

Annual Report

Eden, Vermont

2024-2025



Lake Eden, photo by Melissa Payne

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

Dedication of the Town Report



We are honored to dedicate this year's Eden Town Report to Jubal and Colleen Durivage, lifelong residents of Eden who have exemplified the spirit of neighborly dedication throughout their married lives.

Jubal and Colleen have been pillars of our community, always willing to lend a hand and embodying the kind of good neighbors every small town cherishes. From 2014 to 2021, Jubal served on the Selectboard, where he helped navigate budgets, infrastructure, and local decisions with practicality and care. Jubal and Colleen have served for years on the Cemetery Commission—Jubal as President and Colleen as Secretary—ensuring the respectful maintenance of Dodge and Eden Corners Cemeteries. Colleen has also been an important part of the Historical Society for many years.

Beyond official roles, Jubal and Colleen contribute tirelessly in everyday ways. Colleen has delivered mail for years, fostering connections across town, while Jubal runs a local welding business and takes on town work that helps to keep Eden running smoothly.

We thank Jubal and Colleen for their unwavering commitment. Their quiet reliability inspires us all—may this dedication reflect our gratitude for neighbors who make Eden a true community.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Elected by voters at Town Meeting

All elected positions shall be registered voters in the Town of Eden

<u>Position</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>March of</u>	<u>Length</u> <u>of Term</u>
Town Moderator	H. Bruce Burnor	2026	1 year
Agent to Convey Real Estate	Monique Morway	2026	1 year
First Constable	Matthew Hill	2026	1 year
Second Constable	Bert Manning	2026	1 year
Grand Juror	David Whitcomb (Deceased)	2026	1 year
Town Clerk	Melissa Whitcomb	2026	3 years
Town Treasurer	Melissa Whitcomb	2026	3 years
Road Commissioner	Ricky Morin	2026	3 years
 Selectboard	Clayton Whittemore	2026	3 years
	Ricky Morin	2027	3 years
Chair	Tim Bullard	2028	3 years
 Auditors	Tracey Morin (Resigned 3/11/25)	2026	
	Julie Gates (Appointed 5/27/25)	2026	3 years
	Ronald Miller (Resigned 3/24/25)	2027	2 years
	Leslie White	2028	3 years
 Cemetery Commission	Faye Cochran	2026	5 years
	David Deery	2027	2 years
President:	Jubal Durivage	2028	5 years
	Colleen Durivage	2029	5 years
	Adam Degree	2030	5 years
 LNMUUSD Board Members	David Whitcomb (Deceased)	2026	3 years
	Tiffany Cochran (Appointed 12/22/25)		
	Jeffrey Hunsberger	2027	3 years
 Trustee of Public Funds	Tracey Morin (Resigned 3/11/25)		
	Bruce Shields (Appointed 5/13/25)	2026	3 years
	Melissa Whitcomb	2027	3 years
	Trevor Bidwell	2028	3 years

Recommended by the Selectboard and Appointed by the State

Fire Warden	Marvin Whitcomb	2030	5 year
Health Officer	Faye Cochran	2027	3 year
Town Service Officer	H. Bruce Burnor	2026	1 year

TOWN OFFICERS (continued)

Terms of One Year, Appointed after Town Meeting

Dog Officer	Matthew Hill/ Faye Cochran
Emergency Management Director/Coordinator	Jeffrey Hunsberger
Fence Viewer	Michele Cardinal
	Jubal Durivage
Inspection of Wood & Timber	Adam Degree
Tree Warden	Alexander Chidiac
	Alexander Chidiac

Additional Positions

Assessor/Lister Russ Beaudoin from Appraisal Resource Group
Melissa Whitcomb, Assessor's Assistant

Assistant Clerk & Treasurer Molly Morin

Committee Appointments (One year term)

Eden Youth Sports Committee Trevor Bidwell Kristina Brown Dan Lathrop Molly Morin Coordinator <i>Open Position (1)</i>	Eden Planning Commission Kristina Brown Julie Gates Dan Lathrop <i>Open Position (2)</i>
Eden Energy Committee Craig Kneeland Matt Mitchell <i>Open Positions (3)</i>	Lamoille FiberNet Communications District Carey Earle

Supervisor for the L.R.S.W.M.D., Appointed 2 year term.

David Whitcomk (Deceased) Expires March 2027

Justices of the Peace

Elected on November 5, 2024, for a two-year term that starts Feb. 1, 2025, and ends Jan. 31, 2027

WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

The legal voters of the Town of Eden are hereby notified and warned to meet at the
Eden Central School on Knowles Flat Road, Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 9.00 a.m.
to transact the following business from the floor.

Article 1: To determine whether Robert's Rules or other rules of order shall govern the procedure of this meeting.

Article 2: To elect a moderator.

Article 3: To present the Bullard Award

Article 4: To elect all Town and School District Officers as required by law:
Office to take effect after adjournment of Town Meeting.

		Currently holds Office
	a) Town Clerk for three years	Melissa Whitcomb
	b) Town Treasurer for three years	Melissa Whitcomb
*	c) Selectperson for three years	Clayton Whittemore
*	d) Auditor for three years	Tracey Morin (resigned 3/11/25)
*	e) Auditor for one year	Julie Gates (appointed 5/27/25)
	f) Cemetery Commissioner for five years	Ronald Miller (resigned 3/24/25)
*	g) Road Commissioner for three years	Position open
	h) First Constable for one year	Faye Cochran
	i) Second Constable for one year	Ricky Morin
	j) Agent to convey Real Estate for one year	Matthew Hill
	k) LNMUUSD Board Member for three years	Bert Manning
	l) Trustee of Public Funds for three years	Monique Morway
*	These offices must be voted on using a paper ballot per 17 V.S.A. § 2646 <i>Grand Juror is no longer an elected position.</i>	David Whitcomb (deceased)
		Tiffany Cochran (appointed 12/22/25)
		Bruce Shields (appointed 5/13/25)
		David Whitcomb (deceased)
Article 5:	Shall the voters authorize highway fund expenditures of \$723,465.00 for FY 26-27, of which \$645,565.00 shall be raised by taxes and \$77,900.00 by non-tax revenues?	3.41% increase
	Budget details for the highway are on page 17 (est. revenue) and pgs. 25-27 (est. expenses).	
Article 6:	Shall the voters authorize general fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$576,843.00 for FY 26-27, of which \$408,833.00 shall be raised by taxes and \$168,010.00 by non-tax revenues?	2.22% increase
	Budget details for the general fund are on page 17 (est. revenues) and pgs 20-24 (est. expenses).	
Article 7:	Shall the voters authorize the local appropriation expenditures of \$23,000.00 to be raised by taxes?	4.55% increase
	a) After School Program	\$ 4,000.00
	b) Eden Cemetery	\$ 7,500.00
	c) Eden Historical Society	\$ 3,000.00
	d) Eden Youth Sports	\$ 4,500.00
	e) Lake Eden Association Greeter Program	<hr/> \$ 4,000.00
		\$ 23,000.00
Article 8:	Shall the Town provide notice of the availability of the annual town report by newspaper and the Town of Eden website at least 30 days before the annual town meeting in lieu of mailing or otherwise distributing the report to the voters of the town pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1682(a)?	
	<i>Upon request, a copy of the full report shall be mailed to a voter or resident of the town.</i>	
Article 9:	Shall the voters establish a reserve fund to be called the Outside Audit Reserve Fund to be used to cover the expenses of an independent outside audit in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?	
Article 10:	Shall the voters fund the Outside Audit Reserve Fund with:	
	a) the \$10,000 voted at Town Meeting 3/4/25, article 7 (see page 69) AND	
	b) the fund balance in the Outside Audit Fund from FY 24-25 of \$9,000? (page 14)	

WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (continued)

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Article 11: Shall the voters authorize appropriation expenditures of \$11,687.99 to be raised by taxes?

a)	American Red Cross	\$	250.00	
b)	Central VT Adult Basic Education & Retired Ser	\$	500.00	
c)	Central VT Council on Aging	\$	800.00	
d)	Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$	400.00	
e)	Lamoille Community Food Share	\$	250.00	
f)	Lamoille County Mental Health Services	\$	750.00	
g)	Lamoille County Special Investigations Unit	\$	853.99	
h)	Lamoille Economic Development Corp.	\$	150.00	
i)	Lamoille Family Center	\$	500.00	
j)	Lamoille Home Health & Hospice	\$	3,969.00	
k)	Lamoille Housing Partnership	\$	200.00	
l)	Lamoille Restorative Center	\$	250.00	
m)	Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County	\$	500.00	
n)	North Country Animal League	\$	500.00	
o)	Rural Community Transportation	\$	1,350.00	
p)	Vermont Association for the Blind	\$	100.00	
q)	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$	165.00	
r)	Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$	200.00	Change
Total Requested Appropriations		\$	11,687.99	1% increase

Article 12: Shall the Town vote to pay property taxes, municipal and school combined, to the Town Treasurer in three equal installments due on or before the end of the business day on November 15, 2026, February 15, 2027 and May 15, 2027 with no postmarks accepted?

*If the Town Clerk's Office is closed on one of the dates listed,
payments will be due by the end of the next business day.*

Article 13: To discuss any other non-binding business at this time.

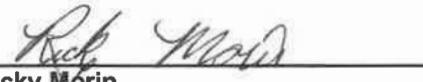
Signed at the Eden Town Clerk's Office on this 27th day of January, 2026.

Eden Selectboard:

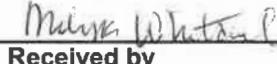


Tim Bullard

Chair


Ricky Morin
Clayton Whittemore

The Eden Town Clerk's Office received and recorded the document.


Received by

1/28/26
Date

NOTICE TO VOTERS

THE VOTER CHECKLIST (all current Eden registered voters). A copy will be available at the Town Clerk's Office, the Eden Post Office and the Eden General Store by February 1, 2026. If your name is not on the list, you must register to vote. **REGISTERING TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You can register anytime by visiting the Town Clerk's Office or online at: <http://olvr.vermont.gov>. You will also be able to register to vote on Town Meeting Day at the school.

EDEN SELECTBOARD REPORT

Dear Residents of Eden,

As we look back on 2025, it's been another year of steady progress mixed with the usual challenges that come with running a small town like ours. We're proud of what we've accomplished together and grateful for the feedback—both the praises and the complaints—that help us do better.

One big positive: we welcomed an assistant town clerk to the team this year. This has helped ease the workload in the office and improve service for everyone.

The Selectboard has kept pushing forward on finding cost-effective ways to build the addition to the town clerk's office. It's not a quick fix, but we're committed to getting it done right without breaking the bank.

Like any year, we heard from folks with complaints and kind words alike. We also dealt with a couple of structure fires that reminded us how vital our volunteer fire department is—huge thanks to them for their quick response.

Sadly, we lost a dedicated longtime servant to our community: David Whitcomb, who represented Eden on both the school board and the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District. His steady guidance will be missed.

On the budget side, we're pleased that we managed to keep the town portion increase under 4% this year. That's no small feat these days. But it's getting tougher every year with rising costs for materials and a tight labor market.

For example, culvert prices have jumped significantly since 2021 due to supply chain issues, inflation, and higher steel costs—nationally and here in Vermont, we've seen increases of 50-100% or more depending on size and type, making road repairs even pricier.

Hiring and keeping good highway crew members remains a real challenge. We're surrounded by towns like Hyde Park, Johnson, Lowell, Belvidere, and Waterville, where some have union contracts or higher pay scales that make it hard to compete. While exact figures vary year to year (and are often in town reports or job postings), many nearby highway workers earn in the \$25-30+ per hour range with strong benefits, pulling talent away from towns like ours.

We did make good headway on planning for the future: the town plan was updated this year. As part of that, we worked on a new map showing land use categories for every property—from town center and village areas to rural and conserved lands. These designations tie into the recent Act 250 reforms (from 2024-2025), which aim to guide where development happens while protecting natural resources.

Eden has a lot of land already protected: about 15.9 square miles (over 10,000 acres) in conserved areas, plus more enrolled in the Current Use program, which overall covers a big chunk of our total 64.3 square miles (around 25% or more when including state forests and preserves). Programs like Current Use and conservation easements help

EDEN SELECTBOARD REPORT (continued)

keep taxes lower on working forests and farms, but they do limit the taxable land base in a rural town like ours.

Many of these conservation-focused laws and programs come from ideas pushed by folks in more urban areas, like Chittenden County. That brings us to a bit of history: Back before 1965, Vermont had a "one town, one representative" system in the House—every town, big or small, had equal say. A U.S. Supreme Court ruling changed that to "one person, one vote," shifting more power toward populated areas. Some folks feel that shift has led to laws that fit cities better than small rural towns like Eden.

Looking ahead, the Selectboard will keep working hard for all of you—being as careful with your tax dollars as we can while tackling the day-to-day needs. Your input is always welcome; stop by meetings, call the office, or send an email. We truly appreciate it.

Sincerely, the Eden Selectboard

Tim Bullard, chair Ricky Morin Clayton Whittemore

THE BULLARD AWARD

Started in 1990, the Bullard Award is given to a community member in honor of their service, dedication and unselfish contribution to the community. There is a sealed box at the Town Clerk's Office where anyone may nominate someone who has contributed to the Town for this award anytime during the year. The suggestion box is also at Town Meeting. The Selectboard opens the box at a December meeting to choose from the nominations.

Here are the community members that have been awarded the honor since the Bullard Award began.

Thank you to all!

1991	Haven "Bud" Bullard	2009	Warren Whitcomb, Jr.	2018	Bruce Sheilds
1994	Loren Earle	2010	Betty Jones	2019	Art Curcillo
1995	Florence Huntley	2011	Leslie White	2020	Jerry White Sr.
1996	Mary Adams	2012	David Whitcomb	2021	H. Bruce Burnor
1998	Ernest & Evelyn Earle	2013	Ronald McLean	2022	Candace M. Vear
2005	Hayden Morin	2014	Monique Morwqy	2023	Deborah Godin
2006	Donna Whitcomb	2015	Ricky Morin	2024	Colleen Brennan
2007	Walter Earle	2016	Susan Deuso		
2008	John Touchette	2017	Tracey Morin		

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER REPORT

In April of 2025, we welcomed Molly Morin as the new Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer. Molly had been working one day a week since January. She has settled in nicely and has jumped right in to take over the grant work in addition to her clerk and treasurer duties. She also handles a lot of the Selectboard business to include creating agendas and minutes.

The Town Office and Selectboard continue to work on a plan for expansion. Unfortunately, the cost is much more than anticipated and there have been some set-backs due to the required specifications of a land record vault.

Melissa has been working closely with NEMRC (New England Municipal Resource Center) on the accounting in hopes of simplifying some of the processes in the office. This should make things more transparent and easier for everyone to understand the greater financial picture of the Town.

We continue to accept payments of nearly all types in the office as well as online at edenvt.org. We also offer direct debit as a payment option for taxes, where your payment is withdrawn automatically from your account on the due date. Please inquire if you are interested.

The Town Office is open Mon, Wed, Thurs 8am-4pm and Tuesdays 8am-6pm.

Melissa Whitcomb, Town Clerk and Treasurer

AUDITOR REPORT

The role of auditor is to review the revenues and expenditures associated with the municipal operations ensuring that all funds are accurately recorded and properly accounted for. There are three elected auditor positions, each serving a three-year term, elected on a staggered basis at Town Meeting.

Auditors serve as an independent mechanism to verify the financial accountability of the Town. Our responsibilities include reviewing income, bills and invoices, payroll records and orders (checks issued) by the Town. We review various accounts such as the municipal checkbook, cemetery funds and other special revenue accounts that maintain separate banking records.

Over the past year, the Auditors have strengthened internal controls and refined the reconciliation procedures to better support accurate and timely financial reporting. These updates reflect our ongoing commitment to continuous improvement, maintaining the highest standards of financial accountability. With these changes, our review processes ensure greater consistency, improved documentation and enhanced transparency.

We have revised the layout of the Town Report to make financial information clearer and more user-friendly for residents, helping taxpayers better understand how Town funds are managed and allocated.

The Auditors typically meet on a monthly or bi-monthly basis throughout the year with additional time dedicated in November, December and January to complete the extensive review of more than 500 general ledger revenue and expenditure accounts. This detailed work supports the preparation and accuracy of the financial pages included in this Town Report.

We remain committed to protecting the Town's financial integrity, supporting strong fiscal oversight practices, and ensuring residents can have confidence in the responsible stewardship of public funds.

Leslie White

Julie Gates

Open Position

EDEN ASSESSOR REPORT

The Assessor's office has the responsibility for the appraisal of all real property located within the Town of Eden. This includes all new properties either through subdivisions or through new buildings and any physical changes to existing properties. Records concerning ownership, value and physical description are kept for all properties. Tax maps are kept and revised for the subdivisions created or mergers of land on all parcels.

The principal responsibility of the Assessor's Office is the valuation and assessment of properties and preparation of the Grand List for the Town of Eden and related procedures according to Title 32 and other related Titles and Acts pertaining to assessment and taxation. The Assessor completed the assessment changes for the real estate properties that were modified during the 24-25 tax year.

For the FY 24-25 Grand List, 99 properties were revalued, including Current Use parcels. After notifying all property owners of their CHANGE OF APPRAISALS, the Assessor's Office received six grievances to the new assessments. All were settled by the Assessor. There were no appeals to the Board of Civil Authority. There are no State or court appeals pending against the 2025 Grand List assessments.

The Assessor's Office has begun visiting properties for the reappraisal ordered by the State of Vermont. You may see them out and about taking pictures and measuring new buildings or additions to existing properties.

GRAND LIST for 2025-2026

Total Grand List = \$162,933,850

Total Exemptions = \$15,870,600

Taxable Grand List = \$147,063,250

The Grand List value is comprised of residential properties, farms, vacant land, land with outbuildings, commercial/industrial and utility properties.

Russ Beaudoin, Assessor

FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

Eden Fire Warden: Marvin Whitcomb 802-635-7515

The burning of materials requires a permit from the Fire Warden unless there is approximately 6" of snow on the ground. Only natural vegetation (grass, leaves and brush) can be burned. All other wood products require an air pollution control permit in addition to the regular town permit.

Open burning is regulated by the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources "Air Pollution Control Regulations." You can view these regulations at:

<http://dec.vermont.gov/air-quality/laws>

It is illegal to burn any kind of rubbish, household or otherwise.

BEFORE LIGHTING A MATCH, CALL FOR A PERMIT!

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS REPORT

According to the Vermont State Statute Title 24, V.S.A. § 2431, if the town so votes, three Trustees are elected for staggered 3-year terms. The town trust funds include the following:

Cemetery Funds, the Eden Recreational Field and Athletic Fund and the American Gift Fund. These funds shall be under the charge and management of the Trustees with the Town Treasurer acting as an advisor in any investment decisions. Each of these 3 funds has their own checkbook so any activity within these funds is kept separate.

In January of 2023, the Trustees researched Certificate of Deposit (CD) interest rates that might be higher than what we were currently receiving at Community Bank in the Sweep Account and Edward Jones in Morrisville had the best opportunities for investing. A portion of the Cemetery funds and American Gift Fund money has been invested in CD's at Edward Jones. All CD's are federally insured and there is no cost to the town for these investments.

When investing in a CD, the town must take into consideration how much money is in each account as well as the timeline of when funds might be needed for expenses. Funds from the cemetery working checkbook that are used to pay for mowing and grounds maintenance have been invested in a 6 month CD during the winter while funds for the Perpetual Care Account have been invested for a longer period of time depending on the available interest rates.

The interest earned on these separate CD's stays in the same account. The interest earned from the American Gift Fund was voted to be used to offset taxes at Town Meeting in 2025 (Article 12 on March 4, 2025). The trustees will continue to watch interest rates to make the most of the Town's resources for all.

Melissa Whitcomb

Trevor Bidwell

Bruce Shields

PROPERTY ASSETS

PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE TOWN OF EDEN (per the 2014 town assessment)			Parcel Number
Corey Pond	9.8 acres North Road	\$ 8,550.00	06.01-02
Dodge Cemetery #1	.65 acres Route 118	\$ 9,670.00	05.01.46
Dodge Cemetery #2	1.19 acres Route 118	\$ 16,490.00	05.01.45.02
Eden Corners Cemetery	9.8 acres Cemetery Road	\$ 61,720.00	11.01.68
Industrial Site w/well easement EHS	11.5 acres Route 100	\$ 42,700.00	10.01.56
Jenny Shover Land	.4 Acres Route 100	\$ 10,080.00	11.02.47
Lake Eden Recreation Area	5054 Route 100, 9.32 acres	\$ 625,190.00	11.02.04
Landfill Property/Gravel Site	South Pond Road, 17 acres	\$ 36,980.00	11.02.59
Ober Hill School Lot	.25 Acres Tree Farm Road	\$ 300.00	14.01.05
Old Gravel Bank (Land locked with ROW)	1 acre Shover Road	\$ 11,440.00	11.01.60.01
Old Landfill	3 acres Cemetery Road	\$ 3,600.00	11.01.95
Old Library	.1 acre Route 100	\$ 13,760.00	11.02.30
Right-of-Way beside Belvidere Road	3.7 acres	\$ 4,440.00	05.01.48
Town Clerk's Office	2.7 Acres 71 Old Schoolhouse Road	\$ 179,650.00	11.01.99.01
Town Garage	10.4 acres 3625 Route 100	\$ 171,200.00	11.01.99.02
Total assessment of real estate properties owned by the Town			\$ 1,195,770.00

DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS as of DECEMBER 31, 2025

This page has changed compared to previous Town Reports. The State requires each town to officially record a delinquent tax report with December 31st as the end date. The office will now use these parameters to compile and record the required annual delinquent tax report.

Property tax bills are printed and mailed annually in the fall for payments that will be due on the dates in November and the following February and May as specified in the Town Meeting Warning. When a property is sold before April 1st of any year, the new owner will see their name on the tax bill. If a property is purchased after April 1st, the new owners will receive a tax bill however the name on the paperwork may be of the previous owner. Taxpayers that have sold their property may be listed below if the taxes were not pro-rated or were recorded improperly in the sale transaction.

* The asterisk next to a name below indicates those taxpayers that have signed a payment agreement with the Delinquent Tax Collector and are adhering to that payment agreement.

