

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY & MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

2010 REPORTS



Sally Newton & Lois Lumbra

2010 Town Report Honorees

This year's Town Report honorees are Lois Lumbra and Sally Newton. These ladies have been a joyous presence in the life of the Town for many years and have served the community in a number of Town government and civic roles.

Lois Lumbra was born October 28th, 1941, in Fletcher, Vermont. She grew up on a farm and had lots of brothers and sisters. She went to school in Fletcher and met Sonny Lumbra when she was 15 years old. She married Sonny three years later and moved to Montgomery where they ran a farm on North Hill until 1965 when they sold the cows and property and moved to the Village. In between raising five kids, Lois worked at the Toy Factory, and many are used to seeing her smiling face at the Post Office on Saturday mornings where she's worked for nearly 20 years. Lois and Sonny have lived in Montgomery for 51 years

Lois serves on the Village Cemetery Commission (nearly 40 years) and is a member of the Garden Club, Historical Society, the Methodist Women's Association, and the Methodist Choir. She's also been the Montgomery "beat reporter," writing a weekly column for the County Courier, most recently titled "Around Montgomery," which is also published on the Town web site. Her proximity to the Town Common, or Green, has also resulted in her serving as its unofficial guardian and advocate. She was instrumental in erecting the Veterans' Memorial there, and she and her neighbors annually decorate the Common Christmas Tree and the Fuller Bridge. She is also a member of the boisterous Red Hatters but swears she has not caused any trouble (recently).

Sally Newton was born in Newport, VT on July 19th, 1930. She graduated from Guilford College in North Carolina, and became a teacher in Richford and then BFA where she taught High School English. She met Ronald Newton at a bridge table in Saint Albans and they were married 5 months later in the Montgomery Methodist Church, in 1958. She had three children and moved so much in a very short time she had to give up teaching. She moved to Montgomery in 1989 with her husband and youngest child. The house she lives in was her parents' house which they bought in 1954.

Sally has been very busy since moving here. She serves as a Justice of the Peace, a position she's held for many years and which includes officiating at weddings and elections, and sitting on the Town's Boards of Civil Authority and Abatement. She was also a Lister for several years. Sally has also been a trustee of the Montgomery Methodist Church for 20 years, and, like Lois, is a member of the Garden Club and Historical Society, serving the latter as Secretary for over 15 years. Sally's current true loves are Contract Bridge, which she holds a Life Master ranking and travels as far as Tennessee to compete in tournaments, and her dog George III. He is the third because he is the third pug she's owned. She will talk about George, and most people that don't know her well will think she is talking about a person.

Both women, working under the auspices of the Church, contribute to the operation of the Montgomery Food Pantry.

We all are better off for their contributions to our Town and fortunate to have them sharing their lives with us. Thanks, Lois and Sally!

AUDITORS ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY VERMONT

For the Year Ending

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***PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN & SCHOOL
MEETING***

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The Montgomery Select Board will conduct a public informational meeting on Saturday February 26, 2011 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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1811 Town Meeting Warning

State of Vermont

- 1st To the inhabitants of the town of Northgarnery who are qualified by law to vote in town meeting affairs. Greeting
there are to bid you to meet at the dwelling house of James Upham Esq. in said town, on the 16th day of March instant at 10 o'clock in the fore noon, then & there to chuse a Moderator to govern said Meeting.
- 2^d to chuse a town Clerk & other town Officers as the law directs
- 3^d to see what sum of Money the town will grant for schooling the year ensuing.
- 4th to hear & act on the request of Stephen Gates & Others respecting schooling.
- 5th to hear & act on the request of Solomon Cobb, & Joseph M. Burt, respecting the lands on which they live, & likewise to see if the town will take any steps respecting the land on which M. Noble now lives.
- 6th to grant such sum of Money as the town may think proper for contingencies, & to act on any other business the town may think proper when such & to see if the town will remove the place for holding town Meetings, to some place near the center of the town.

Given Under Our Hands at Northgarnery this 11th day of March A.D. 1811.

James Upham } Select Men
Stephen Gates }

Attestation

Northgarnery March 16th 1811

My ongoing blessing has been posted one Week in Town and town for the space of 12 days. & in said town mentioned has been thereby duly notified to see all the town & place & for the purpose mentioned & warning mentioned.

James Upham
Stephen Gates

The Following is a transcription of the 1811 Montgomery Town Meeting Warning & Attestation seen on the previous page. It was hand written by Town Clerk Henry Marble and is among the earliest Town Meeting Warnings recorded in the Town records.

Warning

State Of Vermont

1. To the inhabitants of the town of Montgomery who are qualified by law to vote in town ~~Meeting~~ affairs, Greeting these are to Warn you to Meet at the Dwelling house of James Upham Esq. within said town, on the 16th day of March instant at 10 o'clock in the fore noon, then & there to choose a Moderator to Govern said Meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk & other Town Officers as the law directs.
3. To see what sum of Money the Town will grant for schooling the ensuing year.
4. To hear & list on the request of Stephen Gates & Others respecting schooling.
5. To hear and list on the request of Solomon Cobb and Joseph W. Birch, respecting the lands on which they live & likewise to see if the Town will take any steps respecting the land on which Mr. Marble now lives.
6. To grant such sums of Money as the Town May think Proper for contingencies, & to act on any other business The Town may think proper where needed. & to see if the Town will remove the place for holding Town Meetings to some place near the center of the town.

Given Under Our Hand at Montgomery this 4th day
of March A.D. 1811.

James Upham
Select Men
Stephen Gates

Attestation

Montgomery March 16th, 1811
The foregoing Warning has been posted on the sign post in
Said town for the previous 12 days & the in inhabitants herein
Mentioned have been thereby duly notified to meet at
The time and place & for the purposes on the same
Warning mentioned.

James Upham
Stephen Gates

200 Years Ago This Month... According to the minutes of the meeting, it convened as scheduled, and they elected officers as set out in Articles 1 and 2. There was also a vote to set out what was a new school district, District 3, "on the Hill south of the Mills", what is probably the area of Route 118 south of the Center today. Oaths were taken by the elected officers except for Henry Marble, the Town Clerk, who was absent. The meeting was then adjourned to March 30th at 2:00p.m.

The rest of the business would be done on March 30th. Article 3 was passed over. Most of the remaining meeting appears to have dealt with arrangements for school buildings (leased space) and settling up financial accounts. The Town's school tax was levied, about \$30. No money was appropriated for contingencies.

In other financial matters, a committee appointed to investigate and reconcile the accounts of three Town officers who died while in office, reported the Town was owed \$10.77 as follows:

\$3.42 from the accounts of the late Joshua Clapp, Town
Treasurer

\$2.50 from the accounts of the late Rufus Smith, Collector of
Taxes

\$4.85 from the accounts of the late William Parks, Collector of
Taxes

Montgomery's population in 1811 was about 240 and there were 76 students apportioned between the two school districts prior to Town Meeting.

Provided courtesy of the Montgomery Historical Society. Please keep us in mind if you have artifacts you would like to donate. We appreciate your help in preserving Montgomery's heritage and telling our community's story. Contact us at:



Montgomery Historical Society
P. O. Box 47 Montgomery, Vermont 05470
www.montgomeryvt.us/mhs.htm
pratthall@gmail.com

The Montgomery Historical Society Board is...

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

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR: Tim Murphy 1 year Term – Expires 2011

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

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS:

Scott Perry 3 year Term – Expires 2011
Carol McGregor 2 year Term – Expires 2011
Kenneth Cota 3 year Term – Expires 2012
Susan Regan 2 year Term – Expires 2012
Wendy Howard 3 year Term – Expires 2013

LISTERS:

Parma Jewett 3 year Term – Expires 2011
Lynda Cluba (Joel Magnuson resigned) 3 year Term – Expires 2012
Sharon Perry 3 year Term – Expires 2013

AUDITORS:

Stacy St Onge (Suzanne Wilson resigned) 3 year Term – Expires 2011
Elizabeth Curboy 3 year Term – Expires 2012
Marsha Phillips 3 year Term – Expires 2013

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

FIRST CONSTABLE: Vacant (Brent Godin resigned) 1 year Term – Expires 2011

TOWN AGENT: Merle Van Geison 1 year Term – Expires 2011

TOWN GRAND JUROR: Select Board 1 year Term – Expires 2011

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS – Center

Charles R Purrier 5 year Term – Expires 2011
Earl Lumbr 5 year Term – Expires 2012
Deanna Robitaille 5 year Term – Expires 2013
Annie B Purrier 5 year Term – Expires 2014
Lyndol Elkins 5 year Term – Expires 2015

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS – Village

Lois Lumbr 5 year Term – Expires 2011
Penny Lumbr 5 year Term – Expires 2012
Joy Bosley 5 year Term – Expires 2013
Vivian Deuso 5 year Term – Expires 2014
Joann Lanphear 5 year Term – Expires 2015

LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Nicole Lantery(Nicholas Vittum resigned) 5 year Term – Expires 2011
Jay Kerch 5 year Term – Expires 2012
Vacant (James Abbott resigned) 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 2015
Suzanne Pelletier 5 year Term – Expires 2015

FIRE COMMISSIONERS:

William Baker Sr 2 year Term – Expires 2012
Randy St Onge 2 year Term – Expires 2011

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Parma Jewett 3 year Term – Expires 2011
Roberta Baker (Amy Koontz-resigned) 3 year Term – Expires 2011
Barry Kade 3 year Term – Expires 2012
Charlie Hancock (Wendy Howard-resigned) 3 year Term – Expires 2012
Remi Gratton III 3 year Term – Expires 2013

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE:.....2 year Terms – Expire Feb 2013
Sally Newton Elizabeth Curboy Laurie Murphy Annie Purrier Delores Cumbie

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(resigned) Kenneth Cota

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:
Vacant (Thomas Smith resigned).....3 year Term – Expires 2011
Ralph Chilton3 year Term – Expires 2012
Merle Van Gieson.....3 year Term – Expires 2012
Vacant (James Cota resigned).....3 year Term – Expires 2013
Mark Brouillette.....3 year Term – Expires 2013
Alternate: Vacant.....3 year Term – Expires 2011
Alternate: Barry Kade3 year Term – Expires 2012
Alternate: Andre Labier.....3 year Term – Expires 2012

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CIVIL DEFENSE:Stephen Jewett

FENCE VIEWERS:.....Listers

FIRE WARDEN: Ken Cota (Brent Godin resigned).....5 year Term – Expires Jun 2012

HEALTH OFFICER: Carol McGregor3 year Term – Expires 2013

INSPECTOR OF LUMBER, SHINGLES & WOODGary Marrier

NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:Barry Kade, Darlene Marrier

NORTHWEST SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REP: Barry Kade3 year Term – Expires 2012

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

RECREATION BOARD:
Michelle Legault.....3 year Term – Expires 2010
Sue Regan.....3 year Term – Expires 2010
Marsha Phillips3 year Term – Expires 2011
Stephanie Machia.....3 year Term – Expires 2011
Peg Doheny.....3 year Term – Expires 2012
Karen Frascella3 year Term – Expires 2012
Lisa Perry (Matthew Tryhorne resigned)3 year Term – Expires 2012

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: Christina Bilodeau3 year Term – Expires 2011
(Darlene Marrier – resigned)

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 an 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
Privileged				
• Set adjournment	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
• Recess	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
• *Privilege			usually moderator decides	
Incidental				
• *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
Subsidiary				
• 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
Main Motion	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY

Minutes

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 2010

1. Elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Barry Kade nominated Tim Murphy. Tim was re-elected by voice vote.

2. Act on the reports of the Town Officers.

Scott made corrections: Lister's terms, Sharon's term expiring in 2010 and Parma's in 2011, Rec Board member is Matt Tryhorne not Lisa Perry, Rec Board terms as follows, Michelle Legault 2010, Sue Regan 2010, Marsha Phillips 2011, Stephanie Machia 2011., State of Town 4th paragraph #1, last sentence should read "this will be the 3rd time out", #1a last sentence should be "raising about \$17,000 less in Tax revenues.", page 92 Library Board meets 2nd Monday With 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)?

Ken Cota made a motion to appoint a Road Commissioner and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

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

Betty Curboy nominated Susan Regan. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to elect Susan Regan.

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

Barry Kade nominated Wendy Howard. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Wendy Howard.

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

Betty Curboy nominated Sharon Perry. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to elect Sharon Perry.

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

Scott Perry nominated Marsha Phillips. Without objection the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Marsha Phillips.

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

Betty Curboy nominated Merle Van Gieson. Merle was re-elected by voice vote.

- (f) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring in 2015.

Betty Curboy nominated Lyndol Elkins. Lyndol was re-elected by voice vote.

- (g) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Village Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring in 2015.

Betty Curboy nominated Joanne Lanphear. Joanne was re-elected by voice vote.

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

Carol Farmer nominated Beth Crane. Beth was re-elected by voice vote.

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

Morgan Daybell nominated Suzanne Pelletier. Suzanne was re-elected by voice vote.

- (j) A Library Trustee for the remaining three years of a five year term expiring in 2013.

Beth Crane nominated Rita Kalsmith. Rita was elected by voice vote.

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

Tom Smith nominated William Baker Sr. Billy was re-elected by voice vote.

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

Jim Abbott nominated Brent Godin. Brent was re-elected by voice vote.

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

Morgan Daybell nominated Remi Gratton. Remi was re-elected by voice vote.

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

Larry Letourneau nominated Selectboard. The Selectboard was re-elected by voice vote.

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)

Barry Kade made a motion to add "or as allowed by State statute" to the article as written and was seconded. Motion failed by voice vote. Barry Kade made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

6. Shall the Town of Montgomery borrow an amount not to exceed Four Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$475,000), 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 amendments allowed from the floor.)

The Select board answered questions regarding details of the new Public Works Building.

Ballot count Yes – 88, No – 58. Article passed.

7. Shall the town authorize the Selectboard to save the costs of distributing the Town Reports 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?

Scott Perry made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. There was discussion regarding the cost savings and manner in which it would be distributed otherwise. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$20,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$14,580 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Ken Cota made a motion to appropriate \$70,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$70,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$35,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$10,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Morgan Daybell moved to appropriate \$10,335 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$20,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Marijke Dollois moved to appropriate \$15,000 and was seconded. The requested increase is to allow residents and tax payers to send their children to summer camp free of charge. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Sharon Perry made a motion to appropriate \$4,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy moved to appropriate \$0 and was seconded. Morgan Daybell moved to postpone indefinitely and was seconded. Motion to postpone indefinitely passed by voice vote.

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

Sharon Perry moved to appropriate \$8,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy made a motion to pay \$15,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Betty Curboy made a motion to pay \$8,000 and was seconded. Scott Perry moved to amend to \$10,000 and was seconded. Motion to amend passed by voice vote. Motion to pay the treasurer \$10,000 passed by voice vote.

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

Brent Godin moved to pay Selectboard member \$1,000 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

(d) Listers: 2009 - 1st year members \$14.00/hour, 2nd year members \$15.00/hr plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 - same.

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

(e) Auditors: 2009 - 1st yr members - \$8.00/hr, 2nd yr and on members - \$9.00/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 - same.

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

(f) Board of Civil Authority: 2009 - Vermont minimum wage plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 - same

Larry Letourneau made a motion to pay minimum wage and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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 - \$1,800

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

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

Betty Curboy made a motion to appropriate \$1,440 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Marijke made a motion to appropriate \$500 and was seconded. Motion 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. 2009 – \$1,000; 2010 – \$1,000.

Betty Curboy made a motion to appropriate \$1,500 and was seconded. Scott Perry moved to amend amount to \$1,000 and was seconded. Motion to amend passed by voice vote. Motion to appropriate \$1,000 passed by voice vote.

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

Sharon Perry moved to appropriate \$149,947 and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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?

Betty Curboy made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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?

Patrick Farmer made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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?

Betty Curboy made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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?

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

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.)

Jim Cota made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

17. 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?

Betty Curboy made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Scott Perry made a motion to accept as written and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

19. Shall the voters of Montgomery request the VT legislature to:

- a. Deny approval for the operation of Vermont Yankee after March 2012, which marks the end of its 40 year design life?
- b. Require that the Entergy Corporation of Louisiana fulfill its pledge to fully fund the cleanup and decommissioning costs of closing Vermont Yankee.
- c. Seek safe, renewable, regional sources of electricity combined with efficiency and conservation measures to replace the power presently provided by Vermont Yankee?

Barry Kade a motion to and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

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

Tim Murphy read a letter from the American Red Cross awarding Montgomery a certificate of achievement for the great response from the Montgomery community at the bi-monthly blood drives. According to the Red Cross new program, Life Share, Montgomery has achieved the Platinum level (its highest) in 2009 by reaching a participation rate of greater than 10%.

Brent recognized Joan Grossman as instrumental for organizing volunteers to making the Blood drive so successful.


Joanne Bennett solicited information for an update to the Montgomery Historical Society book "Montgomery Vermont *The History of a Town*" to include events to present date.

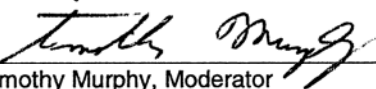
Renee Patterson invited residents to review materials at the back table from various local organizations.

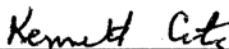
Jay Perkins gave a brief description of MACA (Montgomery Area Community Alliance).

Scott Perry made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned @ 11:40am.

A true record this 8th day of March, 2010.

ATTEST: 
Renee J Patterson, Town Clerk

ATTEST: 
Timothy Murphy, Moderator

ATTEST: 
Kenneth Cota, Select-board Chairman

State of the Town Town Meeting 2011

The “State of the Town” is very good. We remain financially sound and continue to effectively manage our accounts and debt, while providing effective services, and investing for future needs. As proposed in the budget in this report, the Municipal Tax Rate will be going down for the third year in a row.

Our 2010 Effective Municipal Tax Rate (.3046), which is an “apples to apples” comparison to other Towns, ranked us the 64th lowest of 262 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 had the 6th lowest Municipal rate, out of the 15 towns and villages in Franklin County.

The Selectboard and Water Commission met over 45 times in Regular and Special Meetings since Town Meeting 2010 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 2011 Budget Summary: The proposed 2011 budget is \$890,295, about \$100,000 less than 2010. This is largely due to the completion of the Gibou Rd Hazard Mitigation project last year. The Recreation and Rescue Departments and the Library have asked for increases in their budgets. We were able to include these increases without increasing the tax rate. Additionally, this budget increases appropriations for the Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance Reserved Fund and the Fire Department’s Capital Improvement Reserved Fund. We believe it is fiscally prudent to “plus up” these funds as we contemplate major expenditures for both funds in the future. The 2011 municipal tax rate for this budget is estimated at \$0.3986, a **decrease** of \$0.0024 from the 2010 rate. If approved, this will be the fourth time out of the last eight years that the Municipal Tax Rate has decreased from the previous year.

2. Fire Department: Money set aside for equipment replacement has been increased in this budget by \$10,000 over previous years. A grant application is pending with the federal government to purchase a replacement pumper/tanker truck.

3. Ambulance Services: The Ambulance Service request is largely driven by our annual fee to the Enosburg Ambulance Service. A reduction in cash reserves, and lower revenue, account for the change in their request over 2010. A small increase in Montgomery staffing would help reduce the Enosburg coverage and fees, and the squad urges anyone interested to contact them. Their budget also covers dispatching and badly needed communications upgrades.

4. Roads/Public Works: This department comprises about 43% of the 2011 municipal budget expenses and 42% of the required 2011 municipal tax revenue.

a. **Longley Bridge:** A routine State inspection revealed serious structural damage to the Longley Covered Bridge, and the State directed we post the bridge with a 6,000 pound weight limit until repair or rehabilitation takes place. Repairs could require a 5% to 10% Town match. Rehab would be totally State funded but might take longer. The Board is working with Regional Planning, and the State, to develop a plan and secure the best funding options.

5. Buildings and Infrastructure:

a. **Public Works Building:** The new Public Works Building (PWB) was completed this past November within the project budget. The Town borrowed \$475,000 of low interest American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds (Stimulus) administered by the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank for the financing. This is a 20-year, fixed-rate, low-interest loan. The balance of the project was paid for using the Building Capital Improvement & Maintenance Fund.

b. **Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance:** We recommend increasing the annual Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance appropriation by \$7,500 this year. This will plus up the account drawn down by the PWB project. We have also had very preliminary discussions about repairs and possible expansion of the Town Office building, as well as an upgrade of the computers and network hardware. Additional office and work space is needed for the various Boards, Commissions, Clerk/Treasurer, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Bookkeeper, and the public.

6. **Hazard Mitigation:** Work was completed on the Hazard Mitigation project which replaced the large culvert and widened the roadway on the Gibou Road. This was paid for by Federal Hazard Mitigation funds with a 25% Town match. As of this writing, no large mitigation projects are planned for 2011.

7. **Library:** The Library Board reports record patron usage and proposes to increase the paid hours of the Library Director/Librarian.

