

# **TOWN OF MONTGOMERY & MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2009 REPORTS**



**Margaretta & Bill Branthoover**

## 2009 Town Report Honorees

This year's Town Report honorees are Bill and Margaretta Branthoover. Truly a team, they've supported the Town over the years in many ways that have made remarkable contributions to us all.

Bill has deep roots in our community and spent lots of time here as a youngster playing in the woods and along the dirt roads with cousins and friends. He admits to occasionally getting into trouble, like the time he and a cousin were throwing rocks at the relatively new telephone lines. Unbeknownst to them, every time they hit the wires peoples' phones would ring. Ensuing complaints identified them as the culprits and their elders let them know future mischief would meet with swift justice.

Those formative experiences obviously honed his judgment well as Bill met Margaretta in high school and married her in 1953. They moved to Ohio where they both taught school and raised their three daughters, Chris, Mary and Nancy. Margaretta taught third grade. Bill taught for several years before he became principal of the local high school and served in that position for over 30 years. All the while, the Branthoovers would return to Montgomery almost every year to renew old ties, introduce their seven grandchildren to country life, and contribute to the community where they could.

They helped found the Montgomery Historical Society in 1974, saving the former Episcopal Church and Town landmark for future generations. They served that organization over the past 35+ years in many capacities and are largely responsible for keeping it alive during some thin times. They remain active even today.

Many know Bill through his written work. He co-authored the Town History with Sara Taylor. He has also authored and compiled histories of Pratt Hall, The Baptist Church, Montgomery Cemeteries, and early Montgomery families. He is currently working on a combined history of Montgomery churches and schools. Margaretta has been his chief research assistant and frequently proofs all of his work as well.

In 1995 he and Margaretta organized the annual Montgomery Memorial Day observance. They continue to support it today, serving coffee and maintaining a list of Montgomery veterans in each cemetery. Bill honors each by reading the roll call for those interred in each year's venue.

Bill and Margaretta are members, or have participated in, the Baptist Church, Covered Bridges Garden Club, and the Montgomery Quilting Circle. They contribute to the civic activities of these organizations as well.

We are all the richer for their contributions. Our community is blessed to have them among us. Thanks, Bill and Margaretta.

# **AUDITORS ANNUAL REPORT**

## **TOWN OF MONTGOMERY VERMONT**

For the Year Ending

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MEETING***

### **INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

The Montgomery Select Board will conduct a public informational meeting on Saturday February 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall in Montgomery Center to allow public discussion or questions relative to items in the current Town Report.

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## The Montgomery – East Berkshire Stage



How did someone living in Montgomery in the late 1800's and early 1900's get to Boston or parts south? How did goods shipped make their way into the stores of Montgomery? The Montgomery – East Berkshire stage offered passenger and freight service for many years to the railroad in E. Berkshire. Not many details are known but from photographs, we believe there were at least two, and probably more stages. There was a least one, one horse model, and one two horse model. We know these provided service year round as the wheels were replaced in the winter with runners, as documented in the diaries of some of our forebears.

The picture above is in front of the Parker Store in the Village. The driver is Peter McElroy (also known to be one of the few Democrats in town at that time!). The canvas cover has canvas doors that rolled up and a step for people to board and disembark. Passengers sat on wooden benches once inside.

The Montgomery Historical Society has had the chassis of one of these stages in the cellar of Pratt Hall, disassembled for years, and decided it would be fun to attempt to reassemble it as part of our celebration of our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary. While putting it together we found hair, probably from a horse's tail embedded in a wheel hub. Once together we wheeled it around the building and were surprised how easily it moved. The chassis and wheels are painted yellow and there is decorative black pin striping on the metal work, spokes and axles.

Upon close inspection we discovered one of the axles was stamped with the name “D. Arthur Brown”. We were able to determine that Mr. Brown was an axle manufacturer in Concord , New Hampshire, the area famous for the Concord Stagecoaches. His namesake axle company changed its name to the “Concord Axle Company” after 1880, which probably dates our chassis to 1880 or before.

If you have any knowledge, stories, pictures, or connections to the Montgomery stages we would love to hear from you. We would like to restore the stage’s deck and canvas cover at some point when resources and expertise allow, and we can figure out where to store it out of the elements.



The Reassembled Stage Chassis in Action, Summer 2009

Likewise if you have any stories, pictures or other artifacts you would like to donate to our collection of Montgomery’s heritage we would love to hear from you. Contact any member of the Board of Directors below.

Thanks,  
The MHS Board

The Montgomery Historical Society Board is...

Scott Perry, Bill Branthoover, Marijke Dollois, Sue Wilson, Bill McGroarty, Tim Chapin, Ken Secor, Parma Jewett, Elsie Saborowski, John Beaty, Jo Anne Bennett, and Pat Farmer.

## TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR: Tim Murphy ..... 1 year Term – Expires 2010

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER: Renée J Patterson ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2012

### SELECT BOARD MEMBERS:

Scott Perry ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Merrill Cabana ..... 2 year Term – Expires 2010  
Kenneth Cota ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Carol McGregor ..... 2 year Term – Expires 2011  
Wendy Howard ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2010

### LISTERS:

Sharon Perry ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Joel Magnuson ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Parma Jewett ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2010

### AUDITORS:

Suzanne Wilson ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Marsha Phillips ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2010  
Elizabeth Curboy ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2012

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR: Anita Woodward ..... 3 year Term – Expires 2011

FIRST CONSTABLE: Brent Godin ..... 1 year Term – Expires 2010

TOWN AGENT: Merle Van Geison ..... 1 year Term – Expires 2010

TOWN GRAND JUROR: Select Board ..... 1 year Term – Expires 2010

### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS – Center

Deanna Robitaille ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2013  
Annie B Purrier ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2014  
Lyndol Elkins ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2010  
Charles R Purrier ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2011  
Earl Lumbr ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2012

### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS – Village

Joy Bosley ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2013  
Vivian Deuso ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2014  
Joann Lanphear ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2010  
Lois Lumbr ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2011  
Penny Lumbr ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2012

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

James Abbott (resigned – vacant) ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2013  
Janis Hess ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2014  
Bill Harlow ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2014  
Elizabeth Crane ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2010  
Suzanne Pelletier ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2010  
Nicholas Vittum ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2011  
Jay Kerch ..... 5 year Term – Expires 2012

### FIRE COMMISSIONERS:

William Baker Sr ..... 2 year Term – Expires 2010  
Randy St Onge ..... 2 year Term – Expires 2011

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Parma Jewett.....3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Amy Koontz .....3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Barry Kade.....3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Wendy Howard .....3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Remi Gratton III .....3 year Term – Expires 2010

**JUSTICES OF THE PEACE:**.....2 year Terms – Expire Feb 2011  
Sally Newton Elizabeth Curboy Laurie Murphy Annie Purrier Erin St Onge(resigned-moved)

**OTHER APPOINTED OFFICERS**  
**(Annual appointments unless otherwise noted)**

**AGENT TO CONVEY REAL ESTATE:** .....Merle Van Gieson

**BUDGET COMMITTEE:**

Sharon Perry Suzanne Wilson Billy Cabana Gary Marrier Kenneth Cota

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:**

Thomas Smith .....3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Ralph Chilton .....3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Merle Van Gieson .....3 year Term – Expires 2012  
James Cota .....3 year Term – Expires 2010  
Mark Brouillette.....3 year Term – Expires 2010  
Alternate: Vacant .....3 year Term – Expires 2011  
Alternate: Barry Kade .....3 year Term – Expires 2012  
Alternate: Andre Labier.....3 year Term – Expires 2012

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CIVIL DEFENSE:** .....Stephen Jewett

**FENCE VIEWERS:**.....Listers

**FIRE WARDEN:** Brent Godin .....5 year Term – Expires Jun 2012

**HEALTH OFFICER:** Mark Brouillette .....3 year Term – Expires 2010

**INSPECTOR OF LUMBER, SHINGLES & WOOD** .....Gary Marrier

**NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:** .....Barry Kade, Darlene Marrier

**NORTHWEST SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REP:** Barry Kade .....3 year Term – Expires 2012

**POUND KEEPER (dog officer)**.....Amy Cochran

**RECREATION BOARD:** .....3 year Terms – Expire 2012

Michelle Legault Peg Doheny Karen Frascella Lisa Perry  
Marsha Phillips Sue Regan Stephanie Machia

**ROAD COMMISSIONER**.....William Baker Jr

**TOWN SERVICE OFFICER**.....Elizabeth "Betty" Curboy

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**.....Mark Brouillette

**TREE WARDEN**.....Carol McGregor

**WEIGHER OF COAL**.....Jackie Kaufman

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:** Darlene Marrier.....3 year Term – Expires 2011



## TOWN MEETING PROCEDURE

A distillation of 700 pages of *Robert's Rules of Order*, thousands of pages of Vermont legislation and judicial decisions, and 350 years of New England tradition as edited by Timothy Murphy.

- Any citizen on the voter's checklist has the right to speak on any debatable subject. Others not on the checklist may observe, but not participate, unless granted permission by 2/3 vote.
- First, be recognized by the moderator;
- Second, rise and identify yourself to the assembly and the Town Clerk for the record;
- Third, speak clearly for all to hear.

Following is a brief summary of those motions most commonly utilized to assure an orderly meeting and complete the work that needs to be done by the assembled citizens of the Town.

Main Motion: introduces and article for consideration by the assembly.

Subsidiary Motions: alters or eliminates the main motion.

- Lay on the table: postpones consideration until a later time at the same meeting.
- Call the previous question: ceases debate on an item and brings it up for a vote.
- Limit or extend debate: sets the amount of time to debate an article.
- Postpone to a certain time: delays until a specified time or order in the agenda.
- Amend: changes the main motion. An amendment may be amended.
- Passover: the colloquial term that describes two different procedures:
  - a. If moved prior to debate, it is a motion to object to the consideration of a question.
  - b. If moved after commencement of debate, it is a motion to postpone indefinitely.If passed, either motion effectively kills the item being considered.

Privileged Motions: takes precedence over main and subsidiary motions, but are not related to any pending question.

- Set the time to which the assembly shall adjourn: Vermont courts have found that a town meeting may not be adjourned while warned articles are pending unless the meeting is adjourned to a time certain.
- Recess: request for a break for a specific amount of time.
- Raise a question of privilege: addresses a matter of some urgency for the assembly.

Incidental Motions: deals with procedures pertaining to the business under consideration.

- Appeal: questions the decision of the moderator.
- Reconsider: raises again a question just voted on. Must be moved before the next article is put up for debate. Must be moved by one who voted on the prevailing side.
- Division of a question: divides a motion to consider the parts separately.
- Division of the assembly: following a vote, any individual may request a show of hands to more accurately count the votes. Any seven members may request a ballot vote.
- Point of Order: request the moderator either follow the rules or explain them.
- Suspend the rules: temporarily changes the rules of the meeting for a specific purpose.

### General rules of debate:

- The maker of a motion which has been seconded is entitled to speak first on that motion.
- No member may speak more than twice on the same question, not for longer than ten minutes.
- Members do not address each other during debate. All remarks go through the moderator.
- Debate is confined to the question before the assembly. Personal comments and questions of another's motives are out of order. Words like "fraud," "liar," or "cheat" must never be allowed, and the moderator must prohibit such comments or other inappropriate language immediately.
- In accordance with **17 V.S.A. 2659**, the moderator is charged with the responsibility of preserving order at Town Meeting. This provision provides that "if a person, after notice, is persistently disorderly and refuses to withdraw from the meeting, the moderator may cause him to be removed, calling upon the constable or other person for that purpose." A \$200 fine may be levied if the person will not leave the meeting.

### MOTIONS BY RANK

\*Indicates the motion is in order when another has the floor.

Motion	Second Required	Debatable or not	Amendment possible	Vote required
<b>Privileged</b>				
• Set adjournment	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
• Recess	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
• *Privilege			usually moderator decides	
<b>Incidental</b>				
• *Appeal	YES	YES	NO	MAJORITY
• *Reconsider	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
• Division of a question	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
• *Objection to Consideration	NO	NO	NO	2/3
• *Point of order			usually moderator decides	
• Suspend the rules	YES	NO	NO	2/3
• Withdraw motion	NO	NO	NO	MAJORITY
• Close Nominations	YES	NO	NO	2/3
<b>Subsidiary</b>				
• Lay on the table	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
• Previous Question	YES	NO	NO	2/3
• Limit debate	YES	NO	YES	2/3
• Postpone definitely	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY
• Amend amendment	YES	YES	NO	MAJORITY
• Amend	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY
• Take from the table	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
• Postpone indefinitely	YES	YES	NO	MAJORITY
<b>Main Motion</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>

Minutes

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 2009

1. Elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.

**Roland Nichols nominated Tim Murphy. Tim was re-elected by voice vote.**

**With no objections Representative Mark Higley was allowed to speak. He had some handouts regarding an update on the status of the Asbestos mines study being conducted by the Vermont Health Dept.**

2. Act on the reports of the Town Officers.

**Betty Curboy made a motion to accept the reports as written and was seconded. Sharon Perry indicated an error in Lister's terms of office. Sharon's term expiring in 2010 and Parma's in 2011. With that correction reports were accepted by voice vote.**

3. Shall the Town vote to appoint a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2651, if not, shall the Town elect a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2646(16)?

**Betty Curboy made a motion to appoint a Road Commissioner and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

4. Elect the remaining Town Officers as required by law:

- (a) A Town Clerk for a term of three years.

**Mark Brouillette nominated Renee Patterson. Renee was re-elected by voice vote.**

- (b) A Town Treasurer for a term of three years.

**Betty Curboy nominated Renee Patterson. Renee was re-elected by voice vote.**

- (c) A Selectperson for a term of two years by ballot.

**Sharon Perry nominated Carol McGregor. Paul Nichols nominated Merle Van Gieson. Tosca Smith nominated Mark Brouillette, he declined. Tosca Smith nominated Barry Kade, he declined. Each candidate made a statement regarding their qualifications. Vote by ballot, Carol – 38, Merle – 19, Spoiled – 1. Carol McGregor was elected.**

- (d) A Selectperson for a term of three years by ballot.

**Mark Brouillette nominated Ken Cota. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Ken Cota.**

- (e) A Lister for a term of three years by ballot.

**Sharon Perry nominated Joel Magnuson. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to elect Joel Magnuson.**

- (f) An Auditor for a term of three years by ballot.

**Tosca Smith nominated Betty Curboy. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Betty Curboy.**

- (g) An Agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the Town is interested for a term of one year.

**Mark Brouillette nominated Merle Van Gieson. Merle was re-elected by voice vote.**

- (h) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for the remainder of a five year term expiring in 2013.

**Annie Purrier nominated Deanna Robitaille. Deanna was elected by voice vote.**

- (i) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for a five year term.

**Deanna Robitaille nominated Annie Purrier. Annie was re-elected by voice vote.**

(j) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Village Cemetery Association for a term of five years.

**Erin St Onge nominated Vivian Deuso. Vivian was re-elected by voice vote.**

(k) A Library Trustee for a term of five years.

**Jay Kerch nominated Janice Hess. Janice was re-elected by voice vote.**

(l) A Library Trustee for a term of five years.

**Tosca Smith nominated Bill Harlow. Bill was re-elected by voice vote.**

(m) A Library Trustee for the remaining two years of a five year term expiring in 2011.

**Betty Curboy nominated Nicholas Vittum. Nick was elected by voice vote.**

(n) A Library Trustee for the remaining year of a five year term expiring in 2010.

**Beth Crane nominated Suzanne Pelletier. Suzanne was elected by voice vote.**

(o) A Fire Commissioner for a term of two years.

**Erin St Onge nominated Randy St Onge. Randy was re-elected by voice vote.**

(p) A First Constable for a term of one year.

**Mark Brouillette nominated Brent Godin. Brent was re-elected by voice vote.**

(q) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years.

**Barry Kade nominated Wendy Howard. Wendy was re-elected by voice vote.**

(r) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years.

**Mark Brouillette nominated Barry Kade. Barry was re-elected by voice vote.**

(s) One or more Grand Jurors for a term of one year.

**Erin St Onge nominated Selectboard. The Selectboard was re-elected by voice vote.**

(t) A Collector of Delinquent Taxes for the remaining two years of a three year term.

**Betty Curboy nominated Anita Woodward. Anita was re-elected by voice vote.**

5. Shall the Town vote to use the following amounts of reserved funds totaling \$39,503 to avoid raising the municipal tax rate, keeping it approximately the same as 2008:

(a) Operating Fund: \$36,000

**Erin St Onge made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Sharon Perry explained the reason for no longer needing this fund since most funds are now incorporated into the General fund which maintains a sufficient cash flow until property taxes are received.**

(b) Sidewalk Fund: \$3,503

**Mark Brouillette made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.**

6. Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following sums of money to defray expenses in the ensuing year for:

(a) Fire Department: 2008 - \$20,000; 2009 - \$20,000

**Erin St Onge made a motion to appropriate \$20,000 and was seconded. Merle Van Gieson made a motion to amend appropriation to \$15,000 and was seconded. Barry Kade made a motion to amend the amendment to appropriate \$16,200 and was seconded. Motion to amend the amendment failed by voice vote. Motion to amend appropriation to \$15,000 failed by voice vote. Motion to appropriate \$20,000 passed by voice vote.**

(b) Rescue Department: 2008 - \$18,000; 2009 – \$19,666

**Erin St Onge made a motion to appropriate \$19,666 and was seconded. Kevin Scheffler explained the status of the Ambulance Service. Motion passed by voice vote.**

(c) Summer Roads: 2008 - \$63,000; 2009 – \$63,000

**Betty Curboy made a motion to appropriate \$63,000 and was seconded. Merle Van Gieson made a motion to amend appropriation to \$58,000 and was seconded. Motion to amend failed by voice vote. Motion to appropriate \$63,000 passed by voice vote.**

(d) Winter Roads: 2008 – \$67,000; 2009 – \$70,000

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$70,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(e) Machinery Replacement: 2008 - \$43,000; 2009 – \$54,100

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$54,100 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(f) Bridges: 2008 - \$10,000; 2009 – \$10,000

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$10,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(g) Library Operating Expenses & Payroll: 2008 - \$9,900; 2009 – \$9,900

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$9,900 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(h) Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance Fund: 2008 – \$20,000; 2009 – \$0

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$0 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(i) Public Safety Building: 2008 – \$12,000; 2009 – \$11,400

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$11,400 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(j) Recreation Department: 2008 – \$12,000; 2009 – \$12,000

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$12,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(k) Reappraisal Fund: 2008 – \$4,000; 2009 – \$0

**Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$0 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(l) Police Services: 2008 – \$0; 2009 – \$0

**Erin St Onge made a motion to appropriate \$0 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(m) Montgomery Youth Center: 2008 – \$5,000; 2009 – \$5,000

**Erin St Onge made a motion to appropriate \$5,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

7. Shall the Town vote the following sums of money for the Town Officers as requested?

(a) Town Clerk: 2008 – \$15,000; 2009 – \$15,000

**Erin St Onge made a motion to pay \$15,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(b) Town Treasurer: 2008 – \$8,000; 2009 – \$8,000

**Betty Curboy made a motion to pay \$8,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(c) Each Selectboard Member: 2008 – \$1,000; 2009 – \$0

**Sharon Perry made a motion to pay \$0 and was seconded. Barry Kade made a motion to amend pay to \$1,000 and was seconded. Motion to amend failed Y – 16, N – 14. Motion to pay \$0 passed by voice vote.**

(d) Listers:

2008 – 1<sup>st</sup> year members \$14.00/hour, 2<sup>nd</sup> year members \$15.00/hr plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2009 – same.

**Betty Curboy made a motion to pay as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(e) Auditors:

2008 – 1<sup>st</sup> yr members – \$8.00/hr, 2<sup>nd</sup> yr and on members – \$9.00/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2009 – same.

**Mark Brouillette made a motion to pay as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(f) Board of Civil Authority:

2008 – \$7.53/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2009 – Vermont minimum wage plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage.

**Ken Cota made a motion to pay minimum wage and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

8. Shall the Town of Montgomery appropriate the following sums of money as requested by the specified agencies?

(a) Champlain Valley Agency on Aging for Meals on Wheels, Case Management, Transportation, and the toll-free Senior HelpLine: 2008 – \$1,800; 2009 – \$1,800

**Betty Curboy made a motion to appropriate \$1,800 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(b) Franklin County Home Health Agency, Inc: 2008 – \$1,440; 2009 – \$1,440.

**Laurie Murphy made a motion to appropriate \$1,440 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(c) Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation: 2008 – \$500; 2009 – \$500.

**Ken Cota made a motion to appropriate \$500 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

(d) Hazen's Notch Association's Campership Fund: This money would be applied towards the cost of sending three or more children from Montgomery to the Hazen's Notch Association's Summer Camp. 2008 – \$1,000; 2009 – \$1,000.

**Pat Farmer made a motion to appropriate \$1,000 and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

**Barry Kade made a motion to add to Article 8 additional agencies, requesting by letter, appropriations from the Town of Montgomery. Moderator decided it improper to add items to the warned article. Moderator's decision was appealed and was upheld by voice vote.**

9. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$203,074 for Contingent Selectboard? 2008 – \$192,790; 2009 – 203,074.

**Erin St Onge made a motion to appropriate as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

10. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard and departments to receive and expend for town purposes any additional grants, gifts or other revenue in excess of those calculated in determining the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2009?

**Sharon Perry made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

11. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes, not to exceed the sum of \$60,000.00 for the period March 3, 2009, to March 2, 2010, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

**Paul Nichols made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

12. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow for the Water Department for use in case of an emergency, not to exceed the sum of \$50,000 for the period March 3, 2009, to March 2, 2010, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

**Kevin Scheffler made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

13. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire by gift or purchase, land for a municipal forest to promote

13. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire by gift or purchase, land for a municipal forest to promote reforestation, water conservation and good practices?

**Marijke Dollois made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

14. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contract with new business or the expansion of old business to fix the municipal tax applicable to such real property at a percentage of the annual tax? (Such contracts are for the municipal tax only. Any such contracts for school taxes require approval from the State Legislature.)

**Marijke Dollois made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

15. Shall the Town vote to collect interest, as prescribed by law, on its delinquent taxes and delinquent water bills, at a rate of 1% per month or a fraction thereof?

**Suzanne Pelletier made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

16. Shall the Town vote to publish names and the amounts of delinquent taxes, due in the Annual Report?

**Larry Letourneau made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Passed by voice vote.**

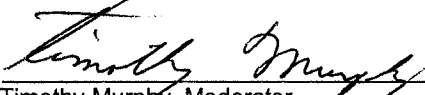
17. To do any other business proper to be done at said meeting.

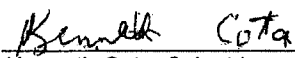
**Barry Kade made a motion to make a resolution regarding relicensing Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant/Entergy. Sharon Perry called point of order indicating it was not germane to these proceedings. The moderator's decision was to allow the motion. By a show of hands the Moderator's decision was overthrown 18 - 17.**

**Scott Perry made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned @ 12:28pm.**

A true record this 10th day of March, 2009.

ATTEST:   
Renée J. Patterson, Town Clerk

ATTEST:   
Timothy Murphy, Moderator

ATTEST:   
Kenneth Cota, Select-board Chairman

# State of the Town

## Town Meeting 2010

The “State of the Town” is good. We remain financially sound and continue to effectively manage our accounts and debt, while providing effective services. An audit of all municipal accounts for 2008 was completed in 2009 by Kittell, Branagan, and Sargent, as required by Federal regulations, without significant findings, the second year in a row.

Our 2009 ranking for the Municipal Tax Rate (.4192) was 107<sup>th</sup> lowest of 258 Cities/Villages/Towns and Gores. Our 2009 Effective Municipal Tax Rate (.3023), which is more of an “apples to apples” comparison, ranked us the 63<sup>rd</sup> lowest of 261 Cities/Villages/Towns and Gores. (The municipal effective tax rate is calculated by dividing the municipal taxes assessed by the equalized municipal grand list.) Using the same measure Montgomery has the 5<sup>th</sup> lowest rate of the 15 towns and villages in Franklin county.

The Selectboard met about 30 times since Town Meeting 2009 to carry out the Town's business. In addition, members of the Board attended numerous other meetings representing the Town. We would like to review some of the developments and accomplishments of the past year, as well as highlight some of the additional challenges we see facing us all.

**1. Proposed 2010 Budget Summary:** Our budget cuts, deferments, and use of previously reserved funds in 2009, all of which totaled about \$80,000, helped us weather the economic downturn and allowed us to reduce the municipal tax rate. This year we have been able to restore those cuts and deferments and propose funding several increases and new projects. A combination of paid off loans, grants, State payments, and reductions in operating expenses will all combine to allow us to do these things and still lower the projected municipal tax rate again for 2010. If approved, this will be the fourth time out of the last eight years that the Municipal Tax rate has decreased from a previous year.

**a. 2010 Budgeted Revenue:** Non-tax revenues for the 2010 budget have increased by about \$248,000 over the 2009 budget. Over half of this will be from grants requiring some match from the Town. Overall we are proposing raising about \$30,000 less in Tax revenues.

**b. 2010 Budgeted Expenses:** Proposed expenses for the 2010 budget increase about \$157,000 over the 2009 budget. This figure is the net total of several increases and decreases spread over the budget, but is largely reflective of two planned programs. The first will be Hazard Mitigation work to replace a large culvert on the Gibou Road. The second is a proposed new Public Works Building to replace the existing Town Garage (to be voted by Australian Ballot). This project would include a new salt shed, and also provide a home for the Water Dept vehicles and equipment. There would also be office/storage space for the Northwest Solid Waste District.

