ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014
TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT



ARNOLD'S BAY

Panton Town Meeting, March 3, 2015, 10:00 am

Voting from 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Please bring your Town Report

Plaque at Arnold's Bay
Panton Vermont

*** NEAR THIS SPOT ***
ON THE AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 13, 1776
IN THE FIRST IMPORTANT NAVAL ENGAGEMENT
OF THE WAR FOR INDEPENDENCE
BENEDICT ARNOLD
AFTER A BATTLE IN WHICH HE HAD DISPLAYED
GREAT BOLDNESS, GALLANTRY AND SAGACITY
RAN ASHORE AND BURNED THE REMNANTS
OF THE AMERICAN SQUADRON UNDER
HIS COMMAND AS THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE
TO ITS SURRENDER TO A BRITISH FLEET
MUCH STRONGER THAN HIS OWN

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"NEVER HAD ANY FORCE, BIG OR SMALL, LIVED
TO BETTER PURPOSE OR DIED MORE GLORIOUSLY"

A.T. MAHAN

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

PANTON, VT

ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014

TOWN OF PANTON

CHARTERED 1761

POPULATION 2010 CENSUS - 677

REGISTERED VOTERS - 432

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2014 Panton Town Officers

Elected Officers	Name	Term Expires
Moderator	J Douglas Dows	One Year
Selectboard (3 year terms)	Howard Hall (appointed)	2015
	Wendy Knight (resigned)	2016
	Beth Tarallo	2015
	John Viskup, Chair	2017
Board of Listers (3 year terms)	Joan Burt	2015
	Beverly Biello	2016
	Cheryl McEwan	2017
Board of Auditors (3 year terms)	J Douglas Dows	2017
	J. Paul Sokal	2015
	Vacant	2016
Constable	David Palmatier	One Year
Dog Warden	Chris Morris (resigned)	One Year
	Vacant	
Town Grand Juror	Vacant	One Year
Town Agent	Ted Boelens	One Year
Water Commissioners	Chris Cook	2016
Panton Water District	Meddie Perry	2017
(3 year terms)	David Philbrook	2015
Justices of the Peace	Ralph Burt	2017
(2 year terms)	Eric Carter	2017
	James Dayton	2017
	Barbara Fleming	2017
	J. Paul Sokal	2017
Vergennes Union Elementary School/Board of Directors (3 year term)	Jason Fearon	2016
Vergennes Union High School/Board of Directors (3 year term)	Karrie Beebe (resigned)	
	Richard Rathbun	2017

Appointed Officers	Name	Term Expires
Town Clerk	Jean Miller	2015
Treasurer	Diane Merrill	2015

Delinquent Tax Collector	Barbara Fleming	2015
Design Review Board/		
Planning Commission	Ben Chamberlain (Resigned)	2016
(3 year terms)	Howard Hall	2016
	James Darragh	2015
	Barbara Fleming	2015
	Louise Giovanella – Clerk	2015
	Kirsten De La Cruz	2017
	Terry Findiesen	2017
	Heidi Mahoney	2017
	David Raphael – Chair	2016
	Mary Rudd	2016
	Teena Hayden (Alternate)	2017
Addison County Regional	David Raphael	One Year
Planning Representative	James Dayton (Alternate)	One Year
Zoning Administrator	Edmund Hanson	2016
(3 year term)		
Assistant Town Clerk	Joan Burt	One Year
(Appointed by Clerk)		
Town Service Officer	Eric Carter	One Year
Addison County Solid Waste Rep	J Paul Sokal	One Year
	Eben Markowski (Alternate)	One Year
Town Fence Viewers	Vacant	One Year
Emergency Management Coordinator	Matt Fraley	One Year
Civil Defense	Selectboard	
Town 911 Coordinator	J. Paul Sokal	One Year
Green-Up Day Chair	Louise Giovanella	One Year

Appointed by the State

Town Fire Warden	Robert Moulton (5 year term)	2017
Town Health Officer	Selectboard Chair	One Year

Town of Panton
Town Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2014 10:00 A.M.

John Viskup called the meeting to order at 10:00A.M.

John Viskup asked for nominations for Moderator. Ralph Burt nominated J. Douglas Dows. Paulette Bogan 2nd. There were no other nominations. John Viskup asked for a voice vote. All approved saying aye. There were no nays.
Doug Dows's first order was to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.
There was a moment of silence for the residents of Panton who had passed away last year.
Doug Dows explained that when nominations were made no one had to second it. When people voted he would announce that the aye or nays had it and pause, thus if someone thought that they had heard the vote differently this would give them a chance to say so, if no one did he would announce the ayes or nays had it.
Doug Dows moved to the Articles.
Article 1. Select Board nominations. Wendy Vorsteveld asked if you had to be a registered voter to be nominated. Doug Dows told her that you did not have to be a registered voter but you did need to be a resident of the Town. Wendy Vorsteveld nominated Gerard Vorsteveld. Doug Dows asked if there were any other nominations. Ralph Burt nominated John Viskup. There were no other nominations. Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked if people wanted to vote by hand count or ballot. They decided to do a hand count. Doug Dows declared that John Viskup was elected and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for John Viskup .
Doug Dows asked for nominations for Treasurer. Wendy Knight nominated Diane Merrill. There were no other nominations. Doug Dows closed the vote and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for Diane Merrill.
Doug asked for nominations for Lister for three years. Joan Burt nominated Beverly Biello . Someone asked if you needed to be present to be nominated. Doug Dows told them that it was smart if they were here but they did not need to be present to be nominated. Seeings as there were no other nominations; Doug Dows closed the vote and asked that the Clerk cast one vote for Beverly Biello.
Doug Dows asked for nominations for position of Lister for two years. Joan Burt nominated Cheryl McEwan. There were no other nominations, Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for Cheryl McEwan.
Doug Dows asked for nominations for the position of Auditor for three years. Doug Dows term was up. Barbara Fleming nominated Doug Dows for the position. There were no other nominations, so Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for Doug Dows.
Doug Dows sked for nominations for the position of Auditor for two years. John Viskup nominated Paul Sokal but Paul Sokal was already serving a term for another Auditor position so the nomination was not accepted. Doug Dows explained that the 2 year open position is to fill the vacant term of the third Auditor position. There were no nominations. The position was left vacant
Doug Dows asked for nominations for Constable for a term of one year. Roger Kayser nominated David Palmatier. There were no other nominations so Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for David Palmatier for Constable.
Doug Dows asked for nominations for Dog Warden. There were no nominations. The position was left vacant. The Select Board will appoint someone to the position.
Doug Dows asked for nominations for Grand Juror. There were none. The position was left vacant.

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Doug Dows asked for nominations for Town Agent. Muriel Neel nominated Ted Bolens. There were no other nominations. Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for Ted Bolens.

Doug Dows asked for nominations for Vergennes Union Elementary School Board. Kathy Cannon nominated Jason Fearon for the position. There were no other nominations. Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the Clerk to cast one vote for Jason Fearon.
Doug Dows asked for nominations for the position of Water District Board. Chris Cook nominated Meddie Perry. There were no other nominations. Doug Dows closed the nominations and asked the clerk to cast one vote for Meddie Perry.

Article 2. Shall the Town adopt the Town Officers Report? Doug Dows asked that someone move to start the discussion. Ted Boelens so moved. John Viskup spoke. He stated that Beth Tarallo and Wendy Knight had delved into the Statutes to make sure they were following them to the best of the Select Boards ability and commented on how much work they both did. He thanked many people for contributing to the Town, Ann Russett, Marge Huff, David Chase, Louise Giovanella, Paul Sokal, Arnold Bay Farm, Vorsteveld Farm, Ben Chamberlain, David Raphael, Town Hall committee, Brenda Blacklock, Ralph, Joan Burt, Diane Merrill, Brenda Jarring, Jean Miller, M'Lissa Dayton, Listers (Joan Burt, Cheryl McEwan & Beverly Biello), Water District (Meddie Perry, Chris Cook & David Philbrook), Rick Cloutier, Chris Dion, and Doug Dows. John Viskup said he hoped he had not forgotten anyone but was sure he had and wanted to thank them too and apologized if he had forgotten to name anyone. Doug Dows said at this time if anyone wanted to ask the Select Board any questions regarding the report, now was the time. Wendy Knight asked if there were any interested residents that would like to join the Town Hall Committee, they would be happy to have the help. David Raphael commented that he would like to see the cupola back on the roof. John Viskup said that some money had been donated to help in the restoration of the cupola for when it was decided in what direction to go with the cupola restoration. Howard Hall wanted to thank the road crew for the great job that they had done this winter and to say that he appreciated the Town of Panton signs that had been put up. The Raphael's designed the signs. David Raphael wanted the Select Board thanked for their dedication and all the hard work that the three of them had done for the Town.
The Zoning Report and the Auditors Report were that last two reports. Doug Dows asked if there were any questions. Doug Dows stated that there was a mistake in the Auditor's Report, on page 18 second to the last paragraph it read June 30, 2013 and the next June 30, 2012 was a typo and should read June 30, 2013. There were no questions on these two reports. Doug Dows moved that a vote be taken to accept the Town Officers Report. A vote was taken and all voted Aye. There were no Nays.

Article 3. Shall the Town vote to have the Treasurer collect Taxes as provided by law? David Raphael moved. Doug Dows asked for discussion. There was none. He called for a voice for. The Ayes had it. There were no Nays.

Article 4. Shall the Town vote to place money in the Reserve Funds, the Highway Capital Equipment Fund $20,000, Town Hall Restoration Fund $15,000, the Grader Tire Fund $2,000, the Reappraisal Fund $2,000, the Highway Capital Project Fund $20,000 for a total of $59,000 for these funds. Paulette Bogan moved.

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Kathy Cannon asked for the amounts that were presently in these funds. Page 19 in the Town Report states the Fund Balances as of June 30, 2013. Diane Merrill stated that the funds that had been voted on last year at Town Meeting had not yet been transferred to the accounts this year. The funds would be transferred after the first of May tax payments were received.
Nancy Morgan wanted to know if the Select Board or the Treasurer could take money from these funds at any time. She was told that these funds were set aside for specific projects/purposes and could only be used for the project/purposes for which they are set aside. For example recommendations could be made by the Town Hall Committee and the Select Board would review the recommendation and see if there was enough money in the Town Hall Restoration Fund account to do the work and then make a decision.
Fund balances were drawn on for the purchase of a Frontend Loader and painting of the Town Hall.
John Viskup stated that the money in these funds were set aside to be used for their specific purpose went it was necessary.
Muriel Neel wanted to know if a figure could be given stating the amount that was currently in these funds.
Caroline Bitler asked if the money that was voted to be put in these funds at last year's Town Meeting in March had been transferred to these accounts as of June 30, 2013. Beth Tarallo explained that the money that would be voted on to go into these accounts this year would not show up in these account until next year's report.
Diane Merrill gave balances of these funds as of January 30, 2014, Capital Equipment Fund $11,648, Reappraisal Fund $3200, Digitization Fund $4002, Grader Tire Fund $4002, Town Hall Restoration Fund $822. The Highway Capital Fund has not been funded at this time. It will be funded after May taxes.
Howard Hall want to know if any of the money in the General Reserve Fund had been specifically set aside for an Emergency Fund. He was told that it would have to go before the voters. The Select Board is looking in to setting up this fund, but it would have to be warned in an Article for the residents to vote on at Town Meeting before a Fund could be set up.
Caroline Bitler asked if the Loader had been taken out of Capital Equipment Fund. It was.
Doug Dows asked if everyone was ready to vote. Muriel Neel moved. A voice vote was taken. The Ayes had it. There were no Nays.