TAXES DUE for FY'S 11-12 thru 19-20

Foster, Anita

Principal due: \$1,026.57

TAXES DUE for FY 2020-2021

Foster, Brittany

Principal due: \$148.35

TAXES DUE for FY 2021-2022

Foster, Brittany

Machia, Stanley H. II

Principal due: \$2,144.62

North, Nelson

TAXES DUE for FY 2022-2023

Foster, Brittany

Machia, Stanley H. II

Principal due: \$2,627.68

Marino, Ralph & Mary Anne

TAXES DUE for FY 2023-2024

* Boutin, Chip & Sheri
Demar, Peyton & Lawrence

* Griggs, Trudy
Hepburn, Brandon W. & Robert D.
Machia, Stanley H. II
Marsh, Dorothy/Griswold, Donna

Marino, Ralph

* Merchant, Carol
North, Nelson
Prosser, Jason

TAXES DUE for FY 2024-2025

* Anthony, Alton Rodrigues
Billado, Michael
* Boutin, Chip & Sheri
Colaceci, Robert
Demar, Peyton & Lawrence
Deroose, Andria
* Deslandes, Christopher
Domina, Ken
* Donahue, Christopher
Erickson, Eric

Evans, Jeff
Flood, Rudolph
Foster, Brittany
Gonyaw, Rodney
* Griggs, Trudy
Gutzman, Walter & Lori
Hepburn, Brandon W. & Robert D.
Hoag, Inga
Jones, Lewis C. Sr./Deuso, S.
Lathe, David & Becky
* Lilly, Jared

Principal due: \$13,319.87

Marino, Ralph

* Merchant, Carol
North, Nelson
Prosser, Jason

Principal due: \$47,887.57

Machia, Stanley H. II

Marino, Ralph
Marsh, Dorothy/Griswold, Donna

* Merchant, Carol
Merriam, Adam
Morin, Mark
North, Nelson
Prosser, Jason
Spaulding, Edward
Stevens, Maralena

Total Principal due:	\$67,154.66
Total Interest due:	\$10,171.00
Total Penalty due:	\$4,746.22
	<hr/> \$82,071.88

Totals due above are as of December 31, 2025

BALANCE SHEET

General Fund Asset Accounts		2023-2024	2024-2025
1-1-0-01-00.00	General Fund Checking	\$ 698,685.95	\$ 641,313.09
1-1-0-01-00.05	Due From/To General Fund	\$ (291,267.18)	\$ (180,925.37)
1-1-0-01-05.01	Petty Cash In Vault	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
1-1-0-01-06.00	Electronic/Credit Card Transactions	\$ 577.61	\$ 1,515.70
1-1-0-01-14.01	Restoration Fund EJ CD	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 68,000.00
1-1-0-01-14.02	Rainy Day Reserve Fund EJ CD General Fund	\$ 50,000.00 \$ -	\$ 50,000.00 \$ 2,000.00
1-1-0-01-14.03	LERA Reserve Fund EJ CD	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 52,000.00
1-1-0-01-14.04	Edward Jones Money Market	\$ 23,809.18	\$ 25,753.38
1-1-0-01-14.05	TO Addition Reserve Fund EJ CD	\$ -	\$ 202,000.00
	Total Assets	\$ 597,105.56	\$ 861,956.80
General Fund Liability Accounts			
1-2-0-01-00.05	Tax Credits Due To Taxpayer	\$ 1,482.74	\$ 801.13
1-2-0-03-05.00	Office Accumulated Sick Pay	\$ (5,041.48)	\$ -
1-2-0-03-05.01	Garage Accumulated Sick Pay	\$ (3,648.00)	\$ -
1-2-0-03-05.03	Office Accumulated Vacation Pay	\$ 4,738.50	\$ -
1-2-0-03-05.04	Highway Accumulated Vacation Pay	\$ 332.00	\$ -
1-2-0-03-08.00	Vision Plan EyeMed	\$ 25.94	\$ 30.94
1-2-0-03-09.00	Health Insurance Employee Share	\$ 20,733.94	\$ -
1-2-0-04-01.00	State of Vermont marriages	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00
1-2-0-04-02.00	State of Vermont dogs	\$ 195.00	\$ 434.00
Designated & Reserve Funds			
1-2-0-01-01.00	TO Addition Reserve Fund	\$ -	\$ 234,247.93
1-2-0-01-10.01	Future Improvement Reserve Fund	\$ 155,541.73	\$ 153,912.57
1-2-0-01-12.00	Restoration Fund	\$ 75,383.48	\$ 81,346.99
1-2-0-01-12.02	Rainy Day Reserve Fund	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,532.92
1-2-0-01-12.06	Outside Audit Reserve Fund	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
1-2-0-01-12.07	FD Equipment Reserve Fund	\$ 95,616.50	\$ 110,616.50
1-2-0-01-12.08	LERA Reserve Fund	\$ 111,433.42	\$ 96,962.08
1-2-0-01-14.00	St of VT Equal/Reappraisal Fund	\$ 2,049.00	\$ 10,058.00
1-2-0-01-14.01	St of VT Listers Fund	\$ 6,563.41	\$ 7,497.41
1-2-0-01-16.01	Lake Eden Association Greeter Program	\$ 5,127.90	\$ -
1-2-0-01-17.01	Lake Eden Association Milfoil Fund	\$ 10,101.75	\$ 22,706.75
	Fund Balance General Fund	\$ 60,404.73	\$ 23,339.85
	Cumulative Fund Balance		\$ 83,744.58
Highway Department			
	Fund Balance Highway Department	\$ 236,899.42	\$ (218,788.63)
	Cumulative Fund Balance		\$ 18,110.79
Highway Reserve Funds			
2-2-0-01-00.01	Highway Reserve Fund	\$ 515,363.46	\$ 330,251.76
2-2-0-04-00.00	Paving & Structure Reserve Fund	\$ 160,432.67	\$ 220,432.67
	Fund Balance Highway Reserve Funds		\$ 550,684.43
Lake Eden Recreation Area			
3-2-0-03-00.00	Beach House Grant	\$ 806.48	\$ 806.48
	Fund Balance Lake Eden Recreation Area	\$ 16,167.45	\$ 3,026.16
	Cumulative Fund Balance		\$ 19,193.61

BALANCE SHEET FY 2024-2025 (continued)

Additional Asset Accounts		2023-2024	2024-2025
4-1-0-01-00.05 Due From/To General Fund		\$ 193.62	\$ -
4-1-0-01-07.00 New Equipment Reserve Fund		\$ 203,012.71	\$ 206,476.89
4-1-0-01-08.00 Recreation Field Trust Principal		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,502.49
4-1-0-01-09.00 Recreation Field working checkbook		\$ 1,618.38	\$ 1,619.99
4-1-0-01-13.00 Good Neighbor Reserve Fund		\$ 19,213.27	\$ 18,689.42
4-1-0-01-13.01 Good Neighbor Reserve Fund EJ CD #1		\$ 230,000.00	\$ 230,000.00
4-1-0-01-13.02 Good Neighbor Reserve Fund EJ CD #2		\$ 230,000.00	\$ 240,000.00
4-1-0-01-14.00 American Gift Trust Fund		\$ 32,830.93	\$ 74,729.54
4-1-0-01-14.01 American Gift Trust Fund EJ CD #1		\$ 230,000.00	\$ 230,000.00
4-1-0-01-14.02 American GiftTrust Fund EJ CD #2		\$ 150,000.00	\$ 157,000.00
4-1-0-01-15.00 Delinquent Tax Escrow Account		\$ 8,891.36	\$ 1,054.96
Fund Balance Additional Asset Accounts		\$ 1,108,260.27	\$ 53,813.02
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ 1,162,073.29
Cemetery Asset Accounts			
5-1-0-01-00.00 Eden Cemetery working checkbook		\$ 4,364.83	\$ 4,880.09
5-1-0-01-00.01 Eden Cemetery EJ CD		\$ 22,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
5-1-0-01-14.00 Perpetual Care Restricted Funds		\$ 5,212.55	\$ 5,442.94
5-1-0-01-14.01 Perpetual Care EJ CD		\$ 59,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Fund Balance Cemetery Accounts		\$ 90,577.38	\$ 4,745.65
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ 95,323.03
Grant Accounts			
6-7-5-51 G1 Holdings-Other Projects		\$ -	\$ -
Fund Balance Grant Accounts		\$ (331,265.41)	\$ 123,545.47
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ (207,719.94)
Reappraisal Account			
7-1-0-01-10.00 St of VT Equal/Reappraisal Fund EJ CD			
Fund Balance Reappraisal Account		\$ 140,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ 147,000.00
Additional Grants			
Fund Balance Additional Grants		\$ (306,300.51)	\$ 306,300.51
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ -
Eden Youth Sports Account			
Fund Balance EYSC		\$ 19,148.68	\$ 4,276.16
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ 23,424.84
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)			
Fund Balance		\$ 244,885.90	\$ (244,885.34)
Cumulative Fund Balance			\$ 0.56

GENERAL FUND RESERVE ACCOUNTS

	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
Town Office Addition Reserve Fund				
1-1-0-01-14.05 From ARPA Account to create Reserve			\$ 234,220.23	
Edward Jones CD			\$ 202,000.00	
Balance of funds not in CD			\$ 32,220.23	
Interest earned	\$ 27.70			
				\$ 234,247.93
Good Neighbor Reserve Fund				
4-1-0-01-13.00 Beginning Balance Check Book			\$ 19,213.27	
4-1-0-01-13.01 Edward Jones CD #1			\$ 230,000.00	
4-1-0-01-13.02 Edward Jones CD #2			\$ 230,000.00	
Interest Earned	\$ 46.86			
Interest Earned on CD #1	\$ 10,925.00			
Int trans to Int on Investments		\$ 10,925.00		
Interest from Previous Years		\$ 570.71		
\$10,000 Re-invested			\$ 10,000.00	
				\$ 488,689.42
Future Improvement Reserve Fund				
1-2-0-01-10.01 Beginning Balance			\$ 155,541.73	
Balance of Funds voted to reduce taxes		\$ 1,629.16		
				\$ 153,912.57
Rainy Day Reserve Fund				
1-2-0-01-12.02 Beginning Balance			\$ 50,000.00	
Interest Earned	\$ 532.92			
Int move to int on investments		\$ 532.92		
				\$ 50,000.00
Outside Audit Reserve Fund				
1-2-0-01-12.06 Beginning Balance			\$ 6,000.00	
Annual Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00			
				\$ 9,000.00
Lake Eden Recreation Area Reserve Fund				
1-2-0-01-12.08 Beginning Balance (Includes \$52,000 in EJ CD)			\$ 111,433.42	
Milfoil Appropriation (voted 3/5/24)		\$ 15,000.00		
Interest Earned	\$ 528.66			
				\$ 96,962.08
Total Reserve Accounts				\$ 1,032,812.00

GENERAL FUND LIABILITY ACCOUNTS

	Beg Bal	Credit	Debit	Liability
Tax Credits due to Taxpayer				
1-2-0-01-00.00 Beginning Balance 7/1/24	\$ 1,482.74			
Correction from previous year			\$ 1,034.38	
Tax Receipts			\$ 5,455.36	
Funds paid to taxpayer	\$ 5,808.13			
				\$ 801.13
Eye Med Vision Plan (paid by employees)				
1-2-0-03-08.00 Due to EYE MED				\$ 30.94
State of VT Marriages				
1-2-0-04-01.00 Due to the State of VT				\$ 65.00
State of VT Dogs				
1-2-0-04-02.00 Due to the State of VT				\$ 434.00
Delinquent Tax Escrow Fund				
4-1-0-01-15.00 Beginning Balance	\$ 8,891.36			
Redemption			\$ 7,841.65	
Interest	\$ 5.25			
				\$ 1,054.96
Total Liabilities				\$ 2,386.03

GENERAL FUND DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS

	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
Beach House Grant				
3-2-0-03-00.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 806.48
				\$ 806.48
Restoration Fund				
1-2-0-01-12.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 75,383.48
Revenue from recording	\$ 5,690.00			
Interest earned EJ	\$ 273.51			
				\$ 81,346.99
State of Vermont Lister Fund				
1-2-0-01-14.01 Beginning Balance				\$ 6,563.41
Equalization state payment	\$ 934.00			
				\$ 7,497.41
State of VT Reappraisal Fund				
1-2-0-01-14.00 Beginning Balance (includes \$140,000 EJ CD)				\$ 142,049.00
Reappraisal state payment	\$ 7,939.00			
Add to EJ CD				\$ 7,000.00
Interest earned EJ	\$ 70.00			
				\$ 157,058.00
Lake Eden Prevention Fund (Greeter Program)				
1-2-0-01-16.01 Beginning Balance				\$ 9,369.46
Greeter expenses FY 23/24			\$ 4,241.56	\$ 5,127.90
FY 24/25 Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00			
Grant match prior years			\$ 9,127.90	
				\$ -
Lake Eden Milfoil Fund				
1-2-0-01-17.01 Beginning Balance				\$ 8,857.99
Posted in wrong fund 23/24	\$ 1,243.76			
Appropriation voted 3/5/24	\$ 15,000.00			
Milfoil Control Expenses		\$ 2,395.00		
				\$ 22,706.75
ARPA Funds				
A-1-0-01-00.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 245,765.90
Edward Jones CD			\$ 200,000.00	
FY 23/24 Computer Expense		\$ 7,144.37		
FY 24-25 Computer Expense		\$ 1,591.17		
Architect for Office Addition		\$ 3,512.40		
Interest earned EJ	\$ 702.83			
Transfer funds to Reserve Acct			\$ 34,220.23	
				\$ 0.56
Total General Fund Designated Accounts				\$ 269,416.19

GENERAL FUND TRUST ACCOUNTS

	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
American Gift Trust Fund (working checkbook)				
4-1-0-01-14.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 32,830.93
Interest earned	\$ 117.61			
Interest earned EJ #1	\$ 10,925.00			
Interest EJ #1 Trans to Int on Invest			\$ 10,925.00	
Interest correction from previous years			\$ 405.92	
Additional gift	\$ 43,734.47			
Green Up Day Tire Disposal		\$ 1,547.55		
4-1-0-01-14.01 Edward Jones CD#1				\$ 230,000.00
4-1-0-01-14.02 Edward Jones CD#2				\$ 150,000.00
Interest earned and reinvested CD #2				\$ 7,000.00
				\$ 461,729.54
Eden Recreation Field & Athletic Trust Principal				
4-1-0-01-08.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 2,500.00
4-6-0-00-30.02 Interest earned	\$ 2.49			
Interest transferred to working CK BK			\$ 2.49	
				\$ 2,500.00
Eden Recreation Field & Athletic Trust Check Book				
4-1-0-01-09.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 1,618.38
4-6-0-00-30.03 Interest earned	\$ 1.61		\$ 2.49	
				\$ 1,622.48
Total Trust Fund Accounts				\$ 465,852.02

RESERVE FUNDS for the FIRE DEPARTMENT & HIGHWAY

Fire Department Reserve Fund	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
1-2-0-01-12.07 Beginning Balance				\$ 95,616.50
Annual Appropriation	\$ 15,000.00			
				\$ 110,616.50
<i>Revenue for this fund is an annual appropriation in the Selectboard budget voted on at Town Meeting.</i>				
New Equipment Reserve Fund	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
4-1-0-01-07.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 238,982.21
Payment made from wrong account FY 23-24			\$ 35,969.50	
Corrected Beginning Balance				\$ 203,012.71
Westen Star Highway Truck Loan	\$ 110,000.00			
Fire Dept Truck '22 Appropriation	\$ 35,000.00			
Annual Eden Highway Appropriation	\$ 46,000.00			
Alexis Fire Truck Payment		\$ 142,785.00		
Command Rescue Fire Equipment		\$ 23,007.50		
FD Mini Pumper Payment #2		\$ 22,000.00		
Interest Earned	\$ 256.68			
				\$ 206,476.89
<i>Revenue for this fund is an annual appropriation in the Selectboard budget voted on at Town Meeting.</i>				
Paving & Structures Reserve Fund	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
2-2-0-04-00.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 160,432.67
Annual Appropriation	\$ 60,000.00			
				\$ 220,432.67
<i>Revenue for this fund is an annual appropriation in the highway budget voted on at Town Meeting.</i>				
Highway Reserve Fund	Revenue	Expense	Transfer	Balance
2-2-0-01-00.01 Beginning Balance				\$ 515,363.46
Offset prior years grant expenses			\$ 185,111.70	
				\$ 330,251.76
<i>This Reserve Fund was approved by the voters at Town Meeting in 2006 from budgeted funds approved by the taxpayers but not spent from the Highway Account in previous years. These funds are to be used only for highway expenses. Adding any surplus money to a Reserve Fund requires a vote of the taxpayers.</i>				

EQUIPMENT DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE & VALUES

NHP/Eden	Date	Acquisition	Useful	Annual \$	# Years	Depreciation	Net Book
Fire Department	Acquired	Cost	Life yrs	Deprec.	Deprec.	Amt to date	Value '25
2019 HME Fire Engine	6/30/2020	\$168,000.00	10	\$16,800.00	5	\$84,000.00	\$84,000.00
2023 Utility Truck	1/1/2023	\$29,540.00	10	\$2,954.00	2	\$5,908.00	\$23,632.00
2024 Utility Truck	1/1/2024	\$34,852.00	10	\$3,485.20	1	\$3,485.20	\$31,366.80
2024 Engine 2	1/1/2024	\$35,970.00	10	\$3,597.00	1	\$3,597.00	\$32,373.00
2025 Engine 2	1/1/2025	\$178,755.00	10	\$17,875.50	0	\$0.00	\$178,755.00
Genesis Eforce Comb Tool	1/1/2025	\$11,504.00	10	\$1,150.40	0	\$0.00	\$11,504.00
						TOTAL	\$361,630.80
Eden Highway						Calculated Depreciation Value	Dealer Quote
Department							Jan 2026
2001 International Truck							\$10,000.00
2007 Grader							\$75,000.00
2012 Loader							\$50,000.00
2012 Freightliner Truck		\$113,000.00					\$45,000.00
2018 Freightliner Truck	8/8/2017	\$187,576.00	10	\$18,757.60	8	\$150,060.80	\$37,515.20
2018 Ford F350 PU Truck	2/26/2018	\$40,015.00	10	\$4,001.50	7	\$28,010.50	\$12,004.50
2024 Western Star Truck	11/14/2023	\$279,350.00	10	\$27,935.00	1	\$27,935.00	\$251,415.00
Equipment older than 10 years still has value but can no longer be depreciated.						TOTAL	\$562,000.00
Emergency Generator Tower		12,700.00					

Equipment older than 10 years still has value but can no longer be depreciated.

TOTAL \$562,000.00

ESTIMATED REVENUE OVERVIEW for FY 26-27

The estimated revenues anticipated that are used to offset the budget when setting the tax rate.

1-6-0-00 SELECTBOARD	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Estimated 25-26	Estimated 26-27
1-6-0-00-01.00 Current Property Taxes	\$ 351,754.11	\$ 143,448.14	\$ 410,760.57	\$ 408,833.00
1-6-0-00-01.01 Current Property Tax Interest	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,954.15	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,800.00
1-6-0-00-02.00 Delinquent Tax Principal	\$ -	\$ 172,204.24		\$ -
1-6-0-00-03.00 Delinquent Tax Interest	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 12,221.86	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
1-6-0-00-03.01 Delinquent Tax Penalty	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 14,210.18	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
* 1-6-0-00-04.01 Tax Sale Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ 1,831.24	\$ -	\$ -
1-6-0-00-10.00 Liquor Licenses	\$ 140.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 210.00
1-6-0-00-10.01 Cannabis Licenses	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
1-6-0-00-11.00 Dog Licenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,910.50	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00
* 1-6-0-00-12.00 School (Generator maintenance)	\$ 500.00	\$ 692.00	\$ 500.00	
1-6-0-00-12.01 Dog Impound Fees/Fines	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1-6-0-00-22.00 St of VT Current Use	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 86,098.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 82,000.00
1-6-0-00-23.00 St of Vt Pilot Program	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,564.19	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00
1-6-0-00-28.00 St of VT Fines and Fees	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
1-6-0-00-30.00 Interest on Investments	\$ -	\$ 40,957.86	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00
1-6-0-00-33.00 Certified Copies	\$ -	\$ 540.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 500.00
1-6-0-00-35.00 Recording Fees	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 11,522.00	\$ 10,450.00	\$ 11,000.00
1-6-0-00-36.00 Copier & Fax	\$ -	\$ 1,634.85	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
1-6-0-00-36.01 Vault Time	\$ -	\$ 306.50	\$ -	\$ 200.00
1-6-0-00-99.00 Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ -	\$ 222.64	\$ -	\$ -
Total estimated amount used to offset the amount to be raised by taxes when calculating the tax rate.			\$ 153,540.00	\$ 168,010.00
Total Budget	\$ 506,094.11	\$ 530,818.35	\$ 564,300.57	\$ 576,843.00

* Funds that will also show as an expense in the financial reporting, potentially in a different fiscal year.

At Town Meeting 3/5/24, Article 5 asked, and was so voted to:

"...use the unexpended SB funds from FY 22/23 to reduce the amount to be raised by taxes?"

When setting the tax rate for FY 24/25, the amount to be raised was reduced by \$69,103.17.

2-6-0-00 HIGHWAY REVENUE	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Estimated 25-26	Estimated 26-27
2-6-0-00-01.00 HWY Raised by Taxes	\$ 578,605.00	\$ 578,605.00	\$ 621,715.00	\$ 645,565.00
2-6-0-00-13.00 Permits	\$ 450.00	\$ 435.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
2-6-0-00-13.01 Row Excavation Permit	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
2-6-0-00-24.00 St of VT (Class 2 & 3)	\$ 76,000.00	\$ 76,418.64	\$ 76,000.00	\$ 76,000.00
* 2-6-0-00-25.00 TO Snow Removal	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
2-6-0-00-26.00 HWY Insurance Refund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-6-0-00-27.00 HWY Misc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
[†] 2-6-0-00-28.00 HWY Grant Offset FEMA	\$ -	\$ 66,121.23	\$ -	\$ -
^{††} 2-6-0-00-99.00 Reduce HWY Fund Bal Deficit	\$ -	\$ 185,111.70	\$ -	\$ -
			\$ 77,900.00	\$ 77,900.00
Total	\$ 655,055.00	\$ 908,691.57	\$ 699,615.00	\$ 723,465.00

* Funds that will show as an expense for snow removal under office expenses.

[†] Funds transferred in to offset Eden's share of highway grant expenses for FY 24-25.

^{††} Funds transferred to cover Eden's share of highway grant expenses for previous years. This was money spent to complete highway projects as we do not budget for the matching funds required. This transfer brings the highway financials up to date.

PROPERTY TAX REVENUE & EXPENSES FY 24-25

PROPERTY TAXES	REVENUE	EXPENSE/TRANSFER	BALANCE
1-6-0-00-01.00 Current Property Tax Revenue	\$ 3,473,875.16	\$ -	
State of VT Prebate (Municipal tax assistance)	\$ 29,744.00		
State of VT Land Use Payment	\$ 1,893.50		
State of VT Property Tax Adjustment	\$ 228.00		
Tax credits due to taxpayer	<u>\$ 1,814.56</u>		
	\$ 3,507,555.22		
State of VT Education Payments	\$ 366,942.87		
Tax adjustments	\$ 4,734.01		
School Tax Payments	\$ 2,413,045.02		
Highway Budget transferred to Highway	\$ 578,605.00		
Tax credits due to taxpayer	<u>\$ 780.18</u>		
Total expenses and/or transfers	\$ 3,364,107.08		
Total Revenues minus expenses/transfers			\$ 143,448.14

The \$143,448.14 was the balance of current property taxes collected that went towards the Selectboard FY 24-25 budget. The detail of additional revenues is on page 17.