**2. Water Dept:** The Selectboard also serves as the Water Commission. The new Montgomery Water System now has just over a year of operation and is performing well. The Water Commission adopted a new usage rate system based on metered usage. This system will reflect actual usage and treat all customers the same. All customers will be billed a Base Rate of \$55.00 per quarter and that will include the first 4000 gallons of usage per quarter. All customers will then be charged \$5.00 for each additional 1000 gallons used in the quarter. For reference, our median customer consumes about 6,000 gallons per quarter. Our new usage rates remain below the State averages and are projected to generate enough revenue to meet our operations and maintenance expenses, and save about 7% for future capital requirements, like new meters or pumps, or emergencies. Bond charges will remain unchanged and



generate slightly more than the annual \$46,202 payment.

**3. Town Hall Repair and Town Office Equipment:** A dedicated office network server and a new computer for the Town Clerk were purchased and installed in 2009. The server has additional capabilities to back up the Town's data. Our efforts in this area have paid off as we've recovered from two nasty computer failures with minimum heartache and no disruption in service to the public. Additionally, the Town Clerk received a State grant that funded a new laptop and associated equipment to help her meet same day voter registration requirements. A new set of emergency exit steps were also constructed for the office.

**4. Roads/Bridges:** This directly comprises about 36% of the 2010 municipal budget expenses, and 40% of the required 2010 tax revenue. Budget expenses decreased by about \$19,000 from 2009, largely due to not having a grader payment.

a. Garage Repairs: The Board proposes replacing the Town Garage by building a new Public Works Building (PWB) at the same site. The new PWB would house the Highway Dept, and store Water Dept equipment and vehicles. This will include a new salt shed as well. The Board continues to search for the best possible financing and, if approved, we will qualify for a 15% grant from USDA; and low interest loans from USDA, or The Vermont Municipal Bond Bank. This item will be voted on by Australian ballot at Town Meeting since the term of the proposed loan is greater than 5 years.

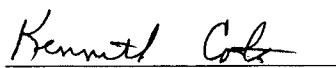
b. Paving: The Town received a State grant to pay for 75% of the cost of paving Fuller Bridge Road which was completed in 2009. No paving is planned for 2010.

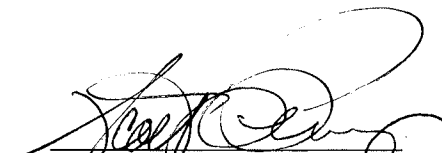
c. Flood Mitigation: The Town received a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Prevention Grant to pay 75% of the costs associated with replacing the large culvert on the Gibou Road in 2010. The Town's share will come from the Bridges Reserve Fund. Work will probably begin after school is out in June.

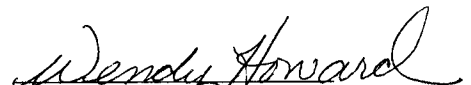
d. Covered Bridges: Restoration activity by the State on the Hutchins and Creamery Bridges was completed in 2009. No Town funds are required since the Town signed normal care and maintenance agreements and has a bridge and culvert inventory. The Hectorville Bridge will remain in storage.

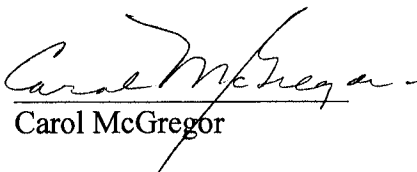
As a reminder, all of the Town's meetings are open to the public. The Town Report includes a listing of the principal groups and when/where their Regular meetings are held for your reference. Warnings, minutes and other Town information is normally available on the Town website ([www.montgomeryvt.us](http://www.montgomeryvt.us)) also.

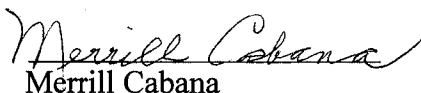
Respectfully yours,  
The Montgomery Selectboard and Water Commission

  
Kenneth Cota, Chairman

  
Scott Perry, Vice-chairman

  
Wendy Howard, Clerk

  
Carol McGregor

  
Merrill Cabana

## **WARNING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 2010**

The legal voters of the Town of Montgomery in the County of Franklin are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, 2010 AD, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following business to wit:

1. Elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. Act on the reports of the Town Officers.
3. Shall the Town vote to appoint a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2651, if not, shall the Town elect a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2646(16)?
4. Elect the remaining Town Officers as required by law:
  - (a) A Selectperson for a term of two years by ballot. (Merrill Cabana - term expires)
  - (b) A Selectperson for a term of three years by ballot. (Wendy Howard - term expires)
  - (c) A Lister for a term of three years by ballot. (Sharon Perry - term expires)
  - (d) An Auditor for a term of three years by ballot. (Marsha Phillips - term expires)
  - (e) An Agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the Town is interested for a term of one year. (Merle Van Gieson - term expires)
  - (f) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring 2015. (Lyndol Elkins – term expires)
  - (g) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Village Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring in 2015. (Jo Ann Lanphear – term expires)
  - (h) A Library Trustee for a term of five years. (Beth Crane – term expires)
  - (i) A Library Trustee for a term of five years. (Suzanne Pelletier – term expires)
  - (j) A Library Trustee for the remaining three years of a five year term expiring in 2013. (Jim Abbott resigned, vacant)
  - (k) A Fire Commissioner for a term of two years. (William Baker Sr. – term expires)
  - (l) A First Constable for a term of one year. (Brent Godin appointed – term expires)
  - (m) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years. (Remi Gratton – term expires)

**(n) One or more Grand Jurors for a term of one year. (Selectboard – term expires)**

**5. Shall the Town vote to increase the portion of the \$10.00 per page recording fee from \$1.00 to \$3.00 for restoration, preservation, conservation and computerization of municipal records? (VSA Title 32, Section 1671(a)(1) and (6))**

**6. Shall the Town of Montgomery borrow an amount not to exceed Four Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$475,000.00), for the purpose of replacing the existing Town Highway Garage and Salt Shed with a Public Works Building and Salt Shed that would house the Highway Department work space, road salt, and vehicles; and equipment of the Water Department, to be financed over a period not to exceed 20 years? (To Be Voted By Australian Ballot. No discussion is allowed from the floor.)**

**7. Shall the town authorize the Selectboard to save the costs of distributing the Town Report by mailing a notice of availability, rather than the report itself, and allowing the report to be picked up at designated locations, or mailed upon request?**

**8. Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following sums of money to defray expenses in the ensuing year for:**

**(a) Fire Department: 2009 – \$20,000; 2010 - \$20,000**

**(b) Rescue Department: 2009 – \$19,666; 2010 - \$14,580**

**(c) Summer Roads: 2009 – \$63,000; 2010 - \$70,000**

**(d) Winter Roads: 2009 – \$70,000; 2010 - \$70,000**

**(e) Machinery Replacement: 2009 – \$54,100; 2010 - \$35,000**

**(f) Bridges: 2009 – \$10,000; 2010 - \$10,000**

**(g) Library Operating Expenses & Payroll: 2009 – \$9,900; 2010 - \$10,335**

**(h) Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance Fund: 2009 – \$0; 2010 – \$20,000**

**(i) Recreation Department: 2009 – \$12,000; 2010 - \$15,000**

**(k) Reappraisal Fund: 2009 – \$0; 2010 - \$4,000**

**(l) Police Services: 2009 – \$0; 2010 - \$0**

**(m) Montgomery Youth Center: 2009 – \$5,000; 2010 - \$8,000**

**9. Shall the Town vote the following sums of money for the Town Officers as requested?**

**(a) Town Clerk: 2009 – \$15,000; 2010 - \$15,000**

**(b) Town Treasurer: 2009 – \$8,000; 2010 - \$8,000**

**(c) Each Selectboard Member: 2009 – \$0; 2010 – \$1,000**

**(d) Listers:**

**2009 – 1<sup>st</sup> year members \$14.00/hour, 2<sup>nd</sup> year members \$15.00/hr plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 – same.**

**(e) Auditors:**

**2009 – 1<sup>st</sup> yr members – \$8.00/hr, 2<sup>nd</sup> yr and on members – \$9.00/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 – same.**

**(f) Board of Civil Authority:**

**2009 – Vermont minimum wage plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 - same.**

**10. Shall the Town of Montgomery appropriate the following sums of money as requested by the specified agencies?**

**(a) Champlain Valley Agency on Aging for Meals on Wheels, Case Management, Transportation, and the toll-free Senior HelpLine: 2009 – \$1,800; 2010 - same.**

**(b) Franklin County Home Health Agency, Inc: 2009 – \$1,440; 2010 - same.**

**(c) Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation: 2009 – \$500; 2010 - same.**

**(d) Hazen's Notch Association's Campership Fund: This money would be applied towards the cost of sending three or more children from Montgomery to the Hazen's Notch Association's Summer Camp. 2009 – \$1,000; 2010 - same.**

**(e) Green Up Vermont: 2009 - \$0; 2010 - \$100**

**(f) Northern VT Resource Conservation & Development Council: 2009 - \$0; 2010 - \$75**

**11. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$147,947 for Contingent Selectboard?  
2009 – \$203,074; 2010 – 147,947.**

**12. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard and departments to receive and expend for town purposes any additional grants, gifts or other revenue in excess of those calculated in determining the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2010?**

**13. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes, not to exceed the sum of \$60,000.00 for the period March 2, 2010, to March 1, 2011, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?**


**14. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow for the Water Department for use in case of an emergency, not to exceed the sum of \$50,000 for the period March 2, 2010, to March 1, 2011, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?**

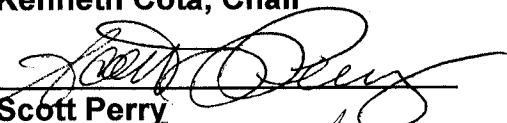
15. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire by gift, or purchase, land for a municipal forest to promote reforestation, water conservation and good practices?
16. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contract with new business or the expansion of old business to fix the municipal tax applicable to such real property at a percentage of the annual tax? (Such contracts are for the municipal tax only. Any such contracts for school taxes require approval from the State Legislature.)
17. Shall the Town vote to collect interest, as prescribed by law, on it's delinquent taxes and delinquent water bills, at a rate of 1% per month or a fraction thereof?
18. Shall the Town vote to publish names and the amounts of delinquent taxes due in the Annual Report?
19. Shall the voters of Montgomery request the VT legislature to:
- Deny approval for the operation of Vermont Yankee after March 2012, which marks the end of its 40 year design life?
  - Require that the Entergy Corporation of Louisiana fulfill its pledge to fully fund the cleanup and decommissioning costs of closing Vermont Yankee.
  - Seek safe, renewable, regional sources of electricity combined with efficiency and conservation measures to replace the power presently provided by Vermont Yankee? (By Petition)
20. To do any other business proper to be done at said meeting.

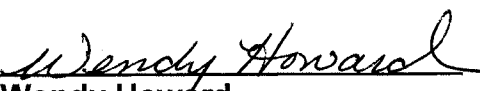
Dated at Montgomery, Vermont this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010 AD.

Selectboard

  
Kenneth Cota, Chair

  
Merrill Cabana

  
Scott Perry

  
Wendy Howard

  
Carol McGregor

Attest:

  
Renee Paterson  
Town Clerk

Date:

1/25/2010

### Warning

The legal voters of the Town of Montgomery are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall at 57 Main Street in said Town, March 2, 2010 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon (a.m.) at which time the polls open, and 7:00 o'clock in the evening (p.m.) at which time the polls close, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following article of business:

### Article 1

Shall the Town of Montgomery borrow an amount not to exceed Four Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$475,000.00), for the purpose of replacing the existing Town Highway Garage and Salt Shed with a Public Works Building and Salt Shed that would house the Highway Department work space, road salt, and vehicles; and equipment of the Water Department, to be financed over a period not to exceed 20 years?

The legal voters of the Town of Montgomery are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, and 51 of Title 17 Vermont Statutes Annotated.

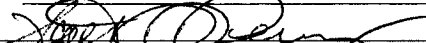
The legal voters of the Town of Montgomery are further notified that an informational meeting will be held in the Montgomery Town Hall on February 27th at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon (a.m.) for the purpose of explaining the subject proposed public works improvements.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Town Of Montgomery Selectboard duly called, noticed and held on January 25th, 2010.


Kenneth Cota



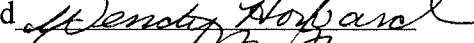
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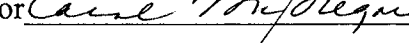
Billy Cabana



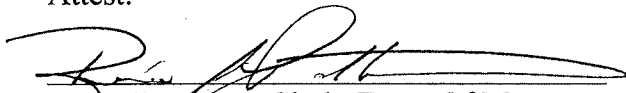
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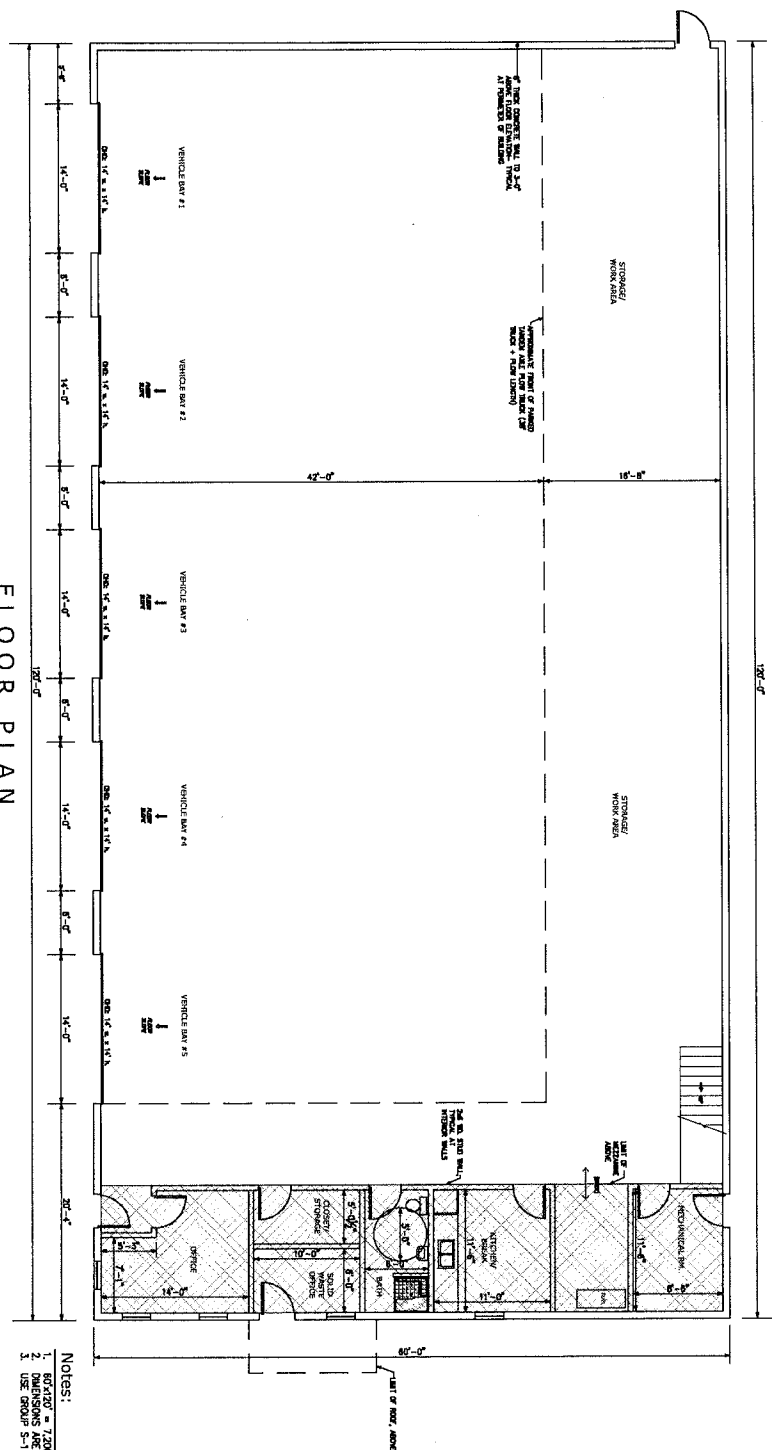
Carol McGregor



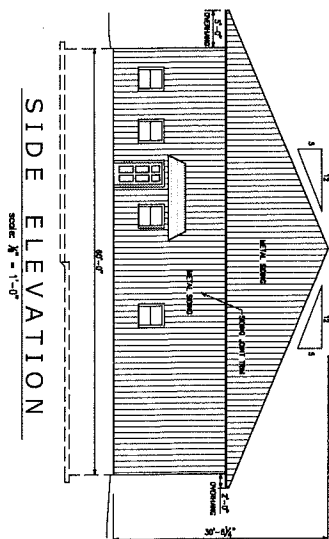
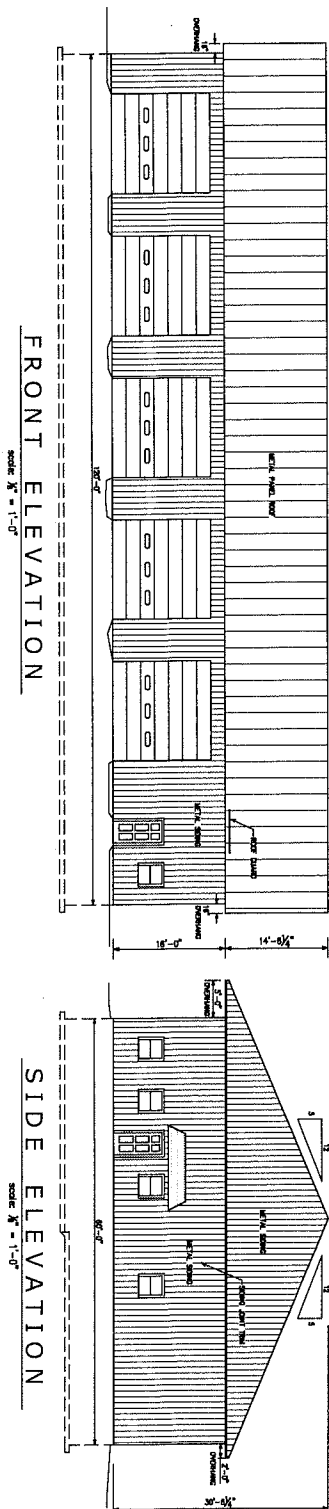
Attest:



Renee Patterson, Clerk, Town Of Montgomery



FLOOR PLAN



## TOWN OF MONTGOMERY

### Auditors report

The auditors have reviewed the Town's books and financial statements for the year 2009. As of January 26, 2010 there were no outstanding payables past due.

#### Recommendations:

1. Cemetery commissions be consolidated into one (1) board with 5 commissioners to administer the four (4) Town cemeteries
2. All Town employees and officers, with the exception of the Highway Department, use the standard time sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Curboy, Chair  
Suzanne Wilson, Clerk  
Marsha Phillips



# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY 2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

1	REVENUE	ACTUAL 2007	ACTUAL 2008	BUDGET 2009	ACTUAL 2009	BUDGET 2010	CHANGE 10- 09 BUDGET
2	Unreserved Funds	(\$8,126)	(\$43,389)	(\$43,389)	\$87,108	\$87,108	\$130,497
3 *	Reserved funds (warned article 5)	\$0	\$0	\$39,503	\$0	\$0	(\$39,503)
4	Delinquent Taxes	\$54,556	\$55,897	\$44,762	\$75,192	\$61,839	\$17,077
5	Penalty/Int on delinquent taxes	\$13,929	\$17,966	\$15,273	\$17,452	\$16,500	\$1,227
6	State Aid - Roads	\$77,801	\$77,667	\$69,900	\$74,722	\$70,000	\$100
7	Town Machinery	\$74,730	\$75,089	\$72,075	\$74,574	\$74,700	\$2,625
8	Hazard Mitigation	\$0	\$74,371	\$0	\$498	\$138,358	\$138,358
9	FEMA Hwy Flood Reimbursement	\$0	\$127,515	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
10	VT Muni Equipment Loan Fund	\$0	\$110,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11	Grants	\$0	\$0	\$3,516	\$163,565	\$0	(\$3,516)
12	Judicial Fines	\$1,589	\$2,687	\$1,000	\$318	\$200	(\$800)
13	Rent - US Postal Service	\$10,233	\$11,900	\$9,900	\$10,908	\$11,900	\$2,000
14	Rent - TD Banknorth ATM	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0
15	Licenses & Vital Records	\$5,336	\$7,378	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$6,570	\$1,570
16	Recording Fees	\$11,304	\$10,449	\$11,000	\$11,863	\$11,000	\$0
17	Office Fees	\$1,810	\$2,045	\$1,500	\$1,520	\$1,500	\$0
18	Copier/Fax	\$680	\$567	\$500	\$754	\$500	\$0
19	Interest	\$12,332	\$3,807	\$3,000	\$663	\$500	(\$2,500)
20	Zoning Fees	\$3,125	\$4,124	\$3,855	\$3,003	\$3,000	(\$855)
21	Taxes on State Owned Land	\$9,915	\$16,486	\$9,900	\$16,453	\$10,000	\$100
22	Current Use/Hold Harmless	\$21,588	\$24,945	\$22,477	\$27,623	\$24,718	\$2,241
23	PILOT	\$643	\$735	\$300	\$811	\$500	\$200
24	Sale of Town Equipment	\$2,575	\$25,775	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
25	Town Hall Rental	\$940	\$420	\$500	\$2,315	\$500	\$0
26	Westfield Plowing	\$1,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	(\$1,000)
27	Miscellaneous	\$9,230	\$6,349	\$2,800	\$3,882	\$3,000	\$200
28	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$306,291</b>	<b>\$613,882</b>	<b>\$276,472</b>	<b>\$583,324</b>	<b>\$524,493</b>	<b>\$248,021</b>
29	Property Taxes	\$380,856	\$381,297	\$482,880	\$402,217	\$465,777	(\$17,102)
30	<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$687,147</b>	<b>\$995,179</b>	<b>\$759,351</b>	<b>\$985,541</b>	<b>\$990,270</b>	<b>\$230,919</b>
31	<b>EXPENSE ACCOUNTS</b>						
32	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>						
33	Town Officers	\$40,209	\$51,525	\$45,000	\$41,565	\$47,000	\$2,000
34	Social Security	\$3,080	\$3,942	\$3,213	\$3,180	\$3,600	\$387
35	Lister Salaries & Expenses	\$9,547	\$15,655	\$13,500	\$8,950	\$10,000	(\$3,500)
36	Ins-Unemployment Comp	\$2,734	\$3,255	\$3,422	\$3,422	\$3,600	\$178
37	Ins-Employee Hlth Ins/Rtrmnt	\$16,337	\$18,134	\$19,708	\$19,150	\$19,150	(\$558)
38	Ins-Workman's Comp	\$12,153	\$10,971	\$10,252	\$12,914	\$13,053	\$2,801
39	Ins-Property & Liability	\$10,515	\$10,276	\$12,322	\$11,779	\$13,911	\$1,589
40	Town Office Operating Expenses	\$10,142	\$15,857	\$13,000	\$13,100	\$13,716	\$716
41	Restoration of Records	\$3,058	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
42	Town Reports & Postage	\$1,897	\$1,588	\$2,000	\$1,307	\$1,500	(\$500)
43	Legal Services, Surveying & Ads	\$0	\$994	\$500	\$90	\$10,000	\$9,500
44	<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$109,672</b>	<b>\$132,197</b>	<b>\$122,917</b>	<b>\$115,457</b>	<b>\$135,530</b>	<b>\$12,613</b>
45	<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>						
46	County Tax	\$13,297	\$13,997	\$14,160	\$14,160	\$14,466	\$306
47	NW Solid Waste Management	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$0
48	VT League of Cities & Towns	\$1,350	\$1,383	\$1,458	\$1,458	\$1,700	\$242
49	NW Regional Planning Comm	\$813	\$813	\$813	\$853	\$853	\$40
50	Hectorville Bridge Storage	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$0
51	<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>\$16,898</b>	<b>\$17,631</b>	<b>\$17,869</b>	<b>\$17,909</b>	<b>\$18,457</b>	<b>\$588</b>
52	<b>FIRE AND RESCUE</b>						
53 *	Fire Operating Expenses	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
54 *	Rescue Operating Expenses	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$19,666	\$19,666	\$14,580	(\$5,086)
55	<b>TOTAL FIRE AND RESCUE</b>	<b>\$38,000</b>	<b>\$38,000</b>	<b>\$39,666</b>	<b>\$39,666</b>	<b>\$34,580</b>	<b>(\$5,086)</b>

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY 2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