8. **Recreation:** The Recreation Board is requesting an increase for Tennis Court rehabilitation.

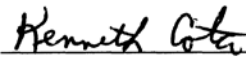
The Selectboard also serves as the Water Commission. The Municipal Water System continues to perform well. We are completing our first year of billing based on actual usage and are pretty much on target for operating revenues. Last August the Town hired a contractor, Simon Operation Services, to operate the system which brings additional resources and a reliable pool of certified operators to provide improved customer service and backup. Rates will remain unchanged for 2011.

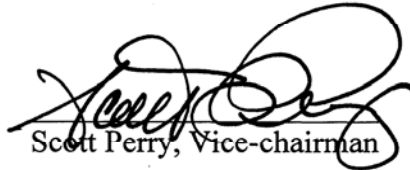
We've had several long standing vacancies on the Library and Teen Center Boards and also the position of Constable and Fire Warden. Please contact us if you can give some of your time to these offices. The Selectboard/Water Commission would like to thank all of you who serve on the various Municipal bodies. Montgomery is fortunate to have such an active and enthusiastic group of citizens.

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 are available at the Town Office and normally available on the Town website (www.montgomeryvt.us) also.

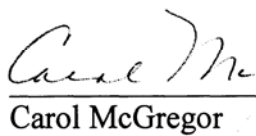
Respectfully yours,

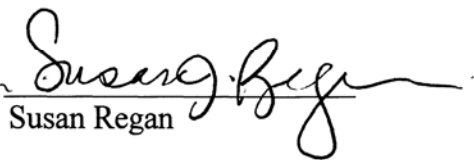
The Montgomery Selectboard and Water Commission


Kenneth Cota, Chairman


Scott Perry, Vice-chairman


Wendy Howard, Clerk


Carol McGregor


Susan Regan

WARNING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 2011

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 1st day of March, 2011 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. (Carol Mc Gregor - term expires)
 - (b) A Selectperson for a term of three years by ballot. (Scott Perry - term expires)
 - (c) A Lister for a term of three years by ballot. (Parma Jewett - term expires)
 - (d) A Lister for the remainder of a three year term expiring in 2012 by ballot. (Joel Magnuson resigned, Lynda Cluba appointed))
 - (e) An Auditor for a term of three years by ballot. (Sue Wilson resigned, Stacy St. Onge appointed - term expires)
 - (f) An Agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the Town is interested for a term of one year. (Merle Van Gieson - term expires)
 - (g) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Village Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring 2016. (Lois Lumbra – term expires)
 - (h) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring in 2016. (Charles L. Purrier – term expires)
 - (i) A Collector of Deliquent Taxes for a term of 3 years. (Anita Woodward – term expires)
 - (j) A Library Trustee for a term of five years. (Nicole Lantery appointed – term expires)
 - (k) A Library Trustee for the remainder of a five year term ending in 2014. (Vacant)
 - (l) A Fire Commissioner for a term of two years. (Randy St. Onge – term expires)
 - (m) A First Constable for a term of one year. (Brent Godin appointed, resigned; vacant – term expires)

(n) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years. (Parma Jewett appointed – term expires)

(o) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years. (Roberta Baker appointed – term expires)

(p) A Planning Commission member for the remainder of a three year term expiring in 2012). (Charlie Hancock appointed)

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

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

(a) Fire Department: 2010 - \$20,000, 2011- \$30,000

(b) Rescue Department: 2010 - \$14,580, 2011 - \$24,800

(c) Summer Roads: 2010 - \$70,000, 2011 - \$70,000

(d) Winter Roads: 2010 - \$70,000, 2011 - \$70,000

(e) Machinery Replacement: 2010 - \$35,000, 2011 - \$35,000

(f) Bridges: 2010 - \$10,000, 2011 - \$20,000

(g) Library Operating Expenses & Payroll: 2010 - \$10,335, 2011 - \$11,948

(h) Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance Fund: 2010 - \$20,000, 2011 - \$27,500

(i) Recreation Department: 2010 - \$15,000, 2011 - \$18,000

(k) Reappraisal Fund: 2010 - \$4,000, 2011 - \$4,000

(l) Montgomery Youth Center: 2010 - \$8,000, 2011 - \$8,000

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

(a) Town Clerk: 2010 - \$15,000; 2011 - same

(b) Town Treasurer: 2010 - \$10,000; 2011 - same

(c) Each Selectboard Member: 2010 – \$1,000; 2011 - same

(d) Listers:

2010 – 1st year members \$14.00/hour, 2nd year members \$15.00/hr plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2011 – same.

(e) Auditors:

2010 – 1st yr members – \$8.00/hr, 2nd yr and on members – \$9.00/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2011 – 1st year members – Vermont minimum wage, 2nd year members Vermont minimum wage plus \$1.00.

(f) Board of Civil Authority:

2010 – Vermont minimum wage plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2011 - same.

7. 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: 2010 – \$1,800; 2011 - \$1,800.

(b) Franklin County Home Health Agency, Inc: 2010 – \$1,440; 2011 - \$1,440.

(c) Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation: 2010 – \$500; 2011 - \$500.

(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. 2010 - \$1,000; 2011 - \$1,000.

(e) Green Up Day Vermont. 2010 - \$100; 2011 - \$100

(f) Northern VT Resource Conservation & Development Council. 2010 - \$75; 2011 - \$75.

(g) Mississquoi River Basin Association by petition - \$500

**8. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$139,063 for Contingent Selectboard?
2010 - 147,947; 2011 - \$139,213.**

9. Shall the Town vote to create a municipal Conservation Commission under the authority of 24 V.S.A. 4501- 4506 for the purpose of maintaining an inventory of the Town's natural resources, assisting the Planning Commission on natural resources issues, and promoting public understanding of local natural resources.

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, 2011?

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 1, 2011, to March 6, 2012, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

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 1, 2011, to March 6, 2012, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

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?
14. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contract with a new business or the expansion of an 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.)
15. 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?
16. Shall the Town vote to publish names and the amounts of delinquent taxes due in the Annual Report?
17. Shall the Town vote to lease Town-owned property for placing a tower, or towers, for cellular phone and other telecommunication services, if in compliance with all zoning regulations and public review, and if at no cost to the Town? (Non-binding)
18. To do any other business proper to be done at said meeting.

Dated at Montgomery, Vermont this 24th day of January, 2011 AD.

Selectboard

Kenneth Cota
Kenneth Cota, Chairman

Scott Perry
Scott Perry, Vice Chairman

Carol McGregor
Carol McGregor

Susan Regan
Susan Regan

Wendy Howard
Wendy Howard - Clerk

Attest:

Renee Paterson
Renee Paterson
Town Clerk

Date:

1/27/2011

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY

Auditors Report

The auditors have reviewed the Town's books and financial statements for the year 2010. As of February 3rd, 2011 there were no outstanding payables past due.

We were happy to see the implementation of standard time sheets for the town employees.

Recommendations:

1. The purpose of Reserved Funds should be clearly defined. Otherwise these funds should be utilized in the annual budget.
2. Also noted that the 4 Town cemeteries are still administered individually. Would like to see the Selectboard continue to research consolidation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Curboy
Marsha Phillips
Stacey St Onge

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET

1	REVENUE	ACTUAL 2008	ACTUAL 2009	BUDGET 2010	ACTUAL 2010	BUDGET 2011	CHANGE 11- 10 BUDGET
2	Unreserved Funds	(\$43,389)	\$87,108	\$87,108	\$109,605	\$109,605	\$22,497
3	Delinquent Taxes	\$55,897	\$75,192	\$61,839	\$84,265	\$68,834	\$6,995
4	Penalty/Int on delinquent taxes	\$17,966	\$17,452	\$16,500	\$20,390	\$18,600	\$2,100
5	State Aid - Roads	\$77,667	\$74,722	\$70,000	\$77,461	\$72,500	\$2,500
6	Town Machinery	\$75,089	\$74,574	\$74,700	\$70,061	\$73,000	(\$1,700)
7	Hazard Mitigation	\$74,371	\$498	\$138,358	\$138,358	\$0	(\$138,358)
8	FEMA Hwy Flood Reimbursement	\$127,515	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	VT Muni Equipment Loan Fund	\$110,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
10	PWB Construction Bond	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$475,000	\$0	\$0
11	Grants	\$0	\$163,565	\$0	\$3,506	\$0	\$0
12	Judicial Fines	\$2,687	\$318	\$200	\$0	\$0	(\$200)
13	Rent - US Postal Service	\$11,900	\$10,908	\$11,900	\$11,900	\$11,900	\$0
14	Rent - TD Bank ATM	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0
15	Licenses & Vital Records	\$5,336	\$7,000	\$6,570	\$6,173	\$6,000	(\$570)
16	Recording Fees	\$10,449	\$11,863	\$11,000	\$10,226	\$10,000	(\$1,000)
17	Office Fees	\$2,045	\$1,520	\$1,500	\$1,710	\$1,500	\$0
18	Copier/Fax	\$567	\$754	\$500	\$543	\$500	\$0
19	Interest	\$3,807	\$663	\$500	\$1,067	\$500	\$0
20	Zoning Fees	\$4,124	\$3,003	\$3,000	\$1,925	\$2,000	(\$1,000)
21	Taxes on State Owned Land	\$16,486	\$16,453	\$10,000	\$16,450	\$16,000	\$6,000
22	Current Use/Hold Harmless	\$24,945	\$27,623	\$24,718	\$29,320	\$27,300	\$2,582
23	PILOT	\$735	\$811	\$500	\$1,060	\$500	\$0
24	Sale of Town Equipment	\$25,775	\$0	\$0	\$221	\$0	\$0
25	Town Hall Rental	\$420	\$2,315	\$500	\$1,090	\$500	\$0
26	Westfield Plowing	\$0	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
27	Sand & Material	Not broken out	Not broken out	Not broken out	\$3,344	\$1,000	
28	Leased Land	Not broken out	Not broken out	Not broken out	\$1,080	\$1,080	
29	Miscellaneous	\$6,349	\$3,882	\$3,000	\$5,130	\$3,000	\$0
30	Sub-Total	\$611,840	\$583,324	\$524,493	\$1,071,986	\$426,419	-\$98,074
31	Property Taxes	\$381,297	\$402,217	\$465,777	\$390,059	\$463,876	(\$1,901)
32	TOTAL REVENUE	\$993,137	\$985,541	\$990,270	\$1,462,045	\$890,295	-\$99,975
33	EXPENSE ACCOUNTS						
34	ADMINISTRATION						
35	Town Officers	\$51,525	\$41,565	\$47,000	\$48,362	\$49,000	\$2,000
36	Social Security	\$3,942	\$3,180	\$3,600	\$3,702	\$3,750	\$150
37	Lister Salaries & Expenses	\$15,655	\$8,950	\$10,000	\$7,813	\$10,000	\$0
38	Ins-Unemployment Comp	\$3,255	\$3,422	\$3,600	\$4,082	\$4,100	\$500
39	Ins-Employee Hlth Ins/Rtrmnt	\$18,134	\$19,150	\$19,150	\$19,677	\$19,250	\$100
40	Ins-Workman's Comp	\$10,971	\$12,914	\$13,053	\$10,844	\$11,000	(\$2,053)
41	Ins-Property & Liability	\$10,276	\$11,779	\$13,911	\$14,669	\$18,400	\$4,489
42	Town Office Operating Expenses	\$15,857	\$13,100	\$13,716	\$11,579	\$13,425	(\$291)
43	Restoration of Records	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
44	Town Reports & Postage	\$1,588	\$1,307	\$1,500	\$1,530	\$1,550	\$50
45	Legal Services, Surveying & Ads	\$994	\$90	\$10,000	\$330	\$5,000	(\$5,000)
46	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$132,197	\$115,457	\$135,530	\$122,588	\$135,475	-\$55
47	ASSESSMENTS						
48	County Tax	\$13,997	\$14,160	\$14,466	\$14,466	\$13,693	(\$773)
49	NW Solid Waste Management	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,063	\$1,056	(\$7)
50	VT League of Cities & Towns	\$1,383	\$1,458	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,735	\$35
51	NW Regional Planning Comm	\$813	\$853	\$853	\$853	\$883	\$30
52	Hectorville Bridge Storage	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$375	\$0
53	TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	\$17,631	\$17,909	\$18,457	\$18,457	\$17,742	-\$715
54	FIRE AND RESCUE						
55	* Fire Operating Expenses	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$10,000
56	* Rescue Operating Expenses	\$18,000	\$19,666	\$14,580	\$14,580	\$24,800	\$10,220
57	TOTAL FIRE AND RESCUE	\$38,000	\$39,666	\$34,580	\$34,580	\$54,800	\$20,220

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET

58	EXPENSES	ACTUAL 2008	ACTUAL 2009	BUDGET 2010	ACTUAL 2010	BUDGET 2011	CHANGE 11- 10 BUDGET
59	HIGHWAYS						
60	Social Security	\$6,720	\$6,933	\$7,200	\$6,869	\$7,000	(\$200)
61	Employee Health & Retirement	\$25,729	\$23,574	\$26,500	\$29,784	\$29,300	\$2,800
62	Town Garage	\$5,768	\$7,229	\$5,800	\$7,289	\$8,000	\$2,200
63	Town Garage Fuel	\$4,188	\$2,743	\$4,000	\$4,058	\$5,000	\$1,000
64	* Summer Roads - Town	\$63,799	\$76,064	\$70,000	\$67,693	\$70,000	\$0
65	Summer Roads - State Aid	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	(\$5,000)
66	2008 Flood Costs	\$80,165	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
67	* Winter Roads - Town	\$87,091	\$67,348	\$70,000	\$63,323	\$70,000	\$0
68	Winter Roads - State Aid	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$0
69	Construction - State Aid	\$0	\$202,273	\$26,900	\$39,902	\$31,900	\$5,000
70	* Machinery Replacement	\$201,855	\$54,096	\$35,000	\$23,760	\$35,000	\$0
71	Machinery Repair & Maint	\$54,691	\$31,504	\$35,000	\$36,757	\$35,000	\$0
72	Diesel Fuel	\$43,780	\$22,472	\$30,000	\$31,315	\$33,000	\$3,000
73	* Bridges	\$3,168	\$180	\$10,000	\$104	\$20,000	\$10,000
74	TOTAL HIGHWAYS	\$614,954	\$532,416	\$363,400	\$353,854	\$382,200	\$18,800
75	BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE						
76	* Bldg Cap Improvement & Maint	\$0	\$7,792	\$20,000	\$2,348	\$27,500	\$7,500
77	Office Building	\$8,482	\$8,252	\$8,500	\$8,612	\$8,500	\$0
78	Office Building Fuel	\$3,000	\$1,337	\$2,000	\$2,325	\$2,800	\$800
79	Town Hall - Grange	\$7,815	\$3,183	\$3,500	\$4,869	\$3,500	\$0
80	Town Hall Fuel	\$4,380	\$2,250	\$1,500	\$838	\$2,500	\$1,000
81	Public Safety Building (PSB)	\$6,659	\$6,420	\$6,400	\$5,620	\$6,250	(\$150)
82	PSB Fuel	\$6,114	\$4,053	\$5,000	\$4,349	\$5,000	\$0
83	Public Works Bldg Bond Payment	\$0	\$0	\$36,000	\$4,625	\$36,000	\$0
84	PWB Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$579,801	\$8,500	\$8,500
85	Village Water Bond	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$13,737	\$0
86	Waste Water Study	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$12,893	\$0
87	Street Lights	\$9,802	\$10,738	\$11,000	\$11,058	\$11,500	\$500
88	Mowing	Not broken out	\$1,190	\$2,400	\$3,002	\$3,000	\$600
89	TOTAL BLDGS & INFRASTRUCT.	\$72,882	\$71,845	\$122,930	\$654,077	\$141,680	\$18,750
90	MISCELLANEOUS						
91	Delinquent Taxes	\$82,760	\$88,733	\$103,065	\$98,335	\$98,335	(\$4,730)
92	Hazard Mitigation	\$98,161	\$0	\$158,358	\$146,561	\$0	(\$158,358)
93	Licenses & Vital Records	Not broken out	Not broken out	\$3,000	\$3,450	\$3,000	\$0
94	Zoning, Planning & DRB	\$4,685	\$5,212	\$5,000	\$4,714	\$6,000	\$1,000
95	* Reappraisal Fund	\$0	\$4,142	\$4,000	\$4,325	\$4,000	\$0
96	Miscellaneous	\$5,953	\$9,867	\$3,700	\$3,254	\$3,700	\$0
97	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$191,559	\$107,954	\$277,123	\$260,639	\$115,035	-\$162,088
98	LIBRARY						
99	* Operating Expense & Payroll	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$10,335	\$10,335	\$11,948	\$1,613
100	Debt Service	\$7,653	\$7,354	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
101	TOTAL LIBRARY	\$17,553	\$17,254	\$10,335	\$10,335	\$11,948	\$1,613
102	POLICE/CONSTABLE						
103	* Operating Expenses	\$3,590	\$1,786	\$0	\$1,397	\$0	\$0
104	TOTAL POLICE	\$3,590	\$1,786	\$0	\$1,397	\$0	\$0
105	RECREATION						
106	* Operating Expenses	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$18,000	\$3,000
107	TOTAL RECREATION	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$18,000	\$3,000
108	REQUESTS						
109	* Champlain Valley Agcy on Aging	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
110	* Franklin County Home Health	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$0
111	* Franklin County Industrial Dev	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
112	* Hazen's Notch Association	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
113	* Montgomery Youth Center	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0
114	* Missisquoi River Basin Assoc (petition)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500
115	* Miscellaneous	\$1,785	\$0	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$0
116	TOTAL REQUESTS	\$11,525	\$9,740	\$12,915	\$12,915	\$13,415	\$500
117							

118	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,111,891	\$926,027	\$990,270	\$1,483,842	\$890,295	-\$99,975
Contingent Selectboard = TOTAL 2011 EXPENSES at Line 118 minus BUDGET 2011 REVENUES Sub-Total at Line 30							
minus total of EXPENSES line items individually voted on highlighted by asterisk (*)							
Contingent Selectboard	=	\$890,295	minus	\$426,419	minus	\$324,663	
Contingent Selectboard	=	\$139,213					
* indicates line items individually voted on at Town Meeting							

2011 Proposed Budget & Tax Percentage Breakout					
Proposed 2011 Municipal Budget Revenue					
1	Other Revenue	\$426,419	48%		
2	2011 Taxes	\$463,876	52%		
3	Total Municipal Budget	\$890,295	100%		
4					
5	Proposed 2011 Municipal Budget Percentages By Major Expense Category				
6	Administration	\$135,475	15%		
7	Assessments	\$17,742	2%		
8	Fire & Rescue	\$54,800	6%		
9	Highways	\$382,200	43%		
10	Library	\$11,948	1%		
11	Police	\$0	0%		
12	Miscellaneous	\$115,035	13%		
13	Recreation	\$18,000	2%		
14	RequestsTotal	\$13,415	2%		
15	Bldgs and Infrastructure	\$141,680	16%		
16	Total Municipal Expenses	\$890,295	100%		
17					
18	Proposed 2011 Municipal Taxes Percentages By Major Expense Category				
19	Fire & Rescue	\$54,800	12%		
20	Library	\$11,948	3%		
21	Recreation	\$18,000	4%		
22	Summer Roads	\$70,000	15%		
23	Winter Roads	\$70,000	15%		
24	Bridges	\$20,000	4%		
25	Machinery Replacement	\$35,000	8%		
26	Bldg Cap Improvement/Repair	\$27,500	6%		
27	Reappraisal Fund	\$4,000	1%		
28	Requests Total	\$13,415	3%		
29	Police	\$0	0%		
30	Contingent	\$139,213	30%		
31	Total Municipal Taxes	\$463,876	100%		
32					
33	Proposed 2011 Municipal and School Budgets				
34	Total Proposed School Budget	\$2,394,733	73%		
35	Total Proposed Municipal Budge	\$890,295	27%		
36	Total 2011 Town Budget	\$3,285,028	100%		

MONTGOMERY TAX RATE HISTORY TAX YEARS 1993-2011					
		LOCAL**			
YEAR	MUNICIPAL	AGREEMENT	TOTAL	EDUCATION	TOTAL
	TAX RATE	TAX RATE	MUNICIPAL	TAX RATE	TAX RATE
		Vet. Exempt.		(Set by State)	
2011 Projected					
Homestead	\$0.3986	\$0.0024	\$0.4010	\$1.3557	\$1.7567
Non-Homestead	\$0.3986	\$0.0024	\$0.4010	\$1.7923	\$2.1933
Non-Homestead Education Rate based on State projections.					
2010 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.4010	\$0.0027	\$0.4037	\$1.4300	\$1.8337
Non-Homestead	\$0.4010	\$0.0027	\$0.4037	\$1.8721	\$2.2758
2009 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.4162	\$0.0030	\$0.4192	\$1.3048	\$1.7240
Non-Homestead	\$0.4162	\$0.0030	\$0.4192	\$1.8347	\$2.2539
2008 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.4177	\$0.0031	\$0.4208	\$1.2808	\$1.7016
Non-Homestead	\$0.4177	\$0.0031	\$0.4208	\$1.7233	\$2.1441
2007 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.3821	\$0.0025	\$0.3846	\$1.1643	\$1.5489
Non-Homestead	\$0.3821	\$0.0025	\$0.3846	\$1.5704	\$1.9550
2006 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.3628	----		\$1.1907	\$1.5535
Non-Homestead	\$0.3628	----		\$1.4515	\$1.8143
2005 Actual					
Homestead	\$0.3623	----		\$1.1834	\$1.5457
Non-Homestead	\$0.3623	----		\$1.3695	\$1.7318
2004 Actual*					
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
FLOOD DEBT +ACT 60 ~~~~~					
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 12/31/10

