

*2014  
ANNUAL  
REPORT*

*Town of Craftsbury  
Jan. 1, 2014—Dec. 31, 2014*



*Craftsbury School District  
July 1, 2013—June 30, 2014*

Please bring this report with you to Town Meeting  
Tuesday March 3, 2015 at **10:00 AM**

## Dedication



### In Memory of Bruce Martin

Bruce Martin grew up in Craftsbury and helped his mother, Jeannette, on the family farm while he was in high school. After he graduated from Craftsbury Academy in 1966 he continued to work on his mother's farm as well as logging with Baker logging. Bruce enlisted in the Army in 1968 and served in Vietnam. Following a serious war injury he was honorably discharged with the Purple Heart. In 1970 he married Sheryl Allen. Together they raised their daughter Michelle and son Michael who both still live in town. Bruce was very proud of and supportive of his two children as well as his two grandchildren, Abbie and Stephen. He was an avid racing fan and enjoyed helping Mike with his race cars. Bruce loved being actively involved in all of their lives.

Bruce operated a dairy farm (the Willard Rowell farm in Albany) for a number of years until his war injury forced him to sell his farm. He served as the Road Commissioner for the Town of Craftsbury for seven years from 1990 through 1996. After that Bruce started a logging operation with his son Mike. The last few years of his life Bruce and Mike built and operated a maple sugaring business which Mike is still operating. Bruce also drove many miles to pick up parts that Mike needed for his auto repair shop.

He was a very active member of the Craftsbury Community. Bruce served for two terms on the School Board [1984-1985 and again from 1999 through 2002]. He also served for two terms as a Trustee for the United Church of Craftsbury. Coaching was one of Bruce's great loves. He was varsity girls basketball coach in the 1990s and also assistant varsity boys basketball coach. In 2013 he coached his granddaughter Abbie's AAU team of Craftsbury and Stowe girls - the Diamonds. Bruce coached Babe Ruth baseball teams for many years and assisted Dan Hill with the All Star baseball teams. He helped organize the annual Craftsbury Memorial Day Services to honor our local veterans and served as president of the Craftsbury Common Cemetery Association.

His community service was not limited to Craftsbury. Bruce served as Vice Commander and Commander for the VFW in Hyde Park. He was also an active member of the American Legion.

Bruce's family feels his greatest contribution to the Town of Craftsbury was all of the years that he worked with and coached the young people in sports. He helped thousands of athletes develop their skills and learn to always be good sports. Bruce felt encouraging those two things were great lessons that would be valuable to them throughout their entire lives.

It is indeed an honor to dedicate the 2014 Town & School Report to Bruce Martin. His many years of dedicated service to the Town, School, Church, and community are greatly appreciated and will be long remembered.

# Craftsbury Town Report

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## **Auditors' Report**

We, the Auditors for the Town of Craftsbury, have examined the accounts and records of the Town from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, and the Town School District from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

We have found everything to be accurate and true.

Attest:

Cheryl Bailey

Carolyn Ryan



Lisa Santamore

Contact us: e-mail address [craftsbury.town.auditors@gmail.com](mailto:craftsbury.town.auditors@gmail.com)

### **Craftsbury, Vermont**

**Chartered: August 23, 1781**

**Acreage: 25,984 acres**

**Altitude: 904 feet**

**Registered Voters: 780**

**(as of January 28, 2015)**

**Town Meeting Day  
Pancake Breakfast  
8:00am Dunbar Dining Hall  
Sterling College is honoring  
Craftsbury Fire Department.  
Free to Residents.**

### **Lunch**

**The Senior Class of 2015  
will prepare Lunch this year!**

# TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY WARNING

## ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN FIRE DISTRICT MEETING

THE VOTERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND WARNED TO MEET AT THE  
 CRAFTSBURY ACADEMY GYMNASIUM ON TUESDAY THE THIRD  
 DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2015 AT 10:00 A.M. TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING  
 ARTICLES, TO WIT:

<b>Article 1</b>	To elect a Moderator for town, town school district and town fire district.												
<b>Article 2</b>	To hear and act upon the Auditors' report.												
<b>Article 3</b>	<p>To elect all other officers of the town and fire district:</p> <p>Select Board Member - 3 year term (incumbent is Susan Houston)          Collector of Taxes - 1 year term (incumbent is Yvette Brown)          Lister - 3 year term (Incumbent Michelle Warren)          Auditor - 3 year term (incumbent is Carolyn Ryan)          Town Agent -1 year term (incumbent is David Rowell)          Town Grand Juror - 1 year term (incumbent is Kathryn Hadden)          Cemetery Commissioner - 5 year term (incumbent is Bruce Urie)          Trustee of Public Funds - 3 year term (incumbent is Yvette Brown)          WWII Memorial Fund Trustee -3 year term (incumbent is A Robert Twiss)          Public Library Rep. to the Board: 1 year term (incumbent Aliena Gerhard)          Supervisor of Lamoille Solid Waste: 2 year term (incumbent Adrian Owens)</p>												
<b>Article 4</b>	To see how much money the town will vote to build bridges and defray all other expenses of the town, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same. (page14)												
<b>Article 5</b>	To see how much money the town will vote for operation of the Town Fire Department. (page 29)												
<b>Article 6</b>	Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to spend the so-called "Good Neighbor Fund", contingent upon the availability of said funds.												
<b>Article 7</b>	To see if the town will vote to continue to exempt the Masonic Hall from property taxes for a period of five years, per "32 V.S.A 3840".												
<b>Article 8</b>	<p>To see if the town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 for local appropriations as follows:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Name of Organization:</th> <th style="text-align: right;"></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 40px;">Memorial Day</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 40px;">Recreation Committee</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$1,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 40px;">Village Improvement Society</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$1,500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 40px;">Cemeteries</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$2,000.00</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>TOTAL</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b><u>\$5,000.00</u></b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Name of Organization:		Memorial Day	\$ 500.00	Recreation Committee	\$1,000.00	Village Improvement Society	\$1,500.00	Cemeteries	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$5,000.00</u></b>
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<b>Article 12</b>	To see if the town will vote to authorize the Select Board to draw temporary loan orders for the purpose of expenditures for their respective departments in anticipation of taxes.																																																		

<b>Article 13</b>	<b>To see if the town will vote to have the taxes collected by the Town Treasurer</b>
<b>Article 14</b>	<b>To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real property in three installments, with the due dates being July 15<sup>th</sup>, September 15<sup>th</sup>, and November 15<sup>th</sup> (32 V.S.A.4871) and to collect interest on late and delinquent payments of one percent (1%) per month for the first three (3) months starting after December 1<sup>st</sup>, and one and one-half percent(1 ½%) thereafter (32 V.S.A. 4873) with no discounts.</b>
<b>Article 15</b>	<b>To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.</b>

**Dated at Craftsbury, Vermont, January 21, A.D., 2015**

**Select Board:**

**Bruce Urie  
James Jones  
Susan Houston**

**Craftsbury Town Clerk's Office received the foregoing Warning for record January 21, A.D., 2015, at 10:00 AM and duly recorded the same before posting.**

**Attest: Yvette Brown  
Town Clerk**

# Elected Craftsbury Town Officers

**Moderator:**

Jeannine Young (2015)

**Town Clerk:**

Yvette Brown (2016)

**Town Treasurer:**

Yvette Brown (2016)

**Select Board:**

Susan Houston (2015)

Bruce Urie (2016)

Jim Jones (2017)

**Collector of Taxes:**

Yvette Brown (2015)

**Listers:**

Michelle Warren (2015)

Anthony Aiossa (2016)

Barbara Paterson (2017)

**School Directors:**

Steve Moffatt (2015)

Jennifer Marckres (2015)

Harry Miller (2016)

Hester Fuller (2016)

Sydney Flowers (2017)

**Auditors:**

Carolyn Ryan (2015)

Cheryl Bailey (2016)

Lisa Santamore (2017)

**Town Agent:**

Tom Wells (2015)

**Town Grand Juror:**

Kathryn Hadden (2015)

**Trustee of Public Funds**

Yvette Brown (2015)

Jeannine Young (2016)

Morris Rowell (2017)

**World War II Memorial Fund Trustees:**

A. Robert Twiss (2015)

Clyde Simmons (2016)

Bruce Urie (2017)

**Supervisor Lamoille Solid Waste**

Adrian Owens (2015)

**Craftsbury Public Library Trustee:**

Barbara Massucci (2016) (resigned)

Aliena Gerhard (appointed)

**Cemetery Commissioners**

Bruce Urie (2015)

Mike Martin (2016)

Faye Waterhouse (2017)

Bob Davis (2018)

Jim Jones (2019)

**Justices of the Peace**

Tony Jones

David Rowell

Timothy Fritz

James Flint

Yvette Brown

# Appointed Craftsbury Town Officers

**Chair, Select Board:**

Bruce Urie

**Clerk, Select Board:**

Michelle Warren

**Town Service Officer:**

Yvette Brown

**Road Foreman:**

Steve Marckres

**Assistant Town Clerk:**

Betty Urie

**911 Coordinators:**

Walt Gutzmann

Cheryl Bailey

**Pound Keepers/Dog Wardens**

Christopher Masse

**Inspector of Lumber & Wood:**

James Moffatt

**Tree Warden:**

James Moffatt

**Assistant Tree Warden:**

Stuart LaPoint

**Health Officer:**

Annette Jones

**VT Emergency Management Rep.**

Walt Gutzmann

Stuart Lapoint

**Constable:**

Eric Britton

**Assistant Constable:**

Dan Locke

**Fence Viewers:**

Chris Masse

Edmund Williams

James Jones

**Chair, Green Up:**

Sheila Lapoint

**NVDA:**

Farley Brown

Linda Wells

**Asbestos Rep . To Citizens Advisory**

Farley Brown

Ben Mastin

Annie Volmer

**Financial Advisory Group**

Cheryl Crytzer (chair)

Marvin Brown

Tom Twetten

**Board of Civil Authority:**

5 Justices of the Peace

3 Select Board

Town Clerk

# Appointed Craftsbury Town Officers Con't

## **Town Recreation Committee:**

Aliena Gerhard  
Jennifer Lapoint  
Angel Prescott  
Fay Wright (chair)

## **War Memorial Committee:**

Everett Demeritt  
Michael Morrison  
Clyde Simmons Jr.  
Harry Sweatt  
Warren Williams  
Bob Twiss

## **Town Planning Commission:**

Tony Jones (2015)  
Robert Alexander (2015)\*  
Gordon Waterhouse (2015)  
Sharon Moffatt (2016)  
Farley Brown (2016)  
Linda Wells (2016) (chair)  
David Rowell (2017)  
Tim Patterson (2017)  
Emily Maclure (2017)

\*Note: Robert Alexander is the Flood Plain Ordinance Administrator

## **Energy Committee:**

Amelia Fritz (chair)  
Lisa Sammet  
Gina Campoli  
Kevin Gregoire  
Ira Powsner  
Mabel Houghton  
Ned Houston  
Adrian Owens  
Paul Ferrari

## **Conservation Commission**

Annie Volmer (2015)  
June Cook (2015)  
Steve Wright (2015)  
Joe Houston (2016) (co-chair)  
Diane Morgan (2016)  
Rhoda Sweatt (2016)  
Burt Strong (2017)  
Farley Brown (2017) (co-chair)  
Elinor Osborn (2017)

## **Town Website Committee:**

Carol Ceraldi (2016)  
Yvette Brown (2016)  
Michelle Warren, Chair (2017)  
June Cook (2017)  
Meghan Brown

## **Municipal Forest Committee**

Ann Ingerson (2015)  
Barbara Alexander (2015)  
Chris Sanville (2015)  
Logan Jones (2015)  
Paul Ferrari (2016)  
Keren Ferrari (2016)  
Ben Alexander (2016)  
James Moffatt (2016) (chair)  
James Jones (2016)  
Stuart Lapoint (2017)  
Robert Linck (2017)  
Rob Libby (Liason) (2017)  
Burt Strong (2017)

## **Ancient Road Committee**

Bob Alexander	Joe Young
Jim Moffatt	David Linck
Wayne Mutrux	Ross Morgan
Morris Rowell	Ed Williams
Henry Young	

## CRAFTSBURY SELECT BOARD REPORT – 2014

The Craftsbury Select Board met a total of 20 times this past year, mostly at the town hall but we did do a field trip or two this year.

Anne Marie Keppel, our Antiques and Uniques coordinator, plus many volunteers, pulled off another edition of the annual event in July. Many folks attended this event and the “weather gods” smiled on the Common that day. Several in-town organizations benefited from the proceeds of this event.

The new solar tracker was chosen and was installed in late August. We are tracking the power it produces each month. A couple of mechanical and technical glitches were promptly taken care of by the installer. You can read more about the tracker in the Energy Committee report.

Our road crew has had a busy year this year. Our sand was stockpiled early in May and June but we had to wait until fall for the gravel crusher to arrive. The road crew did have some leftover surplus gravel and were able to do small projects during the summer. We had this year’s gravel as well as next year’s gravel crushed all at once, so we will start the summer with two years worth of gravel. The crushing company agreed to take payment over two years as it saves them moving back in the spring. Paving was completed in late summer and added new pavement to part of the S. Craftsbury Road. The new loader that the town approved was delivered in mid-summer. The John Deere loader is doing a great job and we were able to add a nice set of forks into the purchase price by buying a loader with a few hours on the hour meter.

The Atwood Bridge project creeps along through the design process. Early ROW work is just starting and plans are still in place to replace the bridge in 2016. We, as a board, kept some money back to help fund the Atwood Bridge project and added another amount this year. Our goal is to have the Town’s five percent of the total cost set aside when it is time to build the bridge.

The select board is taking a look at the older roads in town and will be holding a hearing early in 2015 to discontinue a few unused roads or sections of roads.

We renewed the Village designation for Craftsbury Village and the Common and hope that businesses are able to take advantage of the tax savings or credits over the next 5 - year period. [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong\\_communities/opportunities/revitalization/village\\_centern](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/revitalization/village_centern)

Planning by local stores and individuals brought a town block party to the Village this summer. Mother nature did not want to be a player and dropped heavy rain on the event, but there was much enthusiasm and many folks turned out for the event in spite of the weather. The stores and Harry Miller held a Common Days on the Common in September and attracted many folks to the common for food and games.

## Select Board Report

Continued

Late in the year Carroll Sweeney accepted a job with the town of Albany and left the road crew. Kent Young was one of a pool of excellent candidates to apply and we were able to hire him back to our road crew. We want to thank Carroll for his excellent service to the town and wish him well in his new job.

We had our annual conversation regarding parking around the Common and near the school and College. Some progress was made but solutions seem to evade the folks involved. More work will be ongoing in an effort to keep our youth safe.

We held a mid-summer meeting with Paul Costello from Vermont Council on Rural Development. Paul works with his organization and towns to take a look at the future of various towns through a visioning process. It is a competitive program for towns but Craftsbury was selected to participate and the process will start late in the summer of 2015 to be completed in early 2016. It is our hope to be able to hear from many towns - people in the process. Please watch for more information as we start this process.

As usual, there are the folks that make the town operate smoothly on a daily basis. We wish to thank Steve, Ethan and Kent for keeping the road department running so well and Effie and Betty in the office for dealing with all the paperwork and being the smiling faces that greet guests who come to the office. Thanks for a job well done.

I would also thank the many volunteers that serve on the town committees and do a great job making those committees function so well. Several people took on the task of holiday decorating around town and their effort was sincerely appreciated. Last but not least, I thank Susie and Jim for their service in making my job easier and Michelle, our clerk, for keeping us all on track and organized. Your support of the Select Board budget is very much appreciated.

Bruce Urie, Select Board chair

## Craftsbury Select Board Budget

Road Dep't Expenses	Budget 2014	Actual 2014	Proposed 2015
Salaries	\$ 121,310.00	\$ 122,553.86	\$ 127,325.00
Retirement	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 5,706.20	\$ 5,200.00
Social Security & Medicare	\$ 9,725.00	\$ 9,851.18	\$ 9,850.00
Worker's Comp. Insurance	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 6,708.00	\$ 8,195.00
Health Insurance	\$ 37,648.00	\$ 37,558.23	\$ 49,520.00
Uniforms	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 4,765.48	\$ 4,800.00
Salt	\$ 36,500.00	\$ 44,443.92	\$ 48,000.00
Chloride	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 26,932.45	\$ 32,000.00
Fuel	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 51,247.44	\$ 50,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 57,559.87	\$ 60,000.00
Blacktop	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Guardrails	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,000.00
Equipment Insurance	\$ 14,700.00	\$ 15,173.00	\$ 16,388.00
Town Garage Utilities	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 10,607.21	\$ 12,000.00
Bridges	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,397.47	\$ 9,000.00
Ditch Stone	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,024.64	\$ 4,000.00
Sand	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 20,125.00	\$ 23,000.00
Gravel	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 37,340.00	\$ 35,000.00
Contract Services & Equip. Rental	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 9,020.00	\$ 11,000.00
Culverts	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,011.75	\$ 5,000.00
Road Fabric & Drainage	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,000.00
Mileage	\$ 500.00	\$ 505.26	\$ 500.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 992.48	\$ 3,000.00
911 Expense	\$ 600.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
Roadside Mowing	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 6,000.00
Signs & Posts	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,487.55	\$ 2,000.00
Class IV Roads	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,000.00
<b>Total Road Dept Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 556,633.00</b>	<b>\$ 549,910.99</b>	<b>\$ 590,278.00</b>

## Craftsbury Select Board Budget

Select Board Budget	Budget	Actual	Proposed
General Expenses	2014	2014	2015
Clerk & Treasurer	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 29,994.37	\$ 30,729.00
Clerk & Treasurer School	\$ 6,675.00	\$ 6,675.00	\$ 6,675.00
Retirement	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,944.86	\$ 1,955.00
Asst. Clerk	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 7,332.33	\$ 8,000.00
Select Board Clerk	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 760.00	\$ 1,000.00
Auditors	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 3,023.00	\$ 4,200.00
Listers	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,055.00	\$ 5,500.00
Select Board	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Health Officer	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Ballot Clerks	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,037.50	\$ 300.00
Health Insurance	\$ 12,801.00	\$ 9,671.30	\$ 11,000.00
Social Security	\$ 4,850.00	\$ 4,797.29	\$ 4,500.00
Parcel Map Update	\$ 600.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00
Mileage	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Office Supplies	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 9,541.87	\$ 12,500.00
Utilities (Hall & Office)	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 12,144.39	\$ 12,500.00
Workers Comp.	\$ 260.00	\$ 259.00	\$ 260.00
Assessments	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 19,573.74	\$ 22,000.00
Interest (Line of Credit)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Office Misc.	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,316.01	\$ 1,200.00
New Equipment	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,982.00	\$ 4,000.00
Legal Services	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 8,487.21	\$ 2,500.00
Town Committees	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,153.99	\$ 1,000.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,972.85	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 141,736.00</b>	<b>\$ 135,721.71</b>	<b>\$ 137,419.00</b>
<b>Total Select Board Budget</b>	<b>\$ 698,369.00</b>	<b>\$ 685,632.70</b>	<b>\$ 727,697.00</b>