56	EXPENSES	ACTUAL 2007	ACTUAL 2008	BUDGET 2009	ACTUAL 2009	BUDGET 2010	CHANGE 09- 08 BUDGET
57	HIGHWAYS						
58	Social Security	\$5,727	\$6,720	\$7,000	\$6,933	\$7,200	\$200
59	Employee Health & Retirement	\$31,378	\$25,729	\$28,709	\$23,574	\$26,500	(\$2,209)
60	Town Garage	\$3,724	\$5,768	\$4,200	\$7,229	\$5,800	\$1,600
61	Town Garage Fuel	\$3,832	\$4,188	\$4,500	\$2,743	\$4,000	(\$500)
62 *	Summer Roads - Town	\$62,561	\$63,799	\$63,000	\$76,064	\$70,000	\$7,000
63	Summer Roads - State Aid	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$5,000
64	2008 Flood Costs	\$0	\$80,165	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
65 *	Winter Roads - Town	\$71,355	\$87,091	\$70,000	\$67,348	\$70,000	\$0
66	Winter Roads - State Aid	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$0
67	Construction - State Aid	\$46,717	\$0	\$31,900	\$202,273	\$26,900	(\$5,000)
68 *	Machinery Replacement	\$34,896	\$201,855	\$54,100	\$54,096	\$35,000	(\$19,100)
69	Machinery Repair & Maint	\$40,343	\$54,691	\$35,000	\$31,504	\$35,000	\$0
70	Diesel Fuel	\$23,095	\$43,780	\$36,000	\$22,472	\$30,000	(\$6,000)
71 *	Bridges	\$15,373	\$3,168	\$10,000	\$180	\$10,000	\$0
72	<b>TOTAL HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>\$377,001</b>	<b>\$614,954</b>	<b>\$382,409</b>	<b>\$532,416</b>	<b>\$363,400</b>	<b>(\$19,009)</b>
73	LIBRARY						
74 *	Operating Expense & Payroll	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$10,335	\$435
75	Debt Service	\$4,000	\$7,653	\$7,660	\$7,354	\$0	(\$7,660)
76	<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$13,900</b>	<b>\$17,553</b>	<b>\$17,560</b>	<b>\$17,254</b>	<b>\$10,335</b>	<b>(\$7,225)</b>
77	BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE						
78 *	Bldg Cap Improvement & Maint	\$11,987	\$0	\$0	\$7,792	\$20,000	\$20,000
79	Office Building	\$5,546	\$8,482	\$6,000	\$8,252	\$8,500	\$2,500
80	Office Building Fuel	\$1,349	\$3,000	\$2,500	\$1,337	\$2,000	(\$500)
81	Town Hall - Grange	\$3,826	\$7,815	\$5,000	\$3,183	\$3,500	(\$1,500)
82	Town Hall Fuel	\$1,755	\$4,380	\$2,600	\$2,250	\$1,500	(\$1,100)
83	Public Safety Building (PSB)	\$5,931	\$6,659	\$5,400	\$6,420	\$6,400	\$1,000
84	PSB Fuel	\$3,993	\$6,114	\$6,000	\$4,053	\$5,000	(\$1,000)
85 *	Public Works Building	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,000	\$36,000
86	Village Water Bond	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$0
87	Waste Water Study	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$0
88	Street Lights	\$8,484	\$9,802	\$9,800	\$10,738	\$11,000	\$1,200
89	Mowing	Not broken out	Not broken out	\$0	\$1,190	\$2,400	\$2,400
90	<b>TOTAL BLDGS &amp; INFRASTRUCT</b>	<b>\$69,501</b>	<b>\$72,882</b>	<b>\$63,930</b>	<b>\$71,845</b>	<b>\$122,930</b>	<b>\$59,000</b>
91	MISCELLANEOUS						
92	Delinquent Taxes	\$54,556	\$82,760	\$82,760	\$88,733	\$103,065	\$20,305
93	Hazard Mitigation	\$0	\$98,161	\$0	\$0	\$158,358	\$158,358
94	Licenses & Vital Records	Not broken out	Not broken out	Not broken out	Not broken out	\$3,000	\$3,000
95	Zoning, Planning & DRB	\$3,906	\$4,685	\$4,500	\$5,212	\$5,000	\$500
96 *	Reappraisal Fund	\$1,868	\$0	\$0	\$4,142	\$4,000	\$4,000
97	Miscellaneous	\$7,288	\$5,953	\$6,000	\$9,867	\$3,700	(\$2,300)
98	<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$67,618</b>	<b>\$191,559</b>	<b>\$93,260</b>	<b>\$107,954</b>	<b>\$277,123</b>	<b>\$183,863</b>
99	POLICE/CONSTABLE						
100 *	Operating Expenses	\$12,350	\$3,590	\$0	\$1,786	\$0	\$0
101	<b>TOTAL POLICE</b>	<b>\$12,350</b>	<b>\$3,590</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,786</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
102	RECREATION						
103 *	Operating Expenses	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$15,000	\$3,000
104	<b>TOTAL RECREATION</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
105	REQUESTS						
106 *	Champlain Valley Agcy on Aging	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
107 *	Franklin County Home Health	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$0
108 *	Franklin County Industrial Dev	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
109 *	Hazen's Notch Association	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
110 *	Montgomery Youth Center	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$3,000
111 *	Miscellaneous	\$1,785	\$1,785	\$0	\$0	\$175	\$175
112	<b>TOTAL REQUESTS</b>	<b>\$6,525</b>	<b>\$11,525</b>	<b>\$9,740</b>	<b>\$9,740</b>	<b>\$12,915</b>	<b>\$3,175</b>
113							
114	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$723,465</b>	<b>\$1,111,891</b>	<b>\$759,351</b>	<b>\$926,027</b>	<b>\$990,270</b>	<b>\$171,920</b>

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY 2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

Contingent Selectboard = TOTAL 2010 EXPENSES at Line 114 minus BUDGET 2010 REVENUES Sub-Total at Line 28						
minus total of EXPENSES line items individually voted on highlighted by asterisk ( * )						
Contingent Selectboard	=	\$990,270	minus	\$524,493	minus	\$317,830
Contingent Selectboard	=	\$147,947				
* indicates line items individually voted on at Town Meeting						

	A	B	C
<b>1</b>	<b>2010 Proposed Budget &amp; Tax Percentage Breakout</b>		
<b>2</b>			
<b>3</b>	<b>Proposed 2010 Municipal Budget Revenue</b>		
<b>4</b>	Other Revenue	\$524,493.00	52.96%
<b>5</b>	2010 Taxes	\$465,777.00	47.04%
<b>6</b>	<b>Total Municipal Budget</b>	<b>\$990,270.00</b>	
<b>7</b>			
<b>8</b>	<b>Proposed 2010 Municipal Budget Percentages By Major Expense Category</b>		
<b>9</b>	Administration	\$135,530.00	13.69%
<b>10</b>	Assessments	\$18,457.00	1.86%
<b>11</b>	Fire & Rescue	\$34,580.00	3.49%
<b>12</b>	Highways	\$363,400.00	36.70%
<b>13</b>	Library	\$10,335.00	1.04%
<b>14</b>	Miscellaneous	\$277,123.00	27.98%
<b>15</b>	Recreation	\$15,000.00	1.51%
<b>16</b>	Requests Total	\$12,915.00	1.30%
<b>17</b>	Bldgs and Infrastructure	\$122,930.00	12.41%
<b>18</b>	<b>Total Municipal Expenses</b>	<b>\$990,270.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>19</b>			
<b>20</b>	<b>Proposed 2010 Municipal Taxes Percentages By Major Expense Category</b>		
<b>21</b>	Fire & Rescue	\$34,580.00	7.42%
<b>22</b>	Library	\$10,335.00	2.22%
<b>23</b>	Recreation	\$15,000.00	3.22%
<b>24</b>	Summer Roads	\$70,000.00	15.03%
<b>25</b>	Winter Roads	\$70,000.00	15.03%
<b>26</b>	Bridges	\$10,000.00	2.15%
<b>27</b>	Machinery Replacement	\$35,000.00	7.51%
<b>28</b>	Bldg Cap Improvement/Repair	\$20,000.00	4.29%
<b>29</b>	Reappraisal Fund	\$4,000.00	0.86%
<b>30</b>	Public Works Building	\$36,000.00	7.73%
<b>31</b>	Requests Total	\$12,915.00	2.77%
<b>32</b>	Contingent	\$147,947.00	31.76%
<b>33</b>	<b>Total Municipal Taxes</b>	<b>\$465,777.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>34</b>			
<b>35</b>	<b>Proposed 2010 Municipal and School Budgets</b>		
<b>36</b>	Total Proposed School Budget	\$2,458,203.00	71.28%
<b>37</b>	Total Proposed Municipal Budget	\$990,270.00	28.72%
<b>38</b>	<b>Total 2010 Town Budget</b>	<b>\$3,448,473.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>39</b>			
<b>40</b>			
<b>41</b>			
<b>42</b>			

<b>MONTGOMERY TAX RATE HISTORY TAX YEARS 1993-2010</b>					
		LOCAL**			
YEAR	MUNICIPAL	AGREEMENT	TOTAL	EDUCATION	TOTAL
	TAX RATE	TAX RATE	MUNICIPAL	TAX RATE	TAX RATE
		Veteran		(Set by State)	
		Exemption			
<b>2010 Projected at Town Meeting</b>					
Homestead	0.4015	\$0.0032	\$0.4047	\$1.4664	\$1.8711
Non-Homestead	0.4015	\$0.0032	\$0.4047	\$1.9026	\$2.3073
Non-Homestead Ed. Rate not set by legislature as of printing. Figure based on VT					
Commissioner of Taxes Projection.					
<b>2009 Actual</b>					
Homestead	\$0.4162	\$0.0030	\$0.4192	\$1.3048	\$1.7240
Non-Homestead	\$0.4162	\$0.0030	\$0.4192	\$1.8347	\$2.2539
<b>2008 Actual</b>					
Homestead	\$0.4177	\$0.0031	\$0.4208	\$1.2808	\$1.7016
Non-Homestead	\$0.4177	\$0.0031	\$0.4208	\$1.7233	\$2.1441
<b>2007 Actual</b>					
Homestead	\$0.3821	\$0.0025	\$0.3846	\$1.1643	\$1.5489
Non-Homestead	\$0.3821	\$0.0025	\$0.3846	\$1.5704	\$1.9550
<b>2006 Actual</b>					
Homestead	\$0.3628	----		\$1.1907	\$1.5535
Non-Homestead	\$0.3628	----		\$1.4515	\$1.8143
<b>2005 Actual</b>					
Homestead	\$0.3623	----		\$1.1834	\$1.5457
Non-Homestead	\$0.3623	----		\$1.3695	\$1.7318
<b>2004 Actual*</b>					
Homestead	\$0.3650	----		\$1.0166	\$1.3816
Non-Homestead	\$0.3650	----		\$1.2174	\$1.5824
ACT 68 + ~~~~~	~~~~~	ACT 68 +	~~~~~	ACT 68 +	~~~~~
		MUNICIPAL	STATE	TOTAL	TOTAL
	MUNICIPAL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	TAX
	TAX RATE	TAX RATE	TAX RATE	TAX RATE	RATE
2003	\$0.50	\$0.36	\$1.24	\$1.60	\$2.10
2002	\$0.49	\$0.44	\$1.20	\$1.64	\$2.13
2001	\$0.47	\$0.41	\$1.13	\$1.54	\$2.01
2000	\$0.47	\$0.50	\$1.11	\$1.61	\$2.08
1999	\$0.47	\$0.29	\$1.19	\$1.48	\$1.95
1998	\$0.46	\$0.42	\$1.14	\$1.56	\$2.02
<b>FLOOD DEBT +ACT 60 ~~~~~</b>					
1997	\$0.43	----	----	\$1.45	\$1.88
1996	\$0.35	----	----	\$1.42	\$1.77
1995	\$0.34	----	----	\$1.42	\$1.76
1994	\$0.27	----	----	\$1.35	\$1.62
1993	\$0.29	----	----	\$1.19	\$1.48
* Townwide reappraisal					
** Local Agreement rate reflects 2007 Town Meeting approval of increasing the					
Veteran's Assessment exemption from \$10,000 to \$40,000					

**Town of Montgomery Liabilities as of 12/31/09**

Water Project: USDA-RD

Bond #1 – Principal Balance \$148,735.37

Payment due 5/13/10 \$3,758.00

Payment due 11/13/10 3,758.00

Bond #2 – Principal Balance \$358,390.48

Payment due 5/13/10 \$10,625.00

Payment due 11/13/10 10,625.00

Bond #3 – Principal Balance \$332,821.31

Payment due 6/10/10 \$8,718.00

Payment due 12/10/10 8,718.00

2009 International Truck: State of Vermont – Principal \$88,000.00

Payment due 6/30/10 \$23,760.00

Wastewater Treatment Study:

VT/EPA – Principal \$25,786.00

Payment due 12/1/10 \$12,893.00

# MONTGOMERY TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES 2009

**SELECTBOARD:**

Carol McGregor	0.00	
Kenneth Cota	0.00	
Wendy Howard	0.00	
Scott Perry	0.00	
Merrill Cabana	0.00	
		\$0.00

**TOWN CLERK & TREASURER:** Renee J Patterson \$22,999.60

**ASSISTANT CLERKS:**

Deanna-Dee Robitaille \$7,218.29

**BOOKKEEPER:** Merrill "Billy" Cabana \$4,543.50

**DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:**

Anita Woodward, 4% of Delq Tax collected \$5,712.75

**LISTERS:**

Sharon Perry	4,185.00	
Joel Magnuson	2,921.25	
Parma Jewett	3,420.00	
		\$10,526.25

**CLERK OF THE SELECTBOARD:**

Darlene Marrier \$588.00

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:**

Darlene Marrier \$3,390.00

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:**

Darlene Marrier (Clerk)	340.00	
Members: James Cota	70.00	
Mark Brouillette	120.00	
Merle Van Gieson	90.00	
Thomas Smith	90.00	
W Ralph Chilton	100.00	
		\$810.00

**MONTGOMERY TOWN  
OFFICERS' SALARIES 2009**

**AUDITORS:**

Elizabeth Curboy	40.50	
Marsha Phillips	49.50	
		\$90.00

<b>POUND KEEPER:</b> Amy Cochran		\$112.50
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<b>CONSTABLE:</b> Brent Godin		\$1,071.00
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<b>HEALTH OFFICER:</b> Mark Brouillette		\$300.00
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**JANITORS:**

Snow Shoveling

Harold Roberts Jr - Office Building	170.00	
Harold Roberts Jr - Public Safety Bldg	180.00	
		\$350.00

Total Town Officers		\$57,711.89
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**ROAD CREW:**

William Baker, Jr		\$41,798.75
William Baker, Sr		\$1,296.00
Shane M Reed		\$44,088.00
Ronald Hathaway		\$3,438.75

Total Highway		\$90,621.50
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**Report of Unreserved Funds  
December 31, 2009**

<b>Balance:</b>	TD Banknorth Sweep Acct	\$367,736.69	
	Outstanding Deposit	3,719.39	
	Outstanding Checks	<u>-13,097.85</u>	
			\$358,358.23
<b>Less Reserved Funds:</b>			
	Fire Dept	\$40,234.33	
	Rescue Dept	23,689.89	
	Recreation Dept	1,058.22	
	Teen Center	1,906.71	
	Library	18,378.50	
	Bridges	26,278.43	
	Restoration of Records	5,213.62	
	Bldg Capital Improvement & Maint	68,700.31	
	Highway Construction	17,448.13	
	Police Services Dept	9,777.37	
	Reappraisal Fund	<u>58,565.96</u>	
			<u>\$271,251.47</u>
	Unreserved funds		<u><u>\$87,106.76</u></u>

**TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET  
Law Enforcement**

	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget09/10
<b>Revenues</b>					
Sale of Vehicle	775	0	0	0	0
Judicial Fines	2,687	1500	318	300	-1,200
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>3,462</u>	<u>1500</u>	<u>318</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>-1,200</u>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Constable Expenses	2,396	2500	1,153	1,200	-1,300
Communications	327	350	280	300	-50
Contracted Services	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	867	850	353	350	-500
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>3,590</u>	<u>3700</u>	<u>1,786</u>	<u>1,850</u>	<u>-1,850</u>



**Annual Crime Statistics for ST Albans Barracks:**

<b>Total cases investigated:</b>	<b>5877</b>
<b>Total arrests:</b>	<b>639</b>
<b>Total tickets issued:</b>	<b>1939</b>
<b>Total warnings issued:</b>	<b>1223</b>
<b>Fatal Accidents Investigated:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Burglaries Investigated:</b>	<b>166</b>
<b>DUI's</b>	<b>177</b>

**Local Community Report: Montgomery**

<b>Total Cases:</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>Total Arrests:</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>DUI's</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Accidents w/ Damage:</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Accidents w/ Injury:</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Vandalisms:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Alarms</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Burglaries:</b>	<b>4</b>

**Summary:** It has been another good year for the Barracks and we hope to continue our partnerships and cooperation with our local communities in our collective goals of making our highways and communities safe for all those who live in and visit Franklin and Grand Isle Counties.

**LT Thomas R. Hango**  
**Station Commander**  
**St. Albans Barracks**

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

## Fire Department

	Budget 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget09/10
<b>Revenues</b>					
Town of Montgomery	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Town of Westfield	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations/Fundraisers	2,500	3,500	3,927	3,500	0
Interest	1,000	1,000	120	150	-850
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>25,500</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>26,047</b>	<b>25,650</b>	<b>-850</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Vehicle Fuel	500	430	220	400	-30
Telephone	250	350	254	300	-50
Insurance	7,500	7,500	7,449	7,500	0
Dispatch Fees	1,200	3,300	3,281	3,300	0
Radio Repair	1,500	1,000	569	1,000	0
Office supplies	100	50	113	100	50
Vehicle Repairs	2,500	2,500	605	2,000	-500
Training	300	300	0	300	0
Miscellaneous	1,500	1,500	1,989	1,500	0
Association Dues	250	200	265	300	100
Equipment	1,000	1,000	800	1,000	0
Payroll	2,000	2,200	2,090	2,200	0
Social Security	150	170	160	170	0
Building Maintenance	150	0	22	0	0
Capital Improvements	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>24,900</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>17,817</b>	<b>26,070</b>	<b>-430</b>

Beginning Balance 01/01/09

General Fund	36,469
Dry Hydrant	1,655
Capital Improvement	47,813
	<u>85,937</u>

Total Receipts 26,047

Total Expenses 17,817

Ending Balance 12/31/09

General Fund	38,579
Dry Hydrant	1,655
Capital Improvement	53,933
	<u>94,167</u>

**TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET**  
**Rescue Department**

	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Change
Revenues	2008	2009	2009	2010	Budget 09/10
Town of Montgomery	18,000	19,666	19,666	14,580	-5,086
Ambulance Billing	19,736	21,000	24,349	22,000	1,000
Donations	653	0	75	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	600	0	0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>38,389</b>	<b>40,666</b>	<b>44,090</b>	<b>36,580</b>	<b>-4,086</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Ambulance Reserve Fund	0	0	0	2,000	2,000
Equipment	0	400	332	400	0
Communications	1,488	400	670	400	0
Insurance	4,732	5,000	4,620	5,000	0
Education	1,305	1,000	901	2,000	1,000
Medical Supplies	1,282	1,000	679	1,000	0
Payroll & Social Security	4,439	4,500	2,468	4,500	0
Office expense	80	100	0	100	0
Maintenance (Veh.& Equip)	712	1,000	726	1,000	0
EMS Dispatch Fee	2,720	3,281	3,281	3,544	263
Building Expense	37	100	225	100	0
Contracted Services: EAS	18,619	19,666	19,721	20,007	341
Contracted Services: Billing	1,973	2,100	2,387	2,200	100
Diesel fuel	95	0	50	0	0
Miscellaneous	212	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>37,694</b>	<b>38,547</b>	<b>36,060</b>	<b>42,251</b>	<b>1,704</b>

General Fund Reserve for Rescue Dept.

18000 Ambulance Replacement  
5690 Cash on Hand  


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## **Montgomery Rescue 2009 Report – 2010 Budget**

Montgomery Rescue has had another challenging year, but we are a service rising from the ashes. Just two years ago we were down to only two active members, but are back up to eight at the close of 2009. A three hundred percent increase!

We will continue to contract Enosburgh Ambulance Service (EAS) in 2010. Under our current agreement, EAS will be dispatched to all Montgomery 911 calls. When Montgomery has a crew available to respond and transport, EAS is contacted and cancelled. This provides around-the-clock coverage to our town, while we rebuild the service. Montgomery Rescue was able to respond to 45 out of 71 emergency-911 calls in 2009. Montgomery made 22 transports, while EAS transported 27 times.

We remain committed to keeping our volunteer ambulance service viable. That can only happen with volunteers. Please consider joining as a driver, first responder, or making the commitment to becoming an EMT. Contact anyone on the squad for information about training, classes, and what the commitment entails. We are hoping to train three new EMTs this year, and would be happy to take on more.

Our 2010 budget shows roughly the same level of expenses as last year. The biggest expense remains the contract with EAS. We are again asking for financial support from the town to cover that contract, although we have reduced that by our cash on hand at the end of 2009. We again expect that billing revenue will cover the expenses of maintaining a certified rescue squad in town. It is our hope that by next year we will have the staffing to allow us to reduce our coverage by EAS to half time.

I would like to add that we have been working on getting on scene quicker, and we shaved two minutes off of our response time. A big thanks goes out to those of you who choose to have your emergencies at the Public Safety Building, especially when we have a crew already there. Your thoughtfulness helps our average.

Each of you can further help speed up that response time by posting a highly visible 911 address on the road, or on your home, where we will be able to read it at 4:00 am. Seconds do count, and the sooner we find your number, the sooner we can begin care.

I want to again thank the town for continued support of Montgomery Rescue, and especially thank those who respond when an emergency call goes out.

Kevin Scheffler & Morgan Daybell  
Montgomery Rescue Executive Board members



Enosburgh Ambulance responded to 736 runs in 2009. The following is a run breakdown for each town.

Bakersfield - 51, Berkshire - 65, Enosburgh - 330, Fairfield - 3  
Franklin - 28, Montgomery - 56, Richford - 22, Sheldon - 102,  
Transports - 79

On January 1, 2010 the Town of Franklin signed a contract with Enosburgh Ambulance for ambulance coverage. Due to loss of volunteers Franklin Rescue was no longer able to provide ambulance service for the town. They will continue to provide a first response squad for the town. With the addition to the town of Franklin we have added a second day crew so we can have two staffed ambulances. And we will be also adding a third ambulance.

Seven years ago, we initiated a "**911 Address Sign**" program, offering highly visible, inexpensive signs to all the households of our communities. We are far from our goal of having near 100% of the population displaying a noticeable "**911 Address Sign**", one that we can locate while searching for a residence under adverse conditions. If you already purchased a sign from us, we thank you. If you haven't purchased a sign, and are not displaying a noticeable sign yet, please consider doing so prior to having to call 911. Call us at (802)-933-2118 for more information.

This year we are asking our supporters for a small increase in the per capita in our appropriations. Due to increases in wages, health insurance and vehicle expenses as well as reductions in Medicare/Medicaid payments.

The staff of Enosburgh Ambulance would like to take this time to thank all the communities that we serve for their continued support. We look forward to serving you in 2010.

Robert Gleason Jr.  
Director  
Enosburgh Ambulance Service

## **2009 Recreation Center Report**

Thanks to the continued encouragement and support of the Town of Montgomery during the past ten years, the Recreation Center has accomplished a great deal during that time. Recreational facilities have been added and/or improved, and the services offered have expanded in response to the needs and interests of members of the community. We are pleased to report that, during 2009, those accomplishments have continued.

**The Memorial Pavilion Building:** Thanks to Tim Murphy's great idea and design, and his careful planning, as well as to the generous donations of money, labor and materials made by a number of community members, the Pavilion Building, has continued to be a huge asset. In 2009, it was utilized for numerous community events, including: the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, weddings, anniversary parties, graduations, family reunions, birthday celebrations, going away parties for our young military recruits, and the Garden Club's Annual Meeting, Mountain bike events.

**Sports Field and River Walk Park in Montgomery Village:** Thanks to parents and friends of the Little League Program, the new sports field (including the addition of bleachers) and River Walk Park projects have been completed, and were regularly utilized and enjoyed by many during 2009. Not only was the baseball field in constant use during the warmer months, but there was also a good turn out for the Thursday night mixed volleyball games. Even when the weather got colder in the fall, and it was darker earlier in the evening, devoted players were still out there, enjoying the use of the field which was illuminated only by headlights from their cars. In addition to use for sports events, the River Walk Park was the site of the 2009 Halloween Pumpkin Lighting. This annual event was, once again, a great success. There were incredible carved pumpkins, a great bonfire, cider and donuts, and a new addition this year, Haunted Woods. Thanks to Lisa and Curt Perry, it was one frightening, fun addition! The kids apparently thought so too, going through the maze of horrors many times during the evening. It was a great night and huge turnout.

**Upgrade of Existing Fields:** After the completion of the new field and park, it was time to upgrade the existing fields. This proved to be a challenging task due to the soil composition at the Recreation Center. As a result, the project could not be finished in 2009. Eric Cota has worked hard at trying to get the field back in shape, and it is expected to be completed by the spring of 2010.

**The Variety Show:** The 2009 show, hosted by Eamon O'Shea, and including his talented entourage, was a crowd pleaser and great fund raiser. We had decided to move the Variety Show back to the spring, figuring that "cabin fever" always has a way of bringing out unique talent, and that proved to be the case. (FYI, this year's event will be April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there!)

**Art for the Parks Dinner and Art Auction:** Thanks to the talented and generous local artists who donated their art, and to those who bought the pieces, this year's event, held in September was a huge success. Special thanks also go to Micky Dohney, Sharon Perry, Sue Wilson and Tosca for their time and effort in helping the auction go smoothly.

**Summer Day Camp Program:** During the summer of 2009, this very successful program ran for 8 weeks, three days a week, from 9am to 3pm, and provided a safe learning environment for 30 plus children ages 5 to 12. As a part of the program, free, healthy USDA sponsored snacks and lunches were provided. The Recreation Department Board has always dreamed of providing the Summer Day Camp Program free of charge, and we hope that 2010 will be the year. We believe that any child interested in participating in the program should be able to do so, and that, by removing any financial obstacles, this could happen.

**Additional Activities and Programs:** The Recreation Department continued to sponsor many other great programs during 2009 which are of benefit to a wide variety of community members. These include: ice skating, soccer clinics, yoga, and zumba, free snow shoe sign out, ice hockey.

As a board we have always been extremely appreciative of your support, and we hope to continue to serve the community of Montgomery. We look forward to another successful year during 2010.

