00	\$75.00	\$250.00	\$325.00
100-7-95-99	Miscellaneous				
100-7-95-99-430.000	Mowing	\$2,500.00	\$2,970.00	(\$470.00)	\$2,500.00
100-7-95-99-622.005	Town Lighting	\$3,800.00	\$4,296.16	(\$496.16)	\$4,300.00
100-7-95-99-740.000	Security Monitor	\$135.00	\$133.00	\$2.00	\$135.00
100-7-95-99-801.000	Red Cross (BY WARRANT)	\$0.00	\$250.00	(\$250.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-95-99-801.010	BROC (BY WARRANT)	\$0.00	\$500.00	(\$500.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-95-99-801.035	Town Flags	\$250.00	\$406.95	(\$156.95)	\$250.00
100-7-95-99-801.038	Green Up VT (BY WARRANT)	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-95-99-801.040	VT Rural Fire Prot. (BY WARRANT)	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-95-99-801.050	SW VT Council on Aging (BY WARRANT)	\$0.00	\$700.00	(\$700.00)	ARTICLE
100-7-95-99-812.001	Schl pkg lot loan princip	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00
100-7-95-99-812.002	Schl pkg lot loan interes	\$1,700.00	\$1,419.88	\$280.12	\$1,420.00
	Subtotal	\$20,385.00	\$22,825.99	(\$2,440.99)	\$20,605.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$396,803.00	\$410,858.77	(\$14,055.77)	\$285,778.00

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Account	Description	2020 Budget	Expenditures	Under / (Over) Budget	2021 Budget
200-7-00-55-812.001	Highway LTD Principle	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
200-7-00-55-812.002	Interest on LTD	\$2,700.00	\$1,804.93	\$895.07	\$900.00
200-7-00-95-110.000	Labor-Highway Rd Commiss	\$59,280.00	\$62,814.00	(\$3,534.00)	\$60,320.00
200-7-00-95-110.005	Labor-Equip Op Laborer	\$48,360.00	\$50,754.75	(\$2,394.75)	\$49,920.00
200-7-00-95-110.010	Overtime	\$18,000.00	\$14,104.54	\$3,895.46	\$18,000.00
200-7-00-95-110.015	Labor-Other Employee	\$39,520.00	\$41,097.00	(\$1,577.00)	\$20,000.00
200-7-00-95-110.025	Compensation for Unused T	\$0.00	\$674.50	(\$674.50)	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-210.000	Highway Health Ins	\$82,310.00	\$82,611.58	(\$301.58)	\$63,392.00
200-7-00-95-220.000	Highway FICA	\$10,697.00	\$10,435.47	\$261.53	\$9,535.00
200-7-00-95-220.001	Highway Medicare	\$2,502.00	\$2,440.57	\$61.43	\$2,230.00
200-7-00-95-221.000	Highway Workmen's Comp	\$9,835.00	\$11,920.78	(\$2,085.78)	\$10,385.00
200-7-00-95-226.000	Uniforms	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
200-7-00-95-227.000	Medical Life & Disability	\$1,300.00	\$1,274.45	\$25.55	\$850.00
200-7-00-95-228.000	Highway VT State Retireme	\$10,140.00	\$9,955.31	\$184.69	\$8,195.00
200-7-00-95-229.000	Highway Unemployment Comp	\$555.00	\$557.60	(\$2.60)	\$874.00
200-7-00-95-320.000	Outside Services	\$1,800.00	\$1,600.00	\$200.00	\$1,800.00
200-7-00-95-380.000	Muni Road Permit fee	\$900.00	\$740.00	\$160.00	\$900.00
200-7-00-95-430.000	Highway Maintenance	\$20,000.00	\$12,406.66	\$7,593.34	\$20,000.00
200-7-00-95-430.005	Building-Maint & Repair	\$500.00	\$218.90	\$281.10	\$500.00
200-7-00-95-430.010	Equipment-Maint & Repair	\$25,000.00	\$33,596.83	(\$8,596.83)	\$30,000.00
200-7-00-95-540.000	Education	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
200-7-00-95-610.005	Tools	\$500.00	\$146.84	\$353.16	\$500.00
200-7-00-95-622.000	Utilities	\$1,700.00	\$1,408.66	\$291.34	\$1,700.00
200-7-00-95-624.000	Heat-Town Garage	\$3,000.00	\$2,855.85	\$144.15	\$3,000.00
200-7-00-95-626.000	Fuel-Equipment	\$15,000.00	\$10,885.79	\$4,114.21	\$15,000.00
200-7-00-95-740.000	Highway Pave & Cold Patch	\$1,500.00	\$885.15	\$614.85	\$1,500.00
200-7-00-95-740.005	Equip Replacement Fund	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
200-7-00-95-740.008	2017 Freightlnr loan pmt	\$25,000.00	\$24,457.92	\$542.08	\$12,230.00
200-7-00-95-740.010	Highway Equip Purchase	\$1,000.00	\$639.98	\$360.02	\$1,000.00
200-7-00-95-740.020	2019 FrtlNr LSF loan repm	\$17,440.00	\$17,438.96	\$1.04	\$17,240.00
200-7-00-95-741.000	PACIF Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-742.000	Highway Sand	\$30,000.00	\$33,386.09	(\$3,386.09)	\$35,000.00
200-7-00-95-744.000	Highway Salt-Winter	\$30,000.00	\$29,996.50	\$3.50	\$35,000.00
200-7-00-95-746.000	Calcium Chloride	\$3,000.00	\$3,723.72	(\$723.72)	\$3,000.00
200-7-00-95-748.000	Culverts	\$3,000.00	\$3,095.90	(\$95.90)	\$3,000.00
200-7-00-95-749.000	Street Signs	\$500.00	\$432.37	\$67.63	\$500.00
200-7-00-95-752.000	Structure's Program	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-758.000	Better Backroads Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-760.000	Clean Water Act Grant	\$0.00	\$5,264.00	(\$5,264.00)	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-775.000	Garage Septic System	\$0.00	\$622.00	(\$622.00)	\$0.00
200-7-00-95-999.000	Highway Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$826.35	(\$326.35)	\$500.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES		\$512,789.00	\$522,173.95	(\$9,384.95)	\$473,521.00

SELECTBOARD'S REPORT

2020, the year of COVID-19 and learning to do "it" a different way than it's always been done has tested everyone. Complying with state laws, state guidance, open meeting laws and keeping the town office and highway department operating, and trying a new normal, has been a challenge for the town employees, appointed volunteers and elected officials. All employees and board members have tried to comply in various and inventive ways to accommodate our residents even though the town office has been closed, keep the highway department running, and holding meetings in various locations and with various mediums. We are all still trying to work out the best solution to keep the town running smoothly in these difficult times and creating better channels of communicating with the public.

In the spring, parcel mapping of the town was completed by Cartographic Technologies, Inc. (CTI) for the State of Vermont Agency of Transportation. Because this firm had just completed the mapping for the state, the board felt it was more economical to hire the same firm for town mapping. Therefore, our assessor, sent notices to those whose acreages have changed due to the parcel mapping. Once the mapping has been finalized, the assessor will be working on the reappraisal for the 2022 Grand List.

This year the selectboard approved joining the Deerfield Valley Communications Union District (DVCUD) along with 18 other Southern Vermont towns. Their mission is to secure reliable, affordable high-speed internet service for everyone in the 19 town district. The current pandemic has shown the need for better internet service to allow for remote learning and working from home. As a first step and with the aid of a state grant, the DVCUD has contracted with a firm to survey existing utility poles. Representatives from each town are working tirelessly to achieve reliable internet service, but it will take a few years to achieve this goal.

The town was able to hold the three required elections in 2020. For the March election, we barely knew about COVID-19. But the August and November elections were quite different. For the November election, the State of Vermont mailed absentee ballots to all voters. The State also gave sanitizing supplies, paid disinfecting costs, and provided zero match grants and guidance to the town. The mail slot/drop box and Plexiglas shield for the office counter, plastic dividers and stanchions, are some of the items bought with the grant money. Laptops and iPads were also purchased with grant funds to facilitate remote accessibility at meetings. We thank Lori Shepard and Theresa Denault for planning and working tirelessly to provide safe elections and accommodating the public.

This year the planning commission and the selectboard held public hearings and approved new zoning bylaws. We thank the planning commission for their many, many months of hard work to bring these laws up to date, complying with state laws, and making it easier for applicants to get approval for their projects.

The highway department applied for and received a Clean Water Act grant to upgrade a ditch along Mill Road and install three culverts. By using our own manpower and equipment the town was able to keep this project within grant guidelines and save the town money. The selectboard agreed to budget \$20,000.00 for a part-time highway laborer instead of a full-time laborer.

Highway Commissioner, Dave Tatro, advised that this year is the last payment for the five year road resurfacing loan. He has obtained an estimate to resurface The Lane, Henry Hill, Jepson Road, Clough Road, Lincoln Road and Robillard Road this summer for \$230,000.00. It is more cost effective to pay for scheduled upkeep instead of paying for major repairs. We urge voters to approve warrant article #5 to be financed over a term of five years.

Article #6 asks for your approval to replace the two oldest plow trucks, a 2006 and 2011, with one new truck. In May, the 5 year loan for the new 2017 Freightliner will be paid off. The board feels this will be a more economical solution than to keep paying for repairs. The plan is to sell the two older trucks and use the money to help pay off the loan for the new vehicle.

The recycling facility received recertification and will not have to be recertified again for ten years.

The town currently owns 22 properties which have been taken through the tax sale process: 1.5 acres on Main Road and Alpenwald lot numbers: 176, 178, 191, 195, 218, 220, 264, 265, 278, 279, 288, 289, 292, 308, 321, 322, 336, 361, 378, 401 and 404. The selectboard is willing to entertain any valid offer in order to place these parcels back on the tax roll. Over the last several years the town has sold 24 parcels taken through the tax sale process.

In December the selectboard voted to terminate the Governor's Executive Orders regarding COVID-19 using state law 20 VSA 13(3). We felt constitutional rights were being infringed upon. At this time we are still following Governor Scott's Executive Orders since no written request on this motion by the board has been sent to the Governor. Elected selectboard members, upon taking the oath for their office, affirm that they will uphold the Vermont Constitution and the laws of Vermont.

We thank all employees and volunteers who have helped throughout the year and may 2021 bring us all health, happiness and a new normal.

Respectively submitted,

Stamford Selectboard

Finance Committee Report 2020

The Town of Stamford's Finance Committee participated in budget discussions with each of the town's boards/committees (Selectboard, Stamford Volunteer Fire Company, Library Committee and School Committee). In light of the current challenges in facilitating public meetings we feel that each board/committee worked diligently to be inclusive of all participants. This year the budget discussions were a hybrid of in-person and virtual meetings.

In regard to the town warrant articles, our recommendations are as follows:

Article 2: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee would like to encourage the Selectboard to use as much of the 2020 positive town highway fund balance as is fiscally responsible to reduce the raise and appropriate.