SELECTBOARD GRANTS & NON-BUDGETED PROJECTS

Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) Grant for Milfoil Mitigation in Lake Eden

Expenses:		
Hired Services	\$ 21,276.79	
Supplies & Equipment	\$ 1,154.59	
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 130.00</u>	
Total Milfoil Grant Expenses	\$ 22,561.38	
Income Offsets		
Lake Champlain Basin Program grant funds	\$ 25,000.00	
Total Income Offsets	\$ 25,000.00	
Cost to the Town for the Milfoil Eradication FY 24/25 (no cost)		\$ (2,438.62)

Lake Eden Association (LEA) Aquatic Nuisance Control (ANC) Greeter Grant

July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Working towards Educating Visitors to Lake Eden on Invasive Aquatic Species		
Expenses:		
Payroll	\$ 19,778.74	
Port-o-let Rental	\$ 631.26	
Supplies	<u>\$ 1,811.73</u>	
Total Greeter Expenses	\$ 22,221.73	
Income Offsets:		
Total Income Offsets	\$ 21,791.37	
Cost to the Town for the 2024 Lake Eden Greeter Program		\$ 430.36

HIGHWAY GRANTS & NON-BUDGETED PROJECTS

October 2019 Flood - FEMA DR-4474	Expenditures	Grant/Offsets	Town Cost
Expenditures (cumulative 2019 thru FY 23/24)	\$ 1,440,024.41		
Income Offsets FY 24-25			
Project Number 136164 PW 235	\$ 114,344.26		
FEMA Payments # 12,13 &14	\$ 201,073.01		
Project Number 136221 PW 239	\$ 42,182.97		
Project Number 145711 PW 250	\$ 9,111.63		
Total Amount Received FY 24-25	\$ 366,711.87		
Income Offsets + Highway Reserve Funds prior years	\$ 1,108,686.85		
Total Cumulative Income Offsets all years	\$ 1,475,398.72		
Actual cost to the town			\$ (35,374.31)
Although this number shows that the town received more in reimbursement funds than cumulative expenses, these funds help cover the cost of employee fringe benefits and the cost of using town equipment.			
July 2023 Flood - FEMA DR-4720			
Expenditures Previous years	\$ 36,593.75		
Income Offsets			
Previous year FY 23/24	\$ 28,549.25		
Project Number 730607 PW 91 FY 24-25	\$ 5,709.87		
Total Income Offsets all years	\$ 34,259.12		
Actual cost to the town			\$ 2,334.63
Projects from previous years, South Pond, East Hill, Rain Garden			
Income Offsets paid by G-1 Holdings FY 24-25	\$ 80,376.84		
Actual cost to the town			\$ -
MRGP- Griggs Road Culvert-GA0302			
Expenses FY 24/25			
Hired Services	\$ 13,525.00		
Payroll	\$ 10,363.22		
Materials	\$ 16,172.95		
Total expenditures FY 24/25	\$ 40,061.17		
Income Offset: Grant revenue FY 24-25	\$ 16,500.00		
G-1 Holdings payment FY 24-25	\$ 13,728.10		
Total income offsets FY 24-25	\$ 30,228.10		
Actual cost to the town			\$ 9,833.07
MRGP- East Hill- GA0537			
Expenses FY 24/25			
Hired Services	\$ 6,765.00		
Payroll	\$ 4,790.23		
Materials	\$ 6,462.46		
Total expenditures FY 24/25	\$ 18,017.69		
Income Offset FY 24-25	\$ 12,000.00		
Actual cost to the town			\$ 6,017.69
G-1 Holdings- 06140-2023-NRD-01 East Hill Underdrain & Ditching			
Hired Services	\$ 2,210.00		
Payroll	\$ 1,785.50		
Materials	\$ 6,812.03		
Total Expenditures FY 24/25	\$ 10,807.53		
Income Offset Grant Amount FY 24-25	\$ 13,728.10		
Actual cost to the town			\$ (2,920.57)
Boy Scout Road Box Culvert			
Hired Services FY 24-25	\$ 467,608.00		
Actual cost to the town			\$ 467,608.00
AOT Structures Grant funds anticipated 25-26	\$ 200,000.00		
Pacif Grant Safety Equipment			
Expense: Safety Equipment purchased	\$ 852.58		
Income Offset: Grant Amount FY 24-25	\$ 425.36		
Actual cost to the town			\$ 427.22
G-1 Holdings- 06140-2023-NRD-01- Boyscout Camp Road			
Town Expenses for box culvert	\$ 41,623.16		
G-1 Holdings payment FY 24-25	\$ 41,623.16		
Actual cost to the town			\$ -
Dry Hydrant			
Expenses	\$ 865.80		
Total Expenses for Grants and Special Projects FY 24-25	\$ 579,835.93		
Total Income Offsets Received FY 24-25	\$ 550,803.30		

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The following pages detailing the financial reporting of the Town have significantly changed compared to previous years. The goals are to streamline the transition from the municipal software (NEMRC) to the printed format, consolidate information and enhance comprehension.

The re-structuring of accounts is still a work in progress striving for additional clarity and transparency.

1-7-1-05 TOWN OFFICERS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-05-10.00 Office Labor Wages	\$ 109,000.00	\$ 75,485.50	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 112,000.00	1.82%
1-7-1-05-10.01 Constable	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-05-10.05 Selectboard Compensation	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00	0.00%
1-7-1-05-10.06 Auditors Wages	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,020.63	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,100.00	2.50%
1-7-1-05-10.07 TO Highway Labor Wages	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-05-10.09 Civil Board Meetings	\$ 300.00	\$ 10.25	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.00%
1-7-1-05-10.12 Elections/Town Meeting	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,255.88	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	33.33%
1-7-1-05-10.13 911 Coordinator Wages	\$ 750.00	\$ 127.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 120,950.00	\$ 85,649.76	\$ 120,200.00	\$ 122,650.00	2.04%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 35,300.24			
1-7-1-10 OFFICE EXPENSES	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-10-20.00 Outside Audit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-10-21.00 Postage & Delivery	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,061.50	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-22.00 Print/Postage Town Report	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,588.44	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	25.00%
1-7-1-10-23.00 Office Equipment/Furniture	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-23.01 Office Contracts (NEMRC-Symques)	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 7,931.88	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-23.02 Office Copier	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,325.08	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	50.00%
1-7-1-10-24.00 Office Computers	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,790.09	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	33.33%
1-7-1-10-24.01 Election supplies	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-24.02 Web Page	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 700.00	16.67%
1-7-1-10-24.03 Office Cleaning	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-25.00 Restoration of Records	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,406.86	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-25.01 Shredding	\$ 300.00	\$ 288.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 350.00	16.67%
1-7-1-10-26.00 Recording/ACS Contract	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,027.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-27.00 Town Office Supplies	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 655.38	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-27.01 Water Vermont Heritage	\$ 200.00	\$ 241.88	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-27.02 Elections Supplies (Grant)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-10-28.00 Office Seminars/Dues	\$ 500.00	\$ 320.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-29.01 Office Mileage	\$ 800.00	\$ 226.71	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-50.00 Bank Charges & Fees	\$ 100.00	\$ 114.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-55.00 Ground Maintenance/Mowing	\$ 800.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-55.01 Office Snow Removal	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-62.00 Town Office Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 206.40	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-10-62.01 Generator Maintenance (TOWN)	\$ 560.00	\$ 733.94	\$ 560.00	\$ 400.00	-28.57%
1-7-1-10-63.00 Miscellaneous Office Expense	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 37,960.00	\$ 33,167.16	\$ 40,460.00	\$ 41,450.00	2.45%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 4,792.84			

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1-7-1-15 INSURANCE (not highway)	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-15-48.01 TO Unemployment Insurance	\$ 700.00	\$ 360.64	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	0.00%
1-7-1-15-48.05 TO Property & Casualty In	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,301.67	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-15-48.06 TO Accident Deductible	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-15-48.07 TO Disability/Life Insurance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 318.75	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0.00%
1-7-1-15-48.08 TO Health/Hospitalization	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 27,618.96	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-15-48.09 TO Workers Comp Insurance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,158.04	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 59,700.00	\$ 34,758.06	\$ 70,450.00	\$ 70,450.00	0.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 24,941.94			
1-7-1-20 PAYROLL TAXES/RETIREMENT (not highway)					
1-7-1-20-11.00 TO Social Security Town Share	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,949.98	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-20-12.00 TO Medicare Town Share	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,391.60	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	0.00%
1-7-1-20-13.00 TO Retirement Town Share	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,622.29	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	60.00%
1-7-1-20-14.00 TO Childcare Contribution	\$ -	\$ 379.53	\$ -	\$ 500.00	100.00%
TOTALS	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 12,343.40	\$ 14,900.00	\$ 18,400.00	23.49%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 5,056.60			
1-7-1-21 LEAVE TIME (not highway)					
1-7-1-21-11.00 TO Sick Time Paid	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,307.48	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-21-12.00 TO Vacation Time Paid	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,911.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,100.00	5.00%
TOTALS	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,218.48	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,100.00	2.50%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 1,281.52			
1-7-1-30 UTILITIES					
1-7-1-30-30.00 Telephone Office 1/2	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,585.11	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-30-31.01 Gas Heat Office Propane	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 266.91	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	-20.00%
1-7-1-30-32.00 Electricity Town Office	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 980.16	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-30-32.01 Street Lights 407-383	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 809.58	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,500.00	15.38%
TOTALS	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,641.76	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,500.00	-4.41%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 3,358.24			
1-7-1-35 FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSES					
1-7-1-35-44.00 Fire Department Budget	\$ 42,225.00	\$ 42,225.00	\$ 44,975.00	\$ 46,500.00	3.39%
1-7-1-35-46.00 Fire Dept. Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
1-7-1-35-70.00 Fire Dept. Disability Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 42,225.00	\$ 42,225.00	\$ 44,975.00	\$ 46,500.00	3.39%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ -			

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1-7-1-40 ASSESSORS		Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-40-10.00 Assessor Labor		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,828.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-11.00 Assessor Hired Service		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,440.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-21.00 Assessor Postage		\$ 150.00	\$ 279.78	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-22.01 Assessor Advertising		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-40-24.00 Assessor Computer Expense		\$ 800.00	\$ 351.08	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-25.01 Assessor Software Contrac		\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,781.30	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,800.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-27.00 Assessor Supplies		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-27.01 Reappraisal		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-40-28.00 Assessor Seminars/Training		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-29.00 Assessor Mileage		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-40-30.00 Assessor Telephone		\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,385.30	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-40-47.00 Tax/GIS Maps		\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 27,300.00	\$ 27,715.46	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 26,900.00	-0.37%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)			\$ (415.46)			
1-7-1-45 Dog Officer						
1-7-1-45-10.00 Dog Officer Labor		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 800.13	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	-25.00%
1-7-1-45-22.01 Dog Officer Advertising		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
1-7-1-45-23.00 Dog Officer Smartline		\$ 120.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-45-27.00 Dog Officer Supplies		\$ 275.00	\$ 400.69	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00	0.00%
1-7-1-45-29.00 Dog Officer Mileage		\$ 500.00	\$ 144.71	\$ 250.00	\$ 200.00	-20.00%
1-7-1-45-71.01 Impound / Fines / Fees		\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 3,745.00	\$ 1,345.53	\$ 2,875.00	\$ 2,325.00	-19.13%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)			\$ 2,399.47			
1-7-1-46 HEALTH OFFICER EXPENSE						
1-7-1-46-10.00 H.O Labor		\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,285.92	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,300.00	-7.14%
1-7-1-46-15.00 H.O Seminar		\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	0.00%
1-7-1-46-16.00 H.O Advertising		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
1-7-1-46-20.00 H.O Misc		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-46-21.00 H.O Postage		\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	0.00%
1-7-1-46-27.00 H.O Supplies		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-46-29.00 H.O Mileage		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,285.92	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,500.00	-6.25%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)			\$ 314.08			
1-7-1-50 PLANNING COMMISSION						
1-7-1-50-20.00 P.C Clerk		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-50-22.01 P.C Advertising		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	0.00%
1-7-1-50-25.00 LCPC Consulting		\$ -	\$ 929.29	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-50-27.00 P.C Supplies		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-50-29.00 P.C Mileage		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-50-42.00 P.C Membership Dues		\$ 929.29	\$ -	\$ 1,014.57	\$ 1,099.86	8.41%
TOTALS		\$ 1,029.29	\$ 929.29	\$ 1,064.57	\$ 1,149.86	8.01%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)			\$ 100.00			

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1-7-1-60 MISCELLANEOUS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-60-20.00 Interest Due to Taxpayer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-21.01 Generator MaintEnance School	\$ 500.00	\$ 969.00		\$ -	
1-7-1-60-22.01 Town Office Advertising	\$ 500.00	\$ 237.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	
1-7-1-60-42.00 Dues (VLC&T)	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,015.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,100.00	3.33%
1-7-1-60-71.01 School Tax Payment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-72.00 Tax Sale Purchases/Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-73.00 Adjustment To Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-73.01 Interest-Adjustment To Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-74.00 Returned/Stale checks	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-74.01 Bank Reconciliation Prior Yr	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-77.00 Condolances/Special occasions	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	
1-7-1-60-78.01 Green Up Day	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
1-7-1-60-98.03 Leases/Church & School	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	-50.00%
1-7-1-60-99.00 Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 4,150.00	\$ 4,471.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 3,625.00	-0.68%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (321.00)			
1-7-1-65 LEGAL / PROFESSIONAL					
1-7-1-65-08.00 Delinquent Tax Legal Fees	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,619.18	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-65-09.00 Miscellaneous Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-65-10.00 Town Legal Fees	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,295.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-65-11.00 Highway Legal Fees	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	50.00%
1-7-1-65-12.00 Health Legal Fees	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	0.00%
1-7-1-65-13.00 Assessor Legal Fees	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ 300.00	-62.50%
1-7-1-65-14.00 Animal Control Legal Fees	\$ 400.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0.00%
1-7-1-65-15.00 Outside Audit Fees *	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,944.18	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	-30.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 55.82			
1-7-1-70 LANDFILL					
1-7-1-70-10.00 LCSWD Labor	\$ 300.00	\$ 233.55	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.00%
1-7-1-70-29.00 LCSWD Supervisor's Exp	\$ 300.00	\$ 329.22	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.00%
1-7-1-70-99.00 LCSWD Misc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 600.00	\$ 562.77	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	0.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 37.23			
1-7-1-93 RESERVE ACCOUNTS / LOAN PAYMENTS					
1-7-1-93-01.00 New Equip Highway Reserve	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-93-01.03 '22 Fire Truck Pymt (ends 27/28)	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-93-01.04 Fire Dept Equip Reserve	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.39 Outside Audit Reserve *	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	
TOTALS	\$ 96,000.00	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 96,000.00	\$ 99,000.00	3.13%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (3,000.00)			

* The Outside Audit budget has moved to the Reserve Accounts/Loan Payments heading.

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1-7-1-96 ASSESSMENTS & CONTRACTS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-96-96.01 Sheriff's Dept. Contract	\$ 32,323.00	\$ 32,323.00	\$ 33,801.00	\$ 34,537.00	
1-7-1-96-96.03 Ambulance Contract	\$ 59,635.00	\$ 59,634.96	\$ 64,987.00	\$ 66,940.14	
1-7-1-96-96.04 Lamoille County Tax	\$ 15,492.00	\$ 17,938.00	\$ 17,938.00	\$ 20,216.00	
1-7-1-96-96.05 LCSD Emergency Response	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,910.96	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
TOTALS	\$ 108,450.00	\$ 111,806.92	\$ 119,726.00	\$ 124,693.14	4.15%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (3,356.92)			
SUBTOTAL WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 540,609.29*	\$ 470,064.70	\$ 564,300.57	\$ 576,843.00	2.22%
<i>* This budget figure for FY 24/25 is the corrected number subtracting the \$33,000 that was mistakenly added for a fire truck payment that was already completed. The corrected budget figure was used when setting the tax rate.</i>					
1-7-1-95 APPROPRIATIONS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
1-7-1-95-95.00 American Red Cross	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.01 LCPC Budgeted as of 24/25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-95-95.02 Lamoille Home Health	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 3,969.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.03 Central Vt Council On Aging	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.05 Central Vt Adult Basic Ed	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.06 Clarina H. Nicholas Center	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.07 Eden Cemetery Association	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.08 LERA Swim Program	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-95-95.09 Eden Youth Sports Association	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.11 Vt Ctr For Independent Living	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.12 Lamoille Co Mental Health	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.13 Lamoille Econ Dev Corp	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.14 Lamoille Family Center	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.15 Lamoille Restorative Center	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.16 Vt Association of the Blind	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.18 LENS Meals On Wheels	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.19 Vt Rural Fire Protection	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	100.00%
1-7-1-95-95.21 Lamoille County Food Share	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.22 N Country Animal League	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.23 Lamoille Housing Partnership	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.28 Rural Community Transport	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.29 Eden Historical Society	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	50.00%
1-7-1-95-95.30 After School Program	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.34 LC Special Invest Unit	\$ 853.99	\$ 853.99	\$ 853.99	\$ 853.99	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.35 Lake Eden Assoc Greeter Program	\$ 4,000.00**	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%
1-7-1-95-95.36 Justice for Dogs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7-1-95-95.38 Milfoil Appropriation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 34,587.99	\$ 34,587.99	\$ 33,587.99	\$ 34,687.99	3.27%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (0.00)			
<i>** The Greeter Program 4K was not included in the budget but was approved as an appropriation and has been added here.</i>					
GRAND TOTAL WITH APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 575,197.28	\$ 504,652.69	\$ 597,888.56	\$ 611,530.99	2.28%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 70,544.59			

HIGHWAY BUDGET & EXPENSES

2-7-5-05 WINTER ROADS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-05-10.00 HWY Winter Labor	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 87,914.50	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	6.25%
2-7-5-05-10.01 Winter Equipment Labor	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 5,142.00	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	-5.26%
2-7-5-05-10.02 HWY Winter Mileage	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2-7-5-05-46.05 Hired Winter Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-05-66.00 Salt	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,326.46	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-05-67.00 Sand	\$ 62,100.00	\$ 49,058.40	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 62,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-05-68.00 Winter Gravel/Stone	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-05-69.00 Cold Patch	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,321.16	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-05-99.00 HWY Winter Misc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 162,600.00	\$ 168,762.52	\$ 176,500.00	\$ 181,000.00	2.55%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (6,162.52)			
2-7-5-10 SUMMER ROADS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-10-10.00 HWY Summer Rds Labor	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,718.50	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 48,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-10.01 Sum Rds Equipment Labor	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,401.25	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-10.02 HWY Sum Rds Mileage	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2-7-5-10-46.05 Hired Sum Rds Equipment	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,605.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	50.00%
2-7-5-10-65.00 Summer Roads Culverts	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-68.00 Sum Rds Gravel/Materials	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 49,163.20	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-68.01 Roadside Mowing-Brush	\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,700.00	2.35%
2-7-5-10-69.00 Summer Roads Chloride	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 16,020.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,500.00	3.13%
2-7-5-10-69.01 Asphalt/Cold Patch	\$ -	\$ 6,048.54	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-70.00 Beaver Trapping	\$ 500.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-10-99.00 HWY Summer Rds Misc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	
TOTALS	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 128,121.49	\$ 118,000.00	\$ 124,900.00	5.85%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (18,121.49)			
2-7-5-15 SUMMER CONSTRUCTION	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-15-10.00 HWY Sum Const Labor	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,240.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-15-46.05 Hired Sum Const Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,825.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-15-65.00 Summer Const Culverts	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 786.17	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-15-68.00 Summer Const Materials	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 14,692.73	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-15-69.00 Summer Const Chloride	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-15-99.00 HWY Sum Const Misc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 39,500.00	\$ 28,543.90	\$ 39,500.00	\$ 39,500.00	0.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 10,956.10			
2-7-5-25 CLASS 3 & 4 ROADS	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-25-10.00 HWY Class 4 Labor	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,055.50	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-25-46.05 Hired Equipment Class 4	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-25-65.00 Culverts 3 & 4 Roads	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-25-68.00 Gravel 3 & 4 Roads	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 14,672.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-25-99.00 HWY Class 3 & 4 Misc	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,727.50	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,500.00	0.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (227.50)			

HIGHWAY BUDGET & EXPENSES

2-7-5-26 MRGP	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-26-10.00 MRGP Labor	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	33.33%
2-7-5-26-11.00 MRGP Annual Permit	\$ 1,765.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,765.00	\$ 1,765.00	0.00%
2-7-5-26-28.00 MRGP Grant Offset	\$ -	\$ 28,524.66	\$ -	\$ -	
2-7-5-26-46.05 MRGP Hired Equipment	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	60.00%
2-7-5-26-65.00 MRGP Culverts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2-7-5-26-68.00 MRGP Material/Gravel	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	20.00%
2-7-5-26-99.00 MRGP Misc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 14,765.00	\$ 29,874.66	\$ 14,765.00	\$ 19,765.00	33.86%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (15,109.66)			
2-7-5-46 INSURANCE	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-46-48.05 HWY Insurance Deductible	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-46-48.07 HWY Disability & Life	\$ 550.00	\$ 412.50	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0.00%
2-7-5-46-48.08 HWY Health/Hospitalization	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 51,461.34	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 62,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-46-48.09 HWY Property & Casualty	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,756.90	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-46-48.10 HWY Unemployment	\$ 240.00	\$ 286.85	\$ 350.00	\$ 400.00	14.29%
2-7-5-46-48.11 HWY Workmens Comp	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 12,522.62	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	11.11%
TOTALS	\$ 80,290.00	\$ 73,440.21	\$ 84,100.00	\$ 85,150.00	1.25%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 6,849.79			
2-7-5-47 PAYROLL (Town Share)	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-47-11.00 HWY Social Sec Town Share	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 9,779.78	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-47-12.00 HWY Medicare Town Share	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,287.22	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-47-13.00 HWY Retirement Town Share	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 12,001.71	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 13,000.00	4.00%
2-7-5-47-14.00 HWY Childcare Contribution	\$ -	\$ 733.77	\$ -	\$ 800.00	
TOTALS	\$ 22,900.00	\$ 24,802.48	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 27,300.00	5.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (1,902.48)			
2-7-5-48 ACCUMULATED LEAVE	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-48-11.00 HWY Sick Leave	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 5,094.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	0.00%
2-7-5-48-12.00 HWY Vacation Leave	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 12,472.00	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 9,300.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 17,566.00	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 11,600.00	0.00%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (7,366.00)			

The outlet of the new box culvert on the Gihon River situated on the Boy Scout Camp Road at the north end of Lake Eden. Project was completed in the spring of 2025



HIGHWAY BUDGET & EXPENSES

2-7-5-50 TOWN GARAGE	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-50-10.01 Town Garage Labor	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 964.50	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-22.00 TG Advertising	\$ 500.00	\$ 485.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-27.00 TG Supplies/Shop	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,208.25	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-27.01 TG Tools	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 182.01	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-28.00 TG Seminars	\$ 500.00	\$ 260.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-30.00 TG Telephone	\$ 650.00	\$ 2,185.59	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,300.00	27.78%
2-7-5-50-32.00 TG Electricity 405	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,238.65	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-34.00 TG Firewood	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,600.00	6.67%
2-7-5-50-34.01 TG Heating Fuel	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,071.45	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	25.00%
2-7-5-50-35.00 TG Rubbish Removal	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,566.80	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	33.33%
2-7-5-50-36.00 TG Uniforms	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,633.47	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-62.00 TG Bldg/Site Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 281.01	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-66.00 TG Dry Hydrant	\$ 750.00	\$ 536.98	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0.00%
2-7-5-50-67.00 TG Road Signs/ 911	\$ 500.00	\$ 551.83	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$ 22,600.00	\$ 20,765.54	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 28,600.00	5.93%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 1,834.46			
2-7-5-60 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-60-57.00 Acetylene & Oxygen	\$ 500.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-61.00 Diesel Fuel	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 36,794.77	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-61.01 Gasoline	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,869.56	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.01 Truck #1 2001 Int	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 138.04	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.03 Truck #3 2018 Pickup	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,776.74	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.04 Grader	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,491.55	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.05 Loader	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 966.02	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	33.33%
2-7-5-60-62.07 Chain Saw/Brush Cutter	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 130.73	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.08 Sander	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,263.01	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.09 Plows	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,221.48	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.10 Grizzley	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.11 Radios	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.13 Pressure Washer	\$ 400.00	\$ 911.70	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00	25.00%
2-7-5-60-62.14 Truck #4 2012 FRT	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 16,654.69	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.15 Sweeper	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2.19	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.16 Truck #2 2018 FRT	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,248.63	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,000.00	6.67%
2-7-5-60-62.17 Cloride Tank	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.18 Truck #5 2024 W.Star	\$ -	\$ 9,142.25	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.19 Mulcher	\$ -	\$ 400.85	\$ -	\$ 400.00	
2-7-5-60-62.20 All Equipment	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,370.25	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-62.21 Safety Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 550.47	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.00%
2-7-5-60-99.00 Equipment Maint. Misc	\$ -	\$ 216.12	\$ -	\$ 500.00	
TOTALS	\$ 116,700.00	\$ 104,349.05	\$ 126,650.00	\$ 130,150.00	2.76%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ 12,350.95			
2-7-5-95 HIGHWAY APPROPRIATION	Budget 24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget 25-26	Budget 26-27	% Change
2-7-5-95-00.01 Paving & Structures	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 655,055.00	\$ 671,953.35	\$ 699,615.00	\$ 723,465.00	3.41%
Under Budget or (Over Budget)		\$ (16,898.35)			

OVERVIEW OF TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

After School & Summer Program.....\$4,000.00

The After School & Summer program is provided with a safe, equitable, inviting and educationally engaging space during out-of-school time. Research has shown that children that participate in this program that they are more likely to attend school and receive better grades. Each session has a variety of activities for the children to choose including science, technology, engineering, math and arts. They are provided with a 30-minute physical activity along with a meal to fuel them for the rest of the day. We greatly appreciate the support of the community that began in 2006.