Karen Frascella  
Peg Doheny

Marsha Phillips  
Stephanie Machia

Sue Regan  
Lisa Perry

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

## Recreation Department

	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget08/09
<b>Revenues</b>					
Town of Montgomery	12,000	12,000	12,000	15,000	3,000
Donations/Fundraisers	10,352	10,000	12,064	10,000	0
Grants	10,000	0	0	3,500	3,500
Facility Rent	0	0	250	0	0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>32,352</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>24,314</b>	<b>28,500</b>	<b>6,500</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Heating Fuel	1,669	1,500	1,043	1,170	-330
Electricity	803	1,000	945	1,000	0
Water	270	360	360	360	0
Telephone	314	400	347	350	-50
Payroll & SS	5,525	6,800	6,836	7,320	520
Building Maintenance	1,209	2,000	1,214	2,000	0
Equipment	5,466	2,500	3,654	1,000	-1,500
Grounds Maintenance	6,127	8,000	6,755	6,000	-2,000
Tennis Maintenance	0	2,000	356	2,000	0
Office & Postage	110	150	147	200	50
Advertising	275	200	0	100	-100
Activity Exp & Supplies	1,510	2,000	971	1,000	-1,000
Capital Impr: Escrow	0	3,000	0	3,000	0
: Riverwalk	0	0	0	0	0
Rec Center Fields	0	10,000	18,955	3,000	-7,000
Miscellaneous	240	0	110	0	0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>23,518</b>	<b>39,910</b>	<b>41,693</b>	<b>28,500</b>	<b>-11,410</b>

General Fund reserve for the Rec Dept

0 Capital Improvement Fund

1,057 Cash on Hand

1,057 Total

## MONTGOMERY YOUTH CENTER - 2010 BUDGET

	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget09/10
<b>Revenues</b>					
Town of Montgomery	5,000	5,000	5,000	8,000	3,000
Donations/Fundraisers	940	5,034	574	7,000	1,966
Grants	16,500	10,000	0	5,000	-5,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>22,440</b>	<b>20,034</b>	<b>5,574</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>-34</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Salaries	14,060	18,000	5,720	12,000	-6,000
SS & Medi	1,076	2,000	437	1,500	-500
Telephone	409	500	326	3,000	2,500
Activity Exp & Supplies	3,334	1,500	1,050	400	-1,100
Office Supplies/Postage/Equip	480	1,100	0	700	-400
Resources & Training	65	600	0	1,500	900
Miscellaneous	0	200	0	200	0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>19,424</b>	<b>23,900</b>	<b>7,533</b>	<b>19,300</b>	<b>-4,600</b>

General Fund Reserve for the Teen Center

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## Montgomery Teen Center

Montgomery Teen Center provides a safe, supervised space for Montgomery youth grades 6 and up (2-3 days, 10 hours a week). On average there are about 15-20 kids in attendance each day, wildly exceeding our expectations?

Franklin County has the highest per capita rate of marijuana use in Vermont and Vermont has the highest per capita use in the country. Franklin County shares staggering rates of underage alcohol and drug use with the rest of the state with **16% of 8<sup>th</sup> graders having consumed alcohol in the last 30 days** and **6% of 8<sup>th</sup> graders having consumed marijuana in the past 30 days**. These rates shoot up to **38% of 10<sup>th</sup> graders and 54% of 12<sup>th</sup> graders** having consumed alcohol in the last 30 days and **26% of 10<sup>th</sup> graders and 31% of 12<sup>th</sup> graders** having consumed marijuana in the past 30 days (Data from 2009 VT Youth Risk Behavior Survey)

It is not hard to see that our kids are in the “high risk” category for drug and alcohol abuse. Programs like the Teen Center, SAP programs in schools, church youth groups and the youth program being offered at the library, as well as community involvement and caring adults have been linked to reduction in early use.

It is important to prevent early use not only because of the problems it can cause with intellectual and emotional brain development, but also because the earlier a person begins to use alcohol and substances, the more likely they are to develop a dependence issue.

We are thrilled to be offering such an important resource to the families in our community. Likewise, we are thrilled that the youth have responded so well and attendance is so high. We are having a lot of fun and have participated in many activities this year including providing waitstaff service for the annual Arts for the Parks auction, movie nights, dances, and summer day activities.

That said, it has been a difficult year fiscally. There are fewer grants and more organizations competing for them. All of the teen centers are struggling with major grant losses this year. Our fundraisers have not been as well attended as we hoped for.

Like a lot of non-profits in this economy, we are making adjustments. Instead of being open 3+ days a week regularly (even though the kids would be there if we were able to be) we are open 2 days a week with 10 hours maximum. This summer, we may not be able to accept the new 6<sup>th</sup> graders who've been so looking forward to coming, because capacity would require us to have a second staff person, or have extra hours, which we simply can't afford.

We are going to stay open another year. We are racking our brains to think of fun fundraisers that community members would be happy to support. We are searching for grants. In the meantime, we want to thank you for supporting Montgomery Teen Center with your tax dollars. We appreciate you!

Thanks again for supporting our kids!

Jim Cota, Chair

Amie Koontz, Co-Chair

Mark Brouillette

Christina Bilodeau

Allison May



## MONTGOMERY TOWN LIBRARY

Thanks to the continued support of the Town of Montgomery and our patrons, the Montgomery Town Library has grown in many different areas. Membership holds strong, circulation continues to increase, and many special programs are offered throughout the year.

The library received 5,324 patron visits in 2009, up from 4,267 in 2008 and 2,933 in 2007. Library director Debbie Landauer continues to work her magic drawing people in with special events such as the Summer Reading Program, Backpack Theater, Success By Six playgroups, and story hour.

We have been pleased to offer book discussions with several authors, Vermont Humanities Council's Agatha Christie program, Tai Chi, artist and historical exhibits, and computer classes for seniors, and we have recently started the Pages to Screen book discussion/movie screening night. In addition, several grants have been written and received, including one specifically designed to provide programming and opportunities for teens at the library.

In addition to these programming successes, Debbie Landauer has completed the many hours necessary to obtain her Vermont Public Library Certification. Debbie also appeared as a featured librarian on WCAX TV's "Across the Fence" doing book reviews.

Debbie has pointed out that in times of economic recession, more and more people turn to the library as a resource for everything from entertainment to help with job searches. Access to computers and wireless internet service is meeting a need in Montgomery. With help from a Gates Foundation grant, we are upgrading our computer hardware the better to meet this need.

In July 2009 we hosted our first Montgomery Town Library Silent Auction/Wine & Cheese Reception fundraiser. It was an exciting and successful evening. In November we sent our annual appeal, and we continue to hold the popular spring book and bake sale to raise funds to support the library.

Thank you for your continued support. We are here to serve your needs now and in the future.

The Montgomery Town Library Board of Trustees

### **Montgomery Town Library End-of-Year Statistics for 2009**

Items	Fiction	Non-Fiction	Audio books	Video & DVD	Paperback Exchange	Magazine	Child Books	Child Video	Child Audio	Patron Visits	Internet Uses	Wireless uses	Reference Questions	Programs
Total 2009	1,539	534	277	807	103	36	1,283	268	70	5,324	2107	370	482	1,900

Total items 2009: 4,719

Total adult items: 3,296 67% of items checked out

Total children's items: 1,621 33% of items checked out

A/V items adult & children's: 1,422 29% of total items checked out

Internet & Wireless: 2,477

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

## Library Department

	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget 09/10
<b>Revenues</b>					
Town of Montgomery	9,900	9,900	9,900	10,335	435
Donations/Fundraisers/Use	4,548	3,223	8,848	8,149	4,926
Memorial Gifts	130	150	0	0	-150
Interest	32	30	0	0	-30
Grants	1,850	2,600	5,100	2,490	-110
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>16,460</b>	<b>15,903</b>	<b>23,848</b>	<b>20,974</b>	<b>5,071</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Books & Subscriptions	3,784	3,000	4,483	3,425	425
Equipment & Repairs	422	560	312	560	0
Furniture & Shelving	1,455	0	29	0	0
Supplies	1,050	575	1,118	1,100	525
Mileage Reimbursement	570	153	463	300	147
Miscellaneous	232	200	261	200	0
Postage	292	600	781	800	200
Printing	0	300	147	500	200
Programming	1,360	750	693	750	0
Payroll & SS	7,652	9,224	8,962	10,335	1,111
Utilities(Phone & Internet)	944	948	922	404	-544
Paul Post-Books & Shelves	100	0	0	0	0
Workshops & Memberships	362	150	349	200	50
Grant Expenditures	917	0	1,987	2,500	2,500
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>19,140</b>	<b>16,460</b>	<b>20,507</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>4,614</b>

### Cash on Hand

Checking	932	531
Savings	0	0
Petty Cash	37	40
Due from Gen Fund(P/R)	14639	18379
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,608</b>	<b>18,949</b>

## **2009 BOARD OF LISTERS REPORT: REAPPRAISAL NOW SET FOR 2011**

As the Board of Listers reported last year the State ordered the Town of Montgomery to accomplish a 100% reappraisal since the Town's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) has fallen below 80. The Town's CLA now stands at just a little over 72, down almost 2 more points from last year. As an example, if your property is assessed for \$72,000, the estimated fair market value would be around \$100,000 because real estate sales prices in Montgomery continue to exceed the assessed values.

Previously, the Board of Listers proposed an alternative to a full blown reappraisal like that done in 2004. Under the alternative proposal, the Board would not have conducted 100% data collection. However, the Board found it could not validate the new cost tables using the Town's recent sales. As a result, the Board has decided to complete another full-blown reappraisal including 100% data collection. This will allow the Board to use tools which were not available during the 2004 Reappraisal. The Board started data collection this past fall and estimates data collection will continue into early 2011.

That's the bad news. The good news is the Board still plans to accomplish the reappraisal in-house with assistance from the PVR district advisor to Montgomery, Doug Lay, in order to save the Town money. Since 2004, the Reappraisal Reserved Fund has grown to \$58,565. For 2010 and 2011, the Board is projecting the fund will grow by another \$13,300 each year with the additional funds coming from the State (\$9,300) and a Town appropriation of \$4,000 if approved by the voters. By 2011, the Reappraisal Reserved Fund will have a total of about \$85,165 to complete the reappraisal. Right now, the Board does not see any need for additional funding above \$85,165 for the 2011 reappraisal and hopes to complete it for less.

The Board of Listers will be completing the reappraisal for the 2011 Grand List. Following data collection, this reappraisal will update the land values using recent land sales and update building cost tables using 2009 or 2010 building costs. The values generated based on these updates will be validated by reviewing property sales in 2009, 2010 and 2011 and adjusted as necessary.

The Board plans to follow a similar process to update property owners on the progress of the reappraisal as done for the 2004 reappraisal. The Board will have a presentation at Town Meeting and will schedule an informational meeting prior to the release of the Change of Appraisal (COA) books. Once the COA books are mailed to all property owners in May or June 2011, the Board will conduct informational meetings for individual property owners. Two weeks after the COA books are released, the Board will begin the normal grievance process. Prior to the end of grievances, the Board will afford every property owner an opportunity, as requested, to review and discuss their individual property assessment(s) and record(s).

If, after reading this report, you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Board of Listers on Thursdays and Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to noon, at 326-4719, or by email [montgomerylisters@fairpoint.net](mailto:montgomerylisters@fairpoint.net).

Sincerely,

Board of Listers

Sharon Perry

Parma Jewett

Joel Magnuson

For more information about CLA, Act 60 and Act 68, you can visit the following website:  
<http://www.voicesforvtkids.org/wp-content/uploads/Documents/CLAbooklet-final-2006.pdf>

**LISTER REAPPRAISAL FUND  
FINANCIAL REPORT - 2009**

Beginning Balance 1/1/09 53,454.50

**RECEIPTS**

Taxes	0.00	
VT - Reappraisal	9,253.00	
	<u>9,253.00</u>	9,253.00
		<u>62,707.50</u>

**EXPENSES**

Wages & SS	3,786.58	
Supplies	245.89	
Mileage	109.07	
	<u>4,141.54</u>	

Ending Balance 12/31/09		<u>58,565.96</u>
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**MONTGOMERY CENTER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION  
FINANCIAL REPORT - 2009**

**Beginning Balance 01/01/09**

Checking	221.44	
CD - 110	7,656.27	
CD - 225	5,207.32	
CD - 233	15,521.58	
CD - 274	9,055.19	
CD - 892	55,968.44	
Charles Lumbra Fund	2,090.53	
	<u>\$95,720.77</u>	

**RECEIPTS**

Interest Income	3,674.55	
Lots Sold	200.00	
	<u>\$3,874.55</u>	

**EXPENSES**

Grounds Maintenance	3,757.50	
	<u>\$3,757.50</u>	

**Ending Balance 12/31/09**

Checking	144.84	
CD - 110	7,885.49	
CD - 225	3,826.34	
CD - 233	15,707.86	
CD - 274	9,224.66	
CD - 892	56,923.43	
Charles Lumbra Fund	2,126.20	
	<u>\$95,838.82</u>	

**JOHN L CLAPP ESTATE**  
**Financial Report 1/1/09 to 12/31/09**

Beginning Balance 1/1/09

Saxon Ind Stock	2,940.00	
Certificates - TD Banknorth	11,273.80	
Checking - TD Banknorth	<u>475.35</u>	
		14,689.15

**INCOME:**

Interest from Certificates	122.55	122.55
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**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Care of Old Cemetery	330.00	
Probate Court	<u>25.00</u>	
		355.00
		<u>14,456.70</u>

**ASSETS: as of 12/31/09**

Saxon Ind Stock	2,940.00	
Certificates - TD Banknorth	11,273.80	
Checking - TD Banknorth	<u>242.90</u>	
		<u>14,456.70</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine St Onge, Treasurer

**MONTGOMERY VILLAGE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**  
**Financial Report 2009**

Beginning Balance 1/1/09

CD's	20,700.00	
Checking	<u>643.10</u>	
		21,343.10

**RECEIPTS**

CD Interest	355.37	
Dues	10.00	
Perpetual Care	100.00	
Donations	<u>350.00</u>	
		815.37

**EXPENSES**

Mowing	1,025.00	
Insurance	<u>100.00</u>	
		1,125.00
		<u>21,033.47</u>

Ending Balance 12/31/09

CD's	20,700.00	
Checking	233.47	
Cash on Hand	<u>100.00</u>	
		<u>21,033.47</u>

Respectfully, *Lois Lumbra*

# TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

## Water Department

Revenues	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Change Budget09/10
Water Usage	47,799	47,799	53,328	63,000	15,201
Delinquent Interest/Penalties	0	300	0	150	-150
Refunds/Rebates	1	500	167	200	-300
Interest on Investments	930	930	648	500	-430
User Bond Receipts	32,873	32,873	32,873	32,873	0
Town of Montgomery	13,737	13,737	13,737	13,737	0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>95,340</b>	<b>96,139</b>	<b>100,753</b>	<b>110,460</b>	<b>14,321</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Salaries	19,506	25,000	18,291	27,900	2,900
Technology equip/support	0	3,500	0	0	-3,500
Training	0	0	896	1,000	1,000
Utilities	8,550	9,500	9,543	10,300	800
Contracted Services	0	0	8,958	4,000	4,000
Mileage Reimbursement	0	0	0	200	200
Vehicle Expense	0	1,000	450	500	-500
Tools	0	500	279	5,000	4,500
Water Testing	0	500	140	2,000	1,500
Office supplies	1,237	2,000	1,035	1,000	-1,000
Equipment	4,321	5,000	2,377	1,000	-4,000
Building Maintenance	0	0	371	200	200
VT Fees	526	1,000	1,220	1,300	300
Annual Bond Payment	46,202	46,202	46,202	46,202	0
Association Dues	240	300	155	200	-100
Chemicals	237	250	493	500	250
Hauling Water	0	0	0	0	0
New Meters	0	0	0	0	0
Legal Services	0	500	1,148	200	-300
Pagers	604	750	437	500	-250
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>81,423</b>	<b>96,002</b>	<b>91,994</b>	<b>102,002</b>	<b>6,000</b>

Beginning Balance 01/01/09

Checking	7,551.26
Savings	82,150.13
	<u>89,701.39</u>

Total Receipts 100,753.35

Total Expenses 94,994.49

Ending Balance 12/31/09

Checking	15,661.73
Savings	82,798.52
	<u>98,460.25</u>

**Total Balance of Delinquent Water Bills as of 12/31/09 \$ 940**

# MONTGOMERY WATER PROJECT FINANCIAL REPORT - 2009

## Beginning Balance 01/01/09

Checking	-4,115.67	
Non Arbitrage Borrowing	<u>203,723.14</u>	
		199,607.47

## RECEIPTS

USDA Grant	156,811.48	
EPA Grant	151,023.45	
Interest Earned	<u>2,223.94</u>	
		310,058.87

## DISBURSEMENTS

CNB Grant Anticipation Note	446,100.00	
Engineering Costs	20,150.75	
Construction	10,685.70	
Administrative Costs	<u>21,732.22</u>	
		498,668.67

## Ending Balance 12/31/09

Checking	41.00	
Non Arbitrage Borrowing Acct	<u>10,956.67</u>	
		<u><u>10,997.67</u></u>



**STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES  
JANUARY 1, 2009 - DECEMBER 31, 2009**

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TAX DUE</u>	<u>TAX COLLECTED</u>	<u>BALANCE DUE</u>	<u>8% PENALTY COLLECTED</u>	<u>INTEREST COLLECTED</u>
2002	\$ 89.39	\$ -	\$ 89.39	\$ -	\$ -
2005	\$ 17.32	\$ 17.32	\$ -	\$ 1.39	\$ 7.31
2006	\$ 1,652.28	\$ 1,567.20	\$ 85.08	\$ 125.38	\$ 109.69
2007	\$ 11,954.32	\$ 9,594.64	\$ 2,359.68	\$ 767.57	\$ 1,182.27
2008	\$ 75,811.20	\$ 64,013.07	\$ 11,798.13	\$ 5,121.27	\$ 4,335.04
2009	<u>\$ 148,198.66</u>	<u>\$ 59,465.66</u>	<u>\$ 88,733.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,757.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,044.97</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 237,723.17</b>	<b>\$ 134,657.89</b>	<b>\$ 103,065.28</b>	<b>\$ 10,772.87</b>	<b>\$ 6,679.28</b>

<b>Taxes Collected:</b>	<b>\$134,657.89</b>
<b>8% Penalties Collected:</b>	<b>\$ 10,772.87</b>
<b>Interest Collected:</b>	<b><u>\$ 6,676.31</u></b>
<b>Total Paid to the Treasurer by A. Woodward:</b>	<b>\$152,107.07</b>



<b>DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>TAX BALANCE</b>
<b>2002 PROPERTY TAXES</b>	
Farrar, Lee - 6.035X	\$ 89.39
<b>TOTAL 2002</b>	<b>\$ 89.39</b>
<b>2006 PROPERTY TAXES</b>	
Bower, Joette	\$ 66.93
Goodsell, Matthew	\$ 18.15
<b>TOTAL 2006 TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 85.08</b>
<b>2007 PROPERTY TAXES</b>	
Bower, Joette	\$ 1,947.18
Fournier, Aaron	\$ 412.50
<b>TOTAL 2007 TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 2,359.68</b>
<b>2008 PROPERTY TAXES</b>	
Benson, Robert	\$ 735.42
Bower, Joette	\$ 2,135.53
Chase, Forest and Cota-Chase, Kathie	\$ 1,149.44
Damstrom, Thomas	\$ 358.16
Fournier, Aaron	\$ 452.41
Hughes, Wendell and Koontz, Amie	\$ 364.44
**Kent, Mark	\$ 1,482.76
**Manchester, Stuart	\$ 417.77
Malaussena, William	\$ 65.17
Nutting Farm LLC	\$ 3,406.97
Tatro, Orson and Phyllis	\$ 978.44
Wilson, Peter and Michelle	\$ 251.62
<b>TOTAL 2008 TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 11,798.13</b>
<b>2009 PROPERTY TAXES</b>	
**Abbott, Matthew and Priscilla	\$ 500.36
Abramowitz, Michael and June	\$ 748.46
**Banks, Sandra	\$ 102.02
Barnes, Clayton, Barnes, Carlton and Laflame, Audrey	\$ 501.34
**Barnes, Maria Hill and Hill, Susan	\$ 244.69
Benson, Robert	\$ 773.09
Black Flies Trust	\$ 3,581.45
*Black Flys Trust	\$ 2,812.87
Bower, Joette	\$ 2,244.88
Brunton, Stuart	\$ 834.12
Chase, Forest and Cota-Chase, Kathie	\$ 1,074.82
Collins, Christopher and Stark, Judith	\$ 1,863.80
Corcoran, Mark	\$ 3,031.49
*Cota, Robert and Sandra	\$ 813.33
Cousino, David and Ruth	\$ 1,101.03
Damstrom, Thomas	\$ 633.35
Davis, Bain	\$ 2,632.56
Desautels, Jodi	\$ 2,490.56
Deuso, Olive	\$ 76.63
Deuso, Roger	\$ 1,289.23
Deuso, Roger	\$ 103.34
Dodier, Jacques	\$ 3,092.35
Donna, Daniel	\$ 2,002.10
Ducolon, Stacey	\$ 719.85

NAME	TAX BALANCE
Earley, Robert	\$ 1,198.81
Fairpoint New England	\$ 237.78
Fairpoint New England	\$ 22.53
Fairpoint New England	\$ 493.60
Farrar, Lee	\$ 2,513.10
Flaherty, Ted	\$ 2,659.61
Fleming, Danielle	\$ 579.74
Fournier, Aaron	\$ 475.57
**Francis, Andrew	\$ 181.53
**Hanna, David and Diane	\$ 3.57
Heald, Ovide and Kala	\$ 906.07
Healy, James	\$ 2,147.97
**Kent, Mark	\$ 2,048.79
Lumbra, Dale	\$ 888.47
Malaussena, William	\$ 2,129.96
Manchester, Stewart	\$ 3,074.32
McDonald, Richard	\$ 29.93
Mercy, Duane	\$ 133.60
Morrell, Robert and Sandra	\$ 1,458.65
Nalette, Sean	\$ 813.66
Nichols, Benjamin	\$ 1,442.50
Nutting Farm	\$ 3,367.32
Orndorff, James	\$ 507.13
Perry, Nonna and Reinken, Robert Levi	\$ 723.50
Perry, Nonna and Robert	\$ 189.32
Plumley, Devon	\$ 209.85
Pollock, Robert	\$ 544.99
*Quintin, Karie	\$ 2,213.61
Quintin, Theodore	\$ 1,097.65
Reed, Chris	\$ 2,655.10
Reed, Chrisistopher and Muriel	\$ 1,043.56
Roberts, Heather	\$ 604.64
Robitaille, Jacques, White, David and Sylvester, Mark	\$ 1,096.21
*Rossi, Robert	\$ 640.10
Sawyer, Thomas	\$ 462.97
Smith, James and Doris	\$ 2,197.55
Snider, Michael and Tracy	\$ 861.60
**Stepanek, Denise	\$ 1.91
**Stepanek, Denise	\$ 7.79
Stevens, Travis and Merrill, Vivian	\$ 1,945.96
Sylvester, Nicole	\$ 444.02
Sylvester, Nicole and Gendron, Robert W.	\$ 2,739.64
Tatro, Orson and Phyllis	\$ 1,363.61
**Tougas, Bert and Murphy, Anne	\$ 2.00
Wedel Trust	\$ 1,703.90
Wilson, Peter and Michelle	\$ 1,460.53
Woodworth, Nicole	\$ 2,721.70
Wynn, Ricky and Cindy	\$ 1,219.36
<b>TOTAL 2009 TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 88,733.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 103,065.28</b>
**Paid in full during the period January 1 - February 3, 2010	
*Partial paid during the period January 1 - February 3, 2010	

### **2009 BIRTHS**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Father</u></b>	<b><u>Mother</u></b>
February 22	Colton James Donna		Teri Lynn Donna
April 27	Quinn Valarie O'shea	Eamon Patrick O'Shea	Shawna O'Shea
May 5	Hailee Mae Bushey		Joanna Ruth McRae
May 5	Archer Wesley Erwin	Corbin Lamont Erwin	Meagan Donham Robidoux
May 5	Atticus Ayres Erwin	Corbin Lamont Erwin	Meagan Donham Robidoux
June 14	Ivy Elizabeth Betts	Jonathan Laurence Betts	Jill Renee Cummings
June 23	Murryn Surya Désirée Bergeron	Craig Alan Bergeron	Desiree Ann Laura Bergeron
August 22	Ethan Matthew Silva	Matthew Joseph Silva	Sarah Catharine Silva
September 10	Tyler Gary Domina	Anthony Robert Domina	Selina Ann Benneig
September 28	Asha Rose Many	Joshua Ray Many	Samantha Marie Bockus
October 13	Marion Ruth Lantery	Michael Lantery	Nicole Lantery

### **2009 DEATHS**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Town of Residence</u></b>
February 10	David A. Deuso	Montgomery
April 3	Roland Richard Baker	Montgomery
August 16	Shirley Abramowitz	Montgomery
September 18	Thomas Marvin Belrose	Montgomery
October 13	Jennie Calista Soule	Montgomery
October 28	Ralph Edward Snider	Montgomery

### **2009 MARRIAGES**

<b><u>Date</u></b>			<b><u>Town of Residence</u></b>
January 7	Reid Thomas Green	Julie Muir Brundage	Brooklyn, New York
May 30	Mark Francis Brouillette	Wendy Ann Siano	Montgomery
June 6	Dale Parker Davidson	Susan Marie Baker	Montgomery
July 18	Peter Douglas Wilkinson	Heather Lynne Calvert	Montreal, Quebec
August 7	William John Baker Jr	Roberta Ann Cota	Montgomery
September 6	Christopher Todd Bludworth	Andrew Todd McNeill	Florida
September 9	Clayton Ellis Alley	Paul Brian Berninger	Indiana
September 9	Janis Melanie Raymond	Cori Acosta Massara	Florida
September 13	Megan Elizabeth Martinson	Jonas Alfred Vaillaincourt	Montgomery
September 19	Leslie Mary Meeker	Kelly Anne Breslau	Arkansas
October 8	Phillip Dale Brown	Shawn Richard Kelsey	Kansas
December 23	Roger Calvin Deuso	Lila Louise Williams	Montgomery

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT - 2009

<u>Category</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>State Fees</u>	<u>Special Fees</u>	<u>Late Fees</u>	<u>Total Fees</u>
Spayed/Neutrd	216	4.00	864.00	693.00	0.00	104.00	1661.00
Male	17	8.00	136.00	54.00	0.00	12.00	202.00
Female	13	8.00	104.00	45.00	0.00	28.00	177.00
Special Permits	10	0.00	0.00	9.00	120.00	0.00	129.00
Special Permits	18	0.00	0.00	4.00	40.00	0.00	44.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>274</b>		<b>1104.00</b>	<b>805.00</b>	<b>160.00</b>	<b>144.00</b>	<b>2213.00</b>

Dog licenses are due April 1st each year. In addition to the 50% late penalty fee added thereafter, the State of Vermont is increasing it's fee by \$1 after April 1.

