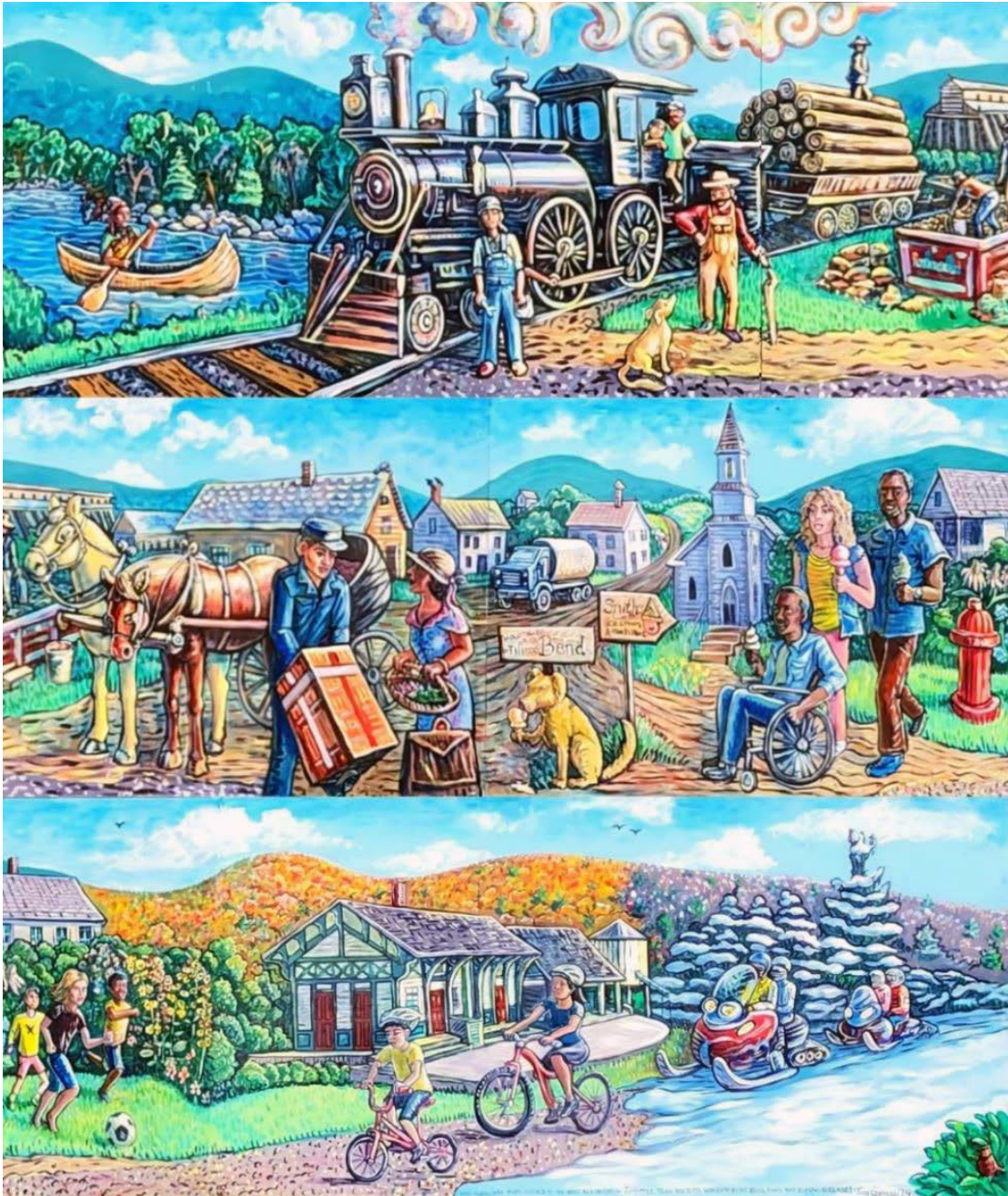


The Town of Greensboro, Vermont
Annual Report
For Fiscal Year 2024
July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024



Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Town Meeting begins at 10 a.m. at the Highland Center for the Arts

School Budget Australian ballot voting open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Highland Center for the Arts

2875 Hardwick Street

Greensboro, Vermont 05841

DEDICATION



BRETT ANN STANCIU

This year it is my honor to dedicate this Town report to our Treasurer and Zoning Administrator, Brett Stanciu. Brett came to Greensboro in 2020 as our Zoning Administrator, just before the pandemic.

Brett is a single mom of two wonderful young women. She is a former sugar maker as well as a librarian and author. You should read her books *Unstitched* and *Hidden View*. I highly recommend them!

Brett had no experience with Greensboro or zoning or being a treasurer. She stepped into the Zoning Administrator role with enthusiasm and dedication. What a great addition to our Zoning world. After our treasurer left, Brett moved into that role with the same hard work and attention to detail that she has put into everything she has done. Brett is meticulous and we are so blessed to have her here in both of these roles.

Along with being a colleague, she has become a very close friend. It is such a pleasure sharing the same small office. Brett was sidelined in November with a cancer diagnosis. As with everything she does, she is tackling this as a warrior.

We are keeping her seat warm for her return when it is best for her. It surely will be a celebration when she comes back.

Thank you, Brett, for you being you. We will welcome you back as soon as you are ready!

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Important Dates and Items to Remember

The Town's annual audit is prepared by Pace and Hawley, LLC, Certified Public Accountants. It is not complete. As soon as it is complete, the Town will make it available.

If you are a Vermont resident and own a home, you **MUST** file Form HS-122, Vermont Homestead Declaration no later than October 16. In addition, in order to receive a Property Tax Adjustment, you must **ALSO** file Schedule HI-144 Household Income (for all persons living in the household). The Greensboro Free Library will be offering tax-preparation assistance again this year. Please call 533-2531 to schedule an appointment.

Property taxes are due in the Greensboro Town Office by Thursday, November 6, 2025, by 4 p.m.

You can vote in person or by absentee ballot on Town Meeting Day (March 4, 2025) for the Hazen Union School District Budget and Orleans Southwest Union Elementary School District. Please bring your mailed absentee ballots to the polls with you if you vote in person. **School absentee ballots must be requested from the Town Clerk.**

Polls are open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Highland Center for The Arts. This year, Town Meeting will begin at 10 a.m.

***If you want to vote absentee, you must request an absentee ballot for both school ballots.**

The legal voters of **Hazen Union School District** No. 26 consisting of the Town School Districts of Greensboro, Hardwick and Woodbury are hereby warned to meet for the Hazen Union School District #26 Public Informational Hearing on the FY26 Budget on **Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 6:00 pm** at Hazen Union High School for discussion on the school district's proposed FY26 budget as required by Title 17 VSA §2680 (g).

Mountain View Elementary School District Annual Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 6 p.m.** at the Hardwick Elementary School.

You can mail in your absentee ballots or drop them in the secure metal drop box outside the Town Clerk's Office door. **Please bring your mailed absentee ballots with you to the polls if you vote in person.**

Greensboro Town Elected Officers

<p>Moderator Timothy Nisbet (2025)</p> <p>Town Clerk Kim Greaves (2026)</p> <p>Select Board Ellen Celnik (2 yr) (2026) MacNeil (3yr)(2027) Bobbie Nisbet (2 y)(2025) David Kelley (3 yr) (2025) Eric Hanson (3yr) (2026)</p> <p>Collector of Delinquent Taxes Mike Cloutier (1 yr) (2025)</p> <p>Trustees of Public Funds Peggy Lipscomb (3 yr) (2027) Sherral Lumsden (3 yr) (2025)</p> <p>Library Trustees (3 yr) Beth Meachem (2025) Shelly Jungwirth (2025) Sharon Putney (2026) Mimi Benedict (2026) Jennifer Lucas (2027) Fan Watkinson (2027) Carol Reynolds, Alternate John Miller, Alternate Brenden Beer, Alternate</p>	<p>Cemetery Commission Patsy Mercier (3 yr) (2027) MacNeil (3 yr) (2026) Wayne Young (3 yr) (2025)</p> <p>Orleans Southwest Union Elementary Dahria Messina (3yr) (2027) Samantha Friend (2 yr) (2026)</p> <p>Union 26 School Board (Hazen) David Kelley (3 yr) (2027) MacNeil (3 yr) (2025)</p> <p>Justices of the Peace (2026) Judy Carpenter Maya McCoy Tim Nisbet Stew Arnold Mike Metcalf</p>
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Selectboard Appointments

Road Supervisor

Thomas Camarra

Zoning Administrator

Brett Stanciu (2026)

Caspian Lake Beach Committee

John Schweizer (Chair)

Linda Shatney

Dede Stabler

Rob Brigham

Conservation Commission (4 yr term)

Peter Watkinson (2026)

Will Marlier (2026)

Erika Karp (2027)

Linda Shatney (2027)

Clive Gray (2027)

David Kelley (2027)

Chris Steel (Chair)(2027)

Jane Hoffman (2027)

Liza Keisler (2028)

Emily Cayer, Adviser

Recreation Committee

Liz Baum

Devin Burgess (Chair)

Ellen Celnik

David Kelley

MacNeil

Town Forest Fire Warden

Patricia Mercier (2027)

NEK Waste Management Dist. Rep.

Ken Johnston

Alternate is open

Emergency Mgmt. Chair

Dave Brochu

Energy and Climate Action Committee

Blake Auchincloss

Bill Chidsey

Liz Hatch

Beth Meachem

Liz Steel (Chair)

NEK Broadband Representative:

Mary Metcalf (Primary)

John Stone (Secondary)

Recycling Committee

Judy Carpenter (Chair)

Stew Arnold (Clerk)

Peter Romans

Ken Breitmeyer

Ken Johnston

Christine Armstrong

Development Review Board

Wayne Young (2025)

Tim Brennan (2025)

Mike Metcalf (2025)

Jane Woodruff (2026) on leave

BJ Gray (2026)

Lise Armstrong (2026)

Rob Brigham (1s alternate) (2026)

Galen Fisher (2nd alternate) (2026)

Bett Stanciu (ex officio)

Health Officer

Karl Stein (2025)

Deputy Health Officer

Christine Armstrong (2026)

Animal Control Officer

Kevin Rich (2025)

Planning Commission (3 yr. term)

Kent Hansen (Chair) (2026)

Christine Armstrong (2026)

Kelli Story (2025)

Alexis Mattos (2025)

Janet Patterson (2026)

Brett Stanciu (ex officio)

Emergency Planning

Anne Stevens, Chair

Wayne Young

Tim Nisbet

Eric Pilbin

Michael Lapierre

Town Service Officer

Kim Greaves

Tree Warden

Cilla Bonney-Smith

Civil Defense

Open

Constable

Mark Snyder

Warning for Annual Town Meeting

The legal voters of the Town of Greensboro are hereby warned and notified to meet at Highland Center for the Arts in said Town, Tuesday, March 4th at 10 a.m. to transact the following business:

- Article 1: To elect a Moderator to govern said town for the coming year.
- Article 2: To take action on the Town of Greensboro Annual printed report.
- Article 3: To elect town officers and school district officers required by law and one or more library trustees:

Office	Term	Elected
Select Board	3 yrs	
Select Board	2 yrs	
Select Board *	1 yr	
Cemetery Commissioner	3 yrs	
Library Trustee	3 yrs	
Library Trustee	3 yrs	
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	1 yrs	
Hazen Union School Director	3 yrs	

*1 year remaining of a 3 year term

- Article 4: Shall the voters of the Town of Greensboro appropriate the following sums to the agencies listed below?

APPROPRIATIONS	
NEK Council on Aging	\$1,000
AWARE	\$2,000
Cabot Neighbors In Action	\$500
Caledonia Home Health	\$1,400
Clarina Howard Nichols Ctr	\$1,500
Craftsbury Community Care	\$10,500
Craftsbury Saplings	\$500
4 Seasons of Early Learning	\$9,500
Green Up	\$100
Greensboro Nursing Home	\$23,000

Hardwick Area Food Pantry	\$2,500
Lamoille Family Center	\$1,000
HEK Human Services	\$1,524
NEK Learning Services	\$300
N. Country Animal League	\$600
Orleans Co. His. Society	\$700
Orleans Co. Citizens Advocacy	\$800
NECKA Comm. Justice	\$300
Red Cross	\$250
Rural Community Trans.	\$900
Salvation Farms	\$750
Vt. Ctr for Independent Living	\$210
WonderArts	\$3,500
VCRD	\$500
Hardwick Area Rescue Squad	\$31,885
	\$ 95,719

Article 5: Shall the voters of the Town of Greensboro approve the following Special Appropriation requests listed below?

Greensboro Conservation	\$3,000
Greensboro Free Library	\$ 44,000
Greensboro Historical Society	\$ 6,000
Caspian Lake Beach	\$4,750
Greensboro Recreation Committee	\$2,000
Greensboro Swim Program	\$ 4,000

Article 6: Shall the voters approve the proposed town expenditures budget in the amount of \$ 2,385,453 for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. This amount contains the necessary amounts required by law and includes the appropriations listed in Article 4 and Article 5 above.

Article 7: Shall the voters approve transferring the surplus, if any, from the current

fiscal year (2025) Highway Fund into the Highway Equipment Reserve Fund (HERF)?

- Article 8: Shall the town change the day of its annual town meeting to the third day preceding the first Tuesday in March pursuant to 17 V.S.A §2640(b)?
- Article 9: Shall the registered voters of Greensboro, Vermont, elect its town officers by Australian Ballot?
- Article 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Greensboro approve having the Town Treasurer serve as collector of current taxes and set the tax due date of November 6, 2025. Taxes will be delinquent if not received in the office of the Town Treasurer by Thursday, November 6, 2025, by 4:00 p.m.
- Article 11: Shall the registered voters of Town of Greensboro authorize a vote by Australian ballot on the question of whether to transfer ownership of Town Hall to Gilman Housing Trust, Inc. DBA Rural Edge?
- Article 12: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.
- Dated at Greensboro this January 30, 2025

Eric Hanson, Chair

David Kelley

Ellen Celnik

MacNeil

Bobbie Nisbet

Bayley Hazen Road 7/11/2024



Overall Proposed FY26 Town Budget, Summary

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed					
	FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
TOWN CLERK & TREASURER	\$118,281	\$151,601	\$161,140	\$203,112	26.05%
SELECTBOARD	\$8,011	\$5,733	\$10,030	\$11,582	15.47%
GENERAL EXPENSES	\$83,717	\$115,531	\$89,900	\$93,239	3.71%
ELECTION EXPENSES	\$1,273	\$325	\$1,831	\$465	-74.60%
PLANNING & ZONING	\$42,475	\$30,370	\$32,020	\$35,447	10.70%
ASSESSORS OFFICE	\$10,864	\$17,465	\$20,300	\$19,010	-6.35%
Delinq. Tax Coll FICA/MED	\$778	\$690	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
DOGS	\$1,615	\$1,884	\$1,885	\$1,885	0.00%
TOWN HALL & PROPERTIES	\$89,040	\$49,540	\$54,930	\$54,325	-1.10%
POLICE	\$200,400	\$190,226	\$196,000	\$200,250	2.17%
SERVICES	\$136,700	\$139,200	\$141,700	\$148,200	4.59%
PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$7,795	\$29,131	\$28,000	\$35,000	25.00%
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$71,139	\$76,217	\$66,750	\$68,291	2.31%
CEMETERY	\$22,612	\$23,896	\$25,945	\$22,095	-14.84%
CASPIAN MILFOIL	\$15,621	\$15,259	\$15,875	\$17,175	8.19%
SOLID WASTE	\$8,497	\$8,117	\$12,280	\$10,776	-12.25%
TRANSFERS OUT	\$205,000	\$205,000	\$295,000	\$299,000	1.36%
APPROPRIATIONS	\$82,712	\$87,206	\$97,323	\$95,719	-1.65%
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$37,000	\$55,650	\$58,500	\$63,750	8.97%
Total General Budget	\$1,143,530	\$1,203,041	\$1,310,409	\$1,380,321	5.34%
HIGHWAY MATERIALS	\$212,405	\$146,323	\$213,600	\$239,700	12.22%
HWY CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$22,359	\$59,367	\$21,800	\$28,400	30.28%
EQUIP. OPERATION & MNTCE	\$156,206	\$191,550	\$150,000	\$152,000	1.33%
PAYROLL & BENEFITS	\$300,910	\$328,203	\$338,800	\$345,232	1.90%
GARAGE	\$38,167	\$27,521	\$28,900	\$27,800	-3.81%
HIGHWAY PROJECTS	\$105,881	\$194,839	\$190,000	\$212,000	11.58%
Subtotal Highway	\$835,928	\$947,802	\$943,100	\$1,005,132	6.58%
Total	\$1,979,458	\$2,150,843	\$2,253,509	\$2,385,453	5.86%

Greensboro Proposed Town Budget FY 2025-2026

It has been said that Economics is “the allocation of scarce resources.” The same can be said for budgets. No town no matter how rich, can afford all of its ‘wants.’ Our goal in this budget is to cover our ‘needs’ as best we can, limited by our resources and the realization that tax increases are reaching breaking point.