Eden Cemetery\$7,500.00

The Cemetery Commissioners are responsible for the maintenance of both cemeteries in town, the Dodge Cemetery on Route 118 and the Eden Corners Cemetery on Cemetery Road just north of the Eden General Store. The appropriation requested helps fund the annual maintenance including mowing and trimming. The Perpetual Care Funds are used for capital improvements. Additional Acreage was purchased and cleared and the care of the monuments are examples of expenditures.

Eden Historical Society, Inc.\$3,000.00

The Historical Society is an independent non-profit organization. The Society is dedicated to preserving and promoting the history and heritage of the town and its surrounding areas. Founded in 1982, the Society collects and preserves artifacts, documents, and photographs that are significant to the town's history.

Eden Youth Sports\$4,500.00

A committee of 5 Eden residents appointed by the Selectboard after Town Meeting annually for a one-year term. Committee members are overseen by the Selectboard. The Committee members are focused on providing, maintaining and improving the sports programs for the youth. The decisions on soliciting sponsorships or spending the assets is decided between the committee and the selectboard. Invoices are presented to the Eden Town Clerk for payment from the Eden Youth Sports Funds.

Lake Eden Association Greeter Program\$4,000.00

The Lake Eden Association established the greeter program for monitoring the health of Lake Eden to prevent Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) from contaminating the lake. The LEA anticipated the potential problem and have been proactive in educating boaters at the fishing access on the importance of cleanliness to prevent the spread of invasive species. With EWM detected in the lake in the past few years, continuing to educate those using the lake remains an important part of EWM management.

OVERVIEW OF OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

American Red Cross\$250.00

The mission at the Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. In the 2025, the American Red Cross made 525 homes safer by installing 2,800 smoke detectors and educating 2,200 families about fire safety. Training was provided to 41,000 people in first aid, CPR and water safety skills. More than 137,000 units of blood were collected and more than 3,400 service members, veterans and their families received supportive services through our Service to the Armed Forces department.

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc.....\$500.00

This organization has provided free adult education and literacy instruction for Vermonters aged 16 to 90 for 60 years. Last year, 9 Eden residents enrolled in CVABE's free programs at our Morrisville Learning Center on Portland Street. CVABE provided free instruction to 415 people in the Washington, Orange and Lamoille County service area. Over 60 community volunteers along with professional staff instruct students on a one-to-one basis or in small groups. The support of the towns we serve is a vital component to the mission and we greatly appreciate the support.

OVERVIEW OF OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

Central Vermont Council on Aging.....\$800.00

CVCOA is the primary agency serving Vermonters age 60+, their families and caregivers in the 54 towns in the central portion of the state. We help assist older adults and those with disabilities to remain independent as long as possible, all at no charge. CVCOA provided an array of services to 57 Eden residents. 288 volunteers provided service to 5,254 clients in FY 24-25.

Clarina Howard Nichols Center\$400.00

The Clarina Howard Nichols Center has provided services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Lamoille County for 44 years. Services include, a 24 hour hot-line, emergency shelter that is pet friendly, legal advocacy, outreach and education and children's services. This past year Clarina provided services to 11 individuals from Eden as well as shelter for 56 individuals shelter totaling 3,134 nights. The center responded to 1,114 hotline calls.

Lamoille Community Food Share, Inc.\$250.00

The mission of the Lamoille Community Food Share is to help support and improve the physical well-being of individuals who might otherwise go hungry. They have been able to help 70 families from Eden this year. The support we receive from our community allows us to keep our doors open 4 mornings and one night a week for those in need.

Lamoille County Mental Health Services.....\$750.00

LCMH strives to provide the highest quality services and support to the community to enhance independence and quality of life. Over the past year, we provided services to 95 individuals from Eden. Although our main source of funding comes from Medicaid, it often does not cover 100% of the actual costs of providing mental health services to the community. The town's appropriation helps us serve the greater community in their times of need.

Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit/Child Advocacy Center.....\$853.99

The LCSIU/CIU is a partnership between the Lamoille County State's Attorney Office, Vermont State Police, Lamoille County Sheriff's Department, Morristown Police Department, Stowe Police Department, Morrisville Probation and Parole, Lamoille County Mental Health, the Clarina Howard Nichols Center, Copley Hospital, and the Department for Children and Families, as well as various medical and therapeutic organizations. They respond to reports of child sexual abuse, conduct criminal investigations, prosecute substantiated crimes, provide services and referrals to victims, and respond to other related concerns, such as the sex offender registry and child pornography. In FY 2025, the LCSIU was involved in 87 incidents throughout Lamoille County.

Lamoille Economic Development Corporation (LEDC).....\$150.00

LEDC's mission is to strengthen the county's economy through the creation and expansion of jobs and businesses and investing for the prosperity of Lamoille County communities. Initiatives in workforce development, financial planning, small business counseling and business recruitment will benefit Eden's local economy and workforce. LEDC oversees the Lamoille County Revolving Loan Fund and services are available free to existing businesses looking to expand, start-ups, and businesses looking to relocate in the area.

Lamoille Family Center.....\$500.00

Since 1976, the Lamoille Family Center provides the residents of Eden and the Lamoille Valley with programs including home visiting, parent education, playgroups, child care financial assistance and support, prevention programming, youth services and emergency assistance. The Children's Integrated Services team made more than 200+ home visits to 22 Eden families (402 total). 15 children and 9 adults from Eden received Emergency Assistance (988 children and 661 adults total). 7 Eden babies (324 total) supported through DULCE, connecting families to mental health resources. 6 Eden families welcomed home with maternal-child health visits (119 babies totaled). 118 of the 1,326 children who received childcare subsidies reside in Eden. The Holiday Project helped 50 (420 total) Eden families receive gifts for the holidays.

OVERVIEW OF OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

Lamoille Home Health & Hospice (LHH&H) \$3,969.00

Since 1971, LHH&H has provided care to hundreds of Lamoille County residents and their families. With programs such as prenatal care, home care, rehabilitation therapy, long-term care and hospice care, their services span a lifetime. Last fiscal year, LHH&H staff made 1,954 home visits to 66 Eden residents. These visits included nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, personal care attendants, speech therapy, medical social worker, licensed nursing assistants, case managers, chaplain and hospice volunteers.

Lamoille Housing Partnership (LHP) \$200.00

Developed in 1991, LHP has developed and maintained 350 subsidized and affordable rental apartments for low- to moderate- income households, with rents aligned to HUD'S affordable thresholds. The need for affordable housing is greater than ever with low housing vacancy rates, homeownership and rental costs that outpace incomes, slow housing production rates, population growth, the rapid annual conversion of long-term rentals to short term vacation rentals plus the destruction of hundreds of homes by the '23 and '24 flooding.

Lamoille Restorative Center (LRC) \$250.00

The LRC, formally known as the Lamoille Court Diversion Program, was established in 1979. The mission is to uphold the dignity and resilience of individuals and families through restorative justice principles and programs. In Eden, 31 children, youth and adults were served by one or more of the 17 programs offered.

Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County \$500.00

Meals on Wheels provides home-delivered and community meals to vulnerable elders and individuals with disabilities throughout Lamoille County. This past year, Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County prepared 58,613 meals. 15 Eden residents were the recipients of the meals.

North Country Animal League (NCAL) \$500.00

The mission of the NCAL is to promote compassionate and responsible relationships between animals and humans through education and adoptions, spay/neuter programs, support of cruelty prevention, and the sheltering of homeless animals. Their community outreach program includes visits to schools, nursing homes, and community groups to teach humane and kind treatment of animals. This past year, NCAL accepted 8 stray and surrendered animals into their adoption/shelter program from Eden. We offer monthly Low-Cost Wellness Clinics at NCAL for income eligible families to provide access to health care for animals in need.

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT) \$1,350.00

RCT provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex and Lamoille Counties. In FY2025, RCT provided 3,988 rides to Eden residents travelling 52,776 miles at a total cost of \$94,469.04. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required 20% to 50% monetary match to qualify for federal and state funding programs.

Vermont Association for the Blind \$100.00

An estimated 14,000 Vermonters are currently blind or visually impaired. As our population ages, that number is expected to rise to at least 25,000 by 2030. This year, the agency provided services to 1,061 Vermont residents including 1 adult and 3 students in Eden as a part of the 15 adults and 15 students in Lamoille County.

Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) \$165.00

For the past 46 years, VCIL has been dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities and helping them achieve dignified and self-determined lives. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy, and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life. During FY 24/25, 5 residents from Eden were provided support from the Home Access Program, Meals on Wheels and the Information, Referral and Assistance Program.

Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force (RFP) \$200.00

The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program, formally the Dry Hydrant Program, helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing the fire suppression infrastructure. Eden's dry hydrants are located at the Town Garage on Route 100, Eden Mills, East Hill Road, Crooks Road, White Road, Boy Scout Road, North Road (at the asbestos mine shared with the Town of Lowell), Blakeville Road, Knowles Flat Road and Warren Road.



Afterschool and Summer Programming in Lamoille North Supervisory Union

The Eden Central School Afterschool program staff works hard to promote consistency with the school day. This continuity creates an ongoing sense of belonging and safety as students transition from their school day to afterschool programming. Our students are provided with a safe, equitable, inviting and educationally engaging space during out-of-school time which is the foundation for all of our programs. Research shows that students who participate in afterschool and summer programming attend school more often and receive better grades overall.

Students are offered a variety of activities to choose from in the areas of science, technology, engineering, math, and the arts. This allows them to perhaps try something new or simply engage in an activity that they enjoy. Students are given the opportunity to suggest activities or projects that they would like to see during afterschool. They are also given the opportunity to lead the activity to promote leadership skills.

Physical and emotional health are important to our students along with proper nutrition. Each day students are provided with a physical activity for 30 minutes. They also receive a meal to fuel them for the rest of their day. Social-emotional learning is built into the program. This helps students to develop healthy identities, manage emotions, feel and show empathy and make caring decisions. Students are also taught how to set personal and collective goals. These skills help students with relationships within the school, their families and the community. Our afterschool programs view all children holistically and seek to serve their physical, social-emotional and developmental needs.

Sincerely, Robin Genetti 21CCLC Program Director



We honor
David Whitcomb
who served our
town in
countless ways
for many years
as we revisit this
very special
award
presented in
2005.

Candace Vear

David Whitcomb

Donna Whitcomb

Deborah Markowitz, Secretary of State

EDEN CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

The commissioners met in April of 2025 to plan for the ensuing year. All decisions on expenditure of funds related to the cemeteries are made by the Cemetery Commissioners. The commissioners meet on an as needed basis during the summer after the required warning of the meeting, at least 48 hours prior. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town Clerk and Treasurer is responsible for making any payments out of the cemetery accounts (the working checkbook and the perpetual care fund) and ensures that the proper paperwork for all cemetery lots and deeds is recorded.

The total cost of a cemetery lot is currently \$580. Of that total, \$225 goes into the working checkbook to be used towards annual maintenance expenses. \$75 is transferred into the Perpetual Care account for long-term cemetery preservation. \$265 is the cost of the mandatory corner markers for every plot and there is a \$15 filing fee. New lots are recorded at the Town Clerk's Office and on the cemetery map. The Cemetery Commission is considering raising the price of lots due to the rising costs associated with burial.

(Prices are subject to change at the Cemetery Commissioners discretion.)

In the spring of 2026, we will do a walk-through of the cemetery to clean up from winter and place flags for veterans. We are planning to brush hog the new part of the cemetery and spending some time doing maintenance on the stone wall among other things.

We are asking for an appropriation of \$7,500 for mowing and maintenance of the Eden Corners Cemetery and the Dodge Cemetery.

Thank you to the people of Eden for your continued support.

Eden Cemetery Commissioners:

*Jubal Durivage, President
Faye Cochran, Treasurer
David Deery*

*Adam Degree, Vice President
Colleen Durivage, Secretary*



EDEN CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

CEMETERY WORKING CHECKBOOK #3214	REVENUE	EXPENSE	TRANSFER	BALANCE
5-1-0-01-1-00.00 Beginning Balance				\$ 4,364.83
REVENUE				
5-6-0-10-50.00 Sale of Lots	\$ 990.00			
Interest from Edward Jones CD	\$ 1,477.49			
Interest from Working Checkbook	\$ 18.77			
5-7-0-10-26.01 Corner Markers	\$ 530.00			
5-6-0-10-60.00 Town Appropriation	\$ 7,500.00			
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 10,516.26			
EXPENSES				
5-7-0-10-22.01 Cemetery Advertising		\$ 56.00		
5-6-0-10-50.02 Recording Deed		\$ 15.00		
5-7-0-10-46.00 Cemetery Mowing		\$ 6,400.00		
5-7-0-10-26.01 Corner Markers		\$ 530.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 7,001.00		
TRANSFER FUNDS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS				
5-1-0-01-00.01 Reinvest an additional \$3000 EJ CD #8016			\$ 3,000.00	
ENDING BALANCE				\$ 4,880.09

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE ACCOUNT # 3206	REVENUE	EXPENSE	Transfer	BALANCE
5-1-0-01-14.00 Beginning Balance # 3206				\$ 5,212.55
REVENUE				
5-1-0-01-14.00 Perpetual Care Interest	\$ 5.39			
5-6-0-10-50.01 Sale Of Lots Perpetual Care Share	\$ 225.00			
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 230.39			
ENDING BALANCE				\$ 5,442.94

FY 2024-2025

CEMETERY ASSET ACCOUNTS as of June 30, 2025	Beginning Bal.	Expense	Transfer	Ending Balance
5-1-0-01-00.00 Eden Cemetery Working CK BK # 3214	\$ 4,364.83			\$ 4,880.09
5-1-0-01-00.01 Working CK BK Edward Jones CD # 8016	\$ 22,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
5-1-0-01-14.00 Perpetual Care # 3206	\$ 5,212.55	\$ 230.39		\$ 5,442.94
5-1-0-01-01.01 Perpetual Care Edward Jones CD #2714	\$ 59,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 90,577.38	\$ 230.39	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 95,323.03

Cemetery Accounts are separate accounts that are not included in the General Fund Balance.

There are 2 checkbooks, the Perpetual Care account and the Working Checkbook.

Both accounts have money in an Edward Jones CD.

EDEN CEMETERY RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All newly purchased lots must have corner markers to mark the boundaries of the lot. Persons desiring to purchase a lot will need to contact a Cemetery Commissioner. A copy of the Cemetery Regulations will be provided from the Town Clerk and/or any Cemetery Commissioner.
2. All arrangements for all internments shall be made a minimum of 24 hours in advance and must be approved by the Board of Cemetery Commissioners. Funeral Directors shall bring and turn over to the Town Office or Commissioners a burial permit or cremation certificate with all information completed prior to any burial service or burial. Internments shall not be held on Sundays except in cases of dire emergency.
3. The transfer of cemetery lots or part of such lot to a third party shall be reported to the Town Clerk and Commissioners for recording before the purchaser shall be allowed to use said lot.
4. Foundations must be four feet deep and of solid cement (no stone or filler allowed) on all upright monuments except Tablets. Owners of the lot shall notify one of the Commissioners before any work begins so a Commissioner can be present to ensure proper installation. If not done according to the rules, the Commissioners shall request lot owner(s) to have the work redone at their expense. Grounds are to be kept clean of debris and cement from any foundation work.
5. Removal of stones and/or monuments for repair, cleaning, engraving or replacement must be pre-approved by the lot owner and the Cemetery Commissioners.
6. Any damage done to any driveways or lawn areas by any contractors or individuals shall be repaired by those persons causing the damage at their expense.
7. No trees, lilac bushes, etc. shall be planted on lot(s). Flowers may be planted along the headstone. Anything else set on the lot(s) such as eternal lights, a flag or flag holder, etc. must be along the headstone. This will help the mowers maintain the cemetery. Anyone that does not follow this rule will allow the Commissioners the right to remove whatever is not within the rules. Plantings that infringe upon the boundaries of any adjacent lot must be trimmed back or removed by lot owners. When plantings are not maintained by the lot owner, cemetery personal may trim or remove plantings if necessary to prevent damage to property and monuments.
8. Flower containers must be removed by family or friends by October 25th each year. Anything remaining shall be removed and disposed of by the groundkeeper. Anything out for the Christmas season must be removed before May 1st each year.
9. Glass containers shall not be used in the cemetery. This is for the safety of the public.
10. All workers, in any capacity, in the cemetery shall be subject to the direction and control of the Cemetery Commissioners.
11. All contractors and/or businesses working in the cemetery must carry current insurance. Minimum coverage required. Each occurrence, \$1,000,000. This must be filed with the Town Clerk prior to any work being done.
12. The cemetery will be open for burial at the discretion of the Commissioners.
13. No dogs shall be allowed in the cemetery unless it is on a leash with its owner. The owner shall clean up after their animals.

Revised April 5, 2022

Thank you for your cooperation

Eden Historical Society, Inc.

The Eden Historical Society has been very quiet at this point. We need to have people come forward and volunteer to help us.

The town's people at Town meeting are very generous and vote our appropriation which we are very grateful for.

We are very thankful for the volunteers who mow our lawn and keep our driveway plowed out.

Let's see if we can get some volunteers to help us get the building up and running and even have meetings again.

If interested contact one of our members to see what can be done.

Thanks to everyone who has helped us in the past.

President Rachel Garfield 1-802-673-6679

Vice President (Vacant)

Treasurer Donna Whitcomb 1-802-635-2590

Secretary Colleen Durivage 1-802-635-7213

Eden Historical Society, Inc. Annual Report

July 1, 2024 - June 30 2025

Cash on hand (Includes Money Tree Account)	\$	3,258.45
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Income:

Appropriation from Town of Eden	\$	2,000.00
Total Income	\$	5,258.45

Expenses:

VT Electric Coop.	\$	656.99
Cooperative Insurance	\$	978.75
Postage/Box Rent	\$	82.00
Suburban Propane Gas	\$	1,533.48
Eden Day	\$	25.00
Total Expenses	\$	3,276.22
Check Book Balance	\$	1,982.23

Eden Day Account

Balance:	\$	1,364.91
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Expenses:

Vt. Electric Coop Inc	\$	574.18
Cooperative Ins.	\$	244.50
Post Office Box Rent	\$	42.00
Suburbarn Propane / Heat	\$	375.33
Total Expenses	\$	1,236.01

Donna Whitcomb, Treasurer

Ending Balance	\$	128.90
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EDEN YOUTH SPORTS COMMITTEE

Cumulative Fund Balance (starting balance all years)		\$ 19,148.68
Edward Jones Investment CD	\$ 18,000.00	
Available Funds in Check Book		\$ 1,148.68
Receipts FY 24/25		
Interest	\$ 18.94	
Registration Fees	\$ 1,908.00	
Sponsorships	\$ 3,740.00	
Team Photo Fees	\$ -	
Town Appropriation	\$ 4,500.00	
Total Receipts FY 24/25		\$ 10,166.94
Expenses FY 24/25		
Advertising	\$ -	
Equipment/Uniforms	\$ 2,708.22	
Fundraiser (shirts to sell)	\$ 746.00	
Insurance	\$ 495.00	
Referees	\$ 541.57	
Rentals (Port-a-potty)	\$ 300.00	
Supplies	\$ 764.18	
Trophies/Medals/Team Photos	\$ 335.81	
Total Expenses FY 24/25		\$ 5,890.78
Fund Balance Current Year (receipts minus expenses)		\$ 4,276.16
Cumulative Fund Balance (all years includes EJ CD)		\$ 23,424.84

Eden Youth Sports is a five member committee that only has 4 slots filled. If you would like to join the committee, please send a letter of interest to the Eden Town Clerk's Office. This year has brought some changes to the committee. As the changes happen, we do ask for your patience and understanding. If you would like more changes to happen, please get involved and come to the meetings. This year we had 2 soccer teams with a total of 37 kids playing. Basketball had 5 teams with a total of 60 kids playing. We are also looking to bringing baseball and softball back into the community this year. We are looking for volunteers to help coach, set up gyms/fields or help the committee organize ndraisers. Please reach out to the committee if you would like to help.

Kristina Brown Dan Lathrop Trevor Bidwell Molly Morin One open position







STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
www.ProtectYourWaters.net

Under Vermont Law, you may be fined up to \$1000 for transporting any aquatic plant or plant fragment, zebra mussels or quagga mussels.

(pursuant to 10 V.S.A. 1454, 23 V.S.A. 3317, 6 V.S.A. 1034, 1037 & 1038)

Lake Eden Greeter Program

2025 was our 17th year participating in the VT. Greeter Program. The purpose of this program is to prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive species in & out of Lake Eden. Greeters this year performed 1,275 watercraft inspections & decontaminated 7 boats. Greeters educated lake visitors on invasive species spread & prevention measures. Greeters this year were also staffed at the Town Recreation area for a week to inspect boats and educate visitors. The program costs roughly \$20,451 to run this season from Memorial Day weekend through Columbus Day Weekend. It employed 8 part time paid Greeters this season. We are very thankful for Monica Wood who, for the second year, has voluntarily managed the program. She has taken the reins from Artie Curcillo, who started the program with Gary & Marylou Durett, and then managed it for 14 years. We are so appreciative of his dedication as a long-time steward of the Lake.

For the first 13 years, this program helped to keep Invasive species out of Lake Eden. Sadly, Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) was identified in the lake in 2022. While the Lake Association is aggressively mitigating this infestation, it remains prudent that we continue the Greeter Program to prevent re-infestations of EWM and its spread to other VT waterbodies. The program is also necessary to prevent the introduction of a variety of other aquatic invasive species that would be as detrimental to the Lake's overall health and recreational value. There are over 50 known invasive species in VT lakes. Not having this program would seriously compromise our ability to obtain grants for the mitigation of EWM as Spread & Prevention Programs are considered a prerequisite to any mitigation plan.

Lake Eden is an absolute town asset. The town beach provides a recreation destination for residents as well as an income stream to the town. Eden residents and the Lake Eden Association (LEA) continue their commitment to the preservation of the natural beauty of the lake by volunteering countless hours to monitor, measure, report, educate, and mitigate all issues related to Lake Health. The Town provides a match in the form of managing the payroll and grant administration. It's been a team effort to preserve this beautiful lake for the benefit of Eden residents & visitors who contribute to Eden's economy.