Article 5. Shall the Town vote to adopt the 2014/2015 fiscal general operating fund in the amount of $603,961 of which $472,500 shall be raised by taxes and $134,461 by nontaxed revenues. Bob Moulton moved for discussion to begin. Beth Tarallo moved to make a motion to amendment Article 5. Shall the Town vote to adopt the 2014/2015 general operating fund in the amount of $603,961 should be amended to $606,961 the remaining numbers would stay the same. This was a typographical error and the budget on page 30 states the correct balances. Doug Dows said if there no objections that the Article could be amended. There were no objections so the Article was amended.
Doug Dows asked at this time to have the Select Board present the Budget and then he would open it up to the floor for any questions. The budget starts on page 30 of the annual report.
Beth Tarallo presented the budget. She started with a look at how last year's budget ended up giving insight to the budget that is being voted on. She compared income/revenue accounts 2012/2013 actual budget to the proposed 2013/2014 budget. Speeding fines budgeted were $300 and actual was $3640 this creating an increase in revenue. State Aid Highway (SAH) is money that the State gives Panton for

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Class 2 and 3 roads. SAH actual was $55,656, had budgeted $53,500 more money was received than Town Meeting Minutesanticipated. Recording fees actual were $8940 and budgeted were $4000. This was due to interest rates being lower and a lot of refinancing occurred. Current Use Tax is money that is received from the State on land that is in Current Use Program, had $44,000 budgeted and $51,919 was received which is a significant amount more. The bottom line for the nontaxed revenues for 2013 was $135,998 almost $136,000 and only $114,115 was budgeted.

At this time Diane Lanphere and Warren Van Wyck had arrived and Doug Dows called for a break so the State Representatives could speak.
Warren Van Wyck said the General Funds, Education Fund and Taxes were up at the State level, that costs needed to be kept under control and it was not happening at this time. The State needs to be careful how they deal with businesses. They need to handle things so businesses would not decide to leave the State and to make it more appealing for new businesses to establish in Vermont as opposed to neighboring States.
Diane Lanphere had some handouts she left for review and the Doyle poll to be filled out. She said that the local schools had done an excellent job with their budgeting. It was not their fault that there was a 32% Educational Fee, there were structural issues or that there was a 47% increase in school funding. The main reason for the increase was due to Special Ed children.
She spoke about the Train Depot being moved from Vergennes to Ferrisburgh. She said that this would be a supported stop and it would eventually come through.
Diane Lanphere talked about 330 State owned acres that surrounded Ferrisburgh and Vergennes. There is a 3rd party involved and they are to come with a plan of what should be done with this land to help bring revenue in. Every committee at State level has its own website. Revisions regarding bills can be viewed there. Diane Lanphere would like to post on Front Porch Forum's website with updates on different issues.
There is a bill H526 that deals with the Lake and shore land. The State has till Spring to come up with a plan on how to address the phosphorous that is polluting the Lake and shore land. If the EPA does not like the plan that the State comes up with, they will take over and mandate what will be done.
Property taxes are unsustainable. It will take a long time to fix or restructure the system to deal with these taxes. Taxes are up and property values are declining. Cost per student is higher.
Diane thanked Panton for allowing her to speak at Town Meeting.

Town Meeting is now resumed.
Beth Tarallo continued with Article 5. She went directly to the bottom line of expenses. The actual budget was $570,745 and the estimated budget was $598,877, less was spent than was anticipated. The Town ended up approximately $30,000 ahead. Beth went over a couple of nontaxed revenue items for the 2014/2015 budget. The State Aid is listed at $55,400 this is an actual figure that will be received. For the Current Use Tax $57,000 is being budgeted. This is an increase of about $6,000. Expenses budgeted for 2014/2015 in the Town Office section, Fire Protection is $20,000 this is a decrease of $3,000 due to having paid back money that Panton owed due to an error in billing from a couple of years ago. Accounting Services is a new line item $3000. These funds are being set aside for a CPA to be of assistance to Panton's Treasurer on a monthly basis. Audit Services $5000 is for an external audit of the financials and to provide some assistance from a CPA so that the Internal Auditors could call on

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them if they had questions. Part of the Highway budget being reviewed, Property & Casualty Insurance $8,778 is increased just over $2700 due to an increase in insurance premiums. Diesel is being budgeted at $26,600 a decrease of $1,400 because the price has fluctuated quite a bit. The price has gone down and not as much was used as expected. The same with Chloride $13,050 is budgeted at a decrease of $2,900. Equipment (net grant) and Tools & Small Equipment when added together is a decrease of about $3,000. No purchases of large equipment are scheduled for this year. The bottom line is $606,961 for the expenses that the Town is being asked to vote on which is a $5,029 increase from last year. Anticipated non tax revenue is also up. The difference between projected revenue and expenses would be a decrease $1,149 in the overall budget from last year.
David Raphael asked if the budget is passed on the General Fund, how the Community Service fund amounts would figure in. The Community Services are voted by Australian Ballot separate from Article 5. The amounts being requested by Community Services, if passed, are added separately to the amount requested in Article 5. If the amounts being requested by these agencies are not passed by the voters, then they will not be added to the budget. If the budget is passed and all the Australian ballot requests the total budget to be supported by taxes will be $540,051 (shown on pp 36 of Town Report). Example of the estimated tax rate, figuring Article 5 and all community service article passing, is shown on pp 36 of the Town Report: The current Grand List Factor is $1,004,869 which would give Panton a tax rate of 0.5374 which is a decrease of 0.29%. The Grand List Factor is subject to change; the tax rate presented is an estimate. The figure will come from the new Grand List which is established in April.
Doug Dows asked if there were any questions for the Select Board regarding the budget. The Select Board was thanked for holding the budget down and for the level funding which is seldom done in the current age.
Beth Tarallo wanted to pass on a thank you to Rick Cloutier (Road Foreman), Diane Merrill (Treasurer) and Jean Miller (Town Clerk) for their help in keeping the budget down. Diane Merrill passed on Panton's thanks to M'Lissa Dayton for preparing the reports.
Doug Dows called a voice vote on Article 5. The ayes passed Article 5. There were no nays.
Articles 6 – 21 are voted on by Australian ballot. The items are not debatable at Town Meeting.

Article 22. Shall the Town transact any other business, which may legally come before the Town?
Doug Dows explained that nothing could legally come before the Town to be voted on because it would have to be warned. Doug told the voters that is was the time to express anything that they might want the Select Board to deal with in the coming year.
Mary Metcalf had concerns regarding chloride and salt being used on the roads and thought that it might be adding to the pollution of the Lake.
Caroline Bitler wanted to know how the Byway would impact Panton. David Raphael addressed this. He said it would not impact Panton very much. It could bring more business for Bed & Breakfasts, camp rentals and visitors to the Lake. It would let tourists know that Panton was recognizing their presence and acknowledging traffic that already existed. The Byway would help visitors navigate and visit places of interest. Wendy Knight told the residents that the Town had not spent any money to become part of the Byway. David Raphael did say that a little bit of money had been set aside to have some signs made to mark the Byway route.
Beth Tarallo told everyone that the Select Board meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month and that they would welcome anyone that wanted to attend and share their questions and comments. She also

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encouraged people to give their email addresses so they could be included on Town of Panton's email list. Contact Jean Miller, Town Clerk to be added to the list.
Doug Dows asked if there was any other business to discuss, as there was none he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Howard Hall made a motion to adjourn. Ralph Burt 2nd. Doug Dows adjourned the meeting at 11:56 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Miller, Clerk

Town of Panton

Results of Australian Ballot

Annual Town Meeting

March 4, 2014

		If in favor of the Article, Mark a (X) in box	If opposed to Article, Mark (X) in box
ARTICLE 6	Shall the Town vote to adopt the proposed municipal governance charter approved by the Town of Panton Select board on November 26, 2013?	62	35
ARTICLE 7.	Shall the Town vote to give $500 to Addison County Community Action Group (ACCAG), d.b.a. HOPE from the Town funds?	64	36
ARTICLE 8.	Shall the Town vote to give $210; to Addison County Court Diversion & Community Justice Projects, Inc. from Town Funds?	62	38
ARTICLE 9.	Shall the Town vote to give $450 to the Counseling Service of Addison County from Town funds?	68	32
ARTICLE 10.	Shall the Town vote to give $800 to Addison County Home Health & Hospice from Town funds?	81	19
ARTICLE 11.	Shall the Town vote to give $500 to Addison County Humane Society from Town funds?	65	34
ARTICLE 12.	Shall the Town vote to give $800 to Addison County Parent/Child Center from Town funds?	66	33
ARTICLE 13.	Shall the Town vote to give $691 to Addison County Transit Resources from Town funds?	64	36
ARTICLE 14.	Shall the Town vote to give $1000 to Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes from Town funds?	73	27
ARTICLE 15.	Shall the Town vote to give $500 to Community Health Services of Addison County from Town funds?	66	33
ARTICLE 16.	Shall the Town vote to give $650 to Champlain Valley Agency on Aging from Town funds?	76	24
ARTICLE 17.	Shall the Town vote to give $850 to Elderly Services from Town funds?	79	21
ARTICLE 18.	Shall the Town vote to give $450 to John W. Graham Emergency Shelter from Town funds?	65	34
ARTICLE 19.	Shall the Town vote to give $300 to Hospice Volunteer Services from Town funds?	78	22
ARTICLE 20.	Shall the Town vote to give $250 to RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) from Town Funds?	71	28
ARTICLE 21.	Shall the Town vote to give $600 to WomanSafe from Town funds?	72	28

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

Warning of Town of Panton Annual Meeting
Tuesday March 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Town of Panton are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Panton Town Hall on Tuesday March 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss and transact business, and on Tuesday March 3, 2015 at Panton Town Hall/Office, the polls to open 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for voting by Australian ballot.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To elect the following officers:
Selectboard Member 3 years
Selectboard Member, to fill the remaining 1 year of a 3 year term
Lister 3 years
Auditor 3 years
Auditor, to fill the remaining 1 year of a 3 year term
Constable 1 year
Town Grand Juror 1 year
Town Agent 1 year
Water District Commissioner 3 years
VUHS Board of Director, 3 years

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of the Town Officers

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following sums which shall be raised by taxes, to be placed in Town Reserve Fund accounts as noted:

Reserve Fund	Amount
Highway Capital Equipment Fund	$20,000
Highway Capital Project Fund	$20,000
Grader Tire Fund	$2,000
Town Hall Restoration Fund	$15,000
Reappraisal Fund	$2,000
Total	$59,000

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters establish a reserve fund in an amount not to exceed 7% of the General budget and budgeted appropriations, to cover unanticipated revenue shortfalls and to pay non-recurring and unanticipated general and highway and other appropriated fund expenses, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2804(a)?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters authorize the transfer of $47,216 from the June 30, 2014 undesignated fund balance of the General Fund to the Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize the transfer of $50,000 from the June 30, 2014 undesignated fund balance of the General Fund to the Highway Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to adopt the proposed 2015 -2016 fiscal year General Fund Operating Budget in the amount of $631,288, of which $490,113 shall be raised by taxes and $141,175 by non-tax revenues?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to authorize the renaming and repurposing of the Grader Tire Fund to be the Tire Fund, for the purpose of purchasing or repairing tires for all heavy equipment?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters appropriate $210; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Addison County Court Diversion & Community Justice Projects Inc. pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 11: Shall the voters appropriate $800; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Addison County Home Health & Hospice, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters appropriate $800; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Addison County Parent/Child Center, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters appropriate $691; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Addison County Transit Resources pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters appropriate $1,000; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 15: Shall the voters appropriate $650; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Champlain Valley Agency on Aging (CVAA), pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 16: Shall the voters appropriate $500; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Counseling Service of Addison County, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 17: Shall the voters appropriate $850; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Elderly Services, Inc., pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 18: Shall the voters appropriate $500; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Homeward Bound (Addison County Humane Society), pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 19: Shall the voters appropriate $500; said sum to be raised by taxes to support HOPE (Addison County Community Action Group (ACCAG)), pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 20: Shall the voters appropriate $300; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Hospice Volunteer Services, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 21: Shall the voters appropriate $450; said sum to be raised by taxes to support John Graham Shelter, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 22: Shall the voters appropriate $500; said sum to be raised by taxes to support Open Door Clinic (Community Health Services of Addison County), pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 23: Shall the voters appropriate $250; said sum to be raised by taxes to support RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program), pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 24: Shall the voters appropriate $600; said sum to be raised by taxes to support WomenSafe, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2691, to be voted by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 25: To transact any other non-binding business.