The Selectboard began meeting in early September to begin the budgeting process. We met weekly through early December, followed by two public information meetings before the Holidays. Adjustments were made and the final budget, which is presented here, was approved at the regular Selectboard meeting in January.

During the budget process Town Treasurer Brett Stanciu was forced to take a medical leave. We were fortunate to enlist the services of Jennifer Lucas and John Schweizer to help both with the overall budget and the Capital and HERF budgets. We thank them and everyone else who helped put this budget in place.

Total budget expenditure this year will go up 5.9% versus 6.9% last year. Expenditures are one part of a budget. The other is revenues which are not enumerated here. The total assessed value of all property in the town, the Grand List, has gone up more than the 5.9% budgeted increase in spending. Also, we anticipate using a portion of excess FEMA money to offset FY26 spending. This means, all other things being equal, the municipal property tax rate of \$100 may go down this year. The average tax payer should see their property taxes for town services change less than the increase in overall spending. School taxes however, are not set by the town and are not discussed in this budget.

Here are some of the more significant changes in spending in this year’s budget:

- The budget is broken down 58% for general Town expenses and 42% for road expenses. General Town expenses are budgeted to go up 5.3% and road expenses, 6.6%.
- Town office expenses will go up 26.1% due to increased staff hours, a 3% boost in pay for all employees and a 21.6% increase in health insurance costs.
- The Selectboard Clerk payroll (Josh Karp) is up 46.3% reflecting his increased work on town road/bridge projects, his work with FEMA and his added hours on town contract administration.
- The road crew increase in payroll this year is 1.9%. The road crew will receive the same increase in pay and the same health care benefits as the town staff, but the budget here reflects the fact that a part time road crew member used in the past, has retired. We will still maintain our full three-person road crew going forward.
- The Police contract will increase 2.2% for our seven day a week police service through the Orleans County Sheriff’s department.

- We have a new three-year driveway plowing contract in place. The contract calls for the plowing of 500 driveways. The cost increase over the previous year is 4.4%.
- The transfers to the Capital Fund is the same as last year (\$175,000) and the transfer to the highway Equipment Reserve Fund (HERF) is \$124,000, an increase of \$4,000 over last year. These important reserve funds are discussed later in this report.
- A total of \$63,834 of expenditures under ‘Appropriations’ were requested by non-profit entities and are included in this budget. They will be voted on separately at Town meeting.
- We are budgeting \$200,000 or an increase of 11% to pave 1.5 miles of our paved roads this year. The Town’s goal is to resurface all 12 miles of paved roads over an eight-year cycle.
- Overall Highway materials spending will increase 12% which we feel is sufficient for road maintenance (salt, sand, and gravel) as well as culvert repairs.
- We are budgeting \$25,000 this year for outside contractors for ledge hammering and other projects on a number of town roads.

ESSAY ABOUT CASPIAN LAKE
By Riley Edy, Age 13
(Grandson of Jeanne & Bill Eisner)

**The lake stretches until the
Trees are a jagged green line on
The horizon and the water shines
And sparkles in the warm sun.
The trees hug the shorelines and the
Embrace of their branches symbolizes
Security and peace.
The dark green pine trees symbolize calm
And elegant natural beauty.**

**Riley’s school assignment was an essay on *his* symbol:
“I chose this because the lake is my favorite place on earth and feel peaceful
and safe when I am there”**

Proposed FY26 Town Budget, detailed

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
1	TOWN CLERK & TREASURER					
2	Town Offices Payroll	\$89,065	\$96,161	\$96,400	\$127,651	32.42%
3	Health Officer Stipend	\$0	\$1,000	\$500	\$500	0.00%
4	Town Offices FICA/MEDI	\$6,588	\$8,339	\$7,400	\$9,804	32.48%
5	Town Offices Retirement	\$4,843	\$9,516	\$10,040	\$10,692	6.50%
6	Town Offices-Health Insur	\$9,242	\$29,316	\$32,000	\$38,900	21.56%
7	Town Offices - HRA	\$5,277	\$5,421	\$9,300	\$9,300	0.00%
8	Unemployment Admin	\$1,621	\$810	\$2,500	\$2,500	0.00%
9	Workers Comp - Admin	\$305	\$901	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
10	Office Training/Dues	\$1,341	\$137	\$2,000	\$1,000	-50.00%
11	Child Care Contribution Tax	\$0			\$1,765	
12		\$118,281	\$151,601	\$161,140	\$203,112	26.05%
13						
14	SELECTBOARD					
15	Selectboard Payroll		\$4,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%
16	SB Clerk Payroll	\$5,000	\$5,057	\$3,650	\$5,341	46.32%
17	Selectboard FICA/MEDI	\$2,477	\$230	\$380	\$383	0.66%
18	SB Clerk FICA/MEDI	\$306	\$387	\$300	\$409	36.19%
19	Selectboard Training	\$190	\$60	\$200	\$200	0.00%
20	SB Misc Exp	\$38	\$0	\$500	\$250	-50.00%
21		\$8,011	\$5,733	\$10,030	\$11,582	15.47%
23	GENERAL EXPENSES					
24	Technology/IT	\$8,576	\$5,650	\$5,500	\$7,500	36.36%
25	Software Licenses	\$2,500	\$2,716	\$2,900	\$2,950	1.72%
26	Office Supplies	\$2,658	\$2,153	\$2,700	\$2,200	-18.52%
27	Telephone	\$4,130	\$5,110	\$4,200	\$3,000	-28.57%
28	Postage	\$2,335	\$2,133	\$2,500	\$2,400	-4.00%
29	Interest Expense	\$0	\$23,273	\$0		
30	Misc Expense	\$1,124	\$5,468	\$500	\$500	0.00%
31	Copiers	\$2,088	\$2,344	\$2,300	\$2,400	4.35%
32	Mileage Reimbursement	\$195	\$211	\$400	\$250	-37.50%
33	NEMRC Software Support	\$4,566	\$5,138	\$6,650	\$6,900	3.76%
34	NEMRC Disaster Recovery	\$672	\$729	\$800	\$800	0.00%
35	County Tax	\$43,163	\$47,638	\$50,500	\$53,000	4.95%
36	Dues - VLCT	\$2,100	\$2,166	\$2,250	\$2,250	0.00%
37	Notices/Advt.	\$2,257	\$432	\$400	\$500	25.00%
38	4th of July	\$3,902	\$6,829	\$4,000	\$3,500	-12.50%
39	Green Up Day	\$2,222	\$1,651	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%
40	Town Report	\$1,227	\$1,890	\$2,300	\$2,400	4.35%
	NVDA dues				\$689	
41		\$83,717	\$115,531	\$89,900	\$93,239	3.71%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
43	ELECTION EXPENSES					
44	Election Payroll	\$898	\$290	\$1,050	\$200	-80.95%
45	Election FICA/MEDI	\$69	\$22	\$81	\$15	-81.48%
46	Town Meeting Expenses	\$182		\$500	\$250	-50.00%
47	Election Expenses	\$124	\$13	\$200	\$0	-100.00%
48		\$1,273	\$325	\$1,831	\$465	-74.60%
51						
52	PLANNING & ZONING					
53	Zoning Payroll	\$21,290	\$22,082	\$26,200	\$27,104	3.45%
54	Zoning FICA/MEDI	\$1,339	\$1,419	\$2,000	\$2,073	3.67%
55	Planning/DRB FICA/MEDI	\$0	\$1	\$70	\$70	0.00%
56	Planning/Zoning Training	\$3,922	\$50	\$100	\$100	0.00%
57	Zoning Misc/Mapping Exper	\$14,431	\$0	\$100	\$100	0.00%
58	Mileage - Zoning	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	0.00%
59	Planning Notices/Adv	\$28	\$83	\$200	\$200	0.00%
60	Zoning Notices/Ads	\$615	\$851	\$800	\$800	0.00%
61	DRB - Legal Fees	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500	0.00%
62	Planning Members	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	0.00%
63	DRB Stipends	\$300	\$660	\$850	\$800	-5.88%
64	Planning Projects	\$550	\$656	\$1,000	\$3,500	250.00%
65	LVRTrail grant match	\$0	\$4,567	\$0	\$0	
66		\$42,475	\$30,370	\$32,020	\$35,447	10.70%
68	ASSESSORS OFFICE					
69	NEMRC/CAMA	\$546	\$574	\$850	\$610	-28.24%
70	NEMRC Disaster Rec Assess	\$821	\$853	\$850	\$900	5.88%
71	Assessor	\$9,498	\$16,038	\$18,600	\$17,500	-5.91%
72		\$10,864	\$17,465	\$20,300	\$19,010	-6.35%
74	COLLECTOR OF DEL TAXES					
75	Delinq. Tax Coll FICA/MED	\$778	\$690	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
77	DOGS					
78	Dog Warden Stipend	\$1,500	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750	0.00%
79	Animal Control FICA/MEDI	\$115	\$134	\$135	\$135	0.00%
80		\$1,615	\$1,884	\$1,885	\$1,885	0.00%
82	TOWN HALL & PROPERTIES					
83	Custodian	\$1,120	\$2,540	\$2,200	\$2,880	30.91%
84	Repairs & Maintenance	\$31,041	\$1,828	\$7,000	\$7,000	0.00%
85	Custodial Supplies-Office	\$51	\$0	\$100	\$100	0.00%
86	Heating Fuel	\$13,822	\$8,535	\$10,000	\$6,600	-34.00%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
87	Contracted Services	\$870	\$2,618	\$1,500	\$1,000	-33.33%
88	Electric - Town Hall	\$2,924	\$3,634	\$3,200	\$5,000	56.25%
89	Electric - Playground	\$378	\$397	\$420	\$480	14.29%
90	Street Lights	\$4,800	\$4,699	\$5,340	\$4,800	-10.11%
91	Village Green	\$122	\$132	\$120	\$150	25.00%
92	Electric-G'boro Grange	\$162	\$206	\$200	\$240	20.00%
93	Water Bill	\$1,700	\$1,350	\$1,800	\$1,800	0.00%
94	Generator Expense	\$71	\$1,978	\$500	\$250	-50.00%
95	Grounds	\$16,124	\$7,093	\$6,000	\$7,000	16.67%
96	Insurance - Town Hall	\$10,611	\$7,432	\$9,000	\$9,500	5.56%
97	Insurance-Historical Soci	\$1,005	\$1,406	\$1,400	\$1,450	3.57%
98	Insurance - Library	\$4,005	\$3,874	\$3,800	\$3,900	2.63%
99	Ins - Greensboro Grange	\$226	\$348	\$350	\$375	7.14%
100	Rubbish Removal	\$7	\$1,470	\$2,000	\$1,800	-10.00%
101		\$89,040	\$49,540	\$54,930	\$54,325	-1.10%
103	POLICE					
104	Ins - HPD/Constables	\$400	\$226	\$300	\$250	-16.67%
105	Police Services	\$200,000	\$190,000	\$195,700	\$200,000	2.20%
107		\$200,400	\$190,226	\$196,000	\$200,250	2.17%
109	SERVICES					
110	Driveway Plowing	\$133,000	\$135,500	\$138,000	\$144,000	4.35%
111	Plowing Lake Road	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$4,200	13.51%
112		\$136,700	\$139,200	\$141,700	\$148,200	4.59%
114	PROFESSIONAL FEES					
115	Audit	\$7,669	\$9,663	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.00%
116	Legal	\$127	\$19,468	\$3,000	\$10,000	233.33%
117		\$7,795	\$29,131	\$28,000	\$35,000	25.00%
119	FIRE DEPARTMENT					
120	Fire Dept. Payroll	\$13,884	\$14,878	\$14,000	\$14,000	0.00%
121	Fire Dept. FICA/MEDI	\$816	\$882	\$1,150	\$1,071	-6.87%
122	Fire Dept. Work. Comp. In	\$563	\$742	\$1,100	\$1,100	0.00%
123	Fire Dept. Dues/Education	\$432	\$0	\$600	\$600	0.00%
124	Fire Dept. Ads/Notices	\$0	\$70	\$100	\$70	-30.00%
125	Fire Dept IT /Software	\$1,720	\$3,690	\$1,750	\$1,800	2.86%
126	Fire Dept. Telephone	\$2,525	\$2,525	\$2,600	\$2,700	3.85%
127	Fire House Maintenance	\$2,726	\$1,990	\$2,500	\$2,500	0.00%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
128	Fire House Garbage		\$0	\$200	\$100	-50.00%
129	Fire Dept. Heating Fuel	\$5,233	\$3,134	\$5,500	\$3,500	-36.36%
130	Fire Dept. Electricity	\$1,417	\$1,728	\$1,500	\$2,000	33.33%
131	Fire Dept. Ins Prop/Casua	\$6,156	\$6,691	\$6,700	\$6,950	3.73%
132	Fire Dept. Dispatch	\$11,643	\$13,013	\$6,450	\$6,500	0.78%
133	Fire Dept. Equip Fuel	\$1,801	\$1,363	\$800	\$1,400	75.00%
134	Fire Dept. Equip Repairs	\$2,085	\$2,487	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%
135	Fire Dept. New Equip	\$14,775	\$15,323	\$11,400	\$13,000	14.04%
136	FD Radio Replacm/Repairs	\$151	\$3,848	\$1,000	\$1,500	50.00%
137	FD Supplies	\$1,173	\$375	\$400	\$500	25.00%
138	FD Truck Repair	\$4,039	\$3,479	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%
139		\$71,139	\$76,217	\$66,750	\$68,291	2.31%
140						
141	CEMETERY					
142	Cemetery Admin Payroll	\$550	\$550	\$550	\$550	0.00%
143	Cemetery Fica/Medi	\$42	\$42	\$45	\$45	0.00%
144	Cemetery Maintenance	\$13,920	\$11,720	\$15,000	\$12,000	-20.00%
145	Cemetery Projects	\$7,250	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$9,000	-10.00%
146	Payment of Corner Stones	\$850	\$1,080	\$50		-100.00%
147	Cemetery Flags/Misc	\$0	\$504	\$300	\$500	66.67%
148		\$22,612	\$23,896	\$25,945	\$22,095	-14.84%
149						
150	CASPIAN MILFOIL					
151	Caspian Milfoil Pay	\$13,930	\$13,421	\$14,000	\$15,000	7.14%
152	Caspian Milfoil FICA	\$1,055	\$1,027	\$1,100	\$1,150	4.55%
153	Caspian Milfoil Unemploym	\$516	\$0	\$350		-100.00%
154	Caspian Milfoil WC Ins	\$119	\$361	\$425	\$475	11.76%
155	Caspian Beach Water Bill		\$450		\$450	
	Electricity & Misc				\$100	
156		\$15,621	\$15,259	\$15,875	\$17,175	8.19%
157						
158	SOLID WASTE					
159	Solid Waste Payroll	\$1,466	\$2,037	\$1,650	\$1,650	0.00%
160	Solid Waste FICA/MEDI	\$112	\$156	\$150	\$126	-15.85%
161	Solid Waste Unemployment		\$0	\$80	\$0	-100.00%
162	Workers Comp. Insurance	\$48	\$118	\$100	\$0	-100.00%
163	Recycling Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	-100.00%
164	Hauling Fee	\$3,474	\$3,555	\$4,200	\$4,000	-4.76%
165	Compost Fee	\$1,952	\$2,105	\$3,500	\$2,500	-28.57%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
166	Recycling Trailer Garbage	\$1,446	\$147	\$2,500	\$2,500	0.00%
167		\$8,497	\$8,117	\$12,280	\$10,776	-12.25%
168						
169	TRANSFERS OUT					
170	Transfer-Capital Budget A	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000	0.00%
171	Transfer -HERF Appropriat	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$120,000	\$124,000	3.33%
172		\$205,000	\$205,000	\$295,000	\$299,000	1.36%
173						
174	APPROPRIATIONS					
175	NEK Council on Aging	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
176	AWARE	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%
177	Caledonia Home Health	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	0.00%
178	Clarina Howard Nichols Ct	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	0.00%
179	Craftsbury Community Care	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	0.00%
180	4 Seasons Early Learning	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	0.00%
181	Green Up	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	0.00%
182	Greensboro Nursing Home	\$22,111	\$24,000	\$23,000	\$23,000	0.00%
183	Hardwick Area Food Pantry	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	0.00%
184	Lamoille Family	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
185	NEK Human Services	\$1,524	\$1,524	\$1,524	\$1,524	0.00%
186	NEK Learning Services	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	0.00%
187	N. Country Animal League	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600	0.00%
188	NVDA	\$572	\$572	\$689	\$0	-100.00%
189	Orleans Co. Hist. Society	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	0.00%
190	Orleans Co. Citizens Advo	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	0.00%
191	NECKA Com & Justice Progr	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	0.00%
192	Red Cross	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	0.00%
193	Rescue Squad	\$20,945	\$22,300	\$32,800	\$31,885	-2.79%
194	Rural Community Transp.	\$900	\$900	\$900	\$900	0.00%
195	VT Ctr Independent Living	\$210	\$210	\$210	\$210	0.00%
196	WonderArts	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	0.00%
197	VCRD	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.00%
198	Salvation Farms		\$750	\$750	\$750	0.00%
199	Craftsbury Saplings		\$500	\$500	\$500	0.00%
200	Cabot Neighbors			\$500	\$500	0.00%
201		\$82,712	\$87,206	\$97,323	\$95,719	-1.65%
203	SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS					
204	Conservation Commission	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	0.00%
205	Greensboro Free Library	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$41,000	\$44,000	7.32%
206	Greensboro Historical Soc	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	0.00%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
207	Greensboro Recreation		\$4,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	-50.00%
207A	Swim Program				\$4,000	
208	Caspian Lake Beach		\$3,650	\$4,500	\$4,750	5.56%
209		\$37,000	\$55,650	\$58,500	\$63,750	8.97%
210	Total General Budget	\$1,143,530	\$1,203,041	\$1,310,409	\$1,380,321	5.34%
211	HIGHWAY MATERIALS					
212	Gravel Pit - Taxes	\$4,268	\$4,462	\$4,600	\$5,200	13.04%
213	Chloride	\$34,143	\$20,970	\$35,000	\$37,000	5.71%
214	Sand	\$35,449	\$0	\$22,000	\$26,000	18.18%
215	Salt	\$88,116	\$40,078	\$75,000	\$70,000	-6.67%
216	Gravel	\$32,606	\$52,495	\$55,000	\$55,000	0.00%
217	Culverts	\$15,937	\$13,012	\$15,000	\$20,000	33.33%
218	Signs	\$212	\$1,690	\$3,000	\$1,500	-50.00%
219	Road Project Materials	\$1,673	\$13,615	\$4,000	\$25,000	525.00%
220		\$212,405	\$146,323	\$213,600	\$239,700	12.22%
221						
222	HWY CONTRACTED SERVICES					
223	Mowing/Brush	\$9,968	\$5,818	\$9,000	\$18,000	100.00%
224	Contracted Road Projects	\$6,000	\$51,699	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%
225	Guard Rails	\$4,299	\$0	\$6,000	\$4,000	-33.33%
226	Sidewalks	\$327	\$500	\$0	\$0	
227	Permits	\$1,765	\$1,350	\$1,800	\$1,400	-22.22%
228		\$22,359	\$59,367	\$21,800	\$28,400	30.28%
229						
230	EQUIP. OPERATION & MNTCE.					
231	Small Equipment	\$624	\$17	\$4,000	\$2,000	-50.00%
232	Equipment Repairs	\$60,561	\$77,777	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00%
233	Equipment Maintenance	\$42,896	\$49,488	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.00%
234	Fuel/Diesel	\$47,649	\$55,488	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00%
235	Fuel/Gas	\$3,109	\$3,483	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%
236	Equipment Rental	\$1,368	\$5,298	\$2,000	\$6,000	200.00%
237		\$156,206	\$191,550	\$150,000	\$152,000	1.33%
239	PAYROLL & BENEFITS					
240	Payroll/Wages	\$186,316	\$209,173	\$210,000	\$201,571	-4.01%
241	FICA/MEDI	\$13,866	\$15,571	\$16,100	\$15,420	-4.22%
242	Retirement	\$14,713	\$16,735	\$16,800	\$18,141	7.98%