## Craftsbury Select Board Budget

<b>Expenses Paid— Not in Budget</b>	<b>Actual 2014</b>
Appropriations	\$ 37,495.00
Delinquent Taxes to School	\$ 36,992.63
Yvette Brown (Tax Collector Fees)	\$ 9,386.05
Reimburse Craftsbury School	\$ 900.00
Loan Repayments (see indebtedness)	\$ 181,424.33
Loan Interest	\$ 8,082.01
Payroll Liability	\$ 1,276.70
Library Voted	\$ 29,000.00
Dog Expenses	\$ 1,173.30
Beach Expense	\$ 70.00
Fire Department Carry-over	\$ 20,000.00
Fire Department Expenses	\$ 38,908.76
Fire Department Grant	\$ 1,969.32
Fire Department Protective Gear- Cleaning	\$ 1,689.97
Cemetery	\$ 2,000.00
Antiques & Uniques	\$ 17,185.21
Reappraisal	\$ 7,381.50
Fire Dept. Tanker Truck	\$ 3,147.85
New Loader	\$ 89,237.96
Tracker (Solar)	\$ 22,500.00
Road work 2014-2015	\$ 45,978.49
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 555,799.08</b>
<b>Total Expenditures 2014</b>	<b>\$ 1,241,431.78</b>

<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget 2014</b>	<b>Proposed 2015</b>
Balance Carried Forward	\$ 82,944.66	\$ 54,668.29
State Aid (Highway)	\$ 135,000.00	\$ 135,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
Treasurer's Salary Reimbursement	\$ 6,675.00	\$ 6,675.00
Current Use	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Town Tax	\$ 396,249.34	\$ 443,853.71
<b>Income Totals</b>	<b>\$ 698,369.00</b>	<b>\$ 727,697.00</b>

<b>STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS &amp; DISPERSEMENTS</b>
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<b>Beginning Cash Balance January 1, 2014</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>82,944.66</b>
Bank Interest	\$	118.57
General Taxes	\$	508,695.47
Fire Department Taxes	\$	40,050.00
Fire Dept. Grant & Misc. Income	\$	8,499.38
Delinquent Taxes	\$	129,529.16
Interest on Taxes	\$	9,936.58
Tax Collector's Fee	\$	9,386.05
State of Vermont - Highway	\$	139,745.26
Reappraisal	\$	7,381.50
Loans LOC & Fire Dept.	\$	186,244.00
Dog Fees	\$	2,450.00
Beverage License Fees	\$	210.00
Copy/Vault Fees	\$	1,656.17
Recording Fees	\$	7,678.00
Weight Permit Fees	\$	215.00
Treasurer's Salary Reimbursement (from school)	\$	6,675.00
Milfoil Grants	\$	1,250.00
Conservation Income	\$	2,000.00
Current Use Reimbursement	\$	87,016.00
Reimbursements	\$	23,631.72
Miscellaneous	\$	298.75
Antiques & Uniques (reimbursement)	\$	17,185.21
FEMA	\$	903.59
Good Neighbor (reimbursement)	\$	22,400.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,213,155.41</b>
Total Funds Available	\$	1,296,100.07
Less Select Board Expenses	\$	1,241,431.78
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>54,668.29</b>
Bond	\$	50.00
<b>Cash &amp; Fund Balance as of Dec 31, 2014</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>54,718.29</b>

## TOWN SALARIES, ASSESSMENTS

Yvette Brown, Town Clerk & Treasurer	\$ 29,994.37
Yvette Brown, School Clerk & Treasurer	\$ 6,675.00
Yvette Brown, Delinquent Tax Collector	\$ 9,386.05
Cheryl Bailey, Clerk Aide	\$ 1,191.21
Elizabeth Urie, Assistant Clerk	\$ 6,141.12
Barbara Paterson, Lister	\$ 2,795.00
Anthony Aiossa, Lister	\$ 1,116.00
Michelle Warren, Lister	\$ 1,144.00
Lisa Santamore, Auditor	\$ 240.00
Cheryl Bailey, Auditor	\$ 846.00
Carolyn Ryan, Auditor	\$ 1,937.00
Steven Marckres, Road Department	\$ 46,985.94
Carroll Sweeney, Road Department	\$ 37,017.63
Ethan Morrison, Road Department	\$ 36,690.91
Kent Young, Road Department	\$ 1,859.38
Michelle Warren, Select Board Clerk	\$ 760.00
Susan Houston, Select Board	\$ 1,000.00
Bruce Urie, Select Board	\$ 1,000.00
James Jones, Select Board	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Total Salaries</b>	<b>\$ 187,779.61</b>
<b>ASSESSMENTS:</b>	
County Clerk, County Tax	\$ 16,600.74
VT League of Cities & Towns	\$ 2,179.00
VLCT Insurance	\$ 794.00
<b>Total Assessments:</b>	<b>\$ 19,573.74</b>

**TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY**  
*Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2014*

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Checking Account	\$ 54,668.29
Conservation Commission	\$ 683.00
Appraisal Account CD	\$ 17,096.96
Appraisal Account	\$ 63,160.57
Beach-Merchants	\$ 2,222.07
Curtain Account	\$ 8,137.40
Dustan-Preservation Account	\$ 330,726.92
Hatch-Webster-Logging Account	\$ 3,373.49
Logging CD	\$ 16,835.86
Solid Waste Management	\$ 3,028.32
Trustee of Public Funds	\$ 4,541.99
Good Neighbor Fund	\$ 56.00
Antiques & Uniques	\$ 1,693.11
Community Bond	\$ 50.00
<b>Total of Accounts</b>	<b>\$ 506,273.98</b>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	\$ 84,726.32
Fire Department dry Hydrant Grant	\$ 1,650.00
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$ 86,376.32</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 592,650.30</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Craftsbury School Delinquent Taxes	\$ 27,011.77
<b>Long Term Liabilities</b>	
Loader	\$ 69,836.35
Grader	\$ 78,954.94
Fire Truck	\$ 83,210.09
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 259,013.15</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
Net Assets	\$ 333,637.15
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 592,650.30</b>

Town of Craftsbury  
Statement of Taxes Raised

Tax Money Voted:	
Exempt Buildings (school portion)	\$ 2,777.00
General Fund	\$ 417,007.00
Appropriations	\$ 29,513.00
Fire Department	\$ 40,050.00
2012 Grader	\$ 70,948.00
Fire Truck	\$ 27,645.00
Public Library	\$ 29,000.00
Town School District	\$ 1,599,004.40
Craftsbury Community Care Center	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>
<b>Tax Money Voted</b>	<b>\$ 2,225,944.40</b>
<b>Total Billed:</b>	<b>\$ 2,583,939.68</b>
Plus Tax on State Land	<u>\$ 543.66</u>
<b>Total Billed</b>	<b>\$ 2,584,483.34</b>
<b>Taxes Billed By Department:</b>	
General Fund	\$ 945,428.94
Fire Department	\$ 40,050.00
School District	<u>\$ 1,599,004.40</u>
<b>Total Taxes Assessed &amp; Billed</b>	<b>\$ 2,584,483.34</b>
<b>Collections By Departments:</b>	
General Fund	\$ 412,229.99
Education Reimbursement	\$ 411,696.24
Current Use Received	\$ 87,016.00
Fire Department	\$ 40,050.00
School District	\$ 1,535,000.00
Delinquent Taxes	\$ 120,514.11
<b>Total Collections By Department</b>	<b>\$ 2,606,506.34</b>

## STATEMENT OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

Notes Payable	Maturity Date	Balance Jan 1, 2014	Borrowed	Interest Rate	Interest Paid 2014	Principal Paid 2014	Balance Dec 31, 2014
2012 Grader	2016	\$123,181.71		2.7%	\$ 3,325.91	\$ 39,971.62	\$ 83,210.09
Line of Credit	2014		\$100,000.00	2.5%	\$ 2,500.00	\$100,000.00	\$ 0.00
FD Tanker	2017	\$104,000.00		2.5%	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 25,045.06	\$ 78,954.94
Loader	2018		\$ 86,244.00	2.5%	\$ 2,156.10	\$ 16,407.65	\$ 69,836.35
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$227,181.71</b>	<b>\$186,244.00</b>		<b>\$10,582.01</b>	<b>\$181,424.33</b>	<b>\$ 232,001.38</b>

## STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES

Tax Year	Balance 01/01/2014	Abated	To Collector	Collected 2014	Balance 12/31/2014
2006	\$ 2,752.19			\$ 1,948.85	\$ 803.34
2007	\$ 3,472.16			\$ 2,598.21	\$ 873.95
2010	\$ 2,389.62			\$ 2,389.62	\$ 0.00
2011	\$ 2,682.81			\$ 2,682.81	\$ 0.00
2012	\$ 11,404.48			\$ 11,404.48	\$ 0.00
2013	\$ 70,166.86			\$ 64,922.39	\$ 5,244.47
2014	\$ 0.00		\$ 120,514.11	\$ 42,709.55	\$ 77,804.56
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 92,868.12</b>		<b>\$ 120,514.11</b>	<b>\$ 128,655.91</b>	<b>\$ 84,726.32</b>

## CRAFTSBURY TOWN ASSETS

	Acquired	Replacement Date	Original Cost
2003 International Truck	2003	2013	\$ 86,000.00
2007 International Truck 10 Wheeler	2006	2016	\$ 130,000.00
Heavy Trailer	2007	-	\$ 4,000.00
1995 Chevy GMC 2500	2008	-	\$ 2,000.00
2009 International Dump Truck	2009	2019	\$ 132,000.00
2012 Grader	2012	2022	\$ 200,000.00
Culvert Thawer	2013	-	\$ 7,300.00
2012 John Deere Loader	2014	2024	\$ 128,244.00
Solar Tracker	2014	-	\$ 30,000.00

## ADDITIONAL TOWN ACCOUNTS

<b>REAPPRAISAL INVESTMENT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 55,767.89
Income	\$ 7,381.50
Plus: Interest	\$ 11.18
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 63,160.57</b>
<b>REAPPRAISAL CD ACCOUNT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 17,071.33
Plus: Interest	\$ 25.63
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 17,096.96</b>
<b>SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 3,026.80
Plus: Interest	\$ 1.52
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 3,028.32</b>
<b>TOWN LOGGING ACCOUNT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 2,115.90
Deposit	\$ 1,256.96
Plus: Interest	\$ .63
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 3,373.49</b>
<b>TOWN LOGGING CD ACCOUNT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 16,810.62
Plus: Interest	\$ 25.24
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 16,835.86</b>
<b>AUGUSTA DUSTAN PRESERVATION FUND</b>	
Money Market Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 258,318.86
Loans Borrowed /Withdrawn	- \$ 186,244.00
Payments on Loans	\$ 181,424.33
Interest paid on loans / Interest & dividends	\$ 13,757.20
Reinvested	- \$ 757.46
<b>Money Market Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 266,498.93</b>
CDs	\$ 0.00
Bonds	\$ 42,615.56
Mutual Funds	\$ 21,612.43
<b>Total Portfolio</b>	<b>\$ 330,726.92</b>

## Town Accounts Continued

<b>STAGE CURTAIN ACCOUNT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 8,125.21
Plus: Interest	\$ 12.19
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 8,137.40</b>
<b>CRAFTSBURY WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FUND</b>	
Beginning Balance 01/01/2014	\$ 19,695.19
Income Earned	\$ 836.85
Withdrawn	\$ - 90.00
Decrease in value	\$ - 366.50
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 20,075.54</b>
<b>BEACH ACCOUNT</b>	
Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 2,221.61
Plus: Interest	\$ .46
<b>Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 2,222.07</b>
<b>ANTIQUES AND UNIQUES</b>	
Beginning Balance 1/1/2014	\$ 1,643.99
Income	\$ 17,232.00
Interest	\$ 2.33
Expenses	\$ 11,991.19
Total given to local organizations	\$ 5,194.02
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 1,693.11</b>
<b>REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS</b>	
Cemetery Trust Funds (Principal as of 1/1/14)	\$ 840.00
Interest earned prior to 1/1/14	\$ 3,690.65
Interest Earned in 2014	\$ 11.34
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2014</b>	<b>\$ 4,541.99</b>
<b>GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND (Beginning Balance)</b>	
Deposit	\$ 22,451.91
Plus: Interest	\$ 4.09
Less: Withdrawals	\$ 22,400.00
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/14</b>	<b>\$ 56.00</b>

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Craftsbury 2014 Billed Grand List  
Tax Book Report  
\*\*\* GRAND TOTALS \*\*\*

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Yvette Brown

	MUNICIPAL	HOMESTEAD	NON-RESI
TAXABLE PARCELS	739		
ACRES	23,654.21		
LAND	51,504,700		
BUILDING	80,919,800		
REAL	132,424,500	67,376,300	65,048,200
Add			
(+) NON-APPROVED CONTRACTS		0	42,800
(+) NON-APPROVED FARM CONTRACTS		0	0
(+) INVENTORY	0		
(+) EQUIPMENT	0		0
Subtract			
(-) VETERAN	160,000	120,000	40,000
(-) FARM STAB	0	0	0
(-) CURRENT USE	16,510,479	4,673,745	11,836,734
(-) CONTRACTS	42,800	0	42,800
(-) SPECIAL EXEMP.		0	0
GRAND LIST	1,157,112.21	625,825.55	531,714.66
HOMESTEAD	119,332,600		
HOUSESITE	91,346,700		
LEASE	0.00		
NON-TAX COUNT	39		
NON-TAX VAL.	6,170,800		
LATE HOMESTEAD PENALTY:			2,707.60
RATE NAME	TAX RATE	X GRAND LIST	= TOTAL RAISED
NON-RESIDENTIAL ED.	1.4863	531,286.66	789,651.42
HOMESTEAD ED.	1.8756	625,825.55	1,173,798.33
LOCAL AGREEMENTS	0.0024	1,157,112.21	2,776.95
LOADER LOAN	0.0160	1,157,112.21	18,513.95
LOANS	0.0613	1,157,112.21	70,931.13
C. PUBLIC LIBRARY	0.0251	1,157,112.21	29,043.73
CCCC	0.0086	1,157,112.21	9,951.19
APPROPRIATIONS INCL	0.0256	1,157,112.21	29,621.92
FIRE DEPARTMENT	0.0346	1,157,112.21	40,036.18
MUNICIPAL	0.3603	1,157,112.21	416,907.28
TOTAL TAX			2,583,939.68
TOTAL STATE PAYMENTS			411,696.24

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	170	26,722,500	19,708,600	7,013,900	26,722,500
Residential II R2	212	47,989,900	34,315,600	13,674,300	47,989,900
Mobile Homes-U MHU	10	255,900	177,400	78,500	255,900
Mobile Homes-L MHL	34	3,036,100	2,370,500	665,600	3,036,100
Seasonal I S1	56	8,160,700	1,079,700	7,081,000	8,160,700
Seasonal II S2	57	11,259,700	1,883,400	9,376,300	11,259,700
Commercial C	15	6,268,300	64,600	6,203,700	6,268,300
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	1	267,700	227,800	39,900	267,700
Utilities-E UE	2	2,480,400	0	2,480,400	2,480,400
Utilities-O UO	1	47,900	0	47,900	47,900
Farm F	26	11,583,100	5,325,900	6,257,200	11,583,100
Other O	0	0	0	0	0
Woodland W	36	4,019,900	578,100	3,441,800	4,019,900
Miscellaneous M	119	10,332,400	1,644,700	8,687,700	10,332,400
<b>TOTAL LISTED REAL</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>132,424,500</b>	<b>67,376,300</b>	<b>65,048,200</b>	<b>132,424,500</b>
P.P. Cable	0	0		0	0
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
<b>TOTAL LISTED P.P.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL LISTED VALUE</b>		<b>132,424,500</b>	<b>67,376,300</b>	<b>65,048,200</b>	<b>132,424,500</b>
<b>EXEMPTIONS</b>					
Veterans 10K	4	40,000	30,000	10,000	40,000
Veterans >10K		120,000			
<b>Total Veterans</b>		<b>160,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>
P.P. Contracts	0	0			
Contracts Apprv VEPC	0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	1	42,800			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0	0			
<b>Total Contracts</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>42,800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Farm Stab Apprv VEPC	0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0	0			
<b>Total FarmStab Contr</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Current Use	134	16,510,479	4,673,745	11,836,734	16,510,479
Special Exemptions	0		0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sub-total Exemptions</b>		<b>16,713,279</b>	<b>4,703,745</b>	<b>11,846,734</b>	<b>16,550,479</b>
<b>Total Exemptions</b>		<b>16,713,279</b>	<b>4,703,745</b>	<b>11,846,734</b>	<b>16,550,479</b>
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST</b>		<b>1,157,112.21</b>			
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST</b>			<b>626,725.55</b>	<b>532,014.66</b>	<b>1,158,740.21</b>
<b>NON-TAX</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411</b>			

Vermont Department of Taxes

NOTICE of  
EDUCATION TAX RATES for FISCAL YEAR 2015

TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY

Prepared: June 27, 2014

**NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE**

Non-Residential Tax Rate to be Assessed: \$ 1.4863

**HOMESTEAD TAX RATE**

Homestead Tax Rate to be Assessed: \$ 1.8756

The Homestead Education Tax Rate is based in part on the education spending per equalized pupil of all the pupils residing in your town. Many town districts are also members of union school districts. Each town and union school district will have a tax rate based on its spending per pupil. For towns with multiple school districts, the tax rate is a combination of those rates.

Town-specific information on education tax rate calculations is available on the Department of Taxes website at:

<http://www.tax.vermont.gov/pvredtaxrates.shtml>

By law, the legislative body in each municipality shall bill each property taxpayer at the homestead or non-residential rate as determined by the Commissioner for their municipality.

32 V.S.A. Sec. 5402(b)(1)

If you have questions about your education tax rates, please call the Vermont Department of Taxes at (802) 828-5860.