Article 3: Recommend passed as written. The Selectboard report contains all relevant details. The Finance Committee would like to express its appreciation to the Selectboard and to the Highway Department for their willingness to control expenses and to be conservative in regards to revenue estimates.

Article 4: Recommend passed as written.

Article 5: Recommend passed as written. Further clarification: this loan will be financed over 5 years.

Article 6: Recommend passed as written.

Article 7: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee would like to thank the Cemetery Commissioners for their continued service and fiscal responsibility.

Article 8: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee would like to commend the members of the Library Committee on their continued service, fiscal responsibility and their efforts to secure external funding.

Article 9: Recommend passed as written.

Article 10: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee would like to express our sincere appreciation to the men and women of the Stamford Volunteer Fire Department. Their efforts to secure external funding are commendable. The services they provide to our community are invaluable.

Article 11: Recommend passed as written.

Article 12: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee observes that the return on each of these investments is significant.

In regard to the school warrant articles, our recommendations are as follows:

Article 4: Recommend passed as written. The Finance Committee acknowledges that many fiscal aspects of the school budget continue to be a challenge for numerous reasons that are outside of the purview of the School Board. Federal and State mandates, teacher contracts, and decisions made by the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union are driving forces behind the budget process. While we acknowledge these restraints we feel that it is important for the School Board to develop a long-term, strategic plan that will ensure Stamford Elementary School is both fiscally viable and a solid educational institution for our children.

Article 5: Recommend passed as written.

Article 6: Recommend passed as written.

It has been a pleasure working with all boards/committees and town staff. We appreciate the efforts of all working diligently to present fair and transparent budgets. We sincerely hope that this report is helpful to the voters in making informed decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Zacharias Clay
Tyna Senecal
Heather Tietgens

STAMFORD VITAL RECORDS

Due to privacy and identity issues, it has been recommended not to publish detailed vital statistics in the town report. However, these records are filed in the town office and are available for review during office hours:

Births	4	Deaths	4
Marriages	11	Burials	1

VT DECLARATION OF HOMESTEAD/SCHOOL TAX RATE

Filing a Declaration of Homestead annually is mandatory. If you are a Vermont resident and own and occupy a Vermont dwelling as your principal residence on April 1, 2021, you must file a Homestead Declaration, Form HS-122, by April 15, 2021 in order to receive the homestead tax rate.

SNOW

No person shall leave a motor vehicle on any town road so as to interfere with snow removal from November 1st until April 1st of each year. A motor vehicle so illegally parked may be towed at the full responsibility of the owner for both the towing and storage charges and for any damages resulting to the vehicle due to such towing (Stamford Town Highway Ordinance, Adopted May 13, 2010). In addition, according to Title 23 VSA 1126, it is illegal to plow, shovel or blow snow from private property on or across public highways. Your cooperation with highway department crew members during winter storm conditions will be greatly appreciated.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Annual reports from the following organizations were not published in the town report. If you would like to read any of these reports, they will be posted on the bulletin board located outside of the town office as received.

American Red Cross
Bennington County Regional Commission
Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance
BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont
DVFiber – Deerfield Valley Communications Union District
Green Mountain National Forest
Green Up Vermont
Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging
Vermont 211
Vermont League of Cities and Towns
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force
Vermont Spay Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP)

DOGS LICENSED IN STAMFORD

Total number of dogs licensed in 2020 was 191.

Receipts:

Regular Licenses	(182 dogs)	\$ 848.00	
2 Special License	(9 dogs)	\$ 60.00	
Pet Dealer Permit		\$ 0.00	
Farm License	(1 dog)	\$ 5.00	
Fines		\$ 0.00	
Replacement Tags		\$ 0.00	
State Fee (rabies program)		\$ 191.00	
State Fee (spaying/neutering program)		\$ <u>728.00</u>	
Total Receipts:			\$1,832.00
Less Disbursements:			
State Fees			\$ 919.00
Total Funds Retained by Town:			\$ 913.00

Submitted by:
Lori A. Shepard, Treasurer

All dogs or wolf-hybrids more than six months old on or before April 1st are to be licensed by April 1, 2021. To obtain a license, owners must provide a current rabies certificate to show the dog or wolf-hybrid has been vaccinated. Copies of all rabies vaccination certificates for dogs and wolf-hybrids shall be filed with the Town Clerk.

Fees are as follows: \$8.00 for each male/female unneutered dog or wolf-hybrid, \$4.00 for each neutered male/female dog or wolf-hybrid. An additional \$5.00 will be charged for each license sold. This \$5.00 will be sent to the State of Vermont, \$1.00 for their rabies control program and \$4.00 for their spaying/neutering program.

All cats shall be inoculated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. A person may use an approved vaccine to inoculate a feral feline that takes up residence in a building other than the person's home and need not use the services of a licensed veterinarian for this purpose.

It has been suggested by the Selectboard that a photo of your registered dog would be helpful when a dog is missing or found. Anyone interested in submitting a photo of their dog for the town office file may do so.

2020 STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

Total education liability		\$1,514,839.15	
Total town liability		\$768,587.16	
Late homestead filing penalty		\$1,490.90	
Total amount to be raised by taxes		<u>\$1,490.90</u>	<u>\$2,284,917.21</u>

Non-residential education grand list	\$384,987.00		
\$384,987.00 x 1.7168 (tax rate)		\$660,945.71	
Homestead education grand list	\$583,739.00		
\$583,739.00 x 1.4628 (tax rate)		\$853,893.44	
Highway grand list	\$968,726.00		
\$968,726.00 x 0.4881 (tax rate)		\$472,835.34	
Municipal grand list	\$968,726.00		
\$968,726.00 x 0.3053 (tax rate)		\$295,751.82	
Late homestead filing penalty		\$1,490.90	
Total taxes billed for 2020		<u>\$1,490.90</u>	<u>\$2,284,917.21</u>

2020 TAXES ACCOUNTED FOR

2020 taxes collected by town		\$1,923,456.08	
State credits on tax bills		\$261,658.05	
Uncollectable taxes on property			
acquired by town at 2019 tax sale		\$1,737.05	
Additional taxes due from December revised bills		\$253.86	
Less taxes abated in 2020		-\$3,061.98	
Taxes passed on to Delinquent Tax Collector		\$100,874.15	
Total taxes accounted for in 2020		<u>\$100,874.15</u>	<u>\$2,284,917.21</u>

Submitted by:

Lori A. Shepard, Treasurer

xx	<u>Sprague Richard</u>	<u>noble estates #13,14</u>	\$	<u>22.59</u>
xx	<u>Sprague Richard</u>	<u>nobles estates #11</u>	\$	<u>19.43</u>
xx	<u>States Joshua</u>	<u>alp #371</u>	\$	<u>193.28</u>
	<u>Strange Scott B</u>	<u>Henry Hill</u>	\$	<u>3,559.46</u>
	<u>Tatro Debra A</u>	<u>Tatro Road</u>	\$	<u>202.94</u>
	<u>Tatro Joseph</u>	<u>County Road</u>	\$	<u>2,429.91</u>
	<u>Tatro Ronnie</u>	<u>County Road</u>	\$	<u>976.47</u>
xx	<u>Tiburcio Melissa</u>	<u>alp #179</u>	\$	<u>23.27</u>
	<u>Tiburcio Robert G</u>	<u>alp #175</u>	\$	<u>26.43</u>
	<u>Verax Media LLC</u>	<u>alp #385</u>	\$	<u>6,099.82</u>
	<u>Wauzinski Steve Sr</u>	<u>Harley Road</u>	\$	<u>223.44</u>
	<u>Whitney Dewey D</u>	<u>East Road</u>	\$	<u>124.93</u>
	<u>Wilson Gregory</u>	<u>alp #188</u>	\$	<u>205.84</u>
	<u>Yeaton Todd J</u>	<u>Noble Estate #5/6</u>	\$	<u>29.14</u>
			\$	<u>83,698.78</u>
XX	PAID AFTER 12/31/20			

TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND

(Established in March 2002)

Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$3,133.84	
2020 Receipts	\$100.00	
2020 Expenses (computer hard drive, memory, etc.)	(\$400.49)	
2020 Election grant reimbursement funds	\$13.80	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$2,847.15</u>

ACT 60 REAPPRAISAL FUND

(Established in March 2002)

Savings Account as of January 1, 2020	\$56,638.35	
Interest	\$119.74	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$56,758.09
Reappraisal CD as of January 1, 2020	\$84,306.43	
Interest	\$1,279.11	
CD closed, transfer to Money Market	(\$85,585.54)	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$0.00
Reappraisal MM as of January 1, 2020	\$0.00	
Funds from closed CD	\$85,585.54	
State of VT (Grand List maintenance)	\$714.00	
State of VT (Reappraisal)	\$6,069.00	
Interest	\$93.03	
Reimb. of reappraisal/mapping costs	(\$11,934.35)	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$80,527.22</u>
Total accounted for in Reappraisal Fund		<u>\$137,285.31</u>

FUTURE NEEDS FUND

(Established in March 2005)

Future Needs Fund CD as of January 1, 2020	\$31,967.43	
Withdraw funds for additional highway septic system expense	(\$622.00)	
Interest	\$102.30	
Balance, unreserved, as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$31,447.73</u>

REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Money Market account as of January 1, 2020	\$2,847.96	
Planning Commission secretary	(\$928.25)	
Interest	\$6.05	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$1,925.76</u>

RECORD RESTORATION FUND

(Established in March 2000)

Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$11,981.19	
Receipts	\$1,431.00	
Books and paper	(\$309.36)	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$13,102.83</u>

This fund was established by town vote in 2000. In 2019 the State of Vermont increased recording fees across the state from \$10.00 per page to \$15.00 per page. \$2.00 of each recording fee is allocated to the Record Restoration Fund. Future uses of these funds would be to have the town grand list books preserved starting with the oldest records from the 1800s and to have the newer land records books microfilmed.

TECHNOLOGY FUND

(Established in March 2010)

Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$14,607.00	
Receipts	\$1,431.00	
Disbursements	\$0.00	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$16,038.00</u>

This fund was established by town vote in 2010. Funding is provided by the recently increased \$15.00 per page recording fee of which \$2.00 is allocated to the Technology Fund. Currently there are 93 volumes of land records in the vault, the earliest of which date back to the 1700s. Future plans are to use these funds to provide the equipment necessary for additional electronic indexing, viewing, storage and backup of the land records.

INVESTED FUNDS (From sales of land to National Forest)

Original investments as follows:

- \$88,362.56 from sales of land to National Forest prior to 1993
- \$15,000.00 from sale of Haynes land to National Forest in 1995
- \$25,000.00 from sale of State of Vermont land to National Forest in 2004
- \$3,000.00 from sale of Patten land to National Forest in 1995
- \$34,000.00 from sale of Warner land to National Forest in 1994
- \$3,000.00 from sale of Mirante land to National Forest in 1994

Certificate of Deposit		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$31,643.03	
Interest	\$509.95	
Close and transfer to Money Market	<u>(\$32,152.98)</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$0.00

Certificate of Deposit		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$46,638.25	
Interest	<u>\$935.35</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$47,573.60

Money Market		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$14,733.90	
Funds transferred from CD	\$32,152.98	
Freightliner, loan repayment #1	\$17,438.96	
Interest withdrawn	<u>(\$1,687.66)</u>	
Interest	\$207.20	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$62,845.38</u>

Total value of Invested Funds as of December 31, 2020		<u><u>\$110,418.98</u></u>
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Interest in the amount of \$1,687.66 was transferred from the invested funds to the General Fund in 2020 in lieu of taxes.