FY26, Town of Greensboro, Proposed						
		FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	Proposed FY26	% change
243	Health Insurance	\$45,339	\$50,865	\$53,500	\$66,800	24.86%
244	HRA	\$18,646	\$9,592	\$16,400	\$16,400	0.00%
245	Unemployment Highway	\$1,878	\$4,693	\$5,300	\$5,300	0.00%
246	Workers' Comp. Insurance	\$13,040	\$14,519	\$13,000	\$13,500	3.85%
247	Training	\$453	\$111	\$500	\$500	0.00%
248	Uniforms	\$6,659	\$6,745	\$6,600	\$7,000	6.06%
249	Employee Misc	\$0	\$200	\$600	\$600	0.00%
250		\$300,910	\$328,203	\$338,800	\$345,232	1.90%
251						
252	GARAGE					
253	Garage Maintenance	\$5,781	\$324	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
254	Shop Supplies	\$9,100	\$3,901	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%
255	Telephone	\$1,855	\$1,855	\$1,900	\$1,900	0.00%
256	Heating Fuel	\$4,359	\$3,907	\$5,500	\$4,000	-27.27%
257	Electricity	\$3,762	\$2,965	\$3,800	\$3,200	-15.79%
258	Water Bill	\$425	\$450	\$450	\$450	0.00%
259	Property & Casualty Insur	\$10,733	\$10,819	\$10,000	\$11,000	10.00%
260	Town Shed Garbage	\$853	\$748	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
261	Mileage	\$447	\$266	\$300	\$300	0.00%
262	Notices/Advt.	\$453	\$1,635	\$750	\$750	0.00%
263	Misc	\$400	\$653	\$200	\$200	0.00%
264		\$38,167	\$27,521	\$28,900	\$27,800	-3.81%
265						
266	HIGHWAY PROJECTS					
267	Paving Projects	\$105,881	\$169,839	\$180,000	\$200,000	11.11%
268	Grants Match	\$0	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$12,000	20.00%
269	Overburden Gravel Pit				\$0	
		\$105,881	\$194,839	\$190,000	\$212,000	11.58%
	Subtotal Highway	\$835,928	\$947,802	\$943,100	\$1,005,132	6.58%
	Total	\$1,979,458	\$2,150,843	\$2,253,509	\$2,385,453	5.86%

Capital Budget Fund

The Capital Budget Fund is used to fund projects related to town property, the fire station, fire trucks and fire equipment. The projects and equipment funded here have estimated useful lives longer than twelve months and therefore have their own accounting fund separate from the annual budget. The Capital Fund is replenished each year by a transfer from the annual budget.

In Brett Stanciu's absence during much of the budget planning cycle, we were fortunate to enlist the services of Jennifer Lucas to help with the Capital budget. Dave Brochu the fire chief was also an invaluable resource.

The allocation from the annual town budget to the Capital Fund this year is \$175,000, the same as last year. We think this is sufficient to fund upcoming purchases and maintain the integrity of the fund. The largest user of funds from the Capital account is the fire department.

- We have four more annual payments of \$64,307 to pay off the loan for the fire station.

- The next two fire engines will be financed in order to keep the annual out of pocket expenses down. If we decided to buy for cash, the allocation from the town budget to the Capital fund would go up significantly.
- Engine #1 to be purchased in FY 2030 is estimated to cost \$650,000. If financed over ten years at an interest rate of 4.5%, the annual cost would be \$80,988. We are estimating the useful life of a new fire engine to be 20 years.
- The \$100,000 payment for the fire station in 2029 is for a new roof. Hopefully, the existing roof will last longer.
- The town needs a new town garage. We are budgeting for a \$1,500,000 garage in fiscal 2028, two years from now. If the garage were financed over ten years at 4.5%, the annual cost would be \$113,900. The \$40,000 budgeted in FY 2027 for the garage is for planning and design.
- The \$25,000 in the budget next year for the library is to repave the parking area.
- A reappraisal of all property in the town is planned for FY 2028, two years from now. The cost is expected to be \$100,000. The town has these funds in reserve now. Many towns in Vermont need to do a full reappraisal. FY 2026 (the year they can start) is the earliest Greensboro could secure an appraisal firm.

Sparhawk Road 7/11/2024 Matt McAllister quickly on the scene & ready to work!



CAPITAL BUDGET FUND (Fund # 510)										
FINANCING OPTION	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34
BEGINNING YEAR BALANCE	291,494	374,994	403,744	444,924	347,237	215,945	207,427	223,909	240,392	256,874
Transfers TO the Capital Budget Fund	175,000	175,000	175,000	200,000	250,000	275,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Planned Expenditures FROM the Capital Budget Fund										
<u>Planned Buildings Expenditures</u>										
Buildings in general (not specifically identified)	21,193	23,943	23,943	23,943	23,943	29,250	29,250	29,250	29,250	29,250
Town Hall										
Town Garage (including Design/Permits/Loan Payments)	0	0	40,000	113,900	113,900	113,900	113,900	113,900	113,900	113,900
Library		25,000								
Historical Society										
Gravel Pit										
Grange Hall										
Fire Station Loan Payment	64,307	64,307	64,307	64,307	64,307	0				
Fire Station					100,000					
Total Planned Buildings Expenditures	85,500	113,250	128,250	202,150	302,150	143,150	143,150	143,150	143,150	143,150
<u>Planned Fire Department Equipment Expenditures</u>										
Engine 1 (2002 International, acq 2002)						80,988	80,988	80,988	80,988	80,988
Engine 2-Pumper (2006 Freightliner, acq 2015)				0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rescue 10 (1985 GMC, acq 1990)				0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New E-One to replace Pumper & Rescue Tanker (2017 International, acq 2021)				68,380	68,380	68,380	68,380	68,380	68,380	68,380
SCBA	9,000	19,000	19,570	20,157	20,762	0	0	0	0	24,117
Jaws of Life				20,000						
Compressor		27,000								
Miscellaneous Equipment Rescue 1-donated										
Total Planned Fire Department Equipment Expenditures	9,000	46,000	19,570	108,537	89,142	149,368	149,368	149,368	149,368	173,485
<u>Planned Town Office Expenditures</u>										
Reappraisal		0								
Technology	10,000									
Total Planned Town Office Expenditures	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Planned Expenditures FROM the Capital Budget Fund	104,500	159,250	147,820	310,687	391,292	292,518	292,518	292,518	292,518	316,635
Interest Income on Fund Balance	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	10,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
Proceeds from the sale of assets			1,000					1		
END OF YEAR BALANCE OF CAPITAL BUDGET	374,994	403,744	444,924	347,237	215,945	207,427	223,909	240,392	256,874	249,239

Highway Equipment Reserve Fund (HERF)

The Highway Equipment Reserve Fund is used to fund highway-related capital equipment. A transfer is made annually from the town budget to build up the balance in the fund, which is then used to purchase highway equipment.

The recommended transfer this year is \$124,000, an increase of \$4,000 over last year. We think this is sufficient to fund this year's recommended purchases and future acquisitions.

The town's priority is to maintain three top-conditioned plow/dump trucks for snow plowing and hauling, a loader to move material at the gravel pit and town garage, a grader to service unpaved roads and an excavator for the gravel pit and for roadside maintenance. We expect to keep our equipment for 8-10 years and then replace. An 8-year-old piece of equipment can generally be traded in for 20% of the cost of a new piece.

In FY 2026 we expect to buy a new grader at an estimated cost of \$520,000. We expect to sell our existing grader for \$105,000. The current grader was purchased new in 2013. The town also is budgeting for the purchase of a new pickup truck with a plow and sander, estimated cost \$70,000. We expect to sell our existing pickup, purchased in 2016, for \$10,000. Finally, we also expect to buy a used rubber tire backhoe for \$50,000.

In 2021 we purchased a used Trackless plow to clear sidewalks in Greensboro. We have had to make numerous repairs to the machine and incurred lengthy periods of downtime. The town is debating whether to purchase a more versatile machine, a skid loader which can be used both to clear sidewalks in the winter and other projects the rest of the year. A second option is to not buy an additional piece of equipment but to outsource sidewalk plowing. A final decision has not been made here although we are not budgeting for a skid loader in this budget.

Overlook Road 7/11/2024 This gully was over 8' deep at the far end!



HERF 2026 Scenario \$124K January 8, 2025		HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND (HERF)								JS	
	HERF Balance on July 1				856,691	795,353	700,353	298,360	123,597	33,707	153,489
	Annual HERF Contribution(3% growth per year)				30,000	120,000	124,000	127,720	131,552	135,498	139,563
Model	Hours/Miles	Hrs/Miles	Life	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY 30	
Year	Equipment Description	#####	Per Year	Expectancy							
2013	John Deere 672G Grader	4349 hrs	400 hr	10 years			(105,000)				
2026	John Deere 672G Grader						520,000				
2016	CAT 307E2 Mini Excavator	1167 hrs	150 hr	10 years				(30,000)			
2027	CAT 307E2 Mini Excavator						150,000				
2015	Case 621F Loader	3126 hrs	400 hr	10 years				(40,000)			
2027	Loader						213,000				
2011	Trackless sidewalk plow, etc.	2438 hrs		1 year							
2025	Deere 320G Skid Steer Loader		300 hr	10 years			69000?				
2016	Ford F350 Pickup	64,560 mi	10K mi					(10,000)			
2026	Ford F350 w plow& salter			8 years			70,000				
2020	Green Mack GR64F Truck/Plow	46,240 mi	10K mi	8 Years				(52,000)			
2028	Green Mack GR64F Truck/Plow							260,000			
2023	Green Mack GR64F Truck/Plow	10,620 mi	10K mi	8 years							
2031	Green Mack GR64F Truck/Plow										
2016	Green Western Star Truck/Plow	Sold	10K mi				(45,000)				
2025	Green Mack GR64F Truck/Plow			8 years			250,000				
2023	Talbert AC-20-AR flatbed trailer			15 Years							
2026	Rubber Tire Backhoe(Used)			12 years			50,000				
2011	Yellow International Truck/Plow	Retired									
	Other Equipment					45,000	25,000	25,750	26,523	27,318	28,138
	Prior Year's Hwy Surplus				(16,200)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,300)	(10,609)	(10,927)	(11,255)
	Interest Income @4%					(25,000)	(14,007)	(5,967)	(2,472)	(674)	(3,070)
	Net Purchases					215,000	525,993	302,483	221,442	15,717	13,813
	End of year Balance June 30					700,353	298,360	123,597	33,707	153,489	279,239
Assumptions:											
Priority: Plowing/Sanding Snow-covered Roads and Grading Dirt Roads											
Required Equipment: 3 Top-condition Plow / Dump Trucks, Loader, Grader & Excavator											
Purchase new equipment. Use for 8 to 10 years then sell.											
3% price inflation per year											
New equipment trade-in after 8 Years =20% of original price											
20% maintenance savings with newer equipment = +/--\$30,000/year											

Auditors Notes FY24

The Town of Greensboro contracted with Nathan Hawley, CPA, of Pace & Hawley, LLC. The following is located in the Financial Statements and Independent Auditor’s Reports, June 30, 2023. A digital copy of the Town’s financial statements is located on the Town website at greensborovt.gov. Copies are available at the Town Office.