Water Project: USDA-RD

Bond #1 – Principal Balance \$146,030.98

Payment due 5/13/11 \$3,758.00

Payment due 11/13/11 3,758.00

Bond #2 – Principal Balance \$353,208.45

Payment due 5/13/11 \$10,625.00

Payment due 11/13/11 10,625.00

Bond #3 – Principal Balance \$329,075.46

Payment due 6/10/11 \$8,718.00

Payment due 12/10/11 8,718.00

2009 International Truck: State of Vermont – Principal \$66,000.00

Payment due 6/30/11 \$23,320.00

Wastewater Treatment Study:

VT/EPA – Principal \$12,893.00

Payment due 12/1/11 \$12,893.00

Public Works Building Bond:

Bank of New York– Principal \$475,000

Payment due 6/01/11 \$ 6,121.93

Payment due 12/1/11 \$31,121.93

**MONTGOMERY TOWN
OFFICERS' SALARIES 2009**

SELECTBOARD:

Carol McGregor	1,000.00	
Kenneth Cota	1,000.00	
Wendy Howard	1,000.00	
Scott Perry	1,000.00	
Susan Regan	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,000.00

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER: Renee J Patterson \$25,000.00

ASSISTANT CLERKS:

Deanna-Dee Robitaille \$7,708.88

BOOKKEEPER: Merrill "Billy" Cabana \$4,747.01

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:

Anita Woodward, 4% of Delq Tax collected \$5,033.91

LISTERS:

Lynda Cluba	448.00	
Sharon Perry	3,296.25	
Joel Magnuson	791.25	
Parma Jewett	3,997.50	
	<hr/>	\$8,533.00

CLERK OF THE SELECTBOARD:

Darlene Marrier \$28.21

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Barry Kade	341.25	
Christina Bilodeau	\$2,819.39	
Darlene Marrier	\$487.50	
	<hr/>	\$3,648.14

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:

Members: Mark Brouillette	50.00	
W Ralph Chilton	30.00	
James Cota	20.00	
Parma Jewett	10.00	
Barry Kade	20.00	
Thomas Smith	20.00	
Howard Tatro	10.00	
Merle Van Gieson	40.00	
	<hr/>	\$200.00

MONTGOMERY TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES 2009

BCA/Elections:

Sally Newton	137.02	
Laurie Murphy	149.11	
Annie Purrier	68.51	
Elizabeth Curboy	38.29	
Delores Cumbie	189.41	
Christina Bilodeau	100.75	
		<u>\$683.09</u>

AUDITORS:

Elizabeth Curboy	63.00	
Marsha Phillips	63.00	
		<u>\$126.00</u>

POUND KEEPER: Amy Cochran \$35.00

CONSTABLE: Brent Godin \$763.00

JANITORS:

Snow Shoveling

Harold Roberts Jr - Office Building	187.50	
Harold Roberts Jr - Public Safety Bldg	137.50	
		<u>\$325.00</u>

Total Town Officers \$61,831.24

ROAD CREW:

William Baker, Jr	\$48,313.13	
Shane M Reed	\$39,216.00	
Ronald Hathaway	\$2,257.50	
		<u>\$89,786.63</u>

Total Highway

**Report of Unreserved Funds
December 31, 2010**

Balance:	TD Banknorth Sweep Acct	\$339,497.91	
	Outstanding Deposit	840.73	
	Outstanding Checks	<u>-14,236.83</u>	
			\$326,101.81
Less Reserved Funds:			
	Fire Dept	\$37,773.43	
	Rescue Dept	11,151.66	
	Recreation Dept	3,699.44	
	Teen Center	1,883.81	
	Library	20,116.98	
	Bridges	36,174.20	
	Restoration of Records	9,317.62	
	Bldg Capital Improvement & Maint	12,925.62	
	Highway Construction	4,445.65	
	Police Services Dept	11,524.57	
	Reappraisal Fund	<u>67,484.12</u>	
			<u>\$216,497.10</u>
	Unreserved funds		<u><u>\$109,604.71</u></u>

**TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2011 BUDGET
Law Enforcement**

	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget10/11
Revenues					
Sale of Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0
Judicial Fines	318	300	0	0	-300
Total Revenue	318	300	0	0	-300
Expenses					
Constable Expenses	1,153	1,200	822	0	-1,200
Communications	280	300	303	0	-300
Contracted Services	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	353	350	272	0	-350
Total Expenses	1,786	1,850	1,397	0	-1,850

**STATE OF VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
VERMONT STATE POLICE**

St. Albans Barracks

Annual Crime Statistics for ST Albans Barracks:

Total cases investigated:	5737
Total arrests:	617
Total tickets issued:	1978
Total warnings issued:	1917
Fatal Accidents Investigated:	3
Burglaries Investigated:	186
DUI's	101

Local Community Report: Montgomery

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Total Cases:	196	145
Total Arrests:	16	17
DUI's	5	2
Accidents w/ Damage	7	4
Accidents w/ Injury	1	3
Vandalisms:	8	6
Alarms	7	6
Burglaries	8	4

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 - 2011 BUDGET

Fire Department

	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget 10/11
Revenues					
Town of Montgomery	20,000	20,000	20,000	30,000	10,000
Town of Westfield	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations/Fundraisers	3,927	3,500	3,588	3,500	0
Interest	120	150	137	150	0
Total Revenue	26,047	25,650	25,725	35,650	10,000
Expenses					
Vehicle Fuel	220	400	741	740	340
Telephone	254	300	252	250	-50
Insurance	7,449	7,500	4,296	7,500	0
Dispatch Fees	3,281	3,300	3,544	3,550	250
Radio Repair	569	1,000	585	590	-410
Office supplies	113	100	44	50	-50
Vehicle Repairs	605	2,000	1,042	1,500	-500
Training	0	300	26	300	0
Miscellaneous	1,989	1,500	2,347	1,500	0
Association Dues	265	300	282	300	0
Equipment	800	1,000	5,440	1,000	0
Payroll	2,090	2,200	2,200	2,200	0
Social Security	160	170	168	170	0
Building Maintenance	22	0	123	0	0
Capital Improvement	0	6,000	0	16,000	10,000
Grants	0	0	959	0	0
Total Expenses	17,817	26,070	22,049	35,650	9,580

Beginning Balance 01/01/10

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

Total Receipts 25,725

Total Expenses 22,049

Ending Balance 12/31/10

General Fund	37,077
Dry Hydrant	696
Capital Improvement	60,070
	<u>97,843</u>

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

Rescue Department

	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget 10/11
Revenues					
Town of Montgomery	19,666	14,580	14,580	24,800	10,220
Ambulance Billing	24,349	22,000	13,612	15,000	-7,000
Donations	75	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	600	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	44,090	36,580	28,192	39,800	3,220
Expenses					
Ambulance Reserve Fund	0	2,000	0	2,000	0
Equipment	332	400	0	400	0
Communications	670	400	1,579	400	0
Insurance	4,620	5,000	4,531	4,600	-400
Education	901	2,000	450	1,500	-500
Medical Supplies	679	1,000	915	1,000	0
Payroll & Social Security	2,468	4,500	3,463	3,600	-900
Office expense	0	100	36	50	-50
Maintenance (Veh.& Equip)	726	1,000	1,143	1,000	0
EMS Dispatch Fee	3,281	3,544	3,544	3,800	256
Building Expense	225	100	0	0	-100
Contracted Services: EAS	19,721	20,007	21,774	21,000	993
Contracted Services: Billing	2,387	2,200	1,748	1,440	-760
Contracted Services: Other	0	0	1,523	0	0
Diesel fuel	50	0	25	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenses	36,060	42,251	40,731	40,790	-1,461

General Fund Reserve for Rescue Dept.

20000 Ambulance Replacement

-8849 Cash on Hand

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Montgomery Rescue 2011 Budget

Once again I get to report that Montgomery Rescue continues to remain a viable ambulance service with a small, but dedicated core group of members. We have done all we can to respond to 52 emergency calls in town, with 26 of these calls requiring transports to hospitals.

We continue to contract Enosburgh Ambulance Service (EAS) in 2011 to assist with emergency services coverage of our town. Under this agreement, both EAS and Montgomery Rescue are dispatched to all Montgomery 911 calls. When Montgomery has a crew available to respond and transport, EAS is contacted and cancelled.

Montgomery Rescue had unanticipated expenses last year to repair medical equipment and our ambulance. Our communications system was also particularly troublesome, requiring some replacement parts and servicing.

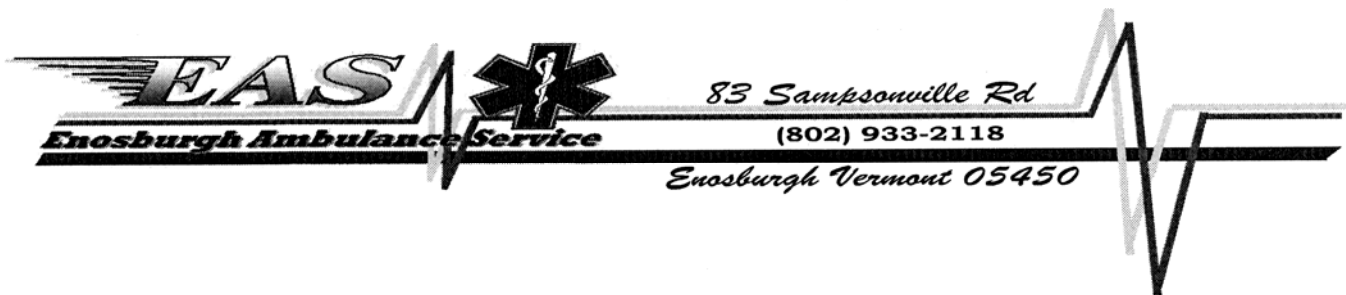
Our 2011 budget request is higher this year due to increased expenses and decreased revenue. Our budget request is for what it would cost the town to cover the contract with EAS plus emergency dispatch fees that the town would have to cover even in the absence of an ambulance service in Montgomery.

We did gain one EMT Basic on the squad last year, but then we also had another EMT Basic move out of town. The current Montgomery Rescue members will continue as long as we can, but we must recruit some additional members. Recruiting members still remains the challenge, as it has with mostly all other volunteer ambulance (& Fire) departments. Having enough members in town during the weekdays, and having enough members to allow us to regain 24-hour coverage for Montgomery again appears to be a long way off, but if Montgomery Rescue had additional certified, active members, it is possible that we could maintain a staffing level capable of providing ambulance service for at least half of each day. If we had this level of staffing we could reduce our coverage by EAS to half of the time, and cut our largest expense in half. Recruiting additional squad members will be our goal for 2011.

Please consider what you could do to help keep our volunteer ambulance service going!

Thanks once again for your continued support of Montgomery Rescue.

Kevin Scheffler & Morgan Daybell
Montgomery Rescue Executive Board members



Enosburgh Ambulance responded to 895 runs in 2010. The following is a run breakdown for each town.

Bakersfield - 37, Berkshire - 82, Enosburgh - 403, Franklin - 96, Highgate - 2, Montgomery - 52, Richford - 32, Sheldon - 120, Transports - 71

In 2010 we saw an increase in our call volume. A big part due to us taking over the town of Franklin. And we are now staffing two ambulances 7 days a week.

Eight 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 2011.

Robert Gleason Jr.
Director
Enosburgh Ambulance Service

2010 Recreation Center Report

This past year, 2010, has proven to be another successful one for the Recreation Center. Existing services were well utilized and enjoyed by many members of the community, and improvements and additions were also made.

Sports Activities:

There continued to be growing participation in soccer, softball and baseball for all student age groups at both the Recreation Center/Memorial Pavilion and the Sports Field & River Walk Park in Montgomery Village. Adult soccer continued at the Recreation Center, and women's softball was held at the River Walk Park. In addition, the River Walk Park now has 2 volleyball courts, and the Recreation Center sponsored volleyball in the school gym during the winter between basketball seasons. The Recreation Center also sponsored yoga, Pilates and Zumba classes year round at the school.

Upgrade of Existing Fields:

The soccer and baseball fields upgrade project was completed in 2010. This was the first major repair to the field in over 30 years. Much of the clay top soil was removed, drainage was improved, and new top soil was added, re-graded and re-seeded. The field is growing in slowly but should continue to improve with time and maintenance. Thanks to Eric Cota for his many hours of work on this project.

The Variety Show:

The 34th annual Variety Show returned to its original spring fever time slot in April. The show, which is deeply rooted in Montgomery's unique history and culture, has continued to be a popular and comical event. In addition to the (sometimes controversial!) performances by adults, there have been a growing number of kids' acts each year.

Arts for the Parks Dinner and Art Auction:

This successful fund raiser was held on October 9, 2010. As always, it was great fun, with a wonderful meal, and a variety of fabulous works of art donated by local artists. Attendance was about 140. A portion of the proceeds went to the Youth Group who served food. In addition, thanks to Tim Murphy, new tables for the grange hall were purchased via a donation from "Prom" ticket sales.

Summer Day Camp Program:

It was a very busy and successful year at Day Camp, with many Montgomery kids having the opportunity to participate in fun, interesting and healthy activities, and to spend time with friends. Thanks to the Town's financial support, Day Camp was offered free of charge to all residents this past summer, and the wonderful lunch program offered by Wendy Abbott continued for the second summer. It is believed that offering the program for free led to the dramatic increase in its utilization. More than 80 Montgomery kids (as opposed to fewer than 70 last year) were served. There was an average of 36 campers each day (up from 22 per day in 2009, and 15 per day in 2008). A rocket camp was held during one of the weeks, at which time 14 campers learned about principles of flight and aerodynamics as they built and launched their own model rockets. On the last day of camp, an overnight campout was held for the older kids, with tents pitched on the Recreation Center field. The younger campers had joined the group for s'mores earlier in the evening. Everything went very well. Next year the plan is to offer a more structured day. Thanks go out to the wonderful staff (Averill Leslie, Anna Charette, Tara Ryan, and Lauren Allen) and the great group of kids for having made the 2010 Day Camp such a big success.

Additional Activities, Programs, and Plans:

The Memorial Pavilion was used for many community events during the year including family reunions, birthday parties, Fourth of July celebration, the annual Fire and Rescue barbecue, the River Festival, Mountain Bike Festival, and Garden Club events. In addition, the Recreation Center sponsored ice skating, soccer team training (via school programs), ice hockey, and a free snow shoes sign out. The next big project will be the completion of a longer lasting repair of the tennis courts. Although the courts had held up well for over 20 years, because of their very wet location, they have begun to heave and crack. The cost of the repair is expected to be \$10,000.

The board appreciates the town's support, and looks forward to continuing to serve Montgomery in 2011.

Respectfully submitted by the Recreation Department Board:

Karen Frascella
Stephanie Machia

Peg Doheny
Marsha Phillips

Lisa Perry
Sue Reagan

Michelle Legault

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2010 BUDGET

Recreation Department

Revenues	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget08/09
Town of Montgomery	12,000	15,000	15,000	18,000	3,000
Donations/Fundraisers	12,064	10,000	10,250	10,000	0
Grants	0	3,500	0	0	-3,500
Activities & Facility Rent	250	0	150	1,000	1,000
Total Revenue	24,314	28,500	25,400	29,000	500
Expenses					
Heating Fuel	1,043	1,170	970	1,000	-170
Electricity	945	1,000	857	1,000	0
Water	360	360	540	540	180
Telephone	347	350	342	350	0
Payroll & SS	6,836	7,320	8,111	8,615	1,295
Building Maintenance	1,214	2,000	2,645	2,000	0
Equipment	3,654	1,000	1,435	1,500	500
Grounds Maintenance	6,755	6,000	5,290	6,000	0
Tennis Maintenance	356	2,000	0	10,000	8,000
Office & Postage	147	200	21	200	0
Advertising	0	100	0	0	-100
Activity Exp & Supplies	971	1,000	1,106	795	-205
Capital Impr: Escrow	0	3,000	0	0	-3,000
: Riverwalk	0	0	0	0	0
Rec Center Fields	18,955	3,000	1,130	0	-3,000
Miscellaneous	110	0	310	0	0
Total Expenses	41,693	28,500	22,759	32,000	3,500

General Fund reserve for the Rec Dept	3,000	Capital Improvement Fund
	699	Cash on Hand
	3,699	Total

MONTGOMERY YOUTH CENTER - 2010 BUDGET

Revenues	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget09/10
Town of Montgomery	5,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	0
Donations/Fundraisers	574	7,000	821	5,000	-2,000
Grants	0	5,000	0	1,000	-4,000
Total Revenue	5,574	20,000	8,821	14,000	-6,000
Expenses					
Salaries	5,720	12,000	7,110	10,000	-2,000
SS & Medi	437	1,500	544	775	-725
Telephone	326	3,000	362	375	-2,625
Activity Exp & Supplies	1,050	400	442	1,500	1,100
Office Supplies/Postage/Equip	0	700	71	200	-500
Resources & Training	0	1,500	260	1,000	-500
Miscellaneous	0	200	55	150	-50
Total Expenses	7,533	19,300	8,844	14,000	-5,300

General Fund Reserve for the Teen Center	1,884
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Montgomery Teen Center

Montgomery Teen Center has continued to provide a safe, supervised space for Montgomery youth grades 6 and up (2-5 days, 2-3 hours a day). On average there are about 5-10 kids in attendance each day, which is a decrease from last year's 15-20 attendees. We attribute this decline to Montgomery Elementary students being so involved in extra-curricular activities and the seeming unwillingness of the older students (8th graders) to "hang-out" with the younger students (6th graders). We will again try segregated hours to accommodate both groups early this spring.

According to statistics provided in the 2009 Youth Risk Behavior Survey, it is painfully clear that our kids are in a "high risk" category for drug and alcohol abuse, as well as for sexual activity, depression, and suicide. While Vermont as a whole has some concerning numbers, Franklin County and Franklin North East Supervisory Union are particularly high. Just a sample of these staggering numbers for our district for 8th – 12th graders: **41%** had 1+ alcoholic beverages BEFORE age 13, **31%** drank in the last 30 days, **12%** used marijuana BEFORE age 13, **23%** used marijuana in the last 30 days, **22%** have felt depressed for 2 or more weeks in a row.

Programs like the Teen Center, SAP & extra-curricular programs in schools, as well as community involvement and caring adults have been linked to reduction in early use and risky behavior. Early prevention is essential, 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.

It has been yet another financially difficult year. Cost have been contained by restricting purchases of new equipment and extra activities, even closing on days that we wouldn't normally have been closed. We have managed to keep our expenses within our actual revenue, which for the most part was provided by the town's generous allotment. Fundraising efforts have not been well received in a community that already has heavy fundraising by other departments and the school. However, we are working on some exciting new ideas for 2011. Fewer grants and the absence of a full Board to assist the Director with such programs have also left a gaping whole in our budget.

This year also saw the loss of our Board Chair, as well as another member. Efforts to recruit new and motivated members have come up dry. To supplement our disappearing Board, our Director was appointed to fill one of two vacant seats. Ideally, we would like to appoint 2 new members, allowing the Director to step down and focus on the day-to-day management of the Center.

We are going to stay open another year. We will continue to try to find fundraisers that community members would be happy and able to support, as well as continue to search 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!