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT FUND

Savings account as of January 1, 2020	\$10,916.64	
Town appropriation	\$5,000.00	
Interest	\$22.90	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$15,939.54</u>

FIRE TRUCK REPLACEMENT FUND

(Established in March 2018)

Account as of January 1, 2020	\$40,218.10	
Town appropriation	\$20,000.00	
Interest	\$409.28	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$60,627.38</u>

COMMUNITY PROJECTS FUND

(Established in July 2019)

Building Community Group		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$4,238.94	
Ben & Jerry's Grant	\$500.00	
Stamford Community Library donation	\$920.00	
Bench construction and installation	(\$3,315.66)	
Interest	\$26.40	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$2,369.68</u>

The Community Projects Committee was created by the Selectboard in July 2019 for the purpose of supporting community-oriented projects that are self-sufficient, to promote ideas for the benefit of the town and facilitate communication between other committees and boards. The committee consists of three members holding staggered terms by appointment of the Selectboard. In 2020 the committee was largely focused on facilitating communication between other committees and boards by creating a group of "community captains" whose role is to communicate by phone, text or email with their neighborhoods. Updating phone and email lists for the town and locating individuals willing to serve as captains has been an important challenge that will be ongoing.

CEMETERY FUND

Berkshire Bank, Checking		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$3,221.77	
Sale of burial lots	\$500.00	
Interest	\$1.03	
Mowing & fall cleanup expense	(\$2,425.00)	
Cemetery flags	(\$204.95)	
Maintenance and expenses	(\$3,200.00)	
2020 appropriation	\$3,925.00	
Transfer from Money Market	<u>\$2,500.00</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$4,317.85
MountainOne Bank, CD		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$10,330.64	
Interest	<u>\$96.50</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$10,427.14
MountainOne Bank, CD		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$12,477.23	
Interest	<u>\$139.86</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		\$12,617.09
Adams Community Bank, Money Market		
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$12,525.26	
Interest	\$61.38	
Transfer to checking	<u>(\$2,500.00)</u>	
Balance as of December 31, 2020		<u>\$10,086.64</u>
Total Funds		<u><u>\$37,448.72</u></u>

CEMETERY FUND

Cemetery Funds:		
Reserved funds as of January 1, 2020	\$30,810.00	
Sale of cemetery lots	\$500.00	
Buyback of cemetery lot	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Total Reserved Funds		\$31,310.00
Unreserved Funds as of January 1, 2020	\$8,543.67	
Profit / (Loss) 2020	<u>(\$2,404.95)</u>	
Total Unreserved Funds		<u>\$6,138.72</u>
Total:		<u><u>\$37,448.72</u></u>

Town of Stamford
Cemetery Fund
Statement of Income and Expenses
Calendar year ending December 31, 2020

	2020		Over / (Under)	2021
Revenue:	Budget	Income	Budget	Budget
Maintenance appropriation	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Stone Restoration appropriat	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Mowing appropriation	\$2,425.00	\$2,425.00	\$0.00	\$2,425.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sale of burial lots	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$298.77	\$298.77	\$0.00
Total Revenue:	\$3,925.00	\$4,723.77	\$798.77	\$3,925.00

	2020		Under / (Over)	2021
Expenses:	Budget	Expenses	Budget	Budget
Bank charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Lot buyback	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Repairs and Maintenance	\$1,000.00	\$3,200.00	(\$2,200.00)	\$1,000.00
Stone Restoration	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Mowing	\$2,425.00	\$2,425.00	\$0.00	\$2,425.00
Cemetery flags	\$0.00	\$204.95	(\$204.95)	\$0.00
Cemtery markers	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies/miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total expenses:	\$3,925.00	\$5,829.95	(\$1,904.95)	\$3,925.00

2020 Amount over budget	(\$1,904.95)	
Transfer of lot sale to reserved funds:	(\$500.00)	
2020 Total Profit / (Loss):		(\$2,404.95)

Stamford Cemetery Commission Report

A special thanks to John Tietgens and Raymond Eilers for their donated time and material for upgrading the entryway at the Millard Cemetery.

The work on the stanchions has been completed and the cleaning of the monuments will continue this spring.

A few trees had fallen at Houghton Cemetery which caused some damage to a few monuments they will be repaired in the spring.

Wreaths Across America volunteers laid wreaths at all Veterans graves, and we thank those who helped to honor our Veterans.

Again, thanks to the Lawrence family, Barry Berard, and Dave McKay, for the maintenance of the cemeteries and for additional work done when needed.

Cemetery Commission

Sally A Bohl
Janice Farinon
Dave McKay

Stamford Community Library

Like most libraries in Vermont, concerns over Covid-19 forced us to close our doors in mid-March 2020 and rethink how we could safely serve our community. While it took some time to adjust, with guidance from the VT Department of Health, the VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the CDC, and the VT Department of Libraries, we were able to begin offering contactless curbside pickup in June.

In an effort to continue our annual summer reading program, we made some changes that allowed for much more flexible, remote, participation. We offered K's Creamery gift certificates to all participants as well as raffle tickets to kids who sent in submissions through email or text message. We put together Storytime-in-a-Bag kits which included picture books and a craft for our younger patrons. Getting messages and pictures from the kids was the highlight of our summer, and we gave away eight fantastic prizes to our lucky raffle winners.

Many people utilized this time to take advantage of free access to our online collection as well as curbside pick-up and delivery. With our online catalog available through our website (www.stamfordlibrary.org) and a new mobile number (413-663-1414), we have made choosing books and scheduling pick up as simple as possible. We continue to offer digital access to thousands of e-books and audiobooks through our partnership with the Green Mountain Library Consortium and Over Drive. If you are new to e-books or online audiobooks, now would be a great time to give it a try! Please contact the library for more information on signing up.

Finally, we are excited to share that we have used this year's extended closure to our advantage by planning a renovation of the library. Using donated funds saved over the course of many years, we commissioned local furniture makers to design and build a new circulation desk and library tables. Thanks to a grant from the Vermont Community Foundation, we have removed our outdated computer stations and replaced our old computers with new laptops. We will be replacing some of our older shelving and repainting the entire library. We are so appreciative of our loyal patrons for patiently seeing us through these challenging times, and are excited to re-open our doors in the late spring!

**Stamford Community Library
As of December 30, 2020**

Account Balances

Petty Cash	30.00
TD Bank Checking	14,291.80
TD Bank Money Market	10,558.21
Mullett Fund CD	2,934.06

Total Assets **27,814.07**

	2020 Budget	2020 Receipts	Over/(Under) Budget	2021 Budget
Revenues				
Refund	0.00	92.02	92.02	0.00
Town Appropriation	7,800.00	7,800.00	0.00	7,800.00
Book Sales / Fundraising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
General Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Special Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
General Grants	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Special Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fundraising / Misc. Income	0.00	147.14	147.14	0.00
Interest Income	0.00	65.07	65.07	0.00
Total Revenues	7,800.00	8,304.23	504.23	7,800.00

	2020 Budget	2020 Expenses	Under/(Over) Budget	2021 Budget
Expenses				
Salaries and Benefits				
Co-Librarian Salary	6,660.00	\$14,724.00	(\$8,064.00)	6,701.24
Co-Librarian Salary	13,965.00	0.00	0.00	13,402.48
Asst. Librarian Salary	0.00	\$1,287.00	(\$1,287.00)	0.00
Sub. Librarian Salary	800.00	\$440.67	\$359.33	500.00
Social Security / Medicare	1,639.00	\$1,258.62	\$380.38	1,580.00
Workers Compensation	109.00	\$108.16	\$0.84	144.00
Total Salaries and Benefits	23,173.00	17,818.45	5,354.55	22,327.72

	2020 Budget	2020 Expenses	Under/(Over) Budget	2021 Budget
Operating Costs				
Library Materials	3,350.00	3,460.89	(110.89)	3,500.00
Professional Development	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Grant and Allocation Exp.	0.00	200.00	(200.00)	0.00
Continuing Ed./Prof. Dues	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
Technology/Internet Access	150.00	138.00	12.00	850.00
Travel	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00
Equipment Repair	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Supplies Expense	650.00	746.73	(96.73)	550.00
Miscellaneous / Lost Books	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00
Postage / Shipping Expense	250.00	100.00	150.00	150.00
Programs	950.00	974.71	(24.71)	850.00
New Equipment	450.00	546.08	(96.08)	0.00
Subscriptions	300.00	0.00	300.00	100.00
Computer Technical Service	200.00	37.19	162.81	0.00
Equipment Replacement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library Automation Support	1,000.00	1,056.05	(56.05)	1,100.00
Subtotal Operating Expenses	7,800.00	7,259.65	540.35	7,800.00

Total Expenses **30,973.00** **25,078.10** **5,894.90** **30,127.72**

	2020 Budget	2020 Expenses	Under/(Over) Budget	2021 Budget
Expenses paid from donations, grants, fundraising, etc.				
Library Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs	0.00	43.59	(43.59)	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	9,118.00	(9,118.00)	0.00
Subtotal expenses paid by others	0.00	9,161.59	(9,161.59)	0.00

Stamford Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

2020 was challenging like no other. We answered 86 emergency calls; these included 43 medical emergencies, 14 motor vehicle accidents, 7 downed power lines, 6 structure fires, 4 fire alarm activations, 2 cancelled enroute, 2 CO detector activations, 2 mutual aid standby, 2 search and rescue, 1 service call, 1 tree down, 1 weather related & 1 wildland fire.

We received 10 sets of turnout gear this year thanks to a regional FEMA grant that was awarded to the North Adams Fire Department in late 2019. These 10 sets of gear represent over \$40,000.00 in new turnout gear. We were also part of a regional FEMA grant hosted by the Pittsfield Fire Department for COVID-19 personal protective equipment that was received in January 2021.

Our annual physicals and fit testing were put on hold this year due to COVID-19. However, we did capitalize on this and we redirected money set aside for physicals and purchased SCBA facemasks. In the past our members shared SCBA masks but now each of our SCBA qualified members has been assigned their own mask. By doing this we have increased our firefighter health and safety and reduced COVID-19 exposure due to mask sharing.

We presented a Commendation Award to two of our members this year for their role in saving a human life at an incident in March of 2019. Their quick response combined with performing high quality CPR directly resulted in saving a human life on that day.

