

Peacham Vermont



Annual Report
2006

Town Meeting Day
Tuesday, March 6, 2007
10:00 A.M.
(Town Meeting followed by School District meeting)
Peacham Congregational Church

Potluck Lunch
will be served at noon at the
Peacham Congregational Church.
Please bring a hot dish or salad.
Rolls, dessert, and beverage will be provided.
Donation \$1.00

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN OF PEACHAM
VERMONT

2006

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WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Peacham are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Peacham Congregational Church in said Peacham on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 10:00 AM, to transact the following business:

- Article 1 To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting and to continue to serve as Moderator for a term of one year or until his or her successor is elected.
- Article 2 To receive the report of Town Auditors.
- Article 3 To elect a Town Clerk for a term of one year.
- Article 4 To elect a Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for a term of one year.
- Article 5 To elect a Selectboard member for a term of three years.
- Article 6 To elect a Lister for a term of three years.
- Article 7 To elect an Auditor for a term of three years.
- Article 8 To elect a Grand Juror for a term of one year.
- Article 9 To elect a Town Agent for a term of one year.
- Article 10 To elect a First Constable for a term of one year.
- Article 11 To elect a Second Constable for a term of one year.
- Article 12 Shall the delinquent taxes be collected by the First Constable or shall the Town elect a Delinquent Tax Collector.
- Article 13 To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for the ensuing year.
- Article 14 Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be raised by taxes, and to be held in a reserve fund until used, for the purpose of the acquisition of a new rescue vehicle for the Fire Department.
- Article 15 Shall the voters allow the selectboard to use unspent monies in the Recycling Shed restricted fund for additional improvements at the transfer station?
- Article 16 Shall the voters appropriate \$268,329.00 in taxes to defray Highway expenses.
- Article 17 Shall the voters appropriate \$272,204.00 in taxes to defray the General expenses of the Town.
- Article 18 Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$17,778.00 to be raised by taxes in support of the following organizations:

A. Area Agency on Aging	\$600
B. Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice	\$2000
C. Catamount Arts	\$500
D. Danville Rescue Squad	\$4000
E. Danville Senior Action	\$400
F. Fairbanks Museum	\$380
G. NEK Human Services	\$698
H. NEK Learning Ser.	\$200
I. NEK Youth Services	\$500
J. Peacham Fire District # 1	\$1500
K. Peacham Library	\$5000
L. Umbrella	\$500
M. Vermont Assoc. of the Blind	\$500
N. Cabot Ambulance	\$500
O. West Danville Community Club	\$500


TOTAL \$17,778

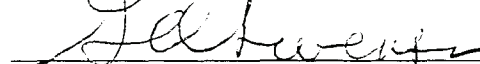
Article 19 Shall the Town pay its real property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before October 31, 2007, with delinquent taxes having interest charges of one percent per month and with an eight percent penalty charged against them from the due date.

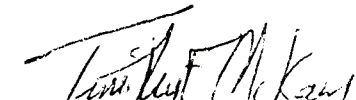
Article 20 Shall the voters decide to provide notice of the availability of the Annual Town Report to the voters in lieu of mailing or otherwise distributing the Annual Town Report starting with the 2007 Annual Town Report.


Article 21 To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Done at Peacham, Vermont: January 31, 2007


Richard Browne, Chair


Gary Swenson


Timothy McKay

ATTEST:

E. Bruce Lafferty
Town Clerk & Treasurer

Minutes for Town Meeting 2006

The legal voters of the Town of Peacham met at the Peacham Congregational Church in Peacham on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. to transact the following business:

- Article 1 Jeremy White moved to nominate Leslie Morrison for Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting and to continue to serve as Moderator for a term of one year or until his or her successor is elected. Wynne Browne seconded. Jerry Senturia moved to close nominations and cast one ballot for Morrison. Diana Senturia seconded. Morrison was elected.
- Article 2 Becky Jensen discussed the report of Town Auditors.
- Article 3 Jeff Berwick moved to elect Bruce Lafferty as Town Clerk for a term of one year. Jerry Senturia seconded. Don Davis moved to close nominations and cast one ballot. Phyllis Randall seconded. Lafferty was elected.
- Article 4 Jeff Berwick moved to elect Bruce Lafferty as Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for a term of one year. Jerry Senturia seconded. Dick Lyders moved to close nominations and cast one ballot. Josette Lyders seconded. Lafferty was elected.
- Article 5 George Kempton moved to nominate Gary Swenson to the Selectboard for a term of three years. Beppy Brown seconded. Don Davis moved to close nominations and cast one ballot. Dick Lyders seconded. Swenson was elected.
- Article 6 George Kempton moved to elect Rob Ide as Lister for a term of three years. Hertha Forrai seconded. Ide was elected.
- Article 7 Passed and then taken up again. Patrick Downes moved to elect Don Davis as Auditor for a term of three years. Diana Senturia seconded. Davis was elected.
- Article 8 Barry Lawson moved to elect Charlie Browne as Grand Juror for the ensuing year. Phyllis Randall seconded. Browne was elected.
- Article 9 Charlie Browne moved to elect Bob Fuehrer as Town Agent for the ensuing year. Lori Craig seconded. Fuehrer was elected.
- Article 10 Charlie Browne moved to elect Beatrice De Rocco as representative to the board of the Peacham Library. Gib Parrish seconded. De Rocco was elected.
- Article 11 Ron Craig moved to elect John Sheehan as First Constable for the ensuing year. Peter Craig seconded. Sheehan was elected.
- Article 12 Jerry Senturia moved to elect Bill Thresher as Second Constable for the ensuing year. Jeff Berwick seconded. Thresher was elected.
- Article 13 Don Davis moved that the First Constable serve as Delinquent Tax Collector. Peg Clemons seconded. So voted.
- Article 14 Passed over: To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector.
- Article 15 Jerry Senturia moved to appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be raised by taxes, and to be held in a reserve fund until used, for the purpose of the purchase of a new rescue vehicle for the Fire Department. Diana Senturia seconded. So voted.

Article 16 Jerry Senturia moved to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be raised by taxes, and to be held in a reserve fund until used, for the purpose of Fire Warden Capital Equipment. Diana Senturia seconded. So voted.

Article 17 John Marshall moved for the voters to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the premises known as the “Old Town Hall” at a price, and on terms, deemed by them to be appropriate. George Kempton seconded. Harry Barnes moved to amend the article to read, “Shall the voters authorize the Board of Selectmen to evaluate options for the sale, donation or other conveyance of the premises known as the ‘Old Town Office’?” Diana Senturia seconded. Discussion of the amendment took place. Mike Sabourin moved to postpone the amendment indefinitely. Mark Moore seconded. The motion postponing indefinitely was defeated. More discussion ensued. Don Davis moved to amend the amendment to authorize the Selectboard to dispose of the Old Town Office for a dollar to Peacham Community Housing. Peg Clemons seconded. After more discussion, Don Davis withdrew his motion, and Peg Clemons withdrew her second. Phyllis Randall called to end discussion on this amendment. Diana Senturia seconded. So voted. Lynne Lawson moved to amend the amendment to read, “Shall the voters authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey the Old Town Office to Peacham Community Housing under such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate?” Becky Jensen seconded. Discussion ensued. Lynne Lawson withdrew her amendment. Becky Jensen did not withdraw her second. The amendment passed. The article as amended passed.

Article 18 Paul Clemons moved to appropriate \$278,060.00 in taxes to defray Highway expenses. Diana Senturia seconded. So voted.

Article 19 Diana Senturia moved to appropriate \$294,593.03 in taxes to defray the General expenses of the Town. Phyllis Randall seconded. So voted.

Article 20 Wynne Browne moved to appropriate the sum of \$16,328.00 to be raised by taxes in support of the following organizations:

A. Area Agency on Aging	\$450
B. Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice	\$2000
C. Catamount Arts	\$500
D. Danville Rescue Squad	\$4000
E. Danville Senior Action	\$300
F. Fairbanks Museum	\$380
G. NEK Human Services	\$698
H. NEK Learning Ser.	\$200
I. NEK Youth Services	\$500
J. Peacham Fire District # 1	\$1500
K. Peacham Library	\$5000
L. Umbrella	\$300
M. Vermont Assoc. of the Blind	<u>\$500</u>

TOTAL \$16,328

Jessica McKay seconded. Don Davis moved to add a \$500 appropriation to Cabot Ambulance. Jerry Senturia seconded. So

voted. Karen Joyce moved to add \$200 to the Umbrella appropriation. Mike Bruton seconded. This motion was not passed. Charlie Browne moved to amend the amount for Area Agency on Aging to the correct amount of \$600, as requested by the original petition. Patrick Downes seconded. The amended amount was so voted. Article as amended to amount of \$16,978 was passed.

Article 21 Phyllis Randall moved the Town pay its real property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before October 31, 2006, with delinquent taxes having interest charges of one percent per month and with an eight percent penalty charged against them from the due date. Diana Senturia seconded.

Article 22 Don Davis noted and thanked the town for the tax support he receives since his land is in the state current use program. Hilary Smith seconded Don's sentiments and also offered thanks to Patrick Downes for his year of service as Clerk/Treasurer. Jonathan Kaplan urged the Selectboard with the Planning Commission to consider suitable options regarding town management of sewage. Becky Jensen thanked the voters for its support of the Peacham Library by passing the appropriation. There will be a benefit concert march 19th at the Peacham Congregational Church to support Dale Camara's fight against cancer. Barry Lawson noted the Village Planning process is ongoing, and he urged input and support for this effort.