This past season we again received a \$20K grant from VT DEC to run the program. The state has already announced that the funding pool for 2026 has been reduced by 25%. This means IF we receive a grant award for 2026, it will be considerably less than we need. While we are always grateful when awarded these funds, they are not a given and the costs of monitoring the lake go beyond the award amount. Therefore, we ask that the Town again appropriate \$4,000 to help offset these additional costs and to insure we continue to receive grants for the mitigation of EWM.

We are very appreciative of Eden residents and the VT DEC for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
The Lake Eden Association

Clean Boats Clean Waters

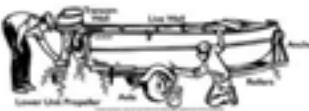
Before Launching AND Before Leaving

Clean off any mud, plants, and animals from boats, trailers, and equipment.

Drain your boat and equipment away from the water.

Dry anything that comes into contact with the water.

Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water



LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT
FISCAL 2026-2027 BUDGET
2024 (2025 when released) MUNICIPAL EQUALIZED GRAND LIST

****(not final until 2025 Equalized Grand List released)****

Town	**2024**							
	Grand List		Percentage of Budget	Prior Year	Cost Per Town		Increase/-Decrease	
	Dollars	(1% value)			7/01/25-6/30/26	7/01/26-6/30/27		
Belvidere	\$ 544,980	0.717206%	\$ 4,730	\$ 5,550	\$ 820			
Cambridge	\$ 7,055,600	9.285334%	\$ 63,747	\$ 71,852	\$ 8,105			
Eden	\$ 1,910,310	2.514012%	\$ 17,938	\$ 19,454	\$ 1,516			
Elmore	\$ 2,570,320	3.382601%	\$ 22,431	\$ 26,175	\$ 3,744			
Hyde Park	\$ 4,415,340	5.810690%	\$ 39,029	\$ 44,965	\$ 5,936			
Johnson	\$ 3,274,930	4.309884%	\$ 27,588	\$ 33,351	\$ 5,763			
Morristown	\$ 10,794,120	14.205313%	\$ 92,035	\$ 109,924	\$ 17,890			
Stowe	\$ 42,473,560	55.896192%	\$ 389,073	\$ 432,540	\$ 43,466			
Waterville	\$ 868,830	1.143400%	\$ 7,629	\$ 8,848	\$ 1,219			
Wolcott	\$ 2,078,510	2.735367%	\$ 19,441	\$ 21,167	\$ 1,726			
Totals	\$ 75,986,500	100.000000%	\$ 683,641	\$ 773,827	\$ 90,185			

Tax Rate 0.01018374

EQUIPMENT LOANS

Payments for these loans comes out of the New Equipment Reserve Fund

Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
2025 Annual Report

In 2025, the Lamoille County Communications Center remained a critical hub for public safety. Over the course of the year, the center received 15,790 E911 calls and dispatched a total of 42,769 fire, EMS, and law enforcement calls. Law enforcement activity accounted for a significant portion of dispatch operations.

Fire Agency	Total Calls	Ambulance Agency	Total Calls	Police Agency	Total Calls
Barre Town	258	Barre Town	5809	Barre Town	5292
Cambridge	304	Cambridge	551	Hardwick PD	3167
Elmore	43	Hardwick	1029	LCSD	7073
Greensboro	51	Morristown	988	Morristown PD*	4980
Hardwick	146	NEMS	1646	Stowe PD	4396
Hyde Park	111	Stowe	904		
Johnson	147				
Morrisville	269	Stowe Mountain Rescue	43		
North Hyde Park/Eden	83				
Stowe	538				
Wolcott	68				
Total	2,018	Total	15,843	Total	24,908

* Total number of calls dispatched by LCSD & department's own part-time dispatch.

Patrol activity in Johnson, Hyde Park, and Wolcott shows that motor vehicle complaints, traffic accidents, and citizen disputes, including family and domestic-related incidents, remain among the most common calls for service. Traffic enforcement continues to be a key function of patrol operations, contributing to roadway safety and proactive violation detection.

The Lamoille County Sheriff's Department continues to conduct directed patrols in areas experiencing quality-of-life concerns, traffic safety issues, and reported criminal activity. These efforts focus on maintaining a highly visible law enforcement presence to detect and deter violations and crime. In addition, the department continues to provide contracted traffic enforcement services in the towns of Cambridge, Elmore, and Waterville, with the services being paid for by those communities, ensuring consistent traffic safety coverage.

During 2025, the department observed an increase in incidents involving the victimization of elderly and vulnerable adults. These cases frequently involve mail and internet-based fraud, often committed by both in-state and out-of-state offenders. The Sheriff's Department remains proactive in investigating these crimes and working to prevent further victimization through enforcement and public awareness.

The department also continues to respond to a growing number of mental health-related calls for service. These incidents require a coordinated, multi-agency approach involving law enforcement, mental health providers, rescue services, and hospitals. The Sheriff's Department recognizes the importance of these responses and remains committed to ensuring individuals in crisis receive appropriate care and support.

Through coordinated dispatch operations, proactive patrol strategies, and continued collaboration with partner agencies, the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department remains dedicated to improving public safety and quality of life throughout the communities it serves.

Nature of Call	Johnson	Hyde Park	Wolcott
Traffic Accident	77	76	36
Fraud	9	8	4
Citizen Dispute/ Family Fight/ Domestic	86	52	16
DUI/ DLS	12	23	5
Motor Vehicle Complaint	124	97	49
Mental Health Incident	17	16	7
Sex Offense, Inc., Investigations	3	1	1
Drug Investigations	3	2	3
Theft	27	9	5
Traffic Tickets	246	303	184
	Fine Amount \$31,162	Fine Amount \$35,145	Fine Amount 22,642

Respectfully, Roger M. Marcoux Jr., Lamoille County Sheriff

Newport Ambulance Service, Inc.

PO Box 911, Newport, VT 05855 PH (802)334-2023

2025 Annual Report

Dear Community Members,

On behalf of everyone at Newport Ambulance Service, we extend our sincere gratitude for your continued trust and partnership over the past year. Serving your community is a responsibility we never take lightly, and your support makes it possible for us to deliver high-quality, timely, and compassionate emergency medical care when it matters most.

Newport Ambulance has become one of the largest regional ambulance services in the State of Vermont, employing over sixty (60) employees with four (4) stations covering 830 sq. miles for seventeen (17) Towns, and five (5) Unified Towns & Gores. In 2025, we responded to 5,809 calls for service.



This year brought its share of challenges, but also incredible moments of teamwork, resilience, and progress. In 2025, Newport Ambulance Service was named “Service of the Year” by the Vermont State EMS office. In addition, our employee Samantha Atwood was named “BLS Provider of the Year”. Additional recognition to Jeffrey Johansen (NAS Director) and Robert Jacobs (Division Supervisor) were both honored at the Jay Peak “One Town” celebration. We are especially proud that our crews have been recognized for two (2) cardiac saves in 2025, one in Hyde Park and the other in Coventry.

Our crews respond to calls day and night in every kind of weather, providing critical care, safe transport, and reassurance during some of life’s most stressful moments. None of this would be possible without the commitment each Town shows through funding, collaboration, and open communication.

Highlights from this year include:

- Continued investment in advanced life-support equipment and cardiac monitoring technology
- Ongoing training in trauma care and community risk reduction
- Improvements in response times and coordinated dispatch with partner agencies
- Strong collaboration with local fire departments, police, and emergency management teams
- Service of the Year Award by the Vermont State EMS office.

Every upgrade we’ve made—whether equipment, training, or staffing—reflects our core mission: to protect the health and safety of the people who live, work, and visit in your Towns.

Your support is the backbone of a reliable EMS system. When you partner with Newport Ambulance Service, you're investing in readiness, professionalism, and the assurance that help will arrive quickly, fully equipped, and with the skill needed to save lives.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to continuous improvement, transparent communication, and strengthening our connection with each community we serve. Thank you again for your partnership and for recognizing the importance of strong, sustainable EMS coverage. Newport Ambulance Service thanks you for your continued support and looks forward to serving you and your community for years to come.

We are honored to stand beside you!

With appreciation,

Jeffrey J. Johansen

Executive Director Newport Ambulance Service

YEAR IN NUMBERS (2025)

Total EMS Calls: 5809

Mutual Aid Provided: 106 incidents

Mutual Aid Received: 11 incidents

Average Response Time: 8 minutes, 45 seconds

Transport to Hospital: 4051

Non-Transport Patient Care: 1758

Cardiac Arrest Responses: 67

Narcan Administrations: 45

Community Events & Standbys: 110

Belvidere calls: 20

Eden calls: 119

Hyde Park calls: 348

Johnson calls: 401

Waterville calls: 37



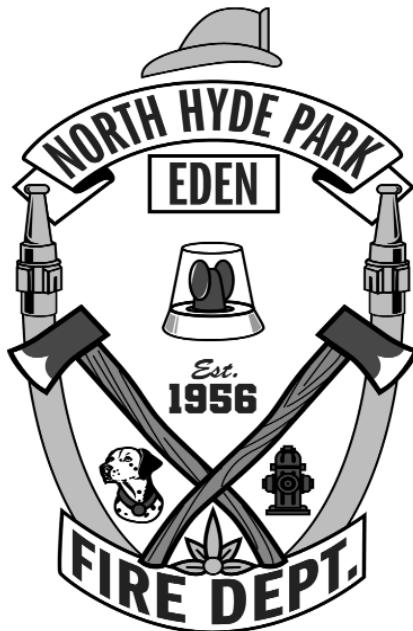
NORTHERN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Income	2024	2025	2026		2024	2025	2026
4000 · Town Appropriations	\$393,685.00	\$414,148.00	\$438,411.00	5018.06 · NEMS truck R&M	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
4006 interest income	0	200	200	5018.14 · Service Agree/Equip PMI	\$3,752.00	\$2,204.00	\$2,204.00
4005 · Donations	\$400.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	5018.10 · Misce. Amb R&M	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
4007 covid testing	0			5023 Grounds	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
4009 · Service Ambulance Runs	\$1,178,431.00	\$1,228,374.00	\$1,382,245.00	5019 · Building R&M Expense	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
4012 · Intercept Income	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00	5020 · IT Support	\$2,040.00	\$2,040.00	\$2,040.00
4018 · Ambulance Coverage Time	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	5021.01 · Office Supplies	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total Income				5021.03 · Med. Supplies/Equip.	\$25,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$20,000.00
	\$1,576,766.00	\$1,647,722.00	\$1,826,856.00	5021.04 · General Supplies	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,500.00
Expense				5021.05 · Equipment Batteries	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5000.01 · Collection Fees	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	5024 · Oxygen Expense	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
5001.01 · 02.03.04.17 Payroll	\$51,000.00	\$52,700.00	\$60,282.00	5025 · Employee Recognition	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
5001.05 Nas 11 R&M	\$680.00	\$680.00	\$170.00	5027 · Paging Expense	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$739.00
5001.6 Nas 11 Fuel	\$510.00	\$680.00	\$680.00	5028.03 · Internet Service	\$2,104.00	\$2,520.00	\$1,930.00
5001.08 · CPA	\$680.00	\$680.00	\$952.00	5029 · Electricity Expense	\$4,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,000.00
5001.10 · Office Supplies	\$68.00	\$68.00	\$238.00	5030 · Heating Expense	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00
5001.11 · Telephone	\$1,714.00	\$1,714.00	\$1,776.00	5032 · Comp Exp Non Capitalize	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5001.12 · Cell Phones	\$1,306.00	\$1,306.00	\$1,463.00	5033 furniture	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5001.13 · Dues	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	5034 · Radio Exp Non Capitalized	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
5001.14 · Health Insurance	\$4,144.00	\$3,085.00	\$3,247.00	5040 · Squad Uniforms	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
5001.15 · Pension	\$4,522.00	\$4,760.00	\$5,236.00	5041. Equipment Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$50.00	\$2,000.00
5001.17 board of directors	\$7,140.00	\$7,140.00	\$8,330.00	5043 · Public Relations	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
5001.20 Software Subscriptions	\$796.00	\$1,125.00	\$1,675.00	5044 time clock	\$748.00	\$918.00	\$873.00
5006 · Rubbish Removal Expense	\$1,680.00	\$1,680.00	\$960.00	5045 · Equiq. t Replacement Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5007 · Diesel Fuel/Gas Expense	\$42,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	5046 · Amb. Replacement	\$13,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5008.01 · Insurance Package	\$18,020.00	\$20,094.00	\$26,982.00	5049 property tax	\$7,803.00	\$8,911.00	\$9,121.00
5008.03 · Health Insurance Exp	\$83,120.00	\$72,576.00	\$80,158.00	5047 Billing Contract	\$22,558.00	\$42,675.00	\$45,809.00
5008.05 · Workers Comp. Ins Exp	\$56,780.00	\$59,320.00	\$64,500.00	5053 gps units	\$3,183.00	\$3,183.00	\$3,183.00
5009 · Bank Charges/ Fees Exp.	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,849.00	NEMS 1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5010 · Interest Expense	\$15,468.00	\$16,140.00	\$19,159.00	Zoll lease	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5011 · Staff & Squad Training	\$3,000.00	\$3,700.00	\$4,000.00	Provider Tax	\$32,941.00	\$32,569.00	\$41,190.00
5012 · Payroll Expenses	\$994,000.00	\$1,070,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	trucks / equipment loans	\$66,729.00	\$90,054.00	\$82,880.00
5013 · Postage/Delivery Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00		Total Expense	\$1,576,766.00	\$1,384,798.00	\$1,826,856.00
5016.01 · Meals Expense	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00				
5016.02 · Travel Expense	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	Income	\$1,576,766.00	\$1,647,722.00	\$1,826,856.00
5017.01 TPA	\$1,530.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,020.00	Expense	\$1,576,766.00	\$1,647,722.00	\$1,826,856.00
5017 · Pension Plan Expense	\$33,780.00	\$32,000.00	\$35,090.00		This is a non audited report.		

North Hyde Park/Eden Fire Department, Inc.

The North Hyde Park Eden Fire Department responded to 83 calls in 2025

	Hyde Park	Eden
Automatic Aid	26	
Fire / CO alarm	7	3
Lift Assist	2	3
Car Accident	8	16
Chimney Fire	1	1
Structure Fires	3	4
Brush Fire	0	0
Vehicle Fire	0	0
Good Intent	1	2
Hazmat Situation	0	5
ATV accident	0	0
Lost or injured hiker	0	1
Mutual Aid to the County	0	



2024 Ford F 550 Alexis Mini Pumper

NHPE Fire Department and its members would like to express gratitude and appreciation to Kyle Cote for donating their time and materials for the installation of three Mini split heat pumps that the department bought. We would also like to thank Ken Harvey who allowed us to purchase new siding through him, and had his employees install it at no charge to the department. These two acts of kindness help all the taxpayers save money.

The North Hyde Park Eden Fire Department thanks both Town Select Boards, our Taxpayers, the Highway Departments and wrecker services for their ongoing support. As a general reminder, be especially aware when flashing red and blue lights

are visible and please slow down. It is our goal to gain scene control as quickly and efficiently as possible. The safety of our members as well as the community is our main priority and your patience is greatly appreciated. The Department is actively recruiting new members, and meets on the 1st 2nd and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Respectfully Submitted
Chief Brent Lanpher

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Position *FF1 ** FF 1 AND 2</u>
Brent Lanpher	34	Chief*
Marvin Whitcomb	25	Assistant Chief/Treas*
Ethan Griggs	14	Captain*
Dakota Aither	8	Captain
Steven Lockwood	3	Lieutenant**
Ben Collier	8	Lieutenant*
John Savage	44	Safety Officer*
Quint Bapp	27	Firefighter*
Justin Gillen	15	Firefighter*
Matthew Hill	8	Firefighter
Zack Degree	8	Firefighter
Mariah Ingalls	8	Firefighter
Rebecca Ferland	6	Firefighter
Kelley Wells	5	Firefighter/Secretary
Thorin Bingham	4	Firefighter
Matt Hill	3	Firefighter
Andrew Race	3	Chaplain
Mark Walker	2	Firefighter
Ian Pray	3 Months	Probationary
Jarren Edwards	3	JR firefighter

Honorary Members

FF	Robert Parsons
Captain	Delano Heath
FF	Dennis Heath
FF	Paul Dumas
Asst. Chief	Gary Lanpher
FF	Brian Jones
FF	Wade Larose
Chief	Dexter Stewart
Captain	Larry Draper
Chief	Marvin Locke
FF	Gary Larose
LT	Kevin Jones
FF	Rodney Burns
FF	Gary Wright
FF	Roger Audet
Chief	Eric Aither
Captain	Scott Audet*



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2019 HME Freightliner M2-112 1500 GPM

2023 Chevrolet 3500 Alexis Utility Truck



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1997 Body built by Phil Ward (Past Chief)

2008 International cab and Chassis

	Actual	Budget	Current	Proposed
	Jul 24 - Jun 25	Jul 24 - Jun 25	Jul 25- Jun 26	Jul 26- Jun 27
INCOME				
Operation Income-Eden	\$42,225.00	\$42,225.00	\$44,975.00	\$46,500.00
Operation Income-Hyde Park	\$42,225.00	\$42,225.00	\$44,975.00	\$46,500.00
Appartus/Fuel Tax credit				
Insurance Rebate	\$2,499.00			
Donation to Dept	\$350.00			
Miscellaneous Income	\$167.82			
Refund	\$699.71			
Transfer from money market	\$15,550.00			
TOTAL INCOME	\$103,716.53	\$84,450.00	\$89,950.00	\$93,000.00
EXPENSES				
Administration	\$226.07	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Air Packs	\$3,750.52	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Apparatus Fuel	\$1,169.95	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
Building Maintenance	\$1,876.23	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Capital Expenses (Paving 7/2026)	\$264.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70,000.00
Chemicals	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Employee Medical expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues	\$823.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$900.00
Electricity	\$1,820.87	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Equipment	\$6,348.97	\$1,100.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$1,071.76	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Fire Gear	\$9,208.40	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
Fire Prevention	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Fire Station Supplies	\$887.04	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Firefighting Supplies	\$213.15	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Food	\$277.50	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00
Generator	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Heating Fuel	\$4,690.30	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Hose/Ladder testing	\$624.50	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Insurance	\$27,673.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$2,233.52	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00
Professional Fees	\$950.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Pump Testing	\$250.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
Radio/Pagers/Active911	\$7,065.99	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00
Salaries	\$13,599.96	\$14,000.00	\$17,300.00	\$17,500.00
Snow Plowing/Removal	\$2,350.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Telephone	\$2,295.34	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00
Training	\$520.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Transfer To Money Market	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Truck Maintenance	\$10,737.38	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$103,427.95	\$84,450.00	\$89,950.00	\$93,000.00
Capital Expense Paving 2026				\$70,000.00
Beginning Balance (7-1-24)	\$1,192.64			
Ending Balance (6-30-25)	\$1,481.22			
Balance Money Market (6-30-25)	\$16,855.77			

DOG LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

State Law 20 VSA §3581 requires that all dogs and wolf-hybrids six (6) months or older must be licensed by April 1st annually. Dogs older than 6 months that are acquired after the April 1st deadline should be registered as soon as possible. Puppies should be licensed when they reach the age of 6 months. Late fees only apply to animals that have been in the owners' possession before the April 1st deadline. Proof of up-to-date vaccination is required for licensing. Eden's Dog Ordinance (copies available at the Town Office or on the website) states that fines starting at \$100.00 may be issued for unregistered or stray dogs after April 1st.

You can register your dog ANYTIME between January 1 and the deadline of April 1st to be in compliance.

The registration will be valid until March 30th of the following year. It is possible to register your dog(s) online through the Town of Eden website, edenvt.org if the animal's rabies vaccination is up to date.

If you have a new rabies vaccination certificate, you can still register online by emailing a copy of the new certificate to clerk@edenvt.org when registering.

Dog/Wolf-Hybrid License Fees

Spayed or neutered and registered	<u>Before April 1</u> \$ 4 Town + \$ 2 Surcharge + \$ 7 State = \$13.00 per dog
<u>Not</u> spayed or neutered and registered	\$ 8 Town + \$ 2 Surcharge + \$ 7 State = \$17.00 per dog
Spayed or neutered and registered	<u>After April 1</u> \$ 4 Town + \$ 2 Late Fee + \$ 2 Surcharge + \$ 7 State = \$15
<u>Not</u> spayed or neutered and registered	\$ 8 Town + \$ 4 Late Fee + \$ 2 Surcharge + \$ 7 State = \$21

Breeder License \$30 Town + \$ 3 State = \$33 (Up to 10 dogs. Additional dogs are \$ 3 each)

Pet Dealer \$25 + Breeder License + per dog fee if more than 10 animals

A Pet Dealer is anyone buying or selling animals

After April 1

Breeder License \$30 Town + \$ 15 Late Fee = \$45 (Up to 10 dogs. Additional dogs are \$ 4.50 each)
plus \$3 for the State of VT

Pet Dealer \$25 + Breeder License + \$ 12.50 Late Fee + per dog fee if more than 10 animals

Regardless of size, all house pets, including but not limited to dogs, wolf-hybrids, cats and ferrets should be vaccinated against rabies.

Stowe Veterinary will hold a rabies clinic at the Eden Town Garage March 21, 2026 from 9:45 to 10:45 am.

Rabies and other vaccines will be available for your dog, wolf hybrid and/or cat.

**The Town Office will be OPEN during that time so you
can register your dog(s) the same day.**

VT Spay/Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP)

The Vermont Spay Neuter Incentive Program, a statewide program, is currently administered by VT Economic Services. Income challenged Vermonters can print an application from their website, vsnip.vermont.gov or call 802-241-0589 for an application. In October 2025, the state began a wait list for vouchers, lacking funds. Vouchers issued for VSNIP are now determined according to the funds appropriated for the program for that fiscal year. Vermonters called Governor Scott asking for \$300,000.00. As one senator said, "that was a pittance amount". When our VT Volunteer Services for Animals (VVSA) statewide program was moved to the state to assure viability, a \$4.00 fee added to the registration of dogs funded VSNIP. Currently, if there are no available VSNIP vouchers at the time the Department receives an application, the applicant is placed on a wait list. However, our animals can't wait.

Additional information on financial assistance and/or lower cost spay neuter clinics in Vermont and New Hampshire is available at the Town Clerk's Office

Eden Congregational Church

The Eden Congregational Church has seen many changes this year. Our Pastor, Ernest Machia, decided to retire in February, and we had to search for a new pastor to take over. Fortunately, God provided us with Pastor Michael Pastina, who lives with his family in Eden. Pastor Michael has been very dedicated to our church and has also started a Tuesday evening Bible Study at 5:30 p.m. each week.

We were blessed to have Michael and Terry St. Pierre provide us with some wonderful worship music from late April through October. They live in Eden during the summer months and winter in Florida. We look forward to their return again in April. Terry plays guitar and bass, while Michael accompanies her with banjo, harmonica, or guitar.

We would love to have other local musicians bring their talent to our Sunday Church services during the winter months. Please stop by any Sunday at 11:00 a.m. to meet us, if you are interested.

We are happy to announce that our small, non-denominational, Bible-based church has experienced more growth in membership this year. On November 30th, 2025, seven new

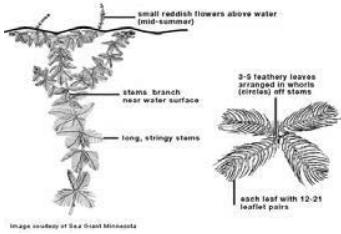


members gave their lives to Jesus and were baptized. Congratulations to each of them. We look forward to witnessing the wonderful changes that will happen in their lives as Jesus blesses them.