We did our annual truck maintenance this year. Some of the larger repairs included Engine 1 and Squad 3 each got new rear brakes, Engine 1 got new batteries and the broken dash in Tanker 4 was repaired. In addition Tanker 4 also needs a fan clutch and Engine 2 needs new pump packings. This work is scheduled to be done in early 2021. Our fleet is well maintained by certified professionals but it is an aging fleet, Engine 1 is now 24 years old, Engine 2 is 33 years old and Tanker 4 is 15 years old. We applied for a new truck through a federal FEMA grant but we were denied in early November. We will try again in 2021. Last year (2020), our members replaced our 2007 Truck 5 pickup truck, which was rusting away and had over 145,000 miles, with a newer 2014 truck with 44,000 miles. Truck 5 is used at nearly every call we respond to and is used to transport people and equipment so that our members do not have to use, and possibly damage, their own trucks. This truck was purchased entirely with money raised by our members through various fundraisers and donations.

In January(2020) we sent representatives to Montpelier to testify in front of the Government Operations Committee regarding recruitment and retention of volunteers and the struggles we face under the emergency medical system in Vermont. We testified that the training we receive at the fire academy under the Firefighter 1 training program should be sufficient to respond to medical emergencies without having to attend an additional 60 hours of training. In October 2020 the Governor signed into law the Community Responder level of medical first responder. Although many of our members are already trained through the fire academy we will do additional training as soon as the new curriculum is approved. Training will include CPR, AED, bleeding control, splinting, Narcan & Incident Command. Representative Laura Sibila was a big supporter of this and was a great host at the State House. She even announced to the entire House that Stamford Fire was there on that day to testify.

As always we can not provide our services without a huge amount of help and support. This year we want to recognize the following organizations that helped us help you, they are: West Oil Company, Procom Services, Dean's Quality Auto & Truck Repair, Gordon's Garage, Heartwellville Service, Corgi Electric, North East Municipal, Bulldog Fire Apparatus Repair, Morse Truck Repair, O'Reilly Auto Parts,

North Adams Fire Department, Northern Berkshire EMS, Emergency Response Consulting, Fail Safe Hose Testing & Bedard Bros. In addition, we also want to recognize the Stamford Selectboard and the Highway Department for your support and the residents of Stamford for your unwavering support.

However, most of the thanks really needs to be directed at our members. It's been a tough year for them wearing additional PPE while working and dealing with the uncertainty that comes with COVID-19. Without our volunteers there would be no Fire Company or the services we provide. Each of them donate countless hours to this community and they don't even want recognition; they just do the work at all hours of the day or night. Thank you all for your dedication to this community.

We wish each of you a happy and healthy 2021.

Submitted By:

Paul Ethier, Fire Chief

Janice Farinon, President

Kathy Meranti, Vice President

June Mattimore, Treasurer

Jeanne Lapine, Clerk

William Levine, Trustee

Stamford Volunteer Fire Company Inc.

Checking Account Balance January 1, 2020	\$3,273.54
<u>2020 Receipts</u>	
Town Appropriation	\$53,025.00
Grants and Rebate Receipts	\$ 7,022.11
Total Funds Available	\$63,320.65

Submitted By:
Janice Farinon, President
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Stamford Volunteer Fire Company Inc.	2020 Proposed	2020 Expenses	2021 Proposed
City of North Adams 911 Dispatching	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Mountain Top Radio Repeater Maintenance	\$750.00	\$750.15	\$750.00
Business Phone Line (694-1515)	\$800.00	\$735.89	\$800.00
Heating Oil	\$3,000.00	\$2,294.29	\$3,000.00
Electricity	\$2,000.00	\$1,922.69	\$2,200.00
VT State Firefighters Association Dues	\$450.00	\$391.00	\$450.00
Berkshire County Fire Mutual Aid Dues	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Fuel (Gas & Diesel)	\$1,500.00	\$1,204.20	\$1,500.00
Book Keeping	\$800.00	\$838.32	\$800.00
Insurance (liability, property, workers comp)	\$9,500.00	\$9,078.96	\$9,500.00
Postage and Office Supplies	\$200.00	\$330.25	\$250.00
Firefighter Physicals (OSHA Requirement)	\$2,500.00	\$2,572.03	\$2,500.00
Fire & EMS Training	\$1,000.00	\$567.06	\$1,000.00
Maintenance Engine 1(1997 Freightliner)	\$3,200.00	\$2,986.32	\$3,200.00
Maintenance Engine 2 (1988 Mack)	\$3,200.00	\$2,950.18	\$3,200.00
Maintenance Tanker 4 (2005 Freightliner)	\$3,200.00	\$2,772.80	\$3,200.00
Maintenance Squad 3 (2005 Ford F-350)	\$1,000.00	\$787.92	\$1,000.00
Maintenance Truck 5 (2007 Dodge 2500)	\$1,000.00	\$1,320.00	\$1,000.00
Maintenance of Building	\$3,000.00	\$3,042.94	\$3,200.00
Annual Carpenter Ant Spraying	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
Maintenance of Equipment	\$1,100.00	\$1,579.02	\$1,400.00
Maintenance of Pagers and Two-way Radios	\$1,300.00	\$1,091.19	\$1,300.00
Maintenance of Jaws of Life	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00
Maintenance of (5) Dry Hydrants	\$350.00	\$113.28	\$300.00
Maintenance of Furnace	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Maintenance of Emergency Generator & Propane	\$350.00	\$200.95	\$350.00
Maintenance of SCBA	\$1,500.00	\$913.00	\$1,500.00
SCBA 15 year cylinder replacement	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Annual Hose Testing	\$2,000.00	\$2,709.30	\$2,000.00
Replacement of Equipment	\$4,500.00	\$6,356.26	\$4,800.00
FEMA Grant Washer Drier	\$0.00	\$4,693.00	\$0.00
Budget Total	\$53,025.00	\$56,726.00	\$54,025.00
Checking Account Balance 12/31/20		\$6,594.65	
Submitted By:			
Janice Farinon, President			
Kathy Meranti, Vice President			
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STAMFORD SCHOOL

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STAMFORD SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

To the Town of Stamford:

In what has been a year full of unprecedented events, Stamford students are demonstrating amazing strength, flexibility, and resilience. COVID-19 has certainly changed the way things look and how we do things this school year. Our students quickly acclimated to the “new normal,” all while growing, learning, and becoming fluent in new skills that were rarely used in schools previously. I am incredibly proud of the hard work of Stamford’s staff and students.

Much of our hard work and diligence this school year has been surrounding the health and safety of our students and staff. Although students had the choice for fully-remote learning this school year, almost all of our students returned to us in person. Following the Agency of Education’s guidance, we have worked to ensure that students remain in a cohort with proper spacing. Cleaning and sanitizing of high touch surfaces occurs several times throughout the day.

This school year Stamford School continued efforts of using a Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS). We hold regular data-driven meetings which help us discuss data and goals for each student and help identify and problem solve areas of need. We have continued using the FASTBridge platform for benchmarking and progress monitoring. There will be three assessment windows for the 20-21 school year. These assessments provide us data to help drive our instruction and focus our efforts on where our students need it the most.

This year has brought the necessity and opportunity for our students and teachers to learn, and put into practice, many digital skills. Classes are using Google Classroom and/or Seesaw for remote instruction on Wednesdays, and for certain in-class work and practice. We are also using digital resources such as iXL, Legends of Learning, Splash math, EPIC, Scholastic News, and others. Although some of the activities our students and school community are used to taking part in are not allowed this year, we are using digital resources to revamp some of those activities where we can. We held a spirit week in the fall, and had a door decorating contest. Students provided input for their choice of spirit days and pictures were shared digitally with all classes for the door decorating and all students voted for their favorite using Google Forms. Our students’ voice and choice is happening through digital measures. Although we could not have her in the building, Mrs. Carol Etheir-Kipp shared her reading of The Polar Express through a virtual forum. Our decorated hallways are shared in weekly emails when there are updates. Our students have not missed a beat with these digital changes, and our teachers and staff have worked tremendously hard to make adjustments to revamp their daily practice. We are all taking advantage of our new digital skills!

Finally, I am very honored and proud to be the Principal at Stamford School. Thank you for the opportunity to lead this school. Coming in, I have been welcomed by the Stamford community and made to feel right at home. I am eager to be able to open up the school to visitors and allow families back in to share in the excitement as Stamford School learns and grows.

Yours respectfully,

Robyn C. Oyer
Principal

“Preparing students to find new solutions to real world challenges by providing the skills, experiences, and habits of mind that support innovative thinking”

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1/1/2021

Dear WSWSU Families and Friends,

I am pleased to offer my third letter to you, the community members that comprise Windham Southwest Supervisory Union. It is a privilege to continue to serve as your Superintendent. It is a pleasure to know the many wonderful people that work and volunteer for our supervisory union. We have such a capable and caring team of staff, board members and community partners who demonstrate a deep and long commitment to our schools.

As we navigate these unprecedented times, our staff has shown tremendous flexibility and compassion. They have pivoted all aspects of normal schooling to accommodate the required mitigation measures as directed by the Agency of Education and the Department of Health. They have risen to this challenge and have demonstrated bravery and diligence. Their commitment and passion for the wellbeing of our students has translated into a level of safety and social-emotional stability within our schools.

While we at WSWSU are proud of our people and their accomplishments, we also know that there will be much recovery work ahead. Windham Southwest will work hard to provide every child exactly what they need to succeed. We will move steadily forward on this path with a sense of urgency. We take the responsibility of every child's learning seriously and understand that every moment counts for our children.

Our Continuous Improvement Goals are evolving to reflect how we believe we can best meet the needs we identify. We believe that they will relate to the following:

1. *Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS): academic and social emotional learning intervention for all learners to help them reach proficiency.*
2. *Rigor, Relevance and Engagement in all instructional practices and pathways.*

All WSWSU professionals are invested in this important work. We will reach these goals through continuous professional development at all organizational levels. We aim to foster environments where all students are prepared to learn and master proficiencies. We are committed to offering the best education for our students and help every child reach their full potential.

Lastly, and most importantly, I want to express my appreciation to the residents and taxpayers for your continued support of the students in our districts. We cannot do the important work that we have ahead of us without you. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Barbara Anne

STAMFORD SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ANNUAL REPORT
Spring, 2021

This has been a year like no other; navigating a global pandemic shortly after Town Meeting has certainly been a challenge, but not without reward. Our school building was closed by the Governor indefinitely to in-person learning on March 16, 2020. Education continued via remote learning for the duration of the school year, thanks to our dedicated staff and the Supervisory Union. The Board switched to all-remote meetings to comply with the Governor's orders. Summer was a time for preparation and planning to bring the students back into the building for learning. Following guidance from the Governor, the Agency of Education, and our Superintendent, we have had a successful reopening at Stamford Elementary School thus far. Adapting to new guidelines, rules, and safety measures has been a huge undertaking by the Board, the Supervisory Union, teachers, students, and the community, and we thank everyone for supporting our strong and healthy start.

The Stamford School Board of Directors is pleased to report several updates that happened throughout the building during the 2020 school year. Act 66 of 2019 required all Vermont school districts to test their drinking and cooking water for lead. Samples of water from every tap reasonably expected to be used for drinking or cooking were collected in February at Stamford Elementary School and sent to the Vermont Department of Health laboratory. Any tap that had 4ppb was immediately taken out of service. Stamford had 10 out of 19 taps tested 3ppb of lead, the State minimum, and 1 out of 10 exceeded 15 ppb, the Federal minimum. The State will reimburse \$350 per sink fixture and \$650 per kitchen fixture. Ribco began installing new plumbing on November 4 and to date, all fixtures have been brought into compliance.