**ORIGINAL:** Chair Selectboard / City Council

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**FY2015 Education Funding Cash Flow for Municipality, Phase I**  
Based on PRELIMINARY Education Grand Lists sent to PV&R as of 02-Sep-14

District: **Craftsbury**  
s.u.: **Orleans Southwest S.U.**

LEA ID: **T055**  
County: **Orleans**

**FY2015 Education Spending Summary**

		Local		
1. Total Education Grant Owed to the School Districts	line 19, Page 2	2,805,534	-	-
2. Percent of equalized pupils at school district(s) from Craftsbury		100%	0.00%	0.00%
3. Education spending Craftsbury is responsible for	line 1 x line 2	2,805,534	-	-

	Reference	Municipal Treasury	School District Treasury	State Treasury
4. Homestead Education Grand List	611,503.53			
5. Homestead tax rate (base rate is \$0.98, adjusted by district spending per pupil and CLA)	1.8756			
6. Homestead education property tax liability	Homestead EGL x Homestead tax rate 1,146,936.00			
7. Total tax credit for tax bills	32 V.S.A. § 6066a(e) 386,492.49			
8. Municipal portion of tax credit	28,395.78			
9. Education portion of homestead tax credit	358,096.71			
10.				
11. Amount raised on homestead properties	line 6 - line 9 788,839.29			
12. 0.225 of 1.0% of homestead liability retained by municipality	32 V.S.A. § 5402(c) 787,064.40	1,774.89		
13. Net homestead education taxes available for school districts & Education Fund	0.00002%		787,064.40	
14. Local amount of homestead tax liability for education spending plus categorical grants				
15.				
16. Homestead education tax liability to the state treasury				
17. Subtotals	788,839.29	1,774.89	787,064.40	-
18.				
19. Non-Residential Education Tax				
20. Non-Residential education grand list	547,514.34			
21. Non-Residential tax rate (base rate is \$1.515, adjusted by the CLA)	1.4863			
22. Non-residential education liability	Non-residential EGL x non-residential tax rate 813,771.00			
23. Amount Raised on Non-Residential properties	813,771.00			
24. 0.225 of 1.0% of non-residential liability retained by municipality	32 V.S.A. § 5402(c) 811,940.00	1,831.00		
25. Net non-residential education taxes available for school districts & Education Fund	0.00002%		811,940.00	
26. Local amount of non-residential tax liability for education spending plus categorical grants				
27.				
28. Non-residential education liability to the State Treasury				
29. Subtotals	813,771.00	1,831.00	811,940.00	-
30.				
31. Totals	line 18 + line 30 1,602,610.29	3,605.89	1,599,004.40	-

**FY2015 Municipality Payment Schedule TO the State Treasury**  
(Homestead payments are based on line 18, non-residential payments on line 30)

	September 10, 2014	December 1, 2014	December 10, 2014	April 30, 2015	June 1, 2015
Homestead taxes		0.00			0.00
Non-residential taxes		0.00			0.00

A. Payments to the School District by the Town Treasurer		School District Subtotals	
16 V.S.A. §§ 426(a)(b); 32 V.S.A. § 6066a(a)			
32. Homestead taxes to the local school district	line 14	787,064.40	32.
33. Non-residential taxes to the local school district	line 25	811,940.00	33.
34.	line 15	-	34.
35.	line 27	-	35.
36.	line 16	-	36.
37.	line 29	-	37.
38. Act 144 local construction property tax sent to the school district by Craftsbury		-	38.
39. Total education tax dollars sent to the school district by Craftsbury	Total	1,599,004.40	39.

If you have any questions about these data, please contact Sean Cousino at 479-1026.  
If he cannot be reached, contact Brad James at 479-1043.

**FY2015 Education Funding Cash Flow for School District, Phase I**  
Based on PRELIMINARY Education Grand Lists sent to PV&R as of 02-Sep-14

District: **Craftsbury**  
s.u.: **Orleans Southwest S.U.**

LEA ID: **T055**  
County: **Orleans**

Rev

			Rev	Codes	
1. Budgeted expenditures as reported by School District		3,696,879			1.
2. Capital costs excluded from local education spending	Act 144, amended by Act 150 of the 2002 Legislative session	-			2.
3. Revenues dedicated to excluded capital costs		-			3.
4. Netted capital costs to be raised by local construction tax	line 2 - line 3	-			4.
5. Net budgeted expenditures, less eligible Act 144 costs	line 1 - line 2	3,696,879			5.
6. Net Budgeted local revenues as reported by School District (less Act 144 revenues)		1,063,757			6.
7. Preliminary education spending	line 5 - line 6	2,633,122			7.
8. Hold-harmless aid for pre-existing eligible capital debt	Sec. 23(a), Act 60, 1997 amended by Sec. 99(a), Act 71, 1998	-			8.
9. Education Spending	line 7 - line 8, 16 V.S.A. § 4001(f)	2,633,122			9.
10. 87% of base education payment to tech center paid by the State for the district	16 V.S.A. § 1561(b)	34,978		3114	10.
11. Adjusted Education Spending	line 9 - line 10	2,598,144			11.

**School District Cash Flow**

		Required Funding			
12. Hold-harmless aid for pre-existing eligible capital debt	Sec. 23(a), Act 60, 1997 amended by Sec. 99(a), Act 71, 1998	-			12.
13. Small schools support grant	16 V.S.A. § 4015(b)	153,280			13.
14. Small schools financial stability grant	16 V.S.A. § 4015(c)	-			14.
15. Transportation aid	16 V.S.A. § 4016(a)	54,110			15.
16. Extraordinary transportation aid	16 V.S.A. § 4016(b)	-			16.
17. Subtotal of categorical grants		207,390			17.
18. Adjusted Education Spending	line 11	2,598,144			18.
19. Total Education Grant from the Ed Fund Owed to the School District	Line 17 + Line 18	2,805,534			19.

**Education Fund sources**

		Reference	Sources		
20. Payment to school district by town on behalf of State from homestead education taxes	Page 1, line 14		787,064.40		20.
21. Balance of education spending after homestead taxes	line 19 - line 20	2,018,469.60			21.
22. Payment to school district by town on behalf of State from non-residential education taxes	Page 1, line 26		811,940.00		22.
23. Balance of education spending after non-residential taxes	line 21 - line 22	1,206,529.60			23.
24. Subtotal of education property taxes	line 20 + line 22		1,599,004.40		24.
25. Additional funding required from the State Treasury, including categorical grants	16 V.S.A. § 4028(a)		1,206,529.60		25.
26. Total of funding sources	lines 24 + 25		2,805,534		26.

**Revenue Codes**

			Coding		
27. Adjusted education grant owed the school district by the Ed Fund	line 11		2,598,144	3110	27.
28. Hold-harmless aid for pre-existing eligible capital debt	line 12		-	3160	28.
29. Small schools support grant	line 13		153,280	3145	29.
30. Small schools financial stability grant	line 14		-	3146	30.
31. Transportation aid	line 15		54,110	3150	31.
32. Extraordinary transportation aid	line 16		-	3152	32.
33. Subtotal of funding sources			2,805,534		33.

**Summary of School District Cash Flow**

34. Total funds required by school district	line 19	2,805,534			34.
35. Total funding from the Education Fund	line 33		2,805,534		35.
36. net Act 144 funds required by school district		-			36.
37. net Act 144 tax dollars from municipality			-		37.
38. Total of funding sources		2,805,534		2,805,534	38.

**FY2015 School District Net Payment Schedule FROM the State Treasury**  
(based on line 25)

	September 10, 2014	December 1, 2014	December 10, 2014	April 30, 2015	June 1, 2015
Receipts from the Ed Fund	402,177.00		402,177.00	402,175.60	

If you have any questions about these data, please contact Sean Cousino at 479-1026.  
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## Craftsbury Dog License Report

Dog Warden: Christopher Masse 586-7794

All dogs/wolf hybrids 6 months or older shall be licensed on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> and must have a valid rabies vaccination certificate. The rabies certificate is good for three years. A 50% penalty will be charged for dogs licensed after April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Females:                 \$12.00    Males:                 \$12.00**  
**Spayed Females:     \$ 8.00    Neutered Males:     \$ 8.00**

\*The above figures include a \$1 fee per dog charged by the state for the purpose of a rabies control program. Also a \$3 spaying & neutering fee surcharge that goes to the state.

Note: The Rabies Clinic at the Town Hall will be Saturday, March 21st, from 12:30-1:00 PM  
The Rabies Clinic at Hardwick Vet. Hospital will take walk ins all Saturdays in March from 9-1 for \$15.00.

The State of Vermont continues to recommend that all dogs and cats be vaccinated again this year, due to the increased number of confirmed cases of rabies. If your pet's rabies certificate is current, you may mail in the fee and a certificate and the tag will be returned to you.

LICENSE DESCRIPTION	# LICENSES	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>Regular Licenses:</b>			
Female Dogs (not spayed)	9	\$12.00	\$108.00
Female Dogs (spayed)	98	\$8.00	\$784.00
Male Dogs (not neutered)	20	\$12.00	\$240.00
Male Dogs (neutered)	95	\$8.00	\$760.00
<b>Kennel Licenses</b>			
Male & Female Dogs	0	0	0
<b>Late Fee Licenses:</b>			
Female Dogs (not spayed)	3	\$18.00	\$54.00
Female Dogs (spayed)	21	\$12.00	\$252.00
Male Dogs (not neutered)	6	\$18.00	\$108.00
Male Dogs (neutered)	12	\$12.00	\$144.00
Lost Tag Fee	2		\$ 0.00
<b>Total Fees Collected:</b>			<b>\$2,450.00</b>
<b>Less Fees Paid to State</b>	264	\$4.00	-\$1,056.00
<b>Total Fees to the Town</b>			<b>\$1,394.00</b>

## Craftsbury Fire Department Report 2014

A major point of emphasis the past two years was to increase the number of first responders to provide emergency medical service to our towns people and visitors. Five fire fighters have completed the basic EMT class and passed the state and national tests. This gives us a total of six first responders to respond to medical emergencies. The need for additional first responders and fire fighters is never ending. We would be glad to answer any questions you might have about fire and or rescue service.

Our dry hydrant program continues to expand. We installed two new hydrants in 2014. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Ziad and to Walt and Sandy Gutzmann for allowing us to install hydrants on their property. We now have 27 of these hydrants installed at strategic locations around town. If you are planning to build a pond on your property we would be happy to talk to you about the possibility of installing a hydrant in the pond.

This year the department took some fund raising monies (\$11,000) and purchased a new thermal imaging camera. This new piece of equipment is used on almost all calls.

The Craftsbury Fire Department continues to promote the use of the Knox Box Rapid Entry System for all school, commercial and private dwellings in town. This system will allow rapid access to your property in an emergency without damaging your property. We will have models of this system on display at town meeting. We will be happy to come to your home to discuss this program. Fire fighters Mike Church and Adam Darling moved out of town this year. We appreciate their service to our town.

We encourage all home owners to install and maintain their 911 address signs. These are available at no cost at the town clerks office or the fire department at no cost to the homeowners.

One major project we will start this year will be to lower the town's ISO rating which is used to calculate your fire insurance premiums.

This years officers are as follows:

Chief	Walter Gutzmann
1st Assistant Chief	Randi Calderwood
2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief	Eric Britton
Captain	Steve Perkins
Lieutenants	Kiel Britton & Jeremiah McCann
Training Officer	Eric Britton
President	Bruce Urie
Secretary	Steve Perkins

## Fire Department Balance Sheet

Balance 1/1/14	\$ 11,499.61
Grant Reimbursement - Dry hydrant	\$ 3,646.00
Tax Money Voted	\$ 40,050.00
Insurance claim	\$ 4,853.38
<b>Total Funds Available</b>	<b>\$ 60,048.99</b>
Grant Expenses - Dry Hydrant	\$ 1,969.32
Less Fire Department Expenses Paid	\$ 38,908.76
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/14</b>	<b>\$ 19,170.91</b>

<b>FUNDS DISBURSED</b>	<b>BUDGET 2014</b>	<b>Actual 2014</b>	<b>Budget 2015</b>
Insurance & Dues	\$ 14,350.00	\$ 14,814.00	\$ 14,350.00
Telephone & Dispatch	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 924.20	\$ 1,200.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 13,054.51	\$ 10,000.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,493.31	\$ 500.00
New Equipment	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 5,386.07	\$ 7,500.00
Fire Prevention/Training	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,124.70	\$ 2,000.00
Dry Hydrant	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,111.97	\$ 2,500.00
Hepatitis Shots	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
Office	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
Emergency Medical Training/Equipment	\$ 1,000.00	\$	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 40,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 38,908.76</b>	<b>\$ 40,050.00</b>

<b>Augusta Dustan Bequest—CD</b>	
Balance 1/1/14	\$ 10,506.74
Interest	\$ 15.77
<b>Balance 12/31/14</b>	<b>\$ 10,522.51</b>

<b>Fire Department Assets</b>	<b>Acquired</b>	<b>Replacement Date</b>	<b>Original Cost</b>
1987 International Pumper	1997	2013	\$ 15,000
1993 Simon Duplex Pumper	2007	2025	\$115,000
1995 Freightliner Rescue Truck	2004	2024	\$100,000
2005 Sterling Tanker	2013		\$142,398

**Craftsbury Recreation Committee**  
**2014 Treasurers' Report**

<b><u>Dean Johnson Memorial Fund –Time Link CD</u></b>	
Balance 1/1/14	\$1,521.85
Interest Earned	<u>\$3.44</u>
Current Balance 12/31/14	<b>\$1,525.29</b>
<b><u>Dean Johnson Memorial Fund—MMA</u></b>	
Balance 1/1/14	\$763.13
Interest Earned	<u>\$.12</u>
Current Balance 12/31/14	<b>\$763.25</b>
<b><u>Craftsbury Recreation Committee—Time Link CD</u></b>	
Balance 1/1/14	\$1,419.01
Interest Earned	<u>\$3.31</u>
Current Balance 12/31/14	<b>\$1,422.32</b>
<b><u>Craftsbury Recreation Committee—MMA</u></b>	
Balance 1/1/14	<b>\$2,222.57</b>
<b><u>INCOME:</u></b>	
Interest Earned	\$.49
Income	\$1,025.00
Town Appropriations	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total Income 2014	<b>\$2,025.49</b>
<b><u>Expenses:</u></b>	
Robert Taplin Town Beach Toilet	\$240.72
Activities	\$23.47
Old Home Day Misc.	<u>\$1,447.18</u>
Total Expenses 2014	<b>\$1,711.37</b>
<b>Current Balance 12/31/14</b>	<b>\$2,563.69</b>

In 2014 the Recreation Committee once again hosted Old Home Day and Trick or Trunk. Both events were well attended and enjoyed by many children and adults. We would like to extend our thanks to the local businesses and individuals who donated prizes and their time. We always welcome new volunteers to help organize these fun events.

Fay Wright

## Antiques and Uniques

The skies were bright and full of sunshine for the 44th annual Antiques and Uniques Festival. Sterling College's open house and cross country bike tour were planned for the same day which made traffic in town and around the Common rather exciting!

With great support from many individuals and organizations the day was a great success and went smoothly. In addition to the 100 vendors a silent auction was set up to bring in further financial support for the town and to generate more interest in the crafter's wares. The general feeling was that the auction was a nice addition but it needed more supervision and scheduled volunteers.

Since the demand at the food tent was so great for the 2013 event, the A&U core committee agreed to increase the amount of product to sell. Like the previous year the locally-raised beef burgers were sold out before lunch hour was up and the new local sausages were also a hit. As the demand and appreciation for the local foods BBQ persists, Antiques and Uniques will happily provide and welcome the increased revenue! Fortunately, the nice new grill is more than able to handle the load and the grill volunteers were thankful for the improvement! A big round of applause goes to Jane Marlin who seems to be a food tent magician!

A generous grant from Ben & Jerry's allowed for some improvements to the foundation of the festival workings. Signage for roadside directions and sandwich boards for the grounds were purchased with the funding. Also, thanks to the grant the musicians were able to be paid and more money was allotted for advertising. This year Antiques and Uniques is on the look out for new tables for the food tent and outdoor café that will be lighter and more portable than those old cumbersome ones! The festival will continue to make "green" improvements, by expanding the local foods selection sold in the food tent and by implementing fun, educational games and features such as the three stages composting display created by Sterling College.

There were great reports from the farmer's market (held on the school lawn) and from the library's book sale, and reports from the vendors were mostly positive. Of course, there is always room for improvement and suggestions are welcome! Even though an entire tent was set up for dining, there still were clusters of people looking for shade to relax and listen to folk music. This will be an easy fix for 2015 event.

Special thank you to the local donors: Cellars at Jasper Hill Farmstead, Union Bank and Community National Bank. Thank you also to the local businesses who donated product or a percentage of the product total: Pete's Greens, the Leblanc Family Farm, Still Meadows Farm, The Craftsbury General Store, The C Village Store, Sawmill Brook Farm and Northern Vermont Tent Rental.

The Town of Craftsbury pulls together to create and support this charming and awesome event. There are too many to list to thank each and every volunteer, business and vendor who work to make this such a fantastic event- but just know that you are appreciated!

Anne Marie Keppel

## Craftsbury Energy Committee: Town Report 2014

2014 was a busy and interesting year for the Craftsbury Energy Committee (CEC). At Town Meeting in March 2014 the voters approved the expenditure of up to \$27,000.00 from the so-called "Good Neighbor Fund" to purchase a solar panel installation for the benefit of the town. Kevin Gregoire did the technical research for this project. Informational meetings were held and talks with solar installers, the Select Board and Road Crew which concluded in sitting a net-metered Solar Tracker array on Town Garage property. The solar array is expected to produce up to 1/3 of the electricity used by the Town Garage and Fire Department. The payback period for the Town is expected to be 12 years at current electric rates and usage. The 24 panel array is a 6400 watt, or 6.4 kW, solar electric installation is expected to produce just over 10,000 kWh per year from a 6,400 watt array.

The final cost with state incentives was \$22,500. Installation took place in August and the grand opening ribbon cutting was held on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. All local elected officials as well as Vermont LT. Governor Phill Scott and 50 community participants attended the celebration. This was a big success for our small town and we hope to inspire other towns to take steps toward energy self-sufficiency and for Craftsbury to continue with future projects.

CEC members and community members participated in the 2014 Vermontivate online community sustainability game.

Programs sponsored by CEC included "Solar: Imagine the Possibilities" with Rich Nicols of Solar Tech, our solar installer, which was held in May with an attendance of 50 people; we had a table and float for Old Home Day in August, and in October we had an Alternative Energy Walk visiting four sites covering passive solar design, the solar tracker, weatherization and off grid living.

Community outreach projects included free walk-through energy audits for local residents (contact the Energy Committee if you want a walk-through), village beautification spring bulb planting and holiday decorating.

CEC has begun investigating street light upgrades to more efficient LED fixtures, cold-climate heat pumps, and solar hot water as well as working with the schools on energy efficiency measures.

Chair Amelia Fritz was a presenter at the annual Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network conference for Vermont Town energy committees. She gave an overview of our committee's work over the past six years including the Town solar tracker project.

CEC always welcomes new members. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the Craftsbury Public Library. Please contact Amelia Fritz at 586-2887.

Members: Amelia Fritz (Chair), Lisa Sammet (Secretary), Kevin Gregoire, Ned Houston, Mabel Houston, Jim Flint, Marcel Masse, Kathy Stark, Adrian Owens, and Select Board Liaison Susan Houston.



## 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

The Craftsbury Conservation Commission serves the town by collecting information about the town's natural resources, by providing educational opportunities to broaden the community understanding of our natural resources, and by assisting the Selectboard and Craftsbury Planning Commission with natural resource issues.

A major focus this past year has been on non-native, invasive plant species which continue to be a concern as they spread across the landscape, displacing native plants and impacting the natural biodiversity throughout town. Actively removing invasive species, knotweed, has been the primary objective of work sessions at the Craftsbury Public House, formerly the Craftsbury Inn in the village.

The commission has compiled a manual of best practices for dealing with certain invasives prevalent along Craftsbury roadsides and is working with the Highway Department to help them follow these practices as much as possible.