The Greensboro Grand List value as of 01/07/2025 is \$2,773,388. This is 1% of the total listed property values in Greensboro established by the Town Assessor.

Greensboro Revenues

The Town receives revenues from a number of sources, predominantly from property taxes. Other sources include recording and zoning fees, a fire department contract with Stannard, and grants.

FY 24 REVENUE REPORT			
Revenue	2022	2023	2024
Town Clerk	\$28,413	\$28,925	\$23,018
Interest	\$13,007	\$10,060	\$12,502
Tax	\$1,137,026	\$1,132,400	\$1,124,225
Zoning	\$5,531	\$3,755	\$4,630
Rental Property	\$0	\$501	\$800
Beach	\$4,300	\$6,200	\$2,512
Recreation	\$568	\$6,000	\$7,970
Fire	\$8,200	\$10,300	\$12,616
Highway	\$843,008	\$830,880	\$811,200
Cemetery	\$8,283	\$8,808	\$5,200
Milfoil grant	\$6,513	\$7,026	\$7,407
Solid Waste	\$214	\$176	\$0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,055,063	\$2,045,031	\$2,012,080

Some additional state revenue:

- State reappraisal: \$7,786
- State Aid to HWYS, class 2 and 3: \$126,174
- Better Back Roads Grant: \$27,590
- Porter Brook Bridge: \$207,000

Greensboro Delinquent Tax Statement

As of 6/30/2024

To be collected at of 11/15/2023	\$102,043.47
Collected	<u>-\$98,305.61</u>
	\$3,737.86
Removed items in list not delinquent	<u>-\$1,003.76</u>
	\$2,734.10
Less taxes abated	<u>-\$424.26</u>
Balance uncollected	\$2,309.84

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Long Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Greensboro Selectboard Report

Sometimes you just can't make these things up. In July 2024, a year to the day after the 2023 flood, we had another one. Josh Karp will report more on this in his FEMA report. The only silver lining here is that the 2024 flood was slightly less damaging than the 2023 event. In the earlier flood we secured a bank line of credit for \$1 million to cover the damage and we used up the entire amount. The 2024 flood required 'only' a \$750,000 line of credit, of which we have drawn down approximately \$600,000. We are now waiting - sometimes patiently, sometimes less so - for Federal reimbursement.

This past year has seen some major town successes as well as some disappointments. We have been successful winning many town grants. We are addressing the flooding issue in the village center through an engineering grant, we are exploring a sidewalk/bike path up Breezy Avenue and we have secured a number of grants for Greensboro Bend, including a study to reimagine the use of the Methodist Church. The library has also been successful in winning grants for much needed repair work. These are just some of the grants and projects we are working on. We thank all the town volunteers who have made these projects possible.

This year's Funky Fourth attracted more attendees than any year in recent memory. Thank you to the Funky Fourth Committee and everyone who worked on the event. And the long-awaited arrival of broadband service to Greensboro looks to be at hand. NEK Broadband and other commercial services are in the final stages of hanging fiber throughout the town.

On the disappointment side of the ledger, the July flood obviously caused significant damage. We thank Tom Camarra and the entire road crew, and all the outside contractors for getting the roads back up quickly. Thank you! In 2024 we were not able to find an appropriate site or sites for a town wastewater system. We had to forego many millions of dollars of Federal funding. This was a disappointment. On a positive note, however, we are not giving up and are establishing a new committee to work on a town wastewater solution.

The Selectboard wishes to thank the town office staff for all their hard work in what was a difficult year. We said goodbye to Jeanne Eisner, our assistant town clerk this year as well as Janet Long our longstanding Delinquent Tax Collector (or is it Collector of Delinquent Taxes? – Janet will certainly let us know in no uncertain terms!) and welcomed Lily McMurtrie, assistant town clerk and Mike Cloutier, Delinquent Tax Collector. We unfortunately lost the services (hopefully only temporary) of Brett Stanciu, our Treasurer, to a medical leave of absence in the

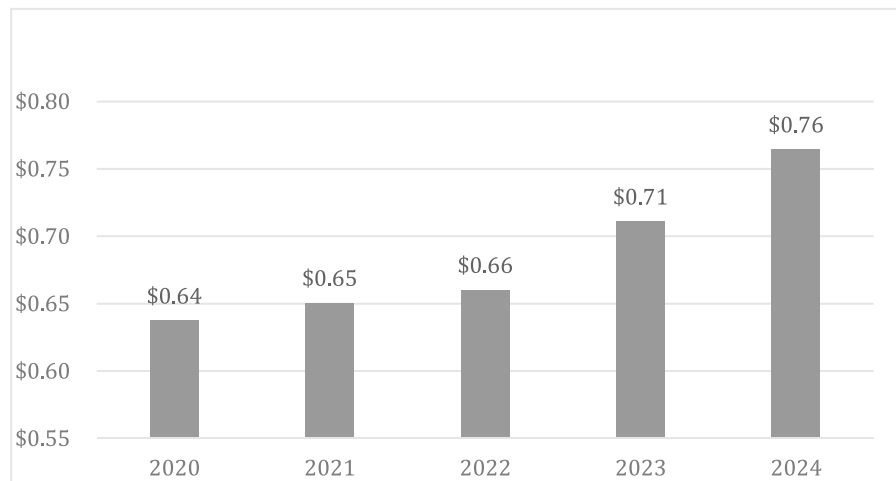
Fall. Kim Greaves has worked tirelessly to fill in for Brett in addition to performing all her other duties. Jane Woodruff has stepped in to volunteer as Zoning Administrator in Brett's absence and we thank her for this.

This report would not be complete without mentioning the issue that has consumed so much of the town's time recently, the redevelopment of town hall. The Selectboard hopes to bring the Rural Edge housing proposal to a vote at Town meeting, or shortly thereafter.

Thank you,

Eric Hanson, Selectboard Chair

Municipal Tax Rate Over The Years



Greensboro Town Clerk Report

This FY24 fiscal year has been one for the record books. July 1, 2023 started great, preparing for the Funky Fourth with the parade and picnic and celebration. Then July 10-11th came and it seemed like the world was crashing in. We experienced a flood like we have not seen in decades. Dave Brochu, our emergency management coordinator and I were on the phone from about 2:30 am and the road crew were deployed in the wee hours as well. Before we had time to think, we had people coming into the office asking how they could help. Matt McAllister and his team, Warren Hill III, Chuck Hill and so many others that I can't list, jumped in to do whatever Dave Brochu and the Road Crew needed. I called Eric Pope, our VTRANS representative and he was in the Town Office in just about 2 hours helping us coordinate contractors. These contractors helped put Greensboro back together. Not every road was perfect, but we made them passable in time.

Then December hit, and we had a repeat disaster. Some of the roads that were just rebuilt was taken out with this flood. Again, so many individuals jumped in to help. The Town in general was educated very quickly in culverts and their sizes and their location!

With this, the Selectboard hired Josh Karp as our FEMA Coordinator to sort this out. Josh is doing double duty as the FEMA coordinator and the Selectboard Clerk. I don't know how we would get through the FEMA documentation without Josh. Thank you for all you do Josh. You are indispensable.

As you all know, we had another flood on the anniversary of the first flood and a severe mold problem. That will be the subject of next year's report.

I want to thank the Selectboard for their continued support, Brett Stanciu for all that she does as treasurer and Zoning Administrator. We await her return and miss her terribly. Thanks to Jeanne Eisner for her continued support and being there whenever she is needed. Lily McMurtrie is now in the office as our new assistant Town Clerk and a very welcome addition. Thank you, Lily, for all your tech skills! Thanks to Tom, Dan and Lenwood for all they do for the Town so we can get where we need to go daily. They were miracle workers during this flood. Thank you also to John Schweizer and Jennifer Lucas for their time and diligence in helping with the main budget, capital budget and HERF budget.

The Town pulled together when it was needed and I truly appreciate all the friendly smiles and kind support.

With much gratitude, Kim Greaves

Greensboro Town Treasurer Report

The summer of 2024 was dominated by the July flood, in a repeat of the summer of 2023. We returned to Community National Bank for another line of credit, this time for \$750,000 versus \$1,000,000 the previous summer. For both flood events, we have been working through all the damage, tracking all the receipts, and reporting the losses to FEMA. The interest on our borrowings is significant but we expect to be fully reimbursed for this.

The Selectboard and I began meeting in September to begin work on next year's budget. This Fall, I was unexpectedly diagnosed with cancer. My immediate and long-term medical leave for treatment caused a delay in the fiscal 2024 audit and challenges for the fiscal 2025-2026 budget process. In my absence, the Board and volunteers Jennifer Lucas and John Schweizer have put together the budget presented here which also includes the Capital Reserve fund and the Highway Equipment Reserve fund (HERF). I want to thank everyone who graciously stepped up to help with finances and many other details in my absence.

The proposed increase in spending this coming year is 5.86% versus last year's increase of 6.9%. Spending is only one part of the budget equation, however. The other is income. The grand list, the assessed value of all property in the town, has increased this past year. The increase is greater than the increase in proposed spending which means that the estimated tax rate per \$100 is expected to go down this coming year from 0.7646 to 0.7226. The average homeowner should expect only a slight increase in taxes for town services when tax bills are sent out in August. School taxes, however, are another matter. Local school budgets are determined by school boards for a Town Meeting Day Australian ballot vote. The final education tax rate is set by the State. Information can be found on the supervisory union website, ossu.org.

Due to the significant amount of reimbursement funds the town expects to receive for the July flooding in 2023 and 2024, the town will be required to file a 'single' audit next year. This is more complicated, more time-consuming, and more costly than our current audit. So, 2025 will be a busy year, finishing the 2024 audit as well as getting all the numbers required for the single audit.

Last year I spoke about the Porter Brook bridge, which required replacement in 2023. We replaced the bridge partially with a State grant (\$200,000) and met the rest with our own reserve funds (\$234,260). The 2023 flood claimed a bridge on Shadow Lake Road. The cost to replace this bridge, \$308,730, will be borne mostly by FEMA and the State, which is some small consolation. The work is expected to be done in early Summer 2025. Finally, I want to thank everyone in town for their support and encouragement as I have faced a morass of medical issues. Town Clerk Kim Greaves gamely stepped up to not only do her own work in a challenging election and

budget year but also cover mine. Jeanne Eisner and now Lily McMurtrie cheerfully aided in numerous Treasurer tasks. In addition, the town offices relocated upstairs, so my absence coincided with a particularly chaotic moment for the town. It's important to understand that the 2023 and 2024 floods made the town office work much more labor-intensive and complicated. Fortunately, capable Selectboard clerk Josh Karp was hired as the town's part-time FEMA coordinator. I am beyond grateful to work with these colleagues, including Brittney Butler our town assessor, and for their diligence, thoughtfulness, and humor. I'm also grateful to the town's road crew – Tom Camarra, Dan Tanner, and Lenwood Perron – who patiently educate me about their world.

Last, I would be remiss not to acknowledge that the most gratifying aspects of my position – a mixture of treasurer and zoning work – is working with volunteers, from the earnest committees and commissions who enrich the town's life in multiple ways, such as swimming lessons, nature programs, and cemetery work. In my absence, I am grateful to Jane Woodruff, head of the Development Review Board, for taking on my duties in the zoning realm – thank you. Selectboard members have the option to receive a token stipend, but the Board's work is really volunteer work. In a year of challenges, I'd like to thank the Board for their kindness to me as a town employee – and also their steadfast willingness to devote endless hours to the town, and this includes long-time Board member Peter Romans who resigned last Spring after years of service.

Winston Churchill, who lived through far worse years, once famously said, "Democracy is the worst form of government, except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time." 2024, with its challenges both public and personal, demonstrated again for me the willingness of Greensboro folks to step up when necessary – in floods or illness, often quietly – to participate in the common good. It's a privilege to participate in small town government.

Greensboro Road Report

Once again, I want to thank all the taxpayers for funding the budget and the new Granite Mack this year. I want to thank John Schweizer and Jen Lucas for their help with the budget and their support in advocating for a new town garage. I would also like to thank the Select Board for their hard work.

2024... amazingly we had a flood repeat from last year, right down to the day. Thankfully, things ran much smoother and quicker with a teamwork attitude. A big thanks to Josh Karp for working through all the FEMA filing, we couldn't have done it without him. We were all faced with much disaster and making hard decisions and working together. With the help of contractors, we made progress one road at a time. Also, thanks to the contractors that helped us haul our winter sand. We were able to complete full resurfacing and completed three grants with the help of Mark Colburn. Thanks to the many contractors that helped us repair our roads. A big thank you to Dan and Lenwood and Wizzy for working so hard in difficult times this year. We all work as a team (there is no "I" in team).

Many thanks to Kim and Brett for all their hard work, especially Kim working extra hard through Brett's medical leave.

Road Foreman,
Tom Camarra

FEMA REPORT

Floods in 2023 and 2024 floods have been stressful for everyone, but an upside is that FEMA allows the town to rebuild better – so over the past two years we've been able to make considerable improvements to our road network, mostly in the form of larger culverts and improved ditches. There are more improvements to come in 2025.

2023 FLOOD

- **Damages:** ± \$2,300,000. *(Includes money spent on repairs; estimates for work yet to be completed; and reimbursements for road crew time, town office flood admin, town equipment use, and town gravel)*
- **Town borrowing:** In July 2023, the selectboard approved a \$1,000,000 line of credit for flood repairs, and all of this was spent. In March 2024, \$289,000 of this loan was converted to a second, low interest loan through the VT Bond Bank. It is expected that all interest will be reimbursed by FEMA, and we expect to pay off both loans in March 2025 when the bulk of our reimbursements are expected to arrive.
- **Reimbursements received as of 2/1/25:** ± \$320,000
- **Federal share of 2023 flood expenses:** 90%
- **State share of 2023 flood expenses:** 7.8%
- **Greensboro's share of 2023 flood expenses:** 2.2% (± \$50,000)

2024 FLOOD

- **Damages:** ± \$900,000. *(Includes money spent on repairs; estimates for work yet to be completed; and reimbursements for road crew time, town office flood admin, town equipment use, and town gravel)*
- **Town borrowing:** In July 2024, the selectboard approved a \$750,000 line of credit, with ± \$650,000 spent as of 2/1/25.

We anticipate the 2024 FEMA process will move along faster than the 2023 process did, since we have a better understanding of how to navigate convoluted federal bureaucracy.

Dealing with the aftermath of the flooding and rebuilding our roads in 2024 was a huge team effort. Thanks to Brett and Kim in the town offices for fielding a million calls from concerned residents; processing paperwork for our flood loans; and making sure contractors got paid. Thanks to the road crew for working day after long day to get repairs made and for coordinating with contractors. Thanks to all the contractors who shifted their schedules around and stepped up to put our roads back together. Thanks to selectboard member MacNeil for crack of dawn meetings with the road crew to coordinate work. Thanks to all the residents who were patient* as the repair process slowly progressed through summer and fall. *(*for the most part)*

And lastly thanks to former selectboard members Peter Romans and Gary Circosta who worked tirelessly for many months on the town's 2023 flood recovery, and who were instrumental in getting our FEMA process underway.