Bennington Cooling and Heating replaced the circulator pump in April. All gutters on the building have been replaced by Rich Cristofolini.

Ten air purifiers with HEPA air filters, UV lights and duct ventilation for isolation arrived and were fully funded by an air quality grant. Thanks to James Walker for securing monies for this safety improvement.

The Public Consulting Group (PCG) was hired for the second phase of the merger study using \$25,000 acquired through a community compact grant. Members of the Interstate Committee met with PCG on February 11 to review plans and goals, and they held the first joint Town Meeting. On March 26, a virtual presentation from PCG about stakeholder feedback and progress was reviewed. On May 21 a virtual joint Town Meeting was held with a presentation of the final Phase II report. At that time,

due to maintenance and building updates needed at Clarksburg Elementary School and COVID-19, the merger was been put on hold indefinitely.

The Stamford School Board has held several meetings with the Selectboard to review ownership of the land and building. Each board reached out to legal counsel for recommendations about the law on ownership and use. Findings in June revealed that the townspeople own the land and the building; however, the School Board has authority over the building and grounds when school is in session. Much discussion ensued about putting terms of what constitutes "in session" and putting terms in writing to avoid controversy on building and land use. Ideas of the school leasing the building were debated and both boards agreed legal counsel will be needed to draw up the agreement. Any further action has been temporarily put on hold due to COVID-19 and an indefinite delay on a merger with Clarksburg, MA.

The School Board has been attentive to financial strains while preparing this budget and dedicated to keeping the education and safety of all students at the forefront while ensuring the school building is in good repair and creating a healthy and safe environment. We would like to thank members of the community for your continued support in keeping the students learning and the building in the best possible condition.

Thank you to the dedicated group of volunteers on the Finance Committee for your commitment to ensuring the best possible education while maintaining a fiscally responsible budget for the taxpayers.

Another group that deserves immense recognition is Superintendent Barbara Anne Komons-Montroll, Karen Atwood, Business Manager, and all the WSWSU team. They have been hugely instrumental in the safe reopening of our schools. Countless hours have been dedicated to providing our school with the best service and reopening outcomes.

We wish to thank Cindy Lamore for her 25 years of service and dedication to the school, and welcome Helen Fields and appreciate the work she has done this past year.

Lastly, we wish to thank and welcome our new Principal Robyn Oyer, teachers, staff, Stamford Selectboard, Stamford PTG, and parents/guardians for your unwavering support during this unprecedented year.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Stamford School Board of Directors

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT ENROLLMENT

As of December 31, 2020

	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ELEMENTARY:	PK	2
	K	8
	1	6
	2	7
	3	5
	4	6
	5	9
	6	11
	7	6
	8	9
Total Elementary:		69
Tuition Students (included in total)		2
SECONDARY:	McCann	27
	Drury	10
	Mt. Greylock	1
	Mt Anthony High School	1
	Twin Valley	1
	Private	1
Total Secondary:		41
TOTAL ENROLLMENT:		110

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF 2020-2021

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Experience</u>
Robyn Oyer	Principal	Masters	1
Megan Bouchard	Pre K	Bachelors	2
Amy Maselli	Grades K & 1	Bachelors	9
Ashley Lewis	Guidance	Masters	3
Darlene Lancto	Grades 4 & 5	Bachelors	3
Greta Facchetti	PE (.36)	Masters	10
Kristy Sherman	Grades 2 & 3	Masters	23
Nicholas DiCristofaro	Grades 6-8 ELA & SS	Bachelors	4
Alma Hart	Music (.20)	Masters	22
Alessa D'Alessio	Speech Pathologist (WSWSU)	Masters	1
Erica Dombi	Special Education (WSWSU)	Masters	12
Brittany Felton	School Nurse (WSWSU)	Bachelors	3

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Position</u>	
Michelle Desautels	Head Cook/Food Service Manager	1
Richard Cristofolini	Custodian	7
Amanda Mola	Administrative Assistant	1
Charlene Candiloro	Health Assistant	3
Chelsea Brazeau	Special Ed Paraprofessional (WSWSU)	5
Megan Dupre	Special Ed Paraprofessional (WSWSU)	1
Kristie Henderson	Special Ed Paraprofessional (WSWSU)	3

The VT Agency of Education has set new standards and HQT as a stand-alone term no longer exists under ESSA new requirements. Teachers providing PK-12 instruction in Vermont's public schools need to be "appropriately licensed" under Education Quality Standards.

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY-2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY-2022</u>
<u>INSTRUCTION</u>				
TEACHERS 6.04 FTE	280,148	0.00	0	0
PHYS ED TEACHER .21/.36	0	19,887.48	20,861	21,418
AMY MASELLI	0	50,330.00	53,037	27,292
M. BOUCHARD .5	0		21,608	44,762
KRISTY SHERMAN	0	65,070.00	67,770	69,317
ALMA HART .12/.2	0	8,202.00	14,209	14,518
KURT SCHULTHEIS	0	38,868.00	0	0
BARBARA CHILDS ART .1/.12	0	6,431.91	6,757	6,943
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE	0	1,634.70	0	
NICHOLAS DICHRISTOFARO	0	47,055.00	49,763	51,310
D LANCTO	0	43,780.00	46,489	48,036
REG ED PARAS 2.0/1.0	18,468	0.00	0	0
C CANDILORO	0	18,929.39	19,616	19,869
TEACHER INITIATIVE PROGRM	0	0.00	0	8,500
SUBSTITUTES	8,100	9,384.41	8,100	63,637
HOSPITALIZATION	28,730	37,815.43	49,058	0
TEACHERS 6.04 FTE FICA	21,432	0.00	0	0
REG ED PARAS 2.0/1.0 FICA	1,413	40.38	0	0
PHYS ED TEACHER .21/.36 FICA	0	1,521.27	1,596	1,638
AMY MASELLI FICA	0	3,480.06	4,057	2,088
MEGAN BOUCHARD FICA	0	0.00	1,653	3,424
KRISTY SHERMAN FICA	0	4,717.50	5,184	5,303
ALMA HART .12/.2 FICA	0	627.38	1,087	1,111
KURT SCHULTHEIS	0	2,783.40	0	0
BARBARA CHILDS ART .1/.12 FICA	0	492.11	517	531
NICHOLAS DICHRISTOFARO FICA	0	3,563.81	3,807	3,925
D LANCTO FICA	0	3,324.43	3,556	3,675
C CANDILORO FICA	0	1,448.11	1,501	1,520
SUBSTITUTES FICA	620	893.42	620	650
VSTRS OPEB	10,464	9,388.89	7,974	9,338
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	785	800.41	883	944
TCHRS RETIREMENT CONT	1,867	1,951.20	1,870	1,827
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	2,454	2,758.39	2,466	2,496
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	2,778	2,537.00	2,590	2,500
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	2,000	3,093.44	2,000	6,844
HRA CONTRIBUTIONS	9,000	6,038.39	11,760	11,855
DENTAL	2,164	2,362.61	2,534	3,081

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY-2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY-2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2022</u>
LIFE & DISABILITY	1,856	363.94	1,407	1,560
HRA-FSA	200	315.23	225	0
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	538.44	0	
AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM	500	0.00	500	0
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	5,000	3,383.29	5,000	5,000
FIELD TRIPS	1,500	1,030.00	1,500	1,000
SUPPLIES	8,000	7,315.63	8,500	8,500
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	1,500	930.59	1,500	1,500
EQUIPMENT	1,000	0.00	1,000	1,000
FOUR WINDS PROGRAM	1,400	0.00	1,400	1,400
Total INSTRUCTION	411,379	413,087.64	433,955	458,312

TECHNOLOGY

TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN	0	500.00	500	500
TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN FICA	0	38.25	38	38
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	0	0.00	4	4
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR	200	107.65	200	200
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	1,000	58.00	1,000	1,000
ISP/WEB	4,000	1,100.85	4,000	2,800
SOFTWARE/LICENCES	2,000	1,702.79	2,000	2,000
EQUIPMENT	3,000	3,253.71	3,000	3,000
Total TECHNOLOGY	10,200	6,761.25	10,742	9,542

STUDENT ACTIVITIES MISC EXP.	500	681.81	769	769
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ATHLETICS

SALARIES	0	500.00	1,200	1,200
FICA/WORKERS COMP	0	38.07	102	102
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,200	600.00	0	0
SUPPLIES	300	0.00	300	300
EQUIPMENT	400	374.17	400	400
DUES & FEES	100	0.00	100	100
Total ATHLETICS	2,000	1,512.24	2,102	2,102

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR .4/.6	29,216	29,215.80	30,840	21,834
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR .4/.6 FICA	2,235	2,234.98	2,359	1,670
WORKERS COMP	234	263.03	247	175

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
	<u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>FY-2021</u>	<u>FY - 2022</u>
CREDIT REIMB	0	0.00	700	410
OTHER BENEFITS	175	188.87	154	120
Total GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT	31,860	31,902.68	34,300	24,209
 <u>HEALTH SERVICES</u>				
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	12,722	13,143.59	13,569	15,225
SUPPLIES	500	484.00	650	650
SOFTWARE	170	0.00	0	0
Total HEALTH SERVICES	13,392	13,627.59	14,219	15,875
 PROFFESIONAL DEVELOPMENT	 0	 0.00	 0	 10,000
 <u>LIBRARY SERVICES</u>				
SARAH WAJDA .44	23,586	0.00	0	0
C COHEN	0	7,071.04	20,560	10,917
SUBSTITUTES	0	2,489.05	0	0
HOSPITALIZATION	0	0.00	0	1,605
SARAH WAJDA .44 FICA	1,804	0.00	0	0
C COHEN FICA	0	531.59	1,573	835
SUBSTITUTES FICA	0	127.55	0	0
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	189	212.45	164	87
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	480		550	205
HRA	0	0.00	0	1,680
DENTAL	0	0.00	0	333
LIFE & DISABILITY	142	0.00	103	60
SUPPLIES	0	0.00	650	650
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	650	674.41	0	300
DUES & FEES	300	0.00	300	0
Total LIBRARY SERVICES	27,151	11,106.09	23,900	16,672
 <u>SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES</u>				
SALARIES	1,800	1,740.00	1,800	1,800
SALARIES FICA	138	133.12	138	138
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,800	1,952.00	1,800	1,800
LIABILITY INSURANCE	1,000	2,925.00	3,000	3,137
ADVERTISING	800	526.44	800	800
DUES & FEES	1,000	1,093.30	1,500	1,500
MISC EXPENSES	100	0.00	100	100