We continued to make improvements to our beautiful, historic church this year. We replaced the deteriorating handicap ramp with a brand-new ramp made from Trex decking material, which will require minimal maintenance and look beautiful for years to

come. We plan to replace the front steps with the same material during the summer of 2026. We also located our septic tank, had it serviced, and added risers to the tank so there will be no more guessing of its location or digging in the future.

Jesus said in Revelation 3:20, “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.” Will this be the year that you answer the door and invite Jesus into your heart? We pray that you will. May 2026 bring each of you many blessings!



LAKE EDEN EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL UPDATE

The town of Eden, in partnership with lake Eden Association, received a 25K grant in 2025 that was used to continue Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) mitigation efforts this past summer. Those funds were used to accomplish the following:

- Before and after treatment GPS surveys of the lake to map EWM sights and help guide treatment efforts
- Full Aquatic plant survey to monitor effects of EWM and treatments on native plants
- X3 DASH (Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting) treatments over 7 days (total 49.25 hours)
- Removed 468 gallons of EWM
- Removed 25 Benthic blankets- to allow for effective herbicide treatment

In addition, the Lake Eden Association (LEA)

- Secured a grant for \$93,400 to pay for herbicide treatments over the next 2 years
- Applied for and received permits for herbicide treatments, DASH, and Benthic blanket use
- Used LEA volunteer survey team to mark EWM with orange buoys throughout the summer
- Used LEA volunteer Hand harvest team to remove plants in areas not addressed by other treatment modes
- Contributed over 500 volunteer hours to manage and carryout all mitigation efforts

The herbicide treatment was conducted at the NW end of the lake, the NE end, and the area by the Town recreation area/Lakeview campground. The dosage used was just 12% (3 PDU's) of what the EPA's has approved (25 PDU's) for safe use. It appears to have been effective, but we are still waiting on the final post survey report. Also, next seasons pre-treatment survey will provide an objective measure of the treatment's effectiveness. Unfortunately, 2 new "hot spots" were identified this year at the SE end of the lake and in the far SE cove. We could not treat those areas with the herbicide treatment as the permit restricts us to treating a maximum of 40% of the littoral zone (area 15 feet deep or less) in a single year. Last year these areas just had low numbers of scattered plants. This year the growth was noted to be dense and expansive.

The mitigation plan for 2026 is as follows:

- Pre & post treatment GPS aquatic survey
- Treat the 2 new "hot spots" at SE end of lake with herbicide
- Continue with DASH, as needed, in areas not addressed with herbicide treatment
- Use benthic Blankets as indicated-avoiding native plants when possible
- Continue with Volunteer hand harvesting and survey teams
- Continue Greeter program to reduce chance of infestation of other invasives & spread of EWM into other lakes.

Based on what we are seeing in Lake Eden and the experience of other lakes across the country, herbicide treatments continue to be the most effective plan and use of money long term if we are to protect the recreational use of the lake and the native aquatic flora and fauna. As last year, we are not asking for any financial contribution from the town for mitigation efforts. We are working on securing grants to cover these costs for 2026 and the Lake Eden Association will continue to manage all efforts voluntarily.

If we fail to control EWM the economic loss of the lake to the Town of Eden and surrounding areas will be significant, including loss of property values, loss of tourism and a significant decrease in tax base from the properties that abut the lake. In years past a town assessor's study showed that properties around the lake added up to less than 1% of the total landmass in the town of Eden yet the lake properties paid 27% of the town's property tax income. The fact is that those properties values will decline if the lake declines. This means that the tax millage rates will need to be increased for ALL residents to make up the difference.

Sincerely, The Lake Eden Association

FOR MORE INFO on the use of Procella COR vs. non herbicide treatments , read this article by The Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds (FOVLAP) which includes case studies of 3 VT lakes:

<https://vermontlakes.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/FOVLAP-The-Case-For-ProcellaCOR.pdf>

LAKE EDEN RECREATION AREA (LERA)

Cumulative Fund Balance as of July 1, 2024

\$ 16,167.45

3-6-0-00 LERA REVENUE

3-6-0-00-01.00 Ticket Sales	\$ 8,195.50
3-6-0-00-02.02 Non-Resident Season Pass	\$ 1,797.00
3-6-0-00-03.01 Camping (Daily)	\$ 11,233.62
3-6-0-00-03.02 Camping (Weekly)	\$ 2,785.50
3-6-0-00-03.03 Camping (Monthly)	\$ -
3-6-0-00-03.04 Camping (Seasonal)	\$ 34,400.00
3-6-0-00-03.05 LERA Donations	\$ 32.00
3-6-0-00-03.06 Swim Program (Voted at TM 3/5/24)	\$ 1,000.00
3-6-0-00-04.01 Shelters	\$ 6,189.25
3-6-0-00-05.03 LERA Misc	\$ 620.23
3-6-0-00-07.00 Reservation Fee	\$ 504.50
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 66,757.60

3-7-0-05 LERA EXPENSES

3-7-0-05-10.00 LERA Managers Helper	\$ 2,246.00
3-7-0-05-10.01 LERA Manager	\$ 9,313.08
3-7-0-05-10.02 Lifeguards	\$ 1,976.00
3-7-0-05-10.03 Teach America to Swim Program	\$ 8,550.00
3-7-0-10-11.00 LERA Soc. Sec. Town Share	\$ 838.03
3-7-0-10-12.00 LERA Medicare Town Share	\$ 195.99
3-7-0-10-13.00 LERA Work.Comp Town Share	\$ -
3-7-0-10-14.00 LERA Childcare Contribution	\$ 57.96
3-7-0-15-00.00 LERA Property & Casualty Insurance	\$ 928.75
3-7-0-15-00.01 LERA Insurance Deductible	\$ -
3-7-0-15-00.02 LERA Workers Compensation	\$ 1,813.91
3-7-0-15-00.03 LERA Unemployment Insurance	\$ 121.51
3-7-0-20-10.00 LERA Equipment Maintenance	\$ 383.69
3-7-0-20-20.00 LERA Oil & Gas	\$ 365.76
3-7-0-25-01.00 Beach Site Maintenance Labor	\$ 450.00
3-7-0-25-65.00 LERA Building/Site Maintenance	\$ 11,169.34
3-7-0-30-30.00 LERA Telephone	\$ 1,957.63
3-7-0-30-32.00 LERA Electricity 427-429	\$ 7,337.76
3-7-0-30-33.00 LERA Rubbish Removal	\$ 3,261.59
3-7-0-30-34.00 LERA Propane	\$ 436.56
3-7-0-90-10.00 LERA Advertising	\$ 275.00
3-7-0-90-26.00 Fingerprinting/Background	\$ 30.00
3-7-0-90-27.00 LERA Supplies	\$ 3,127.33
3-7-0-90-28.00 LERA Tools	\$ 74.50
3-7-0-90-28.19 LERA Computer/Supplies	\$ 2,383.00
3-7-0-90-29.00 LERA Mileage	\$ 422.74
3-7-0-90-30.00 LERA Septic Upkeep	\$ 881.00
3-7-0-90-41.00 LERA Water Testing/Maintenance	\$ 5,134.31

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$ 63,731.44

Fiscal Year Fund Balance

\$ 3,026.16

Total Cumulative Fund Balance June 30, 2025

\$ 19,193.61



To: Lamoille County Town Selectboards, Town Clerks
From: Colette Jurnak, Treasurer
CC: A. Ross, Chair
Re: 2024 Budget Adjustments
Date: January 15, 2026

Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 3075(d), Lamoille FiberNet Communications Union District (LFCUD) is providing our legislative bodies with a report on 2025 budget adjustments. These are unaudited and based on the best information available at this time. This report is in addition to our 2025 Annual Report and our 2024 Audited Financial Statements, both delivered to you on October 20, 2025.

LFCUD budget has two main components: Operating, for the support of the organization, and Construction, principally for costs associated with network construction and drop installations. Vermont Community Broadband Board grants (Pre-Construction-06 and Construction-10) are the principal source of funding (revenue); seven towns also contributed \$225,900 in support of construction and drop expenses.

Overview. The 2025 budget prioritized completing Phase 2 of our Universal Service Plan (~\$850k), implementing the Long Drop Program (~\$1.6M). Phase 2 was completed in Q3 2025 and the CUD is awaiting final Phase 2 invoicing from Fidium (f/k/a Consolidated Communications or “CCI”). Most long drops were completed. The program was well-under budget because Fidium significantly expanded its customer drop policy from 500' to 2000' feet, which meant that Fidium, not the CUD, would absorb most of the costs. By June, the CUD-funded drops were reduced from almost 200 to less than 10, a CUD savings of approximately \$1.2M. As a result, the Board voted to return unspent local funds to our towns and to the VCBB. Following a final reconciliation in September of Phase 1 construction invoices and the Long Drop Program costs, the Board approved de-obligating \$1,239,877 of Construction-10 grant funds to the VCBB, and, in November, approved a revised 2025 budget.

Adjustments. The 2025 Budget was approved in December 2024. The Board approved adjustments as outlined below and reflected in the attached exhibit. Any 2025 underspend, principally in construction, will be carried forward -in the same line items - to 2026. You are welcome to view the additional details in the Board approved minutes on our website: <https://lamoillefiber.net/meetings-minutes/>.

January. Based on initial estimates of 2024 underspend (~\$910k), the Board approved using Phase 1 savings for Phase 2 rather than drawing down incremental award. This change was codified through a grant amendment. The Board also approved allocating \$200,000 savings from 2025 Construction to General and Administrative Expenses, but did not designate a specific line item or year, and approved \$165,000 from network construction to the Long Drop Program (“LDP”).



March. The Board approved using a portion of the Other Contractor budget (\$3,000) to fund an IT consultant. No changes to individual line items or the overall budget were necessary.

June. The Board approved a) increasing Contractor Services by \$50,000 and allocating the \$150,000 of awarded Pre-Construction-06 funds to 2026, and b) based on returning unused local funding based on a substantially reduced Long Drop spending. This increased the General and Administrative budget, but reduced the construction and overall budget.

September. Although the Board did not approve changes to the CUD's 2025 Budget, the Board reviewed updated multi-year grant budgets in order to approve a draft 2026 budget and an amount of remaining uncommitted VCBB grant funds to deobligate. The September deobligation was necessary to enable the VCBB to reauthorize for other uses.

November. Based on the September estimates, the Board approved a revised 2025 budget, reflecting updated 2025 actual and forecasted construction costs and a deobligation of \$1,239,877 in VCBB funds. Adjustments also included using Pre-Construction-06 funds, rather than Construction-10 funds, for engineering and long drop program administration. Following a notice to towns and a public comment period, the Board also approved an updated 2026 budget.

If you have any questions regarding our financial information, please contact me at Treasurer@lamoillefiber.net. If you would like information about our planned activities, please contact your Town's LFCUD delegate.

LFCUD 2025 Budget		Month Approved			
		Dec 2024	Jan 2025	June 2025	Nov 2025
Revenue					
State Grants		\$2,492,135	\$2,492,135	\$2,492,135	\$2,143,748
Local ARPA Pledge		\$225,800	\$225,800	\$65,742	\$16,700
Total Revenue		\$2,717,935	\$2,717,935	\$2,557,877	\$2,160,448
General and Administrative					
Accounting		\$23,000	\$23,000	\$23,000	\$23,000
Audit		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Advertising & Marketing		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Dues, Fees Subscriptions		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Insurance		\$5,447	\$5,447	\$5,447	\$5,447
Meetings/Travel		\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Office Supplies		\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
Other Professional Services		\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Contractors (LCPC Birmingham)		\$80,000	\$80,000	\$130,000	\$130,000
Rent & Utilities		\$4,800	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$4,800
Website		\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Treasurer		\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
Contingency		\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Legal		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
General and Admin. Total		\$224,997	\$224,997	\$274,997	\$274,997
Capital/Construction					
Engineering Precon06		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$81,714
Engineering Const-10		\$81,714	\$81,714	\$81,714	\$0
Total Engineering		\$81,714	\$81,714	\$81,714	\$81,714
Aerial Fiber		\$368,056	\$368,056	\$368,056	\$368,056
Contractors (LDP)		\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
FDH Costs		\$84,992	\$84,992	\$84,992	\$694,085
<i>Underground</i>		<i>\$282,376</i>	<i>\$282,376</i>	<i>\$282,376</i>	<i>\$348,268</i>
Const-10 Drops		\$1,190,000	\$1,190,000	\$1,190,000	\$324,928
State Match		\$225,900	\$225,900	\$65,742	\$16,700
Local ARPA Drops		\$224,900	\$224,900	\$65,742	\$16,700
Total Drops and Install		\$1,640,800	\$1,640,800	\$1,321,484	\$358,328
Total Capital/Construction		\$2,492,938	\$2,492,938	\$2,173,622	\$1,885,451
Total LFCUD Budget		\$2,717,935	\$2,717,935	\$2,448,619	\$2,160,448

Approved Changes

MARRIAGES

DATE	APPLICANT A	RESIDENCE	APPLICANT B	RESIDENCE
09/14/2024	Ashley Maire McNab	Eden, VT	Kevin Matthew LaBree	Eden, VT
05/13/2025	Olivia Davis Asper	Eden, VT	Elijah Freed Coakley	Eden, VT

BIRTHS

Names are listed in the order that they were received at the Town Clerk's Office for recording.

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENT (maiden name)	PARENT
08/15/2024	Alexzander Jacob Griggs	Alicia Maria Grant	Bryant Mclean Griggs
08/31/2024	Valkyrie Raine Degree-Bell	Zoe Elizabeth Degree	Thomas Douglas Bell
09/16/2024	Millie June Cote	Amber Lyn Bowen	Trey Cutter Cote
09/25/2024	Ryker Coal Sanders	Cori Jean Sanders	
10/04/2024	Layten Christopher Baker	Natoshia Rae Kilburn	Dustin Roger Baker
10/14/2024	Tatum Louise Friedrich	Taylor Rachel Peavey	Brandon Charles Friedrich
12/04/2024	Taytum Mae Dompierre	Dezerae Laraine Lambert	Warren Kristopher James Dompierre
12/30/2024	Logan Jeffrey Stanton	Kelsey Rae Putvain	Slayde Morgan Stanton
01/17/2025	Adahlea Alora DeRose	Andria Dianne Tomasi	Jeremy DeRose
01/26/2025	Sadie Louise Whitcomb	Kathryn Helen Jones	Takoda Lee Whitcomb
01/31/2025	Ryder Michael Todd Prosser	April Lea McAllister	Jason Michael Prosser
03/31/2025	Ruby Jane Lefevre	Kristie Kit Johnson	Dalton Douglass Lefevre
04/21/2025	Waylon James Raymond Donna	Maddison Faye Fowler	Riley James Robert Donna
04/24/2025	Maelynn Grace Matthews	KaitLynn Hope Lakus	Tyler William Matthews
06/03/2025	Scarlett Lenna Moriarty	Emily Kate Martel	Connor Sayre Moriarty

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE
07/25/2024	Christine Mary Pomer	59	Eden Mills, VT
08/13/2024	Merton Edward McLean	62	Eden, VT
08/28/2024	Violet G. Griggs	82	Eden Mills, VT
09/03/2024	Eric Charles Guibord	66	Eden Mills, VT
09/08/2024	Benjamin William Draper	38	Eden, VT
09/11/2024	Penny Lyn Domina	73	Eden, VT
09/15/2024	Trent Edward Dolan	49	Eden, VT
10/20/2024	Harry R Peck	61	Eden, VT
11/23/2024	Donald Howard Griggs	81	Eden Mills, VT
1/6/2025	Kayla M. Thomes	31	Johnson, VT
1/14/2025	Oleta E. Marckres	79	Eden Mills, VT
2/ /2025	David Anthony Masi Sr.	79	Eden, VT
3/5/2025	Richard Frederick Hoadley	54	Eden, VT
3/6/2025	Kelly Bradley Jones	64	Eden, VT
3/11/2025	Kristy Lee Bowen	38	Eden, VT
3/12/2025	Martin Nopola	91	Eden, VT
4/ /2025	Karol Jean Buchanan	70	Eden, VT
4/ /2025	David Roy Buchanan	78	Eden, VT
5/12/2025	Andrew Dean Moffatt	85	Craftsbury, VT
5/18/2025	Eugene Edward Flores	89	Eden Mills, VT
5/ /2025	Eileen Joan Murphy	84	Eden, VT
6/11/2025	Steven William Deuson	77	Eden, VT

THE TOWN OF EDEN Payroll

Employee Wage Summary Report 7/1/2024 to 6/30/2025

Employee	Job Description	Hourly Rate	Gross
BADOR ANGELA M.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$273.20
BISHOP STEVEN R. JR	Highway	\$23.00	\$1,627.25
BULLARD TIM	Selectboard Chair	Year	\$1,350.00
BURNS RODNEY	Highway	\$23.00	\$7,474.55
CHALEFF GEORGE S.	Greeter Program	\$15.00	\$3,930.00
COCHRAN FAYE	Health Officer	\$107.16/mo	\$1,285.92
CREIGHTON DARLENE M.	Elections, Office Assistant	\$13.67 to \$21.00	\$217.36
CUTLER JOSLYN S.	LERA Lifeguard	\$16.00	\$1,628.00
DAIGE KATHLEEN A.	Elections	\$14.01	\$118.02
DAY JOSHUA L.	Highway	\$20.00	\$60.00
EARLE HAROLD	Highway	\$20.00	\$4,700.00
ELDRED GORDON W.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$5,117.88
GATES JULIE A.	Auditor	\$18.30	\$210.45
HILL MATTHEW C.	Dog Officer	\$17.30	\$800.13
KOCH JEFFREY R.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$2,065.24
MCCORMACK CHRISTAL M.	Office Assistant	\$20.00	\$1,010.00
MORIN MOLLY A.	Assistant Town Clerk	\$21.00	\$10,838.75
MORIN RICKY L.	Highway, Selectboard (\$1,200)	\$30.00	\$89,535.00
MORIN RYAN L.	Highway	\$27.00	\$77,247.00
MORIN TRACEY	Elections, Auditor, Office	\$14.01 to \$20.00	\$1,096.20
MORSE HAROLD H.	Highway	\$25.00	\$525.00
PALMER ISIAH J.	LERA Assistant (summer 2025)	seasonal salary	\$312.50
PARKHURST JAMES	Highway	\$23.00	\$4,669.00
SALLS JARED T.	Greeter Program	\$14.50	\$348.00
STYGLES SHARI D.	Greeter Program	\$16.00	\$2,380.00
TENNEY ROBERT J.	Highway	\$18.11	\$207.00
UHLENDORFF HUNTER J.	Greeter Program	\$14.00	\$154.00
UHLENDORFF JOHNNA	LERA Assistant (summer 24&25)	seasonal salary	\$312.50
UHLENDORFF PAMELA M.	LERA Manager (summer 2025)	seasonal salary	\$3,817.40
WARNER SR DOUGLAS L.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$686.49
WEBB ERICA L.	LERA Manager (summer 2024)	seasonal salary	\$7,095.68
WHITCOMB DAVID	LRSWMD Representative	\$25.95/mtg	\$233.55
WHITCOMB MARVIN L.	Fire Warden, 911 Coordinator	\$17.00	\$127.50
WHITCOMB MELISSA	Town Clerk	\$28.00	\$58,604.00
WHITE LESLIE	Elections, Auditor, Office	\$14.01 to \$21.00	\$13,918.48
WHITTEMORE CLAYTON H.	Selectboard	Year	\$1,200.00
WOOD HANNA E.	Office Assistant	\$19.00	\$1,605.50
WOOD JADA J.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$1,820.16
ZEOLI ALICIA R.	Greeter Program	\$14.01	\$1,872.57
Employees Reported: 39		TOTAL	\$310,474.28

For full-time employees, the town covers 90% of the cost of health insurance coverage, life and disability insurance and participation in the state retirement program. A vision plan is available at the employee's expense. Highway employees are provided with uniforms.

Your Vermont Property Tax Bill

This guidance illustrates a typical Vermont property tax bill. Beginning in 2025, the total education tax includes a Statewide Adjustment (SA). The final homestead tax rate equals the school district tax rate divided by the number resulting from dividing the town's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) by the SA. Your bill may not look exactly like the one shown on this fact sheet. The Vermont Department of Taxes uses data and terms common to all property tax bills. The intent of this guide is to show where the requested information may be found. If you have questions, please get in touch with us at tax.pvr@vermont.gov or call 802-828-5860. We're here to help!

Section 1: Property Information

A—A town may use "Account Number" or "Parcel ID" to identify a billing account.

B—Property location and description, if shown

C—Current owner's mailing address or owner by deed. Ownership should be current as of April 1. If not, notify the municipality.

D—Notice to forward the tax bill to the new owner(s) if the property is transferred after the bill arrives.

E—The Housesite Tax Information box contents are used to calculate any state property tax credit or other payments. The information is reportable in certain state tax forms, e.g. the IN-111, Income Tax Return; HS-122, Homestead Declaration; HI-144, Property Tax Credit; LRC-140, Landlord Certificate; and LRC-147, Lot Rent Certificate.

F—The 11-digit SPAN and the three-digit SCL Code (School Code) are often requested on the above forms as well.

PAYABLE TO:		TOWN OF ANYTOWN		
MAIL TO:		55 MAIN ST ANYTOWN VT 05555		
TAX BILL				
A	PARCEL ID	BILL DATE	TAX YEAR	D This is the only bill you will receive. Please forward to new owner if property is sold.
A	01070161.000	06/11/2025	2025/2026	Taxes unpaid after the due date are delinquent. Maximum interest as allowable by law will be charged in addition to collectors fee of 8%. Postmarks are NOT accepted as timely payment.
B	Description: BUILDING AND LAND			
B	Location: PROSPECT ROCK RD			
C	OWNER: BARRIS ORVIL PO BOX 304 ANYTOWN VT 05555			
E HOUSESITE TAX INFORMATION				
SPAN # 354-109-10045 SCL CODE: 109				
TOTAL PARCEL ACRES 0.62				
HOUSESITE VALUE 225,300				
HOUSESITE EDUCATION TAX 2,251.20				
HOUSESITE MUNICIPAL TAX 1,126.95				
HOUSESITE TOTAL TAX 3,378.15				
FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES				
F SAMPLE				

About the Education Tax

There are two education tax rates: "homestead" and "nonhomestead." Bills may show one or both rates. If you filed a Homestead Declaration (HS-122) this year and have no business or rental use, your bill will show only the homestead rate. If you filed the HS-122 and you have business and/or rental use, your bill should show both the homestead and nonhomestead rates based on the relative percentage of homestead and business or rental use.

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If the property is not your primary residence, you cannot declare it as your homestead. Your bill will show only the nonhomestead rate.

[View more information on Homesteads.](#)

Section 2: Tax Rates, Exemptions, and Totals

A—The property's full assessed value (total property value) as determined by local assessing officials, minus any exemptions. If you are entitled to a partial value exemption of any kind it will appear here. See **Notes on Exemptions** on Page 3.

B—Homestead and nonhomestead assessed values are portions of the total property value. If you filed a Homestead Declaration (Form HS-122) and you have business and/or rental use, your assessment will be split. Your business and/or rental use will show as nonhomestead.

C—Municipal tax rates are voted on at Town Meeting Day and controlled locally. These may include such special items as infrastructure bonds, allocations for a senior center or library, public services, etc.