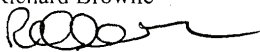
Kathy Corcoran moved to adjourn. Jean Berwick seconded. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 3:12 pm.

The foregoing is approved and attested to by:

PEACHAM SELECTBOARD

Richard Browne

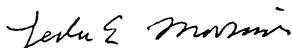


Gary Swenson

Timothy McKay

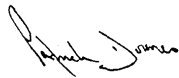


MODERATOR



Leslie Morrison

CLERK TO THE BOARD



Patrick Downes

Town Officers 2006

Office		Term ends at Town meeting in the year
Auditors	Don Davis	2009
	Rebecca Jensen	2008
	Diana Senturia	2007
Constable	John Sheehan	2007
Delinquent Tax Collector	John Sheehan	2007
Grand Juror	Charles Browne	2007
Library Representative	Beatrice DeRocco	2009
Listers	Robert Ide	2009
	Rebecca Jensen	2008
	Karen Joyce	2007
Moderator	Leslie Morrison	2007
Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Representative	Richard Blair	2007
School Directors	Bill Cobb (resigned)	2009
	Art Green	2008
	JoAnne Post	2007
	Jean Dedam	2007 (appointed)
Second Constable	William Thresher	2007
Selectboard	Gary Swenson	2009
	Tim McKay	2008
	Richard Browne	2007
Town Agent	Robert Fuehrer	2007
Town Clerk	Bruce Lafferty	2007
Town Treasurer and Tax Collector	Bruce Lafferty	2007

Appointments by Selectboard 2006

Committee		Appointment ends
Agency Appropriation Committee	Don Davis	2009
	Charles Browne	2008
	Jean Clark	2007
ADA Committee	Disbanded	
Board of Adjustment	Ron Craig	2007
	Donald Moore, Sr.	2007
	Mike Bruton	2007
	Art Green	2006
	Francis Carlet	2006
Conservation Commission	David Magnus	2009
	Neil Monteith	2009
	Ron Miller	2008
	Cindy McKnight	2008
	Fred Fortin	2008
	Marceya Roy	2007
Emergency Management Coordinator	Jerry Senturia	2007
Fence Viewers	Kenneth Bean	2007
	Maurice Chandler	2007
	Ken Danielson	2007
Fire Chief	Jeff Berwick	2007
Fire Warden	Frederick Stevenson	2007
Green-up Chairman	JoAnne Post	2007
	Dave Stauffer	2007
Health Officer	Sharon McDonnell	2007
Assistant Health Officer	Jean Berwick	2007

Keeper of the Pound	Jo Guertin	2007
Memorial Day Chairman	Mel Reis	2007
NVDA Representatives	Jean Dedam	2007
	Tom Joyce	2007
Planning Commission	Marsha Garrison	2009
	Tom Joyce	2009
	Gib Parrish	2009
	Maurine Rosenberg	2008
	Marilyn Magnus	2008
	Tom Glavin	2007
	John Reiss	2007
Road Commissioner	Select Board	
Service Officer	Patty Strader	2007
Sextons	Ron Craig	2007
	Cheryl Stevenson	2007
Town Economic Committee	Charlie Browne	2007
	Barry Lawson	2007
	Tim MacKay	2007
	Gib Parish	2007
	Edwin Stretch	2007
Town Energy Coordinator	David Magnus	2007
Tree Board	David Jacobs	2007
	Julie Lang	2007
	Neil Monteith	2007
	Cheryl Stevenson	2007
	Marj Swenson	2007
Tree Warden	Neil Monteith	2007
Zoning Administrator*	Robert Hansen	2007

*Appointed by the Planning Commission, approved by the Select Board

Other Elected Officials:

Justice of the Peace (all terms expire in February 2009):

Don Davis
Jean Dedam
Sam Kempton
Phyllis Randall
Diana Senturia

State Representative (term expires in 2009):

Steve Larabee

State Senators (terms expire in 2009):

Jane Kitchell
George Coppenrath

US Representative (term expires in 2009):

Peter Welch

US Senator (term expires in 2013):

Bernie Sanders



Blacksmith shop

Town of Peacham Auditors' Report 2006

We have examined the accounts and records of the Town Officials, verified the stated cash balances and inspected certificates or other securities and trust funds. To the best of our knowledge, the report submitted herewith presents the financial position of the Town of Peacham on December 31, 2006 and gives an accurate account of the funds during the year ended.

Bruce Lafferty, the Town Clerk/Treasurer, and his assistant, Stan Fickes, have worked hard this year to master the NEMRC accounting along with their many other responsibilities. It has been a pleasure to work with both of them. Additional training with NEMRC staff and/or bookkeeping services would no doubt assist both of them in this process and would be a good use of training funds.

We have the following recommendations:

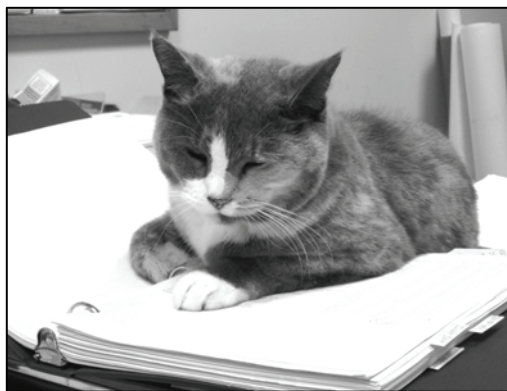
- Every attempt should be made to keep all books and records up-to-date so that a clear presentation of monthly and year end finances may easily be made.
- The Selectboard should regularly receive reports with the warrants to be signed indicating the line item(s) charged and the remaining balance for each line item(s). We feel such reports would help the Selectboard maintain fiscal control over the budget, particularly if all three board members examine the warrants and bills at each meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Davis

Rebecca Jensen

Diana Senturia



Vital Statistics 2006

Births

Sadie Raye Elisabeth Young	2/26/06	Pamela Dawn Young Raymond Charles Young
Aidin James McCaffrey	8/21/06	April Lee M. McCaffrey Michael Thomas McCaffrey
Lila Winslow Cobb	8/28/06	Phoebe Jane Cavanaugh Cobb William Wyman Cobb

Marriages

Thomas S. Turner Tamsen Ross Van derLas	4/15/06
Justin Lee Shortsleeve Gabrielle Suzanne Shephard	8/11/06
James Michael Philippe Jr. Jessica Sibyl McKay	8/19/06
Jacob Kramer Sara Friess Clough	8/26/06
Richard Dawson Morrill Dawn Estelle Morgan	9/16/06



May Pole dance on Church Street

Civil Unions

Heather Alyce McLain Sarah Lauren Hibbert	9/9/06
Rosemarie Casteneda Tammy Lisa Teitle	12/4/06

Deaths

Barbara Ann Crowe	56	7/8/06	Peacham
Howard Norcross Eastman	76	12/8/06	Peacham

Town Clerk and Town Treasurer's Report 2006

This has been an interesting and educational year for your rookie Town Clerk/Treasurer. The learning curve has been quite steep, especially with events such as the primary and general election. Managing a municipal office has brought new challenges each day. I have scheduled extensive training with our accounting software management company, NMREC for this month. This training should enable me to handle the business of this office in a more efficient and timely manner. Everyone has been patient and very helpful, as I've tried to understand the many facets of this job. The daily contact with the residents of Peacham is an enjoyable part of this position. Providing everyone who walks through the Town Office door with friendly and competent service is a high priority in the Clerk's office.

In addition to performing the everyday duties, this office has taken on new responsibilities while also continuing to expand ongoing projects created by previous Town Clerks. The new computer server installed last year has proved to be a valuable tool for information sharing between the Listers and the Town Clerk. The purchase of a new laptop computer has helped streamline the workflow in our office so that town data is now produced more quickly and efficiently. In preparation for organizing and holding a Primary and General Election, the Assistant Town Clerk and I learned to work with HAVA (Help America Vote Act), which among other provisions has established the new statewide voter checklist database. We attended HAVA classes and seminar presentations that provided Town Clerks with the tools and knowledge necessary to work within this new database. We discovered that the system works even better than anticipated. For example, over 25% of Peacham registered voters cast ballots in the General election using the absentee and early voter option. Our total voter turnout was over 75%, one of the highest percentages in the state. We also experimented with opening the polls earlier and received a positive response. The State of Vermont provided new voting booths for the Primary Election in September. The booths were met with mixed reactions so a combination of the old and the new booths were available for the General Election in November. Compromise once again prevailed!

It should go without saying that without my Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer, Stan Fickes, a lot of what we do would be difficult to achieve. Stan is also a rookie, but he brings to the positions invaluable skills, especially in the area of computer technology. As we've been learning our way around in our new jobs, I've appreciated his ability to focus

simultaneously on different tasks while providing friendly and helpful service to anyone who walks through our door, all with a sense of humor. Thanks, Stan!

I'd like to thank the Peacham Selectboard, Administrative Assistant, Phil Jejer, the Town's Auditors and Listers, and the numerous local committees and commissions for their help this past year. Everyday I get to work with your elected and appointed officials who provide valuable information to the Clerk's office and extremely diligent service to the community. These residents give many hours of their time and share with the community their varied ideas and resources. It's been a pleasure working with them.