	<u>By April 1</u>	<u>After April 1</u>
Neutered/Spayed dog	\$8.00	\$10.00
Unneuterd/Unspayed dog	\$12.00	\$16.00

### Area Rabies Clinics Information:

**Berkshire Rabies Clinic is Wednesday March 24, 2009 beginning at 4:30pm at the Berkshire Town Garage.**

**Clearwater Veterinary clinics: Sheldon - March 7, 9am - 12  
:Richford - March 28, 9am-12**

**All vaccines are \$10 with no office charge.**

**Call 848-7389 for locations or more information.**

# Montgomery, Vermont Municipal Web Site Listing/Link Application

	Include on Listing/Link? Circle One
Name: _____	Yes No
Business Name: _____	Yes No
Street/P.O. Box: _____	Yes No
Town: _____	Yes No
State: _____	Yes No
Zip: _____	Yes No
Phone Number: _____	Yes No
E-Mail: _____	Yes No
Web page address (URL): _____	Yes No

Do you live in, or pay property taxes, in  
Montgomery? Yes No

Do you want a listing or a link? Listing Link  
If you desire a link please select one or both below:  
\_\_\_\_ Email  
\_\_\_\_ Website

FREE !!

What category would you like to be listed under (see next pages for samples)?

\_\_\_\_\_

The Town of Montgomery reserves the right to determine suitability of any links/listings, and any content for inclusion on the municipal website. The Town Web Site Policy is posted at:  
<http://www.montgomeryvt.us/documents.htm>

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District

### Supervisor's Report

The past 12 months saw the District grow to 16 member communities, with an increase in population of more than 15 percent. The Town and Village of Swanton became a member community as of July 1st, and the District has been working hard to provide services to all of the District's residents and businesses, while also dealing with the economic realities we all face today.

In 2009 the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District continued to provide waste management services to Northwest District communities, including collection of household hazardous waste, electronics and special collections for difficult to dispose of items such as tires and appliances. The District also operates four drop off sites in District communities and the North Hero Transfer Station.

Overall in 2009, District communities sent 25,599 tons of trash to landfills, approximately 1,259 pounds per person. After recycling, reuse and composting, the average District resident generated 3.45 pounds of waste per day.

The District processed 371.21 tons of recyclables through their facility in Georgia in 2009. This amount included 161.52 tons of mixed paper and cardboard that was baled and shipped out to market, as well as 209.69 tons of plastic/tin/glass that was consolidated and transported to the Chittenden District's Material Recovery Facility for processing.

Below is a brief outline of some of the District's services and programs. While the list is not all-inclusive, it does provide a good overview of the District's work on behalf of Northwest residents. Please take a moment to review this report. Questions, comments and suggestions may be directed to District staff at (802)524-5986.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collections

The District sponsored 14 collections of household hazardous waste in 2009 in 12 District towns, with participants from throughout the District. More than 3,535 gallons of hazardous chemicals were collected for safe disposal, along with propane tanks, lead acid batteries, oil based paint and fluorescent bulbs.

### Special Waste Collections

Sixteen collections for special waste--bulky, hard-to-dispose of items such as furniture, tires and appliances-- were held throughout the District. 55.57 tons of bulky items were collected and disposed of, along with 105 refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners. The District also collected over 1,787 tires. Residents of all district towns participated.

### Computer and Household Electronics Recycling

In order to make it easier for residents to dispose of computers, household electronics, and fluorescent bulbs, the District continued accepting these items at our office on an ongoing basis. During 2009, the District helped residents recycle:

58,291 pounds of monitors, televisions, computers and other household electronics

15,288 feet of fluorescent lights

other mercury containing devices

By expanding this service the District has provided residents with a legal and affordable method for disposing of their outdated electronics.

#### Educational Outreach

District staff conducted educational workshops and presentations aimed primarily at food waste composting at one high school. This program has great potential for expansion to other institutions and businesses. We also worked with schools within the District to improve their waste management programs.

In addition, the District produces informational materials for residents including brochures, a newsletter, a website and articles for area publications. District staff are also available to give interviews to public information programs on local radio and television stations.

#### Illegal Burning and Dumping

The District's illegal burning and dumping program has been considered a model throughout the state. Our enforcement strategy has relied heavily on education, but the District does fine repeat offenders. Because of the effectiveness of the District's approach, there appeared to have been a decline in illegal burning within the District as the year began. However, district staff still responded to a number of reports of illegal dumping and burning in 2009.

All of the activities and services outlined above were provided by a full-time staff of just 4 people, with 8 part-time workers at the drop-off sites. The assistance of workers from member communities, and volunteers at collection events has been invaluable and greatly appreciated.

As the Town of Montgomery representative on the District Board of Supervisors, I am available to discuss District activities with town residents. I can be reached at my office at 933-2490 or through the District office at (802)524-5986.

Barry Kade

Supervisor

## 2009 REPORT FROM THE COVERED BRIDGES GARDEN CLUB

Do you ever wonder how the Covered Bridges Garden Club (CBGC) comes up with all the interesting and informative guest speakers throughout the year? The CBGC has found all they have to do is cruise the club's membership.

For instance, in April, Kevin Scheffler, along with his two sons Zach and Luke, gave the club a hands-on demonstration on the design and construction of waddle garden supports. They actually were so kind as to bring plenty of red cedar and offered members tutelage while they attempted to make their own garden ornamentation. In May, Jeffrey Gonyaw and Michael Perry walked members through their beautiful spring gardens at the Pigeon Hill Farm B&B where the club held its annual plant swap. In October, Olga Lermontov, of Raven Ridge Farm, shared her secrets for her beautiful flowers and fabulous produce. No one is as passionate about soil as Olga is. In November, Annette Goyne had members bring twigs, pine cones, bark, ribbon and whatever to put together some beautiful holiday decorations.

Other invited speakers spoke to the club about invasive plants and obnoxious weeds. Beware Japanese knotweed! The club had a meeting concerning pests in the garden with emphasis on ecological control methods. Members also enjoyed a moss walk led by Dorothy Allard where members had another hands-on learning experience identifying various mosses.

In December, John Perkins and Jay Kerch, of the Phineas Swann B&B, graciously invited the club to hold its holiday social at their beautiful inn. Most recently, the club held an informal get-together for brunch at Tosca's at Trout River Traders in January.

For the club's main fundraising event, members held the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual HarvestFest this past August on Montgomery's Village Green. It was another successful venture thanks to the hard-working members and the generous support of the Town's local businesses and townspeople. Although the profits were a little shy of what the club made in 2008, the event did quite well considering the economy.

**Just a reminder to all Montgomery residents, CBGC will be looking for donations for the Trinkets and Treasures table at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual HarvestFest, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, on Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. This is by far the biggest money maker at this event so the club is really counting on your donations.** Profits from this event help to purchase all the plantings for the beautiful flower barrels and boxes throughout Montgomery.

Finally, congratulations to Carol McGregor, CBGC member and master gardener to boot, for receiving the "Golden Trowel Award" from the Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont for all her dedication and hard work in keeping the Village Green as lovely as it is. The club and townspeople really appreciate it.

And to borrow a quote from CBGC member Christa Chevalier, "Until next time...stay well...and think GREEN!"

Submitted by Kathleen Ross  
Corresponding Secretary for the Covered Bridges Garden Club





## 2009 TOWN REPORT

The Regional Commission is an organization formed by and serving the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. The Commission has been providing planning and development assistance to communities for over thirty-five years. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners. **Montgomery is currently represented on the Board of Commissioners by: Barry Kade and Darlene Marrier, and on the Transportation Advisory Committee by: Mark Brouillette.**

This year the Commission provided region-wide municipal assistance in the following areas:

- ❖ municipal plan and bylaw updates and related technical assistance
- ❖ geographic information services, including mapping
- ❖ transportation and watershed planning and related project development
- ❖ grant writing and administration
- ❖ emergency response planning
- ❖ community development

**The Commission also helped Montgomery with specific local projects:** Provided general technical assistance on planning and zoning issues and provided technical assistance on a flood plain determination. Updated the E-911 poster maps, road atlas and road map. Assisted in securing assistance from the VT Better Backroads Program and VYCC to address roadside erosion. Conducted a Hazardous Materials emergency response tabletop exercise for municipal public safety officials staff for an incident in Montgomery Center. Completed paper and digital maps with new 2007-2008 orthophotos, roads, surface waters, flood plains and parcel data.

The Commission sponsors regional planning programs, provides a forum for inter-municipal cooperation, and participates in state regulatory proceedings for projects that have impact across municipal boundaries. Regional planning projects this year included:

- ◆ Hazard mitigation planning and emergency response planning/exercises
- ◆ River and stream assessments to assist with related water quality improvement projects
- ◆ Educational programs for local volunteers
- ◆ Site assessments to enable redevelopment of brownfield properties
- ◆ Management support for the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- ◆ Development of a regional energy program
- ◆ Update of the regional transportation plan and assessment of select high-risk locations
- ◆ Completion of a new website with expanded access to municipal and regional information

In the coming year the Commission will continue our ongoing programs in local and regional planning and project implementation and will provide other needed services to our member municipalities.

The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to provide local matching funds needed for state and federal programs. For the coming year, the Board of Commissioners did not increase the municipal assessment rate so it remains at \$0.86 per capita, based on the 2000 US Census population.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is greatly appreciated. Remember, we are your resource -- please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, mapping, or data needs. For more information, please visit our office at 155 Lake Street in St. Albans, contact your municipal representatives, give us a call at 1-800-564-5958, or visit our website [www.nrpcvt.com](http://www.nrpcvt.com).

**GREEN UP VERMONT**  
P.O. Box 1191  
Montpelier, Vermont 05601-1191  
(802)229-4586, or 1-800-974-3259  
[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)  
[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

**Annual report information**

**Green Up Day, May 2, 2009**

"A strong sense of community spirit" is how Green Up Day 2009 was described by many participants. Many towns reported record turn-outs, and numerous volunteers reported less trash than in previous years.

Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization working to enhance our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising awareness about the benefits of a litter free environment. The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue our unique annual Vermont tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up. Children are our future, and Green Up Vermont focuses on education for grades K-12 with activities such as a curriculum for K-4, activity booklets, a story and drawing booklet, and the annual poster and writing contests. Please visit [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org) to learn more.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 12 percent of our budget. Last year, appropriations from cities and towns covered 14 percent of our budget, so we rely on your help to keep Green Up Day going. These funds pay for supplies including over 46,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population, to keep Green Up growing for Vermont!

**[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)**  
**[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)**

**Mark your calendars May 1, 2010, the first Saturday in May, when "Green Up Day" celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Put on your boots, get together with your family, invite some friends and come join us in your community to make Vermont even more GREEN!**

Issued in December 2009 for publication in 2010 Town Reports.  
Please call partnership specialist Helen Simon at (802) 264-0856 at  
the U.S. Census Bureau in Williston, Vt., if you have any questions.



## Census 2010: Making Our Community Count

The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the decennial census this year and needs everyone to participate. There's too much at stake to miss out on this opportunity. Let's make our community count!

Our Constitution requires the government to count everyone living in the U.S. every 10 years. Census data is used to allocate \$400 billion annually to states and localities for programs such as social services, health care, education and infrastructure. If our community's population figures are off, we may not receive all the federal dollars to which we are entitled.

Ideally, the Census Bureau counts everyone by delivering or mailing a questionnaire to each household. The residents fill it out and mail it back in a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

Filling out the census questionnaire is easy and should only take about 10 minutes. The questionnaire asks 10 or fewer questions about each person living in the household, including their name, age, birthday, sex, Hispanic background, race and other places they might live. It also asks how many people live at the home and whether it's rented or owned.

If residents don't fill out and return their questionnaire, the Census Bureau has to send a representative to collect the information. That ends up costing taxpayers a lot more money. In Vermont, only 60 percent of households returned their questionnaires in the 2000 census, well below the national average of 67 percent. We need to increase that percentage significantly!

Filling out the questionnaire is safe and the information remains completely confidential. Census employees are prohibited from disclosing the information to any agency or individual, and face jail time and fines for any violations.

PLEASE fill out your questionnaire when you receive it in March. Help anyone else who might need assistance. It's easy, it's important and it's safe. We need to make every Vermonter count!

To learn more about the census, contact Vermont partnership specialist Helen Simon at the Census Bureau in Williston at (802) 264-0856, or email her at [helen.i.simon@census.gov](mailto:helen.i.simon@census.gov). You can also visit [2010.census.gov](http://2010.census.gov).

## The Census: A Snapshot

**What:** The census is a count of everyone residing in the United States. The U.S. Constitution requires a national census every 10 years.

**Who:** Everyone who lives in the U.S. most of the year—citizens and non-citizens.

**Why:** The census documents state population counts in order to determine how the 435 seats in the House of Representatives will be allocated. Census numbers also help determine how \$400 billion annually in federal money is distributed to states and communities.

**When:** Census questionnaires will be delivered or mailed to all households in Vermont in March 2010; residents should fill out and return them as soon as possible. Official Census Day is April 1. Between May and July census workers will fan out across the state visiting households that do not return their questionnaires.

**Confidential:** By law the Census Bureau cannot share information gathered from individuals with any other government agency or person.



## **Town Of Montgomery**

P.O. Box 356

Montgomery Center, VT 05471

802-326-4719

<http://www.montgomeryvt.us>

The following Social Service and other organizations requested taxpayer assistance for 2010 totaling \$3,800.00. The Selectboard denied their requests because of our tight budget and our view that they did not meet one of the criteria below:

Did not demonstrate specific benefits to Montgomery.

Had not received consistent taxpayer support in previous years.

They are all worthy causes and we have published this list with contact information so individuals may make personal contributions as their circumstances allow. Additional information on their requests is available at the Town Office.

Northwest Unit for Special Investigations  
5 Lemnah Drive  
St. Albans, VT 05478  
524-7989

Northwestern Counseling & Support Services  
107 Fisher Pond Rd  
St. Albans, VT 05478  
524-6554

Voices Against Violence – Laurie’s House  
P.O. Box 72  
St. Albans, VT 05478  
524-8539

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**FROM THE OFFICERS**

**OF THE**

**MONTGOMERY TOWN  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**2009**

# **MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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## MONTGOMERY SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

### Moderator

Timothy Murphy

### School Directors

Bruce Mercy	Term Expires 2010
Charles Purrier	Term Expires 2010
Morgan Daybell	Term Expires 2011
Karen Soule	Term Expires 2011
Thomas Smith	Term Expires 2012

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In accordance with Vermont Statutes, the Montgomery Town Auditors and the Montgomery School Directors have agreed that the town auditors need not conduct an audit of school district accounts for fiscal year 2009, as the books were audited by the C.P.A. firm of Angolano & Company. A summary of the audit is contained in this annual report. A complete copy of the audit is available for inspection and copying, at cost, from the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union, Richford, Vermont.

**MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES - 2009  
ANNUAL MEETING**

Conformably to the Warning, the legal voters of the Town School District, Montgomery, Vermont, met at the Montgomery Elementary School in the said Town, County of Franklin, State of Vermont, on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 2009 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. to act on the following business:

The meeting came to order at 7:30 P.M.

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

**Wendy Howard nominated Tim Murphy. Tim was re-elected by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 2.** To elect one School Director for a term of two years, by ballot;

**Mark Brouillette nominated Morgan Daybell. Without objections the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Morgan.**

**ARTICLE 3.** To elect one School Director for a term of three years, by ballot;

**Jim Cota nominated Tom Smith. Without objections the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Tom.**

**ARTICLE 4.** To act on the reports of the Town School District Officers.

**Scott Perry made a motion to accept the reports and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 5.** Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District appropriate \$2,344,518 necessary for the support of schools for the school year beginning July 1, 2009?

**Marijke Dollois made a motion to appropriate \$2,344,518 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 6.** Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District authorize the School Directors to receive and expend for school purposes any additional gifts, or other revenue in excess of those calculated in determining the proposed budget for the school year beginning July 1, 2009?

**Scott Perry moved as read and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 7.** Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money by the issuance of bonds or notes, not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year beginning July 1, 2009?

**Michelle Jewett moved as read and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 8.** To transact any other nonbinding business thought proper.

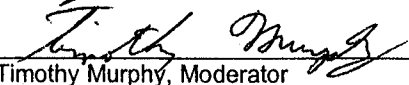
**Wendy Howard moved to adjourn and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.  
Meeting adjourned @ 7:53 P.M.**

A true record this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009

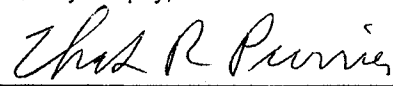
ATTEST:

  
Renee J Patterson, Town Clerk

ATTEST:

  
Timothy Murphy, Moderator

ATTEST:

  
Charles Purrier, School Board Chairman



**WARNING**  
**MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**

**Monday, March 8, 2010, 7:30 P.M.**

The legal voters of the Montgomery Town School District, Montgomery, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Montgomery Elementary School, Montgomery, Vermont, on Monday, March 8, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. to transact the following business, viz:

- ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2. To elect one School Director for a term of two years, by ballot;  
(Bruce Mercy's term expires.)
- ARTICLE 3. To elect one School Director for a term of three years, by ballot;  
(Charles Purrier's term expires.)
- ARTICLE 4. To act on the reports of the Town School District Officers.
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District appropriate \$2,458,203 necessary for the support of schools for the school year beginning July 1, 2010?
- ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District authorize the School Directors to receive and expend for school purposes any additional gifts, or other revenue in excess of those calculated in determining the proposed budget for the school year beginning July 1, 2010?
- ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money by the issuance of bonds or notes, not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year beginning July 1, 2010?
- ARTICLE 8. To transact any other nonbinding business thought proper.

Adopted and approved at a special meeting of the Board of School Directors duly noticed, called and held for that purpose on January 21, 2010.

School Directors

Charles Purrier, Chair  
Bruce Mercy, Vice-Chair  
Karen Soule, Clerk  
Morgan Daybell  
Thomas Smith

## MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Joint Report of School Directors and Office of Superintendent of Schools

#### Enrollment as of October 1, 2009

Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Elementary	7	8	15	10	19	15	18	15	20					127
Enosburg Falls Middle & High School										8	2	4	2	16
Richford Jr.-Sr. High School										4	4	5.4	4	17.4
North Country Union High School										4	3	2	1	10
St. Johnsbury										0	1	0	0	<u>1</u>
														171.4

#### Mission

The mission of the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) Learning Community is to adopt, promote, and support high expectations for all its members. FNESU will use data and research-based best practices to make informed decisions so that all children learn and succeed in each area of development.

#### Vision

FNESU believes that working as a Professional Learning Community will lead to achievement of our mission. FNESU members will:

- Unite to achieve a common purpose and clear goals;
- Work together in collaborative teams to build capacity and promote ongoing professional learning;
- Seek and implement promising strategies for improving student achievement on a continuing basis;
- Monitor each school's progress; and
- Demonstrate a personal commitment to the academic success and general well-being of all students.

#### Targets

**Reading, Writing, and Math:** As measured by NECAP, reduce by 10% the number of students falling in the bottom two performance levels on state and local assessments in reading, writing and math, while maintaining or increasing the number of students who are meeting or exceeding the standards.

**Positive School Climate:** All students will have a learning environment that is safe and respectful, and where the dignity and uniqueness of each individual are honored.

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#### School Board Report

##### Montgomery School Board Directors

The Montgomery School Board continues to be proud to report the quality of education being provided to Montgomery residents. Our Elementary School has some of the best outcomes of any school in Franklin County. The educational leadership of Beth O'Brien continues to impress us with her dedication to the students and staff at

Montgomery Elementary School. We continually struggle with the balance of a quality education and a reasonable cost to taxpayers. This challenge is more extreme this year than it has been for several years.

Two significant changes have happened at the Supervisory Union (SU) level this budgeting season. We are considering running the Essential Early Education (EEE) Pre-K programs out of individual districts (rather than the SU). This change would give districts more control over developing those programs. Districts would pay for that program directly, rather than pay an assessment to cover SU costs based on a student count. We have budgeted assuming this plan will go forward. At a program level, there will be little change for Montgomery, as we will run the SU program already operating in our town. We anticipate saving about \$6,800 next year by running this program directly. Line 69 of the FY11 budget shows the net effect of paying directly for these services and removing the EEE assessment.

Similarly, the SU has decided to move Speech and Language Pathology (SLP) services to the individual towns. We will now be paying directly for SLP services delivered to Montgomery students (see budget lines 34-47), rather than paying a share of the district's SLP costs as part of our Special Education (SPED) assessment (line 51).

We propose a budget with a slight decrease to the Elementary School. The overall budget increase is due to an increase in payments to other districts, driven by a small graduating high school class and a large class of eighth graders moving up to high school. We are budgeting for 13 additional students at the high school level, a 28% increase in students. The budget amount (line 221) for payment to other districts is up over 14%, with additional tuition offset by savings in SPED and Tech Ed costs.

While the *budget* increase is directly related to additional high school students, the *tax rate* increase is based on several factors. We anticipate that the residential tax rate is up by 16 cents; less than half of that increase is due to the increase in budget. Changes made by the legislature, as well as a further drop in the CLA, mean that even if our expenses and revenues remained the same, the residential tax rate *would still have increased by 9 cents*.

There is still great uncertainty around what legislature will do this session around education funding. They are responsible for setting the base tax rate, and the base per-pupil education payment. Until this year, rising property values have caused these rates to decrease, and the payments increase. The legislature is also considering moving some expenses from the General Fund to local property tax (such as the Teachers' Retirement program and costs for state-placed students) and reducing revenue paid to local districts (cutting SPED reimbursements and ending the small schools grants). Any of these changes will result in increased property tax.

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### **Superintendent's Report**

Jay Nichols

This is my first year as Superintendent of Schools for Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU). However, I am no stranger to this area and these communities. For those of you that don't know me, I have lived in Franklin County pretty much all of my life. I currently reside in Berkshire. I was formerly a Superintendent in Essex. My reason for accepting the Superintendency in FNESU is my deep commitment to these communities and to our schools. Our overall educational mission is to give our students the tools they will need to be effective citizens in our society.

Our Supervisory Union consists of five town school districts: Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburgh, Montgomery, and Richford. FNESU has five elementary schools, a middle school, a technical center, and two high schools. We are a very unique Supervisory Union in our construct - to have two high schools and a technical center in one SU is very unusual. Currently, we serve 1621 students in our Supervisory Union; we are slightly bigger, in terms of population, than most Supervisory Unions in Vermont. Out of 60 SU's, we are 24<sup>th</sup> in terms of population. Additionally, we obviously cover a large geographical area.

I am very proud of our schools. Each of them provides an outstanding educational experience and meaningful learning opportunities to our students. It is my job, and all of those of us who are Supervisory Union employees, to

provide support and assistance to our schools. So what types of supports does the Supervisory Union provide to the schools? Below are some examples:

- Our administrative assistance team, Kate Parsons, Jamie McAllister, Linda Carpenter, Roxanne Tanner and Mary Deuso, handles tons of responsibilities including assisting with payroll for all employees, developing all district and school contracts, handling all state reporting and accounting procedures, providing resources and information to parents, setting up School Board agendas and other required information, and assisting with paying the bills for all the schools. They do a wonderful job, as employees in each of the schools can attest!
- Special Education services are a very complicated area of education. At the Supervisory Union level, we have a Director of Special Programs, Kim Magnuson, who works with each of the schools to make sure that we are following sometimes very complicated Special Education rules. Kelly Bushey is the Assistant Special Education Coordinator and works on Individualized Education Plans for students who are placed out of our Supervisory Union because of significant needs that can't be served fully within our SU and provides day-to-day support for Special Education Teachers and Building Principals.
- Our Business Manager, Bill Samuelson, is responsible for overseeing all financial issues in the Supervisory Union. He provides day-to-day support for Principals as well as for me on all issues that have financial implications. He works with School Boards to develop budgets that provide resources for our schools while maintaining fiscally responsible budgets that are fair to our taxpayers. Bill is respected across the state and the Department of Education often uses him for guidance on financial issues; we are very fortunate to have had him as our Business Manager for an extended period of time.
- Sean Theoret, our Math Consultant, has been instrumental in our elementary schools adopting the Bridges math program and offering strong professional development in mathematics to all teachers in our Supervisory Union.
- Our Curriculum/Grants Coordinator, Mary Helen Hart, has been leading our use of Curriculum Mapping. This initiative is Supervisory Union wide and is assisting us in making sure that every student, at every grade level, receives the core curriculum that we believe is necessary and critical for him or her to learn.
- Teresa Manning is our After School Program Coordinator. She provides resources that support the After School Programs we have in the towns throughout our Supervisory Union. The programs provide tremendous experiences for students that might otherwise go home to empty homes or to a television set.
- Robert Gervais, our Technology Coordinator, is working very hard to provide teachers with 21<sup>st</sup> Century technology skills to assist them in providing the type of knowledge, skills, and concepts necessary for our teachers to reach students in our ever-increasing technological dependent world. We are way ahead of many Supervisory Unions in terms of technology skills and applications for students, but we still have a long ways to go to make sure that our students have the technological skills and strategies necessary to be productive in society at large. Robert is also in charge of our Supervisory Union website: [FNESU.net](http://FNESU.net). I invite all members of our community to visit our website and give us feedback on it.