- Josh Karp, Town FEMA coordinator

The Lyles Newsletter:

April 1962

The Donald Gebbies have installed a ski tow on their farm for the use of their family and friends.

Town of Greensboro Highway Department Winter Operations Plan

- Plow routes are set up to open the major traffic routes and bus routes first. After all bus routes are done, we will then plow the roads which may cause the most trouble for the public based on traffic volume, steepness, curves, etc. and continue until all roads are open.
- Given the circumstances involved with changing weather conditions, the Town of Greensboro does not have a bare road policy. Travelers who use town roads should exercise due care and reasonable caution during winter conditions.
- The Town recommends snow tires and driving relative to the road conditions.

- During winter weather events, the Town will enforce a ban on all parking along roadsides and places where plow trucks or school buses turn around. Vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense.
- The Town of Greensboro has only three employees to do winter maintenance on over 56 miles of town highways. Each employee has a specific route, which takes between 2 to 4 hours to complete. We vary from these routes only for emergency situations (fire, ambulance, etc.).
- The Town does not plow or sand class 4 roads or private roads.
- The Town road crew usually begin operations between 2:30 am and 3:00 am to have major highways and bus routes clear by 7:00 am
- After 16 hours on the job, the Road Crew is required to stop operations and get a minimum of six (6) hours of rest.
- 19 V.S.A.§1111(b) prohibits encroachments on the town's right of way without approval. Common items residents place in the town's right-of-way includes trees and bushes, fences, flowerbeds, posts and stone walls. Objects in the town's right-of-way (25' from the center line) are placed at the owner's risk and the Town assumes no responsibility for any damage to objects placed in violation of the statute. Items that are deemed to be a hazard will be removed at the owner's expense.
- The Town is not responsible for mailboxes or any damage within the road right of way. The Town will not pay for replacement or repair of windshields or damage caused by potholes in road right of ways.
- Salt will be applied to most paved roads, with sand added as necessary. Salt is not effective when road temperatures are below 20 degrees.
- Sand will be applied to the gravel roads. Some particles in the sand mixture may be as large as ½" in size and may cause windshield damage. It is recommended that all travelers use caution and avoid following any winter maintenance vehicles too closely. The Town will not pay for replacement or repair of windshields.
- Under 19 V.S.A. §1111(b) and 23 V.S.A.§1126(a) plowing or shoveling of snow across or onto a town or state highway is prohibited. Violation of this statute may be subject to a fine or penalty. A violator may also be liable for damage to property, vehicles and any undue cost to the town for removal of this snow.
- Overnight parking is prohibited in town parking lots, in front of Willey's store and roads' right of way (25' from the center line) from November 16th to April 15th. Vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense.

Phone Numbers:

Greensboro Town Clerk's Office 533-2911 Greensboro Town Garage 533-7149

Winter Parking and Obstruction Policy

(Effective annually from November 1 - April 1)

Parking vehicles is prohibited on Town Highway rights of way and turnarounds. Vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense.

Overnight parking is prohibited in public parking lots or in front of Willey's store. Vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense.

Plowing snow across a Town Highway or depositing snow on a Town Highway is a violation of state law and is strictly prohibited.

Trees and brush in the Town Highway right of way that are deemed to pose a hazard by the Select Board or the Town Road Foreman may be removed.

Greensboro Health Officer Report

Dear Greensboro and Greensboro Bend Neighbors,

It has been a quiet year for your Town Health Officers in 2024. Typically, we answer questions regarding the items listed below and support folks with their next steps. We receive notifications of failed water quality tests for commercial and public water supply wells. Early this summer, we were alerted to problems in the Greensboro Bend Fire District #2. There was insufficient water to meet the needs of the 20 homes and two businesses (including the Four Seasons of Early Learning) on the Bend water supply. The homes' water supply was shut down in the late evening till early morning, allowing the well to recharge but triggering a Boil Water notice for the three months it took to solve the problem. After a lot of effort on the part of Lincoln and Rachele Miller, his Fire District 2 committee and their consultants and significant expense, the leak was located and the problem solved. There have been on going problems with this ageing water system and it clearly is going to need an expensive upgrade. We believe that this problem should be remedied and have just begun to work with the Fire District #2 committee to support a solution.

- COVID, RSV and Flu: These viruses are still a health risk. Please consider the update vaccines. Although we are seeing fewer hospitalizations, the newest variants of COVID are highly contagious, so please test if you have symptoms and isolate if positive. The current research indicates that multiple exposures to COVID may lead to Long COVID. If you are choosing not to take the vaccines or your immune system is weak, masking in large gatherings is a good defense against all viruses. Note: There is a new test that is available at some drug stores which now test for COVID and Influenza A and B in one test. Free COVID Test kits can be obtained by going to; [COVIDTests.gov](https://www.COVIDTests.gov)
- Effective January 1, 2024, the State changed the manner in which rental housing inspections are conducted. The Department of Public Safety's Division of Fire Safety will now take the lead on these complaints-driven investigations of inadequate and unsafe rental properties, including short term rentals, thus freeing the THO's from this prior responsibility. All rental properties, both short and long term, must meet the standards identified in the Rental Housing Health and Safety Code. We will support the DPS Inspection Officers if they request help from us to investigate or to follow up on items which we had formerly been required to investigate ourselves. If we receive a complaint we will refer it to them.
- If called, your Town Health Officer can:
 1. Report animal bites as well as provide information related to potential animal confinement.
 2. Provide instructions for rabies testing.
 3. Support lead paint investigations of all properties.
 4. Support homeowners when rodents and other pests do become a significant nuisance or a threat to health.
 5. Offer guidance to community members about failing septic systems which may be causing public health concerns.
 6. Offer guidance to community members about drinking water testing.
- Other health topics we offer for your consideration:

Drinking water: Test your spring or well water at least every five years. Rental properties are required to offer safe drinking water. We can help you order your test kit from the Vermont Department of Health Water Quality Division. Or you can go to:

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/lab/drinking-water>

Radon: Has your home ever been tested for excess radon? 1 in 7 homes have excess radon yet it is fairly simple to repair. (Breathing air with radon increases your risk of getting lung cancer over the course of your lifetime.)

Free long-term radon in air test kits are available to Vermont residents. You can request one from the Radon Program by calling 1-800-439-8550 (toll-free in Vermont) or emailing radon@vermont.gov.

Lead: Dust from lead-based paint is the major source of lead poisoning among children. Any home built before 1978, when lead was banned from house paint, probably has lead-based paint in it. Over time, lead paint on surfaces crumbles into invisible dust—especially from opening and closing doors and windows—that contaminates homes and soil. Even if the home has been repainted since 1978, lead dust is released from the original lead-based paint. The Vermont Department of Health has a wealth of information on this important and often overlooked topic. The phone contact is 1-802-865-5323.

As always, we invite folks to contact us with any concerns or questions.

Our thanks to you,
Karl and Christine
January, 2025

Karl Stein @ 802-533-2379 (karlsteinems@gmail.com)
Christine Armstrong @ 802-363-8500 (dhgreensborovt@gmail.com)

Greensboro Giving Closet

The Giving Closet is located in a large classroom, upstairs in the Town Hall building. The Giving Closet is open Tuesday 9-2:30 p.m., Wednesday 9:00-4:00 p.m., and Thursday 9-noon, 1-2:30p.m. Please call (802) 533-2911 to make an appointment to bring a donation.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our volunteers Sandra Gebbie, Janice Dinsdale, Karen Henning, Kathy Newhouse, Irene Hill, and Rebecca Bellavance for their time and dedication to keep the Giving Closet open and serving hundreds of people.

Many useful and needed items are brought to the “closet.” We accept clean, gently used clothes & shoes (for infants, children, men, and women), working household items, videos, dvds, cds, books, and gently used toys. All items should be clean and in good working condition.

Please, DO NOT leave donations outside the Town Hall building, when the Giving Closet is closed, during the weekend and holidays. You may contact the Town Hall Clerk Office or Miriam Rogers for a special drop off arrangement.

If you have any questions regarding the Giving Closet, please email Miriam Rogers at mrogers70@gmail.com, or call our town clerk, Kim Greaves, at (802) 533-2911.

Greensboro Conservation Commission Members

Emily Cayer, *Advisor*
Clive Gray, *Member* - (2027)
Liza Keisler, *Member* - (2028)
David Kelley, *Member* - (2027)
Jane Hoffman, *Treasurer* - (2027)
Erika Karp, *Member* - (2027)
Will Marlier, *Clerk* - (2026)
Linda Shatney, *Member* - (2027)
Chris Steel, *Chair* - (2027)
Peter Watkinson, *Member* - (2026)

Greensboro Conservation Commission Annual Report

The Greensboro Conservation Commission (GCC) is a statutory body whose members are appointed by the Selectboard to provide leadership on issues relating to protection of our community's natural resources. State law authorizes a maximum membership of nine – there are no current vacancies. Meetings are posted and open to the public.

Since the GCC's revival in 2004, it has been involved in a wide range of projects that have strengthened Greensboro's biodiversity, improved public understanding of wildlife, increased access to the outdoors, and conserved natural resources in perpetuity. It has contributed to five separate conservation easements, aided in repairs and improvements to the Barr Hill access road, financed a *Place-based Landscape Analysis & Community Engagement* study of Greensboro Bend, commissioned and published maps of seven public walking trails, and held several educational events on local wildlife at the *Highland Center for the Arts*.

In the past year, the GCC built on existing projects and continued to cultivate community traditions. The commission's invasive plant project made great strides. In the last year two sites have been identified for ongoing management by the GCC, and well over 100 volunteer hours have already been spent at these locations; An expert on managing invasives, Mike Bald, was contracted by the GCC to provide educational instruction both in the classroom and in the field; And an AVCC Tiny Grant funded the creation of a public invasive plant management tool library, which has been utilized at multiple sites already. The GCC coordinated another educational program at the HCA when it brought both the *Vermont Institute of Natural Sciences* and the *Bird Diva* to Greensboro in August. There, attendees learned about the importance of wildlife conservation as well as new methods for observing the world around them. The GCC also provided more guided bird walks in collaboration with the *Greensboro Free Library*. The GCC continued to collaborate with the *Highland Lodge* and the *Greensboro Land Trust* to perform repairs to the Porter Brook Trail in the wake of July's floods.

Additionally, the GCC has launched a wildlife crossing monitoring program. With four newly-positioned wildlife cameras, the GCC hopes to collect vital information on the species present at and the frequency of use of these crossings. The commission passed a townwide pollinator resolution, ran educational pollinator programs through the *Greensboro Free Library*, and has also worked with the newly-established *Greensboro Pollinator Working Group* to identify locations for future pollinator gardens. The GCC has also co-sponsored the upcoming Adopt-A-Culvert program to help mitigate road erosion and reduce the impact on water quality in our rivers and lakes from stormwater runoff. The GCC coordinated an additional event at the HCA in October, bringing in Ethan Tapper to speak on his newly published book *"How to Love a Forest"*.

In this coming year, the GCC plans to use the Greensboro Conservation Fund (GCF) to further many projects across town. The spring will see more guided bird walks as well as the planting of a pollinator garden along the Bend's rail trail. The summer will bring another educational wildlife event at the *Highland Center for the Arts*, this time focused on wild felines like bobcat, lynx, and catamounts. The invasive plant project will continue with additional educational opportunities for community members and landowners, and expanded management operations on sites across town. The wildlife crossing program will continue to collect data and expand throughout the year.

Town Meeting 2024 appropriated \$3,000.00 for the Greensboro Conservation Fund. So that the GCC can continue providing the same quality of care in our work, we ask the town to please approve the same level of funding (\$3,000.00) for FY 2025.

Will Marlier, GCC Clerk

Greensboro Planning Commission

Your Greensboro Planning Commission had an active year in 2024.

We saw two Planning Commission members depart after several years of community service. Ellen Celnik's and MacNeil's contributions to the Town were significant.

The Planning commission also welcomed one new member this year. Long time summer resident Janet Patterson.

Guided by action plans published in the 2019 Town Plan along with feedback from the public, the Commission and its sub-committees continued to address housing needs and lakeshore protection. Additionally, we continued our work to bring the Town Zoning Bylaws up to date. The goal of this work is intended to make the Bylaws more accurate and clearer to understand.

In October, the Commission held a public hearing on two proposed Zoning Bylaw changes - one focused on the Shoreland Protection District, the other a more general update. The Commission is now considering the public comments and will likely forward these proposals to the Select Board in early 2024.

We were pleased to see progress made on housing in 2023. Rural Edge is analyzing the Town Hall for a possible conversion to mid-income diversified rental housing. Additionally, Greensboro's chapter of Habitat for Humanity became active in late 2023 and is working to begin constructing homes to be purchased in Greensboro by mid-income families.

2025 promises to be another busy year for your Planning Commission as we begin work towards updating the pre-pandemic Town Plan. To get thing started we will circulate a Community survey and hold focus groups to get your updated views about the Town and what our goals should be over the next 5 to 10 years. We will also be updating the Town's Flood Resiliency Bylaws in line with the new FEMA flood maps and regulations expected soon.

If you are interested in the Planning Commission's activities, please attend one of our regular monthly meetings. Details about our meetings can be found on the Town Website (<https://greensborovt.org>) *under Boards & Committees.*

Respectfully submitted,
Kent Hansen, Chairman
December 2024



Jennifer L. Harlow
Sheriff

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The Orleans County Sheriff's Department has been honored to provide patrol services to you this past year. The enclosed chart shows the total incidents, total arrests and traffic violations for your town from January 1st, 2024 through December, 2024.

This past year the Orleans County Sheriff's Department hired Deputy David Garces who came to this agency with five years of full-time law enforcement experience. Deputy Garces is a Drug Recognition Expert and has taught at the Vermont Police Academy during DUI Class. Deputy Locke who is also a DRE and Garces attended the IACP Impaired Driving and Traffic Safety Conference in Washington, DC this past summer. These Deputies continue to be assets to our community and strive to make our roadways a safer place to travel.

The OCS D sent Deputy Hunter Cota to the Level-III full- time Police Academy in Pittsford, VT which is an intense sixteen (16) week program. Deputy Cota received two outstanding awards. The Director's Award which is awarded to a member determined by

the training staff, for leadership, professionalism and teamwork. The Eugene Gaiotti Award, the recipient of this award is selected by their classmates and based on their levels of honesty, motivation and teamwork. Deputy Cota has a desire and passion to work with the Special Investigations Unit and our local Human Trafficking work group.

Lieutenant Wells finished his FBI LEEDA trilogy training which an honorable achievement. Over the past several years Lt. Wells attended leadership courses to better himself and this office. Congratulations! Lt Wells also became an Instructor for Taser which will be an asset to our office and community.

The Orleans County Sheriff’s Department has collaborated and worked cases once again this past year with our Federal Partners and the Vermont Drug Task Force in an effort to make our community a safer place to live and a pleasurable place to come and visit.

The OCSD continues and will continue to work with supporting our Child Advocacy Center with a Deputy investigating crimes against our children as well as working with the States Attorney’s Office with a grant that we currently hold.

Deputy Doug Morrill continues at Lake Region Union High School as the School Resource Officer and continues to build strong positive relationships with our young people. This position has and continues to prove so valuable to our community.

In December the Sheriff’s department celebrated the 17th anniversary of “Operation Santa”. We received generous, overwhelming support from many local area businesses and community members. **Thank you!** The program continues to bring joy and happiness to so many this season, thank you Dispatcher Tammy LaCourse!

It is an honor to work and live in Orleans County. Working with the local Selectboards to meet the needs of each town is rewarding. Keeping the lines of communication between the select boards helps keep our communities needs at the forefront of our services.