The town now owns two "weed wrenches," equipment specifically used for pulling out invasive plants, such as, buckthorn, honeysuckle, and Japanese barberry. These wrenches are available for loan to Craftsbury residents; members of the commission are willing to demonstrate how to use the wrench. More workshops are planned in the future. If you are interested in accessing the wrench, please contact Joe at the phone number below.

In 2014, the Craftsbury Conservation Commission received a grant from the Vermont Community Foundation to conduct the Upper Black River Stabilization Project, an effort to assess the health of the river through Craftsbury Village and upstream to Whitney Brook, including the Little Hosmer Dam tributary. Siltation, primarily from eroding and collapsing streambanks, as well as runoff from dirt roads, has been a long-term problem on the upper reaches of the Black River, impacting fish habitat and overall stability of the river. Japanese knotweed also destabilizes the banks.

Under Farley's stewardship, the project this summer included a survey of the streambank stability, documentation of Japanese knotweed infestation, and mapping of this information using Geographic Information Systems (GIS). The result is a suggested management plan that details an approach to streambank stabilization, including a demonstration site and public educational programs. This information is critical not only for the immediate health of the river, but also for town planning and flood resiliency.

With the passage of state legislation affecting lakeshore properties bordering bodies of water ten acres or larger, the commission has compiled a list of property owners to apprise them of the new regulations.

The commission co-sponsored an educational program on beavers, their habitat, contributions to wetland biodiversity, and humane control through alternative methods.

The Craftsbury Conservation Commission members thank Burt Strong for his years of service and welcome new members John Bailey and June Cook.

The commission meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. All residents are encouraged to attend. Please contact (Joe Houston, 586-2536) for further information. Suggestions about how we can continue to conserve and protect our natural heritage are always welcomed.

Craftsbury Conservation Commission Members: Chair, Joe Houston; John Bailey; Farley Brown; June Cook, Secretary; Diane Morgan, Treasurer; Elinor Osborn; Rhoda Sweatt; Jay Wright; Steve Wright. Select Board liaison, Susie Houston.

## Craftsbury Planning Commission 2014 Report

The Craftsbury Planning Commission was created in 2000 to assist the Select board with flood management planning, specifically the development of floodplain regulations. Since then the commission drafted a telecommunications ordinance and wrote, and updated, the Craftsbury Town Plan. Linda Wells has been involved with the commission from the beginning and this fall she stepped down after many years of dedication, including serving as vice chair as well as chair. We will miss her and we thank her for all the hard work she did with such grace and good spirit.

The Craftsbury Planning Commission was very busy in 2014: we welcomed new members Emily Maclure, Annie Rowell, and Tim Patterson, and we began preparations for the second rewrite of the town plan. This included investigating ways to engage the community in the planning process, and also understanding new requirements for the town plan. All town plans must now include a flood resilience element, which requires the town to identify flood hazard and fluvial erosion hazards based on river corridor maps, and to protect areas in order to reduce the risk of flood damage to infrastructure and property. The town was awarded a 2015 Vermont Municipal Planning Grant to assist in rewriting the town plan, specifically addressing flood resilience and affordable housing.

The Craftsbury Planning Commission will be mailing a community survey this spring. The goal of the survey is to gather input from all residents on what we value about Craftsbury and what concerns, if any, we might have about the future of our town. When you receive the survey in the mail, please complete and return it. **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL HAVE A VOICE IN THE PLAN!** Later in 2015 community members will have the opportunity to discuss issues and generate ideas for the town through a process which will be organized by the Vermont Council on Rural Development. More information to come!

Craftsbury's village center designation was updated under the guidance of Sung Hee Chung. With this designation, the state recognizes and encourages the town's efforts to revitalize the village center; with this designation the town is eligible for specific state grants and assistance. The Planning Commission is grateful for the hours that she and other volunteers have put into the process.

The Craftsbury Planning Commission meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall. Please join us or contact Farley Brown (586-9973) if you have any questions or thoughts about planning in Craftsbury.

Craftsbury Planning Commission members:  
Robert Alexander, Farley Brown (chair), Tony Jones, Emily Maclure, Sharon Moffatt (secretary and treasurer), Annie Rowell, David Rowell, Tim Patterson (vice chair), Gordon Waterhouse.

## Craftsbury Municipal Forest Committee

The Craftsbury Municipal Forest Committee is dedicated to the understanding and protection of our town forests through careful management based on ecological principles and community values. Some of our primary objectives are the identification of unique natural areas, the building of trail systems, the documentation of past forestland ownership and land use, and the consideration of timber production capacity bases on ecosystem integrity and resilience.

We are currently working on a new management plan for 2014 – 2050 that will focus on the long-term goals of conservation, public use, wildlife habitat, and timber growth to slow fragmentation. The committee will be reviewing and refining the proposed plan written by Jim Moffatt at our winter meeting. The finished plan will then be presented to the Select Board for consideration.

The harvest on Coburn Hill was completed in January and the committee was very pleased with the result. Again, kudos to Ross Morgan and Adam Allen for a job well done. The total number of board feet harvested was 19,540, the majority coming from the pine plantation on the east side of Coburn Hill Road. Softwood and hardwood pulp was selectively harvested in the mixed stands for a total of 21 tons. The hardwood pulp was sold on the stump for firewood. Revenue from the harvest amounted to \$1,256.96 and was added to the town logging account in February.

The parking area at the head of the Coburn Hill hiking trail was used for a log landing and required a work crew to clean it up. This was accomplished in May along with a crew who improved and remarked the trail. The Coburn Hill trail sign was originally crafted by Keren Ferrari and she is planning to refinish it for reinstallation in the spring.

In October, a sub-committee met on the Hatch Brook Road to establish and mark the western boundary of the Webster Lot. Logan Jones, with help from Robert Linck, used his expertise with global positioning equipment to successfully locate the boundary through some challenging wetlands. Cheered on by Jim Moffatt and Rob Libby, the group took advantage of the low water table and their knee length boots to accomplish a task that has proven very difficult in the past.

We are all looking forward to a very productive year in 2015 working with the forest and with the community.

Craftsbury Municipal Forest Members:

Jim Moffatt (chair), Rob Libby (vice chair), Barbara Alexander (secretary), Ann Ingerson, Stuart LaPoint, Jim Jones, Logan Jones, Chris Sanville, Ben Alexander, Robert Linck, Paul Ferrari and Keren Ferrari

TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY WEBSITE COMMITTEE REPORT

# www.townofcraftsbury.com



The Town's website has area of interest for visitors and community. It includes Craftsbury's calendar of events, directory of Craftsbury businesses, places to stay, ways to have fun, town organizations, community committee information, including meeting minutes and so much more!

We try our best to be current and to do this, we ask you, the community, to forward us your updates and calendar events at [info@townofcraftsbury.com](mailto:info@townofcraftsbury.com) . Let us know what you think...what's important; what we could do without; what's missing. Craftsbury photos are always welcome.

Visit our Town of Craftsbury facebook page too, [www.facebook.com/townofcraftsbury](http://www.facebook.com/townofcraftsbury), in which we post upcoming events, photos and other Craftsbury information. We wouldn't be a community without you! Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Michelle Warren, Carol Ceraldi, Yvette Brown, June Cook, Don Houghton &  
Meghan Brown  
Town of Craftsbury Website Committee

<b>Village Improvement Society</b> <b>Financial Report for 2014</b>
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<u>Beginning Balance</u>	\$ 3,897.06
<u>Receipts:</u>	
Donations in Memory of Horace Strong	\$ 170.00
Community Contributions	\$ 140.00
Events (concert donations)	\$ 1,073.00
Town Contribution	\$ 1,500.00
Horace W. Strong Bequest	\$18,053.92
CD Withdrawal	\$ <u>1,564.97</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	\$ 22,501.89
<u>Total Funds Available</u>	\$ 26,398.95
<u>Expenses</u>	
Hardwick Electric	\$1,200.88
Lawn Maintenance	\$1,057.00
Event Costs	\$1,700.00
Repairs	\$ 991.09
Landscaping by New Sign	\$ <u>250.00</u>
<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$ 5,198.97
<u>Ending Balance</u>	\$21,199.98

This year we contracted with Anners Johnson to complete the landscaping around the new sign. We would like to give a special thanks to Anners for so generously volunteering her time to complete this project. She only charged us \$250 for the materials.

Once again we were able to host three band concerts during the summer. The lively toe-tapping music was enjoyed by all who attended. We would like to thank you for your donations which offset almost 65% of the cost of the performances.

No summer is complete without doing maintenance and improvement on the Common fence and Bandstand. We want to thank everyone (especially the group of Craftsbury Academy and Sterling College students) who volunteered their time to assist with those projects.

We would like to thank Roberta Alexander for her many years of service as the Village Improvement Society secretary. Annie Rowell was elected to replace Roberta after she stepped down.

The Village Improvement Society felt honored to receive such a generous bequest from the Horace W. Strong Irrevocable Trust. These funds will be invested and the income will be used to give an annual scholarship to a deserving Craftsbury Academy senior who has generously volunteered their time helping the Craftsbury community.

Thank you for your donations this year. The funds were used to pay for part of the landscaping project. All donations are welcome and should be sent to: Craftsbury Village Improvement Society, Carolyn Ryan, P.O. Box 24, Craftsbury, VT 05827.

Harry Miller, President                      and                      Carolyn Ryan, Treasurer

## Craftsbury Historical Society

The Craftsbury Historical Society had a busy 2014 season. We had good community participation in our monthly program events, and we're developing online presences that will eventually make our collection accessible to those who aren't able to visit us in person.

In June the CHS participated in the Vermont Historical Society's History Expo in Tunbridge; we showcased the history of the Horace Strong Canoe Yard, complete with one of Horace's beautiful hand-built canoes.

In an effort to have the community become more aware of some of the more 'subtle' aspects of Craftsbury's history, we hosted two sessions of Craftsbury Historical Jeopardy, with President Don Houghton in the role of Alex Trabek.

In collaboration with Walt Gutzmann and Randi Calderwood of Craftsbury's Fire Department we organized an evening presentation of the history of the fire department. The session was recorded on digital video, and is available for viewing, both at the CHS museum and online, to those unable to attend.

We also hosted two evening sessions at the library of a 'slide show' of historical Craftsbury photographs which have been recently digitized, and as such are now available for viewing to a wider audience than previously.

The CHS is grateful to Michelle Warren for her recent efforts in helping us design and implement a Craftsbury Historical Website. We're still in the implementation stage, but folks should note the URL: <https://craftsburyhistorical.squarespace.com/>, and stay tuned for future developments.

The first half of the July presentation of the Fire Department is on You Tube, and can be accessed if you search for 'Craftsbury Fire Department'. Remember that the CHS has a presence on Facebook, and appreciate everyone who 'likes' our page.

In 2015, we have organized a clean-up of the Babcock House property on 5/27. The museum opens for visitation on 6/3, and will be open every Wednesday and Saturday morning, 10-12, thereafter until October. Our first program/meeting will take place on 6/17, time/place/program to be announced.

We encourage membership as a concrete way of demonstrating interest and support of the Society's work and programs. Individual memberships remain at \$10, with family memberships at \$15. We will eventually have an online option for signing up; for now, checks may be sent c/o Don Houghton, P O Box 38, Craftsbury Common 05827. Our new email address is [craftsburyhistorical@gmail.com](mailto:craftsburyhistorical@gmail.com).

Submitted by Don Houghton.



## Craftsbury Public Library

Last December's ice storm painted a clear picture of how many ways people depend on the library every day. In the days following the storm, the library was even busier than usual. At every table, people were set up with their laptops, books, notes, snacks. Many area residents work from home, and without internet, their link to work became the library. For those skyping in to distant meetings, we made sure there was a quiet room available. We networked laptops with our printer, and helped people with the copier, scanner, and fax machine. We handed out the phone so people could get through to work colleagues. Distance education students spread out their books and assignments and spent hours working at the library, viewing videos, contributing to online forums, submitting homework to their teachers.

We offered warmth and light to those who had no electricity in their homes. People came in to make phone calls, and report outages at their houses. Children came to the library after school rather than going home to a dark, cold house. Lots of people stopped by in search of a good book recommendation for the long quiet evenings. Others turned to our film collection for entertainment. We did nothing new or different; we simply went about doing what we always do, just doing even more of it.

Whatever brings you to the library, we are happy to help you find what you need. We can recommend a good book, order something you need that we don't have on the shelf, work with you on computer questions, show you our online classes and resources. You can borrow a pass to a local museum, read the newspaper or a magazine, use the Dustan Room for your meeting, enjoy story hour with your children or grandchildren.

We are able to provide the community with these services thanks to the support that we receive from the community. The town appropriation covers over one third of our operating budget each year, and the remaining funds come from grants, donations, and fundraisers. We appreciate your support and value the opportunity to continue to serve the community's needs in the future.

Susan O'Connell, Library Director

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Subscribe to our email newsletter at our website or by giving your email address to a librarian.

### ***2014 At The Library***

◇ *Circulation: 20,604*

◇ *Programs held: 243*

◇ *Books: 14,956*

◇ *Movies: 1,976*

◇ *Audio Books: 589*

◇ *New Patrons: 165*



## **Craftsbury Public Library**

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### **Library Programs for Children**

**Children's Story Hour** Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:00AM  
**Homeschool Group** Wednesdays at 10:00AM September-May  
**Lego Club** Fridays at 3:00PM  
**Dungeons and Dragons** every other Friday evening  
**Outreach to Preschools, Daycare, and Headstart** once a month  
**Summer Reading Program** once a week during summer vacation  
**REACH!** Afterschool Program weekly visits during afterschool sessions

### **Library Programs for Adults**

Booktalks at the **Craftsbury Community Care Center** once a month  
**Computer Tutoring** as needed  
**Book Discussion Group** meets monthly  
**Films, discussions, slideshows** throughout the year

### **Library Services**

**Book Recommendations**- for readers young and old  
**Interlibrary Loan**- request a book that the library doesn't own through interlibrary loan  
**Computer Lessons**- arrange a lesson to learn more on the computer, or ask for help as needed  
**Computer Printer, Copier, Scanner and Fax Machine** available for public use  
**Color Copier** ask a librarian for help with color printing and copying  
**Reference Questions**- need information? ask a librarian  
**Universal Class**- 500+ online classes available for free from the comfort of your own home  
**Career Transitions**- online program helps prepare for job interviews, write resumes, and more  
**Powerspeak Languages**- Online foreign language classes in eight different languages  
**Vermont Online Library**- thousands of current and past issues of newspapers and periodicals  
**Museum Passes**- borrow a pass for free/reduced admission at Vermont museums  
**Wireless Internet Connection**- Available 24/7 for public use

### **Yearly Events**

**Plant/Yard/Book Sale** May 2015  
**Huge Book Sale** July 2015

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<b>Craftsbury Public Library</b>		<b>Financial Report 2014</b>		
<b>Year Ended December 31st</b>		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>		\$ 4,900.56	\$ 1,877.44	\$ 465.81
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Fund Raisers</b>				
	Plant sale	\$ 1,668.33	\$ 2,049.85	\$ 1,590.35
	Book Sales Read A Thon	\$ 5,448.29	\$ 7,554.20	\$ 4,946.00
	Antiques & Uniques	\$ 1,143.42	\$ 580.00	\$ 850.00
	Memorials & Fundraiser Events	\$ 48.29	\$ 370.00	\$ 2,160.00
	Yard Sale	\$ 1,008.42	\$ 1,040.63	\$ 803.10
	Interest ( Merchants Bank)	\$ 10.78	\$ 12.18	\$ 12.73
	Transfer Investment Acct.	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	Donations	\$ 11,766.98	\$ 10,725.00	\$ 13,859.00
	Grants	\$ 13,969.00	\$ 8,198.86	\$ 11,100.00
	Town Of Craftsbury	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 29,000.00
	Miscellaneous	\$ 703.85	\$ 632.68	\$ 1,051.63
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 84,767.36</b>	<b>\$ 80,163.40</b>	<b>\$ 85,372.81</b>
<b>Opening Balance &amp; Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 89,667.92</b>	<b>\$ 82,040.84</b>	<b>\$ 85,838.62</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
	Books & Videos & Magazines	\$ 11,534.12	\$ 7,009.35	\$ 9,573.34
	Electronic Resources/ Subscriptions	\$ 514.42	\$ 425.00	\$ 508.00
	Propane-Heat	\$ 3,922.60	\$ 2,490.00	\$ 3,302.10
	Electric	\$ 1,587.64	\$ 1,412.62	\$ 1,460.80
	Telephone	\$ 495.90	\$ 559.95	\$ 446.51
	Insurance	\$ 1,686.00	\$ 1,868.00	\$ 1,917.00
	Programs & Museum Passes	\$ 625.48	\$ 776.90	\$ 647.49
	Postage	\$ 1,769.24	\$ 1,215.73	\$ 1,864.81
	Salaries	\$ 40,624.31	\$ 42,039.32	\$ 43,591.69
	Payroll Taxes & FICA	\$ 5,918.14	\$ 6,685.16	\$ 7,494.06
	Conference & Travel	\$ 766.00	\$ 1,504.54	\$ 845.36
	Internet & Computers	\$ 4,321.13	\$ 995.28	\$ 1,255.24
	Equipment	\$ 2,754.00	\$ 378.01	\$ 1,135.44
	Supplies	\$ 2,543.33	\$ 2,007.27	\$ 1,956.33
	Accountant & Bookkeeper	\$ 575.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 700.00
	Maintenance	\$ 7,370.30	\$ 1,326.49	\$ 5,929.81
	Replenish Endowment		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Miscellaneous	\$ 782.87	\$ 131.41	\$ 1,131.00
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		<b>\$ 87,790.48</b>	<b>\$ 81,575.03</b>	<b>\$ 85,758.98</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>\$ 1,877.44</b>	<b>\$ 465.81</b>	<b>\$ 79.64</b>



Since 1995 Craftsbury Community Care Center (aka the 4'C's) a non-profit Residential Facility has been offering a safe and friendly place to live for seniors who desire to be in a home like independent setting. In 2014 we were able to offer high quality services and activities that enhance one's quality of life to 32 seniors from Craftsbury and surrounding communities.

Along with offering residential services we continue to expand our involvement with our local communities by hosting events, working with our many wonderful volunteers, involving residents in community events, providing meals to homebound seniors and supporting local vendors whenever possible. We also employed 27 staff members consisting of full/part time and per diem who live in Craftsbury and surrounding communities. In addition to our staff we have a very dedicated and active Board of Directors, of which seven members come from the Craftsbury community.

One of the hallmarks of 4C's is affordability. A minimum of nine residents at any one time receive financial assistance from Medicaid. Every resident at the 4C's receives the same types of services regardless of the payment source however the Medicaid reimbursement is much less than the actual cost of services. The contribution of the Town of Craftsbury, joined with the significant fund raising by the Board of Directors, makes it possible for us to continue to provide excellent service in a well-cared for facility.

In 2014 with the very generous help of all our community supporters we were able to continue to revitalize and update our 20 year old facility by replacing the roof, resurfacing the driveway and several small projects.