Finally, thanks to the Peacham voters for giving me an opportunity to serve you. It's been a privilege. It's never been dull and everyday I've learned something new. It really isn't just a job. It is an adventure!

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Lafferty, Town Clerk and Town Treasurer



Methodist Church on Church Street

**SUMMARY OF TOWN ACCOUNTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006**

Account	December 31, 2005	December 31, 2006
Checking – current	\$384,924.24	\$476,727.78
Storm Repair Road – FEMA	\$2,236.74	\$2,250.20
Retreatment	\$5,524.37	\$23,835.66
CDARS Capital Equipment	\$71,046.59	\$73,924.86
Road Cap Equip Acct	\$40,039.04	\$10,485.29
TOTAL	\$503,770.98	\$587,223.79

STATEMENT OF DEBT OUTSTANDING

Highway Truck Lease	\$66,060.72
Fire Truck Lease	\$80,402.16
Fire Station Note	\$73,334.00
TOTAL	\$219,796.88

- The Highway Truck Lease is paid semi-annually to Municipal Asset Management for a total of \$22,020.24 per year. The final payment will be due in September 2009.
- The Fire Truck Lease is paid semi-annually to Municipal Asset Management for a total of \$26,800.72 per year. The final payment will be due in 2009.
- The Fire Station Note with Passumpsic Savings Bank, approved by voters in 2000, is currently paid yearly at \$21,442.67 including interest. The final payment will be due in 2010. The interest is an expense that is not included in the total principal outstanding.

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006

ASSET	2005	2006
Main Checking 3093	381,924.24	476,727.78
Petty Cash	24.63	43.65
Housing VT Grant Rcvble.	19.80	1,699.80
Conservation Grant Rcvble.	-283.17	0.00
Fema-Passumpsic 2112	2,236.74	2,250.20
Homeland Security Rcvble.	9,377.49	595.00
Fire Act Grant Rcvble.	2,707.25	0.00
Prepaid oil	4,316.41	8019.00
Taxes past due	<u>84,230.33</u>	<u>80,969.70</u>
Total Asset	484,553.72	570,305.13

*The assets listed as Receivables are grant monies that were expected after year end.

LIABILITY		
Restoration Land Records	144.25	615.26
Conservation Reserve	5,627.01	5,127.01
VT Money for Reappraisal	4,697.00	16,282.06
Bridge Fund	6,827.79	4,327.79
Fema	2,201.09	2,201.09
New Recycling Shed	9,305.87	8,502.36
Lister Education Fund		389.56
Fire Department Capital Equipment		15,000.00
Fire Warden Capital Equipment		<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Liability	28,880.01	53,445.13

*This list of liabilities shows the total outstanding at the end of the year and does not include liabilities that may have existed and were paid down, such as the amount due to the state out of dog licenses. These liabilities are the only reserve funds established by earlier voter approval or by state mandate with an outstanding balance at the close of 2006.

Grand List Computations 2006

Appraised Valuations \$ 837,113.00 Veteran's exemptions included

Grand List Set July 25, 2006

$$\boxed{\$ 83,711,300.00} \times .01 = \$ 837,113.00$$

2005 Education Property Tax Rate (Set by Vermont Dept. of Taxes)

Homestead rate	1.5412
Non-Residential rate	1.6088

Town Taxes to be raised

Highway	\$ 278,060.00
General	\$ 294,593.03
Appropriations	\$ 16,978.00
Rescue vehicle reserve	\$ 15,000.00
Fire Warden capital equip. reserve	\$ 1,000.00

Total \$ 605,631.03

Less State money to town

Hold Harmless	\$ 56,504.00
PILOT	\$ 2,195.00
	\$ 58,699.00

Town tax rate

$$\$ 546,932.03 \quad / \quad \$ 837,113.00 = 0.6534$$

TOTAL HOMESTEAD TAX RATE 2.1946

TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE 2.2622

Peacham Selectboard

Richard Browne

Timothy McKay

Gary Swenson

Approved August 2, 2006

Town of Peacham
List of Delinquent Taxes as of January 12th, 2007

Name	Total Due	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
BELL, VIRGINIA	\$913.51						\$913.51
BOOMHOWER, GREGORY & MICHELE	\$969.08					\$9.87	\$959.21
BRAMBLE, FRANCIS	\$1,047.10						\$1,047.10
BUCK, THOMAS	\$3,216.65						\$3,216.65
COLLIAS, ARTHUR	\$886.41						\$886.41
COUTURE, RAYMOND	\$2,825.70				\$867.58	\$1,016.48	\$941.64
DEDAM, JEAN M	\$918.54		\$209.30	\$200.37	\$174.68	\$173.48	\$160.71
DEEHL, S R	\$1,353.10				\$298.30	\$547.56	\$507.24
EDWARDS, DAVID A	\$274.59						\$274.59
FELDMAN, TUVIA	\$14,164.84	\$1,747.67	\$2,419.50		\$3,420.18	\$3,358.34	\$3,219.15
FULLERTON, RICHARD D	\$1,205.51				\$491.51	\$487.99	\$226.01
GAYLOR, SHIRLEY KIM	\$2,475.90						\$2,475.90
GOSLANT, DAMON	\$2,729.74					\$1,210.55	\$1,519.19
GOSS, WILLIAM	\$7,019.79			\$5,216.93	\$1,802.86		
HASTINGS, JAMES	\$318.89						\$318.89
IACONO, MARGARET R.	\$7,591.95			\$71.71	\$2,856.67	\$2,097.60	\$2,565.97
JAMIESON, DOUGLAS	\$2,913.48						\$2,913.48
LAFONTAINE, ALBERT	\$2,779.15			\$456.80	\$797.50	\$791.62	\$733.23
LOWRE, RICHARD & DONNA	\$6,128.61				\$2,047.83	\$2,090.56	\$1,990.22
MARCOTTE, LORRAINE	\$2,488.79					\$2,488.79	
MONTEITH, CHERYL	\$2,737.03					\$164.59	\$2,572.44
MOORE, MARK R	\$4,988.26	\$4,988.26					
NUNN, KEVIN Q	\$17.64						\$17.64
NYE, PEACHAM REALTY TRUST	\$52.12						\$52.12
PHILLIPS, JOHN & MARIE	\$3,658.87						\$3,658.87
RICH, TIMOTHY	\$1,207.81						\$1,207.81
ROY, RICHARD DALE JR	\$1,539.07						\$1,539.07
WAGNER, STEVEN M.	\$2,647.95						\$2,647.95
WASON, PETER STIRLING	\$51.91						\$51.91
ZAVERUHA, IAN	\$349.75						\$349.75
TOTALS	\$79,471.74	\$6,735.93	\$2,628.80	\$5,945.81	\$12,757.11	\$14,437.43	\$36,966.66

Notes:

Amounts were accurate as of January 12, 2007.

Person listed as owner is the owner of record on April 1 of the year taxes were due.

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
GENERAL REVENUE					
TAX RELATED					
Taxes - Current Year	0.00	1708977.50	0.00	1773628.53	
Del. Taxes Current Year	5000.00	109901.05	5000.00	93093.89	
Interest: Del. Taxes	0.00	10807.59	0.00	7299.22	3000.00
	5000.00	1829686.14	5000.00	1874021.64	3000.00
CLERKS OFFICE					
Town Clerk's Fees	5000.00	8994.57	5000.00	4326.04	4000.00
Dog Licenses	850.00	688.00	750.00	871.00	800.00
Liquor License Fees	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	5850.00	9732.57	5750.00	5197.04	4800.00
OTHER					
Zoning Fees	0.00	343.00	0.00	1064.00	750.00
Board Of Adjustment Fees	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rentals	12000.00	13858.76	12000.00	12500.00	12000.00
Misc Revenue	0.00	3695.22	0.00	2900.00	2500.00
Public Donations	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest On Investments	850.00	5121.53	2250.00	8415.00	5000.00
	12000.00	23268.51	14250.00	24879.00	20250.00
TRANSFER STATION					
Transfer Station Fees	32000.00	37516.57	32000.00	30008.00	32000.00
	32000.00	37516.57	32000.00	30008.00	32000.00
Total General	49850.00	81325.24	52000.00	67383.26	60050.00
ROAD REVENUE					
PERMITS					
Access Permits	0.00	6.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess Weight Permits	200.00	245.00	0.00	290.00	200.00
Fines	1000.00	1876.34	1000.00	1262.00	1200.00
	1200.00	2127.34	1000.00	1552.00	1400.00
ST OF VERMONT					
State: Highway Aid	100000.00	115425.78	110000.00	115290.00	115000.00
	100000.00	115425.78	110000.00	115290.00	115000.00
OTHER					
Interest On Investments	850.00	724.50	800.00	11.20	0.00
	850.00	724.50	800.00	11.20	0.00
Total Roads	102050.00	118277.62	111800.00	116853.20	116400.00
STATE OF VERMONT					
Current Use Payback	0.00	51906.00	10000.00	56504.00	55000.00
Pilot State Land	0.00	14504.00	3000.00	13057.95	13000.00
Pilot Buildings				2195.00	2195.00
Lease Land	0.00	18.50	0.00	14.00	0.00
Total State	0.00	66428.50	13000.00	71770.95	70195.00