Orleans County Sheriff’s Department Administration Office Hours: 8-4 pm Monday – Friday. Patrol Hours Day/Evening Hours Seven (7) days a week call 802-334-3333 and press 1 to speak to Dispatch.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Harlow
 Sheriff Jennifer L. Harlow

Town of Greensboro – Total Law Incident Report	
Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
Agency Assist	10
Alarm	20
Animal Problem	2
Background Investigation	1
Burglary	1
Citizen Assist	21
Citizen Dispute	7
Civil Process	3
Crash - Injury	4
Crash - Property	15
Death Notification/Deliver Message	1
Directed Patrol	11
Family Fight	3
Found/Lost Property	6

Illegal Dumping	1
Informational Only	2
Intoxication	1
Juvenile NICS Check	9
Juvenile Problem	3
Larceny - Other	5
Mental Health Issue	2
Motorist Assist	3
Motor Vehicle Complaint	9
Noise Disturbance	1
Phone Complaint	1
Retail Theft	1
Speed Cart	2
Subpoena Service	2
Suspicious	17
Threats/Harassment	2
Traffic Hazard	2
Traffic Stop	57
Trespass	2
Vandalism	4
Vin Verification	1
Violation of Conditions of Release	1
Wanted Person	1
Weapons Offense	1
911 Hangup	2
Total Incidents for the Town of Greensboro	237

Town of Greensboro – Total Traffic Violation Report	
Total Traffic Tickets	21
Total Warnings	52
Town of Greensboro - Total Arrest Report	
Arrest on In-State Warrant	1
Cruelty to Children by One Over 16	1
Driving With a Criminally Suspended License	1
Driving Under the Influence - First Offense	2
Driving Under the Influence - Serious Bodily Injury	1
Drugs - Depressant, Stimulant, Narcotic Possession	1
Unlawful Restraint	1
Violation of Conditions of Release	2

Total Arrests (by Count) for Town of Greensboro	10
Total Arrests (by Person) for Town of Greensboro	8

NEK Broadband 2024 Annual Report

The 2024 NEK Broadband Report was not available as of the report going to print.

Greensboro Zoning

In 2024, three new family home permits were issued. Around Caspian, a garage was converted to a remote bedroom and two raze-and-rebuild of cottage permits were issued. In addition, homeowners were written permits for additions, sheds, a gazebo and subdivisions.

In 2024, the DRB approved eight projects. Information and zoning applications are found on the Town’s website or in the Town Office. I can be reached at 802-533-2640 or by email at zoning@greensborovt.gov.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Woodruff, Interim Zoning Administrator/
Development Review Board Secretary

Greensboro Cemetery Commission

This year we finished the terracing in the new part of the Village Cemetery. We still need to finish the roads in the new area for better access to the lots. Hopefully this will happen in the spring of 2025. We will then be able to hire a surveyor to lay out all the lots that can be used.

We hired Heritage Memorial to continue to straighten and repair another block of headstones in the Village Cemetery. There are many more blocks to fix and this is an ongoing project.

Thank you to the taxpayers of Greensboro for your support in rehabilitating the cemeteries. Thanks also to supporters for generous donations.

We appreciate any donations made to the Cemetery Commission for future work.

Respectfully submitted
Wayne Young, chair
Patsy Mercier, Secretary
MacNeil, Vice-chair

Greensboro Fire Department

The Greensboro Fire Department responded to 43 calls from 7/01/2023 to 6/30/2024.

These calls are broken out as follows:

Structure Fires	6	Unauthorized burning	1
Chimney Fires	1	Cell phone activated 911 call	1
Hardwick Rescue Assist	1	False Alarm/ Detector Malfunction	10
Car Accidents	10	CO Alarms/malfunctions	3
Dispatched but cancelled	4		
Power Line down	1		
Service Good intent calls	3		
Propane/Flammable liquid	2		

Of these 43 calls, we helped Mutual Aid departments 4 times and received help 8 times. Of these 43 calls 3 of these calls were made to the Town of Stannard.

The breakout for Stannard is as follows: Structure Fires: 1
 Car Accident: 1
 Dispatched then cancelled: 1

The Greensboro Fire Dept. continues to be the first response for a wide variety of 911 calls as the chart above indicates. Once again car accidents were up this year.

With another major flooding experienced in July the fire dept aided the town with cleaning out culverts and reporting on open and closed roads in the town.

Training and meetings continued in 2023-2024 along with training with our mutual aid depts.

The Greensboro Fire Department would once again like to say thank you to the citizens of Greensboro and Stannard for their continued participation in our 911 address sign program. We have had a great turn out and it is great to see all the signs in the community. We would like to remind people that you can still get your 911 address sign if you need one. We will always have signs on hand, and we will continue to fill requests as needed. Forms can be obtained on the Town website. The completed forms can be mailed to the Fire Department or emailed to greensboro_fire@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted,

David Brochu Jr, Chief



HARDWICK EMERGENCY RESCUE SQUAD

PO Box 837, Hardwick VT 05843

Phone/Fax # 802-472-6343

December 2024,

As HRS looks towards 2025 we have a lot of accomplishments to be proud of, things to be thankful for and lots of change ahead. HRS is well past 800 calls and the year is not over yet. HRS is fortunate to be able to level fund our budget due to our increased revenue from our call volume. We know how tight all of our budgets are and we are thrilled to be able to not

add to that burden.

Some highlights from 2024 was welcoming three new full time staff to our ranks bringing us up to four full time employees. HRS continues to welcome new members, and our roster is the largest it has ever been. Our building committee has been hard at work and we are working closely with the town of Hardwick to create a new shared space for the future. We thank the Hardwick Hospital Association for assisting us in this process and ensuring HRS will continue to fulfill its mission for decades to come. We credentialed several new CPR instructors and are offering more regular classes to our communities. HRS was awarded the pediatric safe designation in September in large part due to the hard work of our Training officer and 2024 EMS educator of the year Tyler Molleur. Craftsby First responder Colby Masse a paramedic at Morrystown EMS was also awarded ALS provider of the year. HRS is fortunate to be filled with wonderful and talented people!

HRS also saw some challenging time with more July flooding deeply impacting the communities where we live and serve. We watched and waited as the solar eclipse came and went bringing thousands of people to our communities. We grieved the loss of another long time HRS member Joan Camp. We thank her and her family for the years of dedicated service to our communities and our organization. Yet through these challenges HRS has continued to grow and be thankful for the dedication of our members.

Lastly, this is my last year at the help of Hardwick Rescue. As the president though COVID-19, two years of flooding, solar eclipse, and seeing our service fully join the digital age has taken more time than I every imagined. Volunteering for this wonderful organization has been a privilege and caused me to grow in ways I never expected. I encourage each of you to consider volunteering in your own community. I look forward to transitioning into a new role at HRS and you will be left in good hands with our next president. HRS will continue to provide the caring and compassionate service you have come to expect. On behalf of all of the members of HRS thank you for your continued support. We wish you all a safe and healthy year.

Lindsay O'Steen, AEMT

Greensboro Historical Society

Since 1977, the Greensboro Historical Society (GHS) has preserved and documented the history of Greensboro. We appreciate the use of the town's historic building to house our exhibits and growing archives, and we welcome the opportunity to serve as a place for the community to gather and learn about our shared history.

The Town's appropriation has typically helped to cover the costs of our archivist, IT support, utilities, supplies and upkeep of the building's interior. The balance of our approximately \$23,000 budget is pad by donations, savings and project grants such as from the Greensboro Association and the Vermont Arts Council. We are primarily a volunteer organization. About 15 volunteers tend to our administrative and financial tasks; research, design, and present the exhibits; publish a newsletter and a historical journal; maintain and clean the museum spaces; conduct community programming; and much more.

In addition, our professional archivist and tech support persons continue to organize and digitize information on our Town's heritage. They also research and answer genealogical questions from the public, and make our resources more searchable and accessible for all on our website (www.greensborohistoricalsociety.org). Town funds help ensure that everyone has the equipment and space they need to do their work.

This past year, the GHS offered a variety of programs: Our summer exhibit, “Rails to Trails” documented the history of the St. Johnsbury & Lamoille County railroad, its role in creating a thriving village in The Bend, and the railroad’s ultimate demise and conversion into the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail (“LVTR). In connection with our exhibit, we coordinated with representatives of the Bend Revitalization Project to cross-promote activities and repurpose portions of our exhibit and History Explorer Walk to highlight certain historical sites near the LVRT.

We also held our annual book sale and ice cream social and hosted two very well-attended speaking events: In March we featured Shawn Messier from the Coles Pond sledders and Dennis Pudvah from the Hardwick SnoFlake Ridge Runners, who discussed the history of snowmobiling on our area. In August, Robert Merrill discussed the geology of Greensboro (now available on GHS website) and answered many audience questions about how the underlying geology affects what we see and experience in Greensboro today.

Our archivist and volunteers supported several area students in their research for Vermont History Day 2024 and fielded other questions from researchers near and far. We worked with Lakeview Elementary School students to create artwork featured on colorful tote bags. Last but not least, we are proud to announce that we are the recipients of the Award of Excellence from the League of Local Historical Societies & Museums for our prior exhibit on the history of land conservation in Greensboro.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted, BJ Gray, president.

Greensboro Free Library

This has been another busy year for the Library. Statistics are one measure of this – we circulated over 18,500 items – from books to summer park passes to winter snowshoes -- and greeted over 10,000 visitors. We offered over 200 programs for almost 4,000 attendees, including outreach programs to Lakeview School and Four Seasons of Early Learning.

At least 16 different community groups used our meeting rooms on a regular basis, including the Selectboard. Beyond the statistics, though, are the many faces lit up with wonder, the smiles, and the hugs that make this library a true center of our community. In lieu of a long narrative, I wanted to offer some photos to show what Greensboro folks have been up to this year at the Library. Enjoy, and appreciate that your support at town meeting helps make it all happen!

– Paula Davidson, Library Director



GREENSBORO FREE LIBRARY
1.7.25 BUDGET 2025

REVENUE	
Annual Appeal	\$ 60,000
Other Fundraising	\$ 5,500
Grants & Appropriation	\$ 51,300
Interest & Dividends	\$ 13,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ <u>129,800</u>
EXPENSES	
Administrative	\$ 2,600
Treasury-QB/tax prep	\$ 2,850
Books, Periodicals, Audios	\$ 6,000
Copier, Printers, Laminators	\$ 600
Fundraising	\$ 3,000
Furnishings	\$ 1,100
Maintenance & Lease	\$ 10,000
Payroll	\$ 83,500
Professional Development	\$ 300

Programs	\$	1,600
Technology	\$	2,000
Utilities	\$	12,000
Depreciation	\$	17,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	<u>142,550</u>
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$	<u>-12,750</u>
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PER TAX RETURN		
Capital Gain	\$	0
Endowment Donations	\$	2,000
Endowment Interest & Divide	\$	14,000
Restricted Books expense	\$	-2,900
Stock Donation/Taxes pd	\$	-350
NET ENDOWMENT		<u>12,750</u>
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Restricted Grants	\$	10,000
Restricted Grant Expense	\$	<u>-10,000</u>
NET RESTRICTED GRANTS		<u>0</u>
NET INCOME PER TAX RETURN	\$	<u>0</u>
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GRANTS		
GA		1,000
TURRELL		3,000
E-RATE FIBER		2,100
DOL/NELA APPROPRIATIONS		700
GREENSBORO		44,000
STANNARD		500
TOTAL GRANTS & APPROPRIATIONS		51,300

Caspian Lake Beach Committee Report

The Committee’s mission is to provide a safe, clean and welcoming beach and picnic environment for all Greensboro and Hardwick residences plus summer season visitors.

The Committee is in debt to Adam Whitney who oversaw the beach area including mowing maintaining the bathrooms, the septic system, dressing rooms and coordinating trash pick-ups. This past year he was assisted by Jason Bahner who did the early-morning clean-up shift five days a week. This included the unenviable task of goose poop-pick-up.

The July flood eroded the beach so the Gravel Brothers provided new beach sand and John Moffat’s tractor leveled it out. Ray’s Welding added new bottoms to four of BBQ grills. Three very big and expensive maple trees were planted to provide shade for three picnic tables nearest the parking lot. Unfortunately, some unthinking or heartless individual girdled the bark on one of the trees likely killing it.

The Greensboro Road Crew gets credit for periodically grading the rutted parking lot. The Greensboro Association Lake-Wise Committee erected an information kiosk for visitors to peruse and learn about the Lake’s eco-system. Volunteer Bob Parish once again entered the cold spring water to anchor the swimming area buoys and string the ropes. And finally, kudos to Stew Arnold’s monitoring crew who inspected boats entering at the boat launch for invasive species from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

**Caspian Lake Beach
Budget 2025-26**

Revenue	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget
Town of Hardwick	4,500	4,750
Town of Greensboro	4,500	4,750
Greensboro Assoc. Grant	1,500	1,800
	10,500	11,300
Expenses		
Mowing & Daily Maintenance	4,750	5,000
Trash Pick up	650	1,200
Daily clean-up person	2,400	2,400
Materials	900	800
Beach Sand & Grading	1,100	750
Septic Pumping	700	700
Water Testing	0	250
Floats and Lines	0	200
	10,500	11,300

**Beach Fund Capital
Expenses**

Shrubbery and Maple Trees	0	1,000
Cooking Grills & Picnic Table	0	1,000
		2,000

Recreation Committee Report

The weather this year impacted many of the activities of the Recreation Committee. Swimming lessons and activities at Our Community Park in the Bend needed to be cancelled and the rink was at times flooded. but “whatever the weather, we weather the weather” undeterred.

Swimming

For the third year Teach America to Swim taught lessons at the Caspian Lake public beach. A total of 184 students (ages 2-14) came from Greensboro, Hardwick, Craftsbury, Stannard, Wolcott, Woodbury and other towns to participate in the program. Forty nine of the classes were for Greensboro children. This past summer we added a pilot class for adults, ages sixteen and older. This adult program was provided at a nominal cost to students, and funded by a grants and private donations. We had 6 participants from Greensboro out of 20 total participants in the adult program. Greensboro kids’ lessons are free, and we express our appreciation to the Town of Greensboro, the GUCC Pleasants Fund, the Greensboro Association and private donors for their support which enables our community program to remain viable and financially accessible.

Skating Rink

The Town of Greensboro and the Highland Center for the Arts have been working in partnership to create a municipal skating rink. The rink has not only been popular with local skaters but has been the venue for a premier winter event—Curds and Curling. Curds and Curling is a playful version of the Scottish sport of curling played with wheels of cheese instead of heavy polished stones. The liner for the rink has proven problematic in that it is prone to tear and we have been awarded a \$78,000 grant from the Department of Tourism. The grant is for the purchase of a synthetic rink that is not subject to tearing.

Our Community Park

Again, in June volunteers from both the Bend and Greensboro weeded and mulched the garden at Our Community Park to get it ready for summer. Laura Hill, who did an excellent job, put the garden to bed for the winter and will hopefully oversee its care in the future. The basketball court was heavily used by early teens, those who arrive in cars, and teenage boys who had cabin fever and came in the rain. The playground is a favorite if parents with small children who particularly enjoy the climbing bars. The most popular event of the Greensboro Free Library was cancelled due to rain. However, the painting of the mural for the Trail head across the street and the Bend Summer Picnic were well attended events.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Kehler, Chair David Kelley, Devin Burgess, MacNeil, Ellen Celnik, Liz Baum

Energy & Climate Action Committee Report 2024

During 2024, the Energy & Climate Action Committee (ECAC) participated in a multi-town energy efficiency grant program, actively supported the WindowDressers initiative and added some new members. Anna Kehler, after leading the committee for a number of years, handed over the reins to Liz Steel, with additional new members Blake Auchincloss, Bill Chidsey, Liz Hatch and Beth Meachem.