ARTICLE 26: Shall the Town of Panton ask our legislature to cap Education Property Tax rates at FY2015 levels for the next 2 years?

Dated at Panton, County of Addison and State of Vermont, this 22ND day of January, 2015.

John Viskup, Chair Beth Tarallo Howard Hall

Attest: Jean Miller
Jean Miller, Town Clerk

Town of Panton, Selectboard Report 2014

Panton Neighbors,

We are grateful to our fellow residents for your commitment to Panton. We are pleased to report highlights of 2014 Board and Town related work:

Board Highlights:

- Continued work on internal policies to strengthen and streamline internal procedures and fulfill legal obligations: including a cash handling policy (adopted) and a reserve fund policy (draft), reducing financial risk to town, as well as a culvert policy (draft).
- Appointed a Personnel Committee to make a recommendation/draft a personnel policy to provide consistent systems and process for employees and management.
- Created a CDL driver drug and alcohol policy, bringing us into compliance with federal regulations Vermont statutes, and DOT requirements.
- Received VLCT PACIF Safety equipment grant for anti-slip rugs (Town Office) and hard hats, steel gas cans (Garage) and Back up Cameras (Trucks), increasing safety and reducing accident risk.
- Brought Town into Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund (ERAF) and VT Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (VT DEMHS) Compliance, including creation of a Hazard Mitigation Plan, a Local Emergency Operations Plan, and Appointment of a Hazard Mitigation Committee, enabling Panton to be eligible for grants, reducing disaster associated costs to town.
- Worked with VT Legislature to pass Panton Town Charter; transitioned to appointed positions for Treasurer, Clerk and Delinquent Tax Collector, and created job descriptions for each, expanding the geographic network from which we can draw future candidates, reducing risk by separating out the clerk and treasurer roles and providing clear process for feedback/review.
- Moved into compliance with state open meeting law changes, increasing transparency to residents by posting meeting agendas in advance and providing quicker access to meeting notes.
- Supported Delinquent Tax Collector's work, thus reducing Delinquent Taxes owed to town.
- Revised the Arnold Bay Parking Ordinance, and improving access and safety in case of emergency.

Highway Highlights:

- Replaced 2 culverts on Jersey Street, including replacing 1 derelict culvert with a box culvert (funded with 27K from a VT Structures Grant).
- Purchased, with voter approval, a 2015 International Viking Truck, with Plow, Wing and Warranty.
- Paved Basin Harbor Road and the lower half of East Road.
- Ditching on Pease Road.
- Creation of Long Term Equipment Depreciation and Replacement Schedule; Revamped 5-Year Paving Plan.
- Worked with other towns to keep costs down/ share resource including: coordinated winter sand trucking with the Town of Richmond, saving $.50 per ton, and working with Vergennes and Addison to install the Jersey St. box culvert.

Special thanks to officers, committee members & volunteers for their continued commitment to Panton; also special thanks to those who fill “unofficial roles”, including: Louise Giovanella, Paul Sokal, and Paula Moore for our Town Hall’s front garden; Paul Sokal for upgrading and maintaining Panton’s website, www.pantonvt.us, allowing for easier updates and agenda/minutes postings; Vorsteveld Farm for allowing Panton residents to use land across from Panton General Store as a town park; David Chase for maintaining the town park; Ralph Burt for assembling the town report; and M'Lissa Dayton for her additional support to our Treasurer. We also thank Panton’s office staff, Jean Miller and Diane Merrill, and road crew, Rick Cloutier and Chris Dion. *We’d love your help! Panton needs a Dog Warden and has an opening on the Board of Auditors, in addition to other offices up for election this year. Contact us if you’re interested.*

Please email Jean Miller: jeanmiller@pantonvt.us to get on Panton’s email list. The Select Board meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open to the public. We welcome your input.

Respectfully submitted,

John Viskup, Chair (H:475-2467/C:377-5511) johnviskup@pantonvt.us
Beth Tarallo (H:759-3133/C:377-0116) bethtarallo@pantonvt.us
Howard Hall (H:475-2699/C:377-1821) howardhall@pantonvt.us

Town of Panton Planning Commission and Development Review Board Annual Report 2014

The Town of Panton Planning Commission and Development Review Board (PC/DRB) meets regularly on the first Thursday of every month at 7 PM at the Town Hall, unless an alternate date is necessary and publicized. All Planning Commission and Development Review Board meetings are open to the public and we welcome all those who would like to attend or wish to bring a question, concern or application to the attention of the PC/DRB. The Town of Panton Planning Commission and Development Review Board continues to be chaired by David Raphael and our Secretary is Louise Giovanella, who has faithfully served the PC/DRB for many years.

The Commission this year has seen the resignation of one member and the addition of a new Board/Commission member and an Alternate. We want to thank Deeny Marshall for her years of reliable, dedicated and faithful service to the town and wish her the best for the future. We welcomed our newest member, Terry Findeisen, a local architect, and thank her for volunteering to become part of the PC/DRB. The PC/DRB also benefitted this year from the assistance of Teena Hayden, who was named as an Alternate to the Board and Commission, and who has served us well in that role, filling in when a quorum was needed.

The Planning Commission continues to work on minor changes and additions to the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations, with the plan to present the revisions and amendments for town adoption in 2015. The Planning Commission has also provided the core membership for the Town Hall Committee, working with the Selectboard to address functional, maintenance and restoration issues associated with the Town's historic and iconic building.

The Development Review Board is convened to review permit applications that require subdivision or conditional use approval, and to grant variances from current zoning regulations. This year the Development Review Board completed the review of an application for one of the largest subdivisions in the town's history on Lake Street and Spaulding Road, and approved the final development plan that incorporated a number of conditions set forth by the Board. The DRB also reviewed and approved a number of conditional use requests and variances.

This past year a new state law entitled the Shoreland Protection Act was enacted in the legislature. All lakeshore property owners in Panton who wish to engage in vegetative removal or development activities along the lakeshore are required to check with the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation as to whether they will need to obtain a state permit (http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov). For those who are planning building or construction projects in town, or want information regarding local permitting, please contact Mr. Ed Hanson, the Town's Zoning Administrator, who can be reached via email at santorini@gmavt.net or by phone at 802-453-3785.

Respectfully submitted;

David Raphael
Chairman

TOWN OF PANTON
YEAR-END ZONING REPORT
CALENDAR YEAR 2014

The numbers and the distribution by type of the zoning applications that were received and processed in calendar year (CY) 2014 can be summarized as follows:

New dwellings
- ***Permanent/seasonal houses*** **2**
- ***Accessory apartments*** **2**

Mobile homes **0**
Replacements **3**
Renovations/additions **8**
Accessory outbuildings **2**
Exempt agricultural outbuildings **2**
Ponds/dams/other land development **0**
Temporary uses **0**
Fences **0**
Signs **0**
Subdivisions
- ***Single-lot*** **0**
- ***Multiple lot*** **0**
- ***Boundary adjustments*** **1**

Planned unit developments (PUDs) **0**
Renewals of permit **0**
Conditional uses **1**
Certificates of occupancy **4**
Notices of Violation **1**
Development Review Board hearing applications
- ***Conditional uses*** **3**

Variances/Waivers **4**
- ***Appeals*** **2**
- ***Subdivisions/PUDs*** **1**

Twenty-nine applications were received and processed during the calendar year, including **ten** requests which required hearings before the Townôs Development Review Board for variances and waivers, conditional-uses, a change of use, a boundary-line adjustment and two appeals of the Administrative Officerôs actions, and one exempt agricultural accessory structure. .

During the period from 1 January 2014 through 31 December 2014, **fifteen zoning permits** were issued. The direct costs associated with the Townôs zoning and planning administration involved a total invoiced cost of **$6,960.43** in man-hours and expenses for the Administrative Officerôs services, charged against a total of **$2,305.00** in permit application fees that were assessed and collected, resulting in a net cost of **$4,655.43** for the calendar year.

These figures do not include the costs incurred in warning and convening hearings before the Development Review Board, nor do they include attorneysô fees, when and if the Town elects to retain their services (as, for instance, to pursue litigation in zoning violation cases before the Environmental Division of the Vermont Superior Court). For a complete summary of the Townôs officially-posted zoning and planning administration costs, please refer to the Treasurerôs Report on the General Fund in the Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. Hanson
Administrative Officer
29 December 2014.

Listers Report

The town of Panton has 3 elected Listers. Currently Joan Burt, Cheryl McEwan and Beverly Biello are serving as listers. Joan will be retiring after many years of good service as a Lister, leaving a vacancy to be filled in 2015. As Listers, we oversee the work of Lisa Truchon from NEMRC who is hired to maintain the grand list and fulfill the many duties involved in that process. Lisa is an experienced appraiser/assessor that works closely with us and the other town officials to compile all the necessary data that becomes our grand list.

Every year in January, the state equalization study is completed and the town of Panton is issued the new Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) and Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) by the VT.Dept. of Taxes, Property Valuation and Review. This determines our town education tax rate. This year's CLA is 102.35 and COD is 6.75 only slightly different than last year which is good for the town of Panton. The CLA is the listed property value divided by the equalized education property value. Vermont law requires property to be assessed at 100% of its fair market value. If a CLA falls below 80 a town will be ordered to reappraise by the State of Vermont. The COD is the average of the absolute deviations of each sales ration from the median ratio divided by the median ratio. This math equation measures equity and how fairly distributed the tax burden is within a town. A town's COD must not be higher than 20 or a reappraisal will be ordered. The Listers main responsibility is assessment equality and consistent relationship to Market Value.

The last town wide re-appraisal was in 2012. Those values will stay the same unless there was something done to a property that would increase or decrease its value. A building permit will generate a re-appraisal which would change the value and a grievance could also generate a change of value. Please feel free to check your Listers card in the town office for accuracy. If you have questions do not hesitate to contact one of the Listers.

Grievance hearings are scheduled annually in the month of June. A grievance request must be in writing within the time frame that the process allows.

The State of Vermont requires all residents to file their Homestead Declaration annually before April 15. This will decide residential or non-residential status which will determine your tax rate category.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl McEwan

Beverly Biello

Joan Burt

TOWN OF PANTON PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT - JANUARY, 2015

Personnel Committee Background

The Personnel Committee was approved and formed by the Panton Selectboard in the summer of 2014. Its purpose is to develop new written policies as needed and to review existing policies in order to create a personnel policy manual for Selectboard review and approval. The committee members include Beth Tarallo, Howard Hall, Paul Sokal, Heidi Mahoney and Jamie Dayton. The first meeting of the committee was on August 27, 2014.