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>					
PAYROLL					
Selectmen's Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Administrative Assistant	31,500.00	31,269.28	33,100.00	33,125.08	34,300.52
Board Clerk Salary	4,000.00	3,961.60	4,000.00	4,000.10	4,145.08
Listers'salaries	18,000.00	8,819.07	15,000.00	5,387.16	12,000.00
Animal Control Person	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Health Officer	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Zoning	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,125.00	1,500.00
Town Treasurer	10,500.00	10,903.95	12,675.00	12,675.00	13,134.72
Asst. Town Treasurer	5,000.00	4,564.51	5,000.00	5,383.64	5,181.35
Town Clerk	10,500.00	10,903.95	12,675.00	12,675.00	13,134.72
Asst. Town Clerk	5,000.00	4,564.51	5,000.00	5,383.52	5,181.35
Auditors' Salaries	650.00	1,957.50	900.00	1,200.00	1,500.00
Constable	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
TC/TT FICA/Medical	14,000.00	8,086.66	8,000.00	7,084.21	8,000.00
Unemployment	2,500.00	2,253.75	2,359.00	2,412.74	2,936.00
Workers Comp	11,000.00	11,354.00	15,860.00	15,964.89	16,500.00
TC/TTHealth Insurance*	40,250.00	13,566.60	10,000.00	21,957.39	0.00
Retire-match Funds	3,000.00	500.00	3,000.00	750.00	750.00
Total Payroll	159,700.00	116,505.38	131,369.00	131,423.73	120,563.72
GENERAL EXPENSES					
VMCTA Dues	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
VLCT Dues	1,000.00	993.00	1,000.00	1,021.00	1,100.00
Town Insurance	19,500.00	21,687.14	22,000.00	24,543.00	27,138.00
Legal Expense	1,000.00	352.73	1,000.00	1,009.50	1,000.00
County Tax	11,147.00	11,147.37	13,058.01	13,058.01	13,000.00
Tax Mapping	5,000.00	3,738.60	5,000.00	1,683.13	4,000.00
Planning	750.00	976.37	1,000.00	279.00	2,038.00
Conservation	100.00	0.00	300.00	95.03	300.00
Contribution to Cons. Fund			500.00	500.00	500.00
Tree Board					1,000.00
Recreation	1,850.00	2,900.43	2,000.00	480.00	1,000.00
Green-Up Vermont	0.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
NVDA	0.00	0.00	279.30	279.30	279.30
N. VT Resource & Dev. Cncl	0.00	0.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Elections/town Meeting	1,000.00	496.00	1,000.00	1,829.20	600.00
Cemetery Allocation	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
misc. expenditure	100.00	852.16	500.00	586.79	500.00
Tax Ant. Note: Interest	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
Contingency and opportunities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
Total General Expenses	45,447.00	46,163.80	51,782.31	48,488.96	68,580.30

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
TOWN OFFICE					
Telephone	4,000.00	3,993.40	4,000.00	2,949.37	3,100.00
Electricity	5,500.00	5,721.91	5,900.00	5,729.01	5,800.00
Mileage	1,200.00	1,057.51	1,200.00	1,229.87	600.00
Supplies Town Clerk/Treasurer	7,760.00	2,080.65	4,000.00	1,871.25	3,000.00
Listers Grievance Ads	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Dog Expense	400.00	240.30	250.00	420.00	420.00
Adm. Assist Other Benefit	650.00	688.81	750.00	911.90	750.00
Land Records Allocation	500.00	500.00	750.00	70.16	750.00
Land Record Books				0.00	0.00
Restoration of Land Records			4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Postage Town Clerk	0.00	1,047.52	1,200.00	1,143.12	1,200.00
Equipment				0.00	5,500.00
Internet	0.00	516.46	550.00	611.80	550.00
Computer Expense	4,000.00	3,975.98	2,000.00	1,413.99	1,500.00
Lister Computer Supplies				0.00	300.00
New Camera/GPS Unit(listers)				274.49	300.00
Training (Town Clerk)	3,620.00	255.34	500.00	550.00	250.00
Training (Asst. TC Clerk)				0.00	250.00
Training (Town Treasurer)				0.00	250.00
Training (Asst. TC Treasurer)				0.00	250.00
Training Listers				0.00	360.00
Service Support/licensing	3,680.00	2,237.26	3,500.00	2,722.00	2,500.00
Advertising	1,200.00	1,708.00	2,000.00	1,410.00	2,000.00
Town Hall Maintenance	5,000.00	1,511.41	3,000.00	8,973.94	3,000.00
TH Maintenance-Mowing	300.00	99.00	200.00	249.00	300.00
Heating Fuel	10,000.00	16,791.67	17,500.00	14,776.34	19,500.00
Water	1,400.00	1,336.00	1,400.00	1,336.00	1,400.00
Town Reports				0.00	1,500.00
Contracted Services/Cleaning	1,050.00	5,741.75	10,000.00	8,710.20	10,000.00
Total Town Office	50,260.00	49,502.97	62,700.00	55,352.44	69,530.00
Total General Gov't Expenses	255,407.00	212,172.15	245,851.31	235,265.13	258,674.02

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
<u>ROADS</u>					
<u>PAYROLL</u>					
Road Dept. Salaries	92,000.00	89,268.21	95,000.00	87,419.57	95,000.00
Road Dept. FICA/medical	0.00	5,942.83	6,000.00	6,041.02	6,500.00
Roads Dept. Health Ins.	0.00	16,432.74	18,000.00	11,039.24	35,000.00
Total Roads Payroll	92,000.00	111,643.78	119,000.00	104,499.83	136,500.00
<u>ROAD EXPENSES</u>					
VMHA Dues	0.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Gas, Oil, Diesel	20,000.00	21,668.65	24,000.00	29,366.11	32,000.00
Tires	3,000.00	2,655.49	3,000.00	4,065.67	4,000.00
Radios	1,000.00	825.70	1,000.00	405.70	1,000.00
Town Truck Leases**					22,000.00
Conrtbntn to Retreatment Reserve	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	55,000.00
Conrtbntn to Road Cap Equip Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	2,000.00
Conrtbntn to Bridge Reserve			2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Total Road Expenses	76,000.00	77,159.84	102,510.00	108,347.48	118,510.00
<u>TOWN GARAGE</u>					
Mileage	500.00	93.76	150.00	0.00	0.00
Equip:repairs/supplies	43,000.00	46,651.25	25,000.00	30,693.74	30,000.00
Other Benefits	2,500.00	2,955.24	3,000.00	3,380.29	3,000.00
Training	500.00	110.18	500.00	147.00	500.00
Bldg: Repairs & Maint.	5,000.00	4,051.24	10,000.00	6,567.94	9,000.00
Total Town Garage	51,500.00	53,861.67	38,650.00	40,788.97	42,500.00
<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u>					
Contracted Services	10,000.00	9,350.78	15,000.00	12,291.74	18,000.00
Contracted- Rdside mowing	5,000.00	3,885.20	5,000.00	3,885.20	5,000.00
Equipment Rental	3,500.00	3,103.00	4,000.00	2,628.64	2,000.00
Culverts	3,000.00	3,739.58	4,000.00	5,719.20	4,000.00
Dust Control	12,000.00	13,067.00	12,000.00	11,810.46	15,000.00
Gravel, Crushed Stone	30,000.00	30,356.05	35,000.00	33,748.91	35,000.00
Salt	20,000.00	21,500.60	22,000.00	14,041.61	18,000.00
Winter Sand	23,000.00	24,023.50	24,000.00	22,568.55	24,000.00
Signs	500.00	911.49	1,000.00	1,058.88	2,000.00
Guard Rails	7,750.00	7,542.50	7,700.00	7,689.55	7,000.00
Total Road Maintenance	114,750.00	117,479.70	129,700.00	115,442.74	130,000.00
Total Roads	334,250.00	360,144.99	389,860.00	369,079.02	427,510.00

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
<u>TRANSFER STATION</u>					
<u>PAYROLL</u>					
Waste Transfer Salaries	4,800.00	4,700.28	5,050.00	5,145.88	5,233.16
Total Payroll	4,800.00	4,700.28	5,050.00	5,145.88	5,233.16
<u>TRANS STATION EXPENSES</u>					
Repairs & Maint.	200.00	8.50	200.00	79.83	5,000.00
Compactor Purchase and Installation					12,000.00
Contracted Services	35,000.00	27,298.93	500.00	1,596.00	1,500.00
Recycling: Cont. Services	3,000.00	3,069.47	3,200.00	1,929.20	2,000.00
Trash Removal			34,500.00	29,301.00	23,000.00
Total Transfer Station Expenses	38,200.00	30,376.90	38,400.00	32,906.03	43,500.00
<u>TRANS STATION OFFICE</u>					
Supplies	200.00	36.75	200.00	787.22	200.00
Total Transfer Station	43,200.00	35,113.93	43,650.00	38,839.13	48,933.16
<u>FIRE & SAFETY</u>					
<u>PAYROLL</u>					
Fire Dept. Salaries	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Fire Warden: Salaries	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Total Payroll	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
<u>FIRE & SAFETY EXPENSES</u>					
Dues & Fees	550.00	348.00	500.00	342.00	400.00
Fire Dept. Mileage	150.00	0.00	150.00	269.68	150.00
Supplies	700.00	830.00	750.00	383.24	600.00
Gas	250.00	388.23	400.00	362.12	400.00
Medical Supplies/equip	900.00	683.04	1,000.00	453.31	800.00
Hepatitis B Shots	500.00	477.00	300.00	87.00	200.00
Fire Equipment	7,000.00	6,228.66	7,000.00	6,596.94	6,000.00
Hydrant	1,000.00	131.96	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Fire Warden Repairs & Mai	350.00	0.00	350.00	741.49	350.00
Law Enforcement	9,000.00	4,934.43	9,000.00	9,331.35	9,000.00
Contr. To Fire Cap. Equip			15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Contr. To Fire Warden Cap.			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Fire Sta. Note: Princ.	18,333.00	18,333.00	18,333.00	18,333.00	18,333.00
Fire Sta. Note: Interest	5,000.00	2,791.49	3,000.00	3,109.67	3,000.00
Fire Truck Lease	0.00	0.00	26,800.72	26,800.72	26,800.72
Total Fire & Safety Expenses	43,733.00	35,145.81	84,583.72	82,810.52	82,033.72