Each of our town school districts has a School Board that serves as the macro-governing body for the school or schools in that town. School Board members are committed citizens of the towns they serve who do the tough job of governing school systems for very little compensation. I am pleased to work with each of our school boards and would be remiss in not thanking them for the great efforts they put forth in providing a balance between providing necessary resources to the schools they serve while also being mindful of the fiscal restraint required to understand the impact on local taxpayers.

The Montgomery School Board members are Charlie Purrier, Tom Smith, Bruce Mercy, Morgan Daybell, and Karen Soule.

Montgomery Elementary School is an outstanding school. You consistently have high-test scores; you have a very effective teaching team, and a very supportive community. Every time I visit the school, I am very impressed with the quality of interactions between the adults and students that make up the Montgomery School Community.

Your school is comprised of a School Board, Principal, Faculty, and Support Staff that are all dedicated, each in their own way, in providing the best educational experiences possible for the students of Montgomery. As community members, do not be afraid to ask questions and share any concerns with members of your School Board, your Principal, Beth O'Brien, or other School Employees. Each can direct you to the person or persons who are in the most appropriate position to address any questions or concerns you might have.

Additionally, feel free to call or email me if you are unsure about whom you should address with any questions, concerns, or suggestions you might have related to the operations, policies, or anything else related to the Montgomery School.

In closing, just let me state that we stand on the precipice of uncharted waters in the world of public education, nationally, state wide, and locally. I expect many changes to occur in the next decade or so that will have a profound impact on education. Students will need to use technology effectively more than ever before if they are to compete effectively for jobs in the future world market. Our students will need to be critical thinkers, problem solvers and creative individuals that can work both independently and interdependently. They won't be able to learn everything they need to know during their relatively short 13 years or so of public school. What we have to teach them is how to learn while still providing them with the fundamental skills in literacy, mathematics, and other subject areas that are necessary for every learner to have a fundamental mastery or at least, to have certain level of understanding. Students will only achieve these outcomes if parents and other community members work in concert with school officials with the collective understanding that educating the future of our society is the responsibility of all members of that society. Thank you to all members of our communities for your support of our schools – it is greatly appreciated and our children are truly the benefactors.

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## **Curriculum**

Mary Helen Hart, Curriculum/Grants Coordinator

Our Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) mission, vision and targets appear earlier in this section. This year, our curriculum work is focused on writing essential curriculum maps in as many subject areas as possible to support achievement of these district goals. All subject areas will have essential maps within the next year or two.

The FNESU Curriculum Mapping Council, a teacher-majority group representing all of our schools, learned to write curriculum using an explicit format and software system in order to provide accurate information about what students are learning. Council members are leaders in their respective schools for supporting all teachers in developing maps that describe what students will learn using this format and using the web-based system, Rubicon Atlas. We are in our second year of a five-year plan through which the Council plans to work with all teachers to enter and review all curriculum using the Rubicon Atlas system.

All teachers participated in establishing power standards and indicators, which identify the content and skills most essential for all students to learn. These power standards and indicators align with the Vermont Grade Level Expectations\*, but are fewer in number so that instructional time is used intentionally to focus on these areas of priority. The FNESU Power Standards, the Grade Level Expectations, and Vermont's Framework of Standards are all in our curriculum mapping system for teachers to reference and connect to their maps. As maps are developed for all courses, teachers will be able to see what standards are taught and assessed, and if there are redundancies in student instruction, or if there are standards that should be incorporated into our teaching.

Our curriculum mapping work addresses the need to align curriculum between grade levels, called vertical alignment, so that we can see the bigger picture, what the K-12 educational experience looks like for students. It will provide more detail and alignment between content, skills, and assessment. This work will also support communication of instructional sequences, classroom strategies, and assessment to better plan student learning experiences.

Our Rubicon Atlas system provides a way to make our curriculum a living document, not a shelf document. Our system will be a repository for resources, such as educational materials, including lessons, websites, and assessments.

All teachers have begun utilizing the system this year, learning to write what they expect their students to learn and revise it after instruction to reflect what their students actually learned. Teachers will have access to each other's curriculum maps so each teacher will be able to see what their students learned the previous year. New teachers will have a wonderful resource for beginning their work, as they will see what the previous teacher had been doing for instruction.

As parents become more familiar with new programs and curricula, comments about how these changes have affected their child's learning would be appreciated. Please take time to make suggestions to us at the Superintendent's office, as well as directly to school staff.

\* These Grade Level Expectations are available at the Vermont State Department of Education's web site, <http://www.state.vt.us/educ/new/html/pubs/framework.html>.

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### **Federal Grants**

Mary Helen Hart, Curriculum/Grants Coordinator

The federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA) provides federal grant funds that are allocated to Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU). Our grants from NCLBA, totaling \$1,415,110 include Title I, Title II Parts A and D, Title IV, and Title V. While these grant funds may not be used to replace local responsibility for providing education resources, they can fund a variety of educational activities and initiatives within our Supervisory Union. Local school action plans have been developed, which include measurable goals related to improving student achievement; and federal grant funds are utilized to support achievement of these local goals. In addition, stimulus funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) provides funds that will be used over a 2-year period, i.e., the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years. The Title I ARRA allocation is \$735,331 and the Title IID ARRA allocation is \$45,878. These ARRA funds must be spent in compliance with Title I and Title IID regulations.

Additional federal and state grants have been approved for school districts in FNESU. These are listed in the FNESU Grants Summary page. Some of the major grants are described below. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA B) funds are used for Special Education services in FNESU for pre-school and school-aged children. The Early and Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) reinvestment plan is in partnership with the Vermont Department of Health in the amount of \$53,576. These funds are used to plan prevention and healthy activities for students. Examples of expenditures this year include support of summer/after school health-related activities and equipment, a Student Assistance Program (SAP) counselor, a community-based educator, and other health-related personnel, tooth tutor programs, and student counseling services. In its ninth year, is the School-Based Tobacco Use Prevention grant to provide curriculum and activities in all schools that will prevent student use of tobacco. This grant for \$13,376 is expected to last for several years as part of the tobacco companies' settlement with Vermont. In its seventh and final year, the Reading First grant provides additional personnel and reading support to Bakersfield, Berkshire, Montgomery, and Enosburg Elementary Schools. The Reading First grant also supports professional development for teachers in grades kindergarten through 3 and special educators in all five of our elementary schools. The Reading First grant award is \$166,947 this year. We are fortunate to receive a second round of funding of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) grant, now totaling \$301,383, which partially funds after school programs in Bakersfield, Berkshire and Enosburg and Richford. Teresa Manning, our 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Coordinator, wrote the new grant proposal that will continue for five years. An important part of this grant is the requirement to support the programs with other sources of funding so that the after school programs are not totally dependent on the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC funds and can continue once these funds are no longer available.

### **Consolidated Grants: Titles I and II Part A, Title IID, Titles IV and V**

All schools in FNESU, with the exception of the Cold Hollow Career Center, are Title I Schoolwide Program Schools. This means that all Title grant resources are used to support the Schoolwide Title I Action Plan goals in Berkshire, Bakersfield, Montgomery, Enosburg and Richford schools.

Most of the FNESU Title monies fund personnel to support student learning needs in our schools and the Early Childhood Program. Twenty-one teachers (seven of whom are part-time) and eight paraeducators are working in our schools to provide additional support for students during regular school hours. In every school, goals are established with the purpose of helping students succeed in regular classroom programs and become academically proficient at their grade levels. Parents are invited and encouraged to be part of the planning of individual student programs. One way of achieving this is through Parent/School Compacts in which agreement is reached by parents, students, and teachers about what needs to happen for students to be successful in school. The process of working together to support student achievement through discussion and program planning is a critical part of Title I.

Of the personnel mentioned above, there are: three teachers in Berkshire Elementary School, two teachers and one paraeducator in Bakersfield Elementary School, and five teachers in Richford Elementary School. In Enosburg Elementary School, FNESU employs five teachers and three paraeducators. In Montgomery, three teachers and two paraeducators are employed through this grant. In the Early Childhood Program, Title I employs three part-time teachers and one part-time paraeducator.

In addition to the personnel described above, Title funds are used for professional development to enhance teacher expertise so that academic instruction for students improves. The overarching goal is to improve student achievement of the standards described in the Vermont Framework of Standards and Learning Opportunities and our local curriculum. Our math consultant is in his fourth year of working to support teacher professional development and math program review. Our math achievement results have indicated this is an area of need, and the math consultant position is one way we are addressing this.

Educators plan to use funds to support activities such as conferences, courses, and workshops that will improve their teaching, and provide them with new information and activities to share in the classroom. Many of our inservice activities and presenters are funded through the Title IIA grant. Funds are also used to support teachers and paraeducators in meeting the requirements in NCLB for becoming "highly qualified," a status that is determined by the Vermont State Department of Education for every teacher. NCLBA requires that all teachers not only be licensed in their subject areas and for the grade levels in which they teach, but also meet further content area requirements through coursework and other types of professional development. In addition, paraeducators must also meet "highly qualified" requirements. These include holding an Associate's degree or its equivalent of 48 college credits, pass a state or local test, or be approved through a portfolio review. Funds are used to support our staff in their pursuit of these requirements.

Other funded activities have included specific education and content area courses, literacy and math training, curriculum development work, and various behavior management trainings. A focus this year has been mapping of all curriculum offered in the Supervisory Union schools. Additional information about this work is included in the Curriculum Report.

All grants are listed in the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union Grants Summary. Contact people are listed for your reference should you have questions about specific grant funds and how these funds are being used to support work in your school.

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#### **Title IV (Safe & Drug-Free Schools & Communities)/Other Related Grants & Programs**

Linda Carpenter, Drug & Alcohol Grant Coordinator

Title IV funds have continued to decline through the years, but Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) is very fortunate to receive a considerable amount of funding. FNESU continues to use this funding to support Student Assistance Program (SAP) counselors at both Enosburg Falls Middle & High School (EFMHS) and Richford Jr.-Sr. High School (RJSHS). Title IV funds support programs such as Responsive Classrooms in Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburgh, and Montgomery. All FNESU schools use Title IV funds to support the AlertNow system, which has improved communication in a timely manner with parents regarding all school issues and news. Additionally, Title IV supports Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Education activities for FNESU teachers and other personnel.

FNESU has also been fortunate to secure other sources of funding, which directly compliment Title IV funds. These funds allow FNESU to offer additional programs, services and opportunities. Additional funding sources are:

- Two grants, through the VT Department of Health, Division of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Programs (ADAP), that provide a large share of the funding for our SAP Counselors.
- The Division of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Programs (ADAP) also makes available mini- grants that are utilized by FNESU schools. These fund events including student leadership activities linked to prevention, dialogue nights and presentations on issues such as bullying.
- The School-Based Tobacco Prevention Grant continues to provide funding for a wide variety of tobacco reduction and prevention activities and initiatives across FNESU. It helps support student activities in conjunction with VT Kids Against Tobacco (VKAT).
- The Strategic Prevention Framework Grant has a curriculum that has been educating younger grades to give students essential knowledge and skills that improve protecting themselves from the dangers of alcohol. This grant also focuses on creating partnerships between our schools and the rest of the community to address underage drinking prevention.

With continued support from community partners throughout the Franklin County region, we can continue to build and strengthen collaborative partnerships providing increased opportunities to our students. These opportunities provide success for all our students, both in school and in their futures.

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### **21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Grant**

Teresa Manning, 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Project Director

This past year, a renewal grant was written and submitted to the Vermont Department of Education to fund after school programs at five sites in our Supervisory Union through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC). \$301,383.00 was awarded to continue programming for grades 5–12 in Enosburg Falls Middle & High School and for grades 4–8 in Richford and add three new sites for grades 1–8 in Bakersfield, for grades 1–8 in Berkshire and for grades 1–4 in Enosburg Elementary School.

The project goals are to improve student achievement in math and reading/language arts, improve student's self esteem and social skills, and reduce student's high-risk behaviors and attitudes. These goals parallel those of the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) and promote that mission through offering a variety of enrichment activities, homework assistance and tutoring services as well as clear expectations to foster a positive school climate.

Some of the enrichment activities offered at our sites in addition to tutoring and homework assistance are: drama/theater, band, multimedia, video production, pottery, cooking, photography, gymnastics, guitar, indoor/outdoor games, fishing, math club, Tae Kwon Do, grossology, cheerleading, Zumba, journaling, scrapbooking and dance. Additionally, a nutritious snack is offered everyday to each child who attends after school; and lunch is also provided at those sites that have summer programming.

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### **Continuum of Supportive Services**

Kim Magnuson, Director of Special Programs

The supportive nature of our school system starts at a very early age. School districts are responsible for finding children with disabilities starting at birth. Previously, these "Child-Find" responsibilities were the responsibility of The Agency of Human Services. Although school districts are responsible for identifying these children, we are not responsible for providing services until they reach the age of three.



Children, ages three through five, that we are required to serve are those who meet the criteria for Special Education as defined in the State of Vermont Special Education Regulations: Categories of Disabilities. These children are identified through an evaluation process of being “at risk” in one or more of the following areas: social/emotional, language, limited English proficiency, developmental delay, or economically disadvantaged. These children enter our educational system as pre-kindergarten students. The purpose of pre-kindergarten education is to provide young children with opportunities to reach their full growth and developmental capacity.

Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union’s (FNESU) Early Childhood Program offers developmentally appropriate practices, which are effective and efficient and meet the needs of our youngest students. Our program has three educational sites: Enosburg Falls Middle High School, Richford Elementary School and Montgomery Elementary School. The Enosburg and Richford sites also host a collaborative classroom with Head Start. This collaboration allows us to share resources while maintaining fiscal responsibility. Two of our sites currently hold a four STAR rating, one site has three STAR rating in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS) that is the Department for Children and Families’ graduated quality rating system. It is our hope that by welcoming our young children and their families into our pre-kindergarten classrooms that we will instill a sense of life-long learning. For the upcoming 2010-2011 school year, FNESU is considering a systematic change in the delivery of services for our early childhood population. In accordance with Act 62, *An Act Relating to Pre-kindergarten Education*, which states, “...Before a school district begins or expands a pre-kindergarten education program that intends to enroll students who are included in its average daily membership, the district engage the community in a collaborative process that includes an assessment of the need for the program in the community and an inventory of the existing service providers.” FNESU wants to “provide young children with opportunities to reach their full growth and developmental potential.” While managing its resources throughout rural townships, changing demographics, rising costs of public education, consolidation of resources, and the continued demand for high academic standards are at the forefront of FNESU’s decision-making process. Providing local control to our member towns is influencing decisions as well. In order to meet the requirements of Act 62, FNESU has entered into an agreement with Epiphany, a company that works with organizations to challenge old assumptions and chart new directions by facilitating strategic and process-driven change. This consultant, Bill Hancy, will be conducting the community needs assessment process in Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburg, Montgomery and Richford.

As a child progresses in their educational journey, some may experience difficulties acquiring knowledge in the same manner as their peers. In this instance, a Special Education evaluation may be conducted.

Special Education eligibility is determined as a result of a Special Education evaluation. A student demonstrating difficulties in acquiring basic skills, exhibiting emotional deficits, or other difficulties as outlined in The Vermont Department of Education Special Education Regulations, may qualify as a student in need of specialized services.

An evaluation planning team comprised of parent(s), regular education teachers, student support services, and administrators work together to develop an evaluation plan that outlines specific questions the team will need to answer to identify the presence of a disability. Additional information will be gathered to help determine if there is an adverse effect to educational performance, and if the student is in need of specialized services that cannot be provided through the educational support system, standard educational instructional conditions, or supplementary aids and services provided in the school. If the team agrees that the student meets the above criteria for Special Education, an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) will be developed and reviewed annually. Additionally, a re-evaluation will occur every three years to determine if the student continues to meet eligibility guidelines.

If you would like more information on your district’s practices regarding its Educational Support System, 504 procedures, or Special Education, please contact your school’s administrator, guidance department or Special Education department. You can also review this information on the Vermont Department of Education website: <http://education.vermont.gov/>

## **Technology Report**

Robert Gervais, Technology Coordinator

A decade into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, educators in k-12 schools are teaching a critical population of students whose entire life has been lived in this century! Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) has made significant investments in teacher training, curriculum, equipment and access-resources to assure that our students are provided ample opportunity to attain skills that will enable them to compete in this *digital* world and global economy. At the core of our information technology efforts are International Society for Technology Education's (ISTE) National Education Technology Standards (NETS). These standards, representing six broad areas of learning, include Creativity & Innovation, Communication & Collaboration, Research & Information Fluency, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving & Decision Making, Digital Citizenship, and Technology Operations & Concepts. NETS are the backbone of FNESU's newly rewritten Technology Plan and help guide professional and curriculum development.

The FNESU Technology Plan was developed with input from students, teachers, administrators, community members, and school board members. Through the use of collaborative tools, we modeled 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills throughout its planning and development (online survey, collaborative electronic documents, concept mapping, etc.) The highlights of this plan call for an increased use of Web 2.0 tools such as GoogleDocs, Blogging, Wikispaces, Skype, and VoiceThread. Our plan addresses the transformation from teacher-centered learning to student-centered, where the teacher facilitates and creates opportunities for students to be self-directed and goal-minded reflecting ISTE's NETS concepts. There are included structures of professional development and movements to more flexible, online classroom experiences. We feel our plan represents thoughtful efforts to create 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners and teachers.

Teachers from all FNESU schools have taken part in recent coursework, which was developed to directly support NET Standard achievement in the classroom. FNESU, Franklin Central SU, Franklin Northwest SU, and the Champlain Valley Educator Development Center sponsored several credit bearing technology integration courses through Johnson State College, Champlain College, and St. Michael's College. The FNESU course, Beyond the Wires, was the first of its kind in the Supervisory Union, supporting 17 local educators and providing opportunities to *transform* their curriculum with technology rich learning. Additionally, educators have improved their technology integration skills through programs such as Vita-Learn's Connecting the DOTS, UVM and Southern New Hampshire coursework, as well as online graduate work. Our educators understand the need to provide 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning in the classrooms and are making the investments to improve their own learning towards this goal.

Access to classroom technology continually improves in our schools. Administrators are committed to giving students and teachers the tools they need to succeed through responsible local planning and grant opportunities. As equipment and software costs decrease, schools are taking advantage. Low-cost "netbooks" or mini-computers, combined with Federal grant funding and Microsoft Settlement money, have made it possible for one school to begin the school year with a 1:1 laptop initiative for one grade level. Plans are in place to roll that out to two more grade levels this school year, and a second school has procured enough laptops to do a classroom-level 1:1 initiative. This equipment, combined with open source (free) software and online resources is revolutionizing the typical classroom in FNESU. Even during trying economic times, technology improvements are making it possible for our students to access the resources they require.

FNESU has historically been a leader in technology initiatives on the statewide level. Some of our notable uses of technology include: PowerSchool student database, an online-available secure access for teachers, parents, and administrators; AlertNow, a database for emergency announcements auto-updated by PowerSchool data; TetraData, an online database with analyzing tools to compare local and state data; ePearl, a free online student portfolio system hosted on our local servers; FirstClass, a collaborative email and shared workspace environment; Moodle, a free online course creation software hosted on our servers; Rubicon Atlas, an online curriculum mapping software; and GoogleDocs, online documents and suite of collaboration tools. Our schools are continually improving our technology infrastructure while remaining fiscally responsible by leveraging open source software, inexpensive bandwidth where available, e-Rate reimbursement funds for telecommunications, and other federal funding, as well as applying for technology grants when appropriate (successful grant applications are available in the Grant Coordinator's report.) We understand that, as online resources become more effective and available, efficient access to those resources will become increasingly crucial.

While it's true our schools have done well to provide sufficient internet access to resources, the rural nature of our towns presents students and families with significant home-internet access problems. We understand that there is a technological equity gap between homes with broadband internet and those without. Our technology leaders are addressing this in various ways such as making school networks available beyond the school day, providing off-line syncing software and portable USB flash drives to students, and accommodating assignments to allow for off-line resources and access. FNESU's needs and interests are being represented to the Department of Education as the State begins rollout of a major broadband initiative being funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Combining this initiative with recent and planned network expansions of private companies such as Comcast and Fairpoint, gives a good indication that our communities will have improved broadband options.

To learn more about how FNESU is providing 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning opportunities to our students, please check out these resources or contact me anytime ([rgervais@fnesu.net](mailto:rgervais@fnesu.net)).

#### Resources

FNESU Website [www.fnesu.net](http://www.fnesu.net)

FNESU Tech Plan [www.fnesu.net/Info\\_Tech/tech\\_plan09-12.html](http://www.fnesu.net/Info_Tech/tech_plan09-12.html)

ISTE NETS: <http://www.iste.org/nets>

Vermont Telecommunications Authority: <http://www.telecomvt.org/>

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### **Principal's Report**

Beth O'Brien, Principal

According to Webster's Dictionary, the definition of *celebrate* is "to make known publicly; proclaim." This year, I am using this report to celebrate some of the accomplishments of the people at the Montgomery Elementary School. Our students, faculty and staff remain committed to continuous improvement. In addition to specific goals related to student learning and the six steps that were discussed in last year's report, the Montgomery Elementary School Action Plan and Title I Grant Schoolwide Plan contain three targets for increased student performance:

- Meet Adequate Yearly Progress as determined by the State of Vermont's Accountability System.  
Celebration: We met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).
- Maintain the low number of playground write-ups and discipline referrals (less than or equal to 15 write-ups/severe infractions and less than or equal to 65 playground write-ups annually).  
Celebration: We only had seven severe infractions and 22 playground write-ups.
- Have an average attendance rate of 95% or greater.  
Celebration: Our attendance rate was 95.7%.

Montgomery students have demonstrated continued improvement on the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP), which is a key component of Vermont's Accountability System. According to 2008 results, when compared to students across the state of Vermont, percentages of Montgomery students who scored in the proficient or proficient with distinction categories were:

- 13% higher in Reading in grades 3 through 8,
- 22% higher in Writing in grades 4 and 8,
- 16% higher in Math in grades 3 through 8,
- 25% higher for grade 4 Science; and
- 39% higher for grade 8 Science.

Since the Writing test is only given in fifth and eighth grades, last year was the first year that we could compare our eighth graders' results with their own fifth grade results. We were pleased to learn that these students scored higher as eighth graders than they did as fifth graders.

We have also made improvements from a program perspective. All grades devote one half hour per day "to no new instruction." During this time, students are either provided with opportunities for extra practice, support, or

enrichment depending upon individual needs. The online Algebra course that we are offering to eighth graders is one example of this program. This is the second year of our innovative Pre-K—Kindergarten program. According to the State of Vermont Regulations that were effective July 1, 2008, the purpose of pre-kindergarten education is to provide young children with opportunities to reach their full growth and developmental potential. At Montgomery Elementary School, we have a multiage pre-kindergarten/kindergarten program three afternoons per week, totaling ten hours, meeting the State's definition of a full-time pre-kindergarten program. The remaining school hours (five mornings and two afternoons) provide time for regular kindergarten learning. Including pre-kindergarten in our school community allows more Montgomery children to participate by operating the program closer to the students' homes. It also introduces them to our school and their kindergarten teacher earlier, thereby reducing the adjustment time for students when they begin kindergarten. Early Education is currently, and has been, a Franklin Northeast initiative, funded by federal and state grants and contributions from each of the five member towns. There are several other Early Education sites located in our Supervisory Union.

We also want to take a moment to celebrate our own learning. This is our second year of curriculum mapping. Teachers worked together in teams during the summer to develop Pre-K—12 essential maps in Math, Science and Social Studies. We have also started work on the essential map for Writing. This work had prompted valuable conversations about instruction, curriculum, assessment and equal opportunities for all students. We have also continued to develop our skills in data analysis. We are not only looking at the data to make changes in areas that need improvement, but to see what is working in order to determine the root causes and try to replicate them.

Further celebration is in order because one of our veteran teachers, Susan Zeineth-Collins, was one of two Franklin Northeast teachers recognized at UVM's Outstanding Teachers' Day in October. Ms. Z does an excellent job of integrating 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills into the curriculum for Montgomery students. She has been a leader in our efforts to improve student writing through the integration of writing instruction in other content areas. She volunteers her time to provide learning beyond the school day for our students. Whether she is running with the "Girls on Track" or directing a Shakespearean play, you can count on her to provide extracurricular opportunities. I am pleased to report that this commitment to our students and their learning is the norm among the teachers and staff at Montgomery Elementary School, which is a true reason to celebrate!

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**Montgomery Town School District**  
**Teacher Quality Data**  
**2008-2009**

The 2001 federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA) requires School Districts to publicly report the percentage of core academic classes taught by highly qualified teachers, the percentage of teachers teaching on emergency credentials by Local Education Agencies (LEA) and school, and the professional qualifications of their teachers. *Core academic subjects are: English language arts (ELA) (including English as a Second Language), math, science, social studies, reading, foreign languages, art, music, and the generalist endorsement areas of elementary education and early childhood education (grades K-3 only). In addition, alternative program and special education primary instruction assignments in math, science, social studies, and/or ELA/reading are considered "core" areas.*

Under NCLBA, educators must be properly licensed and endorsed for the subjects and instructional levels they teach, and have the required content knowledge for the endorsement they are using in the assignment. The law also requires that schools receiving federal Title I funds must notify parents when their child is being taught a core academic subject by a teacher who has not yet met the federal requirements.

For more information on Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements, visit the Vermont Department of Education website: <http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/licensing/hqt.html>.