There were six reasons why the Selectboard was interested in developing a personnel policy manual:

- To ensure that all employees, elected Town of Panton officials and Town of Panton volunteers follow the federal and state laws that pertain to personnel
- To write down and clarify the town's personnel policies and benefits for its employees so that everyone has the same understanding
- To ensure that all employees are treated consistently, equally and fairly
- To comply with the recommendations to develop written personnel policies from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) and from the management letter of the town auditor
- To be able to accurately forecast and budget for personnel expenditures and liabilities
- To ensure continuity when there are changes in the membership of the Selectboard

The Committee's Work

The committee's first task was to obtain copies of the personnel policy manuals from communities comparable to Panton in terms of number of employees, budget or vicinity. Those communities included Addison, Ferrisburgh, Vergennes, Hinesburg and Monkton. The committee also received model personnel policies from the VLCT.

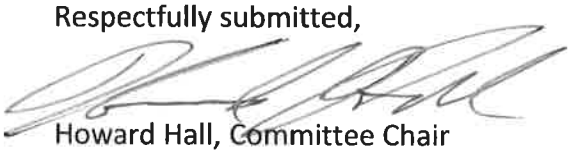
The next task was to create a list of policy topics. There were thirty topics the committee decided to address. Examples of topics included employee computer use, sexual harassment and vacation/sick time accruals. Between September and December, the policy topics were divided among the committee members who then wrote policy drafts. Each policy was discussed, revised and voted on in a committee meeting. The draft of the Town of Panton Personnel Policy Manual was then edited for consistency of language.

The committee plans to meet in January to finalize the draft document. The next step is to submit the draft policy manual to the Selectboard for its review and approval. The draft policy manual will then be forwarded to the VLCT for legal review and compliance.

Based on the results of the VLCT review, the Selectboard will again review the personnel policy manual. When it is adopted by the Selectboard, the committee will meet with all town employees, officials and town volunteers to review the policies and answer any questions.

I would like to thank the members of the Town of Panton Personnel Committee who worked so hard throughout the fall to create a thoughtful and thorough personnel policy manual. We had many lively discussions, and all of us learned a great deal about personnel law and policies in the process.

Respectfully submitted,



Howard Hall, Committee Chair

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PANTON TOWN HALL COMMITTEE FOR 2014

The Town Hall Committee has been created and appointed by the Selectboard for the purpose of assisting the Board in the ongoing management and restoration of the building, its facilities, and site. The committee included Ben Chamberlain, Terry Findeisen, Howard Hall representing the Selectboard, Wendy Knight , Deb Hartenstein, Heidi Mahoney, Paul Sokal, David Raphael, representing the PC/DRB, and Katie Werthmann.

This year the Committee met with Ann Cousins from the Preservation Trust of Vermont to seek assistance in planning and funding for the restoration and repair projects needed and being considered for the building and site. Ms. Cousins highlighted the unique architecture of the building and the rear carriage barn, its value as part of Panton's heritage and its Village Historic District s and provided guidance on the organizational and implementation steps that need be taken for building improvements.

The activities that the committee has initiated in 2014 and will continue working on in the coming year include fundraising and applying for grants to underwrite major projects, preparing an overall master plan for the site, and developing a strategy for restoring the cupola to the building. Areas of short term focus include repairing and/or replacing the front steps to the building and the accessible entry ramp installed on the rear and side of the building. Several contractors have provided estimates this year to the committee for different improvement projects.

For 2015 the Town Hall Committee plans to meet on a quarterly basis as well as needs warrant. Meeting times will be posted at Town Hall, Front Porch Forum and announced via the town's email list. The committee also includes interested residents who attend and all are welcome to attend any and all of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted;

David Raphael
Chairman

Each year Town Auditors are charged with reviewing the town financial records and financial operations. Since we do not have the skill or expertise of professional auditors, we use common sense and tools provided by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) to guide the work we do.

Periodically, the town will have outside certified public accountants audit the financial operations of the town. The last professional audit was completed on the FY2011 financial reports. The professional auditors noted several weaknesses in the financial operations of the town and made several recommendations to address those weaknesses. The Auditors are pleased to report that the Selectboard has continued to make progress in developing financial and personnel policies. The Selectboard is also budgeting to have an external audit of the FY 2015 financial reports. A periodic external review of town finances is a prudent management practice.

In previous years we have reported that we reviewed the operations of the delinquent tax collector. The process for collecting delinquent taxes continues to improve. We are pleased to report the number of delinquent tax accounts for taxes due in FY14 is down to four.

We will be looking to fill two Auditor positions at town meeting this year. This is a chance to help make the town run more efficiently. If you are interested, please contact the Selectboard or a Town Auditor for more information.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Panton for the year ended June 30, 2014. These financial statements are the responsibility of elected town officers. Our responsibility is to express our opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1681-1684, which, among other things, require that we examine and adjust the accounts of all town officers and all other persons authorized by law to draw orders on the town treasurer. Our objectives were to validate the correctness of town accounts, detect errors in theses accounts and verify the financial condition and results of operations of the town as of June 30, 2014. To accomplish these objectives, we obtained an understanding of the operation of the town's government, including internal controls over financial transactions. We interviewed town officials to gain an understanding of town operations. We reviewed the town's accounting system, cash handling procedures and segregation of duties. To verify the existence and year-end balance of cash accounts, we confirmed the year-end balance with the bank. To verify the amount of accounts payable at year-end, we performed a review of the payments made sixty days subsequent to year-end to detect unrecorded payables.

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Panton and of its operations for the year ended June 30, 2014.

Signed:

J. Douglas Dows J. Paul Sokal

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
(Modified Cash Basis)
JUNE 30, 2014

	General Fund	Hwy Capital Equipment Fund	Hwy Capital Project Fund	Reappraisal Fund	Town Hall Restoration	Digitization Fund	Grader Tire Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS								
Cash	134,880	31,652	20,001	7,302	14,824	6,004	6,004	$ 220,667
Property taxes receivable	49,404	0	0	0	0	0	0	49,404
Grant Receivable	1,381	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,381
Due from other funds	5,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,900
Prepaid expenses	8,322	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,322
Total assets	199,887	31,652	20,001	7,302	14,824	6,004	6,004	$ 285,674
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	16,620	0	0	0	0	0	0	$ 16,620
Payroll liabilities	9,982	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,982
Due to other funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,900	5,900
Other accrued liabilites	1,553	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,553
Deferred property taxes	39,543	0	0	0	0	0	0	39,543
Total liabilities	67,698	0	0	0	0	0	5,900	73,598
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable - prepaids	8,322	0	0	0	0	0	0	$ 8,322
Committed for reappraisal	-	0	0	7,302	0	0	0	7,302
Assigned for highway capital equip	-	31,652	0	0	0	0	0	31,652
Assigned for highway capital projects	-	0	20,001	0	0	0	0	20,001
Assigned for digitization	-	0	0	0	0	6,004	0	6,004
Assigned for grader tires	-	0	0	0	0	0	104	104
Assigned for town hall restoration	-	0	0	0	14,824	0	0	14,824
Unassigned	123,867	0	0	0	0	0	0	123,867
Total fund balances	132,189	31,652	20,001	7,302	14,824	6,004	104	212,076
Total liabilities and fund balances	199,887	31,652	20,001	7,302	14,824	6,004	6,004	$ 285,674

See Notes to Financial Statements

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (Modified Cash Basis)
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	General Fund	Hwy Capital Equipment Fund	Hwy Capital Project Fund	Reappraisal Fund	Town Hall Restoration Fund	Digitization Fund	Grader Tire Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES								
Municipal property taxes	$ 556,818	0	0	0	0	0	0	$ 556,818
Licenses, fees and permits	3,630	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,630
Intergovernmental	113,213	0	0	3,087	0	0	0	116,300
Charges for services	9,831	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,831
Fines and forfeits	2,305	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,305
Miscellaneous	4,801	1,875	1	2	3	2	2	6,686
Total revenues	$ 690,598	1,875	1	3,089	3	2	2	$ 695,570
EXPENDITURES								
Current expenditures								
General government	133,982	0	0	0	6	0	0	133,988
Community services	7,951	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,951
Public safety	33,852	0	0	0	0	0	0	33,852
Recycling	5,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,700
Public works	264,490	0	0	0	0	0	5,900	270,390
Debt service								
Principal	33,372	0	0	0	0	0	0	33,372
Interest	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
Capital outlay	84,756	60,725	0	0	15,175	0	0	160,656
Total expenditures	566,103	60,725	0	0	15,181	0	5,900	647,909
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	124,495	(58,850)	1	3,089	(15,178)	2	(5,898)	47,661
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfer from General Fund	0	20,000	20,000	1,000	15,000	2,000	2,000	60,000
Transfer to reserve funds	(60,000)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(60,000)
Total other financing sources(uses)	(60,000)	20,000	20,000	1,000	15,000	2,000	2,000	0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	64,495	(38,850)	20,001	4,089	(178)	2,002	(3,898)	47,661
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2013	67,694	70,502	0	3,213	15,002	4,002	4,002	164,415
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2014	$ 132,189	31,652	20,001	7,302	14,824	6,004	104	$ 212,076

See Notes to Financial Statements

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - COMPARED TO BUDGET (Modified Cash Basis)
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Municipal property taxes	$ 546,400	$ 556,818	$ 10,418
Licenses, fees and permits	2,240	3,630	1,390
Intergovernmental	109,441	113,213	3,772
Charges for services	7,000	9,831	2,831
Fines and forfeits	2,400	2,305	(95)
Miscellaneous	2,401	4,801	2,400
Total revenues	669,882	690,598	20,716
EXPENDITURES			
Current expenditures			
General government	143,933	133,982	9,951
Community services	7,951	7,951	-
Public safety	35,180	33,852	1,328
Recycling	6,000	5,700	300
Public works	301,446	264,490	36,956
Debt service			
Principal	33,372	33,372	-
Interest	2,000	2,000	-
Capital outlay	80,000	84,756	(4,756)
Total expenditures	609,882	566,103	43,779
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	60,000	124,495	64,495
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfer to reserve funds	(60,000)	(60,000)	0
Total other financing sources(uses)	(60,000)	(60,000)	0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	$ -	64,495	$ 64,495
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2013		67,694	
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2014		$ 132,189	

See Notes to Financial Statements

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2014

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recorded when both measurable, collectible and available for use within the current period or 60 days for property taxes and within six months for all other revenue. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt is recognized when due.

Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which taxes have been levied. Delinquent property taxes not collected within 60 days of the year-end are recorded as deferred tax revenue.

NOTE 2 – PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE

Property taxes receivable at June 30, 2014 reflects delinquent taxes of both municipal and education taxes outstanding for the following periods:

May 1, 2014	$ 18,789
May 1, 2013	11,182
May 1, 2012	8,458
May 1, 2011	7,004
May 1, 2010	3,673
May 1, 2009	298
Total	$ 49,404

NOTE 3 – DUE TO OTHER FUNDS

At June 30, 2014, $5,900 was due to the General fund from the Grader tire fund for tires purchased June 10, 2014 in the amount of $8,810 of which $5,900 was charged against the Grader tire fund. The $5,900 transfer to the General fund was completed on July 8, 2014.

NOTE 4 – LONG TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liabilities at June 30, 2014 consist of the following:

National Bank of Middlebury, interest at 2.9%, maturing August 15, 2014, secured by 2010 Freightliner dump truck	$ 34,846
Total long-term liabilities	$ 34,846

Interest paid on this long-term debt for the year was $2,000.