Account	Budget FY - 2005	Actual FY - 2005	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007
FIRE &SAFETY OFFICE					
Fire Dept. Training	1,000.00	745.80	2,000.00	1,757.24	2,000.00
24-hour Contract	2,200.00	2,364.00	2,658.00	2,658.00	2,658.00
Repairs & Maint. Equip.	3,500.00	3,161.36	3,500.00	4,682.15	4,000.00
Repairs & Maint. Building	1,500.00	912.13	1,500.00	1,781.12	3,500.00
Total Fire & Safety Office	8,200.00	7,183.29	9,658.00	10,878.51	12,158.00
Total Fire & Safety	52,583.00	42,979.10	94,891.72	94,339.03	94,841.72
OVERALL TOTALS					
General Expenses	351,190.00	290,265.18	384,393.03	368,443.29	402,448.90
Road Expenses	334,250.00	360,144.99	389,860.00	369,079.02	427,510.00
Total Expenses	685,440.00	650,410.17	774,253.03	737,522.31	829,958.90
APPROPRIATIONS					
Adult Basic Ed/NEK Learn	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Area Agency On Aging	450.00	450.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Cabot Ambulance	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Cal. Home Health & Hospice	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Danville Rescue	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Fairbanks Museum	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00
Nek Human Services	698.00	698.00	698.00	698.00	698.00
Nek Youth Services	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Peacham Fire District 1	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Peacham Library	4,000.00	4,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Umbrella	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	500.00
Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Danville Senior Action CENTER	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	400.00
West Danville Community Club (beach)				0.00	500.00
VT. Assn. For The Blind			500.00	500.00	500.00
Total Appropriations	15,328.00	15,328.00	16,978.00	16,978.00	17,778.00

SUMMARY	Budget FY - 2006	Actual FY - 2006	Budget FY - 2007	Increase/ Decrease
General Expenses	384,393.03	368,443.29	402,448.90	4.7%
Sources of Funds:***				
General Revenue (see full revenue sheet for details)	52,000.00	67,383.26	60,050.00	
State Reimbursement for Current Use	10,000.00	56,504.00	55,000.00	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes on State Lands	3,000.00	13,057.95	13,000.00	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes on State Buildings	0.00	2,195.00	2,195.00	
General Expenses to be Raised by Taxes (budgeted)	319,393.03	229,303.08	272,203.90	-14.8%
Road Expenses	389,860.00	369,079.02	427,510.00	9.7%
Sources of Funds:***				
Road Capital Equipment Fund for Truck Lease	22,020.24	22,000.00	22,000.00	
Road Revenue (see full revenue sheet for details)	111,800.00	116,853.20	116,400.00	
Road Revenue Carry over from 2006			20,780.98	
Road Expenses to be Raised by Taxes (budgeted)	256,039.76	230,225.82	268,329.02	4.8%

Notes:

* In 2005 this line included health insurance for the road crew. In 2006 this was moved to road section.

** The truck lease payment is now shown as a line item to more accurately reflect the cost of roads.

*** Revenues and reimbursements have been underestimated in the past. This year's increase in budgeted revenue represents an attempt to more accurately predict the amount of taxes needing to be raised.

INVENTORY OF REAL ESTATE DECEMBER 31, 2006

Fire House, Roller, Common	\$146,300.00
Town Forest	\$ 90,000.00
Garage and Salt Shed	\$ 81,300.00
Town Hall	\$111,500.00
Transfer Station	\$ 21,300.00
Hardy Lot	\$ 75,600.00
Cemetery G	\$ 83,400.00
Luther Fletcher Parker Field	\$ 41,000.00
Total	\$650,400.00



Kinnerson Hall

Inventory Of Road Equipment (Value On 12/31/2006)

2006 Ford Ranger pickup	\$ 18,000.00
2000 F-550 Ford with plow	\$ 10,000.00
2 x 2004 International trucks with plows and wings	\$175,000.00
1995 International truck	\$ 12,000.00
1992 John Deere backhoe	\$ 25,000.00
Temco snow plow	\$ 1,800.00
1998 John Deere 544H loader	\$ 78,000.00
1977 Ford tanker	\$ 2,500.00
Flink sander	\$ 1,000.00
Swenson sander	\$ 1,000.00
York rake	\$ 1,500.00
1985 Caterpillar grader with wing	\$ 76,000.00
Culvert thawing rig, with trailer	\$ 1,000.00
Steam cleaner	\$ 1,800.00
Chloride tank (750 gallon)	\$ 750.00
Chloride tank (2500 gallon)	\$ 2,200.00
1999 Vermeer brush chipper	\$ 7,500.00
6000 gallon diesel fuel tank and pump	\$ 7,000.00
Radio equipment	\$ 3,000.00
Tools, misc small equipment	<u>\$ 4,750.00</u>
Total	\$429,800.00



First Snow Plow

Town of Peacham Employee Compensation 2006

Employee	Gross Wages	Total Benefits	Total Wages & Benefits
Bell, Ronald	\$25,165	\$13,154	\$38,319
Berwick, Cody	\$5,970	\$457	\$6,427
Berwick, Jeff	\$500	\$38	\$538
Blair, Richard	\$5,219	\$399	\$5,618
Browne, Richard	\$500	\$38	\$538
Buick, Homer	\$27,229	\$11,422	\$38,651
Cheney, Louis	\$103	\$8	\$110
Cochran, Robert	\$144	\$11	\$155
Davis, Donald	\$300	\$23	\$323
Downes, Patrick	\$5,644	\$432	\$6,076
Fickes, Stanley	\$8,680	\$664	\$9,344
Goss, Charles	\$24,762	\$2,212	\$26,973
Guertin, Jo	\$500	\$38	\$538
Hansen, W. Robert	\$1,125	\$86	\$1,211
Hebebrand, Edward	\$2,720	\$208	\$2,928
Ide, Robert	\$1,107	\$85	\$1,192
Jejer, Philip	\$33,125	\$11,861	\$44,986
Jensen, Rebecca	\$4,457	\$341	\$4,798
Joyce, Karen	\$423	\$32	\$455
Lafferty, E. Bruce	\$23,706	\$1,814	\$25,519
Lawson, Lynne	\$2,088	\$160	\$2,247
McDonnell, Sharon	\$50	\$4	\$54
McKay, Timothy	\$500	\$38	\$538
Senturia, Diana	\$300	\$23	\$323
Sheehan, John	\$6,357	\$486	\$6,843
Stevenson, Cheryl	\$1,102	\$84	\$1,186
Stevenson, Fred	\$150	\$11	\$161
Swenson, Gary	\$500	\$38	\$538
Total	\$182,424	\$62,688	\$245,112

Peacham Selectboard Report 2006

The following is a summary of significant events and projects the Selectboard was involved in during 2006.

On June 21st the selectboard transferred the “Old Town Office” to Peacham Community Housing as authorized by the 2006 Town Meeting. The selectboard is grateful to our town attorney who worked very hard on the documents for this conveyance. Peacham Community Housing now owns an historic building in our town center. Good luck to them in their effort to use this building for the better future of our town.

This spring a new traffic ordinance was passed and went into effect. All unpaved roads in Peacham now have a maximum speed of 35 mph unless otherwise posted. Some gravel roads have lower speed limits but none have a higher speed limit. Slowly but surely the road crew is posting the new signs. The county sheriff has been instructed to enforce the new speed limit.

This summer saw a change at the transfer station. We now have a trash compactor in place. Through the efforts of Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) and concerned townspeople, it was discovered in 2005 that Peacham had overpaid for trash services. The resulting yearlong negotiations with Casella Waste Management and NEKWMD moved into a general discussion of how to reduce our costs. Paul Tomasi at NEKWMD has been very helpful. His cost analysis shows that operating the trash compactor will provide significant savings to the town in hauling and disposal fees. Due to the overpayments, Peacham will end up acquiring the compactor for no charge.

We have seen an increase in recycling in 2006 due to the new shed and the fact that much of what we throw away can now be easily recycled. We expect the overall cost of recycling to decline, as the larger shed requires less frequent visits from the NEKWMD to remove the recyclables. One of the articles in the warrant for Town Meeting 2007 is to ask the voters to allow the selectboard to use the remaining recycling shed construction funds to make other improvements at the transfer station. We plan to pour concrete slabs under the compactor and under the two large dumpsters. In addition, we want to build a roof over the construction waste dumpster. Since we pay according to weight, we would reduce our costs by not paying for snow and rain that accumulate in the open dumpster.