The committee led the effort to maximize the potential of the Municipal Energy Resilience Program (MERP) \$4,000 mini-grant, awarded at the end of 2023 to the Greensboro Free Library, to raise awareness and understanding of energy efficiencies through home improvements. Working with five neighboring towns - Albany, Craftsbury, Glover, Hardwick and Stannard - the funds were used to form a new energy efficiency group, Save Energy NEK. The group collaborated on a number of different initiatives that took place during the year, including a thermal energy workshop in the Greensboro Free Library, which looked at the different ways we lose heat in our homes, and a panel discussion in GUCC Fellowship Hall, where local energy efficiency experts shared insights and tips with homeowners on home weatherization activities.

As a result of the active MERP participation, the town was recently awarded an implementation grant for \$121,546 to be used to upgrade the energy efficiency of the Library, adding heat pumps to reduce oil usage, installing an electricity backup battery, improving ventilation and replacing windows.

In the summer the committee hosted a “Sustainable Living” series at the Greensboro Farmers Market, featuring Efficiency Vermont, Drive-electric Vermont, Vermont Energy Audits and NETO - a non-profit that provides weatherization to income-eligible residents in the NEK. Information on current incentives, rebates and local experts was shared with community members, as well as the opportunity to check out a number of electric and hybrid vehicles.

In November, Greensboro joined forces with Glover to host a WindowDressers Community Build. Over 5 days, 50 volunteers and program participants built more than 180 window inserts to upgrade the comfort level of 30 homes this winter. Anna Kehler and Fan Watkinson coordinated the program for Greensboro, supported by Bill Slocum, Liz Hatch and Holly Cook. WindowDressers is an inexpensive way for community members to improve the air tightness of their homes, by building and installing window inserts together.

During 2025, the committee plans to continue to focus on ways to conserve energy and improve community resilience to weather-related events. Community members interested in joining the committee can find out more information at the ECAC page on the town website <https://greensborovt.gov/energy-committee/>

Liz Steel
Energy & Climate Action Committee, Chair

Four Seasons of Early Learning



Four Seasons of Early Learning
An early education non-profit organization
Michelle Laflam, Executive Director

Over the course of the year, children at Four Seasons of Early Learning immersed themselves in outdoor education, building a deep connection to nature through hands-on gardening and stewardship. They planted a variety of vegetables and herbs, observing the growth cycle from seed to harvest. Through daily weeding and pest control management (getting those creepy crawlers!), the children learned about responsibility and the importance of nurturing living things. Harvest days were a time of celebration, where they gathered the produce, they had grown and worked together to prepare simple, nutritious meals. Leftovers and scraps were composted, closing the loop in the food cycle and teaching the value of reducing waste and giving back to the earth.

Our program also integrated social-emotional learning into these activities, helping children identify and express their feelings as they worked collaboratively. Gardening became a space to practice self-regulation, whether they were managing frustration while pulling stubborn weeds or feeling pride in their successes. Teachers guided discussions about teamwork and empathy, encouraging students to share responsibilities and support one another. Through the seasons, our students cultivated food and important life skills, including patience, resilience, and gratitude for the natural world and the community they formed.

We currently serve 39 students from Greensboro and surrounding towns. We are deeply grateful for the incredible support our town has shown our organization over the years. Thank you for believing in our mission and partnering with us to nurture the next generation of learners and leaders.



Greensboro Nursing Home

The Greensboro Nursing Home is a 30-bed skilled nursing rehabilitation and long-term care facility. As a not-for-profit organization, our only priority is to provide high quality care to our residents in a caring, homelike environment. We are one of the largest employers in the area and are very proud of our dedicated staff who work hard to take care of the elderly and disabled in our community. This year we were ranked by US News and World Reports as one of the three best nursing homes in Vermont.

Over the past year we completed major projects to improve the environment and experience for our GNH residents. We renovated the three bath/shower rooms in the facility to make them less cramped, more pleasant, and more wheelchair accessible; it is now easier for the staff to help residents bathe or shower, and as a result the residents have more control and choice over their bathing. We continue to renovate individual resident rooms to give them a less institutional feel, and we have caught up on maintenance projects deferred during the pandemic, including a new call system, new siding for the building, and many more. In a time of labor shortage when many nursing homes and other medical facility struggle to maintain staff, we remain fully staffed with one of the lowest resident-to-caregiver ratios in the state.

The summer floods of 2023 and 2024 did notable damage to the grounds, flooded the basement, and revealed issues with drainage around the building. We repaired the walking path to Maggie's Pond, which had been washed out several times in the past two years, with a more durable surface. We will need significant work on drainage around the foundation to prevent future basement flooding. In the longer term we are looking at ways to increase the number of single rooms, without increasing the total number of beds, in order to give more privacy to our residents and to create a more home-like atmosphere.

The Board of Trustees of the Greensboro Nursing Home is deeply grateful to the strong community support we have received from many donors. We have received critical grant support from the Town of Greensboro, the Greensboro Association, the Wisdom Connection, the Pleasants Fund, and the Towns of Hardwick and Craftsbury. We are also very grateful for the generous support we receive from many community organizations and businesses, including O.E.S. Coral Chapter (Hyde Park), Calderwood Insurance, and the American Legion in Hardwick.

Greensboro Nursing Home exists to serve the community; if you have questions about the nursing home, about resources for elder care or rehabilitation in the area, if you would like to join the great team at Greensboro Nursing Home, or if you would consider volunteering to serve on the Board of Trustees, please be in touch.

Respectfully,
Bill Rogers
President, Board of Trustees

Greensboro Water Quality

STEWARDS OF THE GREENSBORO WATERSHEDS, GREENSBORO ASSOCIATION

Our mission is to improve water quality in all of Greensboro's watersheds. Our efforts have been focused on improving habitat conditions along streams, ponds, lakes and wetlands and by mitigating water pollution from poorly functioning roads and culverts.

We work with property owners to improve their stream, wetland or lake shore condition with two programs. Please visit the Greensboro Association website to schedule an assessment greensboroassociation.org

LakeWise: Individual property assessments around the lake, completed at no cost by trained evaluators, to determine what property improvements can contribute to lake protection.

Streamwise: Individual property assessments of the streams, completed at no cost by trained evaluators, to determine stream improvements that can contribute to lake protection. We have been successful in obtaining grant money to conduct assessments in the Upper Lamoille River. We have also planted trees on three properties in that area.

Adopt-a-culvert: In addition, we initiated an adopt-a-culvert program in fall of 2024 and have 30 volunteers that are monitoring about 20 miles of roads in Greensboro. We will be looking for volunteers to monitor all Greensboro roads before the first inspection period. Go to <https://forms.gle/tjhbBtAc5dHnZtBv6> to volunteer. Keeping ditches and culverts clear will prevent unwanted road failures that lead to an increase in phosphorus run-off and habitat loss.

Lake Water Monitoring.

Our volunteers, in concert with the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), have monitored the water quality in Caspian Lake for decades. The DEC issues an annual report on the data—a Lake Scorecard. The most recent Scorecard can be found on the Agency of Natural Resources, Lakes and Ponds web page. It will be noted that while Caspian does not have invasive species yet, largely due to our Greeter Program at the Town Beach, we do have a highly disturbed watershed and shoreland, and stressed and declining water quality values.

Phosphorus levels in the Lake water provide an indication of water quality. (A lower number is better). The mean total phosphate (TP) concentrations in the water quality data show the Caspian Lake trend is “significantly increasing.” Over the 40-year sampling period, the summer TP concentration has increased from 5 ug/l to a high of 11 ug/l. The average summer phosphorus in 2024 was 9.42 ug/l. Over the past five years, the phosphorus has been between 9.4 ug/l and 10 ug/l.

Active engagement in the effort to prohibit wake boats from Caspian. In April of 2022, a group called ‘Responsible Wakes for Vermont Lakes’ filed a petition with ANR to regulate the use of wake boats on Vermont lakes. After several public hearings, where most of the public that commented wanted either a 1000’ safety zone, or no wake boats, ANR implemented a rule that limits wake boat use to areas >500 feet from shore and in more than 20 feet of water depth. Hardwick Electric has posted a sign at the boat launch that prohibits wake boats, due to safety concerns. In addition, a petition to DEC has been filed to ban wake boats from Caspian Lake. Public hearings were held in early December for individual Lake petitions. We are waiting to hear from ANR on whether the petition for Caspian will go to the next step (rule-making) in the process to ban wakeboats from Caspian.

Caspian Lake reclassification to A1 status. Our petition is still pending until the septic language limitation is amended. A bill to replace the septic restriction was passed by the Vermont Senate, but was not cleared by the House. New legislation will have to be introduced in the new biennium.

Greensboro Community Garden, Summer 2024



This year was the fourth season for the Greensboro Community Garden, an all volunteer-led effort to grow and distribute fresh produce to our community. 336 pounds of vegetables, herbs, and flowers were distributed for FREE through the Hardwick Area Food Pantry and a partnership with Smith's Grocery in Greensboro Bend. Located on the green in front of Town Hall, the garden is supported by the Greensboro Association and by generous donations from local farmers and other community members.

In the 2024 growing season, nine active and hardworking volunteers planted, tended, harvested, and delivered vegetables and herbs from mid-May through October 14 to help address food security in the area. In May the group facilitated the construction of two raised beds at the Laurendon Apartments and provided tomato, basil, and eggplant starts to enable the residents there to grow their own produce. This season also saw the first harvests of wine cap mushrooms from the Greensboro Community Mushroom Garden located behind the Greensboro Free Library. More than 28 quart bags of mushrooms were harvested.

The Greensboro Community Garden volunteers are also committed to active community involvement beyond the garden through participation in and support of local events including the weekly farmers market on the town green, Greensboro Bend Revitalization events, and the Funky Fourth Parade and picnic. This year garden volunteers marched in the parade alongside the "Celebrity Carrot," Abby Reisner who holds the Guinness Book of World Records for the fastest marathon run by a woman dressed as a vegetable!

Many thanks to the hard working volunteers who provided countless hours of unpaid labor— Jenny Bayles, Carol Calcagni, Heidi DeBrino, Joan Feffer, Betsy Hunt, Cathy Hansen, Beth Meacham, Sara Slater, and Liz Steel.



From The Lyles Newsletter:

October 4, 1967, the Greensboro School Directors voted to close the High School here at the end of the school year.

April, 1968; After four votes taken by the inhabitants of Greensboro, Hardwick and Woodbury during the last few months the final vote was taken on April 16 and it was voted to approve a bond issue of \$1,469,500 to build a Union School, Grades 7 through 12 in Hardwick on land the Union School District owns near the Hospital. The Union High School to be built in Hardwick will be known as "Hazen Union School" after General Moses Hazen who was co-builder of the Bayley-Hazen Military Road, 1776-1779.

Agencies Requesting Town Funds

For more information about these agencies, please review our complete packet of information. Packets are available at the Town Hall and on the Town of Greensboro website: greensborovt.gov.

American Red Cross, Northern Vermont Chapter provides support to victims of fires, floods, and other disasters as well as CPR classes. 1-802-660-9130 www.nvtredcross.org

NEK Council on Aging (formerly Area on Aging) provides services to senior citizens, such as caregiver support, health insurance help, and casework services. 1-802-748-5182 www.nevaaa.org

AWARE, Aid to Women, Men and Children in Abuse and Rape Emergencies, provides services to victims of sexual and domestic violence. 802-472-6463

Caledonia Home Health Care provides home care and hospice services regardless of ability to pay. 802-748-8116

Clarina Howard Nichols Center is a shelter for battered women and their children. 802-888-2584
www.clarina.org

Craftsbury Community Care Center is a non-profit residential care facility. 802-586-5414
www.craftsburycommunitycarecenter.org.

Green Up Vermont sponsors Green Up Day. 1-800-974-3259 www.greenupvermont.org.

Hardwick Area Food Pantry provides food for low-income individuals and families. 802-472-5940

Hardwick Area Community Justice Center works with offenders in the criminal justice system and their re-entry into the community. 802-644-1960.

Lamoille Family Center provides specialized services to families with children, including programs for pregnant and parenting teens. 802-888-5229 www.lamoillefamilycenter.org

Neighbors in Action has a mission to serve food insecure community members in communities in the Northeast Kingdom and Washington County. 802-563-3322 <https://www.neighborsinactionvt.org/>

North Country Animal League promotes animal welfare. 802-888-5065 www.ncal.com

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services provides home and learning-center education to persons over 16. 802-334-6532

Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) is our regional planning and development commission. 802-748-5181

Orleans County Citizen Advocacy brings people with disabilities together with volunteer advocates. 802-624-0877 orleanscountycitizenadvocacy.org

Orleans County Court Diversion helps first-time juvenile and adult offenders of nonviolent crimes and their victims. 802-334-8224

Orleans County Historical Society owns and operates the Old Stone House Museum in Brownington. 802-754-2022 www.oldstonehousemuseum.org

Rural Community Transportation (RCT) provides transportation for many purposes. 802-748-8170 www.rideRCT.org

Salvation Farms collects and distributes surplus farm food to sites in Lamoille Valley and the Northeast Kingdom. 802-522-3148 www.salvationfarms.org

Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) provides services to Vermonters with disabilities, including information, counseling, training, advocacy, and help with independent living. 1-800-639-1522 www.vcil.org

From The Lyles Newsletter:

November 22, 1969 the Davis Store in Greensboro Bend closed after having been in business for 76 years.

1969: Snow started coming on November 9th and continued until April 2nd with practically no thaws. Robert Wilson who runs a weather reporting station for the Government states that 171.1 inches of snow fell during the winter. On April 1st the snow was still 32 inches deep on the level.

Minutes for Town of Greensboro’s Annual Town Meeting on March 5, 2024

The legal voters of the Town of Greensboro, Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at Lakeview Elementary School, 189 Lauredon Avenue, in said Town on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 10:00 am to transact the following business:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator to govern said Town for the coming year.
Clive Gray nominated Tim Nisbet
So moved, passed

Article 2: To take action on the Town of Greensboro’s Annual Report.
Clive moved, Mark Snyder 2nd
Tim explained that the position of Mountain View Elementary School Board Member was voted at the Mountain View Annual Meeting.

Article 3: To elect Town officers and school district officers required by law, and one or more library trustees:

Office	Term	Elected
Selectboard	3 years	Mavis MacNeil nominated MacNeil Peter Romans nominated Gary Circosta MacNeil elected 58 to 50
Selectboard	2 years	MacNeil nominated Ellen Celnik Jennifer Ranz nominated Gary Circosta Ellen Celnik elected 68 to 43
Cemetery Commissioner	3 years	MacNeil nominated Patsy Mercier Patsy Mercier elected by voice vote
Library Trustee	3 years	Beth Meacham nominated Jennifer Lucas & Fan Watkinson for the 2 Trustee Position, so elected by voice vote
Library Trustee	3 years	See above
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	1 year	Kim Greaves nominated Janet Long (clerk cast 1 ballot) Janet Long elected
Trustee of Public Funds	3 years	Zed Fatka nominated Peggy Lipscomb Peggy Lipscomb elected by Voice vote
Mountain View Union Elem. School District Director	2 years	Voted at the Annual Meeting
Hazen Union School Director	3 years	MacNeil nominated David Kelley David Kelley elected by Voice vote

Chris Steel questioned the position of Trustee of Public Funds role. Kim explained that the Trustee of Public

Funds was to supervise funds that were restricted public funds held by the Town. The only funds known at this time was a Cemetery Fund set up years ago. The Cemetery Committee is allowed to use the interest from this account only for cemetery projects.

The question was raised why the Town votes on the Hazen Union School Director and not the Mountain View Elementary School director. Mike Metcalf spoke to the organization of the two unions. Hazen Union was set up that Towns elect their director. Mountain View Elementary Union was set up that the director was elected at their Annual Meeting.

At this time, Tim Nisbet broke for the Selectboard awarding the Greensboro Award. This year it was awarded to Peter Romans for his 10 years on the Selectboard and his tireless work on the roads during the July 2023 flood.