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2022</u>
MERGER EXPENSES	0	25,174.49	0	0
Total SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES	6,638	33,544.35	9,138	9,275
SUPERVISORY UN ASSESSMENT	97,569	97,569.00	91,751	106,689
<u>OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL</u>				
ROBYN OYER	0	0.00	0	87,000
MICAH HAYRE	89,636	89,636.00	91,877	0
SECRETARY SUMMER	246	0.00	251	244
AMANDA MOLA	0	640.00	0	25,984
GINA SWEET	24,928	27,383.90	25,427	0
ROBYN OYER FICA	0	0.00	0	6,656
SECRETARY SUMMER FICA	19	0.00	19	19
AMANDA MOLA FICA	0	48.96	0	1,988
MICAH HAYRE FICA	6,857	6,859.96	7,029	0
GINA SWEET FICA	1,907	2,094.75	1,945	0
NON-PROF RETIREMENT	1,069	1,156.48	1,157	1,246
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	918	1,031.87	940	906
CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT	500	500.00	500	500
DENTAL PROGRAM	910	891.10	881	0
LIFE & DISABILITY	538	0.00	459	479
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	1,743.54	0	2,500
POSTAGE	500	269.34	500	500
TELEPHONE	2,200	3,436.58	3,000	3,675
PETTY CASH	50	0.00	50	0
TRAVEL	200	0.00	300	300
SUPPLIES	400	574.47	400	400
EQUIPMENT	250	111.68	250	250
DUES & FEES	500	941.00	1,500	1,500
Total OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	131,628	137,319.63	136,485	134,147
<u>MAINTENANCE OF PLANT</u>				
GENERAL MAINTENANCE	1,000	960.00	1,000	1,000
RICHARD CRISTOFOLINI	22,633	23,837.59	23,086	28,121
GENERAL MAINTENANCE FICA	77	72.96	77	77
RICHARD CRISTOFOLINI FICA	1,731	1,823.56	1,766	2,151
NON-PROF RETIREMENT	0	0.00	0	1,336
WORKMENS COMPENSATION	189	212.45	193	233

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY-2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2022</u>
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	3,000	1,851.66	3,000	3,000
CONTRACTED SNOW REMOVAL	1,000	0.00	1,500	1,500
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	9,000	18,240.66	9,000	6,775
CONTRACTED SERVICES	0	0.00	0	5,225
CONTROL SYSTEM REPAIR	0	0.00	0	10,000
ASBESTOS INSPECTION	100	0.00	100	100
PROPERTY INSURANCE	3,800	4,222.00	4,300	4,900
SUPPLIES	4,500	4,792.00	4,500	5,050
ELECTRICITY	15,000	13,779.28	16,500	14,050
GAS FOR STOVE	250	1,151.25	1,350	1,350
FUEL OIL	16,000	14,147.47	16,000	14,500
EQUIPMENT	1,000	0.00	1,000	1,000
DUES AND FEES	500	1,100.00	1,000	1,000
Total MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	79,780	86,190.88	84,372	101,368
TRANSPORTATION	87,241	71,720.61	90,491	96,490
RESERVE FUND MAINTENANCE	0	8,429.57	0	0
<u>PRESCHOOL</u>				
MEGAN BOUCHARD	40,505	40,505.00	21,608	0
AMY MASELLI .5	0	0.00	0	27,292
TBH .5	18,121	15,009.90	9,461	9,935
HOSPITALIZATION	17,122	23,302.62	14,893	11,117
MEGAN BOUCHARD FICA	3,099	2,771.31	1,653	0
BRITTANY FIELD FICA	1,386	1,036.78	724	760
AMY MASELLI FICA .5	0	0.00	0	2,088
MUN RETIREMENT	770	648.23	0	0
WORKMENS COMP	469	527.18	249	297
HRA CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0.00	3,440	1,694
DENTAL	0	1,782.20	441	440
LIFE & DISABILITY	0	0.00	108	150
PRE-K TUITION	3,356	0.00	13,828	10,608
Total PRESCHOOL	84,828	85,583.22	66,405	64,381
<u>HIGH SCHOOL TUITION</u>				
TUITION VT LEA'S	0	14,700.00	15,140	31,794
TUITION OUTSIDE VT LEA'S	137,526	164,159.01	129,388	116,325

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
FY 2020-2021

	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY -2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2022</u>
PRIVATE SCHOOL TUITION	0	15,933.00	16,250	16,557
HIGH SCHOOL TUITION	137,526	194,792.01	160,778	164,676
 <u>VOCATIONAL EDUCATION</u>				
TUITION OUTSIDE VT LEA'S	552,296	516,094.41	523,152	498,150
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	552,296	516,094.41	523,152	498,150
 <u>SPECIAL EDUCATION</u>				
SUPPLIES	200	0.00	200	200
Total SPECIAL EDUCATION	200	0.00	200	200
 <u>SU SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT</u>				
SU SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT	56,503	56,503.00	66,509	59,285
SPED ASSESSMENT DISTRICT	151,632	125,332.16	161,209	118,813
Total SU SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT	208,135	181,835.16	227,718	178,098
 <u>FOOD SERVICE</u>				
FOOD SERVICE SUPPORT	11,400	13,994.55	12,500	17,500
Total FOOD SERVICE	11,400	13,994.55	12,500	17,500
	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY-2020</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY - 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY -2021</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>FY - 2022</u>
TOTAL	1,893,723	1,905,753	1,922,977	1,908,455
PENSION EXPENSE	-	150,873.00	-	-
OPEB ON BEHALF	-	87,920.00	-	-
TOTAL BUDGET	1,893,723	2,144,545.69	1,922,977	1,908,455

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

	<u>2020-2021</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2021-2022</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Increase/</u> <u>Decrease</u>
<u>Elementary Costs (Grades K-8)</u>			
Elementary (including instructional, technology, student activities, guidance, health, in-service, library & principal)	654,370	669,526	15,156
Pre-K Tuition/Program	66,405	64,381	(2,024)
Elementary Athletics	2,102	2,102	-
Elementary Plant Operations	84,372	91,368	6,996
Elementary Special Education	200	200	-
Sub-Total Elementary (K-8) Costs	807,449	827,577	20,128
School Board Costs	9,138	9,275	137
WSSU Assessment	91,751	106,689	14,938
WSSU Special Ed Assessment	66,509	59,285	(7,224)
WSSU District Assessment	161,209	118,813	(42,396)
Transportation	90,491	96,490	5,999
Tuition (Secondary)	683,930	662,826	(21,104)
Food Service Support	12,500	17,500	5,000
Total BUDGET without Special Article	1,922,977	1,898,455	(24,522)
Special Article: Heating Control Upgrade		10,000	10,000
Total Budget	1,922,977	1,908,455	(14,522)

<u>Tuitions:</u>			
Drury	9 @	12,925	116,325
Twin Valley	1 @	16,500	16,500
McCann	27 @	18,450	498,150
Private	1 @	16,557	16,557
Mt Anthony	1 @	15,294	15,294
Total	39		662,826

**STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW**

2021-2022

	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>	
Budget Without Articles	\$1,922,977.00	\$1,898,455.00		
Sub Total (Appropriate)	\$1,939,477.00	\$1,898,455.00		
Special Article (Upgrade Heating Control System)		\$10,000.00		
Total Budget	\$1,922,977.00	\$1,908,455.00	-\$14,522.00	-0.76%
<u>INSTRUCTION</u>				
Substitutes:	\$8,100.00	\$8,500.00	\$400.00	
Used to pay substitutes when teachers are sick or attending workshops. Increase is due to increase to Vermont Minimum Wage.				
Health: Hospitalization-Board Costs	\$49,058.00	\$63,637.00	\$14,579.00	
SINGLE PREMIUM	\$6,181.00	\$6,975.00	\$794.00	
TWO PERSON PREMIUM	\$11,608.00	\$13,100.00	\$1,492.00	
FAMILY PREMIUM	\$17,122.00	\$19,322.00	\$2,200.00	
PARENT AND CHILD(REN)	\$9,556.00	\$10,784.00	\$1,228.00	
The School District currently pays 80% of the cost of the Gold CDHP plan, employee pays difference. Beginning 1/1/2021, the District must follow the newly negotiated statewide health plan. The new plan does not change the contribution percentage by the Board, but may result in an increase in usage of the insurance at the local level, and potential increased costs. The premium amounts used for budgeting are estimations at this time with the rates not yet finalized.				
HRA Contributions	\$11,760.00	\$11,855.00	\$95.00	
This is part of the new health insurance plans. Health Reimbursement Accounts (HRAs) are employer-funded group health plans from which employees are reimbursed tax-free for qualified medical expenses up to a fixed dollar amount per year. Increase is due to the employee interest in the health plan.				
Dental:	\$2,534.00	\$3,081.00	\$547.00	
Dental Plans for teachers, paras, and principal				
Life & Disability:	\$1,407.00	\$1,560.00	\$153.00	
Life & Disability insurance for teachers and principal				
VSTRS OPEB:	\$7,974.00	\$9,338.00	\$1,364.00	
This is to support the rebuilding of the teachers retirement health insurance fund. We pay an annual fee for any new teacher hired who is not vested in the VSTRS.				
Workmen's Compensation:	\$2,466.00	\$2,496.00	\$30.00	

**STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW**

2021-2022

	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Insurance required to cover proven job related illness and injury for staff			
Unemployment Insurance:	\$1,870.00	\$1,827.00	-\$43.00
Stamford must pay unemployment insurance as required by law.			
Credit Reimbursement:	\$2,000.00	\$6,844.00	\$4,844.00
This benefit is negotiated by the Teacher's Contract. The reimbursement allows up to 6 credit hours at the UVM tuition rate for college courses, workshops, conferences, and/or professional development. We are budgeted at 10 credit hours.			
After School Programs:	\$500.00	\$0.00	-\$500.00
This is for in-house after school programs such as tutoring and clubs.			
Repairs & Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
This money is for copier contract expiring Sept 2021, a one-year maintenance contract, and copies.			
Field Trips:	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	-\$500.00
This money will allow for field trips with transportation for all students in all classes.			
Supplies:	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$0.00
This category includes curriculum, teacher supplies, PBIS celebrations, copy paper, assessment materials, printer/copier supplies, specials supplies, etc.			
Books & Periodicals:	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
This category covers textbooks and consumable materials to align with the Common Core State Standards.			
Equipment:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
This money will be used to update instructional equipment throughout the building, such as desks, chairs, whiteboards, etc.			
Four Winds Nature Institute:	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00
This is a community based program for elementary aged children to encourage an appreciation for nature in their own backyard.			

**STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW**

2021-2022

	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>TECHNOLOGY</u>	\$10,742.00	\$9,542.00	-\$1,200.00
This category allots for a computer and projector repairs/maintenance, ISP/WEB support, Software/Licences, and equipment.			
<u>STUDENT ACTIVITIES</u>	\$769.00	\$769.00	\$0.00
This category includes 8th grade graduation expenses, competition registration fees, PBIS activities and an 8th grade teacher advisor stipend.			
<u>ATHLETICS</u>	\$2,102.00	\$2,102.00	\$0.00
This money is allotted to help pay for referees and sporting equipment such as nets, balls, and jerseys. This amount is up in order to stipend for an athletic director.			
<u>GUIDANCE</u>	\$34,300.00	\$24,209.00	-\$10,091.00
This covers the school counselor position to include teaching services, counseling services, and 504 coordinator.			
<u>HEALTH SERVICES</u>	\$14,219.00	\$15,875.00	\$1,656.00
This is for the certified school nurse under the new teacher contract, supplies, and state software fees.			
<u>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</u>	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Additional professional development for teachers to support the improvement of schoolwide math teaching practices and scores.			
<u>LIBRARY SERVICES</u>	\$23,900.00	\$16,672.00	-\$7,228.00
This number pays for a media specialist 7.5 hours a week. New children's books, periodicals, and dues/fees are also included in the proposed numbers. This is down due to the decrease of 15 hours a week to 7.5 hours a week.			
<u>SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES</u>	\$9,138.00	\$9,275.00	\$137.00
This category covers the expenses for liability insurance, legal services, secretary, advertising, VSBA membership, and school board member gratuities. This is up due to liability insurance increase.			
<u>SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE</u>	\$305,704.00	\$284,787.00	-\$20,917.00
WSSU Assessment:	\$91,751.00	\$106,689.00	\$14,938.00
WSSU Special Education Assessment:	\$56,503.00	\$59,285.00	\$2,782.00
WSSU District Assessment:	\$151,632.00	\$118,813.00	-\$32,819.00
<u>OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL</u>			

**STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW**

2021-2022

	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Postage:	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Telephone:	\$3,000.00	\$3,675.00	\$675.00
This cost includes telephones (& charges) and the BB Connect system. It is up due to the e911 compliance system.			
Petty Cash:	\$50.00	\$0.00	-\$50.00
Travel:	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$100.00
Supplies:	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
This category includes ink, envelopes, files, visitor passes, etc.			
Equipment:	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
This will include the purchase of an office printer, if necessary.			
Dues & Fees:	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
<u>MAINTENANCE OF PLANT</u>			
*Includes custodial services and general maintenance			
Professional Services:	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Money for water test operator, snow removal, pest control, and waxing tile floors during the summer.			
Repairs & Maintenance:	\$9,000.00	\$6,775.00	-\$2,225.00
The money in this category is budgeted to maintain the building and includes: maintenance/ repair of the heat controls, cleaning carpets, electrical repairs, glass/screen replacement, cleaning kitchen walls, vents, and traps, UV system maintenance/service, plumbing services, electrician services, and equipment replacement.			
Property Insurance:	\$4,300.00	\$4,900.00	\$600.00
This includes the cost of a deductible boiler insurance policy to protect the town from the expense of costly repairs if the boiler should malfunction resulting in excessive damage. The multi-peril policy, providing overall liability including fire insurance is covered is also covered in this category. This is up due to the cost of insurance increasing.			
Supplies:	\$4,500.00	\$5,050.00	\$550.00

**STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW**

2021-2022

	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
The consumable supplies necessary to provide a clean environment (hand soap, paper towels, bulbs, fluorescent lights, plastic bags, can liners etc) and batteries for the fire alarms. This is up due to the additional COVID-19 cleaning protocols.			
Electricity:	\$16,500.00	\$14,050.00	-\$2,450.00
Gas for Stove:	\$1,350.00	\$1,350.00	\$0.00
Fuel Oil:	\$16,000.00	\$14,500.00	-\$1,500.00
The cost is based on the purchase of 6,000 gallons of #2 fuel oil at an estimated \$2.42/gal.			
Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
This category allots for the purchase of chairs, tables, and storage systems.			
Inspections:	\$100.00	\$5,325.00	\$5,225.00
This covers the mandated fire alarm/sprinkler inspection, the mandated backflow preventor inspections, the mandated state boiler inspection and the permit to operate fee, and water tests (and kits) for coliform, organic/inorganic wastes and chemicals such as copper and lead. This is up due to the necessary inspections costs.			
<u>PUPIL TRANSPORTATION</u>	\$90,491.00	\$96,490.00	\$5,999.00
Contracted transportation service, up to cover raised rates.			
<u>PRESCHOOL / TUITION</u>	\$66,405.00	\$64,381.00	-\$2,024.00
This cost covers the cost of the half day public preschool. It includes a half time teacher and half time para. Also, this covers the cost of four 3 year old students for universal access to publicly funded pre-k education (Act 166).			
<u>HIGH SCHOOL TUITION</u>	\$683,930.00	\$662,826.00	-\$21,104.00
*Budgeting in this category is done with the best available information at the time. It is never known exactly how many students there will be, which schools the present 8th grade students will definitely attend, or the exact tuition rate for all high school students.			
Vermont LEA's:	\$15,140.00	\$31,794.00	\$16,654.00
Outside VT LEA's:	\$129,388.00	\$116,325.00	-\$13,063.00
Private School	\$16,250.00	\$16,557.00	\$307.00
Vocational Education:	\$523,152.00	\$498,150.00	-\$25,002.00
DRURY (9 students)		\$116,325.00	

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT			
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPLANATION AND REVIEW			
2021-2022			
	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2021/2022 Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
MCCANN (27 students)		\$498,150.00	
TWIN VALLEY (1 student)		\$16,500.00	
MISS HALLS (1 student)		\$16,557.00	
MOUNT ANTHONY (1 student)		\$15,294.00	
Projected high school enrollment	SY 21-22	SY 22-23	SY 23-24
	39 students	41 students	41 students
<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION</u>			
*Both State and Federal Laws require and monitor standards and practices for educating students with learning or other disabilities. The special education program is designed to provide the opportunity for educational equality and to assure all children the opportunity to reach their full potential. Under Act 68, approximately 50% of the expense of SPED is reimbursed by revenue. Full accounting of special education is now under the WWSU assessment.			
Supplies:	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL REPORT

June 30, 2020: Fund Balance (surplus)	\$131,470.47
Financial Audit	
Less:	
Fund Balance applied to 2020-2021	
June 30, 2019 Fund Balance	(55,267.00)
Less:	
Fund Balance (surplus) reserved for:	
Maintenance Reserve	(31,915.30)
Fund Balance (surplus)	
To Be Applied to 2021-2022 Budget	\$44,288.17

BUDGET COMPARISON

	2020-2021	2021-2022
School Operating Budget	\$1,922,977.00	\$1,898,455.00
Heating Control Article		\$10,000.00
Total Budget	\$1,922,977.00	\$1,908,455.00
Funds To Be Applied:		
Fund Balance (surplus)	55,267.00	44,288.00
Tuition	24,000.00	13,500.00
State Small Schools Grant	107,299.00	107,299.00
State Vocational Tuition Reimbursement	58,507.00	85,004.00
Interest Income	300.00	300.00
Federal Forestry	6,200.00	6,200.00
Funds Applied to Budget (Revenue)	\$251,573.00	\$256,591.00
TOTAL BUDGET MINUS REVENUE	\$1,671,404.00	\$1,651,864.00

Stamford Tax Factors
2021-2022

2021-2022 Budget	\$	1,898,455
Heating Control Upgrade Article	\$	10,000
2021-2022 Total	\$	1,908,455
2021-2022 Revenue	\$	256,591
Education Expenses	\$	1,651,864
Equalized Pupils	\$	101.73
Per Pupil Cost	\$	16,238
Est. Residential Tax Rate 2021-2022	\$	1.5491
Non-Residential Rate	\$	1.7769
Prior Year Per Pupil Cost	\$	15,257
Per pupil change		6.4%
Prior year Ed Spending	\$	1,671,404
Ed Spending change		-1.2%
Prior Year Residential Tax Rate	\$	1.4783
Prior Year Non-Residential Tax Rate	\$	1.7442
Anticipated Residential Tax Rate Change	\$	0.0708

Yield Per Eq Pup	\$	11,385
Common Level of Appraisal		92.07%
VT Residential rate*	\$	1.000
VT Non-Residential rate*	\$	1.636

- * Tax Commissioner recommendation, based on current information, of \$1.00/\$1.636.
- * Residential & Non-residential base rate and Base amount to be determined by Legislature.
- * Yield per equalized pupil to be finalized by Legislature.

District: **Stamford**
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Properly dollar equivalent yield
 11,385
 13,572

Homestead tax rate per \$11,305 of spending per equalized pupil
 1.00

Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income

Expenditures

Budget (local budget, Including special programs, Nil technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)

FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022
\$1,782,435	\$1,910,223	\$1,939,477	\$1,898,455

2. plus	Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting				\$10,003
3. minus	Ad 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Wadeer only)		NA		
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,782,435	\$1,910,223	\$1,939,477	\$1,908,455

5. plus	Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any		-1		
6. plus	Prior year deficit repayment of deficit				
7.	Total Budget	\$1,782,435	\$1,910,223	\$1,939,477	\$1,908,455

8.	assessment (included in local budget) - informational data				5381 277
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included In expenditure budget) - 4ifomatlonai data				

Revenues

Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)

\$293,082	\$360,148	\$268,073	\$256,591
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Capital debt aid for eligible projects pro-existing Act 60
 All Act 144 revenues, Including local Act 144 tax revenues nier, nest... - S MstWindsor only)

\$293,082	\$360,148	NA	NA
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14.	Education Spending	\$1,489,353	\$1,550,075	\$1,671,404	\$1,651,864
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15.	Equalized Pupils	105,271	109,251	109,55	101,73
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Education Spending per Equalized Pupil		FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022
16. once,	Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$14,147.93	\$14,188.33	\$15,257.00	\$16,237.73
18.	Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$60,000 for an individual (per eqpup)	\$262.63	\$268.80	\$273.07	\$212.82
19. Mous	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 (par & pup)				
20. mrees	Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)				
21. m's	Estimated costs of new students after census period (per 0.130)				
22. omnyuu	Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)				
23. mine,	Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)				
24. nitOC	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per enpup)	\$63.70		\$84.92	\$92.07

25.	Excess spending threshold	threshold = 517,1318 \$17,818.00	threshold 519,311 \$18,311.00	threshold = 515,716 \$18,756.00	threshold = d.10,709 \$18,789.00
26. pies	Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)				
27.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$14,148	\$14,188	\$15,257	\$16,237.73

28.	District spending adjustment (inInimum 311000!)	138.434%	133,249%	138.725%	142.624%
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29.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [\$16,237.73 ÷ (\$11,385! 1.00)1	\$1,3843	\$1,3325	\$1,3873	\$1,4262
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30.	Percent of Stamford equalized pupils not In a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
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31.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (mom% x \$1.43)	\$1.3643	\$1.3325	\$1.3873	\$1.4262
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32.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	106.23%	101.67%	94.83%	92.07%
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33.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town WI 4262 / 92.07%)	\$13031	\$1,3106	\$1,4629	\$1,5490
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If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.

34.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 50) [(16,237.73 + 13,572) x 2.00%]	2.29%	2.17%	2.25%	2.39%
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35.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.39%)	2.29%	2.17%	2.25%	2.39%
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36.	4N/A				
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37.	4N/A	-1			
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- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$11,385 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an Income yield of \$13,572 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of 81.8363. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and Income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate,
 - 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%.