In the spring of 2006, the selectboard reviewed the Planning Report for Peacham Corner Village. This document was prepared for the Planning Commission as a step toward a village plan and is available at the Town Clerk's office. There are a series of interesting proposals in this report, which the

selectboard has begun to consider. The first step was the appointment of the Tree Board. The Tree Board's duties are to work with the Tree Warden to develop plans for maintenance and planting of trees on all Town properties. This includes trees in the Town's rights-of-way, the town forest, and the cemeteries. The trees in the cemetery have drawn the initial attention. There are several that need significant work to maintain their beauty and the safety of the public. The selectboard has approved performing the most basic work this winter and anticipates receiving a long-term plan in 2007. We have also discussed plans for the Town Forest. The Conservation Commission and Tree Board will further develop these plans and present them to the selectboard. The Tree Board's work has drawn national attention including television news reports on out of state stations.

Other aspects of the Village Plan that are under consideration are development of a series of walking paths around the village, realignment of the intersection of Bayley-Hazen Road and Church Street, redefined uses for the Town Hall, and a study of the recreational facilities. We hope to improve the utilization of the Town Hall and improve working conditions for the Town Clerk, Listers, and other officials. Initial inspections show that the Town Hall building is sound and worthy of improvement. An Economic Committee is in place to attempt to find funding for these and other projects.

Of course, much of the selectboard's work involves the town's roads. We held hearings on reclassifying six roads with an eye toward aligning road classifications with the actual use of the roads. After hearing from landowners, townspeople and other interested parties, we reclassified Gracie Drive from class three to class four, but made no other changes. Concerns included the effects on abutting landowners and consistency with the Town Plan. The selectboard also approved some special projects. First were the emergency repairs to the Town Hall parking lot caused by extreme heaving last spring. We have not decided whether or not to repave the lot. We continued projects on Mack's Mountain Road, Old Cemetery Road, Field Road, Bayley-Hazen Road, and Thaddeus Stevens Road. These projects were all funded by grants received through the work of Phil Jejer. The point of these projects is to improve road drainage so that future grading and honing will be more cost-effective and longer lasting. The improvements are also intended to reduce erosion of the roads, saving the town gravel and keeping sediment from reaching streams. The selectboard is working with Phil to develop a long-term maintenance plan to increase efficiency and reduce future costs.

Additionally, in 2006 the selectboard passed new cemetery regulations, which are available at the Town Clerk's office. We revised the town personnel

manual. We have reviewed and approved a new snowmobile policy. We have conducted an energy audit of all town buildings. We continue to work with the Town Treasurer to clarify town and cemetery accounts and improve accounting practices.

In the next three years, the town will consider some major capital improvements including the Town Hall, the town garage, a roof for the sand pile, and the main village intersection. Sheds attached to the town garage over the years have caused structural problems that need to be addressed very soon. Regulations requiring a cover over the sand pile have been delayed but we expect them to become effective in the next few years. These improvements will likely receive major grant funding but will also require town funds.

The budget presented for 2007 reflects our concerns to control current spending. The budget represents an increase in spending of 4% over 2006. However, we have more carefully accounted for revenue other than taxes. The result is the amount to be raised by taxes is \$10,000 less than 2005. We have done this while absorbing very significant insurance increases and budgeting for cost of living increases for all town employees. Additional increases are in energy costs and contracted services. We have also added a contingency line item. This is to provide the flexibility to respond to grants with matching requirements or to deal with emergencies.

The selectboard wishes to recognize all the people who contribute to the welfare of the town. From the Fire Department to the Auditors to the various appointees and volunteer committees, every day there is important work going on that most of us never see. It is a pleasure to live in a town where so many willingly volunteer their time and energy for the good of the community. Thank you to all. And to those of you not yet involved, there is always room for new energy. You will find it rewarding to be an active member of our special community.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Swenson

Dick Browne

Tim McKay

Administrative Assistant's Report 2006

The rebuilding of the Town Hall/Post Office parking lot began our 2006 construction season. The excessive heaving from the winter weather made for a dangerous situation. Work began in early April and continued for two weeks. This work was not planned for the 2006 season, but obviously had to be done.

The drainage and landscaping work at the Town Highway facility was paid for by a \$3,000 grant from the Agency of Natural Resources to better control storm water runoff.

A major unforeseen event occurred when it was discovered that a 12" clay tile culvert collapsed under TH1 in the area near the soccer field driveway. This resulted in the installation of four drop inlets (catch basins) and replacement of existing undersized pipe with appropriately sized pipe. A ditch line was reestablished on the uphill side. This project took quite a bit of time to accomplish, given the location in the village, an extensive rock ledge, and many years of attempted repairs. The combined efforts of various Vermont State agencies, local contractors, and the road crew made it possible to have it ready for final paving and finish landscaping this spring (2007). A class II Roadway grant was applied for and approved. The town received \$115,000 which funded the drainage work and will fund additional paving in 2007.

The town has applied for two grants from the Better Back Roads program; one for road inventory and storm water assessment (\$4,000), and the other for an erosion control project on Mack Mountain Rd (\$7,000). Both grants were approved. Unfortunately, due to an accounting error made by VTrans, the 2006 Mack Mountain Rd project is now planned for the summer of 2007. Progress was still made on Mack Mountain Rd. The local contractor's crew cut brush, installed a driveway culvert, and reestablished ditches in the Hookerville Cutoff area. More work is planned for 2007.

Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District's Stevens Watershed Project provided funding for improvements on Old Cemetery Hill that reduced sediment runoff and provided an overall water quality benefit to the Stevens River watershed. The town received \$7,400 for this project. Once again, local contractors and the town road crew did the work.

Many roads were cleared of brush and tree limbs and given a fresh coat of gravel, and ditches were cleaned. Brush cutting and ditch cleaning will continue this season, along with improving culverts and adding gravel. In November of 2006, we began investigating improvements of the highway department garage. These improvements will enable us to protect the town's investments by keep our equipment warm and dry. Vermont League of Cities and Towns, our insurance carrier, has also suggested needed improvements. The selectboard has hired a consultant to look at some basic options.

Your support and cooperation is greatly appreciated by the town road crew.

Phil Jejer
Administrative Assistant – 592-3101
Town Garage – 592-3576

Town of Peacham Listers Annual Report 2006

Peacham property transfers, during 2006, like those in other Vermont municipalities, reflected strong selling prices when compared to our Grand List values. Consequently, our CLA (common level of appraisal) dropped from 89.51% to 74.21%, meaning that properties in our Grand List are valued at 74.21% of the fair market value of the properties according to the equalization study conducted by the State of Vermont Tax Department. The Listers anticipated this result and consulted with our regional supervisor to evaluate our options.

We expect that our low CLA will initiate a summertime letter from the state mandating us to bring our Grand List in line with fair market values. There are a few options available to the town—1) a statistical reappraisal, 2) updating the land schedule, or 3) a town-wide reappraisal.

A statistical reappraisal would have us look at a portion of the properties and compare them statistically to sales. This approach requires current data for the vast majority of our properties. It has been more than three years since we have visited every property and many people have made interior updates or other changes that we have not seen. It is unlikely we will be able to rely on a statistical reappraisal to fairly and equitably revalue all properties in Peacham.

Updating our land schedule would allow us to put a value on the land portion of each property that is more in line with fair market values. We have had quite a few sales of open land in the last three years that would help in this endeavour. However, most of the land-only sales are small (<30 acres) parcels.

A town-wide reappraisal could entail hiring a reappraisal firm to view all properties and devise an appraisal model that fits our sales. Peacham would be competing with a number of other towns in the same situation for these professional services.

The Listers can perform the statistical reappraisal and the land schedule update with only a slight increase in cost to the town. We estimate a town-wide reappraisal would cost in excess of \$65,000. The Listers and the Select Board will be discussing the merits of these options further in the coming months.

The following chart shows that assessed land values have not changed significantly in most property classes since the 2003 reappraisal.

Property Class	2003 Total Value	2006 Homestead Value	2006 Non-residential Value	2006 Total Value	Percent increase 2003 - 2006
Residential with <6 acres	\$ 18,063,200	\$13,794,000	\$ 5,059,500	\$ 18,853,500	4.38%
Residential with >6 acres	\$ 31,158,614	\$ 25,838,900	\$ 10,161,700	\$ 36,000,600	15.54%
Mobile Homes	\$ 936,900	\$ 779,500	\$ 140,900	\$ 920,400	-1.76%
Vacation with <6 acres	\$ 12,237,000	\$ 343,800	\$ 11,774,600	\$ 12,118,400	0.97%
Vacation with >6 acres	\$ 7,135,522	\$ 93,100	\$ 4,875,500	\$ 4,968,600	30.37%
Commercial	\$ 273,800	\$ 39,800	\$ 234,000	\$ 273,800	0.0%
Commercial Apartments	\$ 325,600		\$ 296,730	\$ 329,700*	1.26%
Utilities	\$ 1,212,500		\$ 1,508,700	\$ 1,508,700	24.43%
Farm	\$ 3,235,465	\$ 2,359,000	\$ 310,800	\$2,669,800	-17.48%
Woodland	\$ 1,647,366	\$ 246,500	\$ 1,458,300	\$ 1,704,800	3.49%
Miscellaneous	\$ 3,977,251	\$ 232,700	\$ 4,130,300	\$ 4,363,000	9.70%
Total	\$ 80,203,218	\$ 43,727,300	\$ 39,951,030	\$ 83,711,300	4.37%

*The Peacham Housing apartments receive a special exemption from the state for education taxes so the total and the non-residential value are different.