Vacant, Chair Amie Koontz, Co-Chair Mark Brouillette Christina Bilodeau Deanna Robitaille

MONTGOMERY TOWN LIBRARY - 2011 BUDGET

Revenues	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget 10/11
Town of Montgomery	9,900	10,335	10,335	11,948	1,613
Donations/Fundraisers/Use	8,848	8,149	12,704	9,500	1,351
Memorial Gifts	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	5,100	2,490	2,766	2,400	-90
Total Revenue	23,848	20,974	25,805	23,848	2,874
<u>Expenses</u>					
Books & Subscriptions	4,483	3,425	3,508	3,556	131
Equipment & Repairs	312	560	146	1,860	1,300
Furniture & Shelving	29	0	0	100	100
Fundraising Expenses	0	0	1,166	920	920
Supplies	1,118	1,100	929	1,100	0
Mileage Reimbursement	463	300	300	330	30
Miscellaneous	261	200	279	250	50
Postage	781	800	484	600	-200
Printing	147	500	0	75	-425
Programming	693	750	736	938	188
Payroll & SS	8,962	10,335	9,957	11,948	1,613
Utilities(Phone & Internet)	922	404	650	444	40
Workshops & Memberships	349	200	289	220	20
Grant Expenditures	1,987	2,500	5,438	2,400	-100
Total Expenses	20,507	21,074	23,882	24,741	3,667

Cash on Hand

Checking	531	716
Petty Cash	40	40
Due from Gen Fund	18379	20,117
Total	18,949	20,873

Montgomery Town Library

Thanks to the support of the Town of Montgomery, our patrons and generous donors, the library has completed another successful year of service to the community. Membership and circulation continue to increase, and many special programs are offered throughout the seasons. Patron visits—5,324 in 2009—were 6,551 in 2010: a greater than 20% increase. Patrons used internet and wireless services 3,632 times, compared with 2,477 in 2009. The number of card-carrying patrons is now 475. While the number of special program attendees was lower than in 2009 (932 compared with 1242), this decline is largely accounted for by reduced summer programming during the librarian transition. This decrease was more than offset by the use of internet, inter-library loan, and other services. And, it was temporary. For September through December of 2010, special programs attendance was higher (265 attendees) than 2009 (156 attendees).

Many residents have participated in the summer reading program and Success by Six playgroups and story hours, as well as craft classes, Page-to-Screen book and movie series, new teen programs, and other activities. We have also been pleased to offer a Vermont Humanities Council 1927 Vermont Flood presentation, Backpack Theater, "Armchair Traveler" slide shows, two astronomy nights, a community discussion course on sustainable food systems, and a reptile presentation. With the efforts of local volunteers, businesses, and a grant, we built a small playground by the library, where our youngest patrons can burn off steam with their parents. Through another grant and your generous donations, we purchased two new computers for area residents to use. These are a valuable resource for patrons performing job searches, sending emails, and doing research.

This year we are requesting an increase in the Town's allocation to the library budget. While running counter to the trend in public funding, our request is based on the fact that library patronage is at an all-time high and the need for the services that public libraries offer is greater than ever. Last summer, we welcomed our new librarian, Tracey Durgan. She is doing a terrific job, meeting the demands of increased patron visits, training and supervision of our wonderful volunteers, and the responsibilities of maintaining the standards of the State of Vermont's library system, all of which require more hours than Montgomery Town Library has funded in the past. We have researched the staffing and town funding of other libraries in Franklin County—as well as other public libraries in Vermont towns of comparable size—and have determined that Montgomery falls in the "very modest" range in terms of support of its library and hours of paid staff time. Our conclusion is that increasing the Montgomery Town Librarian's paid staff hours will benefit our library and, more importantly, our town. We believe that it is prudent to cover the entirety of staff salary from the town's allocation to the library, but we are strongly committed to continue our efforts to support acquisitions, operations, and programming through fundraising and grants.

This year we hosted our second annual Montgomery Town Library Wine & Cheese Silent Auction at the Phineas Swann Inn, as well as a Bulb & Flower sale and our annual Book & Bake sale. Altogether, these events plus donations funded more than 40 percent of our annual budget. During these difficult economic times, when more and more people have a genuine need for the free services we offer, we are very grateful for the wonderful patronage and support of Montgomery's residents, visitors, and well wishers. Thank you so much for your continued support. We are here to serve your needs now and in the future.

The Montgomery Town Library Trustees

2010 BOARD OF LISTERS REPORT:

REAPPRAISAL COMPLETION DATE UNCERTAIN

As the Board of Listers previously reported 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 under 76%, up approximately 3.5 points from last year. As an example, if your property is assessed for \$76,000, the estimated fair market value would be around \$100,000 because real estate sales prices in Montgomery continue to exceed the assessed values.

The Board continues to work on data collection for the reappraisal, but one of the listers resigned in 2010. Unfortunately the lister who resigned was the primary data collector for the reappraisal. Additionally, the Board now has a new lister who is in training.

Despite this delay, the Board still plans to accomplish the reappraisal in-house with assistance from the PVR district advisor to Montgomery, Doug Lay, and with some contracted support from Doug McArthur, a State-certified appraiser who completed the Town's 2004 reappraisal. The Board hopes to finish the reappraisal for the 2012 Grand List but may not finish until 2013. Although the Board has already used some of the Reappraisal Reserved Fund, it still has a balance of \$67,484. The fund will grow by another \$13,300 this year with additional funds coming from the State (\$9,300) and a Town appropriation of \$4,000.

The Board believes they will be able to complete the reappraisal within monies available in the reserved fund. However, the Board also feels it is fiscally prudent for the Town to continue to appropriate monies for the fund each year since the Town may have to hire an outside firm for a future reappraisal. Current estimates for a complete town-wide reappraisal using an outside firm are approximately \$120,000 for a town the size of Montgomery.

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.

Sincerely,

Board of Listers

Sharon Perry

Parma Jewett

Lynda Cluba

**LISTER REAPPRAISAL FUND
FINANCIAL REPORT - 2010**

Beginning Balance 1/1/10 58,565.96

RECEIPTS

Taxes	4,000.00	
VT - Reappraisal	9,243.50	
		<u>13,243.50</u>
		71,809.46

EXPENSES

Wages & SS	2,470.85	
Professional Services	1,800.00	
Mileage	54.49	
		<u>4,325.34</u>

Ending Balance 12/31/10 67,484.12

**MONTGOMERY CENTER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT - 2010**

Beginning Balance 01/01/10

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>

RECEIPTS

Interest Income	2,407.46	
Lots Sold	600.00	
		<u>\$3,007.46</u>

EXPENSES

Bank Fees	28.04	
Grounds Maintenance	4,028.59	
		<u>\$4,056.63</u>

Ending Balance 12/31/10

Checking	31.51	
CD - 110	8,121.57	
CD - 225	2,100.13	
CD - 233	15,810.27	
CD - 274	9,286.75	
CD - 892	57,299.18	
Charles Lumbra Fund	2,140.24	
		<u>\$94,789.65</u>

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

Beginning Balance 1/1/10		
Saxon Ind Stock	2,940.00	
Certificates - TD Banknorth	11,273.80	
Checking - TD Banknorth	<u>242.90</u>	
		14,456.70
INCOME:		
Interest from Certificates	53.00	
Donations	<u>39.42</u>	
		92.42
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Care of Old Cemetery	240.00	
Probate Court	25.00	
Bank Charges	<u>69.21</u>	
		334.21
		<u>14,122.49</u>
ASSETS: as of 12/31/10		
Saxon Ind Stock	2,940.00	
Certificates - TD Banknorth	<u>11,274.91</u>	
		<u>14,214.91</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Lorraine St Onge, Treasurer

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
Financial Report 2010

Beginning Balance 1/1/10		
CD's	20,700.00	
Checking	233.47	
Cash on Hand	<u>100.00</u>	
		21,033.47
RECEIPTS		
Interest	276.88	
Sale of Lots	225.00	
Perpetual Care	150.00	
Donations	<u>595.00</u>	
		1,246.88
EXPENSES		
Lawn care	910.00	
Monument Maintenance	175.00	
Office Expense	5.00	
Insurance	<u>100.00</u>	
		1,190.00
		<u>21,090.35</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/10		
CD's	20,800.23	
Checking	290.12	
		<u>21,090.35</u>

Respectfully, *Lois Lumbra*

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY - 2011 BUDGET

Water Department

	Actual 2009	Budget 2010	Actual 2010	Budget 2011	Change Budget 10/11
Revenues					
Water Usage	53,328	63,000	58,854	59,000	-4,000
Delinquent Interest/Penalties	0	150	391	200	50
Refunds/Rebates	167	200	10,998	0	-200
Interest on Investments	648	500	370	400	-100
User Bond Receipts	32,873	32,873	37,855	33,700	827
Service Fees	0	0	2,731	2,000	2,000
Equipment Sold	0	0	2,500	0	0
Town of Montgomery	13,737	13,737	13,737	13,737	0
Total Revenue	100,753	110,460	127,435	109,037	-1,423
Expenses					
Salaries	19,506	27,900	17,334	5,000	-22,900
Technology equip/support	0	0	718	1,000	1,000
Training	0	1,000	220	600	-400
Utilities	8,550	10,300	10,625	11,000	700
Contracted Services	0	4,000	10,481	33,000	29,000
Mileage Reimbursement	0	200	0	0	-200
Miscellaneous			1,744		
Vehicle Expense	0	500	1,321	0	-500
Tools	0	5,000	0	0	-5,000
Water Testing	0	2,000	1,642	500	-1,500
Office Expense	1,237	1,000	1,418	1,500	500
Equipment	4,321	1,000	3,116	2,000	1,000
Facilities Maintenance	0	200	2,442	5,000	4,800
VT Fees	526	1,300	207	250	-1,050
Annual Bond Payment	46,202	46,202	46,202	46,202	0
Association Dues	240	200	165	200	0
Chemicals	237	500	766	800	300
Legal Services	0	200	0	200	0
Pagers	604	500	439	0	-500
Total Expenses	81,423	102,002	98,841	107,252	5,250

Beginning Balance 01/01/10

Checking	15,661.73	
Savings	82,798.52	
		98,460.25

Total Receipts 127,435.29

Total Expenses 98,841.80

Ending Balance 12/31/10

Checking	43,885.17	
Savings	83,168.57	
		127,053.74

Total Balance of Delinquent Water Bills as of 12/31/10 **\$ 1,116**

**STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES
JANUARY 1, 2010 - DECEMBER 31, 2010**

<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	\$ -	\$ -
2006	\$ 85.08	\$ 85.08	\$ -	\$ 6.80	\$ 30.70
2007	\$ 2,359.68	\$ 2,359.68	\$ -	\$ 188.77	\$ 751.07
2008	\$ 11,798.13	\$ 11,031.17	\$ 766.96	\$ 882.51	\$ 1,861.32
2009	\$ 88,733.00	\$ 70,789.32	\$ 17,943.68	\$ 5,663.19	\$ 4,756.32
2010	<u>\$ 144,500.10</u>	<u>\$ 64,965.36</u>	<u>\$ 79,534.74</u>	<u>\$ 5,197.27</u>	<u>\$ 1,051.55</u>
TOTALS	\$ 247,565.38	\$ 149,230.61	\$ 98,334.77	\$ 11,938.54	\$ 8,450.96

Taxes Collected: **\$149,230.61**

8% Penalties Collected: **\$ 11,938.54**

Interest Collected: **\$ 8,450.96**

Total Paid to the Treasurer by A. Woodward: **\$169,620.11**

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010	
NAME	TAX BALANCE
2002 PROPERTY TAXES	
Farrar, Lee - 6.035X	\$ 89.39
TOTAL 2002	\$ 89.39
2008 PROPERTY TAXES	
Estate of Robert Benson	\$ 735.42
Nutting Farm LLC	\$ 31.54
TOTAL 2008 TAXES	\$ 766.96
2009 PROPERTY TAXES	
Abbott, Matthew and Priscilla	\$ 505.32
Damstrom, Thomas	\$ 3.19
Desautels, Jodi	\$ 2,490.56
Deuso, Olive	\$ 76.63
Deuso, Roger	\$ 1,289.23
Deuso, Roger	\$ 103.34
Estate of Robert Benson	\$ 773.09
Farrar, Lee	\$ 2,513.10
Malaussena, William	\$ 2,129.96
**Nalette, Sean	\$ 7.54
Nutting Farm LLC	\$ 3,367.32
Quintin, Karie	\$ 1,639.32
Roberts, Heather	\$ 604.64
Robitaille, Jacques, White, David and Sylvester, Mark	\$ 1,096.21
Sawyer, Thomas	\$ 462.97
Snider, Michael and Tracy	\$ 478.36
* Tatro, Orson and Phyllis	\$ 896.93
Wynn, Ricky and Cindy	\$ 11.29
TOTAL 2009 TAXES	\$ 17,943.68
2010 PROPERTY TAXES	
Abbott, Matthew and Priscilla	\$ 505.32
Abramowitz, Michael and June	\$ 1,381.65
Anderson, Terje	\$ 1,342.47
Banks, Sandra	\$ 238.74
**Barnard, Robert Jr. and Leanne	\$ 8.23
Barnes, Clayton Jr, Barnes, Carlton and Laflame, Audrey	\$ 759.99
* Barnes, Maria and Hill, Susan	\$ 852.39
**Bartolomeo, Glen	\$ 3,113.42
Bilodeau, Christine	\$ 1,273.70
* Black Flies Trust	\$ 3,616.88
**Black Flys Trust	\$ 2,840.70
* Butterfield, Grant and Suzanne	\$ 987.97
Collins, Christopher and Stark, Judith	\$ 1,343.27
Cousino, David and Ruth	\$ 2,223.85
Damstrom, Thomas	\$ 639.61
Davis, Bain	\$ 2,658.60
Desautels, Jodi	\$ 2,515.20
Deuso, Olive	\$ 77.39
Deuso, Roger	\$ 1,301.99
Deuso, Roger	\$ 2,111.05
Donna, Daniel and Rose	\$ 2,430.64

NAME	TAX BALANCE
**Duculon, Stacey	\$ 1,015.38
Estate of Robert Benson	\$ 780.74
Farrar, Lee	\$ 2,537.96
**Flaherty, Ted	\$ 1,371.64
Fleckenstein, Kerry and Sandra	\$ 2,307.99
Fleckenstein, Sandra and Abramowitz, Michael	\$ 3,002.59
Fleming, Danielle	\$ 974.80
Fournier, Aaron	\$ 480.28
**Francis, Andrew	\$ 150.40
Gadpaille, Eric	\$ 1,829.92
Gadpaille, Eric	\$ 1,197.28
**Guzy, John	\$ 13.89
*Hughes, Wendell and Koontz, Amie	\$ 753.09
*Jones, Robert	\$ 128.81
Lumbra, Dale	\$ 704.40
Malaussena, William	\$ 2,537.85
Manchester, Stewart	\$ 3,104.73
McDonald, Ryan	\$ 1,325.30
Morrell, Robert and Sandra	\$ 1,389.31
*Nalette, Sean	\$ 821.71
Nichols, Benjamin	\$ 1,456.76
Orndorff, James	\$ 512.14
**Overlook, Kimberleigh	\$ 265.18
Perry, Nonna and Reinken, Robert Levi	\$ 730.66
Plumley, Devon	\$ 368.74
Quintin, Karie	\$ 461.14
**Quintin, Theodore	\$ 1,108.51
Reed, Christopher and Muriel	\$ 640.89
Roberts, Heather	\$ 2,273.93
Robitaille, Jacques, White, David and Sylvester, Mark	\$ 1,438.56
Robitaille, Jacques and Jill	\$ 638.36
**Sagos, Constantinos and Chrisoula	\$ 52.46
Sawyer, Thomas	\$ 650.99
Smith, James and Doris	\$ 20.74
Snider, Michael and Tracy	\$ 1,450.27
Sylvester, Nicole	\$ 448.41
Sylvester, Nicole and Gendron, Robert	\$ 2,204.44
Tatro, Orson and Phyllis	\$ 1,109.63
Walsh, Michael	\$ 641.89
* Wedel Trust	\$ 2,400.14
Williams, Harold and Cheryl	\$ 353.04
Wilson, Peter and Michelle	\$ 127.69
Woodworth, Nicole	\$ 297.61
Wynn, Ricky and Cindy	\$ 1,231.43
TOTAL 2010 TAXES	\$ 79,534.74
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 98,334.77
**Paid in full during the period January 1 - February 1, 2011	
*Partial paid during the period January 1 - February 1, 2011	

2010 BIRTHS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
February 1	Rohan Isaiah Hardy	Larrs Densmore Hardy	Rachael Rejeanne Hardy
March 13	Aydan Alan Michael Tomasi	Derek Robert Tomasi	Lynda Sue Garrow
March 21	Lakota Rain Kiowa Worthington	Travis Robert Worthington	Alexys Eileen Worthington
May 5	Waylon Slaid Marshall	Jared Michael Marshall	Kimberly Devon McQuin
May 19	Kayden Romeo Quintin	Travis Clesson Sartwell	Karie Marie Quintin
May 20	Eliza Louise Suarez Pratt	Michael Stewart Pratt	Christina Anne Suarez
July 21	Annie Laurie Crowley	Matthew Blair Crowley	Charlotte Montgomery Dennis
August 9	Adeline Mae Tryhorne	Matthew Judd Tryhorne	Mary Elizabeth Tryhorne
October 25	Piper Elin Turnbaugh	Zachary Taylon Turnbaugh	Amy Beth Allen
October 31	Ryan Nichan Zartarian	John Aram Zartarian	Jenny Suzanne Sirkin
November 17	Anwyn Mae Jones	Quenten Essex Jones	Susan Dorothy Jones
December 30	Adelise Marie Cote	Tod Cedric Cote	Stacey Anne Cote

2010 DEATHS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Town of Residence</u>
January 13	Alberta Lillian Lumbr	Montgomery
March 21	Roger Calvin Deuso	Montgomery
April 11	Pearl Evelyn Tryhorne	Montgomery
April 12	Reuben Allen Brunton	Montgomery
May 21	Hazel Marie Clokey	Montgomery
May 13	Ronald Walter Lumbr	Montgomery
May 21	Aldea M Sylvester	Montgomery
July 28	Betty Jean Johnson	Montgomery
August 10	Chantal Lucie Pothier	Montgomery
October 28	Eva Cecile Lumbr	Montgomery
December 20	Russell C Perry Jr	Montgomery

2010 CIVIL MARRIAGES

<u>Date</u>			<u>Town of Residence</u>
February 20	Randolyn Anne Bennett	Donald Gerard Villeneuve	Montgomery
March 28	George D Sherman Jr	Martina Tesarova	Montgomery
May 13	John Garver Kerch III	John Kilgore Perkins	Montgomery
April 17	Roy Bradley Stooksbury	Bobby Jack Hopson	Manassas, Virginia
June 14	Richard Allen Marshall	Kenneth Forest Wilson	Mesquite, Texas
June 14	J Mark Wilson	David Wayne Gibbons	Garland, Texas
June 19	Jeffrey Patrick Hall-Martin	Joanna Van Hughes Peters	Montreal, Quebec
July 10	Allison Diane May	John Franklin Witherspoon	Montgomery
July 17	Christopher Ryan Dixson-Boles	Jade Kelly Dixson-Boles	Montgomery
July 24	Jacob G Benoit	Kaitlyn M Deuso	Montgomery
August 13	Alyson Beth Grubb	Carmen Cecilia Almirall	Casselberry, Florida
August 21	Laura Ann Molinaro	Joanne Piccininni	Chester, New York
September 20	Jill Renee Cummings	Jonathan Laurence Betts	Montgomery
September 29	David Andrew Fleishman	Tanveer Zubairul Hasan Shakeel	Vero Beach, Florida
October 9	Melanie Patryce Thornton	Jama Arlene Best	Roland, Arkansas
October 14	Ann Elaine Cohen	Todd Robert Forte	Farmingdale, New York
October 23	Julianne LeBron	Amy G Martin	Cottonwood Heights, Utah
November 10	Cynthia Edwards Hodge	Angela Christine Tillis	Orlando, Florida

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 !!

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

This past year saw some changes at the Northwest Solid Waste District (the District) with the departure of our long time Executive Director Mike Ewell, the addition of new programs and staff, as well as a continuation and growth of longstanding programs. In 2010 the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District continued to provide waste management planning, education, and direct services to District communities. In order to insure that the cost of waste management remains as low as possible, and that the member communities of the District are in compliance with State law, the District continues to work to find new ways to reduce the amount of waste that must be landfilled.

Overall in 2010, District communities sent 27,490 tons of trash to landfills. After recycling, reuse and composting, the average District resident generated 3.7 pounds of waste per day.

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. More info can be found on our website www.nwswd.org, and questions, comments and suggestions may be directed to District staff at (802)524-5986.

Drop-off Sites

The District also operates four drop off sites in District communities and the North Hero Transfer Station. Use of our sites has been up this past year. And we have been working hard to make improvements like larger containers for some sites and installing cash registers at three sites. This year District run sites disposed of 617.71 tons of trash and recycled 337.5 tons of resources.

Household Hazardous Waste Collections

The District sponsored 13 collections of household hazardous waste in 2010 in 12 District towns, with participants from throughout the District. More than 22,165 pounds of hazardous chemicals were collected for safe disposal, along with propane tanks, lead acid batteries, electronics and fluorescent bulbs.

Special Waste Collections

Ten collections for special waste--bulky, hard-to-dispose of items such as furniture, tires and appliances-- were held throughout the District. 29.53 tons of bulky trash were collected and disposed. 134 refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners were collected and recycled with the Freon safely removed and recycled. The District also collected and recycled 941 tires and 54.9 tons of scrap metal at these collections. 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 in addition to our special events. During 2010, the District helped residents recycle:

- 24.5 tons of monitors, televisions, computers and other household electronics
- 8,478 feet of fluorescent lights
- other mercury containing devices

Compost

In 2010 the District continued to build its organic waste composting program. We continued to work with one high school to compost all of their food waste and during the 2009-2010 school year we removed 17,220 lbs., or 8.6 tons, of food waste from the school, keeping it out of the landfill. This program has been expanded with two new schools agreeing to come on board in 2011 and work continues on a regional composting facility. The district and our partners are also in discussion with a number of businesses and institutions to expand our organic waste recycling efforts further.