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2014
(Continued)

NOTE 4 – LONG TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Maturities for long-term debt are as follows:

FYE	Principal	Interest	Totals
2015	$ 34,846	1,022	$ 35,868
Totals	$ 34,846	$ 1,022	$ 35,868

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities:

	Balance June 30, 2013	Payments	Balance June 30, 2014	Due in One Year
Notes payable	$ 68,218	$ (33,372)	$ 34,846	$ 34,846

NOTE 5 – FUND BALANCE

As of June 30, 2014, the unassigned portion of the fund balance is $123,867 and available to meet future unexpected expenditures and revenue shortfalls.

NOTE 6 – PROPERTY TAXES

The Town levies its property tax based upon the assessed value as of April 1, for all real property, with exemptions to qualifying veterans and excludes assessments on municipal and church properties. The tax is payable in two equal installments due November 1 and May 1. Interest of 1% per month is charged on overdue taxes from the due date of each installment for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter. Any tax levies still delinquent after the May 1 installment are charged an 8% penalty.

The fiscal year 2014 tax rate per $100 of assessed value as of April 1, 2013 was:

	Residential	Non-Residential
General Fund	$ 0.5390	$ 0.5390
Veterans Exemption	0.0008	0.0008
Education	1.3638	1.4891
Total Tax Rate	$ 1.9036	$ 2.0289

General Fund Property Taxes Levied	
Voted annual town meeting budget	$ 669,882
Non-tax revenue estimated to offset tax rate	(128,282)
Amount to be raised by taxes	$ 541,600
Grand List Value Factor 1,004,869	
General Fund tax rate =	$ 0.5390

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2014
(Continued)

NOTE 6 – PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

Education Taxes

Education taxes assessed on behalf of Vergennes Union High School and Vergennes Union Elementary School for fiscal year 2014 were as follows:

Homestead Education Tax	$ 601,439
Non-Residential Education Tax	820,428
Total Education Taxes	$ 1,421,867

NOTE 7 – CAPITAL OUTLAY

During fiscal year 2014 capital expenditures were made from the following funds:

General Fund – Public Works:

Retreatment to portions of Basin Harbor Road, Jersey Street, and Pease Road	
Total General Fund Capital Outlay	$ 84,756

Highway Capital Equipment Fund:

2006 Cat front end loader	$ 57,000
Tommy lift-gate for 2006 Pickup	3,725
Total Highway Capital Equipment Outlay	60,725
VLCT safety grant funds	(1,862)
Net Highway Capital Equipment Outlay	$ 58,863

Town Hall Restoration Fund:

Exterior painting of Town Hall	$ 11,675
Land survey of Town Hall property	3,500
Total Town Hall Restoration Outlay	$ 15,175

TOWN OF PANTON, VERMONT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - COMPARED TO BUDGET (Modified Cash Basis)
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Final & Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Property Taxes			
Municipal property taxes	$ 541,600	$ 547,982	$ 6,382
Delinquent interest	1,800	5,359	3,559
Delinquent penalties	3,000	3,477	477
Total Property Taxes	546,400	556,818	10,418
Licenses, Fees and Permits			
Dog licenses	1,000	835	(165)
Fishing & hunting licenses	40	30	(10)
Marriage licenses	50	90	40
Overweight permits	300	550	250
Zoning permits	800	1,940	1,140
Other	50	185	135
Total Licenses, Fees and Permits	2,240	3,630	1,390
Intergovernmental			
Highway state aid	53,500	55,544	2,044
Current use hold harmless	53,000	54,728	1,728
Payment in lieu of taxes	2,555	2,555	0
Lister training	386	386	0
Total Intergovernmental	109,441	113,213	3,772
Charges for Services			
Recording fees	5,500	7,845	2,345
Copies and vault time	1,500	1,986	486
Total Charges for Services	7,000	9,831	2,831
Fines and Forfeitures			
Traffic fines - local	2,400	2,305	(95)
Total Fines and Forfeitures	2,400	2,305	(95)
Miscellaneous income			
Interest	150	195	45
Act 68 administration	2,200	2,827	627
VLCT Safety Grant	0	1,682	1,682
Other	51	97	46
Total Miscellaneous income	2,401	4,801	2,400
Total Revenues	669,882	690,598	20,716

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CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - COMPARED TO BUDGET (Modified Cash Basis)
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Final & Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES			
General government			
Town Officers			
Town Clerk salary	31,450	28,988	2,462
Assistant Clerk salary	1,000	1,878	(878)
Town Treasurer salary	18,732	14,870	3,862
Administrative	0	3,900	(3,900)
Planning Clerk salary	1,200	800	400
Ballot Clerk salary	200	339	(139)
Selectboard stipend	2,250	2,250	0
Lister salary	100	0	100
Auditor salary	500	0	500
Zoning Administrator salary	4,000	4,822	(822)
Solid Waste Representative stipend	100	0	100
Planning Commission & DRB stipend	900	900	0
Dog Warden stipend	200	0	200
Health Officer stipend	100	100	0
Delinquent Tax Collector	3,000	3,477	(477)
FICA/medicare	4,875	4,829	46
Health insurance	6,650	6,363	287
Health reimbursement account	1,500	114	1,386
Dental insurance	620	581	39
Life & disability insurance	200	195	5
Vision insurance	59	54	5
Unemployment insurance	200	143	57
Workers' compensation insurance	184	199	(15)
Retirement	1,258	1,159	99
Total Town Officers	79,278	75,961	3,317
Town Hall			
Property & casualty insurance	5,053	5,030	23
Electricity	1,500	1,361	139
Propane	3,000	2,460	540
Repairs & maintenance	1,200	751	449
Total Town Hall	10,753	9,602	1,151
Administrative Expenses			
Telephone & internet	1,900	1,953	(53)
Office supplies	2,550	2,355	195
Copier	3,000	281	2,719
Office equipment	1,000	2,050	(1,050)
Postage	1,600	1,075	525
Legal notices	300	453	(153)
Bank & HRA administrative fees	385	375	10
Tax anticipation note interest	2,000	180	1,820
Computer repairs	500	1,393	(893)

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GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Final & Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Computer software & support	2,000	2,010	(10)
Legal and other professional services	2,000	866	1,134
Dues and assessments	8,300	6,732	1,568
Green-Up	50	50	0
Grand List maintenance	6,200	5,803	397
Records preservation	1,785	1,366	419
Planning Commission & DRB	310	783	(473)
Mileage reimbursement	1,800	1,641	159
Public Notice and use area	0	1,658	(1,658)
Office cleaning	600	800	(200)
Dog control	620	627	(7)
Education	550	826	(276)
Town report	950	240	710
Total Administrative Expenses	38,400	33,517	4,883
Library	12,822	12,822	0
Cemetery	2,680	2,080	600
Total General Government	143,933	133,982	9,951
Community Services			
Addison County Court Diversion	210	210	0
Addison County Home Health	800	800	0
Addision County Humane Society	500	500	0
Addision County Parent/Child Center	800	800	0
Addision County Transit Resources	691	691	0
Boys & Girls Club of Vergennes	1,000	1,000	0
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	650	650	0
Counseling Service of Addison County	450	450	0
Elderly Services	850	850	0
John W Graham Emergency Shelter	450	450	0
HOPE	500	500	0
Hospice Volunteer Services	300	300	0
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	250	250	0
Vergennes Opera House	200	200	0
Women Safe	300	300	0
Total Community Services	7,951	7,951	0
Public Safety			
Fire protection agreement	23,000	23,575	(575)
Patrol	7,100	5,796	1,304
Vergennes Rescue	4,080	4,401	(321)
Fire man hours	1,000	80	920
Total Public Safety	35,180	33,852	1,328
Recycling Fee - Vergennes	6,000	5,700	300

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GENERAL FUND
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	Final & Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Public Works			
Salaries			
Road Foreman	46,474	46,478	(4)
Highway Crew	41,756	41,230	526
FICA/medicare	6,749	6,630	119
Health insurance	14,052	13,748	304
Health reimbursement plan	3,000	400	2,600
Dental insurance	1,620	1,476	144
Life & disability insurance	448	439	9
Vision insurance	165	149	16
Unemployment insurance	182	151	31
Workers' compensation insurance	3,493	4,357	(864)
Retirement	3,529	3,490	39
Total Public Works Salaries	121,468	118,548	2,920
Town Garage			
Property & casualty insurance	6,030	7,625	(1,595)
Electricity	1,200	1,189	11
Heating oil	4,200	4,109	91
Telephone/internet	2,200	2,329	(129)
Rubbish	1,248	1,224	24
Garage repair & maintenance	1,800	2,034	(234)
Total Town Garage	16,678	18,510	(1,832)
General Public Works			
Diesel fuel	28,000	19,879	8,121
Chloride	16,000	12,234	3,766
Salt	16,000	14,849	1,151
Ice-b-gon	6,500	4,005	2,495
Culverts	4,000	1,756	2,244
Road topping	20,000	17,512	2,488
Sand	6,000	2,735	3,265
Stone	5,000	1,788	3,212
Guardrails	5,000	0	5,000
Contracted services	10,000	8,093	1,907
Equipment repairs			
Backhoe	3,000	325	2,675
Grader	3,000	3,507	(507)
Mower	1,000	564	436
Plow	4,000	2,036	1,964
Tractor	700	545	155
Truck - 2007	5,000	3,913	1,087

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GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Final & Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Truck - 2010	5,000	5,860	(860)
Pickup - 2006	500	1,330	(830)
Front end loader	0	3,402	(3,402)
Miscellaneous repair	600	53	547
Gas & lubricants	5,700	5,205	495
Pavement patch	500	675	(175)
Panton bridge repair	500	0	500
Road signs	2,500	2,947	(447)
Equipment	6,000	8,168	(2,168)
Supplies	4,000	2,823	1,177
Hydroseeder supplies	1,200	471	729
Tools & small equipment	3,000	2,394	606
Office equipment & supplies	0	49	(49)
Uniforms	500	284	216
Education	100	30	70
Total General Public Works	163,300	127,432	35,868
Total Public Works	301,446	264,490	36,956
Debt Service			
Principal	33,372	33,372	0
Interest	2,000	2,000	0
Total Debt Service	35,372	35,372	0
Capital Outlays			
Retreatment	80,000	84,756	(4,756)
Total Capital Outlays	80,000	84,756	(4,756)
Total expenditures	609,882	566,103	43,779
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	60,000	124,495	64,495
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfer to reserve funds	(60,000)	(60,000)	0
Total other financing sources(uses)	(60,000)	(60,000)	0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	$ 0	64,495	$ 64,495
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2013		67,694	
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2014		$ 132,189	