At this time, Katherine Simms spoke to the 2024 Legislative Session and answered questions from the public. Katherine spoke about the hardships surrounding the flood and the community's resiliency, housing needs, school budgets and property taxes. A sampling of questions were regarding rural public transportation, revenue from cannabis sales going towards educational programs, funds from marijuana sales and the state of timber sales in Vermont. There could be more flood recovery money come to small communities like Greensboro. Property taxes relief and school budgets have been the center of legislative discussions

At this time, Patrick Shattuck, Executive Director of Rural Edge spoke about the proposed housing plan for the Greensboro Town Hall. He directed people to the information sheet and schematics he had available. Patrick stated that Rural Edge has spent approximately \$36,000 on this project. Also, he reviewed the proposed timeline for the project. The proposed configuration of apartments was 8 one bedroom apartments, 10 two bedroom apartments and 2 three bedroom apartments. Questions raised by the public were regarding where the Town Office would go; would the town voters be able to vote on this project. It was noted that there would be public meetings for people to ask questions soon. Questions were raised regarding the septic for the project, the cost of renovating the Grange for the Town Hall, and the need for more informational meetings.

Meghan Weyland asked if other options were considered?

Jan Terwiesch asked if the Town voters would vote on this, if permits would be required

Liz Steel asked about where would the Town Offices go? Patrick Shattuck stated that he felt the Grange would take considerable funds to renovate.

Article 4: Shall the Town approve transferring \$234,260 of the General Fund's Fund Balance to the Capital Budget Fund before the end of fiscal year 2024 in order to replenish the balance in the Capital Budget Fund? During the earlier part of fiscal year 2024, an unplanned \$234,260 was spent from the Capital Budget Fund to pay for the bridge replacement on Craftsbury Road over Porter Brook.

Kim Greaves moved, with Larry Lumsden second.

Jennifer Lucas questioned if this funding was already done and where was it explained in the Town budget. It was not specified on the Capital Budget spreadsheet. Brett spoke to the need to reimburse the general fund as this was an unexpected expenditure for replacing the Porter Brook Bridge over Craftsbury Road.

Passed

Article 5: Shall the Town approve transferring \$7,000 from the Reappraisal Reserve Fund's Fund Balance before the end of fiscal year 2024 to the Capital Budget Fund to be used as determined by the Selectboard? As of now, \$7,000 of Town money is commingled with State money in the Reappraisal Reserve Fund.

Karl Stein moved, Larry Lumsden second.

Passed

Article 6: Shall the Town approve spending \$120,000 to fund the Highway Equipment Reserve Fund (HERF, a reserve fund) for fiscal year 2025 (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025)?

Larry Lumsden moved, Nancy Riege second.

Passed

Article 7: Shall the Town approve spending \$175,000 to fund the Capital Budget Fund (a reserve fund) for fiscal year 2025 (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025)?

Larry Lumsden moved, Jane Johns Seconded

Passed.

Article 8: Shall the Town appropriate the following sums to the organizations listed below?

APPROPRIATIONS	
Hardwick Rescue Squad	\$30,800
Greensboro Nursing Home	\$23,000
Craftsbury Community Care Center	\$10,500
4 Seasons of Early Learning	\$9,500
Rural Arts	\$3,500
Hardwick Area Food Pantry	\$2,500
AWARE	\$2,000
NEK Human Services	\$1,524
Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$1,500
Caledonia Home Health	\$1,400
Lamoille Family Center	\$1,000
NEK Council on Aging	\$1,000
Rural Community Transportation	\$900
Orleans County Citizens Advocacy	\$800
Salvation Farms	\$750
Orleans County Historical Society	\$700
NVDA (Northeastern VT Development Assoc.)	\$689
North Country Animal League	\$600
Craftsbury Saplings	\$500
VCRD (VT Council on Rural Development)	\$500
NEKCA (NEK Community Action)	\$300
NEK Learning Services	\$300

Red Cross	\$250
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$210
Green Up	\$100
Total	\$94,823

Penny Bretschneider moved that the Hardwick Rescue Squad appropriation be increased to \$32,800. Karl Stein Seconded. Brent McCoy spoke to the need due to increased call volume and needing to hire EMT's. Amendment passed.

Meghan Whelan questioned NVDA's presence in Greensboro. Mike Metcalf stated that it was our Regional Planning Commission and the Town works consistently with NVDA.

Discussion regarding decreasing Rural Community Transportation appropriation by \$200. Amendment Defeated.

Total amended appropriations of \$96,823 as amended was approved.

Article 9: Shall the town appropriate the sum of \$500 to Neighbors In Action:

Passed.

Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate the following sums to the organizations listed below?

Article 9: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$500 to Neighbors In Action?

Karl Stein moved, Larry Lumsden seconded.

Sherral Lumsden stated that she had worked with Neighbors in Action. They distribute food boxes and make meals for people. People from Greensboro use this entity.

Passed.

Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate the following sums to the organizations listed below?

Greensboro Free Library	\$41,000
Greensboro Historical Society	\$6,000
Caspian Lake Beach Committee	\$4,500
Greensboro Recreation Committee	\$4,000
Greensboro Conservation Commission	\$3,000
Total	\$58,500

BJ Gray spoke to the importance of the Greensboro Historical Society.

Naomi Ranz-Schleifer inquired as to why these were separate from the rest of appropriations? It was clarified that they were Greensboro entities.

Jennifer Lucas, Treasurer for the Greensboro Free Library, spoke to the library appropriation. She explained that 33% of the library budget was covered by the Town.

Passed.

Article 11: Shall the Town approve the proposed budget in the amount of \$1,956,009 which contains the necessary amount required by law and proposed expenses for fiscal year 2025 (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025)? This proposed budget amount: includes the \$94,823 of appropriation requests in Article 8, includes the \$58,500 of appropriation requests in Article 10, does not include the new \$500 appropriation request in Article 9, does not include the \$120,000 for the HERF in Article 6, and does not include the \$175,000 for the Capital Budget Fund in Article 7.

The total budget to be approved is as follows:

\$1,956,009, Appropriations as amended \$2,000 plus \$500.00 new appropriation to Neighbors in Action, plus HERF of \$120,000 plus \$175,000 of Capital Budget for a total of \$2,253,509.

Passed.

Article 12: Shall the Town approve giving The Nature Conservancy gravel from Greensboro's gravel pit to be used as a base material for a new 50'x80' parking lot at the trailhead for the Barr Hill Nature Preserve? The Nature Conservancy will be responsible for trucking any material.

This was withdrawn by the Nature Conservancy.

Article 13: Shall the Town approve having the Town Treasurer serve as collector of current taxes and set the tax due date of November 7, 2024? Taxes will be delinquent if not received in the office of the Town Treasurer by 4:00 pm on Thursday, November 7, 2024.

Janet Long moved.

Larry Lumsden seconded.

Passed.

Article 14: Shall the Town approve the following resolution?

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE TOWN OF GREENSBORO TO BE A POLLINATOR-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY:

WHEREAS, bees and other pollinators are a necessary component of a healthy ecosystem and food system, providing pollination of plants in order to grow vegetables, herbs and fruits; and

WHEREAS, locally grown crops such as apples, blueberries, strawberries, squash and tomatoes depend on pollinators and thus are at risk; and

WHEREAS, extensive research has documented that neonicotinoid and other systemic insecticides cause illness and death to bees and pollinators; and

WHEREAS, alternative land management practices are available that dramatically increase pollinator forage while decreasing maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, the monetary and social costs of maintaining pollinator-friendly landscapes can be less expensive than costs associated with maintaining chemically-treated monocrop landscapes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Meeting of the Town of Greensboro, Vermont, that the Town of Greensboro is hereby declared a Pollinator-Friendly Community, and that the Town encourages adoption of policies and practices that protect and support pollinator health by minimizing the sale and use of insecticides.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Greensboro urges all Greensboro property owners, residents, businesses, institutions and neighborhoods to become more pollinator friendly by adopting practices including:

- committing to avoiding use of insecticides, including systemic insecticides on their property wherever possible;
- avoiding the planting of flowering plants which are treated with systemic insecticides;

- planting more pollinator-supporting forage on their property, and adopting organic or chemical free lawn and landscaping practices;
- reducing mowing frequency to allow for more native plants to flower and provide food sources for pollinators; and
- focusing on planting native species wherever possible to promote pollinator food and habitat.

This resolution is non-binding and acts as a guide for the Town of Greensboro to promote practices and activities to promote pollinators. This resolution was proposed by the Greensboro Conservation Commission.

Moved by Tim Brennan.

Seconded by Judy Carpenter.

Tim Brennan stated that it was a very important movement in the U.S.

Dorian Gray spoke to the endangered species in Vermont and how this is a very important resolution for our planet.

Article 15: To transact any other non-binding business that may legally be brought before this meeting.

Dorian Gray spoke about the National Wildlife Program.

Liz Steel informed the group of the MERP flyer at the Library table.

The long-awaited date for the Funky Fourth was set for Saturday, July 6th with more details forthcoming.

Peter asked for a straw poll on continuing the town driveway plowing. It was overwhelmingly supported.

Erika Karp spoke about the elementary school alumni marching in the parade. Details to follow.

Ken Johnston questioned the paving on The Bend Road. Peter explained that Pike was able to do the first coat before winter. They will do the final coat as soon as the weather breaks.

Penny Bretschneider expressed concern on the hazardous parking for the Greensboro Free Library.

David Smith moved to adjourn.

Meeting ended at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

s/ Tim Nisbet

Tim Nisbet, Moderator

s/ Kim Greaves

Kim Greaves, Town Clerk



July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 Greensboro Vital Statistics

Statistic	Number
Civil Marriages	8
Births	3
Deaths	12



Young Road (with Chuck Hill)

Tim Nisbet & Bill Eisner at the Funky Fourth Parade.



Student Enrollment Figures for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Mountain View USD (Elementary Level, K-6)

Grade	Greensboro Campus	Hardwick Campus
K	0	1
1	1	0
2	2	1
3	1	2
4	0	4
5	0	3
6	0	1

SCHOOL	Greensboro	
Hazen Middle School	8	
Hazen Union	20	
Greensboro students at Craftsbury	3	

Contact Numbers for Local Senators and Representatives

Senator-D	Sam Douglas	sdouglas@leg.state.vt.us
		15 State Street, Montpelier, V 05602
		802-828-2228
Representative – D	Leanne Harple	lharple@leg.state.vt.us
		115 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602
		802-828-2228



Greensboro Recycling and Waste Disposal Guide

Behind Town Office, 82 Craftsbury Rd. Saturdays, 9:00am – 11:00am &
Add'l Summer Hours, Wednesdays 3:30pm - 5:30pm

SORT ITEMS	
RECYCLING MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MIXED PAPER</u></p> <p>Newspapers, catalogs, telephone books, glossy inserts, paperback books, colored & white paper, wrapping paper and junk mail. Any color or type of paper. NO brown Kraft bags, boxboard, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or metallic wrapping paper.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, BOXBOARD, & BROWN KRAFT BAGS</u></p> <p>FLATTEN BOXES. All Cardboard and Boxboard food packaging. Remove excess tape. Staples are OK. NO wax-coated cardboard, cardboard soiled with food, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or Styrofoam.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TIN CANS</u></p> <p>Labels are OK. Flattening not required. Separate from aluminum cans. Tin is magnetic. *MUST BE RINSED*</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ALUMINUM CANS, FOIL AND FOOD TRAYS</u></p> <p>Labels OK. Flattening not required. NO snack bags, candy wrappers, coffee bags. *MUST BE RINSED*</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>GLASS BOTTLES & JARS</u></p> <p>*Rinse, Remove Lids (recycle with tin) * NO porcelain, Pyrex, windows, crystal, light bulbs, lids, metal or wood.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>BATTERIES</u></p> <p>All types including primary and rechargeable batteries. Please bag similar types together and bag damaged batteries separately.</p>
<p><u>PLASTIC CONTAINERS #1 – #4 & #5 Food Containers</u></p> <p>REMOVE CAPS / MAX. SIZE- 2 Gallons / NO BLACK PLASTIC / *MUST BE RINSED*</p> <p>Includes food containers, health/beauty product, and cleaner containers. #5 included <i>if it's a food container.</i> NO plastic bags or films, black plastic, screw-top caps, motor oil bottles, pesticide bottles, vinyl siding, toys, CD cases, VHS tapes, Styrofoam, syringes, or medical devices.</p>	

ADDITIONAL ACCEPTED MATERIALS:

FOOD SCRAPS: All food scraps, including meat, bones, dairy. Please remove PLU stickers. No plastics, metals, paper.

#6 PLASTIC FOAM (STYROFOAM): #6 Expanded Polystyrene Foam. Any color, any size. Must be rigid, dry, clean.

SCRAP METAL: Metal appliances (stoves, washer/dryer, dishwasher), grills, water tanks, microwaves, metal roofing, pots and pans, bicycles. Any item that is mostly metal included. No fridges, freezers, A/Cs, dehumidifiers.

ELECTRONICS: TVs, computers (incl. mouse/keyboard/speakers), computer printers, radio/stereos, gaming systems, telephones, fax machines.

SPECIAL WASTES: Hard-cover books, Fluorescent Bulbs and Electronics (televisions, computers, phones, radios, gaming consoles).

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE – May through the end of September **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** in Lyndonville, & special Saturday events throughout the District. Call for details.

In addition to services provided at this location, district residents have access to disposal services at the Lyndonville Recycling Center, 224 Church St, Lyndonville.

Recycling, Food Scraps, Scrap Metal, E-waste, Waste Oil, Batteries, Fluorescent Bulbs, Freon-Containing Appliances (Refrigerators, Freezers, A/C units, and Dehumidifiers), Stump Dump, all free of charge, and Tire Disposal, fees apply available at the Lyndonville Recycling Center.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AT (802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. www.nekwmd.org, e-mail outreach@nekwmd.org

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Greensboro Information

townclerk@greensborovt.gov www.greensborovt.gov 802-533-2911

Population (2020 Census) 811

Registered Voters: 642

Selectboard Members:

Eric Hanson.....802-881-8082

Ellen Celnik 802-533-9097

David Kelley.....802-586-2588

MacNeil.....802-533-7128

Bobbie Nisbet..... 802-533-7727

Additional Telephone Numbers:

Emergency..... 911
Orleans County Sheriff..... 334-3333
Fire-Emergency..... 911
Fish and Wildlife.....748-3111
Health Center..... 472-3300
Town Clerk.....533-2911
Lakeview.....533-7066
Library.....533-2531
AWARE..... 472-6463
Water District Operator..... 533-2576
Hardwick Electric Power Outage 888-472-5201

Rescue Squad.....911
State Police-St. Johnsbury.....748-3111
Forest Fire Warden.....533-2914
VT Poison Center..... 748-2393
School District..... 472-6531
Town Garage..... 533-7149
Four Seasons of Early Learning... ..533-2261
Health Officer..... 533-2379
Animal Control Officer..... 533-2410

Office Hours and Meeting Times:

Town Clerk's Office.....Monday through Thursday 9a.m.-4p.m.

Library *Winter Hours:* Tuesday 10-7 p.m., Thursday & Friday 10-5
Saturday 10a.m.-2p.m., Sunday 11:30a.m.-1:30p.m.

Summer Hours: Monday 10a.m.-4p.m. Tuesday 10a.m.-7p.m.

Wednesday-Friday 10a.m.-4p.m. Saturday 10a.m.-2p.m.

Sunday 11:30a.m. – 1:30p.m.

Recycling.....Saturday 9-11a.m. year-round; July 6-August only – additional hours
Wed from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Located behind the Town Hall.

Selectboard Meetings2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings.....1st Tuesday of the month, 5 p.m., Greensboro Free Library

Fire Department Meeting.....1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7p.m. at Fire Station

Dog Licenses:

Dogs six months old or older must be licensed annually on or before April 1. A current rabies certificate must on file to license your dog.

	Before April 1	After April 1
Neutered Males	\$ 11.00	\$15.00
Spayed Females	\$11.00	\$15.00
Unneutered Males	\$15.00	\$19.00
Unspayed Females	\$15.00	\$19.00