Educational Outreach

District staff conducted educational workshops and presentations aimed primarily at food waste composting at two schools. We also worked with schools within the District to improve their waste management programs including recycling and electronic waste management. In addition, the District produces informational materials for residents including brochures, a newsletter, a website, email updates, and articles for area publications. District staff also are 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 25 reports of illegal dumping and burning from 10 District communities in 2010.

All of the activities and services outlined above were provided by a full-time staff of just 5 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 Montgomery representative on the District Board of Supervisors, I am available to discuss District activities with town residents. I can be reached at any reasonable hour at 933-2490.

Barry Kade

February 4, 2011

Covered Bridges Garden Club - of Montgomery
Jaye Secor, Corresponding Secretary – jaye.secor@gmail.com

In 2010 our garden club received the honor for having the highest number of new members within the State.

We had some wonderful new speakers including Robert Gillmore, who is a landscape designer and author. Our annual meeting was at Mountain Spirit Herbals owned by Lauri and Edward Ellis. Our fund-raiser "Harvest Fest" was a success with the help of Stacy Manosh who is also the owner of Johnson Woolens. We were honored with the help of the Newport Garden Club and our own members in weeding out and beautifying "The Green" in Montgomery.

For our April meeting, Ken Secor will give a demonstration on the care and maintenance of power and non-power tools for gardening. On May 14th we have Charlie Nardoizzi speaking at the Grange in Montgomery. It will be open to the public.

We continually look for ways to have more "active" members. If anyone has any ideas please let us know.



2010 Town Report

The Regional Commission is a multi-purpose governmental organization formed by and serving the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners.

Northwest Regional Planning Commission implements a variety of projects and programs tailored to local, regional and statewide needs.

Northwest Regional Planning Commission Projects & Programs:

- ✧ **Municipal plan and bylaw updates and related technical assistance:** Focus on predictable and effective local permitting through education and training, bylaw modernization and plan updates.
- ✧ **Brownfields:** Complete environmental site assessments and fund clean-ups so properties can be sold, developed or re-developed to benefit the economy, create or protect jobs and increase housing opportunities.
- ✧ **Transportation planning:** Coordinate local involvement in transportation decisions through the TAC, and provide services such as intersection studies, corridor plans and traffic counts.
- ✧ **Emergency response planning:** Better prepare our region and state for disasters by coordinating with local volunteers and VT Emergency Management on emergency response planning, exercises and training.
- ✧ **Energy conservation and development:** Implement projects to support municipal energy conservation to save energy and tax dollars, support job training programs, and identify opportunities for renewable generation.
- ✧ **Watershed planning and project development:** Implement water quality projects and programs to protect water resources, ensure safe water supplies, enhance recreational opportunities and address known sources of pollution.
- ✧ **Regional plans:** Coordinate infrastructure, community development and growth at the regional level through the development, adoption, and administration of a comprehensive regional plan.
- ✧ **Geographic information services:** Provide municipalities, state agencies and regional groups with mapping and data analysis in support of their projects.
- ✧ **Special projects:** Complete special projects such as downtown revitalization, recreation paths, farmland preservation, economic development and affordable housing projects.
- ✧ **Grants:** Provide assistance identifying appropriate grant sources, defining a project scope and writing grant applications.

In Montgomery the Northwest Regional Planning Commission:

- ✧ Provided technical assistance on planning and zoning issues and guidance on a flood plain determination.
- ✧ Updated the E-911 poster map, road atlas and road map.
- ✧ Funded an energy audit for the Grange Hall.
- ✧ Conducted a Hazardous Materials emergency response tabletop exercise for municipal public safety officials.
- ✧ Completed paper and digital maps with new 2007-2008 orthophotos, roads, surface waters, flood plains and parcel data.
- ✧ Secured assistance from the VT Better Backroads Program and VYCC to address roadside erosion.
- ✧ Assisted with the adoption process and regional approval of the 2010 Town Plan.
- ✧ Drafted a municipal planning grant application for zoning bylaw revisions and a development constraints analysis.

**Montgomery
Regional Commissioners:**
Barry Kade & Darlene Marrier
**Transportation Advisory
Committee:**
Mark Brouillette

In the coming year the Commission will continue our 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 activities and to provide matching funds needed for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is greatly appreciated. NRPC is your resource -- please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, mapping, or other needs.

**VT Wild &
Scenic
Rivers**
**Upper Missisquoi &
Trout Rivers Study**

The Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers Wild and Scenic Study Committee wishes to update Montgomery on our Study. These rivers are the first two in Vermont to be considered for inclusion under the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The Study is expected to run until 2012. The Study Committee meets at 7pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month; all members of the public are welcome. Information about meeting agendas and locations (rotated among the 10 towns in the study area) can be found on our website, or by contacting our coordinator:

Shana Stewart Deeds – Wild and Scenic Study Coordinator
Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers Wild and Scenic Study
2839 VT Route 105, East Berkshire, VT 05447
802-393-0076
info@vtwsr.org
www.vtwsr.org

The Study Committee is collaborating with the National Park Service and key local and state partners to study the resources of the rivers, evaluate the protections that exist for these resources, and develop a voluntary management plan based on local ideas and strategies to preserve these resources for all to enjoy. This management plan is only advisory; private landowners will continue to be the stewards of their property and towns will continue to be responsible for regulating land use along the river.

At the end of the Study, the Study Committee will present its findings and recommendations to the Towns. Any decision to pursue Wild and Scenic River designation must have the broad support of the Study Committee, Town Boards and voters at Town Meeting. If designation is granted, Congress would appropriate funds for projects to preserve the resources in the upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers, and the National Park Service would provide support for a locally-based implementation committee, also made up of local appointees, following the same model used during this study.

We encourage you to be part of the Wild and Scenic Study process by sending us pictures and information on what areas of the Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers are recreationally, culturally, historically, or naturally outstanding. You may also be aware of management issues or opportunities that you would like to share with us. Please contact your official town appointees, or the study coordinator with any questions, or ideas. You also are invited to participate in our online survey at:
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TVLFWFR>

Respectfully submitted by your Appointees to the Study Committee,
Todd Lantery and Carol McGregor



*The Resource for seniors and their
caregivers in the Champlain Valley*

THE CHAMPLAIN VALLEY AGENCY ON AGING, INC. has been helping people age with independence and dignity for over 30 years. During this past year, CVAA provided services to 60 older residents of Montgomery. CVAA is grateful to the citizens of Montgomery for their ongoing support of services for area seniors.

THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS OF MONTGOMERY INCLUDE:
MEALS ON WHEELS ~ CVAA provides hot wholesome meals to seniors who are age 60 or over. Volunteers deliver Meals on Wheels to homebound individuals who are ill, frail, or recuperating after a hospital stay and unable to prepare their own meal. This past year 13 Montgomery seniors participated in the Meals on Wheels program.

SENIOR COMMUNITY MEALS ~ Montgomery seniors attend CVAA community meals at the Public Safety Building and participate in the CVAA restaurant ticket program. In addition to a nutritious meal, the community meal provides socialization and companionship for older people who may be isolated or live alone. Over 40 Montgomery seniors participated in the community meals program.

CASE MANAGEMENT ~ CVAA Case Managers make in-home visits and connect individuals with the services and resources they need in order to remain independent and in their own home. Harry Benoit, the CVAA Case Manager for Montgomery, worked with 15 seniors in your town. Harry may be reached through the CVAA office at 865-0360 or 1-800-642-5119.

SENIOR HELPLINE ~ CVAA operates a toll-free service that provides answers to any question or concern regarding services for older people. Seniors, or their family members, can reach the Senior HelpLine by calling 1-800-642-5119 (Voice/TTY) during business hours.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE AGENCY,
OR TO INQUIRE ABOUT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES,
CALL 865-0360 OR 1-800-642-5119 (VOICE/TTY)
YOU MAY ALSO VISIT US AT: WWW.CVAA.ORG**



FRANKLIN COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION

FCIDC FRANKLIN COUNTY TOWN REPORT December 6, 2010

Despite a less than prosperous 2010 economy the Franklin County Region continues to do fairly well. Probably the biggest negative affecting our local economy was low milk prices. We have begun to see a significant rebound on the price paid to farmers over the latter part of 2010. FCIDC continues to promote that times could always be better, but we have also seen that times can be a whole lot worse.

On the negative side we saw the closing of Simport Plastics (17 jobs) in Georgia at the start of 2010 and this past October North Country Linen closed in St. Albans City putting 19 people out of work. WB Mason (formerly Office Quarters) has moved the St. Albans Office to the Burlington area. And lastly, Via Cheese in Swanton closed their doors this past summer; 50 people lost their jobs. The closing of Via also negatively impacted the St. Albans Coop.

On the positive side FCIDC has worked with a number of companies that have located in Franklin County. Those companies include:

- Maple Mountain Woodworks in Richford – 20 jobs.
- Swan Valley Cheese is in the process of opening the Via Cheese plant in Swanton and hopes to create 50 jobs over the next three years.
- Bariatrix, a manufacturer/distributor of nutritional products purchased the Simport facility in Georgia. They were previously located in South Burlington and will be relocating their staff.
- Amoskeag Woodworking has purchased the Morse Hardwood facility in Fairfax and will be relocating their Colchester operation to Fairfax. Amoskeag will marry their operation to the remaining Morse team and hope to be at 28 jobs in the near future.
- Vermont Organic Reclamation located in St. Albans Town is a start-up company focused on innovation, the environment and working with the local farmers.
- FCIDC worked with the City of St. Albans in hopes of creating a Business Accelerator Center also known as an Incubator in downtown St. Albans. Our initial grant application was denied; we hope to resubmit in 2011.

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FCIDC continues to serve as a site locator for those companies interested in locating in Franklin County. FCIDC is active in organizations which ultimately will improve our economy such as:

- Challenger Learning Center
- Friends of Northern Lake Champlain
- Business Alliance for a Clean Lake
- Enosburg Falls Economic Development Corporation
- Georgia Industrial Development Corporation
- Richford Economic Advancement Corporation

FCIDC just completed five months of construction to install infrastructure in the St. Albans Town Industrial Park. The initial phase now gives us the ability to market five new lots. FCIDC has invested more than three million dollars for purchase, permitting, engineering and construction.

The Executive Director will be visiting with all of the selectboards/trustees/alderpersons this spring. However, if there is a Board who would like me to visit in the near future, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Thank you all for the years of support you have shown FCIDC

Respectfully,



Tim Smith
Executive Director

Northern Vermont Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council Report

The Northern Vermont Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) helps to bring together the technical, financial and administrative resources for towns with natural resource conservation and rural and community development issues. We are here to serve your community. We coordinate and facilitate assistance to town governments, fire departments, watershed groups and nonprofit organizations in the eight counties of central and northern Vermont. By bringing together help from our extensive network of resources, we can focus technical and financial resources on your specific needs. We access technical assistance and some staff through the U.S. Department of Agriculture but private sources make up most of our budget. The Council is a self-supporting 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. In 2010, working with our partner towns and organizations, we secured and administered over \$820,582 for natural resource conservation, public safety, and community development projects.

Our current projects include rural fire protection through the dry hydrant grant program, water quality improvement work through the portable skidder bridge free loan and education program, natural resources education through the High School Envirothon and 5th grade Vermont Forests Forever programs, watershed restoration work and roads management grants through the Better Backroads grant program. Do you have a project or program that could use some assistance to "make it happen"? Over the years the Northern Vermont RC&D Council has helped many communities and organizations on a variety of projects. We work on a request basis, so the first step is up to you, giving us a call. For information and free consultation call Beth Ann Finlay our RC&D Coordinator at (802) 828-4595.

Franklin County Home Health Agency Information Sheet Montgomery

What is Franklin County Home Health Agency?

Franklin County Home Health Agency is a 501(c)(3), non-profit corporation that has been providing health care and hospice services to individuals in their own homes since 1969. The Agency is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors who represent the communities we serve.

What is the Agency's Mission and Purpose?

The mission of the Agency is to provide high quality health care in a community setting. We are committed to excellence in service. We strive to meet the needs of our clients in a professional manner that promotes health, independence, comfort, dignity and quality of life.

What is the Agency's service area?

The Agency serves all 15 towns in Franklin County through our two offices - one in St. Albans and one in Enosburg Falls.

What are the Agency's Programs & Services?

Our largest program is our **Home Care Program**. This program provides medically necessary health care services to people of all ages who are typically not able to leave their home to receive medical care. Examples include individuals who need dressing changes following surgery; a person newly diagnosed with diabetes needing insulin administration and instruction; or a mother and newborn newly discharged from the hospital.

Our **Hospice Program** cares for people with a terminal illness for whom the prognosis is less than 6 months of life. The focus of this care is on achieving comfort and quality of life in the last days of life.

The Agency provides community based **long term care services**. These services assist disabled and elderly members of our community with activities such as personal care, housekeeping, meal preparation, errands and shopping to allow them to stay in their own home when they otherwise would be at risk of being admitted to a nursing home. These programs provide valuable services to our community, particularly as the population of our county ages.

We also provide services to pregnant women and infants through our **Maternal Child Health Programs** and **Childbirth Education** programs. These programs help to prepare expectant women for healthy pregnancies, labor, delivery and new infant care.

In addition to home care and hospice programs, we offer infusion therapy, telemonitoring, foot clinics, flu shot clinics, grief and bereavement services and wellness programs to our community.

The Center for Health and Wellness, our collaborative effort with Northwestern Medical Center, Northwest Counseling & Support Services, and the Vermont Department of Health provides health education programs and screenings throughout the entire county. Our goal is to prevent disease and improve the overall health of our community.

How many people are on staff at the Agency?

The Agency currently has a staff of 233 Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Nursing Assistants, Care Attendants, Homemakers, Medical Social Work, and Office Support Staff.

How many clients did the Agency serve in 2010?

During the last year, the Agency made a total of 85,336 visits to over 1500 residents of our county.

How many clients were served in Montgomery?

23 residents of Montgomery received 1006 visits. The breakdown by discipline was:

389	Skilled Nursing
151	Physical Therapy
17	Speech Language Pathology
44	Occupational Therapy
17	Medical Social Work
285	Nursing Assistants
4	Homemaker
99	Long Term Care Attendant Services
0	High Tech Visits

How are services paid for?

As a Medicare certified Agency, the Agency, receives reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and other third party insurances. In 2010 the Agency received 90 percent of its revenue from Medicare and Medicaid.

The Agency is committed to providing medically necessary home care services to all those in need regardless of their ability to pay. Without appropriations and contributions from the towns, United Way and donor gifts, our ability to provide care could be seriously diminished.

Why does the Agency need money from towns?

The Agency depends on money received from towns to subsidize the cost of care provided to patients who are uninsured or underinsured. Last year, the Agency provided more than \$514,000 in free and subsidized care.

Where do I call for more information about the Agency?

For more information about the services provided by Franklin County Home Health Agency please visit our web site at www.fchha.org or call (802) 527-7531.

Report to Towns
Vermont Department of Health
St. Albans District Office

H1N1 – the Vermont Response:

From spring 2009- spring 2010 the Vermont Department of Health undertook multiple actions to prepare for and respond to the outbreak of the H1N1 influenza virus. The State of Vermont was highly effective in responding to this public health threat, achieving the country's second highest level of vaccinations for populations in the priority immunization categories. This successful effort was the product of collaborations within Vermont state government, the medical and education sectors and the general citizenry.

VDH planned and managed the mass vaccination effort that involved over 600 K-12 schools and public health clinics in coordination with the Vermont Department of Education, Vermont Assembly of Home Health Agencies (which includes the Visiting Nurse Association), Vermont Emergency Response Volunteers (VERV) (www.healthvermont.gov/emerg/verv/index.html), eligible emergency medical technicians, and schools located throughout the state. In the town of Montgomery, 83 citizens received the H1N1 vaccine. In the county of Franklin, 4412 citizens received the H1N1 vaccine.

Ultimately, the Vermont Department of Health, in conjunction with its many partners, was able to accomplish an enormous amount of work over a very short and intense period of time. As of February 23, 2010 over 165,000 novel H1N1 influenza vaccinations had been administered statewide, with approximately 60 percent of pregnant women, 68 percent of household contacts with children under 6 months, 43 percent of healthcare workers and EMS staff, 53 percent of people aged 6 months to 24 years, and 23 percent of people with higher risk health conditions 25 to 64 years of age (all target groups) receiving the immunization. Furthermore, over 600 school and public vaccination clinics were successfully conducted. This accomplishment alone is a testament to the dedication and ability of Vermont's public health, healthcare, and education workforce.

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children ('WIC'):

One of the most effective ways to improve the health of the overall population is to improve nutrition and physical activity. In addition to providing healthy foods, WIC provides nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support, health education, and connections to other community resources. Last year, WIC added new foods including whole grain breads, skim or 1% milk for everyone over age 2, soy products and a small cash benefit that can be used to buy fruits and vegetables at participating grocery stores. During 2010, 43 women, infants and children living in Montgomery received foods as well as health screening and individualized nutrition education through this program. The average value of foods provided is \$45.00 per person per month.

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If you would like more information about these and other Health Department activities or if you have a public health concern, please call the St. Albans District Office at 802 -524-7970. For information about public health, Department initiatives, publications, and news releases go to the Department's website at www.HealthVermont.gov.



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 2011 totaling \$5,625.00. The Selectboard denied their requests to keep taxes down and because 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.
Failed Petition.

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

Franklin County Court Diversion
5 Lemnah Dr., Suite 1
St. Albans, VT 05478

Vt Assn for the Blind and Visually Impaired
60 Kimball Ave.
S. Burlington, VT 05403

Franklin County Citizen Advocacy Program
P.O. Box 31
St Albans, VT 95478

Franklin Grand Isle united Way
P,O, Box 387
St. Albans, VT 05478

Rural Partnerships
P.O. Box 924
Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

American Red Cross Northern VT Chapter
29 Mansfield Ave.
Burlington, VT 05401

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.

Respectfully,
The Selectboard.

ANNUAL REPORT

FROM THE OFFICERS

OF THE

**MONTGOMERY TOWN
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

2010

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MONTGOMERY SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

Moderator

Timothy Murphy

School Directors

Morgan Daybell	Term Expires 2011
Karen Soule	Term Expires 2011
Bruce Mercy	Term Expires 2012
Vacant (Thomas Smith resigned)	Term Expires 2012
Charles Purrier	Term Expires 2013

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 2010, 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 - 2010
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 8th day of March A.D. 2010 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. **Marijke Dollois** 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; **Wendy Howard** nominated **Bruce Mercy**. **Without objections the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Bruce.**

ARTICLE 3. To elect one School Director for a term of three years, by ballot; **Wendy Howard** nominated **Charles Purrier**. **Without objections the Town Clerk cast one ballot to re-elect Charlie.**

Without objections Superintendent Jay Nichols made a brief presentation recognizing Charles Purrier of 15 years of dedicated service as a School Board member for the Montgomery Elementary Middle School.

ARTICLE 4. To act on the reports of the Town School District Officers **Marijke Dollois** moved to accept the reports and was seconded. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District appropriate \$2,458,203 necessary for the support of schools for the school year beginning July 1, 2010? **Beth Crane** made a motion to appropriate \$2, 458,203 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, 2010? **Wendy Howard** moved to accept 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, 2010? **Scott Perry** moved to accept as read and was seconded. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

ARTICLE 8. To transact any other nonbinding business thought proper. Discussion whether there is penalties for going above the allowed cost per pupil and has or will Montgomery exceed that level. The Board assured that the school is not being penalized and indicated drastic legislation would have to be enacted before that would happen.

Marijke Dollois asked about district consolidation and the board indicated that the Early Ed program will be administered at the local level and would save Montgomery money.

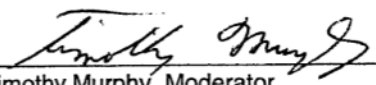
Lynn Cota-Caforia applauded the administration, staff and board being instrumental in achieving one of the highest testing scores in the state.

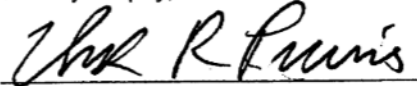
Scott Perry reminded that the Town had voted not to mail reports next year and the school could have a special meeting to vote to do the same for the School report. And he also stated that there was interest in consolidating the annual Town and School meeting on the same day.