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NON-TAX REVENUES								
0400.04 · Hunting/Fishing	35	58	30	40	12	40	20	-20
0400.05 · Weight Permits	400	365	550	300	30	300	300	0
0400.06 · Marriage License	40	50	90	50	40	40	40	0
0400.07 · State Pilot Payments	2,555	2,555	2,555	2,555	2,606	2,555	2,606	51
0400.09 · Speeding Fines	1,135	3,640	2,306	2,400	2,721	2,400	2,400	0
0400.11 · Zoning Fines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0400.12 · Other Fines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0400.21 · Panton History Book	50	45	30	25	25	0	0	0
0400.24 · Green Mtn Passes	16	28	31	16	5	0	0	0
0400.27 · Land Posting Fee	10	5	15	10	5	0	0	0
0400.51 · Delinquent Tax Penalty	6,146	2,185	3,477	3,000	2,517	3,000	2,500	-500
0400.52 · Delinquent Tax Interest	4,823	3,583	5,359	1,800	8,191	2,000	2,500	500
0400.54 · State Aid Highway	53,523	55,656	55,543	53,500	30,366	55,540	60,732	5,192
0400.61 · Lister Ed State Aid	386	386	386	386	0	386	386	0
0400.61 · Act 68 Administration	2,607	2,463	2,827	2,200	0	2,400	2,800	400
0400.69 · Building Permits	808	560	415	400	685	400	400	0
0400.70 · Driveway Permits	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0
0400.71 · Zoning Permits	0	120	400	200	80	100	100	0
0400.72 · DRB Hearing Fees	800	300	1,100	200	500	100	100	0
0400.75 · Dog Licenses	1,080	1,081	835	1,000	75	1,000	800	-200
0400.81 · Interest Income	168	155	195	150	93	150	150	0
0400.84 · Other Licenses & Fees	96	531	207	50	79	50	50	0
0400.87 · Recording Fees	8,055	8,940	7,845	5,500	4,103	5,500	5,500	0
0400.90 · Copies/Vault Time	1,970	1,373	1,986	1,500	691	1,500	1,300	-200
0400.91 · Grant Funds	7,046	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0400.94 · Current Use Tax	43,461	51,919	54,728	53,000	57,570	57,000	58,491	1,491
TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	**135,210**	**135,998**	**140,934**	**128,282**	**110,394**	**134,461**	**141,175**	**6,714**

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	FYE 2012 Actual	FYE 2013 Actual	FYE 2014 Actual	FYE 2014 Budget	FYE 2015 12-31-14	FYE 2015 Budget	FYE 2016 Budget	FY15 to FY16 Change
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES								
Administration Expenditures								
10 · Office Salaries Expense								
1010.09 · Town Treasurer	13,272	15,775	14,871	18,732	8,227	18,318	20,164	1,846
1010.10 · Town Clerk	23,971	30,697	28,988	31,450	16,262	32,482	33,364	882
1010.11 · Planning Clerk	1,000	1,200	800	1,200	400	1,200	1,200	0
1010.13 · Assistant Treasurer	0	1,127	0	0	0	0	0	0
1010.15 · Assistant Clerk	5,021	0	1,878	1,000	245	1,000	1,000	0
1010.16 · Administrative	0	0	3,900	0	1,240	0	0	0
1010.20 · Ballot Clerk	132	616	339	200	284	200	300	100
1010.25 · Selectboard	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,188	2,250	2,250	0
1010.30 · Listers	567	0	0	100	0	100	100	0
1010.35 · Auditors	0	0	0	500	0	500	500	0
1010.40 · Zoning Administrator	3,960	2,960	4,822	4,000	2,352	4,000	5,200	1,200
1010.45 · Solid Waste Rep.	0	0	0	100	0	100	100	0
1010.50 · Planning/DRB	800	800	900	900	1,000	900	1,000	100
1010.51 · Dog Warden	0	0	0	200	0	200	200	0
1010.55 · Health Officer	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0
1010.60 · Delinquent Tax Collector	6,146	2,169	3,477	3,000	2,411	3,000	2,500	-500
1015.00 · FICA	3,585	3,612	3,914	3,951	2,356	3,990	4,215	225
1015.05 · Medicare	838	844	915	924	676	933	986	53
1015.06 · Life & Disability Insurance	79	189	195	200	79	200		-200
1015.07 · Health Insurance	2,896	5,972	6,363	6,650	3,497	8,000	9,800	1,800
1015.08 . Health Reimbursement Acct	0	1,500	114	1,500	0	0	0	0
1015.12 · Dental Insurance	293	586	581	620	290	620	960	340
1015.09 · Vision Insurance	27	54	54	59	27	59	90	31
1015.10 · Unemployment	153	182	143	200	135	200	195	-5
1015.11 · Workers Compensation	145	139	199	184	105	231	194	-37
3016.00 · Retirement	858	1,228	1,159	1,258	650	1,299	2,130	831
Total 10 · Office Salaries Expense	66,091	72,000	75,961	79,278	42,524	79,882	86,547	6,665

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	FYE 2012 Actual	FYE 2013 Actual	FYE 2014 Actual	FYE 2014 Budget	FYE 2015 12-31-14	FYE 2015 Budget	FYE 2016 Budget	FY15 to FY16 Change
30 · Town Office Expenditures								
3021.01 · Bixby Library	9,002	9,248	12,822	12,822	12,822	12,822	12,822	0
3022.00 · Fire Protection Agreement	25,688	25,744	23,575	23,000	11,386	20,000	24,000	4,000
3022.01 · Fire Man Hours Billed	580	368	80	1,000	120	800	400	-400
3023.00 · Green-Up	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	0
3023.02 · Property & Casualty	3,837	4,278	5,030	5,053	2,680	5,762	5,690	-72
3024.01 · Accounting Services	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	5,000	2,000
3024.02 · Legal and Professional Services	0	1,628	866	2,000	5,135	2,000	5,000	3,000
3024.04 · Legal Notices	19	260	453	300	31	300	200	-100
3024.05 · Town Report	410	831	240	950	0	950	250	-700
3024.07 · Audit Services	7,500	0	0	0	0	5,000	8,900	3,900
3026.02 · DRB/Planning Legal Fees	0	0	513	0	131	400	400	0
3026.04 · DRB/Planning Notices	209	158	248	250	89	250	250	0
3026.00 · DRB/Planning Expenses	48	496	21	60	0	50	5,050	5,000
3027.01 · Mileage - Office	204	337	338	500	259	500	600	100
3027.40 · Mileage Zoning Adm.	1,220	1,097	1,303	1,300	613	1,300	1,400	100
3028.00 · Education	93	504	826	550	245	700	700	0
3030.00 · Small Equipment (net of grant)	409	8,124	1,240	1,000	0	0		0
3031.01 · Office Supplies	2,081	1,787	1,572	2,050	647	2,000	1,800	-200
3031.02 · Recording Supplies	78	594	783	500	0	500	500	0
3031.03 · Copier Expense	681	4,015	281	3,000	81	300	200	-100
3033.00 · Postage	1,258	1,701	1,075	1,600	621	1,600	1,400	-200
3034.00 · Lister Expense	6,105	6,105	5,803	6,200	3,300	6,500	6,600	100
3034.01 · Reappraisal	5,705	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3034.02 · Software/Support Expense	3,718	3,696	2,010	2,000	1,944	2,200	2,750	550
3035.00 · Addison Cty Sheriff	0	4,874	5,796	7,100	2,721	7,100	6,500	-600
3036.00 · Town Hall Repairs/Maint.	2,596	2,019	751	1,200	2,980	1,800	1,200	-600
3037.01 · Electricity	1,340	1,252	1,361	1,500	651	1,500	1,600	100
3037.02 · LP Gas	1,761	1,821	2,460	3,000	1,380	2,400	2,600	200
3038.00 · Telephone/Internet	1,861	1,776	1,953	1,900	958	1,900	2,100	200
3039.00 · Computer Repair/Maint	676	310	1,393	500	1,024	1,000	1,800	800

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3041.01 · Recycling Fee - Vergennes	5,200	5,200	5,700	6,000	2,900	6,000	6,000	0
3041.02 · Vergennes Rescue	3,385	3,385	4,401	4,080	0	4,400	4,500	100
3042.00 · Dog Control	671	657	627	620	82	600	550	-50
3043.00 · Book Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3043.01 · Records Preservation	0	795	1,366	1,785	695	1,785	600	-1,185
3044.00 · Dues & Assessments	7,998	7,606	6,732	8,300	7,086	8,300	8,300	0
3045.01 · East Panton Cemetery	400	400	400	1,000	400	400	400	0
3045.03 · Adams Kent Cemetery Assoc	2,080	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	0
3046.00 · Tax Anticipation Loan Interest	2,926	151	180	2,000	0	2,000	500	-1,500
3047.00 · Office Cleaning	600	550	800	600	250	600	700	100
3049.00 · Public Notice Structures	0	0	1,270	0	0	500	0	-500
3050.00 · Public Use Areas	0	0	388	0	0	0	0	0
3066.00 · Bank/HRA Admin Fees	474	333	376	385	24	385	150	-235
3066.01 · Prior Yr Property Tax Adj	750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3099.04 · Panton 250th Celebration	691	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3099.06 · Town Hall Restoration	35,345	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 30 · Town Office Expenditures	137,646	103,830	96,763	105,835	62,985	109,334	123,142	13,809
Total Administration Expenditures	**203,737**	**175,830**	**172,724**	**185,113**	**105,509**	**189,216**	**209,689**	**20,474**
Highway Expenditures								
40 · Highway Salaries Expense								
4010.00 · Road Foreman	39,661	41,419	42,702	45,474	21,878	46,826	48,219	1,393
4010.01 · Road Foreman Overtime	2,566	2,364	3,776	1,000	971	1,000	1,000	0
4010.05 · Highway Crew	36,703	38,320	39,646	40,756	21,230	41,567	42,805	1,238
4010.06 · Highway Crew Overtime	1,041	2,045	1,584	1,000	5	1,000	1,000	0
4012.00 · Retirement	3,217	3,341	3,490	3,529	1,763	3,616	3,721	105
4014.00 · Health Insurance	14,586	12,605	13,748	14,052	8,343	16,507	15,738	-769
4014.01 · Dental Insurance	1,483	1,491	1,476	1,620	607	1,535	960	-575
4014.02 · Life & Disability Ins.	248	659	439	448	177	460	370	-90
4014.03 · Health Reimbursement Acct	1,355	4,245	400	3,000	0	0	0	0
4015.00 · FICA	4,958	5,217	5,373	5,470	2,400	5,876	5,767	-108

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4015.03 · Vision	149	148	149	165	74	165	105	-60
4015.05 · Medicare	1,160	1,220	1,257	1,279	561	1,311	1,349	38
4016.00 · Unemployment Insurance	708	404	152	182	142	165	230	65
4017.00 · Worker's Compensation	2,926	3,095	4,357	3,493	2,517	5,286	6,248	962
Total 40 · Highway Salaries Expense	110,761	116,573	118,548	121,468	60,668	125,312	127,512	2,200
50 · Highway Expense								
5010.00 · Property & Casualty Insurance	4,997	5,626	7,625	6,030	4,180	8,778	8,950	172
5027.00 · Mileage	1,668	1,293	0	0	0	0	0	0
5028.00 · Education	30	30	30	100	0	100	300	200
5029.00 · Flood 2011	5,702	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5046.00 · Loan Interest	2,105	2,984	2,000	2,000	1,022	1,011	1,239	228
5047.00 · Contracted Services	4,219	12,819	8,093	10,000	4,680	10,000	10,000	0
5049.00 · Snow Fence	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
5053.08 · Grader Repair	2,013	905	3,507	3,000	991	3,000	6,000	3,000
5053.09 · Backhoe Repair	2,559	3,045	325	3,000	248	3,000	3,000	0
5053.10 · Mower Repair	694	444	564	1,000	0	900	900	0
5053.11 · Tractor Repair	193	391	545	700	1,115	700	900	200
5053.12 · Plow Repair	1,474	1,130	2,036	4,000	2,982	4,000	9,000	5,000
5053.13 · Miscellaneous Repair	888	888	52	600	363	1,500	1,000	-500
5053.14 · 2007 Truck Repair	2,739	3,536	3,533	5,000	2,632	4,000	0	-4,000
5053.15 · 2010 Truck Repair	4,094	4,565	5,480	5,000	4,080	4,000	5,000	1,000
5053.16 · 2006 Pickup Repair	0	612	1,330	500	68	1,500	1,000	-500
5053.18 . 2015 Truck Repair	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000
5053.17 · Front Loader Repair	0	0	3,402	0	33	3,000	9,000	6,000
5057.05 · Gas	1,080	1,889	3,784	3,200	2,158	3,600	4,000	400
5057.15 · Diesel	19,075	21,413	19,879	28,000	8,110	26,600	24,000	-2,600
5058.00 · Lubricants	1,039	941	1,421	2,500	0	2,500	2,500	0
5059.00 · Guard Rail	4,700	5,798	0	5,000	0	3,000	3,000	0
5060.05 · Chloride	11,510	15,409	12,234	16,000	5,128	13,050	16,200	3,150
5060.10 · Cold Patch	0	293	675	500	299	500	650	150
5060.15 · Culverts (net of grant)	3,543	3,991	1,757	4,000	1,174	6,000	4,000	-2,000