D—Education property tax information: homestead and/or nonhomestead tax rates for the statewide education property tax. [View current fiscal year tax rates.](#)

E—Starting in the 2025-2026 tax year, the town CLA is divided by the average statewide CLA (called the statewide adjustment) before it is applied to the school district tax rate.

F—Your total Education State Tax before any credit

G—The Education State payment is generally the Property Tax Credit. The State pays the credit, if any, directly to the municipality to reduce the amount of education tax owed for the homestead.

H—Your total property tax liability, summarizing any State payments and net tax due

I—Installment due dates and payment stubs (not shown) vary from town to town. Towns send out bills only once per year, but may have annual, semi-annual, or quarterly payment due dates.

A ASSESSED VALUE		HOMESTEAD		NONHOMESTEAD	
REAL	287,900	225,300		62,600	
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	287,900	225,300		62,600	
GRAND LIST VALUES	2,879.00	2,253.00		626.00	
MUNICIPAL TAXES		EDUCATION TAXES			
TAX RATE NAME	TAX RATE \times GRAND LIST =	TAXES	TAX RATE NAME	TAX RATE \times GRAND LIST =	TAXES
GENERAL FUND	0.4000 \times 2,879.00 =	1,151.56	HOMESTEAD EDUCATION	0.9992 \times 2,253.00 =	2,251.20
HIGHWAY FUND	0.1000 \times 2,879.00 =	287.90		0.58 1.0622 (district rate) / 106.30% (CLA - SA) = 0.9992	
LOCAL AGREEMENT	0.0002 \times 2,879.00 =	0.58	NON HOMESTEAD EDUCATION	1.3086 \times 626.00 =	819.18
C Revised Bill		E Payments		F TOTAL EDUCATION TAX	
		1 06/15/2025 1,127.61		3,070.38	
		2 11/15/2025 1,127.61		EDUCATION STATE PAYMENT 0.00	
		3 02/15/2026 1,127.61		EDUCATION NET TAX DUE 3,070.38	
		TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAX 1,440.06		G TAX SUMMARY	
		MUNICIPAL STATE PAYMENT 0.00		Municipal + Education	
		MUNICIPAL NET TAX DUE 1,440.06		TOTAL TAX 4,510.44	
		4 04/15/2026 1,127.61		TOTAL STATE PAYMENT 0.00	
		TOTAL NET TAX DUE 4,510.44		TOTAL NET TAX DUE 4,510.44	

PROPERTY TAXES

PROPERTY TAXES: Taxes for the Town and School are combined and billed in three (3) equal installments. Tax bills are mailed to all property owners in September or October. Payments are due on November 15th of the current year and on February 15th and May 15th of the following year. Payment due dates that fall on a day when the Town Clerk's Office is closed will be due on the next business day. There is a mail slot to the left of the Town Clerk's Office door and a large grey standing box right in front of the office for your convenience. Payments made in person or deposited in either the mail slot or the large grey box are due by the time the office closes on the day taxes are due

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. Cash
2. Paper check made out to the Town of Eden or Town Treasurer
3. Electronic check that can be processed through the town website, edenvt.org. There is a flat fee of \$1.50 for this service that goes to the third party processor.
4. Direct Debit from a bank account.
To start this process, a form must be completed at the Town Clerk's Office a minimum of one week prior to the payment due date. Direct Debit remains on file and is active until cancelled. Updates are only required if any related bank information should change.
5. Credit Card. There is a fee for using this payment option.
All payments will have an added fee of 2.65% of the payment amount or \$3.00, which ever is the larger amount. The fee goes to the third party processor and is not retained by the Town of Eden. Credit card payments may be made online or in person at the Town Clerk's Office.

LATE PAYMENTS: All payments that are submitted after the office closes on the due dates of November 15th, February 15th and May 15th of the following year (or the next business day if the due date falls on a day the office is closed) are considered LATE and will be charged interest at a rate of one percent (1%) per month until paid. Late payments are to be made to the Town Treasurer at the Town Clerk's Office.

DELINQUENT: Payments that are made after the final due date of May 15th are then considered DELINQUENT and will be charged an eight percent (8%) penalty in addition to the one percent (1%) per month interest. All delinquent payments must be made to the Delinquent Tax Collector. Payments are first applied to the penalty until paid in full, then to the interest until paid in full, then to the principal of the property tax due. Payments made towards delinquent taxes when there are multiple years in arrears, shall go first towards the oldest balance due. Property owners that are delinquent in their property taxes and have not made and adhered to a payment agreement with the Delinquent Tax Collector may be subject to the sale of their property. The Delinquent Tax Collector has no authority to abate any interest or penalty charges.

How a change in the municipal budget affects property taxes assessed

The chart below shows how a change (increase or decrease) in the municipal budget affects the tax rate and the amount of taxes assessed for a property using FY 25/26 data.

Tax Rate = Amount to be raised by taxes ÷ Grand List

Municipal taxes billed = Municipal tax rate x Property Grand List Multiplier

Grand List Value used for calculations = \$1,441,406.44

		FY 25/26		Actual Property Value					
Budget	Raised	Municipal	Tax Rate	150,000	200,000	250,000	300,000	350,000	400,000
	by	Amount to be	Property Grand List Multiplier						
	Raised by Taxes	All properties		1500	2000	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000
-20,000	\$1,004,551.70	0.6969		\$1,045.35	\$1,393.80	\$1,742.25	\$2,090.70	\$2,439.15	\$2,787.60
Budget	\$1,024,551.70	0.7108		\$1,066.20	\$1,421.60	\$1,777.00	\$2,132.40	\$2,487.80	\$2,843.20
\$1,000	\$1,025,551.70	0.7115		\$1,067.24	\$1,422.99	\$1,778.73	\$2,134.48	\$2,490.23	\$2,845.98
\$2,000	\$1,026,551.70	0.7122		\$1,068.28	\$1,424.38	\$1,780.47	\$2,136.56	\$2,492.66	\$2,848.75
\$5,000	\$1,029,551.70	0.7143		\$1,071.40	\$1,428.54	\$1,785.67	\$2,142.81	\$2,499.94	\$2,857.08
\$10,000	\$1,034,551.70	0.7177		\$1,076.61	\$1,435.48	\$1,794.34	\$2,153.21	\$2,512.08	\$2,870.95
\$20,000	\$1,044,551.70	0.7247		\$1,087.01	\$1,449.35	\$1,811.69	\$2,174.03	\$2,536.36	\$2,898.70
\$50,000	\$1,074,551.70	0.7455		\$1,118.25	\$1,491.00	\$1,863.75	\$2,236.50	\$2,609.25	\$2,982.00
\$90,000	\$1,114,551.70	0.7732		\$1,159.80	\$1,546.40	\$1,933.00	\$2,319.60	\$2,706.20	\$3,092.80

The shaded areas above show a property valued at \$300,000 would pay \$2,090.70 in municipal taxes using the **Budget** figure

Decreasing the **Budget** by \$20,000 (\$2,132.40 - \$2,090.70) would reduce the municipal property taxes by \$41.70.

Increasing the Budget by \$20,000 (\$2,174.03 - \$2,132.40) would raise the municipal tax bill by \$41.63.

EDEN'S TAX RATE HISTORY

Year	Equalized Education Grand List	Town Rate	Local	Education Non-Residential	Total	Town Rate	Local	Education Homestead	Total
2011		0.3925		1.4459	1.8384	0.3925		1.4691	1.8616
2012		0.4015		1.4054	1.8069	0.4015		1.4248	1.8263
2013	\$1,286,620	0.4719		1.3320	1.8039	0.4719		1.3574	1.8293
2014	\$1,251,430	0.4979	0.0021	1.3492	1.8492	0.4979	0.0021	1.3695	1.8695
2015	\$1,157,050	0.5094	0.0031	1.4500	1.9625	0.5094	0.0031	1.5193	2.0318
2016	\$1,168,870	0.5110	0.0039	1.4842	1.9991	0.5110	0.0039	1.5887	2.1036
2017	\$1,245,814	0.5232	0.0041	1.5558	2.0831	0.5232	0.0041	1.6604	2.1877
2018	\$1,239,050	0.6251	0.0042	1.5446	2.1739	0.6251	0.0042	1.5659	2.1952

This is where the tax rate structure changed and the Homestead tax rate is now less than the Non-Residential rate.

2019	\$1,306,940	0.6481	0.0034	1.6625	2.3140	0.6481	0.0034	1.5831	2.2346
2020	\$1,321,120	0.6682	0.0038	1.6554	2.3274	0.6682	0.0038	1.5822	2.2542
2021	\$1,400,820	0.6731	0.0039	1.7044	2.3814	0.6731	0.0039	1.6513	2.3283
2022	\$1,618,060	0.6683	0.0034	1.7317	2.4034	0.6683	0.0034	1.6336	2.3053
2023	\$1,910,310	0.6526	0.0033	1.5649	2.2208	0.6526	0.0033	1.4875	2.1434
2024	\$2,307,752	0.71395	0.00301	1.6332	2.3502	0.71395	0.00301	1.5660	2.2830
2025	\$2,535,956	0.6434	0.0038	1.8848	2.5320	0.6434	0.0038	1.8100	2.4572
2026		0.7072	0.0036	1.9297	2.6405	0.7072	0.0036	1.7458	2.4566

FAQ at the TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

TAX BILLS

One of the most common requests made at the Town Clerk's Office is asking for a copy of a property tax bill. The information provided on the tax bill will be needed when filing income taxes and the homestead declaration. Copies for all parcels are available upon request when the office is open. Copies are also available on the Town of Eden website:

edenvt.org

PROPERTY
Map &
TAX INFO

On the home page click on the box that says: 

Under Property Taxes click on *25-26 Redacted Tax Bills*:

The bills for all town parcels will be there in alphabetical order.

You will have to scroll down as there are 927 tax bills.

Redacted means that the tax bills on the website will not include any State of Vermont payments.

DEEDS & SURVEYS

Another common request is asking for a copy of a deed or survey of a parcel. Each time there is a change in ownership of a property, there is a new deed so any property may have multiple deeds which means the request is not simple or straightforward. The Town Office can help navigate the system and assist in research at the office but unless the person has the exact Book and Page of a recorded deed, it is not possible to get a copy by phone or email request.

Surveys are also available at the Town Office but not all properties have had a survey done. Some parcels have been surveyed but have not been recorded in the land records at the office. The Town of Eden website does have a link to maps of all properties in town which is a good place to start any research. These maps are not necessarily based on a recorded survey and are not 100% accurate! The GIS maps are only for reference and are not in any way legally binding.

PROPERTY
MAP &
TAX INFO

Again click on the home page box that says: 

In a green box to the right of the page, click on the link in the

Eden GIS Maps.

One easy way to find a property is in the top left hand corner in the  box, search for a road name, last name of the owner or the parcel number that is on your property tax bill. Any of the 3 options will pin a mark on the map of Eden. On the right of the screen, navigate through the vertical options to zoom and get a closer look.

Find Property

TOWN ROADS & PRIVATE DRIVES in EDEN

The lists below show how many new private drives have been created as the town has grown. By Statute Title 19, Chapter 3 § 302 says the town shall maintain Class 3 highways to be "...negotiable under normal conditions all seasons of the year by a standard pleasure car". Only culverts and bridges are maintained on Class 4 roads. The town does not maintain any private roads or trails.

Title 19, Chapter 27 § 2702 states that: "In the absence of an express agreement or requirement governing maintenance of a private road, when more than one person enjoys a common benefit from a private road each person shall contribute rateably to the cost of maintenance..."

Town Highways	TH #	Class	Mileage			Private Drives	Mileage
			2	3	4		
Albany Road	36	4			2.40	Ash Lane	0.199
Baker Road	10	3		0.49		Backshore Dr	0.891
Barrows Lane	41	3		0.07		Barrows Loop	0.064
Blakeville Road	17	3		1.90		Birch Drive	0.075
Boyscout Camp Road	32	3		0.45		Boulder Lane	0.052
Bullard Lane	42	3		0.19		Bourne's Hollow Drive	
Camp Road	27	3		0.35		Bullard Lane	0.155
Cemetery Road	20	4			0.16	Carolyn Lane	0.08
Cooper Hill Road	24	4			2.55	Cedar Lane	0.125
Crooks Road	9	3		2.65		Chaney Drive	0.097
Dolan Farm Road	23	3		0.16		Cherry Lane	0.084
Dudley Road	4	4			0.20	Crickard Drive	0.198
Earle Lane	40	3		0.06		Delisle Drive	0.143
East Hill Road	2	2	5.00			Della-Corte Drive	0.129
Edsel Rich Road	11	4			0.17	Durivage Drive	0.156
Garfield Road	33	3/4		0.03	0.02	Eden Fields Lane	0.034
Griggs Road	31	3		0.50		Elm Avenue	0.248
Hutchins Lane	22	3		0.19		Gut Pond Drive	0.173
Ingalls Road	43	3		0.06		Hemlock Lane	0.547
Jones Lane	29	3		0.07		Hilltop Drive	0.12
Kittell Road	6	4			0.20	Howe Drive	0.261
Knowles Flat Road	13	3		2.48		Lake Shore Road	0.33
Lakeshore Road	30	4			0.30	Lakeview Drive	0.056
Mary Deuso Road	19	3		0.11		Longview Drive	0.106
Mt. Hadley Road	28	4			0.15	Maple Lane	0.091
North Road	1	2	3.40			Marjorie Drive	1.442
Ober Hill Road	5	3		0.72		Miller Drive	0.065
Old Deuso Road	15	3		0.85		Mtn. View Lane	0.237
Old Schoolhouse Road	44	3		0.13		Nancy Lane	0.18
Paronto Road	8	3		0.35		Oak Lane	0.06
Parsonage Road	18	3		0.10		Old Mines Road	0.812
Shover Road	21	3/4		2.14	2.01	Olin Drive	0.243
South Pond Road	26	3/Priv		0.75		Peninsula Drive	0.882
Square Road	35	3/4		1.40	1.65	Pine Grove Lane	0.108
Clifford Thompson Road	38	3		0.12		Rabbit Run Drive	0.148
Tree Farm Road	3	3/4		0.36	1.44	Rocky Ledge Lane	0.134
Waite Place Road	39	4			0.75	Shari's Lane	0.46
Warren Road	16	3		2.59		South Pond Road	1.371
Wescom Road	14	3		0.45		Spruce Lane	0.43
White Road	7	3		1.75		Styges Drive	0.244
Whitney Lane	25	3		0.10		Tatrol Drive	1.071
Total Class 2, 3 and 4 Roads			8.40	21.57	12.00	Towle Drive	0.283
VT State Highways						Valley View Drive	0.79
VT Route 100	49		7.69			West-Dunn Drive	0.164
VT Route 118	1		6.07			Winter Lane	0.107
						Total Mileage Private Roads	13.645
						<i>(mileage scale: 1000' = mile)</i>	

GLOSSARY OF TERMS IN THE TOWN REPORT

Addition Reserve Fund This fund was approved by the voters at Town Meeting on March 4, 2025. The money financing this reserve account came from a positive balance in the General Fund as expenses from previous years were covered by money received in response to the COVID pandemic. The beginning amount to establish the fund was \$228,115.23 with any interest earned to remain with this fund.

Agent to Convey Real Estate An elected official who assists in real estate transactions on behalf of the Town.

Allocated Funds The town received money from the Federal Government in response to the COVID-19

Pandemic. The funds have all been "allocated" meaning that they have been obligated for specific purposes.

American Gift Trust Fund A reserve fund established from monies gifted to the town by a generous Eden resident. Money has been received annually since 2013. These funds are to be used at the Selectboard's discretion for community improvement projects. These funds are in a separate account earning interest.

Auditors Three officials elected at Town Meeting to review and audit all accounts for the Town. The town contracts with an independent firm for an outside audit every five years. The last outside audit was in 2020.

Board of Abatement This Board is comprised of the Selectboard, Town Clerk, Justices of the Peace, and the Listers (or Independent Assessor in Eden) meeting as needed to consider tax abatement requests.

Board of Civil Authority This Board is comprised of the Selectboard, the Town Clerk, and the Justices of the Peace. The role of this Board is to maintain the voter checklist, count ballots in an election and at Town Meeting, and to hear grievances regarding property appraisals.

Bullard Award This award was created in 1990 by the Selectboard as a tribute to Haven "Bud" Bullard who served the Eden community for many years. The award is to honor an individual who has contributed unselfishly to the community. A sealed box is available for nominations during Town Meeting and at the Town Clerk's Office. In January, the recipient is chosen by the Selectboard, and the award is then presented at Town Meeting in March. A short, descriptive statement on the merits of the nominee is welcome. Candidates must reside in the Town of Eden. A large wooden plaque with Bud Bullard's likeness, carved by C. Brown in 1991 is at the Town Clerk's Office and recipients are honored with a brass nameplate added annually.

Cemetery Commissioners Officials elected to this Commission are responsible for the care and management of the Town's cemeteries. If no Cemetery Commissioners are elected, the Selectboard fulfills this role.

Cemetery Funds The Cemetery now has 2 accounts, one is the Perpetual Care Account where only the interest earned on the principal can be used for annual maintenance. Perpetual Care funds can be used for capital improvements. In 1997, funds from this account were used to purchase 5.07 acres of land that adjoined the existing Eden Corners Cemetery. Perpetual Care funds were also used to clear the new property in 2020. In 2022, the Trustees of Public Funds and the Cemetery Commissioners agreed to combine the 6 individual Perpetual Care accounts to reduce the amount of auditing time and allow a larger lump sum to be invested independently at a higher interest rate. The 2 Community Bank accounts and the 4 individual gift accounts from Ed Shattuck (1974), Manona Miller (1986), Dorothy Collins (1989) and Mildred Earle (1997) now comprise the Perpetual Care Account. When a lot is sold, \$75 of the total \$300 is also added to the Perpetual Care Account. The second account is the working checkbook that is where the annual maintenance costs are paid out of. The working checkbook receives \$225 from the sale of each lot for annual expenses.

Constables These 2 elected positions have limited duties. They are: to serve civil or criminal process, euthanize animals when required by law, euthanize injured deer in accordance with law, assist the Health Officer in the exercise of his/her duties, serve as district court officer, remove disorderly people from town meeting, collect taxes if no tax collector is elected under 24 V.S.A. § 1936a(b), and provide assistance to the Dog Officer(s) in the discharge of their duties per Eden's Dog Ordinance. Eden's Constables shall not perform any law enforcement duties.

Current Tax Collector Collects the school and property taxes for the Town. In Eden, this function is performed by the Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Current Tax Interest Interest collected on property taxes that are late (the first two payments) but not yet delinquent (taxes paid after the final payment due date).

Dedication The Town Report is dedicated every year to an individual or group to honor and recognize their exceptional community service contribution. Nominations can be made by the Selectboard or by any Town voter under other business at Town Meeting or at a Selectboard meeting.

Delinquent Tax Any property tax shall be deemed delinquent if the tax is not paid in full on the final payment due date as set forth at Town Meeting of that same year. Payment of taxes after the established due date shall be remitted to the Delinquent Tax Collector. A delinquent tax bill consists of three parts: (a) initial tax; (b) interest of one percent (1%) per month starting the day the taxes become delinquent as was voted at Town Meeting March 2, 1982; and (c) penalty of not more than eight percent (8%) of the amount of the tax per State Statute 32 V.S.A. §1674 (2). Any partial payment received shall first be applied to the penalty portion of the bill. Additional payments, after the penalty is paid in full, shall be applied to the interest portion until fully paid, with the remaining payment applied to the principal due.

Delinquent Tax Collector Appointed by the Selectboard after Town Meeting every year. Collects taxes for the Town after the final tax payment date. So voted Tuesday, March 7, 2017, Article 5.

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Delinquent Tax Escrow Account When properties go up for tax sale, they can be purchased either by the town or by an individual for an amount that is equal to or greater than the taxes due. The money owed in back taxes is paid to the town. Any additional funds paid at the tax sale above what was due then goes into the escrow account. Property owners then have a year and one day to repay the amount in taxes that was delinquent. If the original property owner does not pay what is due, the money in the escrow account that has been earning interest then goes to the original home owner and the person(s) that bid on the property at the tax sale now owns the property. If the original owner does pay in full what was owed, the money in the escrow account that has earned interest goes back to the bidder.

Dog Officer/Animal Control Officer One or more people appointed by the Selectboard to control stray dogs, or other domesticated animals and perform an annual dog canvas.

Eden Recreational Field and Athletic Trust In 1983, Bud Bullard donated \$2,500.00 to create a fund for the care and maintenance of the athletic fields that are owned by the school district that are adjacent to the school. Only the interest earned on the principal gift is available for expenses and is transferred annually into a separate checkbook.

Emergency Management Director An official appointed by the Selectboard who is responsible for the organization, administration, and operation of local volunteers for emergency management in the Town. The Emergency Management Director is under the direct control of the Selectboard, but may in addition, coordinate his or her emergency management efforts with neighboring Towns, with the State Emergency Management Division and/or with the Federal government.

Fence Viewer Three Fence Viewers are appointed by the Selectboard after Town Meeting. When called upon, they examine fences and other boundaries within the Town. These are positions of historical tradition.

Fire Department The North Hyde Park/Eden Fire Department was established as a joint entity in November 1985. The contract between the two Towns equally splits the cost of the building, equipment, maintenance, and all operating costs.

Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund A fund established by vote at Town Meeting March 7, 2017 with money appropriated by the Town to help offset the cost of new equipment as needed.

Fire Warden An official appointed by the State Forester upon the recommendation of the Selectboard. The Fire Warden issues a permit for the burning of brush and enforces laws designed to prevent forest fires.

Fund Balance Fund balance refers to the difference between expenses and revenues. A positive fund balance can provide a cushion for a revenue shortfall which might include delinquent taxes owed, unexpected costs or unbudgeted grant expenses. It is insurance that the town can cover all costs within a fiscal year. A fund balance would include any money voted to reduce taxes when the next tax rate is set. A negative fund balance could result in an increase in the amount to be raised by taxes in a future budget to cover any shortfall.

Future Improvement Reserve Fund The money in this Fund has been the interest accrued on the Sweep Account to be used for municipal improvements. This Fund began in 2000. In 2004/2005 monies held in the Municipal Building Fund were combined with the assets of this fund as they served the same purpose. The Municipal Building Fund originated when the old school (just north of the Town Clerk's office and now apartments) was sold for \$100,000. The school received \$90,000 (for the building) and the Town received \$10,000 (for the land).

FY or F/Y Fiscal Year, as in FY 2023-2024. The Town of Eden's Fiscal Year (accounting cycle) begins July 1 and ends June 30 the following year.

G-1 Holdings This company was the former owner of the Asbestos Mine. After the mine closed, the State of Vermont sued G-1 Holdings for damages that had transpired. In 2009, a memorandum agreement was reached that awarded \$850,000 in compensation to be split between the Towns of Eden and Lowell equally. Many meetings with Trustees of these funds, VT Fish and Wildlife and the VT Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) have been held to discuss Eden's priorities in the allocation of Eden's share. Some of the funds were used for the replacement of the box culvert on Knowles Flat Road and the bridge that replaced the twin culverts also on Knowles Flat. The remaining funds will be split between Lake Eden water quality projects and additional erosion control in the Town.

GIS An acronym for the **Geographic Information System**. GIS is a system that creates, manages, analyzes, and maps all types of data. Town maps that have been converted to the GIS system are available online at: axisgis.com/EdenVT.