Marijke Dollois moved to adjourn and was seconded. **Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned @ 7:49 P.M.**

True records this 9th day of March, 2010

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 14, 2011, 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 14, 2011, 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;
(Morgan Daybell's term expires.)
- ARTICLE 3. To elect one School Director for a term of three years, by ballot;
(Karen Soule's term expires.)
- ARTICLE 4. To elect one School Director for the remaining one year of a three-year term, by ballot;
(Thomas Smith resigned.)
- ARTICLE 5. To act on the reports of the Town School District Officers.
- ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Montgomery Town School District appropriate \$2,394,733 necessary for the support of schools for the school year beginning July 1, 2011?
- ARTICLE 7. 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, 2011?
- ARTICLE 8. 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, 2011?
- ARTICLE 9. Shall the voters authorize the School Board to save costs of distributing the School District Annual 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?
- ARTICLE 10. 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 20, 2011.

School Directors

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

MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Joint Report of School Directors and Office of Superintendent of Schools

Enrollment as of October 1, 2010

Grades	EEE	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Elementary	2	13	13	9	9	14	12	20	13	16	15					136
Enosburg Falls Middle & High School												11	6	3	3	23
Richford Jr.-Sr. High School												4	4	3	6	17
North Country Union High School												5	6	3	2	16
Lamoille Union High School												0	1	0	0	1
Peoples Academy												0	1	0	0	1
St. Johnsbury Academy												0	0	1	0	1
Stanstead College												2	0	0	0	<u>2</u>
																197

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.

School Board Report Montgomery School Board Directors

Our job as school board members is made so much easier by the educational leadership of Beth O'Brien, the commitment of the teachers and staff, and the professionalism of Superintendent, Jay Nichols, and the Supervisory Union staff. Everyone involved is committed to the success of our students. We thank you all for the consistently great results, both measurable and immeasurable.

The Challenges for Change bill is not the only new law occupying school boards' time. This past year has also seen changes based on Act 153, passed at the end of the last legislative session.

Through this law, the state hopes to find cost efficiencies by pushing hard for school district consolidation: requiring merger discussions and providing tax incentives for districts that merge voluntarily, and taking decision-making authority away from local districts that do not.

The five boards within the Franklin NE Supervisory Union (SU) have had initial discussion around merging into a single district. Two main areas of concern surfaced. First, Montgomery high school students would no longer have their choice of school if Montgomery merged with a district that operates a high school. Next year, we anticipate having students in nine different area high schools. Second, Montgomery would lose representation on the unified board. The new board of the unified district would need to comply with a one-person one-vote standard, which could be reached by: electing all school board members at large from across the unified district; electing school board members based on their population (so Montgomery might have one member to Enosburgh's three); or electing the same number of school board members from each town, but weighting their votes so that votes from board members in larger towns would have greater weight (a Montgomery member's vote might be worth only three-fifths of a Berkshire vote). In any scenario, Montgomery voters would have less influence.

The second section of Act 153 is having a more immediate impact on our school. Prior to its enactment, many services could be provided either by local districts or by the Supervisory Union. In Franklin Northeast, we have historically left many of those decisions to the local boards. Under the new law, many services must be provided at the SU level.

The most significant example is in the area of Special Education (SPED). Act 153 requires that all SPED services be provided by the SU as of FY2013. Functionally, this means that all SPED staff will become employees of the SU, rather than the town districts. Once that happens, the Superintendent will have the authority to move SPED staff between schools as he/she deems appropriate. Montgomery could very well end up being the farm team for other schools. The irony is that over the past two fiscal years, our SU has been shifting SPED costs to local boards (EEE and speech/language) in part *to save money*. To repeat a statement made at one of our recent board meetings: "all this efficiency is going to cost us a lot of money." Our SU has requested a waiver from this provision of the law; the Department of Education has yet to rule on that request.

And while other staff will remain Montgomery employees, teacher negotiations now take place at the SU level. There is room for some variation between contracts for each district, although we are still in the middle of that first negotiation process.

Similarly, goods and services will be purchased by the SU instead of local districts. In some cases, there will be little change (we have been negotiating fuel prices as an SU, even though separate contracts have been drawn up for each district). In others, changes are coming. Student transportation contracts are now bid, negotiated, and signed by the SU. Currently, Montgomery has three independent contractors providing transportation, while the other four towns in Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union have a contract with one company. It is unclear whether we would need SU approval to provide food service through school staff instead of through an SU contract.

We are certainly not experts in these laws, and can't predict what is coming down the pike, but you should feel free to approach us or any of your elected officials with thoughts on these changes.

Superintendent's Report

Jay Nichols

This is my second year as Superintendent of Schools for the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU). Our Supervisory Union proudly serves the five towns of Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburg, Montgomery, and Richford. I am very proud of our schools. Each of them provides an outstanding educational experience and meaningful learning opportunities to our students. When I travel around the State and meet with other Superintendents, I am constantly impressed by how well we are doing in many areas as compared to most other Supervisory Unions. We have a very articulated curriculum, we have a well-developed assessment plan, and we are spending resources

focusing on using research-based instructional practices. Further, we are making a strong investment in resources: time, grant funds, technology, training and student instructional time in providing students with 21st Century learning skills and access to digital literacy skills. It is our collective purpose to provide our students with the skills necessary to assist them in being college and/or career ready when they graduate from our high schools.

These have been rapidly changing times in Vermont public education. Although our state, by any comparative data, is one of the highest performing in the country, there is still much work to be done. Like the rest of the nation, Vermont is struggling with the economic downturn we have all experienced. As a reaction to the economy, the Vermont legislature has put forth two major pieces of legislation that have substantial impact on public schools. The first, the so-called Challenges for Change, required an educational spending cut of 23.2 million dollars across the state. Despite being the lowest spending Supervisory Union in Franklin County and one of the lowest spending in the state, we were given a target to cut \$294,901 across our five school districts. This is also despite the fact that four of our five towns actually had budgets this year that were LOWER than the previous year. Nevertheless, due to the hard work of our School Boards and our Administrators as of this writing, we have successfully made the targeted educational spending cuts. The second major action by the legislature was to pass a law to encourage towns to dissolve school districts and form new Regional Education Districts and compelled more services to be provided by the Supervisory Union on behalf of all districts. We will explore all options available to us under the new legislation and will continue to make decisions based on what is in the best interests of the students and our local communities.

Each of our School Districts has a five-member 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. This is a difficult balance during these times of economic concern and increased pressure for schools to provide services that previously were provided by families or local government.

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

Montgomery Elementary School is a wonderful school by any definition. You consistently have high-test scores; you have a very effective teaching team, and a very supportive community; and most importantly, the students of Montgomery get a very well rounded public education.

Your school is comprised of a School Board, Principal, Faculty, and Support Staff that are all dedicated, each in their own way, to 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 any questions, concerns, or suggestions you might have related to the operations, policies, or anything else related to the Montgomery School.

In closing, we have worked hard in all of our school districts to develop budgets that are fiscally responsive to our communities while providing a comprehensive educational program for our students. This has been exceedingly difficult during these very tough fiscal times. The efforts we have made to reach the targets set forth by the Challenges to Change legislation has been daunting to say the least. We have had to make some tough decisions and prioritize how best to fund education in our towns. Your School Boards and Administrators are commended for their efforts in this regard.

Learning the basics is no longer sufficient for our students competing in the 21st Century. Our students must be digital savvy to successfully pursue most of the higher paying jobs in the future work force. They won't be able to learn everything they need to know during their relatively short 13 years or so of public school. However, we can teach students 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 a 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.

Curriculum

Mary Helen Hart, Curriculum/Grants Coordinator

Our Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) mission, vision and targets appear earlier in this section. Our curriculum work supports accomplishing these targets, and is focused on completing our essential curriculum maps in as many subject areas as possible. Essential curriculum maps are the written record of required student learning and are used by all teachers in the Supervisory Union to develop units of study. All subject areas will have essential maps within the next year or two. To date, we have developed essential maps in Reading, Writing, Math, Science and Social Studies. Work in Music, Art, Physical Education, World Languages and other subject areas, has also begun. All essential maps are considered works-in-progress and will be reviewed and revised as needed.

Our curriculum mapping work addresses the need to align curriculum across grade levels 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.

The FNESU Curriculum Mapping Council, a teacher-majority group representing all of our schools, learned to write curriculum using a software system and following an explicit format 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 our web-based system, Rubicon Atlas. We are in our third year of a five-year plan through which the Council plans to work with all teachers to enter and review all curricula using the Rubicon Atlas system.

Our Rubicon Atlas software system provides a way to make our curriculum a living document, not a shelf document. Our system is becoming a repository for resources, such as educational resources, 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 following classroom instruction and assessment to reflect what their students actually learned. Teachers have access to each other's curriculum maps in order to see what their students learned the previous year. New teachers have a wonderful resource for beginning their work, as they can view the previous teacher's curriculum maps and how other teachers in the Supervisory Union are planning instruction.

All teachers participated in establishing power standards and indicators that 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, and Vermont's Framework of Standards and Grade Level Expectations were used as the starting point in the development of essential curriculum 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 additional standards that should be incorporated into our teaching. These Vermont Standards and Expectations are the basis for our state assessment (NECAP) through the 2014 school year. Then the newly adopted Common Core State Standards** will become the basis for a new state assessment that will first be administered in the 2014-2015 school year and will be incorporated into our curriculum maps as well during the next few years.

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>

** The Common Core State Standards are available at <http://www.corestandards.org> and Vermont's plan for implementation can be viewed at http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_curriculum.html#cc_faq

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 \$1,389,156, include Title I, Title II Parts A and D, and Title IV. Specific amounts from each Title are indicated in the FNESU Grants Summary chart. Note that Title IV is no longer funded at the federal level and funds available for this final year consist of a very small amount of carryover from last year. While consolidated 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 for this year is \$125,489 and the Title IID ARRA allocation is \$8,060. 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 \$67,833. These funds are used to plan prevention and healthy activities for students. Examples of expenditures include support of summer/after school health-related activities and equipment, a Student Assistance Program (SAP) counselor, tooth tutor programs, and student counseling services. In its tenth 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. We are fortunate to receive a second round of funding of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) grant, now totaling \$312,736, which partially funds after school programs in Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburg and Richford. Teresa Manning, our 21st CCLC Coordinator, wrote this grant proposal that will continue for four more 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 21st CCLC funds and can continue once these funds are no longer available.

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

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. Your school's action plan may be found on your school's website or you may request a copy from your school to see the work being supported with grant funds.

Most of the FNESU Title monies fund personnel to support student learning needs in our schools. Ten teachers and six 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 agreements are 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: two teachers and one paraeducator in Berkshire Elementary School, one teacher and a Positive Behavior Support Coordinator in Bakersfield Elementary School, and three teachers and one paraeducator in Richford Elementary School. In Enosburg, FNESU employs three teachers and one paraeducator at the Elementary School, as well as one paraeducator at the High School. In Montgomery, one teacher and three paraeducators/tutors are employed through this grant. A Literacy Coach and Math Coach also work through federal funding to support teacher and student learning in all FNESU schools.

In addition to supporting 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.

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.

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.

LEAPS

Formerly 21st Century Community Learning Centers
Teresa Manning, 21st CCLC Project Director

This year, based on a recommendation from the Vermont Department of Education, our project chose a name in order to identify ourselves individually from other 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) within Vermont. The name LEAPS was chosen and stands for “Learning and Enrichment Activities that build Positive relationships and Self-esteem.”

Additionally, a mission statement was created by our Advisory Team: “Through a commitment to learning in a safe, supportive, healthy and fun environment, LEAPS connects after-school programming, skill development, and supplemental instruction with the local school system and community by providing choices for enriching life-long learning activities and positive relationships that enhance the lives of students, educators and school staff, parents, and the Northeast Franklin County community. We develop skill-based programs that support students transitioning to their next level of continued education or professional career, and to be productive members of their community.”

For the seventh year, we are serving grades 5–12 at Enosburg Falls Middle & High School and grades 4–8 at Richford. The three sites in their second year are serving grades 1–8 in Bakersfield, grades 1–8 in Berkshire and grades 1–4 at Enosburg Elementary. The primary funding source for our project remains the 21CCLC with an award amount for this fiscal year of approximately \$308,000 for all five sites. The grant will fund Enosburg Middle & High and Richford at fifty percent through June 2014, and Bakersfield, Berkshire and Enosburg Elementary at one hundred percent through June 2012, seventy-five percent from July 2012 through June 2013, and sixty-five percent from July 2013 through June 2014. Additional funding comes from a variety of other sources such as: Consolidated Federal Funds, private grants, tuition paid by parents, donations and in-kind services.

While each of the sites vary in scope, all sites work towards achieving three common goals with the intent to strengthen student learning during the school day. 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 also parallel those of the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) and help promote that mission through offering a variety of enrichment activities, homework assistance and tutoring services as well as clear expectations that will foster a positive school climate.

During the 2009-2010 school year, our project served 571 students in all five sites, 262 of whom were regular attendees defined as attending 60 or more program hours throughout the school year and summer. Students who were regular attendees in our after-school programs were absent from school an average of 5.25 days last year as compared to those who were not, at an average of 9.32 days.

Our programs would not be as successful without our Community Partners: Arvin A. Brown Library, Franklin County Caring Communities, Lucas J. Williams Memorial Fund, Northern Tier Center for Health, and Rural Partnerships. Thank you for your continued support!

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 and exhibit a developmental delay in two or more of the following areas: Receptive and/or expressive communication; Adaptive development; Social or emotional development; Physical development including gross or fine motor skills; or Cognitive skills such as perception, memory, processing and reasoning. 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 Programs offer developmentally appropriate practices, which are effective and efficient and meet the needs of our youngest students. This year, our programs are located in each elementary school building within FNESU. Enosburg and Richford also host a collaborative classroom with Head Start. This collaboration allows us to share resources while maintaining fiscal responsibility. Our sites hold STARS ratings, 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. FNESU continues to “provide young children with opportunities to reach their full growth and developmental potential,” while managing its resources throughout our rural townships, changing demographics, rising costs of public education and the consolidation of resources. The continued demand for high academic standards is at the forefront of FNESU’s decision-making process.

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/> or <http://sites.google.com/a/fnesu.net/home/special-education>

Technology Report

Robert Gervais, Technology Coordinator

Students in FNESU have been using wireless laptops and devices for well over a decade, however 2009-2010 brought the reality of 1:1 Computing in our schools. Combining an influx of ARRA grant funds with local funding sources and lower costs of mobile devices, all FNESU schools, over the past 18 months, have initiated some version of a 1:1 Computing program in grades 5-9. 1:1 Computing is a loose term that describes a program where students have access to their "own" device. Devices in our scenarios can be laptops, mini-laptops (netbooks), or iPads (touch screen devices). Access is determined differently in each school but can range from being used in only certain classrooms, all the way up to ubiquitous use in school and beyond. The programs are unique and varied, but the goal is the same: to eliminate barriers of access while providing our students technology-rich learning experiences that develop 21st Century learning skills. We want our students to take ownership of their device and engage with it as a routine learning tool.

In most cases, Enosburg grades 5-9, Montgomery grades 6-8, and Richford grades 6-7, students have access to their own Netbook, which is housed and charged in secure carts when not in students' hands. Netbooks are mini-laptops, with 9-10 inch screens, and run the Ubuntu open-source operating system. In Berkshire, grades 6-8, and Bakersfield, grades 7-8, students are using their own iPads. iPads are relatively new tablet devices, produced by Apple, with a touch interface, motion detection-control, and 9-inch screens. Schools have developed classroom protocols covering all aspects of use and care, including a tiered system of privileges that governs how much access each student has earned.

Having students with extensive access to electronic and online resources changes the "rules of the game" for teachers. There are higher expectations that teaching methods, activities, and curriculum goals will change, as well as an understanding that many teachers are not fully prepared to manage students with individual computing devices in their classrooms. To support teachers through these changes, and to give them the resources to provide 21st Century learning opportunities, FNESU is participating in an ARRA funded 1:1 professional development grant project. Teachers from every school with 1:1 deployments have already begun this experience with training to create management protocols and procedures, and have dedicated time to develop curriculum that is transformative and technology-rich. Much of this work is based on the experiences learned from the Maine Laptop Initiative (1:1 laptops for all 7th and 8th graders in Maine since 2002), Rueben Puentedura, an instrumental educational theorist involved with the Maine initiative, as well as experiences of the Enosburg Middle School 6th grade, who piloted 1:1 netbooks since August 2009.

Our 1:1 programs are only one example of how FNESU stays on the leading edge, and leverages resources using technology. Dozens of teachers in FNESU have earned graduate credit by participating in local courses that promote 21st Century teaching methods and transformation of technology in the curriculum. There has been an influx of teacher-created websites (Googlesites, Scholastic, wikis, etc), which improve the communication between school and home/community. All teachers use our online curriculum database, Rubicon Atlas, to develop and map curriculum; with particular attention given to 21st Century learning. Web 2.0 (interactive uses of websites, tools, and online databases) programs such as VoiceThread, Skype, Raz-kids, Jing, and Kidblog, to name a few, have become increasingly common in many classrooms. The majority of classrooms also have interactive smartboards and projectors that are used on a daily basis in many creative ways. The use of Google Docs has become commonplace for several schools, enabling collaborative document creation and sharing. The 2009-2012 Technology Plan is a great example of the power of Google Docs collaboration, being created and edited online by approximately 20 teachers and administrators over the course of a year.

As FNESU continues to be proactive in providing the best technology resources and opportunities for our students, as well as professional development for teachers, some of the following projects and initiatives are expected to continue and to be improved. Online coursework, currently provided through OdysseyWare, will expand to include Vermont Online High Schools. Assessments of student and teacher attainment of national technology standards are currently being given as pre-tests, results of which will be used to drive instruction and professional development activities. Measuring technology literacy through a standardized assessment is only one limited view; EPearl online portfolio is being used to collect samples of student work, and a comprehensive student survey has also been given to students in grades 5-9. Curriculum currently includes internet safety, but will become more formalized with our participation in the Vermont Internet Safety Project, which addresses online safety at every grade level in K-12.

More about these, and other, information technologies can be found at these websites:

- <https://sites.google.com/a/fnesu.net/home/information-technology>
- <https://sites.google.com/a/fnesu.net/121-computing/>
- <http://vtisp.org/> (terrific internet safety resources for parents too!)
- <http://www.p21.org/route21/> (skills in the 21st Century)
- <http://vermonttges2010.pbworks.com/w/page/26068224/FrontPage> (VT's expectations of technology standards at each grade level)

These are exciting times to be a student, especially in FNESU, where our school leaders understand and value the importance of technology in our society, and are preparing our students with skills for the 21st Century. For more information on anything relating to Technology Education in FNESU schools, please don't hesitate to drop me a line at rgervais@fnesu.net, or phone at 933-2171 x 33.

Principal's Report

Beth O'Brien, Principal

"It isn't about money, class size, or the use of the latest, sure-fire commercial materials. And it isn't about No Child Left Behind, Special Education, or Title I regulations, either. It's about Vermont kids, Vermont teachers, and the results they've been getting on four years worth of an assessment that we know: the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) tests."

Otho Thompson, a former Vermont principal, wrote this to the readers of the "Roots of Success: Effective Practices In Vermont Schools" report that was released last year. This study explored one question: What does it really take to help every Vermont child, particularly those from impoverished backgrounds, succeed in school? What they learned is that success is the result of a highly functioning system that possesses eight key characteristics:

1. The belief that all students can succeed;
2. The belief that the school staff are ultimately responsible for students' success and must therefore continually improve their practice;
3. Effective school leadership that helps translate these beliefs into practice;
4. Ongoing use of data to provide feedback to staff as well as monitor and support students;
5. A professional teaching culture that supports high quality instruction and is characterized by staff collaboration, trust among staff members, strong staff commitment and dedication, and effective paraprofessionals;
6. A comprehensive and highly functioning support system for students who struggle academically, emotionally, behaviorally, or socially, including early intervention programs;
7. A supportive school climate that makes all students, as well as adults, feel valued and safe; and
8. A commitment to building constructive relationships with families and involving them in their child's learning. (For more information on this report, visit www.rootsofsuccess.wordpress.com)

The faculty, school board and administrators spent a considerable amount of time reading and discussing this report last year. We used these eight characteristics to evaluate ourselves, listing examples of our efforts in each of the eight areas. We also tried to think of things that we could do even better. We agreed with the findings of the study, and have worked diligently to make improvements in each of these areas over the past decade. Overall, we are doing well in each area, and our NECAP results support our thinking. I am thrilled to report that last year ninety percent of our students achieved or exceeded the standard in Math and eighty-eight percent achieved or exceeded the standard in Reading! According to schooligger.com, a website that searches, evaluates, and compares schools, we ranked seventh out of 219 schools in Vermont for our Math NECAP scores and twenty-first for Reading. This also translated to successfully meeting Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) again. Our continued success is a reflection of our staff's dedication, our family involvement, and our community support.

Building and fostering relationships with parents and families, our children's first teachers, is a top priority for us. We are always looking for opportunities to connect in meaningful ways. One example of efforts in this area occurred in March last year. We added an event called "One School One Book". We chose a book, *Because of Winn Dixie*, to read as a school community. We kicked off the event by reading aloud the first chapter at a community dinner.