Town of Panton, Vermont

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	FYE 2012 Actual	FYE 2013 Actual	FYE 2014 Actual	FYE 2014 Budget	FYE 2015 12-31-14	FYE 2015 Budget	FYE 2016 Budget	FY15 to FY16 Change
5060.20 · Road Topping	17,259	17,996	17,512	20,000	6,570	22,000	18,125	-3,875
5060.30 · Retreatment			84,756	80,000	80,359	80,000	80,000	0
5060.31 · Panton Road	36,396	85,319		0	0	0	0	0
5060.33 · Jersey Street	22,705	0		0	0	0	0	0
5060.46 · Button Bay Road	20,730	0		0	0	0	0	0
5060.47 · Pease Road	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
5060.35 · Salt	9,449	14,239	14,849	16,000	9,603	16,000	22,200	6,200
5060.39 · Ice-B-Gon	4,341	5,581	4,005	6,500	0	6,000	5,850	-150
5060.40 · Sand	4,653	5,369	2,735	6,000	8,232	6,000	5,625	-375
5060.45 · Stone	2,237	4,567	1,788	5,000	389	5,000	4,800	-200
5062.00 · Road Signs	825	2,784	2,947	2,500	2,389	2,800	3,000	200
5063.00 · Heating Oil	3,213	3,177	4,109	4,200	2,364	4,000	4,000	0
5063.01 · Telephone/Internet	1,651	2,116	2,329	2,200	992	2,400	2,040	-360
5063.02 · Electricity	1,038	1,003	1,189	1,200	549	1,200	1,200	0
5063.05 · Garage Repair	5,354	392	2,035	1,800	26	1,000	1,000	0
5063.06 · Hydroseeder	0	145	471	1,200	0	1,200	1,200	0
5063.10 · Supplies	2,446	3,368	2,711	4,000	1,237	4,000	4,000	0
5063.11 · Uniforms	145	223	284	500	144	500	500	0
5063.12 · Office Equipment/Supplies	370	2,871	49	0	242	200	350	150
5063.13 · Equipment (net of grant)	0	5,101	8,168	6,000	0	0	400	400
5063.15 · Tools & Small Equipment	1,008	990	2,395	3,000	500	3,000	2,000	-1,000
5063.26 · Rubbish	1,223	1,227	1,224	1,248	611	1,248	1,248	0
5063.27 · Insurance Loss Claim	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0
5064.02 · Panton Bridge Repair	80	0	0	500	0	300	300	0
5064.03 · Slang Bridge (net of grant)	-3,042	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5066.01 · Tractor Loan	20,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5066.02 · Truck Loan	35,925	33,372	33,372	33,372	34,846	34,846	23,609	-11,237
Total 50 · Highway Expense	262,328	278,342	265,199	295,350	188,316	292,433	294,086	1,653
Total Highway Salaries & Expenditures	**373,089**	**394,915**	**383,747**	**416,818**	**248,984**	**417,745**	**421,599**	**3,853**
GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	**576,827**	**570,745**	**556,471**	**601,932**	**354,493**	**606,961**	**631,288**	**24,327**

Town of Panton, Vermont

FY July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016 Proposed Budget

	FYE 2012 Actual	FYE 2013 Actual	FYE 2014 Actual	FYE 2014 Budget	FYE 2015 12-31-14	FYE 2015 Budget	FYE 2016 Budget	FY15 to FY16 Change
NET SUPPORTED BY TAXES (Before Appropriations)	**441,617**	**434,747**	**415,536**	**473,649**		**472,500**	**490,113**	**17,613**
Voted Appropriations								
Highway Capital Equipment Fund	15,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Highway Capital Project Fund	0	0	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Grader Tire Fund	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Digitization Fund	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0	0	0
Town Hall Restoration Fund	0	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0
Reappraisal Fund	0	0	1,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Community Services	7,405	7,315	7,951	7,951	8,551	8,551	8,601	50
Total Voted Appropriations	**26,405**	**46,315**	**67,951**	**67,951**	**67,551**	**67,551**	**67,601**	**50**
TOTAL TO BE SUPPORTED BY TAXES	**468,022**	**481,062**	**483,487**	**541,600**		**540,051**	**557,714**	**17,663**
Grant List Factor				1,004,869		1,008,391	1,008,391	**
Tax Rate				0.5390		0.5356	0.5531	3.27%
							**Grand List	
Delinquent Taxes Collected	24,562	6,407	15,389				subject to	
Current Taxes Collected	511,195	505,267	532,593				change	
Increase/(Decrease) in General Fund Balance	**67,735**	**30,612**	**64,495**				April 2015	

Town of Panton
Highway Capital Equipment List

The following provides a list of existing Highway Capital Equipment, estimated replacement years and proposed new purchases. Panton Road Foreman and Selectboard are also revising a more detailed depreciation schedule.

Item	Replacement Year	Years until Replacement	Life of new purchase	Present Value Replacement Cost
John Deere Loader Backhoe	2021	6	15	$110,000
John Deere Front End Loader	2025-2027	10 or 12	10	$130,000
John Deere Grader	2030	15	10	$280,000
John Deere Tractor	2040	25	15	$91,115
Dump Truck With Plow 2010	2018	3	7	$180,000
Dump Truck With Plow 2015	2022	7	7	$180,000
3/4 Ton Pick Up with Plow	2017	2	7	$58,000
Chloride Trailer and Sprayer	2020	5	10	$16,500
Salter for Pick-Up*	2017	2	10	$10,000
New Mower**	2015	8	12	$14,000

total:
$1,069,615

*Salter for Pick-Up is a proposed new purchase for 2017
** New Mower is a proposed new purchase for 2015

5 Year Road Paving Plan

The following plan outlines Panton's 5 year paving plan. In creating this plan, we assumed: 1) continued eligibility for state improvement grants (see FYE2016 and FYE2020 Retreatment Plans below), 2) annual voter approval of $20,000 to the Highway Projects Improvement Fund—this fund carries over from year to year and was set up to accumulate funds for larger paving projects, including grant-eligible paving projects and 3) $80,000 budgeted in each annual budget year for the "Retreatment" budget line item. This plan outlines paving grant eligible class II roads during even numbered years, with Class III paving (not state grant eligible) during odd numbered years.

FYE 2016 Retreatment Plan
Panton will be eligible for a $175,000 state improvement grant in FYE 2016. We budgeted $80,000 for retreatment in FYE 2016 to have $255,000 ($175,000 + $80,000=$255,000) to retreat from the bridge, through Panton 4-Corners to Pease Rd., and Jersey Street from Panton Corners to the Ferrisburgh town line.

FYE 2017 Retreatment Plan
Panton will pave a Class III road/section of road, such as East Road or Jersey Street, not necessarily in this order, using the assumed budgeted $80,000 from FYE 2017 budget.

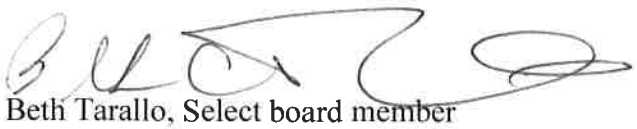
FYE 2018 Retreatment Plan
Using the accumulated assumed balance of the Highway Projects Improvement Fund ($80,000—broken out as 20K approved for FYE 2014 and FYE 2015, plus assumed approved 20K for each of FYE 2016, and 2017) + current year (assumed $80,000 for FYE 2018 budget) retreat Arnold Bay Road from Adams Ferry Road to Pease Road. Total estimated cost: $160,000.

FYE 2019 Retreatment Plan
Panton will pave a Class III road/section of road such as East Road or Jersey Street, not necessarily in this order, using the assumed budgeted $80,000 from FYE 2019 budget.

FYE 2020 Retreatment Plan
By 2020, Panton will be eligible for another state improvement grant of $175,000 and plans tackle Lake Street from Addison line to Pease Road (Panton's portion of the grant match would use the accumulated assumed $40K balance of the Highway Projects Improvement Fund—assumed 20K approved annually from FYE 2018 and FYE 2019-- in addition to the assumed $80,000 for FYE 2020 budget). Total estimated cost $295,000 ($175,000 grant funded, $120,000 town portion).

Thanks to Road Foreman Rick Cloutier, Select board member Howard Hall and Auditor Doug Dows for creating this plan.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Tarallo, Select board member

Town of Panton

Ordinances, Procedures & Standards

Panton has very few Ordinances, Procedures & Standards. These are available in detail at the Town Hall, or on the web site: www.pantonvt.us

They are listed below with a brief summary of their content:

1. Traffic Ordinance ï Regulates speed traveled on all Panton roads.

2. Parking Ordinance ï Regulates parking at Arnoldôs Bay Beach.

3. Street Naming/Addressing Ordinance ï Developes uniform road/street naming for emergency services and deliveries.

4. Road Bridge Standards ï Standards for road and bridge constructions within the Town of Panton.

5. Sewage Disposal Ordinance ï Preserve the public health, prevent pollution and to secure the sanitary protection of surface and ground waters in the Town of Panton. Intended to ensure that all sewage is discharged into approved sewage treatment systems.

6. Road Debris Ordinance ï Makes it illegal to track or bring debris onto the road.

7. Dog & Wolf Hybrid Ordinance ï Regulates the Licensing, Vaccinations, Fees and Control of dogs in Panton. Also includes the actions taken when un-licensed dogs are taken by the Panton Dog Warden.

Town of Panton, Vermont: Property Tax Payment Information

Property taxes are due in two installments, November 1 and May 1. Tax installments are considered late if not received or postmarked on or before the due dates. Interest will be assessed at 1% per month, not prorated, for the first 3 months, then 1.5% thereafter. All taxes outstanding after May 1 are considered delinquent, subject to an additional 8% penalty, and turned over for collection by the Delinquent Tax Collector.

The Town of Panton accepts credit card payments for property taxes through an outside resource, Official Payments. Payments are made via the internet at www.OfficialPayments.com or by telephone at 1-800-272-9829. Use Jurisdiction Code 5519 and the property's parcel number, which is located on the property tax bill. A nominal fee is charged by Official Payments for using this service.