The Craftsbury Community Care Center wishes to thank the Town of Craftsbury for the generous support offered to assist us in keeping our facility an affordable home-like residence for individuals residing here. The ongoing community involvement and support is tremendous. The high quality of care, activities and support offered to the residents by our compassionate, caring staff is apparent whenever you visit the 4C's.

Please come and visit our facility, participate in activities, visit with friends and neighbors, or visit us at [www.craftsburycommunitycarecenter.org](http://www.craftsburycommunitycarecenter.org).

Kimberly Roberge, Executive Director

## Agencies Requesting Town Funds

### Article 9

Organization	Contact Information	2014 Contributed	2015 Request
American Red Cross	www.redcross.org/vermont 800-660-9130	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area Agency on Aging	www.nevaaa.org 802-748-5182	\$650.00	\$650.00
AWARE	AWAREVT.org 802-472-6463	\$750.00	\$750.00
Frontier Animal Society	www.frontieranimalsociety.com 802-754-2228	\$500.00	\$500.00
Green Mountain Farm To School	802-334-2044	\$450.00	\$450.00
Greensboro Nursing Home	802-533-7051	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Hardwick Area Food Pantry	802-472-5940	\$500.00	\$500.00
Hardwick Rescue Squad	802-472-5936 Non emergency 472-6343	\$5,262.00	\$7,996.00
Hardwick Area Community Coalition	hardwickcoalition@yahoo.com 802-472-8010	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Lamoille Family Center	www.lamoillefamilycenter.org 802-888-5229	\$250.00	\$250.00
North Country Animal League	www.ncal.com 802-888-5065	\$500.00	\$500.00
NE Kingdom Human Services	www.nkhs.org 800-696-4979	\$1,266.00	\$1,266.00
NE VT Development Assn.	www.nvda.net 802-748-5181	\$477.00	\$905.00
NE Kingdom Learning Service Adult Basic Ed	www.neklsvt.org 802-766-4757	\$250.00	\$250.00
Old Stone House Museum	www.oldstonehousemuseum.org 802-754-2022	\$400.00	\$450.00
Orleans County Citizen Advocacy	www.ooca-vt.org 802-873-3285	\$800.00	\$800.00
Orleans County Court Diversion	802-334-8224	\$100.00	\$200.00
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## Agencies Requesting Town Funds

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Organization	Contact Information	2014 Contributed	2015 Requested
Orleans/Essex VNA & Hospice Inc.	www.orleansessexvna.org 802-334-5213	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
Rural Community Transportation	802-748-8170	\$400.00	\$600.00
The Art House	802-586-2200 (increased Select Board Budget 2013)	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
VT Assn. for the Blind & Visually Impaired	www.vabvi.org 800-639-5861	\$500.00	\$500.00
VT Center for Independent Living	www.vcil.org 800-639-1522	\$140.00	\$140.00
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	www.vacd.org 802-828-4582	\$100.00	\$100.00
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$21,495.00</b>	<b>\$25,507.00</b>

### Town Agencies Requesting Funds

	2014 Contributed	2015 Requested
Craftsbury Public Library	\$29,000.00	\$31,000.00
Craftsbury Community Care Center	\$10,000.00	\$9,999.00

### Town Committees Requesting Funds

	2014 Contributed	2015 Requested
Craftsbury Town Cemeteries	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Memorial Day	\$500.00	\$500.00
Recreational Committee	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Village Improvement Society	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>



## Town Meeting Report 2015

Very few colleges and universities have been shaped by their location as profoundly as Sterling College has been by Craftsbury and the Northeast Kingdom. Our mission of environmental stewardship was inspired by this beautiful place and sustained by many of its residents. The connection today between our 44 employees and 154-degree seeking and continuing education students and the local community remains deep.

Sterling College aspires to be a responsible neighbor. We pitch in with the labor of our employees and students in volunteer support of many local non-profit organizations because it is the right thing to do and because our lives are made better by living in community with you. For example, in 2014, Sterling students completed over 1500 work crew hours supporting the Craftsbury community, including over 50 hours of tutoring at Craftsbury Academy. During the two All-College Work Days and our first All-College Service Day in 2014, students, faculty, and staff completed over 1300 hours of service to the local community.

Our employees and students enjoy the resources of Craftsbury from businesses, the public library, to the trails that crisscross the area on which at this time of the year we ski. What you might be less aware of is the role the College plays financially. In addition to providing employment, purchasing local goods, and bringing hundreds of visitors to the area, last year Sterling paid \$40,100 in taxes to the Town of Craftsbury.

Sterling College is strongly committed to the town plan's emphasis on renewable energy. After divesting from fossil fuel investments last year, the College is now in the process of developing renewable energy resources on our campus and will soon join a handful of colleges around the world that produce as much solar energy on campus that is used in a year.

The College has a civic obligation to create a place for new ideas to be shared. In the past two years Sterling College has held dozens of events that included national or regionally known experts that are free and open to Craftsbury residents. We launched our continuing education program in 2014, offering a variety of two- and four-week classes during the year and over the summer in an effort to enrich offerings for students who may already have a degree or who may simply want to learn about a particular subject, like our cheesemaking program with Jasper Hill.

Recently Sterling has worked to strengthen campus resources for our faculty and students and to improve the appearance of the campus. There have been major restoration projects that are consistent with the historic qualities of Craftsbury Common and there are more to come. While Sterling may grow in the number of students, we are well aware that the attractiveness of the college to prospective students and families is tied to this wonderful place and change needs to be thoughtfully planned.

On behalf of the Sterling College community, thank you for your support. We hope you will join us for our second annual pancake breakfast before Town Meeting: this year's breakfast is in honor of the Craftsbury Fire Department.

Sincerely,  
Matthew Derr  
President

## The Art House Report 2015

Do you know what the intrinsic value of observing and creating artwork is to an individual or community? This value cannot be described in dollars and cents, but in the rewards that it offers the creator and viewer.

A team of artists and researchers including Lois Hetland and Ellen Winner created an experiment that is explained in their book *Studio Thinking* and explains the good habits, skills, and qualities that students develop through creating art. The results of the experiment conducted in three schools across the country showed that students who make art develop alertness and motivation as well as skills to explore and reflect on the world around them. Students who practiced art became better able to communicate with each other and work together. It is for these reasons that The Art House offers classes, events, and gallery exhibits to our community.

Since 2013 the Town of Craftsbury has supported The Art House in our efforts to give each child in and around Craftsbury equal access to our programs through supporting the children's scholarship fund. The list below shows the number of unique individuals participating in classes in 2013 and 2014, followed by a list of continuous offerings for children in the arts.

The money contributed to the children's scholarship fund by the Town of Craftsbury is available for any student up to the age of 18 to use to take any class offered at The Art House. Full and partial scholarships are available. The student or his/her parents must only complete a form requesting the scholarship amount needed. Please visit our website for additional information including teaching artists, fee structures, program offerings, information about the organization and its governance, and additional ways to support The Art House: [www.VermontArtHouse.org](http://www.VermontArtHouse.org).

### 2014

82 unique individuals (adults) in 20 classes  
39 unique individuals (children) in 10 classes

### 2013

92 unique individuals (adults) in 19 classes  
17 unique individuals (children) in 10 classes

**Caution: Wet Paint!** A K-12 afterschool program *supported by the Vermont Arts Council*  
**It Starts in the Studio.** A studio arts and vocational awareness program for girls ages 15-18  
*supported by the Vermont Women's Fund*  
**Homeschool Art Classes**

**\*\*\*\*\*Marriages Recorded in Craftsbury in 2014\*\*\*\*\***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Names</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
2/21/14	Michael Wayne Church Amy Jillian Cianciolo	Craftsbury, VT
3/29/14	Jeremiah James McCann Paige Leanna Wierikko	Craftsbury Common, VT
5/14/14	David S Gilligan Laura E Beebe	Craftsbury Common, VT
7/05/14	Aaron Robert Crane Sarah Danielle Cochran	Lake Orion, MI Craftsbury, VT
7/12/14	Howard Richard Terwilliger Julia Randolph Shipley	Craftsbury, VT
7/12/14	Zachary Tavis Hill Carey Anne Aiossa	Chicago, IL.
7/26/14	William Stein League Katherine Mae Lavin	Craftsbury, VT
8/16/14	Diana Gonsalves Toby Cascade Hansen	Craftsbury Common, VT
8/29/14	Laurie Jane Waterhouse Lance Eric Willette	Craftsbury, VT
9/13/14	Christine Rose Draper Cody Thomas Horner	Craftsbury, VT
10/25/14	David Scott Flint Suzanne C. Ryan	Craftsbury, VT
11/22/14	Kristen Gwen Fountain Daniel John Rook	Craftsbury, VT
11/22/14	Stella Jane Hermansen David George Slicer	Hobe Sound, FL Headland, AL
12/24/14	Eloise Cathrine Girard Peter Gordon Johnson	Craftsbury, VT

**\*\*\*\*\*Births Recorded in Craftsbury in 2014\*\*\*\*\***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Parents</b>	<b>Place of Birth</b>
1/30/14	Zora Ann Merritt	Meredith Diane Merritt Peter Edward Merritt	Copley Hospital
2/10/14	Alice Claire Hannan	Jennifer Linck Cedrus NewMoon Hannan	Copley Hospital
2/12/14	Amara Sova Hansen	Diana Gonsalves Toby Cascade Hansen	Home Birth
6/30/14	Brody Ray Billow	Amber Lynn Burnham Donald J. Billow	Fletcher Allen Health Care
8/3/14	Maya Pomerantz	Rachel Ann Schribman	Fletcher Allen Health Care
8/26/14	Gwenyth Trotha Pare	Monique Suzanne Beaudry Philip Harley Pare	Fletcher Allen Health Care
8/31/14	Asher Scott Jacobs	Melissa Brooks Nicklas Jacobs Isaac Scott Jacobs	Fletcher Allen Health Care
8/31/14	Rue Caroline Jacobs	Melissa Brooks Nicklas Jacobs Isaac Scott Jacobs	Fletcher Allen Health Care
9/10/14	Scarlett Marie Contos	Jennifer Marie O'Donnell Nicholas Paul Contos	Copley Hospital
9/18/14	Beatrice Sesame Johnson	Eloise Catherine Girard Peter Gordon Johnson	Home Birth
11/6/14	Brayden Johnathan Chase	Mykaela Mary Alberta Chase	Fletcher Allen Health Care
12/11/14	Greta Solay Gillespie	Braelyn Veronica Gillespie Ryan David Gillespie	Home Birth
12/24/14	Madison Grace Day	Michelle Elaine Menard Joshua Levi Day	Central VT Medical Center

## Deaths Recorded in Craftsbury in 2014

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death	Place of Burial
01/22/14	Donald A Darling	83	Home in Craftsbury	Cremation
01/25/14	Bruce Al Martin	65	Home In Craftsbury	Craftsbury Common Cemetery
02/01/14	Torin Norton Tucker	20	Cross Country Trail Craftsbury	Cremation
02/20/14	Barbara L Harris	81	Copley Hospital	Cremation
03/15/14	Autumn Rae Fahey	31	Copley Hospital	Cremation
03/22/14	Arlene R Thompson	84	Home in Craftsbury Common	Irasburg Cemetery
04/03/14	Joan Pender Schmitt	75	Fletcher Allen Health Care	Cremation
04/11/14	Olivia R Klink	34	Fletcher Allen Health Care	Cremation
05/09/14	Lillian Pratt	92	Copley Hospital	Cremation
06/03/14	Horace Warner Strong II	89	Home in Craftsbury	Cremation
07/11/14	Kimberly Ruth Pitt	48	Home in Craftsbury Common	Cremation
08/07/14	Mahlon George Allen Jr.	53	Home in Craftsbury	East Craftsbury Cemetery
08/09/14	Phyllis M. Zecchinelli	96	Craftsbury Comm. Care Center	Cremation
08/09/14	Louisa Morse Levine	99	Copley Hospital	Cremation
10/03/14	Ellen Francis Dignan	83	East View Assisted Living	Cremation
10/04/14	Margaret J. Hodgdon	84	Home in Craftsbury	Cremation
11/17/14	Mavis Stoddard	91	Manor Nursing Home	Cremation
12/28/14	Bernard Alfred Riendeau Sr.	63	Rd side in Craftsbury	Albany Village Cemetery

# Land Transfers Recorded 2014

<u>Seller</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Rec. Date</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Location</u>
Bub's Best LLC	VT Land Trust	01/30/14	244.5	Land /Dwelling	\$235,000.00	Vt Rte 14 & Guy Lot Rd
Smith	Lapoint	02/04/14	2	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	1748 Morey Hill
Wilson	Sedore	03/04/14	8	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	1037 S. Craftsbury Rd
George	Rowell	03/12/14	1	Land/Dwelling	\$60,000.00	1237 Route 14
Burke	Hiltz Trust	03/28/14	12.4	Land/Dwelling	\$260,000.00	190 Griggs Rd
Ecklund/Gustavson	Maclure	04/28/14	1	Land/Dwelling	\$105,000.00	72 S Craftsbury Rd
Bartlett	Mckenzie/Skelton	05/29/14	25.55	Land/Dwelling	\$480,000.00	179 Cate Rd
Henderson Estate	O'Connor	06/02/14	40	Land/Dwelling	\$164,000.00	1137 S Albany Rd
Butler	Sanville	06/02/14	2	Land/Dwelling	\$27,500.00	481 Collinsville Rd
Thompson	Fritz	06/13/14	2	Land/Dwelling	\$100,000.00	345 Mill Village Rd
Coyle/Peterson	Sterling College	06/16/14	.37	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	1445 N Craftsbury Rd
Spence	Chung/Solomon	06/26/14	8.34	Land/Dwelling	\$214,500.00	89 Breightmeyer Rd
Alinovi	Bub's Best LLC	06/27/14	.94	Land/Dwelling	\$37,000.00	Lot 1 Alinovi Dr
Alinovi	Bub's Best LLC	06/27/14	.59	Land	\$18,000.00	Lot 2 Alinovi Dr
Rowell	Hanson	06/30/14	.13	Land/Dwelling	\$275,000.00	82 Sterling Dr
Cochran	Lafaso/Lemieux	06/30/14	1	Land/Dwelling	\$90,000.00	999 VT Route 14
Joan Schmitt Estate	Sterling College	07/01/14	10	Land/Dwelling	\$350,000.00	1147 N Craftsbury Rd
Nelson Farms Inc	Downing	07/10/14	175	Land	\$737,450.00	Off Creek Rd
Rudolph L. Chase Sr. Estate	Jacobs	08/08/14	.25	Land/Dwelling	\$65,000.00	3 S. Craftsbury Rd.
Kubik	Fountain	08/22/14	10.2	Land/Dwelling	\$185,000.00	227 Town Line Rd.
Gannan	Bacon/Wohlberg	08/27/14	27	Land/Dwelling	\$396,000.00	33 Twin Bridge Rd.
Rowell	Rowell	09/11/14	.50	Land	\$12,000.00	Whetson Brook Rd.
Smith	R.E. Vize Mobile Home Transport, LLC	09/30/14	42.10	Land	\$75,000.00	1765 Wildbranch Rd.
Midi	Cortese	10/08/14	3.63	Land/Dwelling	\$267,000.00	1051 Ketchum Hill Rd.
Horace W. Strong Revocable Trust	Calderwood	10/10/14	5.28	Land/Dwelling	\$70,000.00	Common Hill Rd.
Kautz	Doherty	10/20/14	.17	Land/Dwelling	\$78,000.00	361 VT RT 14
Doyon Enterprises, LLC	Doherty	10/24/14	258	Land	\$125,000.00	Collinsville Rd.
Gunther	Tetreault	10/24/14	25	Land	\$56,000.00	South Albany Rd.
Jarrett	Wells Farmstead, LLC	10/29/14	21	Land/Dwelling	\$305,000.00	407 Wells Place
Horace W. Strong Revocable Trust	Strong	11/05/14	60.19	Land	\$125,000.00	TH 26
Ruth Joan Strong Estate	Skala	11/06/14	1.14	Land/Dwelling	\$201,500.00	1655 N. Craftsbury Rd.
Martin	Cahen	11/21/14	2.73	Land/Dwelling	\$135,000.00	274 Martin Rd.
Deangelo	Brow	11/21/14	30	Land	\$32,000.00	Coburn Hill Rd.
Wyse	McCann	12/04/14	10.40	Land	\$35,000.00	Coburn Hill Rd.
Questover Living Trust	Burke	12/12/14	10.60	Land/Dwelling	\$225,000.00	757 N. Craftsbury Rd.
Frey	Sprout	12/19/14	6.04	Land/Dwelling	\$112,000.00	1450 Morey Hill Rd.
Fairmont Dairy, LLC	Vermont Land Trust	12/19/14	169	Land/Dwelling	\$150,000.00	S. Albany Rd./Twin Bridges Rd/ Echo Hill
Fairmont Dairy, LLC	Vermont Land Trust	12/19/14	102	Land/Dwelling	\$140,000.00	S. Albany Rd./ Mud River Rd.
Ecklund	Mutru	12/29/14	1	Land/Dwelling	\$150,000.00	67 S. Craftsbury Rd.

**CRAFTSBURY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL MEETING**

**WARNING**

**The legal voters of the Craftsbury Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the CRAFTSBURY ACADEMY GYMNASIUM on Tuesday, the 3rd day of March A.D., 2015 at 1:00 P.M. to act on the following Articles:**

**Article 1:** Shall the Town School District approve the proposed FY16 budget of \$3,626,709.00 which contains the necessary amounts to defray Town School District expenses for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2015.

**Article 2:** To see if the Town School District will authorize and empower the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and state revenues.

**Article 3:** To elect a School Director for a term of three years.

**Article 4:** To elect a School Director for a term of two years.

**Article 5:** To elect a School Director to fill the remaining 2 years of a 3 year term.

**Article 6:** To see if the Town School District will authorize the School Directors to transfer any unobligated year end fund balances to the reserve fund established in accordance with Title 24, Section 2804, to be used for school building maintenance and repairs.

**Article 7:** To see if the Town School District will discuss the use of the IA building and to authorize and empower the School Board to sell the IA building should the opportunity arise.

**Article 8:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Craftsbury, Vermont this   13   day of January A.D., 2015

Steph J. Mallett

Harry H. Miller

Peter L. Fuller

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Craftsbury School Directors, Craftsbury Town School District

Craftsbury Town Clerk's Office received the foregoing Warning for record January 22, A.D. 2015 at 9 o'clock 00 minutes A.M. and duly recorded the same before posting.

Attest Yvette Brown Yvette Brown, Clerk



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### SCHOOL DIRECTORS REPORT JANUARY 2015

At school directors meetings we ask ourselves the same questions regularly. Are our governing policies ensuring that students receive an education that prepares them for the future? How do we know if we are providing the education our students need to succeed in that world? How do we identify and measure these outcomes and compare them over time? Are we doing this at an appropriate cost?