Good Neighbor Reserve Fund A Fund created in 2013 with funds from Green Mountain Power due to Eden's proximity to the Lowell Wind Towers. Funds were awarded annually for 10 years with the amount received based upon the amount of power generated. Eden's first check was received in 2014 and the last payment was in 2024. Monies in this fund are used at the Selectboard's discretion. This is a separate account earning interest.

Grand Juror Helps to prosecute criminal offenses that occur in the Town by giving information to State and local law enforcement. This is an elected position with a one-year term.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS IN THE TOWN REPORT (cont'd)

Green Mountain Passport GMP is a discount program that offers free day admission to all VT State Parks, VT Historical Sites and State sponsored events. GMP is available to VT residents who are 62 years or older or are a veteran of the Uniformed Services. Passports are available for \$2.00, are good for life and only available at a Town Clerk's Office.

Health Officer An official appointed to a 3-year term by the State Health Commissioner with the Selectboard's recommendation. The Health Officer enforces the rules and regulations for the prevention and abatement of public health hazards. The Selectboard serves as the health officer when the position is open.

Highway Reserve Fund A Fund approved by the voters at Town Meeting March 7, 2006 (Article 10) with money appropriated by the taxpayers but not spent from the Highway Account from previous years. These funds are to be used for highway expenses only and can be carried over from year to year. A vote of the taxpayers is needed to add any additional money to a reserve fund.

Industrial Site A parcel of land, 11-½ acres in size, owned by the Town between the Eden Central School and Route 100. Originally 12-½ acres, one (1) acre was deeded to the Historical Society in 2000 for the relocation of the Old Town Clerk's Office.

Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, and Wood A position enacted in 1824 and appointed by the Selectboard per State Statute 24 V.S.A. §1031 to "examine and classify the quality of lumber and shingles, measure lumber, shingles and wood and give certificates thereof. An appointment of historical significance.

Justices of the Peace Elected by the voters every two (2) years, Justices of the Peace may perform marriage ceremonies, act as an ex-officio notary public, and serve on the Board of Civil Authority and the Board of Abatement. The next elections will take place in November of 2026. Terms are from February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2027.

Lamoille County Tax This is a tax assessed on all towns in Lamoille County by the Assistant Judges of the Superior Court. These funds provide for a County Court House as well as facilities and operating costs for the Sheriff's Department. The tax amount, calculated using the annual Court House budget, is apportioned to the towns according to a ratio based on the equalized grand list.

Landfill The landfill off South Pond Road was closed in 1993. Monitoring wells were drilled and, as mandated by State law, were inspected and water testing was performed annually for a period of 20 years ending in 2013. Current expenditures accrued are compensation for Eden's Representative to the LRSWMD board for meetings and travel.

LCBP The Lake Champlain Basin Program is a congressionally designated initiative to restore and protect lake Champlain and its surrounding watershed. Working with New York and Quebec, the goal is to coordinate and fund efforts to reduce phosphorus pollution, toxic substances, invasive species and enhance biodiversity.

LCSD Emergency Response Coverage A contracted service for police coverage from the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department when the Vermont State Police are not available.

LEA The Lake Eden Association is a group of home owners with properties around Lake Eden. These community members have been instrumental in creating and promoting the Greeter program that works to educate the community and visitors at the Fishing access on the north end of the lake as well as other locations, regarding the importance of keeping boats clean to prevent the spread of invasive species. They have been instrumental in the efforts to control the Eurasian Milfoil detected in the lake in 2022.

LERA Reserve Fund This Reserve Fund was approved by the voters at Town Meeting on March 5, 2024 with the accumulated balance (\$111,433.42) of the LERA Fund. The money is to be used for future capital improvements or expenses related to LERA or Lake Eden.

Liability Account An account where money is owed or previously earmarked for a specific purpose. Funds in these accounts can be held over from year to year. Examples include: Restoration Fund, Future Improvement Fund, Highway Reserve Fund, Fire Department New Equipment Fund and the State of VT Reappraisal Fund.

LRSWMD Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District. Provides for waste disposal in VT.

Marriage Licenses A marriage license costs \$80.00. \$50.00 is paid to the State for the Domestic and Sexual Violence Fund, \$15 remains in Eden and \$15 is paid to the Vermont General Fund. Any certified copy of the license for the married couple costs an additional \$10.00.

Milfoil Fund This fund was created when the voters approved an appropriation of \$15,000 (Article 9) on March 7, 2023 to fund the control of Eurasian Milfoil in Lake Eden. On March 5, 2024, Article 10 asked for an appropriation of \$15,000. The article was amended and in place of an additional \$15,000 added to the budget, the \$15,000 was to come out of the newly created LERA Reserve Fund as established in Article 9 at Town Meeting on March 5, 2024.

MRGP This stands for the **Municipal Roads General Permit**. This is a program by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation and is one of the requirements of Act 64. These new regulations require a more stringent standard regarding any road maintenance as it relates to storm water runoff and must be followed in order to be able to apply for and receive grant funding.

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Outside Audit Fund This fund was created starting in FY 14-15 with \$3,000 added annually to the Selectboard Fund budget to prepare for the cost of an outside audit the town is required to contract every 5 years.

New Equipment Reserve Fund This Fund began in 1979 with an appropriation of \$3,000 to be used for future maintenance and capital purchases. Between 1997 and 1998, the method of accounting changed for the use of Town equipment (trucks, loader, and grader). The practice of charging an hourly rate for each piece of equipment was replaced with an annual lump sum appropriation after examining the costs over a period of years. Appropriations have ranged from \$20,000 to \$46,000 annually since 1998. This is a separate account earning interest. Money in this fund is carried over from year to year.

Paving & Structures Reserve Fund This is a reserve fund (24 V.S.A. §2804(a)) approved by the voters at Town Meeting in 2013 with \$50,000 from the Rainy Day Fund. Monies in this fund are to be used for paving of town highways and replacement of highway structures. Money in this fund is carried over from year to year. Appropriations since 2013 have ranged from \$0 to \$60,000 annually.

Planning Commission Five residents appointed by the Selectboard, unless the Town votes to elect the positions. Duties include: preparing a municipal plan; making recommendations on matters of land development, conservation, preservation and participating in a regional planning commission.

Rainy Day Reserve Fund A Fund approved by the voters at the 2003 Town Meeting with funds from the Selectboard Account. The beginning balance was \$150,000.

Regional Planning Commission Representative A resident recommended and appointed by the Selectboard. This representative attends Lamoille County Planning Commission meetings in Morrisville to help develop a regional plan, assess municipal land use issues and connect with surrounding towns.

Restoration Fund This is a fund established for the preservation and restoration of Town records. Recording fees of \$15.00 per page are charged, with \$5.00 going to the Fund and \$10.00 to the Town as revenue.

Sheriff's Department Contract The money budgeted in this assessment goes to the operation and maintenance of the dispatch for 911 and other emergencies. The Sheriff's Department is located in Hyde Park, next to the Lamoille County Courthouse.

State of Vermont

Current Use A State program to appraise agricultural, forest, and conservation land, as well as farm buildings, on use value to keep agricultural and forest land in production. The State sends the Town money based on the reduction in the tax base. The amount the State pays is budgeted by the legislature and is seldom fully funded.

Digitization Grant At the beginning of the pandemic with Town Offices closed, the State of Vermont made funds available to the towns so land records and maps could be accessed online for research purposes. Eden contracted with an outside firm and was able to make all land records from 1980 through 2012 available by computer with the \$18,945.64 it received.

Forest and Parks State-owned land, such as the Green River Reservoir, the Lake Eden fishing access, and the Babcock Nature Preserve.

Payment in Lieu of Taxes (P.I.L.O.T.) Money received from the State in lieu of a property tax payment. The amount of compensation is determined by the legislature annually and is only a partial reimbursement to Eden for land the State of Vermont owns within Eden's Town boundaries.

State Property State-owned buildings, such as the State Highway Garage on Route 118 and the fishing access at the north end of Lake Eden.

State of Vermont Lister Education Fund The State of Vermont sends the Town of Eden funds on a sliding scale to be used by the Assessor in our town for costs associated with Property Valuation & Review (PVR) and sponsored assessment education courses.

State of Vermont Reappraisal Fund The State of Vermont sends the Town of Eden an amount of money per parcel of property annually. These funds are used to offset the expenses in a reappraisal year. The money can be used to defray the cost of an equalization study or go into the Reappraisal Fund. Money from this fund cannot be used for the regular day to day costs of the assessor.

Street Lights The security lights illuminating the beach, the Town Clerk's Office and the street lights along Route 100 in Eden Mills and Eden Corners.

Sweep Account The Sweep Account is a checking account designed to make the most efficient use of the Town's money, with funds transferred daily to or from the subsidiary investment accounts as needed. Excess available balances are invested overnight in Government agencies. This type of account is necessary when the amount of funds in an account exceeds the FDIC, \$250,000 limit.

Town Service Officer The position was eliminated in 2020 by Act 84 pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2646.

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Tree Warden A position appointed by the Selectboard dating back to 1906. The post was designed as a means of protecting the trees that border the public highways of the State, and so gave the Tree Warden the responsibility of planting, trimming, and maintaining the health of trees in the public right-of-way. Another historical position with limited relevance in today's world.

Trust Fund Eden's two trust funds, the Eden Recreation Field and Athletic Trust and the American Gift Fund are assets where money has been given to the town and shall be managed and distributed with specified guidance outlined by the donor.

Trustee of Public Funds A three-member elected Board that assists with investment decisions regarding the trust funds held by the Town of Eden. These include the Cemetery Funds, the Eden Recreation Field Fund and the American Gift Fund.

Vault and Recording There are many documents that are officially recorded at the Town Clerk's Office for which a fee is charged. Vital statistics (births, deaths, and marriages) are recorded as well as land transactions (mortgages, land purchases and sales, deeds, attachments, and foreclosures). Recording fees are \$15.00 per page, with \$5.00 going into the Restoration Fund and \$10.00 to the Town. There is a \$1.00 charge per page for the copying of any recorded documents, and \$4.00 per hour is charged for the use of the vault and for time researching. All fees going to the Town.

VLCT The Vermont League of Cities and Towns is an organization based in Montpelier that supports municipal government by providing information, legal guidance, answers questions, and holds educational seminars. VLCT also provides municipal insurance and is Eden's insurance carrier.

Lawrence Earle and Carlene Earle Lavallee on the "Old Baker Place".
The car belonged to Ernest Earle. The only trace of the buildings on Baker Road
is the earthen mound that served as the high drive for the barn.



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Selectboard Present:

Ricky Morin
Clayton Whittemore
Tim Bullard
Town Clerk and Treasurer:
Melissa Whitcomb

Board of Civil Authority Present:

H. Bruce Burnor
Amy Fitzgerald
Molly Morin
Steve Schmelzer
Leslie White

Bruce Burnor opened the meeting at the Eden Central School at 9:04 am. Bruce asked the voters for permission to allow our State Representative, Mark Higley to speak. The major issues in Montpelier this session are school funding reform, holding those that break the law accountable, the affordability of housing and rolling back some of the climate change initiatives that are driving up costs. The initiative to conserve 30% of Vermont land by 2030 and 50% of Vermont land by 2050 will put tremendous pressure on property taxes and be difficult to achieve considering 80% of the land in the state is privately owned and the state is hoping that this initiative will only involve voluntary participation. The consolidation of school districts is also under consideration although the final number of districts has not yet been confirmed.

Article 1: To determine whether Roberts Rules or other rules of order shall govern the parliamentary procedure of this meeting.

Leslie White moved to use Robert's Rules of Order to govern the meeting. Burt Manning seconded. Approved.

Article 2: To elect a moderator.

Tim Bullard stepped forward to act as moderator. Warren Whitcomb nominated Bruce Burnor. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Bruce Burnor. Approved.

Article 3: To see if the voters will accept the town report. Presentation of the Bullard Award.

Leslie White clarified that the caption for the cover page on the inside of the front cover needed correction. The third sentence should read: "The business class at the Green Mountain Technology Center printed the 5th & 6th grade basketball jerseys, basketball bags for the boys' and girls' 5th and 6th grade teams in addition to the warm-up shirts for the 3rd and 4th grade teams." Leslie then moved to accept the town report with the stated correction. Amy Fitzgerald seconded. Approved.

Tim presented the Bullard Award to Colleen Brennan thanking her for all the work she and her husband Vinny and many others have contributed to the town in connection with the Greeter program and the work towards the eradication of the invasive Eurasian Water Milfoil that was detected in Lake Eden. She was presented with a small engraved brass plate in a frame and a check for \$200 for the Lake Eden Association.

Article 4: To elect all Town and School District Officers as required by law. Office to take effect after the adjournment of Town Meeting.

- a) **Selectperson for 3 years.** Faye Cochran nominated Tim Bullard for selectboard. There were no additional nominations. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Tim Bullard. Approved.
- b) **Auditor for 3 years.** Melissa Whitcomb nominated Leslie White for auditor. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Leslie White. Approved.

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- a) **Cemetery Commissioner for 5 years.** Matt Hill nominated Adam Degree. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Adam Degree. Approved.
- b) **Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years.** Faye Cochran nominated David Deery. David asked what the position entailed and how often the commissioners meet and accepted the nomination. Warren Whitcomb motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for David Deery. Approved.
- c) **First Constable for one year.** Phil Morin nominated Matt Hill. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Matt Hill. Approved.
- d) **Second Constable for one year.** Leslie White nominated Bert Manning. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Bert Manning. Approved.
- e) **Grand Juror for one year.** Faye nominated David Whitcomb. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for David Whitcomb. Approved.
- f) **Agent to convey real estate for one year.** Leslie White nominated Monique Morway. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Monique Morway. Approved.
- g) **Trustee of Public Funds for three years.** Leslie clarified that the offices of Auditor and Trustee are not able to be held at the same time so she would not be running again for the position. Leslie also explained what the job entails, keeping track of the existing CD investments at Edward Jones and when they mature. Kristina Brown nominated Trevor Bidwell. Bruce Shields motioned to cease all nominations and cast one unanimous ballot for Trevor Bidwell. Approved.

The position of Town Agent was eliminated in 2020 by Act 84 pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2646.

Article 5: To see what sum of money the Town will raise on its grand list for the highway department? **Budget Proposal** **\$699,615.00** **6.8% increase**

Jackie Larsen expressed concern regarding the 6.8% increase. There was discussion on the increase in the cost of materials, sand, gravel, culverts and fuel as well as insurance costs. The question was posed: if the budget is not approved, what happens then? Tim and Ricky responded that services would be cut and if the budget was reduced, the town would work within the amended budget amount. It was stressed that the expectation in today's world is that roads need to be plowed and sanded at all times and that level of attention is expensive. Leslie motioned to move the article as written. Amy Fitzgerald seconded. The motion passed as written.

Article 6: To see what sum of money the Town will raise on its grand list for the Selectboard Fund? Budget proposal \$564,300.57 4.38% increase

Selectboard and Highway budget combined: **5.47% increase**

Leslie provided the perspective that the municipal budget for the 2024-2025 budget actually went down by 3.53% so an increase this year is only a slight increase when looking at the 2 years together. Leslie commended Melissa on all the hard work and changes she has implemented at the office and the many ways she has saved money for the town. Leslie motioned to move the article as written. Bert Manning seconded. Selectboard budget passed as written.

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Article 7: Shall the town transfer \$10,000 from the FY 23-24 unspent Selectboard Funds to the Outside Audit Reserve Fund in anticipation of the independent audit required in 2026 with the balance of the un-spent Selectboard funds of \$43,109.71 to be used to reduce taxes?

Leslie provided some background to this article. The previous outside audit done in 2020 was not expensed fully in the town ledger and the outstanding balance has been carried as a liability since that time. That situation has been corrected and accounted for in the 2023-2024 budget year. Going forward, the amount budgeted annually (\$3,000) for the next outside audit due in 2026 will not be sufficient to cover anticipated costs. The article is asking to appropriate \$10,000 of the unspent selectboard funds to be added to the Outside Reserve Fund in anticipation of the next independent audit. Leslie motioned to move the article as written. Amy Fitzgerald seconded. Article passed.

Article 8: Shall the town appropriate \$22,000 for local organizations?

Leslie motioned to move the article as written. Kristina seconded. Article passed.

Article 9: Shall the Town pay for the minimum estimated cost of \$9,180 for the Teach America to Swim Program from the surplus LERA funds totaling \$16,167.45 with the remaining balance to go towards the purchase of a new lawn tractor for \$4,899 and 7 new picnic tables for \$1,799.93 with the remaining balance of \$288.52 to be used for spring maintenance at the Lake Eden Recreation Area?

There was a lengthy discussion on the increasing cost of the swim program. The selectboard wanted to clarify for the voters that the \$1,000 appropriation that has remained constant for many years does not cover the costs of the program. As the contract with Teach America to Swim for the 2025 season needed to be signed before the warning was published, there was discussion on continuing the program in 2026 and beyond with no decision made. Jackie Schmelzer as well as some other voters were in favor of eliminating the program because of the cost. There will be swimming lessons in the summer of 2025 and the selectboard is open to comments moving forward regarding the continuation of the program.

Leslie moved the article as written. Matt Mitchell seconded. Article passed.

Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$11,587.99 for community organizations?

Leslie explained that the monetary request for these appropriations have remained the same for more than 20 years. The amounts have not changed because the selectboard requests that if an additional amount of funds is requested, a petition signed by 5% of the voting population would need to be presented to the selectboard. Amy Fitzgerald moved the article as written. Matt Mitchell seconded. Article passed.

Article 11: Shall the town create an Addition Reserve Fund for the purpose of expanding the office and vault space at the Town Clerk's Office to be funded with the money and accrued interest made possible by funds received during the COVID-19 pandemic? \$228,115.23 plus \$3,272.91 estimated interest?

Tim explained how this article came to be drafted and how creating a reserve fund for the money made possible by funds received during the COVID-19 pandemic would allow the board to continue making plans for the addition without a timed deadline. The amount that remained in the ARPA fund in 2024 was used to pay for expenses accrued by the town. This freed up \$228,115.23 which would now become

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part of the surplus if a contract is not signed by the end of the fiscal year. The question was asked if the amount proposed would cover all costs for the addition. Tim replied that every effort would be made to complete the project with the allotted funds and will consider changes in the plans including the size of the building if needed. Bruce Shields moved the article as written. Amy seconded. Article passed.

Article 12: Shall the interest earned on the Sweep Account, the American Gift Fund and the Good Neighbor Fund be used to offset taxes in FY 25-26?

In discussion, Will Reen asked if the interest funds accrued should be added to the Addition Reserve Fund. No amendment to the article was made. Leslie made the motion to approve the article. Matt Mitchell asked the question how much difference this amount of money would change the tax rate. Bruce Shields stated that in years past, \$35000.00 would only change the tax rate by one penny. Leslie acknowledged that the office has discussed calculating a similar scenario but had not yet completed the task. This would be useful information next year. Molly Morin seconded the motion and the article passed.

Article 13: Shall the town vote to pay property taxes, municipal and school combined, to the Town Treasurer in three equal installments due on or before November 12, 2025, February 15, 2026 and November 15, 2026 with postmarks acceptable?

Matt Mitchell moved the article as written. Amy Fitzgerald seconded. Article passed.

Article 14: To transact any other business at this time.

- a) Leslie discussed some possible options on reducing the cost of the printing and mailing of the Town Report. The proposal was made to include a form when sending out the tax bills so that anyone could request that a town report be mailed to them. Many other towns save postage by providing reports at local locations instead of a bulk mailing. Bruce Burnor expressed that he definitely wanted a town report to be mailed to his address.
- b) Leslie asked that Vinny and Colleen Brennan be allowed to speak on behalf of the Lake Eden Association and their ongoing work with the Greeter Program and the control of the Eurasian Water Milfoil in the Lake Eden. Vinny thanked the town for their support and taxpayer financial contributions to fund their efforts. The work done during the last 2 years was summarized which included hand pulling, blankets placed to smother the invasive plants and suctioning of the plants in some areas by scuba divers. The application of an herbicide specifically targeting these plants is now under consideration by the Lake Eden Association as the other methods are not enough of a long-term control. Only small areas of the lake would be targeted and the herbicide application would not happen again for 3 years. The Lake Eden Association has applied for a grant for this method of control. Landowners around the lake have been sent a notification and there will be additional public meetings before any herbicide application begins.

Approved Minutes

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Eden Town Office **71 Old Schoolhouse Road** **Eden Mills, VT 05653** **802-635-2528**

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Molly Morin Asst. Town Clerk & Treasurer email: clerk@edenvt.org

Office hours: Mon/Wed/Thurs from 8 am-4 pm, Tues from 8 am to 6 pm.

Land Records, Vital Statistics, Marriage Licenses, Green Mountain Passports (to State Parks),
Payment of Current and Delinquent Taxes, Animal Licenses, Voter Registration, 911 Addressing

Dog Officer **•Position Open•**

Cemetery Commissioners **•Jubal Durivage, President•** **(802) 635-7213**

The Cemetery Commissioners meet as needed during the summer at warned meetings.

Jubal Durivage Adam Degree/Treasurer Faye Cochran Colleen Durivage David Deery

Eden Central School **•Christopher Dodge•** **Fax: (802) 635-7251** **(802) 521-5500**

email: <http://www.edenschool.net>

Emergency Management Dir. **• Jeff Hunsberger •** **(802) 730-4033**

email: jhunsberger.townofedenvtmd@gmail.com

Eden Planning Commission **Fax: (802) 635-1724** **(802) 635-2528**

Meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month at the Town Office.

Kristina Brown Dan Lathrop Julie Gates 2 Open Seats

Eden Selectboard **•Tim Bullard, Chair•** **Fax: (802) 635-1724** **(802) 635-2528**

Meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6PM at the Town Office. email: clerk@edenvt.org

Clayton Whittemore (802) 635-9095 Ricky Morin (802) 635-2849

Tim Bullard, chair (802) 635-2867

Eden Youth Sports Committee **email: edenyouthsportscommitte@gmail.com**

Warned meetings as needed @ TC Office Facebook: Eden Youth Sports
Kristina Brown Dan Lathrop Trevor Bidwell Molly Morin (coordinator) 1 Open Seat

Forest Fire Warden **•Marvin Whitcomb•** **(802) 635-7515**

Health Officer **•Faye Cochran•** **(802) 635-7959**

Lake Eden Recreation Area (LERA) **(802) 635-7725**

LERA Manager: Pamela Uhlendorff LERA Assistant Manager: Joanna Uhlendorff

Camping, picnicking, and swimming from May 15th to October 15th.

Swimming lessons for youth of all ages. Camper sites and shelters available by reservation.

Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District **Fax: (802) 888-2997** **(802) 888-3142**

•Catherine Gallagher, Superintendent•

The LNMUUSD Board meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at GMTCC.

Assessor's Office **email: assessor@edenvt.org** **Fax: (802) 635-1724** **(802) 635-2554**

Assessor: Russ Beaudoin from Appraisal Resource Group Melissa Whitcomb, Assistant
Mondays 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm or by appointment.

North Hyde Park/Eden Fire Department **DIAL 911**

Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7pm at the Fire Station in North Hyde Park.

Post Office **29 Nancy Lane Eden VT 05652** **(802) 635-7818**

Lobby open 24 hours every day. Window open from 8 am to 11 am & Noon to 3 pm Monday -Friday.

Saturdays: Window open 9 am to 11 am, closed Sundays and major holidays.

Town Garage **•Ricky Morin, Road Commissioner•** **(802) 635-2530**

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LAMOILLE COUNTY SHERIFF

VT STATE POLICE (802) 635-7036

• Roger Marcoux• (802) 888-3502