Buildings & Land

	Year Acquired
Town Hall, Carriage Barn and .32 acre	1931
School House & 4.13 acres	1963
Salt Shed	1974
Town Garage	2004
Jersey Street Land .50 acre	2005

Vital Statistics January 1, 2014 thru December 31, 2014

Date	Marriages/Civil Unions
06/28/2014	Chelsea Ann West & Chad Ray Kennett
07/05/2014	Travis George Cram & Brandy Rochelle Parker
07/21/2014	Thomas P. Saltus & Jessica L. Kemp
08/07/2014	Paula Ann Bourgeois & Eric Walter Owen

BIRTHS:

Date	Child's Name	Parents
02/05/2014	Esther Ruth Visser	Ruth Elizabeth (McLaughlin) Visser & Mark Samuel Visser
01/14/2014	Lana Marie Bushey	Brittany Marie(Strunk) Bushey & Daniel Lee Bushey Jr.
01/25/2014	LilyMae Elizabeth Dickerson	Michelle May Stark-Dickerson & Shon Douglas Dickerson
02/11/2014	Nathan Eric Clark	Jennifer Sarah Cunningham & Brian Matthew Clark
07/20/2014	Lincoln Scott Nolan	Elizabeth Mary (Livingstone) Nolan & Andrew Scott Nolan
11/26/2014	Audrey Lynn Sampson	Brittany Lynn Brunet & Jason Bradley Sampson

DEATHS:

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death
03/09/2014	Donald Arthur Gendreau	78	Rutland City
05/09/2014	Doris B. Hayden	94	Panton
05/21/2014	Gisela A. Roos	71	Panton
06/02/2014	David Richard Barrows, Sr.	65	Burlington
06/13/2014	Frances Alberta Cooke	85	Panton
08/22/2014	Ira Charles Farnsworth	89	Panton
09/25/2014	Monica L. Smith	60	Panton
10/08/2014	Mary Dorothy Sullivan	93	Middlebury
10/24/2014	Lincy Nauka Sullivan	34	Middlebury
12/02/2014	Arthur David Hutchinson	78	White River Junction
12/02/2014	Wynne Alvin Pratt	61	Middlebury

If you have a family member that was born, married or died during 2014 and you do not find your family member listed in the vital records, please contact the Town Clerk so the appropriate certificate can be located and filled in the Town records. Your family member has to have been a resident of the Town at the time the event occurred.

DOG AND WOLF-HYBRID OWNERS

Dog licensing is an ANNUAL event. Dogs more than 6 months of age may be licensed any time after January 1st of a calendar year, but must be licensed no later than April 1st of the same year in order to avoid the additional 50% fee assessment. If a dog reaches 6 months of age after April 1st the owner has within 30 days to apply for a license; after October 1st the fee is reduced by half.

Before obtaining a license for a dog or wolf-hybrid six months of age or older, a current rabies vaccination certificate must be filed with the Town Clerk. A current vaccination means:

* Within 12 months on dogs under two years of age
* Within 36 months on dogs over two years of age

No person shall allow a dog to run at large in an ñuncontrolled mannerò within the limits of the Town of Panton. An ñuncontrolled mannerò shall mean a dog, which is not (1) on a lease, (2) on or within a vehicle, (3) on the property of the owner.

All dogs within the town limits of Panton shall be **registered** and have valid tags attached by a collar indicating such.

Any dog or wolf-hybrid causing a disturbance such as excessive barking as to disturb the public peace will be considered a public nuisance, and the owner will be liable for prosecution under the penalties prescribed in the Panton Dog Ordinance (copy on file in Town Clerkôs office).

Any dog or wolf-hybrid found to be running at large shall be delivered to the pound. The pound will notify the dog or wolf-hybrid owner if the dog is licensed. The dog or wolf-hybrid shall be held for three (3) days after the owner is notified. If the dog is unlicensed; the pound will still hold the dog or wolf-hybrid for three (3) days. If the owner does not claim the dog or wolf-hybrid, it shall be given to whoever pays the fees, the rabies shots and licensing fees. If no one shall desire the dog or wolf-hybrid it shall be humanely destroyed and the owner, if known, shall pay the fees.

No dog of wolf-hybrid will be released from the pound until it is properly licensed and all charges paid. Each person claiming a dog or wolf-hybrid from the pound shall pay to the Town of Panton the sum of $50.00 for the first offense, $100.00 for the second offense and $200.00 for each offense thereafter to a maximum of $500.00. In addition to the aforementioned fines, the owner shall also pay all pound keepersôcharges before the dog is released.

IS YOUR PET DUE FOR A RABIES VACCATION?
Check the Addison Independent in March for local rabies clinics.
They're quick and much less expensive than an office visit!

Dog Licensing Fees:
Neutered/Spayed: $10.00
Un-neutered/Un-spayed 18.00
50% Late Fee After April 1
You can mail in your License Fee

Community Services Agencies Requesting Support

Addison County Court Diversion & Community Justice Projects Inc., P.O. Box 881, 282 Boardman Street, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-3888 www.courtdiversion.com

Addison County Home Health & Hospice, Route 7 North, P.O. Box 754, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-7259 www.achhh.org

Addison County Parent/Child Center, P.O. Box 646, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-3171 www.addisoncountypcc.org

Addison County Transit Resources (ACTR), P.O. Box 532, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-2287 actr-vt.org

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes (CVAA), P.O. Box 356, 53 ï 55 School St., Vergennes, VT 05491 (802) 877-6344 bgcvergennes@comcast.net

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, 76 Pearl St., Suite 201, Essex Junction, VT 05452 (800) 642-5119 www.cvac.org

Counseling Service of Addison County, 89 Main St., Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-7641 www.csac-vt.org

Elderly Services, Inc., 112 Exchange St., P.O. Box 581, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-3983 www.elderlyservices.org

Homeward Bound (Addison County Humane Society), 236 Boardman St., Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-1100 shelter@homewardboundanimals.org

HOPE (Addison County Community Action Group (ACCAG)), P.O. Box 165, 282 Boardman St., Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-3608 www.hope-vt.org

Hospice Volunteer Services, 63 Maple St. # 8A, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-4111 www.hospicevs.org

John Graham Shelter, 69 Main St., Vergennes, VT 05491 (802) 877-2677 elizabeth.shelter@gmail.com

Open Door Clinic (Community Health Services of Addison County), 100 Porter Dr., Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-0137 www.opendoormidd.org

RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program), 48 Court St., Middlebury, VT 05753 rsvpcadd@aol.com

WomenSafe, P.O. Box 67, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802) 388-9180 www.womensafe.net

Vermont Department of Health Report for Panton 2014

Your Health Department district office is in Middlebury at the address and phone number above. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With our headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2014 the Health Department:

Supported healthy communities: Boys and Girls Club of Greater Vergennes was awarded $45,000 to address smoking and other tobacco use in Addison County.

Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families: We served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5 with WIC (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program). WIC provides individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables. In Addison County, 1171 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is $50 per person per month.

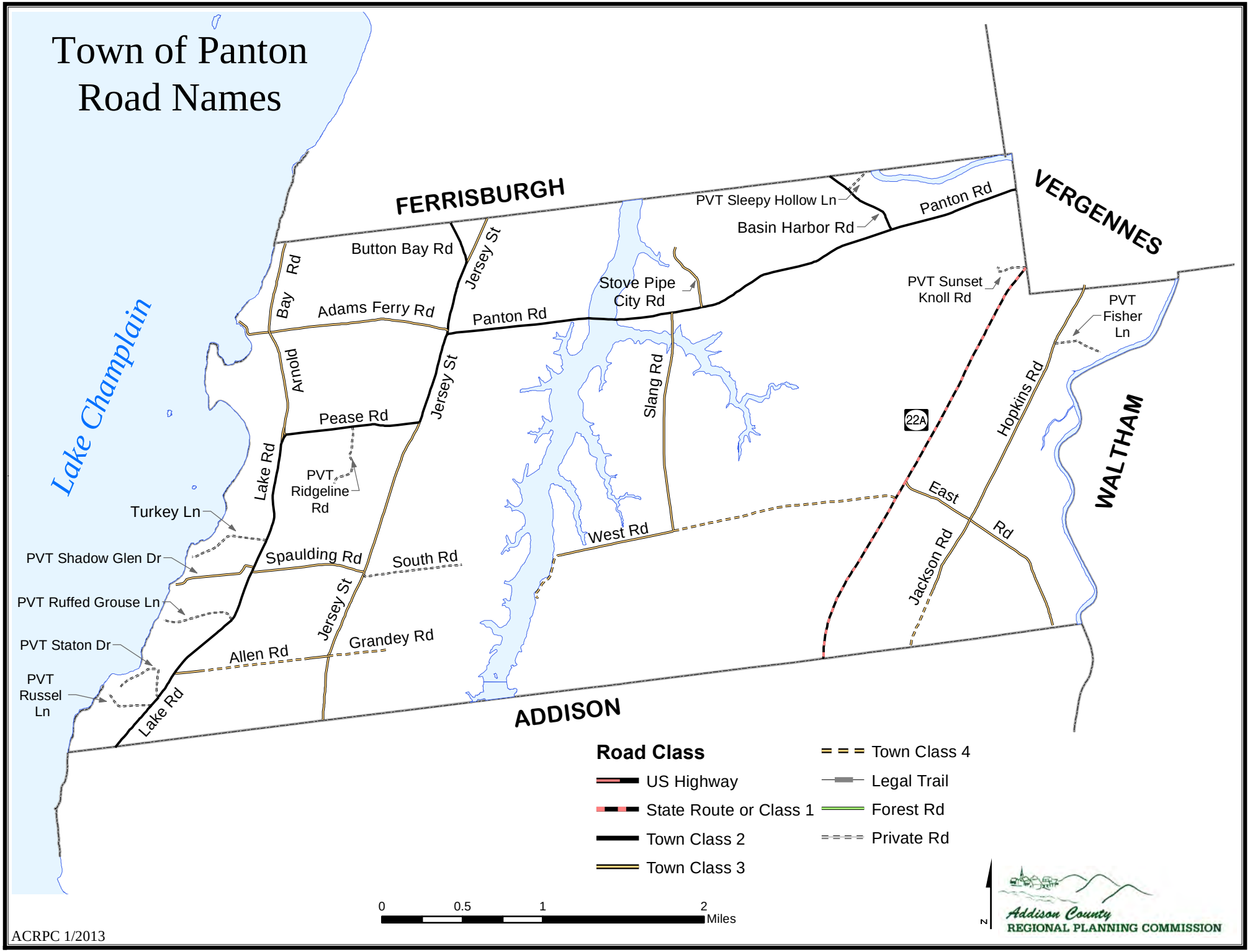
Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: From January to September in 2014 we responded to 95 cases of infectious disease in Addison County. In 2013, $13,079,279.71 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases were distributed to healthcare providers statewide; $797,530.17 of which was in your district's area.

Facilitated discussion on opiate addiction: Following the Governor's Forum on Opiate Addiction, regional meetings took place around the state including 529 in-person participants. Locally, a group of concerned citizens and Human Services professionals have formed the Addison County Steering Committee on Opiate Addiction with four sub-committees which are: Prevention and Education, Treatment, Recovery and Transitional Supports, and Judicial and Law Enforcement. For more information about the Addison County Steering Committee on Opiate Addictions and its sub-committees, please contact Moira Cook, Middlebury Health Department District Director, at 802-388-5732.

Hosted community presentations: In 2014, we hosted community training and presentations on a variety of public health topics including skin cancer prevention, Lyme, West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) prevention and emerging infectious illnesses. If your community group is interested in a presentation on one of the topics mentioned above, please contact our office.

For more information, news, alerts and resources: Visit us on the web at www.healthvermont.gov.
Join us on www.facebook.com/vdhmiddlebury and follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont.

Town of Panton Road Names



ACRPC 1/2013

Town of Panton, Vermont
3176 Jersey Street
Panton, VT 05491