Our total Education Grand List this year is \$83,711,300 for 662 parcels. We have 17 town and non-profit properties that are valued at \$2,120,200. We also have 9 state parcels valued at \$2,940,400 (the state determines these values, and just recently updated them). Of our 662 parcels, 112 are enrolled in the Current Use program. This accounts for 12,585 acres receiving a total exemption of \$9,688,800, of which \$4,108,300 is on homestead properties.

As always, we look forward to meeting with you to discuss your property and its valuation. We hope you'll stop in to talk with us. Please remember that the Listers do not set the tax rate, we set a value for your property. The amount you pay in taxes is determined at Town Meeting when budgets are voted on by the electorate.

The Peacham Listers – Becky Jensen, Karen Joyce, and Rob Ide

Peacham Fire Department Annual Report 2006

The Peacham Fire Department responded to 18 in-town fire calls and emergencies, 46 in-town medical emergencies and 15 mutual aid calls, for a total of 79 emergency response calls in 2006.

In 2006, we were fortunate to have Mark Fitzhugh, Denise Day and Eric Greenwood join the department. Peter Craig has returned from his duty overseas and we are glad to have him back.

The focus in 2006 was training several firefighters on low angle and cold water rescue techniques to utilize the specialized equipment we received with grant money. We did accomplish this goal with Aaron Morton & Rodney Reis training in Massachusetts for three days on low angle rope rescue and Mike Walsh attending a two day class in NH on water rescue. They returned and held several training sessions with all of the members of the department on these specialized rescue techniques.

As we have mentioned over the last several years our focus in 2007 is the replacement of the refurbished 1989 Ford rescue van. We have spent several hours in research, discussions and alternatives in 2006. As listed in the warning we have come up with a plan and dollar amount. The medical report in this town report by Jerry Senturia also relays this information as well. To lessen the burden on the taxpayers we started to put away monies for a down payment on the replacement in 2006.

The members would like to thank all that contributed food and drink at the major fire in Peacham last March. The hot food was revitalizing.

Calls in Peacham (by type):

Structure fires:.....	2
Other interior fires:.....	1
Chimney fires:.....	6
Vehicle fires:	1
Controlled burns:.....	2
Power lines down:	1
Rubbish fires:	1
HAZMAT leaks / Investigations / Hazardous Conditions:.....	4
Medical emergencies (including vehicle accidents with injuries):	46
Total calls in Peacham*	64

Calls NOT in Peacham

Mutual aid given (fire): (Danville 4, Barnet 7, Groton 2) 13
Mutual aid given (medical): (Barnet 2) 2
Total calls Not in Peacham 15

TOTAL CALLS IN 2006: 79

* For emergencies located in Peacham, the Peacham Fire Department received mutual aid assistance 10 times from neighboring departments.

List of Officers:

Jeffrey Berwick, Fire Chief, ECA
William Thresher, Assist. Chief
Chip Deasy, Captain, EMT-B
Aaron Morton, Captain, ECA

List of Members:

Cody Berwick, FF	Richard Greenwood, FF
Kathy Corcoran, EMT-B	Barry Hayes, FF
Peter Craig, FF	Neil Monteith, FF
Denise Day, ECA	Rodney Reis, FF
Mark Fitzhugh, FF	Diana Senturia, SS
Locke Goss, FF	Jerry Senturia, EMT-B
Eric Greenwood, FF	Mike Walsh, FF, ECA

SS= Support Specialist

FF= Firefighter

ECA= Emergency Care Attendant

EMT-B= Emergency Medical Technician- Basic

If you are interested in assisting the fire department in any way, or if you are interested in becoming a new member or a department supporter, please do not hesitate to contact me. The department meets every Monday evening for a meeting or training session.

I urge anyone who has an emergency, whether it is a Fire, Police or Medical emergency to call 911 immediately. The non-emergency telephone number for the Peacham Fire Station is 592-3392.

Thank you for your support.

Jeffrey Berwick, Chief

Peacham Volunteer Fire Department Accounts 2006

Income

Interest	\$17.49
Donations – Fire	\$1,595.00
Donations – Medical	\$600.00
Reimbursements	\$438.42
Postcards	<u>\$32.62</u>
Total	\$2,683.53

Expenses

Office Supplies	\$91.05
Computer	\$768.46
Personnel Equipment	\$278.80
Supplies	\$170.67
Maintenance	\$150.00
Training	\$1,259.97
Beverages/Refreshments	\$34.68
Equipment	\$219.99
Donation	\$120.00
Medical Equipment/Supplies	\$792.54
CPR	<u>\$30.00</u>
Total	\$3,916.16



**"Helping neighbors
in times of need."**

Medical Response Report 2006

In the year 2006, Peacham Volunteer Fire Department responded to 48 medical calls. Of these, 2 were mutual aid to adjoining towns. Our medically trained personnel also provided services at fires in Peacham and at mutual aid fire calls.

We have been very happy with the community reaction to our Emergency Medical Response program. We were honored that some families felt that we merited contributions in memory of their loved ones.

As we have announced at two previous town meetings, time has come to replace the rescue truck. Peacham Rescue 1 (a refurbished 1989 van) contains our medical response equipment as well as specialized fire and rescue equipment. This vehicle responds to all medical calls and most fire calls. With your approval we are looking to replace this vehicle in 2007.

While considering how to start this process, we asked ourselves two questions: 1. "What functions do we want to perform with the new rescue unit?" and 2. "What equipment do we need to carry to perform those functions?" The functions included the ability to ensure a safe and dependable response to a medical call, the ability to care for patients inside the vehicle during inclement weather, the ability to refill air bottles for firefighters, and the ability to care for firefighters during an extended fire incident. The equipment included, all life saving medical and rescue equipment that we currently carry on Peacham Rescue 1 and the new rescue equipment which we must currently leave at the station.

With this information we wrote detailed specifications for a replacement vehicle. We contacted various vendors of fire/rescue vehicles and asked them to prepare preliminary estimates for the cost of construction of a new rescue vehicle so that this information could be shared with you at Town Meeting. We were truly disappointed that the costs of such a vehicle was far beyond what we felt the taxpayers of our town could be asked to bear (between \$160,000 to \$190,000). We have therefore asked the select board to warn for enough funds to allow us to purchase a used or refurbished rescue unit that will cost substantially less. More details will be shared with everyone during Town Meeting. We certainly hope you will support our request so that we may continue to provide our current high level of service to the community. You should not be surprised to hear that your fire department is well respected among the other EMS agencies of the Northeast Kingdom.

This year we are fortunate to have seven members trained as EMS medical first responders. Michael Walsh and Denise Day completed the Emergency Care

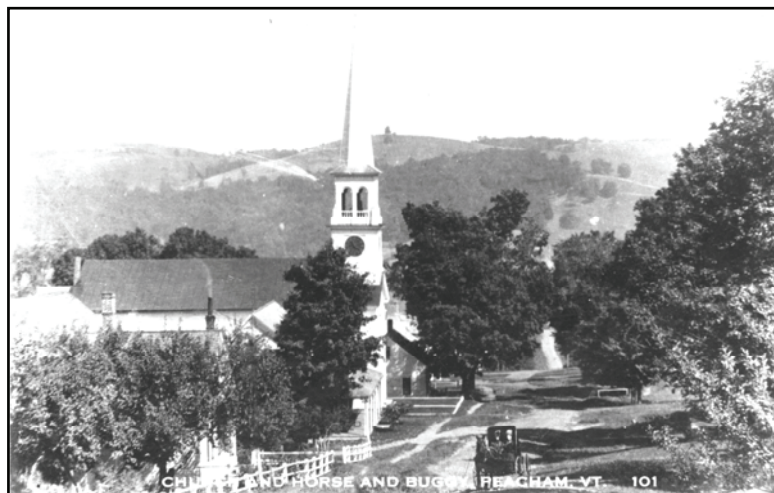
Attendant (ECA) medical course. They are now Vermont certified and assist us in providing with much needed daytime coverage. Two of our other members are trained as CPR instructors. Again, we thank you for your continuing generosity which allows us to be well-equipped and well-trained.

People still ask us if the medical calls we respond to are serious. We respond to calls that challenge us in many ways, for the person who requests our services they are all serious. If you wake up at 3AM with chest pains, if you are bleeding profusely, if you fall down the stairs, if you are having difficulty breathing, if you are having trouble maintaining consciousness, the call is serious for you. As with a fire call, we would much rather you call 911 as soon as you become aware of the emergency medical condition, than ponder whether the call is “serious”.

We can't help you if we can't find you. Please display your 911-house number. It should be visible from the road both day and night. We would also like you to consider keeping a list of your current medications and any chronic medical/surgical problems you have (“Vial of Life”). This can be kept in a sealed envelope on your refrigerator. This will help us if we are called to assist you and you cannot remember specific information or you cannot communicate with us. For more information on house numbers and “Vial of Life”, visit the Peacham Volunteer Fire Department on the web at <http://www.peacham.net/fire>.

If you are interested in taking a CPR course, contact Fire Chief Berwick or me. Also, if you are interested in obtaining Emergency Medical Training and/or Fire Training and becoming part of the Peacham Volunteer Fire Department, please contact Fire Chief Berwick.