The 2016 Craftsbury Budget Tax Rate Chart provides data which helps us answer these questions. One measure of a school's success is its ability to attract new students. Our equalized pupil numbers and local revenues (tuitions) are up for this year. During a period of declining national and statewide student numbers, we find ourselves in the position of being the exception to the rule. The Board takes this as an indication of public approval for student outcomes. These numbers, combined with decreased expenditures, have the additional benefit of a reduced tax rate, which is good news for us all!

One measure of student outcomes is provided by the results of standardized tests. Schooldigger.com reports statewide and regional NECAP results. Craftsbury juniors in 2013 were ranked #1 out of 53 high schools in Vermont, with our elementary students ranking 6 out of 86. Craftsbury high school students also ranked very well in SAT scores, averaging almost 300 points higher than state and national scores. While the School directors feel testing is one of many methods of evaluating positive (or negative) student outcomes, it certainly is good news to see positive test results. Test results also give staff feedback on areas of strengths and weaknesses, which result in better student outcomes. In addition to performing well academically, our students excel in the areas of sports and music. Seventeen of our high school students auditioned for the Northeast Regional Music Festival; all 17 were accepted, the highest amount of students from one school and the only school with all students accepted. Our boys and girls varsity soccer teams both advanced to the final four of their Division this year.

In looking towards the future, one of the great challenges will be in dealing with what State government has in store for this legislative session. It is no surprise that the current administration is not friendly towards small schools. In a 2015 article on vtdigger.com, Vermont Secretary of Education Rebecca Holcombe was quoted as saying that kids who go to schools of 200 or fewer "are really at a disadvantage." As a Board, we feel this is entirely incorrect in our case. Craftsbury's test scores, graduation rate, and college attendance are above state averages. We as a board have also been sensitive to the feedback from both taxpayers and State administrators to keep expenditures down, and strive to provide a model of what a quality school can be, large or small. We hope to keep improving our schools over time and appreciate your continued support.



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# 2014 Superintendent Report

Dear Community:

A school budget is a financial plan that reflects the educational priorities of a school district. It represents the programs, services, and supports that provide an equitable and high quality instructional experience for our students in alignment with Orleans Southwest Supervisory Union's (OSSU) global vision:

*Empowering students with the knowledge, skills and disposition to be college and career ready and become successful, responsible and contributing members of society -- locally and globally.*

OSSU has a framework that shows how students, staff and school board will work towards our shared vision. It consists of seven components, including curriculum, instruction, assessment, engagement, leadership, climate, and technology. Sound governance and financial management form the base. Collaborative data-based decision making is at the center of the framework. Assessments provide data to drive instructional decisions, and a multi-tiered system of support provides a concrete roadmap to meet the instructional needs of all students. A rigorous curriculum and high quality instruction are essential. Family and community engagement, strong leadership, integration of technology in student-centered learning, effective use of technology across the organization, and a safe, supportive, and positive school environment are keys to successful implementation of a robust and meaningful educational system.

The state of Vermont's Education Quality Standards, which were formally adopted in April 2014, are also included in the framework. These rules are intended to foster continuous improvement in student performance, instruction and leadership, and include things like providing professional development for teachers to support research-based best practices in instruction, managing supervision and evaluation, providing opportunities for students to have a voice in planning their own education through Personalized Learning Plans as well as opportunities for dual enrollment in college, preparing for proficiency-based learning outcomes and increasing the use of digital media. There is much to learn and implement to prepare our students for the future.

Progress monitoring is an essential part of continuous improvement. School boards are responsible for setting specific ends (outcomes) and monitoring the degree to which the school is meeting them. Over the past year, each school board has begun the work of establishing indicators to measure progress towards each end, which will be included in data-based monitoring reports.

Communication is also critical. In an effort to provide more clarity on various topics regarding the education of all students, presentations have been scheduled throughout the school year. This is an opportunity for the community to learn about the supports, programs, curriculum, finance and assessments that are included in the education of all learners. I encourage you to review presentations on several topics at <http://www.ossu.org/resources/communityforums>.

The budget that follows reflects the collaborative work of all involved and defines the programs, services and supports necessary to help all of our students grow and prepare for their future.

Sincerely,

Joanne M. LeBlanc, M.Ed.  
Interim Superintendent of Schools



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# 2014 School Report

### Vision & Mission

The vision of Craftsbury Schools is the development of a positive learning community that fosters innovation and creative thinking through shared interests in global sustainability.

The mission of Craftsbury Schools is to foster academic excellence through rigorous standards within innovative curricula. The faculty of Craftsbury Schools will lead students in developing and mastering intellectual skills, including creative and critical thinking. This will develop a student body that is ethically, internationally, and academically focused.

### Principal's Message

It is my privilege to serve as principal of Craftsbury Schools. Our school indicators for academics, athletics, and behavior continue upward momentum. As of October 1, 2014, our K-12 student count was 170, compared to 161 students at the same time last year. The State NECAP test results in 2013 were above the State average, and our athletic teams are compiling some of the best records in 20 years. As the faculty works together to implement the Common Core and the ends established by the School Board, we are increasing project-based learning and technology integration at all levels. These curricular and instructional changes are creating improved student engagement.

### Recent Successes

Craftsbury Schools achieved numerous goals last year, including:

- The graduation rate for the class of 2014 was 100%.
- 73% of the class of 2014 went on to college.
- The 2014 girls basketball team won the league championship and went to the semi-finals. Both boys and girls 2014 soccer teams earned league championships and a trip to the semi-finals.
- In the fall of 2014, students K-8 explored history with author Natalie Kinsey-Warnock in an artist residency called Storykeepers. Students shared their research and stories in a family museum open house .
- Only 4% of students had 5 or more disciplinary referrals during the year.
- In June of 2014, seven students went to Costa Rica for two weeks of intense language study and environmental stewardship.
- For the second year, Craftsbury Academy hosted 30 Chinese students for a two week culture camp. Several Craftsbury student ambassadors learned along with the Chinese students.
- In the fall of 2014, all 17 students who tried out for the Northeast Music festival were accepted. of the schools in the Northeast, Craftsbury had more instrumental students accepted than every school but one.

### Needs Assessment

Analysis of assessment data from state, district, and local assessments indicates that we need to bring math achievement to the same level as reading and language arts. As we move toward personal learning plans for each student and proficiency-based graduation requirements, we need to develop a sequenced progression of performance tasks and corresponding assessment rubrics for all grades K-12.



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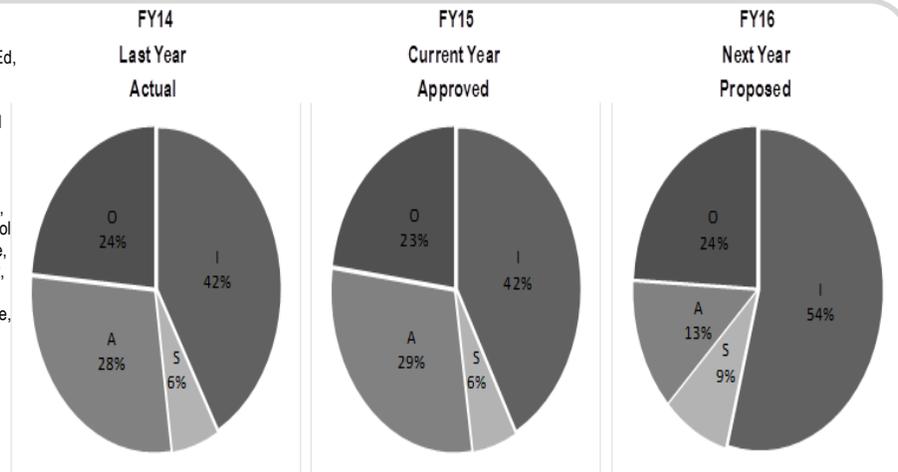
### Plan to Achieve Goals

Craftsbury Schools is currently working on the following goals and projects:

- **Increase achievement in math and in all academic areas, as measured by State and district assessments and local performance tasks:** teaching teams analyze assessment data to plan instruction and supplemental interventions that meet the needs of all learners.
- **Align K-12 curriculum and instruction to the Common Core of State Standards and the Craftsbury School Board ends:** the faculty works on early release days to develop curriculum and establish performance criteria for the ends.
- **Improve student engagement at all levels:** the faculty works with peer partners to observe each other and discuss instructional practices that improve engagement in learning. Student engagement continues to be the focus of the supervision/evaluation system.
- **Implement personal learning plans and prepare for proficiency based graduation requirements:** beginning in the fall of 2015, the faculty will work with all 7th and 9th grades to develop plans. These plans will be updated in subsequent years. Faculty will develop a continuum of performance tasks and rubrics to track development of critical and creative thinking from kindergarten through graduation.

### Budget Summary

**Categories**  
**Instruction:** Gen Ed, Special Ed, Co-Curricular Ed  
**Support:** Guidance, Health Services, Behavioral & Related Services, Improvement to Instruction, Library/Media, Technology  
**Administration:** School Board, Office of Superintendent, School Administration, Business Office, Data/Technology Management, Grants Administration  
**Other:** Operations/Maintenance, Transportation, Food Service, Fund Transfers



Categories	FY14	FY15	FY16
	Last Year Actual	Current Year Approved	Next Year Proposed
Instruction (I)	\$ 1,494,301	\$ 1,555,817	\$ 1,963,846
Support for Students / Instructors (S)	\$ 216,880	\$ 209,521	\$ 311,324
Administration (A)	\$ 1,020,968	\$ 1,088,135	\$ 476,005
Other (O)	\$ 842,714	\$ 843,406	\$ 875,534
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,574,864</b>	<b>\$ 3,696,879</b>	<b>\$ 3,626,709</b>

### Get Involved

Families and community members are critical partners in our students' academic success. If you have questions about any of the accomplishments or goals in this report, please call or visit the school for more information. One way to become involved is to join the Craftsbury School Life Association. This parent/community group provides both information and service opportunities.

# 2014 School Report

## Student Data

October 1 Count	13-14	14-15*
<b>Pre-Kindergarten</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>
Kindergarten	8	6
1st Grade	9	9
2nd Grade	7	10
3rd Grade	9	8
4th Grade	9	10
5th Grade	10	8
6th Grade	8	9
<b>K-6 Subtotal</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>
7th Grade	17 (4)	15 (8)
8th Grade	14 (6)	15 (1)
<b>7-8 Subtotal</b>	<b>31 (10)</b>	<b>30 (9)</b>
9th Grade	17 (3)	16 (7)
10th Grade	27 (5)	18 (4)
11th Grade	14 (3)	29 (4)
12th Grade	12 (2)	17 (3)
<b>9-12 Subtotal</b>	<b>70 (13)</b>	<b>80 (18)</b>
<b>K-12 Subtotal</b>	<b>161 (23)</b>	<b>170 (27)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>181</b>

\*Unofficial count

() = Tuition Students included in grade level enrollment count

Program <sup>^</sup>	13-14	14-15*
Green Mountain TC	3	9 (3)
North Country TC	N/A	1
Early College	N/A	2

<sup>^</sup>Already included in October 1 Count

() = Tuition Students included in program count

High School Choice <sup>^</sup>	13-14	14-15*
<b>Choice In</b>		
9th Grade	2	-
10th Grade	-	2
11th Grade	3	1
12th Grade	-	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

Choice Out		
9th Grade	1	
10th Grade	-	1
11th Grade	2	
12th Grade	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

<sup>^</sup>Already included in October 1 Count

K-12 Attendance	13-14
Attendance Rate	94.8%

K-12 Demographics	13-14
Gender (F / M)	46% / 54%
Free/Reduced Lunch	55.0%
Individualized Education Plan	11.7%
504 Plan	N<
Education Support Team	N<
Hispanic	0.6%
African American / Black	1.2%
Multi-Racial	3.0%
White	95.2%

N< Too few students to report

## Historical Enrollment

K - 12 <sup>1</sup> October 1 Enrollment Count										FY14-FY15	FY14-FY15	FY08-15	FY11-FY15
05-06 (FY06)	06-07 (FY07)	07-08 (FY08)	08-09 (FY09)	09-10 (FY10)	10-11 (FY11)	11-12 (FY12)	12-13 (FY13)	13-14 (FY14)	14-15 <sup>2</sup> (FY15)	Incr (Decr)	%Growth	CAGR <sup>3</sup>	CAGR
185	181	167	171	160	153	157	152	161	170	9	5.6%	-0.9%	2.7%

<sup>1</sup>PK not included in this analysis; <sup>2</sup>Unofficial October 1 count as reported in 2014 Fall Census; <sup>3</sup>Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR): the year-over-year growth rate over a 5-year and 10-year period. It's a calculated figure that describes the rate at which enrollment counts would have changed if they changed at a steady rate.

As of 01/14/2015

## Summary

This budget represents a decrease in the tax rate of 0.1670 from 1.8756 to 1.7086. There are four major components that impact the tax rate. School districts have the most influence over total education spending; the other components are determined by state government. See *FY16 Budget - Impact on Tax Rate Sheet* for full details.

1. **Total Education Spending for FY16:** decrease of \$83,253
2. **Equalized Pupil:** increase of 5.38
3. **Base Education Amount & Base Tax Rate**
  - A. Base Education Amount: increase of \$174.00 (per student)
  - B. Base Tax Rate: increase of .02.
4. **Common Level of Appraisal (CLA):** increase of 2.73%

## Notes

### 1. Total Education Spending for FY16

- A. Education Spending is defined as Total Expenditures minus Total Revenues
- B. Total expenditures decreased by \$70,170 from prior year. Total revenues increased by \$13,083 from prior year. While there are limitations, decisions related to revenue and expenditures are developed by Administration with input from the Board.
- C. This budget reflects a decrease of 5% in assessments from the Supervisory Union.

### 2. Equalized Pupils

1. A. Equalized Pupils is defined as a weighted pupil count. While based on a straight student count, the formula for "equalized pupils" gives less weight to pre-kindergarten pupils and extra weight to students in secondary school, those from economically deprived backgrounds, and those whose first language is not English. The principle behind the weighting is that it costs more to educate students in certain categories.
- B. This is calculated by the state of Vermont based on enrollment data provided by the schools each year.
- C. In general, an increase in equalized pupils contributes to the lowering of the tax rate.

### 3. The Base Education Amount & Base Tax Rate

- A. The Base Education Amount is determined by the Legislature. In general, an increase contributes to the lowering of the tax rate.
- B. The Base Tax Rate is set by the Department of Taxes and approved by the Legislature. In general, an increase in the base tax rate contributes to an increase in the tax rate.

### 4. Common Level of Appraisal

- A. The Common Level of Appraisal is an adjustment to listed property values. The CLA is printed on property tax bills.
- B. The CLA increased by 2.73% which is slightly higher than the market value. The state calculates a CLA annually for each town to adjust the listed value of properties to reflect fair market value as nearly as possible.

Craftsbury Town School District

**FY16 BUDGET**

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
<b>REVENUE</b>							
<b>LOCAL SOURCES</b>							
Rent	98	0	98	0	0	0	0
Tuition	217,000	235,246	256,000	337,920	372,140	389,479	17,339
Interest	18,190	5,865	18,190	3,486	5,000	3,000	(2,000)
Food Service	19,850	24,726	19,850	25,716	24,000	24,000	0
Athletics Gate	1,500	4,624	4,000	2,886	4,000	4,000	0
Excess Costs	26,100	0	26,100	0	0	0	0
Misc Revenue	11,500	23,938	11,500	14,832	11,500	11,500	0
Subtotal	294,238	294,399	335,738	384,840	416,640	431,979	15,339
<b>SU SOURCES</b>							
Grants	25,987	29,402	0	0	20,472	20,472	0
Food Service Reimb	17,500	41,457	17,500	46,335	38,000	45,000	7,000
Subtotal	43,487	70,859	17,500	46,335	58,472	65,472	7,000
<b>STATE SOURCES</b>							
Education Spending Grant	2,559,929	2,559,929	2,590,168	2,590,168	2,633,122	2,549,869	(83,253)
Transportation Reimb	71,386	59,309	72,767	74,509	78,460	78,252	(208)
Special Ed Reimb	369,224	304,860	338,963	352,612	353,627	344,579	(9,048)
Small Schools Grant	136,947	137,892	151,746	146,940	152,058	152,058	0
Other Grants/Reimb	9,000	2,026	5,000	14,324	1,500	1,500	0
Food Service Reimb	1,050	0	1,050	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	3,147,536	3,064,015	3,159,694	3,178,553	3,218,767	3,126,258	(92,509)
<b>FEDERAL SOURCES</b>							
Food Service Reimb	32,750	3,729	38,550	5,208	3,000	3,000	0
Subtotal	32,750	3,729	38,550	5,208	3,000	3,000	0
<b>OTHER SOURCES</b>							
Prior Year Adjustments	64,829	767	35,000	1,095	0	0	0
Subtotal	64,829	767	35,000	1,095	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>3,582,840</b>	<b>3,433,769</b>	<b>3,586,482</b>	<b>3,616,031</b>	<b>3,696,879</b>	<b>3,626,709</b>	<b>(70,170)</b>

Craftsbury Town School District

**FY16 BUDGET**

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
						Local	13,083
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
<b>GENERAL ED INSTRUCTION</b>							
Salaries	964,276	914,064	938,890	986,932	1,012,285	889,291	(122,994)
Benefits	313,057	252,182	328,387	306,066	334,629	263,335	(71,294)
Prof Services	23,476	86,887	19,100	23,899	25,700	67,840	42,140
Property Services	8,875	8,715	8,075	7,532	8,700	9,200	500
Other Services	91,698	92,068	81,038	82,460	70,027	56,372	(13,655)
Supplies	37,170	25,440	36,215	32,382	32,915	37,150	4,235
Property	2,800	1,531	2,200	1,446	6,000	3,500	(2,500)
Other Objects	2,555	625	1,500	490	2,410	2,410	0
Subtotal	1,443,907	1,381,512	1,415,405	1,441,208	1,492,666	1,329,098	(163,568)
<b>SPECIAL ED INSTRUCTION</b>							
Salaries	0	16,301	0	0	0	0	0
Benefits	0	4,327	0	0	0	0	0
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	424,028	424,028
Subtotal	0	20,628	0	0	0	424,028	424,028
<b>CO-CURRICULAR INSTRUCTION</b>							
Salaries	3,943	0	0	0	6,850	0	(6,850)
Benefits	337	26	0	0	576	0	(576)
Other Objects	1,690	1,655	4,400	0	1,700	1,700	0
Subtotal	5,970	1,681	4,400	0	9,126	1,700	(7,426)
<b>ATHLETICS INSTRUCTION</b>							
Salaries	20,000	30,540	33,215	26,780	29,914	35,600	5,687
Benefits	6,672	2,072	3,210	2,473	3,086	3,059	(27)
Prof Services	10,250	11,277	10,750	12,621	12,250	14,750	2,500
Property Services	1,000	946	1,000	400	1,200	1,200	0
Other Services	475	462	75	87	475	475	0
Supplies	5,000	4,978	3,400	9,300	5,400	4,700	(700)
Property	150	399	150	85	700	700	0
Other Objects	675	772	675	1,346	1,000	1,500	500
Subtotal	44,222	51,446	52,475	53,093	54,025	61,984	7,959
16Changes/Negotiations	0	0	0	0	0	147,036	147,036
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTION</b>	<b>1,494,099</b>	<b>1,455,267</b>	<b>1,472,280</b>	<b>1,494,301</b>	<b>1,555,817</b>	<b>1,963,846</b>	<b>408,029</b>