“One School One Book” not only promoted literacy, but also provided parents an additional opportunity to be true partners in their child’s education.

In an effort to improve early intervention and as a result of the Community Needs Assessment conducted on early childhood programs throughout Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) last year, it was decided that these programs would be provided locally. This year, we added a Playschool Program two mornings per week for three-year-olds, in addition to our multi-age Pre-kindergarten Program three afternoons per week that was added three years ago. It is our belief that more students will be able to access these programs if they are offered right in the community.

We are constantly seeking creative use of personnel and collaboration among faculty to allow us to operate more effectively and efficiently. This meets our goal of providing quality education in a cost effective manner. Looking at class size numbers alone, especially in the primary grades, does not paint an accurate picture of student teacher ratios. One example of this creativity occurs when Crystal Johnson, this year’s Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union’s Outstanding Elementary Teacher, goes to fifth grade two afternoons per week to teach fifth grade Writing and Social Studies. This allows Mr. Ward to teach middle school Physical Education and eighth grade Social Studies. Ms. Woodward teaches a multi-age first and second grade class at these times. Our elementary teachers also teach one Physical Education class per week, which is another example of our collaborative efforts to reduce the need for additional teachers.

Successful schools are the result of highly functioning systems. We are fortunate to have support from an informed School Board, dedicated and hard-working Supervisory Union and district staff, and a vibrant community. All teachers, schools, and communities want their students to succeed, but Montgomery goes beyond that. We expect them to succeed, and take the necessary steps to make that happen. Thank you for being part of a hard working and successful system!

Montgomery Town School District
Teacher Quality Data
2009-2010

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	27.5/28	.5/28	98.21%	1.79%	0/11	0%

Professional Qualifications of Teachers

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

Business Manager's Update

William Samuelson, Business Manager

Vermont's Challenge for Change legislation required Supervisory Unions to achieve education spending targeted reductions during fiscal year 2012 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012). Supervisory Unions had until December 15, 2010 to report to Vermont's Commissioner of Education on their ability to meet their assigned target. Since targets were assigned to Supervisory Unions rather than to School Districts, the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) School Districts had to work collaboratively to meet the assigned target of reducing education spending by \$294,901. The FNESU School Districts exceeded the assigned target with a combined reduction to education spending of \$297,149. FNESU was one of the few Supervisory Unions to meet their assigned reduction by the deadline. To reach the target, each FNESU School District has made budget reductions with the goal of providing a fiscally responsible budget that will enable students to meet current education standards.

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.

Due to Vermont's ongoing fiscal crisis, there is uncertainty as to what the state education tax rates and base education amount will be. The Vermont Department of Education (VDOE) has recommended School Districts increase current state education tax rates by one cent and utilize the current base education amount when computing anticipated tax rates for annual meetings. Consequently, the estimated state residential education tax rate used throughout this report is \$.87; the estimated state non-homestead education tax rate is \$1.36; and the estimated base education amount utilized is \$8,544. Only one of these tax rates is applied to each parcel of property. 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.

Qualifying taxpayers with household incomes of less than approximately \$96,000 are eligible to receive a reduction to their homestead property taxes by completing and submitting a 2011 Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Form to the Vermont Department of Taxes. Since 2007, the education property tax payment (prebate) and property tax rebate have been combined into one education property tax credit that appears 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, 2011 must file a Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Claim, with the Vermont Department of Taxes no later than April 18, 2011. Homeowners filing their Homestead Declaration after April 18, 2011 will be subject to property tax penalties.** Additional information concerning the property tax adjustment programs and forms can be found on the Vermont Department of Taxes website at <http://tax.vermont.gov>, or may be obtained by calling 866-828-2865 (toll-free in VT) or 802-828-2865 or E-mail indincome@state.vt.us.

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. To derive education spending per equalized pupil, education spending is divided by the district's equalized pupils. 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 FY12. 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 \$2,394,733, anticipated local revenues of \$244,799, and categorical grants of \$297,474, Montgomery's education spending is anticipated to be \$1,852,460. Dividing education spending by Montgomery's equalized pupil count of 183.37 produces the education spending per equalized pupil amount of \$10,102, which is \$142 per pupil less than FY11 per pupil spending. This amount is 118.24% of the state base education amount of \$8,544. Multiplying the \$.87 state residential education tax rate by 118.24% generates Montgomery's anticipated \$1.0287 FY12 equalized residential tax rate.

The anticipated \$1.36 non-homestead rate is not based upon the local School District's budget. Therefore, the non-homestead tax rate will not change due to local budget decisions made by taxpayers during the Annual School District Meeting.

As both the state residential and non-residential education tax rates are "equalized" rates, to determine local tax rates, they are adjusted by the town's common level of appraisal (CLA). Montgomery's CLA has increased from 72.11% to 75.88%. A rising CLA is a reflection of decreasing property values and decreases local education tax rates. Based upon the new CLA and the anticipated equalized tax rate, we estimate Montgomery's local residential education tax rate to be \$1.3557 or \$.0743 cents lower than the FY11 tax rate. The local non-homestead education tax rate is anticipated to be \$1.7923 or \$.0798 lower than the FY11 tax rate. *The adjustment to the equalized educational tax rates due to the increase 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 where 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 FY12 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 VDOE 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, 2010. 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 Town School District Budget Highlights

The Montgomery School Board Directors and School Administration have arduously worked since the budgeting process began in September to produce a budget for FY12 that respects the reality of the current state fiscal crises, and meets Vermont's Challenge for Change education spending targeted reduction, while funding the essential education programs needed to prepare Montgomery students for the future. This task was especially difficult since the School Board anticipates the District will have to pay tuition for five more high school students next school year than this year. The results of this difficult task are:

- 1) The lowest Montgomery School District budget in the last three years.
- 2) The lowest education spending per pupil since FY10.
- 3) An anticipated reduction of 7.43 cents to the residential education tax rate.

To further increase local control and help contain costs, the Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union (FNESU) School Board Directors decided that the FNESU Special Education (SPED) department will no longer provide counseling and psychological services to students enrolled in FNESU Schools. Instead, each FNESU School District will provide and budget for these services for their students. This change has lowered the FNESU SPED assessment, while not increasing Montgomery's anticipated costs for these services. Also, FNESU will sub-grant Montgomery \$24,283 of Federal IDEA-B funds and \$1,093 of IDEA-B Preschool funds in FY12.

The Elementary School portion of the budget is anticipated to be \$2,791 less in FY12 than the current budget. This is the lowest Elementary School budget since FY08. There is one less paraeducator position in the FY12 budget than in FY11. Payments to other school districts and agencies are anticipated to decrease by \$60,679 in the FY11 budget despite the increase in high school tuition. This is primarily due to an \$81,000 decrease in costs of providing legally required SPED services for students with disabilities, for Montgomery students attending other school districts or receiving services from other agencies. Also, technical education tuition is anticipated to decrease due to a reduction in Montgomery students attending classes in area vocational centers and a decrease in the Cold Hollow Career Center tuition rate.

Local revenues are anticipated to decrease by \$52,007, primarily due to a decrease in the unreserved fund balance that more than offset increases in prior year tuition refunds and an increase in the debt service fund payment. Categorical grants are anticipated to decrease by \$64,686, due to decreases in anticipated SPED reimbursement, the small schools grant, the early education grant and Medicaid funds. The School District anticipates receiving \$15,055 in federal education jobs funds during FY12.

Montgomery's education spending per equalized pupil for FY12 is anticipated to decrease by \$142 per pupil to \$10,102. This is a product of the increase in equalized pupils, the increase to the budget, and the decrease 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
Morgan Daybell

Administration

Jay Nichols, Superintendent
Mary Helen Hart, Curriculum/Grants Coordinator
Teresa Manning, 21st 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 2010-2011

Title of Grant or Source	Town(s) or Supervisory Union	Contact Person	Amount
Consolidated Federal Programs Grants, including:			
Title I - Academic Support	FNESU	M. Hart	\$1,011,793
Title II Part A - Professional Development	FNESU	M. Hart	\$366,618
Title II Part D - Technology	FNESU	M. Hart	\$10,730
Title IV - Safe/Drug Free Schools	FNESU	M. Hart	\$15
ARRA Title I	FNESU	M. Hart	\$125,489
ARRA Title IID	FNESU	M. Hart	\$8,060
FNESU Early Ed Initiative (EEI)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$29,500
IDEA B (School Age)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$580,033
IDEA B (Preschool)	FNESU	K. Magnuson	\$13,918
School-Based Tobacco Use Prevention	FNESU	L. Carpenter/S. Brauer	\$13,376
Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis & Treatment (EPSDT)	FNESU	M. Hart	\$67,833
Licensing Fees Grant	FNESU	V. Allen	\$1,010
ARRA Title IID Technology Innovation	FNESU	R. Gervais	\$20,000
Franklin County Migrant Education	Franklin NE, NW, Central and West Supervisory Unions	L. Ferland	\$185,695
Title I School Improvement	Bakersfield	C. Benedict/M. Hart	\$52,138
VT State, Agency of Agriculture	Bakersfield	D. Price	\$2,500
Farm to School	Bakersfield	C. Benedict	\$1,500
Title I School Improvement	Berkshire	L. Caforia/M. Hart	\$50,821
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	Berkshire	D. Boock	\$8,650
Department for Children and Families, STARS	Berkshire	L. Cota-Caforia	\$1,000
Our Voices Exposed (OVX) VT Department of Health	Enosburg Falls	S. Brauer	\$3,000
Adult Technical Education Grant, VT Department of Labor	Enosburg Falls	J. Estey	\$91,752
Perkins Grant, Cold Hollow Career Center	Enosburg Falls	A. Liskowsky	\$55,520
Title I School Improvement	Enosburg Falls	M. Lussier/M. Hart	\$51,210
Title IID Musical Arts Proposal	Enosburg Falls	A. Martin	\$6,575
Vermont E-Learning Project	Enosburg Falls	E. Remmers	\$35,000
USDA Enosburg Roof, Rural Housing Service	Enosburg Falls	W. Samuelson	\$28,360
Exxon Mobile Grant	Enosburg Falls	M. Lussier	\$750
Student Assistance Program-VDH, Enosburg and Richford	Enosburg Falls, Richford	S. Brauer/N. Demar	\$35,892
21st Century Community Learning Center, Enos/Richford	Enosburg Falls, Richford, Berkshire, Bakersfield	T. Manning	\$312,736
Children's Trust Fund	Enosburg Falls, Richford, Berkshire, Bakersfield	T. Manning	\$12,862
Ben and Jerry's VT Community Action Team	Enosburg Falls, Richford, Berkshire, Bakersfield	T. Manning	\$5,000
Healthy Sprouts	Enosburg Falls, Richford, Berkshire, Bakersfield	T. Manning	\$500
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	Montgomery	W. Howard	\$7,500
North Country Federal Credit Union	Montgomery	R. Bryce	\$500
Dairy Council	Montgomery	W. Howard	\$1,255
Vermont Humanities Council	Richford	A. Goynes/L. Greco	\$2,498
The Learning Kitchen, Cooking For Life	Richford	L. McGraw	\$1,400
Our Voices Exposed (OVX) VT Department of Health	Richford	L. Greco	\$1,500

Montgomery Elementary School Fundraisers

	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10
Magazine Sales	\$1,520.40	\$1,206.01	\$1,402.18	\$2,067.00	\$1,793.55
Sally Foster	\$3,558.00	\$2,552.50	\$2,489.48	\$2,833.50	\$2,569.40
SF - Cookie					\$1,055.00
Pizza	\$2,228.98	\$2,801.76	\$2,970.27	\$3,424.25	\$3,775.15

September 24, 2010

MONTGOMERY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Beginning Balance 07/01/09

TD Banknorth SuperSweep	<u>530,393.17</u>	\$530,393.17
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RECEIPTS

State of Vermont	460,991.78	
Property Taxes - Town of Montgomery	1,593,284.62	
FNESU Reimbursements	26,759.97	
Interest	2,803.26	
Tuition Refunds & Reimb	9,950.86	
Use of School/Sports Games	2,361.00	
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	20,132.61	
Transfer from Debt Service Fund	65,000.00	
Small Grants & Donations	<u>4,771.68</u>	
		<u>\$2,186,055.78</u>
		\$2,716,448.95

EXPENSES

Disbursements	2,280,636.94	
Transfer to Hot Lunch	<u>2,500.00</u>	
		<u>\$2,283,136.94</u>

Ending Balance 06/30/10

TD Banknorth	<u><u>\$433,312.01</u></u>
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Respectfully submitted,

Renée J Patterson, Treasurer

**MONTGOMERY FOOD SERVICE
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**

Beginning Balance 07/01/09

TD Banknorth Checking	11,506.78	
		\$11,506.78

RECEIPTS

State of Vermont	50,102.63	
Student & Adult Meals	28,902.34	
Interest	22.90	
MTSD Support	2,500.00	
		\$81,527.87
		\$93,034.65

EXPENSES

Disbursements	75,733.84	
		\$75,733.84

Ending Balance 06/30/10

	TD Banknorth	\$17,300.81
		\$17,300.81

**MONTGOMERY SCHOOL CAPITAL DEPT SERVICE FUND
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**

Beginning Balance 07/01/09

TD Banknorth - CD-Debt Service Fund	304,849.81	
Transfer Correction	65,000.00	
		\$369,849.81

RECEIPTS

Interest	6,574.48	
		\$6,574.48

EXPENSES

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

Ending Balance 06/30/10

	TD Banknorth - CD - Debt Service Fund	\$311,424.29
	311,424.29	\$311,424.29
		\$311,424.29

Respectfully Submitted,
Renée J Patterson, Treasurer

2009-10 SALARIES AND WAGES

PRINCIPAL	
Beth O'Brien	\$57,605

TEACHERS	
Natalie Bruzzi	\$34,652
Jeffrey Ward	\$56,304
Beth O'Brien	\$19,202
Susan Zeineth-Collins	\$50,116
Sandra Knapp	\$38,207
Pamela Krout-Voss	\$20,075
Steven Moran	\$54,037
Crystal Johnson	\$48,148
Sara Caldwell	\$38,252
Julie Rapoport	\$39,805
Lara Morales	\$44,695
Total	\$443,493

TREASURER	
Renee Patterson	\$3,473

PARAEDUCATORS	
Robin Pelkey	\$17,692
Joan Ramey	\$15,038
Karen Westcom	\$10,010
Annie Purrier	\$16,069
Sandra Fleckenstein	\$7,910
John Newton	\$15,230
Dawn Reed	\$1,852
Carol Clokey	\$62
Total	\$83,863

LIBRARIAN	
Robin Bryce	\$13,481
Total	\$13,481

EXTRACURRICULAR COORDINATOR	
Jeff Ward	\$4,500

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	
Jeffrey Ward	\$1,500

CUSTODIANS	
Andrew Smith	\$16,725
Lawrence Letourneau	\$9,260
Colby Marshall	\$385
Colin Wood	\$24,805
Total	\$51,175

SECRETARY	
Ruthanne Little	\$23,556

FOOD SERVICE	
James Abbott	\$23
Wendy Howard	\$18,587
Jean Trautner	\$14,868
Rachel Brown	\$234
Total	\$33,712

GUIDANCE	
Allison May	\$2,304
Lindsey Waldman	\$11,657
Total	\$13,961

COACHES	
Jeffrey Ward	\$450
Stephanie Machia	\$450
John Newton	\$900
Rory Butler	\$900
Total	\$2,700

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

2009-2010 SUBSTITUTE WAGES

SUBSTITUTES

Leah Van Rees	\$35
Sarah St. Pierre	\$35
Kerry Fleckenstein	\$70
Susan Ruprecht	\$105
Anna Charette	\$175
JoAnn Foote	\$210
Rachel Brown	\$245
Jessica Kernan-Radtkey	\$264
Sandra Fleckenstein	\$268
Kara Starr	\$680
Dawn Reed	\$768
Holly Gregoire	\$980
Suzanne Pelletier	\$1,050
Sharon DeVries	\$1,155
Total	\$6,040

2009-10 TUITION PAYMENTS

High Schools

St. Johnsbury Academy	\$13,470
North Country Union High School	\$86,151
Richford High School	\$191,337
Enosburg Falls High School	\$222,998
Total	\$513,956

Technical Centers

Green Mt. Technology and Career Center	\$21,685
Cold Hollow Career Center	\$29,881
North Country Career Center	\$30,629
Total	\$82,195

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Revenues and Tax Rates				
		2010-2011	2011-2012	11 to 12
		Reported to DOI	Anticipated	Change
	Anticipated Local Revenue			
1	Use of Fund Balance *	\$210,468	\$138,887	(\$71,581)
2	Prior Year H.S. Tuition Refund	\$7,675	\$17,112	\$9,437
3	Use of School & Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
4	Debt Service Fund Payment	\$65,000	\$85,000	\$20,000
5	FNESU Early Ed Program Refund	\$10,163	\$0	(\$10,163)
6	Anticipated Interest	\$2,500	\$2,800	\$300
7	Total Anticipated Local Revenue	\$296,806	\$244,799	(\$52,007)
8				
9	Anticipated Categorical Grants			
10	Federal Education Jobs Funds	\$0	\$15,055	\$15,055
11	Special Education State Aid	\$197,655	\$134,016	(\$63,639)
12	State Transportation Aid	\$43,183	\$44,603	\$1,420
13	Small Schools Grant	\$92,913	\$83,082	(\$9,831)
14	Early Essential Education Grant	\$12,563	\$10,323	(\$2,240)
15	Medicaid Funds	\$15,847	\$10,395	(\$5,451)
16	Total Anticipated Categorical Grants	\$362,161	\$297,474	(\$64,686)
17				
18	Anticipated Education Spending Revenue			
19	Education Spending Revenue	\$1,754,787	\$1,817,971	\$63,184
20	Technical Center Tuition Revenue	\$44,449	\$34,489	(\$9,960)
21	Total Anticipated Ed Spending Revenue	\$1,799,236	\$1,852,460	\$53,224
22				
23	Total Anticipated Revenue	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	(\$63,470)
24				
25	Anticipated Expenses			
26	Elementary Expenses	\$1,493,030	\$1,490,239	(\$2,791)
27	Payments to Other School Districts / Agencies	\$965,173	\$904,494	(\$60,679)
28	Total Anticipated Expenses	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	(\$63,470)
29				
30	Education Spending	\$1,799,236	\$1,852,460	\$53,224
31	Equalized Pupils	175.63	183.37	7.74
32	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$10,244	\$10,102	(\$142)
33				
34	Anticipated Residential Education Tax Rates			
35		Anticipated	Anticipated	11 to 12
36		FY11	FY12	Change
37	Anticipated State Residential Education Tax Rate	\$0.860	\$0.870	\$0.010
38	Above Base Ed Payment Spending Rate	119.90%	118.24%	-1.66%
39	Equalized Residential Education Tax Rate	\$1.0311	\$1.0287	(\$0.0025)
40	Common Level of Appraisal	72.11%	75.88%	3.77%
41	Local Residential Education Tax Rate	\$1.4300	\$1.3557	(\$0.0743)
42				
43	*2008-2009 School Year Surplus \$210,468			
44	*2009-2010 School Year Surplus \$138,887			

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Budget					
	DESCRIPTION	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2011-12 Anticipated	11 to 12 Change
	K-8 Instructional				
1	Salaries / Elementary	\$309,219	\$310,271	\$313,000	\$2,729
2	Salaries / Secondary	\$85,593	\$85,569	\$86,764	\$1,195
3	Salaries / Substitutes	\$4,655	\$9,400	\$9,400	\$0
4	Health Insurance / Elementary	\$30,676	\$42,912	\$40,506	(\$2,406)
5	Health Insurance / Secondary	\$16,021	\$13,338	\$16,946	\$3,608
6	FICA / Elementary	\$18,968	\$23,736	\$23,945	\$209
7	FICA / Secondary	\$5,250	\$6,546	\$6,637	\$91
8	FICA / Substitutes	\$5,536	\$719	\$719	\$0
9	Life Insurance / Elementary	\$707	\$655	\$655	\$0
10	Life Insurance / Secondary	\$262	\$194	\$194	\$0
11	Worker's Compensation Insurance Elem	\$1,431	\$1,911	\$1,928	\$17
12	Worker's Compensation Insurance Sec	\$396	\$527	\$534	\$7
13	Worker's Compensation Insurance Subs	\$418	\$58	\$58	\$0
14	Unemployment Insurance Elementary	\$185	\$599	\$185	(\$414)
15	Unemployment Insurance Secondary	\$93	\$295	\$91	(\$204)
16	Cafeteria 125 Plan Elementary	\$166	\$281	\$281	\$0
17	Cafeteria 125 Plan Secondary	\$81	\$225	\$225	\$0
18	Contracted Services	\$18,025	\$22,583	\$22,811	\$228
19	Tuition Reimbursement	\$4,220	\$13,489	\$13,644	\$155
20	In-service	\$296	\$500	\$500	\$0
21	Dental Insurance / Elementary	\$1,882	\$2,338	\$1,921	(\$416)
22	Dental Insurance / Secondary	\$847	\$610	\$640	\$31
23	Staff Development	\$90	\$500	\$500	\$0
24	Copier Service	\$4,522	\$4,354	\$4,593	\$239
25	Mileage Reimbursement	\$690	\$650	\$650	\$0
26	Technical Education / Home Economics	\$376	\$300	\$300	\$0
27	Dues and Fees	\$100	\$250	\$250	\$0
28	Supplies	\$13,772	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
29	Textbooks	\$9,029	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
30	Equipment	\$14,001	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
31	Total K-8 Instructional	\$547,507.89	\$563,310	\$568,379	\$5,068
32					
33	Special Education				
34	Salary / Teacher	\$44,925	\$51,679	\$45,829	(\$5,850)
35	Salaries / Paraeducators	\$62,618	\$53,122	\$44,923	(\$8,199)
36	Salaries / Substitutes	\$1,187	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
37	Summer Instruction	\$1,363	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
38	Health Insurance	\$10,603	\$12,444	\$11,310	(\$1,134)
39	FICA	\$8,225	\$8,323	\$7,248	(\$1,075)
40	Life Insurance	\$114	\$228	\$114	(\$114)
41	Municipal Retirement	\$2,760	\$2,126	\$1,849	(\$277)
42	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$589	\$664	\$578	(\$87)
43	Unemployment Insurance	\$172	\$569	\$140	(\$429)
44	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$45	\$90	\$45	(\$45)
45	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0	\$1,715	\$1,577	(\$138)
46	In-service and Conferences	\$3	\$500	\$500	\$0
47	Dental Insurance	\$475	\$559	\$534	(\$25)
48	Purchased Professional Services	\$2,985	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$0