**Montgomery Elementary School (MES)  
Highly Qualified (HQ) Teacher Data**

School	Number of Classes Taught by HQ Teachers/Total Classes	Number of Classes Taught by Non-HQ Teachers/ Total Classes	% of Core Academic Classes Taught by HQ Teachers	% of core Academic Classes Taught by Non-HQ Teachers	Number of Emergency Credentialed Teachers/ Total Teachers	% of Teachers Teaching with Emergency Credentials
MES	28.7/29	.3/29	98.85%	1.15%	1/13	7.69%

**Professional Qualifications of Teachers**

School	Number of Teachers with a Bachelor's Degree	Number of Teachers with a Master's Degree
MES	10	8

**Business Manager's Update**  
William Samuelson, Business Manager

Unless changed by the Vermont Legislature, education funding and education property taxes will be computed using Act 68 formulas again this year. Act 68 created two separate grand lists and two separate state education property tax rates, one rate for residential property and one rate for non-residential property. It also standardized budget reporting for all Vermont School Districts.

In accordance with Vermont Statute, "(A)nually, by December 1, the commissioner of taxes shall recommend to the general assembly, after consultation with the department of education, the secretary of administration and the joint fiscal office...adjustments in the statewide education tax rates..." The commissioner has recommended the base education homestead rate be increased by \$.022 to \$.882 and the base education non-residential rate be increased by \$.022 to \$1.372. Only one of these tax rates is applied to each parcel of property. Qualifying taxpayers with household incomes of less than \$90,000 are eligible to receive a reduction to their homestead property taxes by completing and submitting a 2010 Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Form to the Vermont Department of Taxes. The local property tax rate projections provided in the annual report are based upon Act 68, current recommendations to the State Legislature, and current education tax rates. Education funding formulas and tax rate projections may change prior to the annual school district meeting. An update of anticipated tax rates will be provided during the annual meeting.

Starting in 2007, the education property tax payment (prebate) and property tax rebate were combined into one education property tax credit that appeared on property tax bills. To receive a property tax adjustment, the property must be a declared homestead and owned and occupied as the owner's principal residence. **Vermont homeowners who own and occupy a Vermont residence on April 1, 2010 must file a Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment, Form HS-122, with the Vermont Department of Taxes no later than April 15, 2010. Homeowners filing their Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment after April 15, 2010 will be subject to property tax penalties.** Additional information concerning the property tax adjustment programs and filing the HS-122 Form can be found on the Vermont Department of Taxes web site at [www.state.vt.us/tax/](http://www.state.vt.us/tax/), or may be obtained by calling 866-828-2865 (toll-free in VT) or 802-828-2865.

Act 68 provides every school district Education Spending Revenue (ESR) based upon the district's approved budget and anticipated revenues. ESR is computed by subtracting anticipated local revenues and categorical grants from the approved budget. ESR equals education spending, which is the root for computing the equalized residential education tax rate.

Residential tax rates are computed by subtracting local revenues and categorical grants from the budget approved by taxpayers to obtain education spending. Education spending is divided by the district's equalized pupils to derive education spending per equalized pupil. The equalized pupil count is a weighted average of the number of resident students of a school district. Education spending per equalized pupil is divided by the state's per pupil base education amount, which is anticipated to be \$8,544 for FY11 (Fiscal Year 2011 is from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011). The result is the above base education payment spending rate. This rate reflects the local decision to spend above the base education spending amount and is used to adjust the state education residential tax rate based upon the locally approved budget. Therefore, the residential education tax rate is directly related to each school district's approved budget. Based upon the proposed budget of \$2,458,203, anticipated local revenues of \$296,806, and categorical grants of \$362,326, Montgomery's education spending is anticipated to be \$1,799,070. Dividing education spending by Montgomery's equalized pupil count of 175.63 produces the education spending per equalized pupil amount of \$10,244. This amount is 119.89% of the state base education amount of \$8,544. Multiplying the state education tax rate of \$.882 by 119.89% generates Montgomery's FY11 equalized residential tax rate of \$1.0574.

It is anticipated that the state equalized non-homestead education tax rate will be \$1.372 for FY11. *The non-homestead rate is not based upon the local School District's budget. Therefore, the non-homestead tax rate will not change due to the action taken by taxpayers on the local budget during the Annual School District Meeting.*

As both the state residential and non-residential education tax rates are "equalized" rates, they are adjusted by the town's common level of appraisal (CLA) to determine local tax rates. Montgomery's CLA has dropped from 73.58% to 72.11%. A falling CLA is a reflection of increasing property values and increases local education tax rates. Based upon the new CLA and the anticipated equalized tax rates, we anticipate Montgomery's local residential education tax rate to be \$1.4664, which is \$0.1616 cents higher than the current local residential education tax rate. The local non-homestead education tax rate is anticipated to be \$1.9026. *The adjustment to the equalized educational tax rates due to the decrease to the CLA will occur regardless of the budget approved by Montgomery voters.*

Under Act 68, a homestead is the principal dwelling, owned and occupied by a resident individual in which the individual claims residence, and all contiguous land. Homesteads will be taxed using the residential education tax rate. All non-homestead property will be taxed using the non-homestead tax rate.

Act 68 established a standardized state budget report format that must be used by all Vermont Public School Districts and distributed to taxpayers in advance of annual meetings. This state report provides three years of historical financial data and FY11 projections based upon the proposed budget. The standardized format cannot be changed by local districts and can, therefore, be utilized to compare different school districts' finances using similar formulas. The tax projection in the state report is based upon anticipated tax rates. This report, titled "Three Year Comparisons," is included in the annual report.

The Legislature requires the Department of Education to provide comparative data by school. The report includes data on enrollment, student-teacher ratios, student-administrator ratios, expenditures per student FTE and tax rates for schools of similar sizes. This report, titled "Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness," is also included in the annual report.

The Montgomery Town School District was audited by Angolano & Company, Certified Public Accountants, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. A copy of the audit can be obtained from the School District Treasurer at 802-326-4719, or by contacting Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union at 802-848-7661.

### **Montgomery Budget Highlights**

The challenge facing the School Board Directors when developing the FY11 budget is how to handle the financial impact of an increase of 13 high school students in the 2010-2011 School year while maintaining quality programs for elementary school students. To accomplish this goal, the School Board Directors and Administration worked hard not to increase anything in the Elementary School Portion of the budget unless it was absolutely necessary. As a result, the Elementary School portion of the budget is anticipated to be \$6,831 lower in FY11 than it is in FY10.

To increase local control and help contain costs, two major changes have been made to the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) special education (SPED) budgets that have a direct impact on the Montgomery budget. First, as mentioned in Kim Magnuson's report, FNESU is considering changing the current method of providing Early Education Programs by returning these programs to local School Districts instead of operating a Supervisory Union program. To prepare for this potential change, the FNESU Board has not approved an Early Education budget or assessment for FY11. Therefore, local School Districts are including Early Education expenses in their budgets and the FNESU Early Education assessment has been eliminated. If, after the community needs assessment is completed, the decision is made to close the current FNESU Early Education Program, the resources will be available to operate an Early Education Program in Montgomery Elementary School. Additionally, beginning in FY11, FNESU will no longer provide speech and language services to local school districts. Instead, the Montgomery School District will provide and budget for these services. This change has lowered the FNESU (SPED) assessment and increased Montgomery revenues. To support these changes, FNESU will sub-grant Montgomery \$14,241 of Federal IDEA-B funds and \$1,087 of IDEA-B Preschool.

The Elementary School portion of the budget is anticipated to be \$6,831 less in FY11 than the current budget. The anticipated change in the Early Education Program is anticipated to save Montgomery \$6,816 as the FNESU Early Education Programs assessment of \$35,209 is replaced with \$28,393 in local program costs. The change in how speech and language services will be provided has enabled the FNESU SPED Services Assessment to be reduced by \$15,632. Providing local speech services is anticipated to cost \$8,461. A .5 FTE paraeducator position has been eliminated.

Payments to other school districts and agencies are increasing by \$120,516 in the FY11 budget. This is primarily due to the increase in high school students. The 2009-2010 budget has 47 high school students with 2.5 FTE students attending classes in local technical centers. The 2010-2011 budget anticipates 60 high school students with 2 FTE students attending classes in local technical centers. High school regular education tuition is anticipated to increase by \$195,857. Costs of providing legally required SPED services for students with disabilities, for Montgomery students attending other school districts or receiving services from other agencies are projected to decrease by \$62,443, and SPED transportation costs are projected to decrease by \$5,352. The costs of payments to other school districts and agencies are totally outside the control of the Montgomery School Board Directors.

Local revenues are anticipated to increase by \$47,593, primarily due to an increase in the unreserved fund balance, a refund from the FNESU Early Education Program, and a refund of FY09 high school tuition. Categorical grants are anticipated to decrease by \$23,948, due to a decrease in anticipated SPED reimbursement, and increases in state transportation aid, the small schools grant, and Medicaid reimbursement.

Montgomery's education spending per equalized pupil for FY11 is anticipated to be \$10,244. This is a product of the decrease in equalized pupils, the increase to the budget, and the increase in anticipated revenues.

Act 68 is a very comprehensive law affecting public school funding and property tax laws throughout Vermont. Anyone who would like additional information concerning Act 68, the proposed budget, and the impact on local school property taxes should contact any Montgomery School Board Director; Jay Nichols, FNESU Superintendent of Schools; Beth O'Brien, Montgomery Elementary School Principal; or Bill Samuelson, the District's Business Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

Montgomery School Directors

Charles Purrier, Chair  
Bruce Mercy, Vice-Chair  
Karen Soule, Clerk  
Thomas Smith  
Morgan Daybell

Administration

Jay Nichols, Superintendent  
Mary Helen Hart, Curriculum/Grants Coordinator  
Linda Carpenter, Drug & Alcohol Grant Coordinator  
Teresa Manning, 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Project Director  
Kim Magnuson, Director of Special Programs  
Robert Gervais, Technology Coordinator  
Beth O'Brien, Principal  
William Samuelson, Business Manager

Franklin NE Supervisory Union  
Grants Summary

Title of Grant or Source	Town or Supervisory Union(s)	Contact Person	Amount
Consolidated Federal Grants Total, including the following:			
Title I - Academic Support	FNESU	M. Hart	\$980,086
Title II Part A - Professional Development	FNESU	M. Hart	\$383,284
Title II Part D - Technology	FNESU	M. Hart	\$18,698
Title IV - Safe & Drug Free Schools	FNESU	L. Carpenter/M. Hart	\$31,820
Title V - Innovative Programs	FNESU	M. Hart	\$1,222
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Title I	FNESU	M. Hart	\$735,331
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Title IID	FNESU	M. Hart	\$45,878
IDEA B (School Age)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$875,563
IDEA B (Preschool)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$31,809
School-Based Tobacco Use Prevention	FNESU	L. Carpenter/S. Brauer	\$13,376
Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis & Treatment (EPSDT)	FNESU	M. Hart	\$53,576
Strategic Prevention Framework, Dept. of Health	FNESU	E. Dezotelle	\$109,740
Early Education Initiative (EEI)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$30,000
Children's Trust Fund	FNESU	T. Manning	\$12,862
Nellie Mae Foundation	FNESU	T. Manning	\$10,125
Act 230/BEST Grant	FNESU	K. Bushey	\$16,409
Franklin County Migrant Education	Franklin NE, NW, Central and West Supervisory Unions	L. Ferland	\$405,577
Tobacco Prevention, OVX/VKAT	Berkshire, Montgomery, Richford, Enosburgh	S. Brauer	\$7,000
21 Century Community Learning Center	Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburgh, Richford	T. Manning	\$301,383
Reading First, K-3 Reading Support	Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburgh, Montgomery	M. Hart	\$166,947
Title 1 School Improvement	Bakersfield	D. Price	\$15,524
Jolley Store Donation	Bakersfield	D. Price	\$1,000
Title 1 School Improvement	Berkshire	L. Caforia	\$16,855
Jolley Store Donation	Berkshire	L. Caforia	\$500
Exxon Mobil Education Alliance	Berkshire	L. Caforia	\$750
State Fiscal Stabilization Funds/ARRA	Berkshire	B. Samuelson/J. Nichols	\$108,222
Adult Technical Education Grant, VT Department of Labor	Enosburgh Falls	J. Estey	\$68,392
Innovative Anti-Racism Work in Schools	Enosburgh Falls	N. Lewis	\$500
Student Assistance Program- VT Dept of Health	Enosburgh Falls	S. Brauer	\$17,946
VT Safe Routes to School	Enosburgh Falls	M. Lussier/J. Nichols	\$19,069
Perkins Grant, Cold Hollow Career Center	Enosburgh Falls	A. Liskowsky	\$57,460
Title 1 School Improvement	Enosburgh Falls	M. Lussier	\$25,726
VT Community Climate Change Grant Program	Enosburgh Falls	B. Samuelson	\$12,000
State Fiscal Stabilization Funds/ARRA	Enosburgh Falls	B. Samuelson/J. Nichols	\$208,739
Title IID Musical Arts Proposal	Enosburgh Falls	A. Martin/D. Rainville	\$6,575
Tobacco Grant, Vt Department of Education	Enosburgh Falls	T. Farr	\$12,500
Equipment Grant, One To One Computing	Enosburgh Falls	E. Remmers	\$28,235
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Fund	Montgomery	W. Howard	\$7,500
Exxon Mobil Corporation	Montgomery	B. O'Brien	\$750
State Fiscal Stabilization Funds/ARRA	Montgomery	B. Samuelson/J. Nichols	\$58,248
Student Assistance Program-VT Dept of Health	Richford	N. Demar	\$17,946
Vermont Humanities Council	Richford	A. Goyne/L. Greco	\$2,465
Food Service Equipment Grant/ARRA	Richford	T. Snider	\$11,785
VT Community Climate Change Grant Program	Richford	B. Samuelson/D. Guertin	\$12,000
State Fiscal Stabilization Funds/ARRA	Richford	B. Samuelson/J. Nichols	\$154,917
FNESU grant funds are used for all schools throughout the Supervisory Union.			



**MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009**

**Beginning Balance 07/01/08**

TD Banknorth SuperSweep	<u>349,096.53</u>	\$349,096.53
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**RECEIPTS**

State of Vermont	667,901.38	
Property Taxes - Town of Montgomery	1,512,366.39	
FNESU Reimbursements	23,181.41	
Interest	3,191.89	
Tuition Refunds & Reimb	69,721.71	
Use of School/Sports Games	1,042.50	
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	19,562.93	
Small Grants & Donations	<u>8,046.75</u>	
		<u>\$2,305,014.96</u>
		\$2,654,111.49

**EXPENSES**

Disbursements	2,121,218.32	
Transfer to Hot Lunch	<u>2,500.00</u>	
		<u>\$2,123,718.32</u>

**Ending Balance 06/30/09**

TD Banknorth	<u><u>\$530,393.17</u></u>
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Respectfully submitted,

Renée J Patterson, Treasurer

**MONTGOMERY FOOD SERVICE  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009**

**Beginning Balance 07/01/08**

TD Banknorth Checking	6,439.04	
		\$6,439.04

**RECEIPTS**

State of Vermont	44,926.14	
Student & Adult Meals	23,706.60	
Interest	38.13	
MTSD Support	2,500.00	
		\$71,170.87
		\$77,609.91

**EXPENSES**

Disbursements	66,103.13	
		\$66,103.13

<b>Ending Balance 06/30/09</b>	TD Banknorth	\$11,506.78
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**MONTGOMERY SCHOOL CAPITAL DEPT SERVICE FUND  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009**

**Beginning Balance 07/01/08**

TD Banknorth - CD-Debt Service Fund	360,660.47	
		\$360,660.47

**RECEIPTS**

Interest	9,189.34	
		\$9,189.34

**EXPENSES**

Transfer to General Fund for Bond Payment	65,000.00	
		\$65,000.00

<b>Ending Balance 06/30/09</b>		\$304,849.81
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TD Banknorth - CD - Debt Service Fund	304,849.81	
		\$304,849.81

Respectfully Submitted,  
Renée J Patterson, Treasurer

# **Montgomery Elementary School** **Student Account Funds and Fundraisers**

	<b>7/1/05</b>	<b>7/1/06</b>	<b>7/1/07</b>	<b>7/1/08</b>	<b>7/1/09</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$1,844.54	\$4,326.46	-\$6,088.04	\$8535.36	\$8,600.95
<b>Purrier</b>	\$1,180.00	\$283.34	\$283.34	\$283.34	\$283.34
<b>Harkey</b>	\$1,000.00	\$860.00	\$860.00	\$860.00	\$860.00
<b>Chirelstein</b>	0	0	0	\$618.44	\$118.44
<b>K-2</b>	\$895.53	\$1,315.74	\$1,299.94	\$944.74	\$963.72
<b>3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup></b>	0	\$693.50	\$1,369.70	\$1635.70	\$1985.30
<b>5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup></b>	\$294.00	\$5,990.71	\$5,451.45	\$8481.00	\$10684.72
<b>Checkbook Balance</b>	<b>\$5,214.07</b>	<b>\$13,469.75</b>	<b>\$15,352.47</b>	<b>\$21,358.58</b>	<b>\$23,496.47</b>
		<b>FY06</b>	<b>FY07</b>	<b>FY08</b>	<b>FY09</b>
<b>Magazine Sales</b>		\$1,520.40	\$1,206.01	\$1,402.18	\$2067.00
<b>Sally Foster</b>		\$3,558.00	\$2,552.50	\$2,489.48	\$2833.50
<b>Pizza</b>		\$2,228.98	\$2,801.76	\$2,970.27	\$3424.25

**September 24, 2009**

## 2008-09 SALARIES AND WAGES

PRINCIPAL	
Beth O'Brien	\$54,863

TEACHERS	
Anne Ouellette	\$8,042
Natalie Bruzzi	\$24,379
Jeffrey Ward	\$54,734
Beth O'Brien	\$18,287
Susan Zeineth-Collins	\$46,141
Sandra Knapp	\$36,670
Pamela Krout-Voss	\$19,454
Steven Moran	\$52,504
Crystal Johnson	\$40,927
Sara Caldwell	\$36,170
Julie Rapoport	\$37,209
Lara Morales	\$43,149
Total	\$417,666

TREASURER	
Renee Patterson	\$3,359

PARAEDUCATORS	
Robin Pelkey	\$16,438
Joan Ramey	\$14,561
Karen Westcom	\$10,164
Annie Purrier	\$15,571
Sandra Fleckenstein	\$8,094
John Newton	\$14,514
Total	\$79,342

LIBRARIANS	
Robin Bryce	\$10,137
Crystal Johnson	\$2,652
Total	\$12,789

EXTRACURRICULAR COORDINATOR	
Jeff Ward	\$4,500

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	
Jeffrey Ward	\$1,500

CUSTODIANS	
Kyle Mercy	\$545
Lawrence Letourneau	\$27,412
Colby Marshall	\$655
Colin Wood	\$22,919
Total	\$51,531

SCHOOL SECRETARY	
Ruthanne Little	\$22,780

FOOD SERVICE	
James Abbott	\$261
Wendy Howard	\$16,733
Jean Trautner	\$13,963
Pale-Moon Winslow	\$189
Total	\$31,146

GUIDANCE	
Allison May	\$14,866

COACHES	
Jeffrey Ward	\$900
Stephanie Machia	\$450
John Newton	\$900
Rory Butler	\$900
Total	\$3,150

SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTORS	
Richard Daybell	\$600
Karen Soule	\$600
Charles R. Purrier	\$600
Bruce Mercy	\$600
Thomas Smith	\$600
Total	\$3,000

## 2008-09 SALARIES AND WAGES

### SUBSTITUTES

Kerry Fleckenstein	\$280
Joann Foote	\$54
Tammy Adamczak	\$70
Rhonda Greenway	\$70
Vivian Marlow	\$105
Sharon DeVries	\$595
James Abbott	\$47
Rachel Brown	\$563
Shawna O'Shea	\$70
Anne Ouellette	\$630
Suzanne Pelletier	\$741
Susan Ruprecht	\$525
Kara Starr	\$970
Pale-Moon Winslow	\$140
Claudia Woodward	\$6,948
Total	\$11,808

## 2008-09 TUITION PAYMENTS

### High Schools

Peoples Academy	\$1,341
St. Johnsbury Academy	\$25,960
North Country Union High School	\$86,443
Richford High School	\$188,736
Enosburg Falls High School	\$126,996
Total	\$429,477

Northwest Technical Center	\$491
Green Mt. Technical Center	\$18,130
North Country Technical Center	\$16,857
Cold Hollow Career Center	\$32,556
Total	\$68,035

<b>Montgomery Town School District FY11 Anticipated Revenues and Tax Rates</b>				
		<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>	<b>10 to 11</b>
		<b>Reported to DOE</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Anticipated Local Revenue</b>				
1	Use of Fund Balance *	\$178,513	\$210,468	\$31,955
2	Prior Year H.S. Tuition Refund	\$0	\$7,675	\$7,675
3	Use of School & Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
4	Debt Service Fund Payment	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0
5	FNESU Early Ed Program Refund	\$0	\$10,163	\$10,163
6	Anticipated Interest	\$4,700	\$2,500	(\$2,200)
7	<b>Total Anticipated Local Revenue</b>	<b>\$249,213</b>	<b>\$296,806</b>	<b>\$47,593</b>
8				
9	<b>Anticipated Categorical Grants</b>			
10	Special Education State Aid	\$244,082	\$197,821	(\$46,261)
11	State Transportation Aid	\$39,577	\$43,183	\$3,606
12	Small Schools Grant	\$80,871	\$92,913	\$12,042
13	Early Essential Education Grant	\$12,352	\$12,563	\$211
14	Medicaid Funds	\$9,392	\$15,847	\$6,455
15	<b>Total Anticipated Categorical Grants</b>	<b>\$386,274</b>	<b>\$362,326</b>	<b>(\$23,948)</b>
16				
17	<b>Anticipated Education Spending Revenue</b>			
18	Education Spending Revenue	\$1,657,373	\$1,754,621	\$97,248
19	Technical Center Tuition Revenue	\$51,659	\$44,449	(\$7,210)
20	<b>Total Anticipated Ed Spending Revenue</b>	<b>\$1,709,032</b>	<b>\$1,799,070</b>	<b>\$90,038</b>
21				
22	<b>Total Anticipated Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,344,518</b>	<b>\$2,458,203</b>	<b>\$113,685</b>
23				
24	<b>Anticipated Expenses</b>			
25	Elementary Expenses	\$1,499,861	\$1,493,030	(\$6,831)
26	Payments to Other School Districts / Agencies	\$844,657	\$965,173	\$120,516
27	<b>Total Anticipated Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,344,518</b>	<b>\$2,458,203</b>	<b>\$113,685</b>
28				
29	Education Spending	\$1,709,032	\$1,799,070	\$90,038
30	Equalized Pupils	179.17	175.63	(3.54)
31	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$9,539	\$10,244	\$705
32				
33	<b>Anticipated Residential Education Tax Rates</b>			
34		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>10 to 11</b>
35		<b>FY10</b>	<b>FY11</b>	<b>Change</b>
36	Anticipated State Residential Education Tax Rate	\$0.860	\$0.882	\$0.022
37	Above Base Ed Payment Spending Rate	111.64%	119.89%	8.25%
38	Equalized Residential Education Tax Rate	\$0.9601	\$1.0574	\$0.0973
39	Common Level of Appraisal	73.58%	72.11%	-1.47%
40	Local Residential Education Tax Rate	\$1.3049	\$1.4664	\$0.1616
41				
42	*2007-2008 School Year Surplus \$178,513			
43	*2008-2009 School Year Surplus \$210,468			

<b>Montgomery Town School District FY11 Anticipated Budget</b>					
	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>10 to 11</b>
		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
	<b>Pre K-8 Instructional</b>				
1	Salaries / Elementary	\$257,469.64	\$305,024	\$310,271	\$5,247
2	Salaries / Secondary	\$115,782.18	\$84,304	\$85,569	\$1,265
3	Salaries / Substitutes	\$9,852.50	\$9,400	\$9,400	\$0
4	Employee Ins / Elementary	\$32,716.01	\$39,528	\$42,912	\$3,383
5	Employee Ins / Secondary	\$17,174.55	\$10,752	\$13,338	\$2,587
6	FICA / Elementary	\$19,190.68	\$23,334	\$23,736	\$401
7	FICA / Secondary	\$8,629.90	\$6,449	\$6,546	\$97
8	FICA / Substitutes	\$734.36	\$719	\$719	\$0
9	Life Ins / Elementary	\$706.80	\$655	\$655	\$0
10	Life Ins / Secondary	\$262.20	\$194	\$194	\$0
11	Worker's Comp Ins Elementary	\$1,410.18	\$1,879	\$1,911	\$32
12	Worker's Comp Ins Secondary	\$634.14	\$519	\$527	\$8
13	Worker's Comp Ins Subs	\$53.96	\$58	\$58	\$0
14	Unemployment Ins Elementary	\$437.92	\$266	\$599	\$333
15	Unemployment Ins Secondary	\$218.96	\$131	\$295	\$164
16	Cafeteria 125 Plan Elementary	\$189.10	\$281	\$281	\$0
17	Cafeteria 125 Plan Secondary	\$74.36	\$225	\$225	\$0
18	Contracted Services	\$17,234.77	\$22,324	\$22,583	\$259
19	Tuition Reimbursement	\$2,211.00	\$12,653	\$13,489	\$836
20	Inservice	\$500.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
21	Dental Insurance / Elementary	\$2,007.41	\$2,165	\$2,338	\$173
22	Dental Insurance / Secondary	\$807.75	\$564	\$610	\$45
23	Staff Development	\$25.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
24	Copier Service	\$4,113.27	\$4,315	\$4,354	\$39
25	Mileage Reimbursement	\$312.32	\$650	\$650	\$0
26	Tech. Ed / Home Economics	\$240.00	\$300	\$300	\$0
27	Dues & Fees	\$830.00	\$250	\$250	\$0
28	Supplies	\$15,712.22	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
29	Textbooks	\$259.79	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
30	Equipment	\$697.92	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
31	<b>Total Pre K-8 Instructional</b>	<b>\$510,488.89</b>	<b>\$548,441</b>	<b>\$563,310</b>	<b>\$14,869</b>
32					
33	<b>Special Education</b>				
34	Salary / Teacher	\$43,428.06	\$44,925	\$51,679	\$6,754
35	Salaries / Paraeducators	\$53,853.77	\$58,949	\$53,122	(\$5,828)
36	Salaries / Subs	\$1,779.50	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
37	Summer Instruction	\$646.30	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
38	Employee Insurance	\$10,654.98	\$10,660	\$12,444	\$1,784
39	FICA	\$7,455.62	\$8,252	\$8,323	\$71
40	Life Insurance	\$114.00	\$114	\$228	\$114
41	Municipal Retirement	\$2,347.92	\$2,747	\$2,126	(\$622)
42	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$584.76	\$658	\$664	\$6
43	Unemployment Insurance	\$422.28	\$252	\$569	\$317
44	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$41.25	\$45	\$90	\$45
45	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$1,463	\$1,715	\$253
46	Inservice & Conferences	\$0.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
47	Dental Insurance	\$458.40	\$470	\$559	\$88
48	Purchased Professional Svcs	\$1,705.72	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$0
49	Psychological Services	\$0.00	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0