Craftsbury Town School District

**FY16 BUDGET**

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
<b>GUIDANCE</b>							
Salaries	69,817	53,047	72,747	57,781	51,133	50,732	(401)
Benefits	10,518	8,574	12,096	11,023	8,554	6,588	(1,966)
Prof Services	800	330	800	415	800	800	0
Other Services	560	613	560	82	660	2,160	1,500
Supplies	500	73	500	74	650	550	(100)
Other Objects	660	30	500	300	500	500	0
Subtotal	82,855	62,666	87,203	69,675	62,296	61,330	(966)
<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>							
Salaries	16,190	19,344	20,358	19,731	20,323	20,323	0
Benefits	8,733	6,304	10,558	1,035	11,069	2,752	(8,317)
Prof Services	0	0	0	80	0	0	0
Property Services	150	135	50	222	150	150	0
Supplies	350	444	450	224	500	500	0
Subtotal	25,423	26,228	31,416	21,291	32,042	23,725	(8,317)
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL/SPEECH/OCCUPATIONAL &amp; PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES</b>							
Salaries	0	7,422	0	0	0	0	0
Benefits	0	990	0	0	0	0	0
Prof Services	6,000	2,912	4,500	3,598	4,500	91,873	87,373
Other Objects	0	250	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	6,000	11,574	4,500	3,598	4,500	91,873	87,373
<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</b>							
Salaries	3,000	3,905	0	0	0	0	0
Benefits	0	96	0	140	0	0	0
Prof Services	2,250	2,594	4,146	5,094	8,396	18,534	10,138
Other Services	250	481	250	46	500	500	0
Subtotal	5,500	7,076	4,396	5,280	8,896	19,034	10,138
<b>LIBRARY/MEDIA SERVICES</b>							
Salaries	37,944	42,740	30,653	40,763	34,019	39,713	5,694
Benefits	10,263	18,306	9,498	8,972	10,491	11,420	929
Prof Services	500	0	0	20	0	0	0
Property Services	500	425	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Other Services	400	170	400	0	400	400	0
Supplies	6,525	6,342	7,625	6,513	7,825	7,825	0
Property	1,300	1,168	200	143	200	200	0
Other Objects	40	35	240	135	40	40	0
Subtotal	57,472	69,186	49,616	57,547	53,975	60,598	6,623
<b>TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION</b>							
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	257	257
Property Services	929	896	8,512	8,232	8,512	8,512	0
Other Services	11,769	22,209	11,769	31,689	22,600	22,600	0
Supplies	1,750	1,718	2,000	1,646	2,000	2,000	0
Property	17,521	17,008	13,200	17,925	14,700	33,700	19,000
Subtotal	31,969	41,831	35,481	59,491	47,812	67,069	19,257
16Changes/Negotiations	0	0	0	0	0	(12,305)	(12,305)
<b>TOTAL STUDENT/ INSTRUCTOR SUPPORT</b>	<b>209,219</b>	<b>218,560</b>	<b>212,612</b>	<b>216,880</b>	<b>209,521</b>	<b>311,324</b>	<b>101,803</b>

Craftsbury Town School District

**FY16 BUDGET**

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b>							
Salaries	0	0	200	340	1,700	1,700	0
Benefits	0	12	50	26	115	115	0
Prof Services	17,025	11,163	16,775	15,538	17,695	22,536	4,841
Property Services	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other Services	14,610	23,328	14,610	11,140	13,982	13,982	0
Supplies	55	203	55	25	55	55	0
Other Objects	1,320	0	1,320	1,471	1,320	1,320	0
Subtotal	33,011	34,705	33,011	28,540	34,867	39,708	4,841
<b>OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT</b>							
Prof Services	788,696	673,507	754,572	716,466	762,327	34,228	(728,099)
Subtotal	788,696	673,507	754,572	716,466	762,327	34,228	(728,099)
<b>SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Salaries	146,124	144,715	156,071	145,092	162,516	152,902	(9,614)
Benefits	56,656	55,113	60,416	58,266	65,597	56,259	(9,338)
Prof Services	1,260	1,178	800	1,693	800	1,810	1,010
Property Services	2,375	5,257	2,375	2,191	2,375	2,375	0
Other Services	9,000	12,715	7,000	9,857	7,000	7,000	0
Supplies	3,225	3,482	225	7,220	225	225	0
Property	650	142	650	0	650	650	0
Other Objects	915	1,427	940	904	940	940	0
Subtotal	220,205	224,031	228,477	225,223	240,103	222,161	(17,942)
<b>SPED ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	5,797	5,797
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	5,797	5,797
<b>BUSINESS OFFICE</b>							
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	60,345	60,345
Other Objects	19,600	6,564	19,600	13,359	7,000	7,000	0
Subtotal	19,600	6,564	19,600	13,359	7,000	67,345	60,345
<b>DATA/TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT</b>							
Salaries	29,826	31,169	32,106	33,581	39,619	38,135	(1,484)
Benefits	2,846	2,952	3,497	3,799	4,219	3,774	(445)
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	43,339	43,339
Subtotal	32,672	34,122	35,603	37,380	43,838	85,248	41,410
<b>GRANTS ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	1,022	1,022
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	1,022	1,022
16Changes/Negotiations	0	0	0	0	0	20,496	20,496
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>1,094,184</b>	<b>972,929</b>	<b>1,071,263</b>	<b>1,020,968</b>	<b>1,088,135</b>	<b>476,005</b>	<b>(612,130)</b>

Craftsbury Town School District

**FY16 BUDGET**

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
<b>OPERATIONS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>							
Salaries	100,013	108,955	103,149	86,240	98,315	83,897	(14,418)
Benefits	45,212	54,994	60,964	41,840	41,418	38,053	(3,365)
Prof Services	0	2,897	17,300	20,661	0	21,268	21,268
Property Services	33,500	36,049	15,000	40,692	55,100	52,600	(2,500)
Other Services	11,375	18,814	11,375	19,528	14,092	22,582	8,490
Supplies	68,600	65,096	79,507	66,021	75,275	77,634	2,359
Property	2,250	9,207	2,500	1,952	5,000	4,000	(1,000)
Subtotal	260,950	296,012	289,795	276,934	289,200	300,034	10,834
<b>STUDENT TRANSPORTATION</b>							
Prof Services	0	0	0	0	0	12,634	12,634
Other Services	162,803	158,686	167,256	176,796	177,484	181,284	3,800
Subtotal	162,803	158,686	167,256	176,796	177,484	193,918	16,434
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>							
Salaries	21,566	20,147	22,022	21,339	25,597	20,018	(5,579)
Benefits	14,659	12,694	18,505	13,554	16,082	13,619	(2,463)
Prof Services	300	50	300	1,303	300	300	0
Property Services	1,300	132	800	162	800	800	0
Other Services	1,000	414	500	733	350	350	0
Supplies	38,760	38,776	39,649	47,498	42,093	42,093	0
Property	2,000	1,632	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	79,585	73,845	81,776	84,589	85,222	77,180	(8,042)
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>							
Other Objects	9,500	19,156	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	0
Other Uses	272,500	272,500	272,500	272,500	272,500	272,500	0
Subtotal	282,000	291,656	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500	0
<b>PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENTS</b>							
Supplies	0	3,165	0	12,895	0	0	0
Subtotal	0	3,165	0	12,895	0	0	0
<b>FUND TRANSFERS</b>							
Other Uses	0	2,203	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	0	2,203	0	0	0	0	0
16Changes/Negotiations	0	0	0	0	0	12,902	12,902
<b>TOTAL OTHER</b>	<b>785,338</b>	<b>825,568</b>	<b>830,327</b>	<b>842,714</b>	<b>843,406</b>	<b>875,534</b>	<b>32,128</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,582,840</b>	<b>3,472,324</b>	<b>3,586,482</b>	<b>3,574,864</b>	<b>3,696,879</b>	<b>3,626,709</b>	<b>(70,170)</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(38,554)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41,167</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>LESS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(38,554)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41,167</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Notes:

16 Proposed	Salaries	FY15 actual FTEs continuing in FY16
	Benefits	FY15 actual benefits continuing in FY16
	All other objects	FY16 needs
16 Changes/Negotiations	Salaries/Benefits	Changes to FY15 actual FTEs/benefits for FY16
	Salaries/Benefits	Impact of negotiations (teachers, support staff)
	Benefits	Changes to costs of benefits for all employees

### FY16 Craftsbury Budget - Assessments

	13Approved	13Actual	14Approved	14Actual	15Approved	16Proposed	16Variance
<b>GENERAL ED INSTRUCTION</b>							
SU Assessment PK	0	0	0	0	0	36,140	36,140
<b>SPECIAL ED INSTRUCTION</b>							
SU Assessment SPED PK	0	0	0	0	0	7,378	7,378
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	416,650	416,650
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL/SPEECH/OCCUPATIONAL &amp; PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES</b>							
SU Assessment SPED PK	0	0	0	0	0	8,643	8,643
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	78,730	78,730
<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</b>							
SU Assessment PK	0	0	0	0	0	643	643
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	2,677	2,677
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	4,016	4,016
SU Assessment SPED PK	0	0	0	0	0	510	510
SU Assessment SPED K-6	0	0	0	0	0	917	917
SU Assessment SPED 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	1,375	1,375
<b>TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION</b>							
SU Assessment PK	0	0	0	0	0	257	257
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b>							
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	1,896	1,896
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	2,845	2,845
<b>OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT</b>							
SU Assessment K-6	52,475	52,440	61,900	60,861	60,842	13,691	(47,151)
SU Assessment 7-12	78,624	78,659	65,268	63,346	80,506	20,537	(59,969)
Special Education Support	0	59,544	0	0	0	0	0
Special Education Assessment	238,176	147,314	234,542	272,188	248,724	0	(248,724)
Special Education Assessment	357,264	300,865	351,814	279,023	329,167	0	(329,167)
Early Childhood Assessment	55,047	27,575	31,733	31,733	23,632	0	(23,632)
EEE Assessment	0	1,778	0	0	0	0	0
EEE Assessment	7,110	5,333	9,315	9,315	19,456	0	(19,456)
<b>SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION</b>							
SU Assessment PK	0	0	0	0	0	1,010	1,010
<b>SPED ADMINISTRATION</b>							
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	5,797	5,797
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	8,695	8,695
<b>BUSINESS OFFICE</b>							
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	24,138	24,138
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	36,207	36,207
<b>TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATION</b>							
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	17,336	17,336
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	26,003	26,003
<b>GRANTS ADMINISTRATION</b>							
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	409	409
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	613	613
<b>OPERATIONS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>							
SU Assessment PK	0	0	0	0	0	3,141	3,141
SU Assessment K-6	0	0	0	0	0	3,018	3,018
SU Assessment 7-12	0	0	0	0	0	4,526	4,526
SU Assessment SPED PK	0	0	0	0	0	828	828
<b>STUDENT TRANSPORTATION</b>							
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	8,423	8,423
SU Assessment SPED K12	0	0	0	0	0	12,634	12,634
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>788,696</b>	<b>673,507</b>	<b>754,572</b>	<b>716,466</b>	<b>762,327</b>	<b>749,683</b>	<b>(12,644)</b>
<b>Summary of Assessments</b>							
General Ed	186,146	158,674	158,901	155,940	164,980	199,103	34,123
Special Ed	602,550	514,833	595,671	560,526	597,347	550,580	(46,767)
	<b>788,696</b>	<b>673,507</b>	<b>754,572</b>	<b>716,466</b>	<b>762,327</b>	<b>749,683</b>	<b>(12,644)</b>

Craftsbury School District

**FY16 BUDGET - IMPACT ON TAX RATE**

	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	Proposed 3/3/15
Total Expenditures	1.2%	9.4%	0.1%	3.1%	-1.9%	Expenditure Changes
Total Revenues	-7.7%	35.1%	-2.6%	6.8%	1.2%	
Education Spending	4.3%	1.7%	1.2%	1.7%	-3.2%	
Equalized Pupils	-2.1%	0.0%	-2.7%	-2.4%	3.7%	
Education Spending/Equalized Pupil	6.5%	1.7%	4.0%	4.2%	-6.6%	
CLA	1.1%	7.4%	6.5%	6.9%	2.7%	
Actual Tax Rate	<b>2.0092</b>	<b>1.9064</b>	<b>1.8742</b>	<b>1.8756</b>	<b>1.7086</b>	(70,170) from Budget
% Tax Rate Increase over PY	6.6%	-5.1%	-1.7%	0.1%	-8.9%	

	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY16 Change
1 Total Expenditures	3,274,500	3,582,840	3,586,482	3,696,879	3,626,709	(70,170)
2 Total Revenues	757,203	1,022,911	996,314	1,063,757	1,076,840	13,083
3 Education Spending	2,517,297	2,559,929	2,590,168	2,633,122	2,549,869	(83,253)
4 Equalized Pupils	153.06	153.08	148.95	145.37	150.75	5.38
5 <b>Ed Spending per Eq Pupil</b>	<b>16,446.47</b>	<b>16,722.82</b>	<b>17,389.51</b>	<b>18,113.24</b>	<b>16,914.55</b>	<b>(1198.69)</b>
Base Education Amount	8,544	8,723	9,151	9,285	9,459	174
6 District Spending Adjustment	192.492%	191.710%	190.029%	195.081%	178.820%	-16.261%
Base Tax Rate	0.87	0.89	0.94	0.98	1.00	0.02
7 Equalized Homestead Tax Rate	<b>1.6747</b>	<b>1.7062</b>	<b>1.7863</b>	<b>1.9118</b>	<b>1.7882</b>	<b>-0.1236</b>
8 Common Level of Appraisal	83.35%	89.50%	95.31%	101.93%	104.66%	2.73%
9 <b>Actual Homestead Tax Rate</b>	<b>2.0092</b>	<b>1.9064</b>	<b>1.8742</b>	<b>1.8756</b>	<b>1.7086</b>	<b>-0.1670</b>

Revenue Changes
13,083 from Budget

Ed Sp per EqPup Threshold
17,103

Threshold Exclusions
1,934

Effective EdSP/EqPup
14,981

Cur 1c on actual homestead tax rate	15,000	Homestead	100,000	Tax decrease	167
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CLA	Value	Rate	Taxes
104.66%	Grand List 104,660	1.7086	1,788
100.00%	Market 100,000	1.7882	1,788

<b>Teachers Master Agreement FY 13 - FY 15</b>
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	<b>BA</b>	<b>BA+15</b>	<b>BA+30/MA</b>	<b>BA+45/MA=15</b>	<b>MA+30</b>
<b>Step 1</b>	\$33,342.00	\$34,842.00	\$36,342.00	\$37,843.00	\$39,343.00
<b>Step 2</b>	\$34,625.00	\$36,126.00	\$37,626.00	\$39,126.00	\$40,627.00
<b>Step 3</b>	\$35,909.00	\$37,409.00	\$38,910.00	\$40,410.00	\$41,910.00
<b>Step 4</b>	\$37,193.00	\$38,693.00	\$40,193.00	\$41,694.00	\$43,194.00
<b>Step 5</b>	\$38,476.00	\$39,977.00	\$41,477.00	\$42,977.00	\$44,478.00
<b>Step 6</b>	\$39,760.00	\$41,260.00	\$42,761.00	\$44,261.00	\$45,761.00
<b>Step 7</b>	\$41,044.00	42,544.00	\$44,044.00	\$45,545.00	\$47,045.00
<b>Step 8</b>	\$42,327.00	\$43,828.00	\$45,328.00	\$46,828.00	\$48,329.00
<b>Step 9</b>	\$43,611.00	\$45,111.00	\$46,612.00	\$48,112.00	\$49,612.00
<b>Step 10</b>	\$44,894.00	\$46,395.00	\$47,895.00	\$49,396.00	\$50,896.00
<b>Step 11</b>	\$46,178.00	\$47,679.00	\$49,179.00	\$50,679.00	\$52,180.00
<b>Step 12</b>	\$47,462.00	\$48,962.00	\$50,463.00	\$51,963.00	\$53,463.00
<b>Step 13</b>	\$48,745.00	\$50,246.00	\$51,746.00	\$53,247.00	\$54,747.00
<b>Step 14</b>	\$50,029.00	\$51,529.00	\$53,030.00	\$54,530.00	\$56,031.00
<b>Step 15</b>	\$51,313.00	\$52,813.00	\$54,314.00	\$55,814.00	\$57,314.00
<b>Step 16</b>	\$52,596.00	\$54,097.00	\$55,597.00	\$57,098.00	\$58,598.00
<b>Step 17</b>	\$53,880.00	\$55,380.00	\$56,881.00	\$58,381.00	\$59,882.00

<b>Off Step Salary Schedule 13 - 15</b>
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<b>Craftsbury</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>BA+15</b>	<b>BA+30/MA</b>	<b>BA+45/ MA+15</b>	<b>MA+30</b>
<b>Off Step 1</b>	\$49,166.02	\$54,480.82	\$0.00	\$59,795.62	\$0.00
<b>Off Step 2</b>	\$50,807.02	\$0.00	\$57,138.22	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Off Step 3</b>	\$52,530.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

## Craftsbury Schools Compensation by Employee

Last Name	First Name	ED+Credits	Years	Step	Amount Paid
Abair	Jill	BA+18			\$ 821.01
Aschenbach	Kurt				\$ 168.00
Barbieri	Laurel	MA+37	35	17	\$ 70,010.20
Brightenbach	Andrea	MA+95	39	17	\$ 50,203.10
Brown	Carly				\$ 178.50
Callahan-Brown	Sue	MA+35	25	17	\$ 38,028.48
Carpenter	Judith	MED+45	35	17	\$ 24,411.60
Cipriano	Derek			2	\$ 43,503.50
Cornelius	Aaron	MA	8	8	\$ 47,552.00
Dandanell	Janice				\$ 1,050.00
Donahue	Jayne				\$ 35.00
Dunbar	John				\$ 280.00
Dutton	Jean	MA+33	33	17	\$ 63,316.50
Epinette	Cynthia				\$ 340.00
Fairbanks	Debra	MED+71.5	36	17	\$ 37,404.90
Fogg	Margaret	BS+44	27	Off step 2	\$ 46,124.50
Fritz	Timothy				\$ 1,435.00
Greenia	Merri	M+33	33		\$ 84,896.61
Guebara	Sally	MA+30	13	13	\$ 57,995.00
Gutzmann	Walter	MS+24			\$ 4,000.00
Hess	Charles	BA	15	Off step 2	\$ 13,811.62
Hurlburt	Gailene				\$ 592.98
Ingraham	Patricia				\$ 750.01
Kogan	Alexander				\$ 2,403.94
Krebs	Alyssa				\$ 200.46
LaPoint	Jennifer	BA	15	Off set 2	\$ 19,730.88
Linck	Jane		31		\$ 27,611.88
Linck	Jennifer	BA+27	5	6	\$ 18,957.55
Locke	Daniel				\$ 1,860.00
Locke	Donna				\$ 1,443.75
Locke	Judith	BS+46	28	Off step 1	\$ 59,878.75
Luther	Pamela	MA+24	39		\$ 4,264.18

**Craftsbury Schools Compensation by Employee  
(Continued)**

<b>Last name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>ED + Credits</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Step</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
Martin-Baker	Lisa				\$ 2,927.00
Masse	Heather				\$ 420.00
Masse	Paula				\$ 1,995.00
Massucci	Barbara	BA+47	35	Off step 1	\$ 61,457.50
Maxfield	Ashley				\$ 1,860.00
Merritt	Peter	BS	1	2	\$ 38,293.50
Mesa	Valerie	BA+12	14	15	\$ 50,753.55
Midi	Karen				\$ 18,692.62
Moffatt	Evangeline		15		\$ 17,857.58
Molleur	Tyler				\$ 385.00
Mutrux	Sarah				\$ 1,190.00
Nuzzo	Hillarie	BA	1	1	\$ 30,671.80
Parson	Kisha	BS	8	8	\$ 8,743.80
Pierce	Donald				\$ 1,338.01
Prescott	Bruce		12		\$ 30,024.27
Raas	James				\$ 725.41
Reed	Scott		24		\$ 34,607.77
Richardson	Nancy		37		\$ 32,032.00
Robinson-Fritz	Amelia				\$ 35.00
Ronald	Margaret	PHD+4	32	17	\$ 42,720.30
Ruetz	Michael				\$ 1,860.00
Schiller	Dov			1	\$ 3,586.30
Schneider	Anthony	MBA+4	15		\$ 34,081.40
Smith	Margaretann				\$ 245.00
Smith	Valerie				\$ 1,613.53
Stein	Karl	MA+15	1	17	\$ 30,690.50
Thomas	Rickey				\$ 2,480.00
Thurber	Beverly	BA+36	27	Off step 2	\$ 64,092.71
Tourangeau	Darrin				\$ 19,433.22
Volmer	Abigail				\$ 70.00
Walczykowski	Jane	M	5	5	\$ 46,062.00
Williams	Cheryl	BA+45	21	16	\$ 60,885.50
Wright	Fay		3		\$ 19,725.44
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$ 1,384,815.61</b>

The Total Salary figure includes \$20,170.53 of retro pay after contract negotiations were finalized and \$21,708.70 for flexible leave time payments.

**Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report**  
**16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)**

**School:** Craftsbury Schools  
**S.U.:** Orleans Southwest S.U.

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

**FY2014 School Level Data**

**Cohort Description:** K - 12  
 (11 schools in cohort)

**Cohort Rank by Enrollment** (1 is largest)  
 10 out of 11

School level data	Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Rochester School	PK - 12	156	16,60	1,00	9.40	156.00	16.60
<b>Craftsbury Schools</b>	<b>PK - 12</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>15.52</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>10.82</b>	<b>168.00</b>	<b>15.52</b>
Cabot School	PK - 12	182	21.90	1.00	8.31	182.00	21.90
Canaan Schools	PK - 12	184	18.70	1.00	9.84	184.00	18.70
Chelsea Elementary High School	PK - 12	194	20.37	1.00	9.52	194.00	20.37
<b>Averaged SCHOOL cohort data</b>		<b>273.00</b>	<b>27.84</b>	<b>1.53</b>	<b>9.81</b>	<b>178.75</b>	<b>18.23</b>

**School District:** Craftsbury  
**LEA ID:** T055

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

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These data include district assessments to SUs. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to each other.

**FY2013 School District Data**

**Cohort Description:** K - 12 school district  
 (33 school districts in cohort)

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

**Cohort Rank by FTE**  
 (1 is largest)  
 32 out of 33

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

Rochester	PK-12	151.20	\$18,859
<b>Craftsbury</b>	<b>PK-12</b>	<b>152.77</b>	<b>\$16,708</b>
Chelsea	K-12	175.65	\$14,950
Cabot	PK-12	177.45	\$15,591
Canaan	PK-12	184.10	\$14,250
<b>Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data</b>		<b>804.5</b>	<b>\$12,969</b>

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

**FY2015 School District Data**

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchIDist	SchIDist	SchIDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
			Equalized Pupils	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
T168	Rochester	PK-12	143.59	13,813.50	1.4580	1.4580	106.99%	1.3627
<b>T055</b>	<b>Craftsbury</b>	<b>PK-12</b>	<b>145.37</b>	<b>18,113.24</b>	<b>1.9118</b>	<b>1.9118</b>	<b>101.93%</b>	<b>1.8756</b>
T046	Chelsea	K-12	169.55	13,741.83	1.4504	1.4504	97.88%	1.4818
T041	Canaan	PK-12	172.79	10,654.96	1.1246	1.1246	104.13%	1.0800
T038	Cabot	PK-12	194.63	14,963.94	1.5794	1.5794	100.37%	1.5736

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

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

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

District: **Craftsbury**  
County: **Orleans**

**T055**  
**Orleans Southwest**

Statutory calculation. See note at bottom of page.  
Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner. See note at bottom of page.

**9,459**      **1.00**

Expenditures		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
1.	<b>Budget</b> (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$3,582,840	\$3,586,482	\$3,696,879	\$3,626,709
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3.	<i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
4.	<b>Locally adopted or warned budget</b>	<b>\$3,582,840</b>	<b>\$3,586,482</b>	<b>\$3,696,879</b>	<b>\$3,626,709</b>
5.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
6.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
7.	<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$3,582,840</b>	<b>\$3,586,482</b>	<b>\$3,696,879</b>	<b>\$3,626,709</b>
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
<b>Revenues</b>					
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$1,022,911	\$996,314	\$1,063,757	\$1,076,840
11.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
12.	<i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
13.	<b>Offsetting revenues</b>	<b>\$1,022,911</b>	<b>\$996,314</b>	<b>\$1,063,757</b>	<b>\$1,076,840</b>
14.	<b>Education Spending</b>	<b>\$2,559,929</b>	<b>\$2,590,168</b>	<b>\$2,633,122</b>	<b>\$2,549,869</b>
15.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	153.08	148.95	145.37	150.75
<b>Education Spending per Equalized Pupil</b>		<b>\$16,722.82</b>	<b>\$17,389.51</b>	<b>\$18,113.24</b>	<b>\$16,914.55</b>
17.	<i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$1,842.17	\$1,957.03	\$2,005.23	\$1,933.67
18.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	\$40.80	\$19.79	\$37.51	\$47.41
19.	<i>minus</i> Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-
20.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
21.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-
22.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	-	-	-
23.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-
24.	<i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	NA	NA	NA	-
25.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$16,723	\$17,390	\$18,113	\$16,915
27.	<b>District spending adjustment</b> (minimum of 100%) <b>(\$16,915 / \$9,459)</b>	191.710% <small>based on \$8,723</small>	190.029% <small>based on \$9,151</small>	195.081% <small>based on \$9,285</small>	178.820% <small>based on \$9,459</small>
<b>Prorating the local tax rate</b>					
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (178.820% x \$1,000)	\$1,7062	\$1,7863	\$1,9118	\$1,7882
29.	Percent of Craftsbury equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.79)	\$1,7062	\$1,7863	\$1,9118	\$1,7882
31.	<b>Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)</b>	89.50%	96.31%	101.93%	104.66%
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1,7882 / 104.66%)	\$1,9064 <small>based on \$0.89</small>	\$1,8547 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1,8756 <small>based on \$0.98</small>	\$1,7086 <small>based on \$1.00</small>
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>					
33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (178.820% x 1.94%)	3.45% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	3.42% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	3.78% <small>based on 1.94%</small>	3.47% <small>based on 1.94%</small>
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 3.47%)	3.45% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	3.42% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	3.78% <small>based on 1.94%</small>	3.47% <small>based on 1.94%</small>
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-
36.		-	-	-	-

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,459. The Tax Commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.00 and \$1.535. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.  
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.  
- The base income percentage cap is 1.94%.

Orleans Southwest Supervisory Union  
**GENERAL FUND - Three Year Summary**

	General Education			Special Education			Total		
	14Actual	15Approved	16Preliminary	14Actual	15Approved	16Preliminary	14Actual	15Approved	16Preliminary
<b>REVENUE</b>									
<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>									
Craftsbury	155,940	163,304	195,806	551,211	597,347	588,961	707,151	760,651	784,767
Greensboro	27,999	27,008	27,779	0	9,728	7,478	27,999	36,736	35,257
Hardwick	377,882	368,232	395,370	966,582	999,390	1,018,683	1,344,464	1,367,622	1,414,053
Hazen	288,510	327,837	370,858	1,335,107	1,528,304	1,368,147	1,623,617	1,856,141	1,739,005
Lakeview	67,037	77,211	77,373	254,395	292,905	285,107	321,432	370,116	362,480
Stannard	11,200	10,128	12,309	85,813	114,224	111,204	97,013	124,352	123,513
Wolcott	210,695	201,901	214,947	1,065,696	1,178,987	1,103,129	1,276,391	1,380,888	1,318,076
Woodbury	57,076	78,431	75,494	150,412	170,847	191,848	207,488	249,278	267,342
Subtotal	1,196,339	1,254,052	1,369,937	4,409,216	4,891,732	4,674,557	5,605,555	6,145,784	6,044,494
<b>PURCHASED SERVICES</b>									
Subtotal	0	0	962,551	0	0	0	0	0	962,551
<b>GRANTS/REIMB/TRANSFERS</b>									
Subtotal	139,480	136,406	109,579	368,292	139,842	139,842	507,772	276,248	249,421
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	1,335,819	1,390,458	2,442,067	4,777,508	5,031,574	4,814,399	6,113,327	6,422,032	7,256,466
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
INSTRUCTION	197,672	227,833	279,079	3,710,416	3,811,440	3,548,617	3,908,088	4,039,273	3,827,696
STUDENT/INSTRUCTOR SUPPORT	56,030	61,703	582,483	589,128	820,400	743,600	645,158	882,103	1,326,083
CENTRAL ADMIN SUPPORT	221,257	197,228	281,158	0	0	0	221,257	197,228	281,158
SCHOOL ADMIN SUPPORT	8,682	4,183	7,853	121,157	138,651	116,241	129,839	142,834	124,094
BUSINESS/HR/GRANTS SUPPORT	462,731	504,314	442,765	0	0	0	462,731	504,314	442,765
DATA/TECH SUPPORT	254,263	303,149	287,692	0	0	0	254,263	303,149	287,692
MAINT/TRANSPORT SUPPORT	70,723	72,048	78,861	273,429	261,083	181,081	344,152	333,131	259,942
FUND TRANSFERS/ADJUSTMENTS	50,356	20,000	482,176	47,510	0	224,860	97,866	20,000	707,036
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	1,321,715	1,390,458	2,442,067	4,741,640	5,031,574	4,814,399	6,063,355	6,422,032	7,256,466
<b>REVENUE LESS EXPENDITURES</b>	14,104	0	0	35,868	0	0	49,972	0	0

The Supervisory Union Three Year Summary presents revenue and expenditures: FY14 Actual (last year), FY15 Approved Budget (current year), and FY16 Preliminary Budget (next year). The Three Year Summary addresses three fundamental questions:

- 1) how much is spent on what? - Expenditures show SU-based programs offered to students in member districts (Instruction, Instruction Support, Admin, Transport)
- 2) how these programs are funded? - primarily, Assessments (cost shared, based on district's pupil count) and Purchased Services (cost of actual services received by district)
- 3) how does next year compare to recent years? - note: prior to FY16 Budget, Purchased Services were generally "netted out" - not shown as an expense in SU

More detail can be obtained on the SU website (<http://www.ossu.org/business-office/fy16-budget>) or by calling the SU office 472-6531

Expenditures by Level:	PK	K-12	Total
	229,278	1,092,437	1,321,715
	280,203	1,110,255	1,390,458
	310,039	2,132,028	2,442,067
	83,460	4,827,281	4,910,741
	204,293	4,827,281	5,031,574
	83,460	4,730,939	4,814,399
	378,971	5,684,384	6,063,355
	484,496	5,937,536	6,422,032
	393,499	6,862,967	7,256,466

## ABSTRACT OF MINUTES TOWN MEETING 2014

**Article 1.** Moderator- Jeannine Young was nominated, 1 vote was cast.

**Article 2.** Auditors' Report-Motion was approved.

**Article 3.** Select Board member—(3 year term) -Jim Jones  
Collector of Taxes- ( 1 year term) - Yvette Brown  
Lister- ( 3 year term) - Barbara Paterson  
Auditor- (3 year term) - Lisa Santamore  
Town Agent- (1 year term ) - Tom Wells  
Grand Juror-( 1 year term) - Kathryn Hadden  
Cemetery Commission-(5 year term) - Jim Jones  
Trustee of Public Funds-(3 year term) - Jeannine Young  
WWII Memorial Trustees-(3 year term) - Bruce Urie  
Supervisor Lamoille Solid Waste-(2 year term) - Adrian Owens

**Article 4.** Town use \$20,000.00 from carryover for Atwood Bridge.

Yes: 126 - No: 5 Blanks: 3 / article carried

**Article 5.** Town Budget of \$689,369.00. / Yes: 110 - No: 9 / article carried

**Article 6.** Fire Dep't budget of \$40,050.00. / Yes: 134 - No: 12 - Blank: 1 / article carried

**Article 7.** Appropriation for new loader not to exceed \$105,000.00.

Yes: 112 - No: 19 / article carried

**Article 8.** "Good Neighbor Fund" (solar panel installation) \$27,000.00.

Yes: 126 - No: 16 / article carried

**Article 9.** Local Appropriation \$5000.00. / motion carried.

**Article 10.** To vote the appropriations of \$21,495.00 to the various non profits.

Yes: 105 - No: 10 / article carried

**Article 11.** Appropriation to Craftsbury Community Care Center of \$10,000.00.

Yes: 108 - No: 8 / article carried

**Article 12.** An appropriation of \$29,000 was granted for the Public Library.

Yes: 106 - No: 6 - Blank -1 / article carried

**Article 13.** An appropriation of \$3,000.00 was granted for the Craftsbury East Hill Preschool.

**Article 14.** Authorize Select Board to draw temporary loan orders in anticipation of taxes;  
voice vote passed.

**Article 15.** To have Taxes collected by Town Treasurer; voice vote passed.

**Article 16.** To have Taxes collected in installments; voice vote passed.

**Article 17.** Instruct Select Board to enact resolution to call on the State Legislature to create a  
Public Bank in Vermont; voice vote carried.

**Article 18.** To transact any other business.

Recommendation to increase the \$10,000.00 amount required for paper ballot.

Old Home Day on second Saturday in August

Adjourned at 12:20 pm.

## Abstract of Minutes

### Town School District 2014

Meeting started at 1:05 PM

**Article 1.** The budget for the School of \$3,586,482.00 was passed.

votes cast:81 Yes: 74 No: 7

**Article 2.** Motion to Authorize and empower the School Board to draw temporary loan orders in anticipation of taxes and state aid: Approved

**Article 3.** To elect a School Director for a term of 3 years.

Sydney Flower voted into 3 year term.

**Article 4.** To elect a School Director for a term of 2 years.

Hester Fuller voted into 2 year term.

**Article 5.** To allow School Directors to transfer year end fund balance to a reserve for use on building maintenance and repairs. Motion passed.

**Article 6.** To transact any other business.

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Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM

## CRAFTSBURY INFORMATION

Website : [www.townofcraftsbury.com](http://www.townofcraftsbury.com)

### Telephone Numbers:

Craftsbury Dog Warden—Chris Masse.....	586-7794
Craftsbury Fire Dept.....	586-7786
Craftsbury Fire Warden—Wilbur Baraw .....	586-7738
Craftsbury Justices of the Peace:	
Timothy Fritz .....	586-2887
Tony Jones .....	586-2849
David Rowell.....	586-7798
Yvette Brown .....	586-7766
James Flint .....	586-9127
Craftsbury Post Office (Village) .....	586-9650
Craftsbury Post Office (Common).....	586-2209
Craftsbury Public Library .....	586-9683
Craftsbury School (Elementary) .....	586-9671
Craftsbury School (Academy) .....	586-2541
Craftsbury Select board—Susan Houston.....	586-2873
Craftsbury Select board—James Jones.....	586-2292
Craftsbury Select board—Bruce Urie.....	755-6713
Craftsbury Town Clerk's Office .....	586-2823
Craftsbury Town Clerk (Fax) .....	586-2323
Craftsbury Town Garage .....	586-2271
Orleans Southwest Supervisory Union .....	472-6531
<b>Emergency .....</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Rescue Squad Emergency .....</b>	<b>472-6666</b>
VT Fish & Wildlife Dept .....	802-241-3700
VT Poison Center .....	802-658-3456
VT State Police .....	802-988-4315

Branch Cemetery: Jane Linck	586-9629
E. Craftsbury Cemetery: Barbara Paterson	586-2863
Village Cemetery: Louise Davis	586-2818
Common Cemetery: Phyllis Harrington	586-2532

### Town Clerk's Office:

Open Tues– Fri 8:30am—4:00 pm  
Mailing Address:  
P O Box 55  
Craftsbury, VT 05826  
E-mail: [craftsbury@gmail.com](mailto:craftsbury@gmail.com)

### Craftsbury Public Library Hours:

Tues & Fri : 10:00am—8:00pm  
Wed & Sat: 9:00am—12:00pm  
Thursday: 2:00pm—6:00pm  
Sun: 11:00am—1:00pm

### Craftsbury Post Office:

#### Window Hours:

Mon.-Fri. 7:30am-10:30am / 1:00pm-4:00pm  
Sat. 7:30am - 10:30am  
Closed (Lunch) 10:30am - 1:00 pm

#### Lobby Hours:

Mon. - Fri. 7:30am - 4:30pm  
Sat. 7:30am - 11:00am  
Box mail available by 10:00am

### Craftsbury Common Post Office:

#### Window Hours:

Mon.-Fri.8:00am-10:00am / 2:45pm-5:00pm  
Sat.8:00am-11:15am  
Closed (Lunch) 10:00am-2:45pm

#### Lobby Hours:

Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm  
Sat. 8:00am-11:15am  
Box mail available by 10:00am

### Craftsbury Recycling & Trash

[www.lrswwmd.org](http://www.lrswwmd.org)

Saturdays 9:00am—1:00pm

#### Trash cost:

45 gallon bag / \$5.25  
30 gallon bag / \$3.75  
15 gallon bag / \$2.25

**RECYCLE FOR FREE !!!!!**

### Craftsbury School Board Meetings:

3rd Tuesday of the Month  
At Craftsbury Academy 6:00pm  
(note: date/time may change)

### Craftsbury Select Board Meetings:

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month  
At Craftsbury Town Hall 7:00pm



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Craftsbury Academy  
Craftsbury Common, VT 05827

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