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Budget					
	DESCRIPTION	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2011-12 Anticipated	11 to 12 Change
49	Contracted Speech Services	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
50	Psychological Services	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
51	Mileage	\$584	\$450	\$450	\$0
52	FNESU SPED Services Assessment	\$30,715	\$8,243	\$2,551	(\$5,692)
53	Supplies and Equipment	\$390	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
54	Total Special Education	\$167,751	\$156,171	\$143,107	(\$13,065)
55					
56	Early Education Program				
57	Salaries / Early Education Teachers	\$0	\$10,032	\$0	(\$10,032)
58	Wages / Early Education Paraeducators	\$677	\$8,580	\$6,451	(\$2,128)
59	Health Insurance	\$0	\$4,392	\$0	(\$4,392)
60	Life Insurance	\$0	\$57	\$57	\$0
61	Dental Insurance	\$0	\$152	\$0	(\$152)
62	FICA	\$52	\$1,424	\$494	(\$930)
63	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$0	\$115	\$40	(\$75)
64	Unemployment Insurance	\$0	\$129	\$15	(\$114)
65	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0	\$45	\$45	\$0
66	Contracted Early Education Teachers	\$0	\$0	\$12,026	\$12,026
67	Contracted Speech Services	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
68	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0	\$468	\$0	(\$468)
69	Purchased Professional Services	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
70	Early Education Programs Assessment	\$31,188	\$0	\$0	\$0
71	Total Early Education	\$31,917	\$28,393	\$25,127	(\$3,266)
72					
73	Paraeducators				
74	Salary	\$19,263	\$21,512	\$10,287	(\$11,225)
75	FICA	\$1,474	\$1,646	\$787	(\$859)
76	Municipal Retirement	\$0	\$812	\$363	(\$448)
77	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$110	\$133	\$63	(\$69)
78	Unemployment Insurance	\$46	\$174	\$26	(\$149)
79	Total Paraeducators	\$20,893	\$24,276	\$11,526	(\$12,750)
80					
81	Co-Curricular Activities				
82	Salaries	\$7,200	\$7,650	\$7,650	\$0
83	FICA	\$583	\$585	\$585	\$0
84	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$37	\$50	\$50	\$0
85	Referees and Officials	\$1,260	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
86	Transportation and Field Trips	\$7,618	\$6,064	\$6,064	\$0
87	Supplies	\$71	\$250	\$250	\$0
88	Washington D.C. Trip	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
89	Total Co-Curricular	\$17,769	\$16,900	\$16,900	\$0
90					
91	Guidance Services				
92	Salary	\$13,777	\$13,984	\$14,054	\$70
93	Health Insurance	\$0	\$400	\$800	\$400
94	FICA	\$1,054	\$1,070	\$1,075	\$5
95	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$74	\$86	\$87	\$0
96	Unemployment Insurance	\$20	\$65	\$20	(\$45)
97	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0	\$45	\$45	\$0

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Budget					
	DESCRIPTION	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2011-12 Anticipated	11 to 12 Change
98	Tuition Reimbursement	\$586	\$624	\$631	\$7
99	Dental Insurance	\$0	\$203	\$0	(\$203)
100	Supplies	\$202	\$200	\$200	\$0
101	Total Guidance	\$15,712	\$16,676	\$16,912	\$235
102					
103	Health Services				
104	Contracted Professional Services	\$34,902	\$37,002	\$38,180	\$1,178
105	Staff Development	\$110	\$0	\$0	\$0
106	Supplies	\$682	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
107	Total Health	\$35,693	\$38,002	\$39,180	\$0
108					
109	Library Services				
110	Salary	\$13,573	\$13,376	\$14,665	\$1,290
111	Substitute Librarian	\$140	\$0	\$0	\$0
112	Health Insurance	\$0	\$400	\$800	\$400
113	FICA	\$1,049	\$1,023	\$1,122	\$99
114	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$74	\$82	\$90	\$8
115	Unemployment Insurance	\$20	\$65	\$20	(\$45)
116	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0	\$45	\$45	\$0
117	Tuition Reimbursement	\$1,138	\$624	\$631	\$7
118	Training	\$40	\$0	\$0	\$0
119	Supplies	\$725	\$400	\$400	\$0
120	Books	\$3,089	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
121	Total Library Services	\$19,847	\$18,515	\$20,273	\$1,758
122					
123	Technology				
124	Salaries	\$2,426	\$3,150	\$3,150	\$0
125	FICA	\$186	\$241	\$241	\$0
126	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$37	\$19	\$19	\$0
127	Unemployment Insurance	\$7	\$26	\$8	(\$18)
128	Internet Service Provider	\$181	\$202	\$179	(\$23)
129	Supplies and Software	\$998	\$955	\$955	\$0
130	Equipment	\$3,412	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0
131	Total Technology	\$7,247	\$7,893	\$7,853	(\$40)
132					
133	School Directors				
134	Salaries / Directors	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
135	Salary / Treasurer	\$3,473	\$3,473	\$3,647	\$173
136	Wages / Board Secretary	\$422	\$816	\$843	\$27
137	FICA	\$528	\$558	\$573	\$15
138	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$54	\$45	\$46	\$1
139	Truant Officer	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0
140	Legal Service	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
141	Audit and Annual Report	\$3,100	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$0
142	Advertising	\$1,635	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
143	Supplies	\$741	\$250	\$250	\$0
144	Dues and Fees	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
145	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$2,264	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
146	Total School Directors	\$16,416	\$18,542	\$18,759	\$217

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Budget					
	DESCRIPTION	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2011-12 Anticipated	11 to 12 Change
147	Supervisory Union				
148	FNESU Assessment	\$47,713	\$50,251	\$51,850	\$1,599
149					
150	School Administration				
151	Salary / Principal	\$57,605	\$60,485	\$61,997	\$1,512
152	Salary / Assistant Principal	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
153	Wages / Administrative Assistant	\$23,675	\$24,124	\$24,227	\$103
154	Health Insurance	\$12,301	\$13,659	\$13,774	\$114
155	FICA	\$6,295	\$6,587	\$6,711	\$124
156	Life Insurance	\$247	\$210	\$210	\$0
157	Municipal Retirement / Secretary	\$1,178	\$1,173	\$1,211	\$39
158	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$478	\$530	\$540	\$10
159	Unemployment Insurance	\$40	\$190	\$59	(\$132)
160	Long-Term Disability Insurance	\$308	\$355	\$488	\$133
161	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$0
162	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0	\$1,170	\$1,183	\$13
163	Professional Development	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0
164	Mileage	\$537	\$514	\$514	\$0
165	Dental Insurance	\$1,131	\$1,221	\$1,283	\$61
166	Supplies and Postage	\$1,808	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
167	Equipment	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$0
168	Dues / Fees / Graduation	\$1,099	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
169	Total School Administration	\$108,236	\$115,152	\$117,130	\$1,977
170					
171	Operation of Plant				
172	Salaries / Custodians	\$51,121	\$52,632	\$54,712	\$2,080
173	Health Insurance	\$3,675	\$6,637	\$7,424	\$787
174	FICA	\$3,859	\$4,534	\$4,753	\$219
175	Municipal Retirement	\$2,006	\$2,856	\$2,999	\$143
176	Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$2,397	\$2,575	\$2,677	\$102
177	Unemployment Insurance	\$79	\$263	\$84	(\$179)
178	Cafeteria 125 Plan	\$0	\$34	\$34	\$0
179	Water	\$1,970	\$1,920	\$1,920	\$0
180	Rubbish Removal	\$2,395	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
181	Snow Removal	\$0	\$400	\$400	\$0
182	Repairs to Building and Grounds	\$12,064	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0
183	Service Contracts	\$1,078	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$0
184	Property/E&O/Bonds/Liability Insurance	\$8,739	\$9,710	\$9,710	\$0
185	Communications	\$3,244	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$0
186	Mileage	\$21	\$300	\$300	\$0
187	Supplies	\$7,870	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
188	Electricity	\$19,399	\$19,275	\$19,932	\$657
189	Fuel	\$15,077	\$20,294	\$19,746	(\$548)
190	Equipment	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
191	Total Operation of Plant	\$134,994	\$143,430	\$146,692	\$3,262

Montgomery Town School District FY12 Anticipated Budget					
	DESCRIPTION	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2011-12 Anticipated	11 to 12 Change
192	Grants				
193	Vermont Kids Against Tobacco	\$812	\$0	\$0	\$0
194	Combined Federal Programs Sub-Grant	\$4,365	\$0	\$0	\$0
195	Success By Six	\$2,845	\$0	\$0	\$0
196	Total Grants	\$8,022.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
197					
198	Food Service Program	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
199					
200	Transportation	\$111,508	\$114,100	\$130,796	\$16,696
201					
202	Debt Service				
203	1993 Bond Principal	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0
204	1993 Bond Interest	\$14,023	\$10,907	\$7,791	(\$3,116)
205	2005 Bond Principal	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0
206	2005 Bond Interest	\$45,468	\$43,011	\$40,467	(\$2,545)
207	Total Debt Service	\$184,491	\$178,918	\$173,257	(\$5,661)
208					
209	Elementary School Expenses	\$1,478,217	\$1,493,030	\$1,490,239	(\$3,969)
210					
211	Payments to Other School Districts and Agencies				
212	SPED Student Transportation	\$22,200	\$3,819	\$0	(\$3,819)
213	High School Tuition	\$513,956	\$731,456	\$774,291	\$42,835
214	Technical Education Tuition	\$82,195	\$80,569	\$58,057	(\$22,512)
215	SPED Tuition and Excess Costs	\$184,447	\$149,329	\$72,146	(\$77,183)
216	Other School Costs	\$802,799	\$965,173	\$904,494	(\$60,679)
217					
218	Total Budget	\$2,281,016	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	(\$64,648)
The 2010/2011 budget anticipated there would be 60 high school students with 2 Tech FTE.					
The 2010/2011 budget anticipates there will be 65 high school students with 4.51 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/>

FY2010 School Level Data

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

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
14 out of 38

School level data			Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Glover Village School		K - 8	125	10.00	1.00	12.50	125.00	10.00
	Lunenburg Schools		PK - 8	125	11.70	10.00	10.68	12.50	1.17
	Folsom Education & Community Center		K - 8	127	14.30	1.00	8.88	127.00	14.30
	Montgomery Center School		K - 8	127	10.05	0.75	12.64	169.33	13.40
-> Larger	Benson Village School		PK - 8	134	12.80	1.00	10.47	134.00	12.80
	Barton Graded School		K - 8	149	13.10	1.50	11.37	99.33	8.73
	Bakersfield School		K - 8	155	13.90	1.00	11.15	155.00	13.90
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data				120.34	12.13	1.23	9.92	98.13	9.89

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 more comparable to each other. The consequence is that THESE FIGURES ARE ONLY COMPARABLE TO FIGURES USED IN THE SIMILAR FILES FOR FY10 and FY11.

FY2009 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 8 school district, FY2009 FTE < 200
(38 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)
19 out of 38

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

Smaller ->	Tunbridge	K-8	114.73	\$12,296
	Irasburg	K-8	123.88	\$11,908
	Orwell	K-8	125.30	\$13,114
	Montgomery	K-8	126.21	\$8,790
	South Hero	K-8	127.41	\$14,711
-> Larger	Lunenburg	PK-8	128.12	\$10,117
	Benson	PK-8	129.23	\$10,293

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

123.58 \$11,998

FY2011 School District Data

LEA ID				School District			School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
				Grades offered in School District	SD Equalized Pupils	SD Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SD Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate		
							Use these tax rates to compare towns rates.				These tax rates are not comparable due to CLA's.	
Smaller -> -> Larger	T013	Barton ID	K-8	167.81	11,582.30	1.1658		1.1625	0.7794	1.4916		
	T218	Walden	K-8	173.57	10,662.99	1.0733		1.0733	0.9026	1.1891		
	T209	Troy	K-8	173.97	9,816.28	0.9881		1.0432	0.7794	1.3384		
	T128	Montgomery	K-8	175.63	10,244.47	1.0312		1.0312	0.7211	1.4300		
	T210	Tunbridge	K-8	178.82	12,700.81	1.2784		1.2784	1.0003	1.2780		
	T054	Coventry	K-8	179.57	11,559.27	1.1635		1.1635	0.9847	1.1816		
	T199	Strafford	K-8	181.05	12,976.19	1.3061		1.3061	1.0479	1.2464		

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: **Montgomery**
County: **Franklin****T128**
Franklin NortheastEnter base education
amount. See note at
bottom of page.Enter estimated homestead
base rate for FY2012. See
note at bottom of page.**8,544****0.87**

Expenditures		FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$2,400,445	\$2,344,518	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	1.
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$2,400,445	\$2,344,518	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	4.
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	plus Prior year deficit reduction if not included in expenditure budget	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$2,400,445	\$2,344,518	\$2,458,203	\$2,394,733	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	\$49,055	\$47,713	\$50,251	\$51,850	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.
Revenues						
10.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$629,431	\$635,486	\$658,967	\$542,273	10.
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	plus Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	-	-	-	12.
13.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-	13.
14.	Total local revenues	\$629,431	\$635,486	\$658,967	\$542,273	14.
15.	Education Spending	\$1,771,014	\$1,709,032	\$1,799,236	\$1,852,460	15.
16.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	185.67	179.17	175.63	183.37	16.
17.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$9,538.50	\$9,538.61	\$10,244.47	\$10,102.31	17.
18.	minus Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$634.63	\$1,029.70	\$1,018.72	\$944.85	18.
19.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	\$39.18	\$40.60	\$34.39	\$27.75	19.
20.	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	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-	22.
23.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	threshold = \$13,287 -	threshold = \$13,984 -	threshold = \$14,549 -	threshold = \$14,733 -	23.
24.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$9,539	\$9,539	\$10,244	\$10,102	24.
25.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$10,102 / \$8,544)	116.181% based on \$8,210	111.641% based on \$8,544	119.903% based on \$8,544	118.239% based on \$8,544	25.
Prorating the local tax rate						
26.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (118.239% x \$0.870)	\$1.0108 based on \$0.87	\$0.9601 based on \$0.86	\$1.0312 based on \$0.86	\$1.0287 based on \$0.870	26.
27.	Percent of Montgomery equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.000%	100.000%	100.000%	100.00%	27.
28.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.000% x \$1.03)	\$1.0108	\$0.9601	\$1.0312	\$1.0287	28.
29.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	78.92%	73.58%	72.11%	75.88%	29.
30.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.029 / 75.88%)	\$1.2808 based on \$0.87	\$1.3048 based on \$0.86	\$1.4300 based on \$0.86	\$1.3557 based on \$0.87	30.
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.						
31.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (118.239% x 1.80%)	2.09% based on 1.80%	2.01% based on 1.80%	2.16% based on 1.80%	2.13% based on 1.80%	31.
32.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.000% x 2.13%)	2.09% based on 1.80%	2.01% based on 1.80%	2.16% based on 1.80%	2.13% based on 1.80%	32.
33.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-	33.
34.		-	-	-	-	34.

- Due to the ongoing fiscal crisis, there is uncertainty as to what the base education amount and homestead tax rate should be. Our current recommendation is to use \$8,544 and \$0.87, respectively. A district may choose to use different parameters if so desired. Final figures will be set by the Legislature and approved by the Governor.

- The base income percentage cap is 1.80%.

**Franklin Northeast Supervisory Union FY12 Budget,
Anticipated Revenues, and Assessment**

		FY10	FY11	FY12	11 to 12	Montgomery's
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change	Share
1	Salaries & Wages	\$469,665	\$484,933	\$497,602	\$12,669	\$39,414
2	Health Insurance	\$93,796	\$97,734	\$102,370	\$4,636	\$8,109
3	Social Security	\$37,013	\$37,890	\$38,974	\$1,084	\$3,087
4	Life Insurance	\$1,083	\$1,077	\$1,311	\$234	\$104
5	Municipal Retirement	\$25,766	\$30,114	\$31,034	\$920	\$2,458
6	Worker's Comp Ins.	\$2,473	\$2,895	\$2,969	\$74	\$235
7	Unemployment Ins.	\$613	\$393	\$337	(\$56)	\$27
8	Tuition Reimbursement	\$0	\$5,359	\$5,433	\$74	\$430
9	Dental Insurance	\$10,140	\$10,783	\$11,321	\$539	\$897
10	Disability Insurance	\$2,054	\$2,164	\$2,621	\$457	\$208
11	Technology Services	\$4,122	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$317
12	Service Contracts	\$3,632	\$5,100	\$4,000	(\$1,100)	\$317
13	Audit	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$158
14	Rent	\$13,452	\$13,855	\$14,271	\$416	\$1,130
15	Mileage Reimbursement	\$7,901	\$8,366	\$8,366	\$0	\$663
16	Training	\$3,064	\$5,300	\$4,500	(\$800)	\$356
17	Property & Liability Ins.	\$6,260	\$6,613	\$6,613	\$0	\$524
18	Communications	\$2,860	\$4,000	\$3,300	(\$700)	\$261
19	Miscellaneous	\$6,533	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$119
20	Legal	\$1,908	\$3,000	\$2,500	(\$500)	\$198
21	Equipment Repair	\$0	\$450	\$450	\$0	\$36
22	Office Supplies	\$13,771	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$0	\$1,109
23	Professional Books	\$1,219	\$775	\$1,200	\$425	\$95
24	Software	\$1,027	\$1,400	\$1,200	(\$200)	\$95
25	Dues & Fees	\$4,402	\$5,000	\$4,500	(\$500)	\$356
26	Office Equipment	\$1,475	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$475
27	Advertising	\$1,886	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$158
28	Total Budget	\$718,116	\$755,701	\$774,372	\$18,671	\$61,336
29						
	Revenues and	FY10	FY11	FY12	11 to 12	Montgomery's
	Transfers	Actual	Budget	Anticipated	Change	Share
32	SPED	\$28,876	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$0	\$1,743
33	Grants	\$78,446	\$56,093	\$59,388	\$3,295	\$4,704
34	Use of Fund Balance	\$0	\$45,246	\$36,733	(\$8,512)	\$2,910
35	Other	\$1,850	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$0	\$131
36	Total Revenues	\$109,172	\$124,988	\$119,771	(\$5,217)	\$9,487
37						
38	SU Assessment	\$627,641	\$630,713	\$654,601	\$23,888	\$51,850
39						
	School District	FY10	FY11	FY12	11 to 12	Assessment
	Assessments	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Change	Rate
42	Bakersfield	\$63,230	\$61,330	\$65,574	\$4,244	10.02%
43	Berkshire	\$63,230	\$67,661	\$77,393	\$9,732	11.82%
44	Enosburgh	\$274,253	\$262,731	\$268,779	\$6,048	41.06%
45	Montgomery	\$47,713	\$50,251	\$51,850	\$1,598	7.92%
46	Richford	\$179,215	\$188,739	\$191,005	\$2,266	29.18%
47	Total SU Assessment	\$627,641	\$630,713	\$654,601	\$23,888	100.00%

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

HELPFUL TOWN INFORMATION

2010 State of Vermont Census 1056
Registered Voters 838

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VERMONT STATE POLICE..... 524-5993
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER OFFICE 326-4719
Fax 326-5053
Email montgomerytc@fairpoint.net
TOWN WEBSITE 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	Second Monday	6:30 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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