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	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>10 to 11</b>
		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
50	Mileage	\$954.99	\$450	\$450	\$0
51	S.U. SPED Services Assessment	\$16,957.50	\$23,875	\$8,243	(\$15,632)
52	Supplies & Equipment	\$834.54	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
53	<b>Total Special Education</b>	<b>\$142,239.59</b>	<b>\$168,822</b>	<b>\$156,171</b>	<b>(\$12,650)</b>
54					
55	<b>Early Education Program</b>				
56	Salaries / Early Ed Teachers	\$0.00	\$0	\$10,032	\$10,032
57	Wages / Early Ed Paraprofessional	\$0.00	\$0	\$8,580	\$8,580
58	Health Ins	\$0.00	\$0	\$4,392	\$4,392
59	Life Ins	\$0.00	\$0	\$57	\$57
60	Dental Ins	\$0.00	\$0	\$152	\$152
61	FICA	\$0.00	\$0	\$1,424	\$1,424
62	Workers' Comp	\$0.00	\$0	\$115	\$115
63	Unemp Ins	\$0.00	\$0	\$129	\$129
64	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0.00	\$0	\$45	\$45
65	Municipal Retirement	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
66	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$0	\$468	\$468
67	Purchased Professional Svcs	\$0.00	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
68	Early Ed Programs Assessment	\$42,168.00	\$35,209	\$0	(\$35,209)
69	<b>Total Early Education</b>	<b>\$42,168</b>	<b>\$35,209</b>	<b>\$28,393</b>	<b>(\$6,816)</b>
70					
71	<b>Paraeducators</b>				
72	Salary	\$18,005.21	\$20,561	\$21,512	\$951
73	FICA	\$1,377.38	\$1,573	\$1,646	\$73
74	Municipal Retirement	\$0.00	\$0	\$812	\$812
75	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$68.80	\$127	\$133	\$6
76	Unemployment Insurance	\$93.84	\$74	\$174	\$100
77	<b>Total Paraeducators</b>	<b>\$19,545.23</b>	<b>\$22,335</b>	<b>\$24,276</b>	<b>\$1,941</b>
78					
79	<b>Co-Curricular Activities</b>				
80	Salaries	\$7,650.00	\$7,650	\$7,650	\$0
81	FICA	\$629.64	\$585	\$585	\$0
82	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$34.40	\$50	\$50	\$0
83	Referees & Officials	\$1,195.00	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
84	Transportation & Field Trips	\$5,613.23	\$6,064	\$6,064	\$0
85	Supplies	\$672.43	\$250	\$250	\$0
86	Equipment	\$321.79	\$0	\$0	\$0
87	Washington D.C. Trip	\$1,000.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
88	<b>Total Co-Curricular</b>	<b>\$17,116.49</b>	<b>\$16,900</b>	<b>\$16,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>
89					
90	<b>Guidance Services</b>				
91	Salary	\$14,974.96	\$15,574	\$13,984	(\$1,590)
92	Employee Insurance	\$2,106.86	\$2,160	\$400	(\$1,760)
93	FICA	\$1,145.56	\$1,191	\$1,070	(\$122)
94	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$68.80	\$96	\$86	(\$10)
95	Unemployment Insurance	\$46.92	\$29	\$65	\$36
96	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0.00	\$45	\$45	\$0
97	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$585	\$624	\$39
98	Dental Insurance	\$156.05	\$188	\$203	\$15
99	Supplies	\$12.66	\$200	\$200	\$0



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		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
100	Total Guidance	\$18,511.81	\$20,069	\$16,676	(\$3,393)
101					
102	<b>Health Services</b>				
103	Contracted Professional Svcs	\$34,342.74	\$36,723	\$37,002	\$278
104	Supplies	\$832.05	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
105	Total Health	\$35,174.79	\$37,723	\$38,002	\$278
106					
107	<b>Standardized Testing</b>	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
108					
109	<b>Library Services</b>				
110	Salary	\$11,980.02	\$13,178	\$13,376	\$198
111	Substitute Librarian	\$175.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
112	Employee Insurance	\$0.00	\$400	\$400	\$0
113	FICA	\$927.47	\$1,008	\$1,023	\$15
114	Municipal Retirement	\$479.20	\$0	\$0	\$0
115	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$103.19	\$81	\$82	\$1
116	Unemployment Insurance	\$46.92	\$29	\$65	\$36
117	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0.00	\$45	\$45	\$0
118	Tuition Reimbursement	\$552.00	\$585	\$624	\$39
119	Training	\$192.50	\$0	\$0	\$0
120	Dental Insurance	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
121	Supplies	\$375.87	\$400	\$400	\$0
122	Books	\$5,886.33	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
123	Total Library Services	\$20,718.50	\$18,226	\$18,515	\$289
124					
125	<b>Technology</b>				
126	Salaries	\$3,093.75	\$3,150	\$3,150	\$0
127	FICA	\$236.67	\$241	\$241	\$0
128	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$34.40	\$19	\$19	\$0
129	Unemployment Insurance	\$15.64	\$11	\$26	\$14
130	Internet Service Provider	\$461.99	\$179	\$202	\$23
131	Supplies & Software	\$3,399.03	\$955	\$955	\$0
132	Equipment	\$12,009.69	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0
133	Total Technology	\$19,251.17	\$7,856	\$7,893	\$37
134					
135	<b>School Directors</b>				
136	Salaries / Directors	\$3,000.00	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
137	Salary / Treasurer	\$3,358.78	\$3,473	\$3,473	\$0
138	Wages / Board Secretary	\$229.30	\$877	\$816	(\$61)
139	FICA	\$511.56	\$562	\$558	(\$5)
140	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$34.40	\$45	\$45	(\$0)
141	Truant Officer	\$100.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
142	Legal Service	\$562.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
143	Audit & Annual Report	\$4,307.16	\$4,900	\$4,800	(\$100)
144	Advertising	\$1,494.53	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
145	Supplies	\$280.19	\$250	\$250	\$0
146	Dues & Fees	\$1,200.00	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
147	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$230.47	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
148	Total School Directors	\$15,308.39	\$18,708	\$18,542	(\$166)
149					

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		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
150	<b>Supervisory Union</b>				
151	FNESU Assessment	\$49,055.00	\$47,713	\$50,251	\$2,538
152					
153	<b>School Administration</b>				
154	Salary / Principal	\$54,862.60	\$57,605	\$60,485	\$2,880
155	Salary / Asst Principal	\$1,500.00	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
156	Wages / Admin Assistants	\$22,899.02	\$22,675	\$24,124	\$1,449
157	Employee Insurance	\$13,668.99	\$13,291	\$13,659	\$369
158	FICA	\$5,974.32	\$6,333	\$6,587	\$255
159	Life Insurance	\$285.00	\$153	\$210	\$57
160	Municipal Ret / Secretary	\$1,138.90	\$1,134	\$1,173	\$39
161	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$412.78	\$504	\$530	\$27
162	Unemployment Insurance	\$93.84	\$56	\$190	\$135
163	Long-Term Disability Ins	\$308.04	\$338	\$355	\$17
164	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$32.79	\$34	\$34	\$0
165	Tuition Reimbursement	\$1,000.00	\$1,097	\$1,170	\$72
166	Admin Development	\$0.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
167	Mileage	\$176.17	\$514	\$514	\$0
168	Dental Insurance	\$1,101.84	\$1,131	\$1,221	\$90
169	Supplies & Postage	\$1,308.13	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
170	Equipment	\$395.54	\$200	\$200	\$0
171	Dues / Fees / Graduation	\$1,639.25	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
172	<b>Total School Admin</b>	<b>\$106,797.21</b>	<b>\$109,763</b>	<b>\$115,152</b>	<b>\$5,389</b>
173					
174	<b>Operation of Plant</b>				
175	Salaries / Custodians	\$51,637.06	\$51,342	\$52,632	\$1,290
176	Employee Insurance	\$0.00	\$2,000	\$6,637	\$4,637
177	FICA	\$3,950.25	\$4,081	\$4,534	\$453
178	Municipal Retirement	\$2,017.27	\$2,560	\$2,856	\$296
179	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$2,284.70	\$2,512	\$2,575	\$63
180	Unemployment Insurance	\$187.68	\$113	\$263	\$150
181	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0.00	\$34	\$34	\$0
182	Water	\$1,440.00	\$1,920	\$1,920	\$0
183	Rubbish Removal	\$1,680.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
184	Snow Removal	\$72.00	\$400	\$400	\$0
185	Repairs Build & Grounds	\$10,252.60	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0
186	Service Contracts	\$1,078.00	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$0
187	Property/E&O/Bonds/ Liab Ins	\$8,918.00	\$9,810	\$9,710	(\$100)
188	Communications	\$3,280.16	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$0
189	Mileage	\$109.67	\$300	\$300	\$0
190	Supplies	\$9,360.01	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
191	Electricity	\$18,897.13	\$19,516	\$19,275	(\$241)
192	Fuel	\$11,876.11	\$25,224	\$20,294	(\$4,930)
193	Equipment	\$7,752.23	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
194	<b>Total Operation of Plant</b>	<b>\$134,792.87</b>	<b>\$141,811</b>	<b>\$143,430</b>	<b>\$1,619</b>
195					
196	<b>Grants</b>				
197	Nutrition Grant	\$558.77	\$0	\$0	\$0
198	NSRF Grant	\$1,614.75	\$0	\$0	\$0
199	Vt Kids Against Tobacco	\$741.78	\$0	\$0	\$0

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		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>
200	Success By Six	\$1,487.74	\$0	\$0	\$0
201	<b>Total Grants</b>	\$4,403.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
202					
203	<b>Food Service Program</b>	\$2,500.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
204					
205	<b>Transportation</b>	\$107,957.62	\$119,294	\$114,100	(\$5,194)
206					
207	<b>Debt Service</b>				
208	1993 Bond Principal	\$55,000.00	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0
209	1993 Bond Interest	\$17,140	\$14,023	\$10,907	(\$3,116)
210	2005 Bond Principal	\$70,000.00	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0
211	2005 Bond Interest	\$47,831	\$45,468	\$43,011	(\$2,457)
212	<b>Total Debt Service</b>	\$189,970.15	\$184,491	\$178,918	(\$5,573)
213					
214	<b>Elementary School Expenses</b>	\$1,435,998.75	\$1,499,861	\$1,493,030	(\$6,831)
215					
216	<b>Payments to Other School Districts / Agencies</b>				
217	SPED Student Transportation	\$13,445.61	\$9,172	\$3,819	(\$5,352)
218	High School Tuition	\$429,476.71	\$535,600	\$731,456	\$195,857
219	Technical Education Tuition	\$68,034.93	\$88,115	\$80,569	(\$7,546)
220	SPED Tuition & Excess Costs	\$184,670.52	\$211,772	\$149,329	(\$62,443)
221	<b>Other School Costs</b>	\$695,627.77	\$844,657	\$965,173	\$120,516
222					
223	<b>Total Budget</b>	\$2,131,626.52	\$2,344,518	\$2,458,203	\$113,685
The 2009/2010 budget anticipated there would be 47 high school students with 2.5 Tech FTE.					
The 2010/2011 budget anticipates there will be 60 high school students with 2 Tech FTE.					

**Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness**  
**16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)**

**School:** Montgomery Center School  
**S.U.:** Franklin Northeast S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":  
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

**FY2009 School Level Data**

**Cohort Description:** K - 8, enrollment < 200  
 (36 schools in cohort)

**Cohort Rank by Enrollment** (1 is largest)  
 18 out of 36

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Newton Elementary School	K - 8	115	11.85	1.00	9.70	115.00	11.85
	Tunbridge Central School	K - 8	116	10.70	1.00	10.84	116.00	10.70
	Orwell Village School	K - 8	123	12.48	1.00	9.86	123.00	12.48
	<b>Montgomery Center School</b>	<b>K - 8</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>10.05</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>12.24</b>	<b>164.00</b>	<b>13.40</b>
← Larger	Irasburg Village School	K - 8	127	11.01	1.00	11.53	127.00	11.01
	Folsom Education & Community Center	K - 8	131	15.20	1.00	8.62	131.00	15.20
	Glover Village School	K - 8	134	9.50	1.00	14.11	134.00	9.50
<b>Averaged SCHOOL cohort data</b>			<b>122.06</b>	<b>11.51</b>	<b>0.97</b>	<b>10.60</b>	<b>125.44</b>	<b>11.83</b>

**School District:** Montgomery  
**LEA ID:** T128

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. This year's figures include district assessments to SUs. Doing so makes districts are more comparable to each other. The consequence is that THESE FIGURES ARE ONLY COMPARABLE TO FIGURES USED IN THE SIMILAR FILE FOR FY2010.

**FY2008 School District Data**

**Cohort Description:** K - 8 school district, FY2008 FTE < 200  
 (36 school districts in cohort)

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

**Cohort Rank by FTE**  
 (1 is largest)  
 14 out of 36

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

Smaller →	Benson	PK-8	128.91	\$9,520
	Orwell	K-8	132.88	\$10,161
	Lunenburg	PK-8	133.09	\$9,217
	<b>Montgomery</b>	<b>K-8</b>	<b>135.54</b>	<b>\$8,103</b>
← Larger	South Hero	K-8	150.00	\$11,711
	Guilford	K-8	152.73	\$13,503
	Millers Run USD #37	PK-8	153.87	\$8,331

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

**Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data**

**121.38**      **\$11,037**

**FY2010 School District Data**

		School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
		SD	SD	SD	MUN	MUN	MUN
		Grades offered in School District	Equalized Pupils	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
LEA ID      School District							
Smaller →	T203      Sutton	K-8	161.23	12,067.98	1.2147	1.2147	1.1174
	T209      Troy	K-8	171.63	10,000.84	1.0066	1.0337	1.3140
	T013      Barton ID	K-8	174.59	11,685.45	1.1762	1.1684	1.4589
	T128      Montgomery	K-8	179.17	9,538.61	0.9601	0.9601	1.3048
← Larger	T199      Strafford	K-8	179.44	12,135.83	1.2215	1.2215	1.1588
	T210      Tunbridge	K-8	179.62	12,277.54	1.2358	1.2358	1.8051
	T218      Walden	K-8	179.87	10,541.87	1.0611	1.0611	1.1153

The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

(K) data provided by the commissioner which enable a comparison with other schools, or school districts if school level data are not available, for cost-effectiveness. The commissioner shall establish which data are to be included pursuant to this subdivision and, notwithstanding that the other elements of the report are to be presented in a format selected by the school board, shall develop a common format to be used by each school in presenting the data to community members. The commissioner shall provide the most recent data available to each school no later than October 1 of each year. Data to be presented may include student-to-teacher ratio, administrator-to-student ratio, administrator-to-teacher ratio, and cost per pupil.

District: <b>Montgomery</b>		LEA: <b>T128</b>	Franklin Northeast		Enter estimated homestead base rate for FY2011. See note at bottom of page. <b>0.882</b>
County: <b>Franklin</b>		S.U.:			
		<b>Act 68</b>	<b>Act 130</b>		
		<b>FY2008</b>	<b>FY2009</b>	<b>FY2010</b>	<b>FY2011</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
1.	<b>Budget</b> (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$2,330,112	\$2,400,445	\$2,344,518	\$2,458,203
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-
4.	<b>Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget</b>	<b>\$2,330,112</b>	<b>\$2,400,445</b>	<b>\$2,344,518</b>	<b>\$2,458,203</b>
5.	plus No union high school assessment	-	NA	NA	NA
6.	plus No union elementary or junior high school assessment	-	NA	NA	NA
7.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
8.	plus Prior year deficit reduction if not included in expenditure budget	-	-	-	-
9.	<b>Gross Act 68 Budget</b>	<b>\$2,330,112</b>	<b>\$2,400,445</b>	<b>\$2,344,518</b>	<b>\$2,458,203</b>
10.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	\$41,711	\$49,055	\$47,713	\$50,251
11.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
<b>Revenues</b>					
12.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$722,357	\$629,431	\$635,486	\$659,133
13.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
14.	plus Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	-	-	-
15.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-
16.	<b>Total local revenues</b>	<b>\$722,357</b>	<b>\$629,431</b>	<b>\$635,486</b>	<b>\$659,133</b>
17.	<b>Education Spending</b>	<b>\$1,607,755</b>	<b>\$1,771,014</b>	<b>\$1,709,032</b>	<b>\$1,799,070</b>
18.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	179.33	185.67	179.17	175.63
19.	<b>Education Spending per Equalized Pupil</b>	<b>\$8,965</b>	<b>\$9,538.50</b>	<b>\$9,538.61</b>	<b>\$10,244</b>
20.	minus Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$1,088.91	\$993.65	\$1,029.70	\$1,019
21.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	\$39.18	\$40.60	\$34
22.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is solely attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-
23.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
24.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	threshold = \$13,287	threshold = \$13,984	threshold = \$14,549
25.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$8,965	\$9,539	\$9,539	\$10,244
26.	<b>District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)</b> (\$10,244 / \$8,544)	<b>115.891%</b> based on \$7,736	<b>116.181%</b> based on \$8,210	<b>111.641%</b> based on \$8,544	<b>119.891%</b> based on \$8,544
<b>Prorating the local tax rate</b>					
27.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (Tax rates were not prorated in FY07 - FY08) (119.891% x 0.882)	\$1.008 based on \$0.87	\$1.0108 based on \$0.87	\$0.9601 based on \$0.86	\$1.0574 based on \$0.882
28.	Percent of Montgomery equalized pupils not in a union school district	Not applicable prior to Act 130	100.000%	100.000%	100.00%
29.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.000% x \$1.06)	Not applicable prior to Act 130	\$1.0108	\$0.9601	\$1.0574
30.	<b>Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)</b>	86.60%	78.92%	73.58%	72.11%
31.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (Tax rates were not prorated in FY2008) (\$1.057 / 72.11%)	\$1.164 based on \$0.87	\$1.2808 based on \$0.87	\$1.3048 based on \$0.86	\$1.4664 based on \$0.88
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a <b>PARTIAL</b> homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.					
32.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (119.891% x 1.80%)	Not applicable prior to Act 130 based on 1.80%	2.09% based on 1.80%	2.01% based on 1.80%	2.16% based on 1.80%
33.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.000% x 2.16%)	2.09% based on 1.80%	2.09% based on 1.80%	2.01% based on 1.80%	2.16% based on 1.80%
34.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	Not applicable prior to Act 130	-	-	-
35.		Not applicable prior to Act 130	-	-	-

- As of 24-Nov-09, the Tax Commissioner has not yet made a recommendation for an FY2011 base education homestead tax rate. The recommendation is due to be made on 01-Dec-09. **Therefore, the rate entered is an estimate made by the school district.** The base income percentage cap is 1.80%. Final figures will be set by the Legislature and approved by the Governor.

- Additionally, preliminary equalized pupil counts are not yet available.

- The base education amount of \$8,544 was set by the by the Legislature, but could be subject to change.

# Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union FY11 Budget, Anticipated Revenues, and Assessment

		FY09	FY10	FY11	10 to 11	Montgomery
	BUDGET	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change	Share
1	Salaries & Wages	\$463,820.90	\$468,314	\$484,933	\$16,620	\$38,636
2	Health Insurance	\$91,058.36	\$94,021	\$97,734	\$3,713	\$7,787
3	Social Security	\$36,666.03	\$36,619	\$37,890	\$1,271	\$3,019
4	Life Insurance	\$1,080.90	\$1,077	\$1,077	\$0	\$86
5	Municipal Retirement	\$25,021.36	\$29,046	\$30,114	\$1,068	\$2,399
6	Worker's Comp Ins.	\$2,937.19	\$2,797	\$2,895	\$98	\$231
7	Unemployment Ins.	\$873.16	\$393	\$393	\$0	\$31
8	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$3,616	\$5,359	\$1,743	\$427
9	Dental Insurance	\$8,679.88	\$9,984	\$10,783	\$799	\$859
10	Disability Insurance	\$2,030.06	\$2,091	\$2,164	\$73	\$172
11	Technology Services	\$2,999.06	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$239
12	Service Contracts	\$3,952.75	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$0	\$406
13	Audit	\$1,535.00	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$159
14	403B Plan Management	\$0.00	\$2,000	\$0	(\$2,000)	\$0
15	Rent	\$13,059.72	\$12,451	\$13,855	\$1,404	\$1,104
16	Mileage Reimbursement	\$7,887.65	\$8,366	\$8,366	\$0	\$667
17	Training	\$1,893.00	\$5,300	\$5,300	\$0	\$422
18	Property & Liability Ins.	\$5,861.00	\$6,613	\$6,613	\$0	\$527
19	Communications	\$3,289.11	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	\$319
20	Miscellaneous	\$690.91	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$120
21	Legal	\$697.50	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$239
22	Equipment Repair	\$0.00	\$450	\$450	\$0	\$36
23	Office Supplies	\$12,586.49	\$13,000	\$14,000	\$1,000	\$1,115
24	Professional Books	\$1,036.78	\$775	\$775	\$0	\$62
25	Software	\$1,377.59	\$0	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$112
26	Dues & Fees	\$4,292.00	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$398
27	Office Equipment	\$9,701.19	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$478
28	Advertising	\$1,732.28	\$2,700	\$2,000	(\$700)	\$159
29	<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$704,759.87</b>	<b>\$729,212</b>	<b>\$755,701</b>	<b>\$26,489</b>	<b>\$60,210</b>
30						
		FY09	FY10	FY11	10 to 11	Montgomery
	REVENUES	Actual	Budget	Anticipated	Change	Share
33	SPED	\$30,715.53	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$0	\$1,753
34	Grants	\$65,653.10	\$59,886	\$56,093	(\$3,793)	\$4,469
35	Use of Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$18,036	\$45,246	\$27,210	\$3,605
36	Other	\$4,002.79	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$0	\$131
37	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$100,371.42</b>	<b>\$101,572</b>	<b>\$124,988</b>	<b>\$23,416</b>	<b>\$9,958</b>
38						
39	<b>ASSESSMENT AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$612,638.00</b>	<b>\$627,640</b>	<b>\$630,713</b>	<b>\$3,073</b>	<b>\$50,251</b>
40						
		FY09	FY10	FY11	10 to 11	FY11
	SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS	Actual	Assessment	Assessment	Change	RATE
43	Bakersfield	\$61,965.00	\$63,230	\$61,330	(\$1,899)	9.72%
44	Berkshire	\$70,079.00	\$63,230	\$67,661	\$4,432	10.73%
45	Enosburgh	\$262,612.00	\$274,253	\$262,731	(\$11,522)	41.66%
46	Montgomery	\$49,055.00	\$47,713	\$50,251	\$2,538	7.97%
47	Richford	\$168,927.00	\$179,215	\$188,739	\$9,524	29.92%
48	<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>\$612,638.00</b>	<b>\$627,640</b>	<b>\$630,713</b>	<b>\$3,073</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Please direct questions to your School Board Directors or Bill Samuelson, the FNESU Business Manager, at 802-848-7661.

## HELPFUL TOWN INFORMATION

2004 State of Vermont Census      1050  
Registered Voters                      846

FIRE, RESCUE & POLICE EMERGENCIES ..... 911  
VERMONT STATE POLICE..... 524-5993  
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   Fax ..... 326-5053  
   Email ..... [montgomerytc@fairpoint.net](mailto:montgomerytc@fairpoint.net)  
TOWN WEBSITE ..... [www.montgomeryvt.us](http://www.montgomeryvt.us)  
TOWN LIBRARY ..... 326-3113  
TOWN GARAGE..... 326-4418  
POUND KEEPER - Amy Cochran – home ..... 933-9135  
   Cell ..... 752-5783  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – voice mail..... 326-9001

**TAX DUE DATES ARE VOTED AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
ALL TAXES MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE BY CLOSE  
OF BUSINESS ON LAST DUE DATE IN OCTOBER TO AVOID 8% PENALTY  
AND INTEREST. POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

### WHO MEETS WHERE AND WHEN

Group	Day	Time	Place
Board Of Listers	Thursday and Friday	9:00-12:00 a.m.	Town Office
Budget Committee	January until needed	A periodic	Town Office
Center Cemetery Comm	Meets as needed	A periodic	Town Office
Village Cemetery Comm	Meets as needed	A periodic	Town Office
Development Review Board	By Appointment	A periodic	Town Office
Fire Dept	Every Other Tuesday		Fire Dept/PSB
Library Board	First Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Library
Planning Commission	Second Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Town Office
Recreation Board	First Monday	5:30 p.m.	Rec Ctr/Mont Prop
Rescue Squad	Meets as needed	A periodic	Rescue Office/PSB
School Board	Second Monday	4:30 p.m.	School
Select-board/Water Comm	First & Third Mondays	6:30 p.m.	Town Office
Zoning Administrator	Monday	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Town Office

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