**Windham Southwest Supervisory Union
Assessment**

	ACTUAL ASSESSMENT <u>2020-2021</u>	BUDGETED ASSESSMENT <u>2021-2022</u>	ASSESSMENT <u>DIFFERENCE</u>	% INCREASE/ <u>DECREASE</u>
HALIFAX REG ED		111,102		
HALIFAX SPECIAL ED SU		61,737		
HALIFAX SPECIAL ED DISTRICT		99,771		
READSBORO REG ED		76,807		
READSBORO SPECIAL ED SU		42,683		
READSBORO SPECIAL ED DISTRICT		53,134		
SVUUSD REG ED	128,887			
SVUUSD SPECIAL ED SU	93,428			
SVUUSD SPECIAL ED DISTRICT	119,888			
TOTAL HALIFAX		272,610		
TOTAL READSBORO		172,624		
TOTAL SVUUSD	342,203			
SEARSBURG REGULAR ED	22,215	28,310	6,095	21.53%
SEARSBURG SPECIAL ED SU	16,104	15,731	(373)	-2.37%
SEARSBURG SPECIAL ED DISTRICT	64,219	60,876	(3,343)	-5.49%
TOTAL SEARSBURG	102,538	104,917	2,379	2.27%
STAMFORD REGULAR ED	91,751	106,689	14,938	14.00%
STAMFORD SPECIAL ED SU	66,509	59,285	(7,224)	-12.19%
STAMFORD SPECIAL ED DISTRICT	161,209	118,812	(42,397)	-35.68%
TOTAL STAMFORD	319,469	284,786	(34,683)	-12.18%
TVES REGULAR ED	220,643	268,179	47,536	17.73%
TVES SPECIAL ED SU	159,941	149,024	(10,917)	-7.33%
TVES SPECIAL ED SU DISTRICT	414,692	408,431	(6,261)	-1.53%
TOTAL TVES	795,276	825,634	30,358	3.68%
TVMHS REGULAR ED	277,013	352,567	75,554	21.43%
TVMHS SPECIAL ED SU	200,803	195,918	(4,885)	-2.49%
TVMHS SPECIAL ED DISTRICT	467,631	443,941	(23,690)	-5.34%
TOTAL TVMHS	945,447	992,425	46,978	4.73%
TOTAL REGULAR ED	740,509	943,653	203,144	21.53%
TOTAL SPECIAL ED SU	536,786	524,378	(12,408)	-2.37%
TOTAL SPECIAL ED DISTRICT	1,227,639	1,184,965	(42,673.67)	-3.60%

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF WINDHAM SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
GENERAL FUND**

	Actual	Budget	Proposed
	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Revenues:			
Interest	1,787.93	500	500
Misc Income	10.00	0	0
Spec. Ed Services Assessments	1,046,017.67	1,227,639	0
Spec. Ed State Reim/Grants	2,193,999.89	1,943,930	1,968,461
Transition Funds		0	0
Prior Year Adjust	58,297.87	0	0
<u>Assessments</u>	<u>1,167,303.00</u>	<u>1,277,294</u>	<u>2,652,962</u>
General Fund Revenues:	4,467,416.36	4,583,628	4,621,923
Fund Balance -Special Ed	202,729.00	(37,022)	
Fund Balance WSSU	<u>41,797.00</u>	<u>156,992</u>	<u>92,652</u>
 Total Gen Fund Revenues:	 4,711,942.36	 4,828,154	 4,714,575
Expenditures:			
Superintendent's Office	312,282.30	343,191	349,626
Fiscal Services	371,960.74	461,765	588,223
Curriculum Specialist	87,563.67	93,044	98,956
Contingency	.00	53,708	00
<u>Special Education:</u>			
Special Education Teachers/Staff	1,408,990.92	1,582,781	1,634,493
Special Education Services-Districts	1,359,119.16	1,083,080	907,733
Special Education Transportation	189,679.95	175,240	193,955
Speech Services	254,689.27	261,952	272,287
Occupational Therapy Services	73,304.57	82,701	86,890
School Psychologist/Evaluations	60,525.13	63,536	65,403
Alternative Special Ed Program	258,516.88	272,619	303,802
EEE Program	85,671.38	88,503	95,832
Special Education Administration	<u>113,245.03</u>	<u>115,068</u>	<u>117,375</u>
Total Gen Fund Expenditures	4,575,549.00	4,677,187	4,714,575
Excess/(Deficiency)	136,393.36		

Revenue & Expense to record State of Vermont payments on behalf teacher retirement contributions are not included in the above figures.

The Windham Southwest Supervisory Union expects the financial budget for the (2021-2022) to be as budgeted.

Assessment Breakdown by District:

	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Southern Valley UUSD	190,148	222,325	0
Halifax			172,840
Readsboro			119,489
Searsburg	35,020	38,319	44,041
Stamford	154,072	158,260	165,973
Twin Valley	<u>788,063</u>	<u>858,400</u>	<u>965,688</u>
Total Assessment	1,167,303	1,277,294	1,468,031
Special Ed District Assessment			
Southern Valley UUSD	151,706	119,888	
Halifax			99,771
Readsboro			53,134
Searsburg	49,165	64,219	60,876
Stamford	125,332	161,209	118,812
Twin Valley	<u>719,815</u>	<u>882,323</u>	<u>852,372</u>
	1,046,018	1,227,639	1,184,965

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF WINDHAM SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

<u>State Funds</u>	Actual <u>2019-2020</u>	Budget <u>2020-2021</u>
Act 230/BEST Grant Revenues:	16,485.00	0
State Transportation Aid	270,661.10	250,893
State Hot Lunch Revenues:	12,043.95	12,043
<u>Other State Revenues:</u>	<u>14,127.87</u>	<u>0</u>
Total State Revenues:	313,317.92	262,936
Act 230/BEST Grant Expenditures	16,485.00	0
State Transportation Aid Expenditures	270,661.10	250,893
State Hot Lunch Transfers to Towns	12,043.95	12,043
<u>Other State Grant Expenditures</u>	<u>14,127.87</u>	<u>0</u>
Total State Expenditures	313,317.92	262,936
Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0

<u>Federal Funds:</u>	Actual <u>2019-2020</u>	Budget <u>2020-2021</u>
Special Programs Fund Revenues:	574,395.80	574,395
Hot Lunch Revenues:	343,392.77	0
Local & Private Funds:	<u>51,879.68</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Revenues:	969,668.25	574,395
 Special Programs Fund Expenditures:	 553,341.32	
Hot Lunch Expenditures:	<u>343,392.77</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expenditures:	896,734.09	574,395
Excess/(Deficiency)	72,934.16	0
 Title I Fund Revenues:	 363,081.16	 248,143
Title I Fund Expenditures:	26,910.75	46,255
Title I Transfer to Schools:	<u>336,170.41</u>	<u>201,889</u>
Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0
 21st Century Fund Revenues:	 172,251.31	 228,201
Local & Private Funds:	<u>90,772.81</u>	<u>208,121</u>
Total Revenues:	263,024.12	436,322
21 st Century Fund Expenditures:	172,251.31	228,201
Local & Private Expenditures:	<u>90,772.81</u>	<u>208,121</u>
Total Expenditures:	263,024.12	436,322
Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0

Federal Revenues for 2019-20 include carryover from 2018-2019. Budgeted Federal Revenues for 2020-2021 include carryover from 2019-2020 and are restricted for use in those programs only.

STAMFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

2019-2020

Fund Balance FY '2020 **\$ 524.97**
(Inventory Value)

Hot Lunch Receipts:

Sales to Students	9,152.80
Sales to Adults	1,364.25
Misc. Sales	9.50
State Match Funds	416.00
Federal Reimbursement	6,108.13
Commodities	1,587.76

Total Receipts **\$ 18,638.44**

Transfer of Funds from School Budget **\$ 13,994.55**

Hot Lunch Expenses:

Cook Salary	17,805.79
Cook FICA	1,362.16
Workers Compensation	165.24
VT Mun Retire't	756.77
Repairs & Maintenance	228.32
Supplies	7.50
Food, Milk, Supplies	12,307.21

Total Expenditures **\$ 32,632.99**

Fund Balance FY '2020 **\$ 524.97**
(+ Inventory Value)

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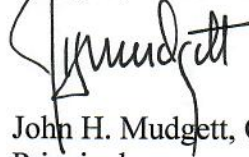
January 7, 2021

Board of Directors
Stamford Town School District

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION

The financial statements of the Stamford Town School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 were audited by Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C. of Montpelier. The financial statements will be available, with our independent auditor's reports, at the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union office once the final statements are issued.

Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C.



John H. Mudgett, CPA
Principal

TOWN TAX RATE HISTORY

<u>Year</u>	<u>Town Highway</u>	<u>Town General</u>	<u>Total</u>	
1996	0.2800	0.3400	0.6200	Reappraisal Year
1997	0.2700	0.2800	0.5500	
1998	0.3300	0.2300	0.5600	Act 60 Begins
1999	0.3765	0.2267	0.6032	
2000	0.3500	0.2300	0.5800	
2001	0.3600	0.2400	0.6000	
2002	0.3754	0.2880	0.6634	
2003	0.3800	0.3100	0.6900	
2004	0.4146	0.2903	0.7049	
2005	0.2969	0.2302	0.5271	Reappraisal Year
2006	0.3062	0.2301	0.5363	
2007	0.3307	0.2097	0.5404	
2008	0.2858	0.2803	0.5661	
2009	0.3458	0.2898	0.6356	
2010	0.2614	0.2711	0.5325	
2011	0.3133	0.2891	0.6024	
2012	0.3721	0.2564	0.6285	
2013	0.4245	0.2544	0.6789	
2014	0.4099	0.2026	0.6125	
2015	0.4034	0.2263	0.6297	
2016	0.4318	0.2758	0.7076	
2017	0.4254	0.2801	0.7055	
2018	0.4060	0.2970	0.7030	
2019	0.4390	0.3088	0.7478	
2020	0.4881	0.3053	0.7934	
* 2021	0.4516	0.3309	0.7825	

*Projected, based on 2020 Grand List and approval of 2021 Warrant Articles 3, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12

SCHOOL TAX RATE HISTORY

<u>Year</u>	<u>Homestead Rate</u>	<u>Non-Homestead Rate</u>
1996	1.4400	
1997	1.4100	
1998	1.0565	
1999	1.0829	
2000	1.0400	
2001	1.4400	
2002	1.5600	
2003	1.5400	
2004	1.3339	1.8685
2005	1.0090	1.3403
2006	1.0053	1.3438
2007	0.9124	1.3261
2008	0.9389	1.4402
2009	1.1735	1.5740
2010	1.1212	1.5077
2011	1.1375	1.4669
2012	1.1197	1.3498
2013	1.2359	1.4298
2014	1.2306	1.4683
2015	1.1819	1.4688
2016	1.0668	1.4075
2017	1.1724	1.4059
2018	1.3031	1.4873
2019	1.3106	1.5678
2020	1.4628	1.7168
** 2021	1.5491	1.7769

** Estimated, set by State of Vermont and approval of all 2021 School Warrant Articles

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