Jerry Senturia
Secretary, Peacham Volunteer Fire Department



Church Street

Peacham Emergency Management Report 2006

Emergency management is concerned with preparing and planning for disastrous emergencies, responding to these emergencies, recovering from these emergencies, and providing mitigation to reduce the impact of future disastrous emergencies. The Peacham Rapid Response Team consists of the Chair of the Selectboard, Fire Chief, Town Clerk, Administrative Assistant, the Chair of the Listers and the Emergency Management Coordinator. In the event of a disastrous emergency that group would be responsible for reacting to, recovering from and documenting the costs of a disastrous emergency.

This year we are considering the effects of a sustained pandemic disease outbreak. One of those effects is that it is estimated (based on the 1918 influenza pandemic) that 40% of the workforce may be incapacitated. If that is the case, local government and businesses will have to have plans for “continuity of operations”. This means that you should know who can replace you in your job. Know where the backup copies of all computer data are located. Also determine who can authorize and who can sign checks so that workers and vendors can get paid.

If needed, Red Cross shelters are available to be opened in Peacham. They are located at the Peacham Elementary School and the Peacham Congregational Church. The Fire Station may be used as an “overflow” shelter, if the other two are filled to capacity.

As residents of Peacham, you should be prepared to be self sufficient for the first 72 hours of a disastrous emergency. There are a number of steps you can take to reduce the impact of such an emergency. In Peacham, emergencies are often accompanied by loss of electrical power and failure of heating systems. You might consider a gasoline generator or some other alternative electric power source for emergencies. If you do install such a generator, it should be installed by a licensed electrician to prevent danger to you and to power company workers. It should also be installed in a well-ventilated place to avoid death by carbon monoxide inhalation. Consider an alternative-heating source to supplement your regular heating system. You should have a 3-day supply of food, water and essential supplies. Please look at the Vermont Family Preparedness Workbook available in the Peacham Town Clerk’s office or online at <http://www.peacham.net> click “Town Clerk” and then select “Documents and Applications for Download”. At the same web location, there are other documents to help you in your efforts to prepare for an emergency.

Thank you for your preparedness.

Jerry Senturia
Emergency Management Coordinator, Town of Peacham

Fire Warden Report 2006

There were no forest fires reported this year in the town of Peacham, a result of a rainy season.

61 permits were given out, and I had to respond to three complaints dealing with un-permitted fires.

REMEMBER A BURN PERMIT IS NEEDED TO BURN BRUSH, UNLESS THERE IS SNOW COVER. THE ONLY ALLOWED ITEMS TO BE BURNED ARE BRUSH AND UNTREATED LUMBER.

To get a burn permit, call one of the following people:

Fred Stevenson, Fire Warden 592-3202

Allen Thresher, Asst. Warden 592-3937

Bruce Berwick, Key Man 592-3413



Peacham Academy

Cemetery Report 2006

Changes in the management of the Peacham Cemetery that began in 2005 continued in 2006. Last year saw changes in the policy regarding the application for the purchase of a plot and the approval by the Selectboard of a Policy for Financial Management. This year the Selectboard instituted an official policy of Rules and Regulations for the Peacham Cemetery. A copy of those Rules and regulations is attached at the end of this report. Also attached is a copy of the list of Eligibility and Charges for Internment in Peacham Hill Cemetery.

The Selectboard has been working with the Village Tree Board to maintain the grounds and, in particular, the trees in the Peacham Cemetery. Removal of dead and hazardous trees, and ground maintenance around the 16 newly planted trees has been a main priority. Sextons, Cheryl Stevenson and Ron Craig, continue to oversee the daily arrangements, scheduling, and maintenance of the property. Possible grants are being investigated to assist with tree pruning, planting, and landscaping. It should be noted that the Village Tree Board's plans to revitalize our town trees has received national attention.

The funds for maintaining the cemetery come from two main sources, the dividends generated by the Restricted Investment Fund at AG Edwards and the money allocated in the yearly budget by the taxpayers. The 6 month and 1 year CDs held at Passumpsic Savings Bank continue to earn interest that also contribute to the cemetery operating account.

Finally, there were two plots purchased this year.

Royal and Jane Bartrum	\$1,000.00
Corinne Atkinson	\$ 400.00

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Lafferty, Town Clerk/Treasurer

CEMETERY FINANCIALS – December 31, 2006

ASSET

Passumpsic Savings – Operating	2,619.84
Passumpsic 6-month CD	7,228.93
Passumpsic 1 yr. CD	7,296.16
Restricted Investment Funds	83,218.58
Total Asset	100,363.51

LIABILITY

Restricted Investment Funds	83,218.58
Total Liability	83,218.58

CEMETERY REVENUES

	Budget-2006	Actual-2006	Budget-2007
Cemetery Plots	0	1400.00	1400.00
Corner Markers	0	150.00	150.00
Davis Lease	0	100.00	100.00
Town Appropriation	3,000.00	3,000.00	10,000.00
Interest on Investments	0	414.34	0
Dividends	0	2.48	3,500.00
Total	3,000.00	5066.82	15,150.00

CEMETERY EXPENSES

	Budget-06	Actual-06	Budget-2007
Salaries	0	1,568.75	0
Cemetery Fica/Med	0	84.29	0
Mileage	0	66.75	0
Supplies	0	321.46	0
Fuel	0	94.68	0
Repairs	0	435.71	0
Contracted Services	0	1,683.00	0
Cemetery Improvements	3,000.00	3,330.00	0
Misc. Expense	0	227.75	0
Total	3,000.00	7,812.39	0

Application for Purchase of a Lot in Peacham Cemetery

ELIGIBILITY AND CHARGES FOR INTERMENT IN PEACHAM HILL CEMETERY

I. Persons who may purchase grave sites:

Residents of Peacham: Residents are persons who are eligible to vote in Peacham.

1. Cost of a two-grave lot is \$400.00.
2. A set of four stone corner markers is required and may be purchased from the Town of Peacham for \$75.00.
3. Charges for burial services are determined periodically by the Town of Peacham and apply at the time the services are rendered. The current charges are included in the Town's Cemetery Regulations and are available from the Sexton or the Town Clerk.
4. Other burial expenses are the responsibility of purchaser or of the estate.

Non-residents: Nonresidents are persons who own property but are not eligible to vote in Peacham.

1. Cost of a two-grave lot is \$1000.00.
2. A set of four stone corner markers is required and may be purchased from the Town of Peacham for \$75.00.
3. Charges for burial services are determined periodically by the Town of Peacham and apply at the time the services are rendered. The current charges are included in the Town's Cemetery Regulations and are available from the Sexton or the Town Clerk.
4. Other burial expenses are the responsibility of purchaser or of the estate.

Non-residents/non-property owners: These persons must have a parent, child, spouse, civil union partner, or sibling already interred in Peacham Cemetery and must be approved by the Peacham Selectboard.

1. Cost of a two-grave lot is \$2000.00.
2. A set of four stone corner markers is required and may be purchased from the Town of Peacham for \$75.00.
3. Charges for burial services are determined periodically by the Town of Peacham and apply at the time the services are rendered. The current charges are included in the Town's Cemetery Regulations and are available from the Sexton or the Town Clerk.
4. Other burial expenses are the responsibility of purchaser or of the estate.

II. Persons who may be interred:

Persons who may be interred in the Town of Peacham cemeteries are persons who own a gravesite and their parents, children, spouses, civil union partners, siblings, and such other persons who may be approved by the Selectboard.

The number of interments that may be made in a single gravesite is set forth in the Town of Peacham Cemetery regulations.

A Peacham Cemetery Endowment for Perpetual Care exists. Income only from the endowment may be expended for the care, reconstruction, repair, maintenance, improvement, and beautification, or other cemetery operations, and is subject to any further restrictions in any instruments of gift. All purchasers who wish to make a voluntary donation to the endowment may do so in addition to the cost of the lot.

Memorial Day In Peacham 2006

On May 29, 2006 the Town of Peacham honored our fallen soldiers. The ceremonies began at noon with the Peacham Women's Fellowship offering a lunch downstairs in the Peacham Church.

Following lunch, the Observance began upstairs in the church sanctuary. Reverend Potter offered the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Troup #888. Children from the Peacham Elementary School (Jacquelyn and Theresa White, Rachel Reis, Jennie Moore, Natalya McDonnell, Quinn Bornstein and Julia Fickes) sang *America the Beautiful* and *The Song Goes On* accompanied by Jean Anderson on the piano.

John Engle read General John A. Logan's Orders with the observance ending with Jonathan Reis playing *Amazing Grace* on the bassoon.

Participants departed from the church and were led uphill to the Memorial Grounds by the Honor Guard, Peacham Veterans, Boy Scout Troup #888 and the Peacham Fire Department.

At the Memorial Grounds, Jennie Moore sang *The Star Spangled Banner* followed by a rifle salute to fallen soldiers by the Honor Guard of the Henry Danforth American Legion post located in Danville. Taps were played by Adrian Duckett of the Danville High School Band.

We walked to the Peacham Cemetery. John Engle called the name of a veteran (chosen randomly) buried in the cemetery. This was followed by a single rifle salute for each name called. Taps were played and Reverend Potter gave the final blessing. A moment of silence was observed for quiet reflection.

Thanks to all who helped to make this event very special.

Respectfully submitted,

Mel Reis
Memorial Day Chair



Soldiers Monument

**Peacham Fire District No. 1
Prudential Committee
Annual Report, Jan-Dec 2006**

The Annual Meeting was held in the Peacham Library on February 14, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. The proposed budget of \$29,935.00 was approved. Attendees voted to keep the water rent at \$334.00 per year and to maintain the Village tax rate at 6.6% of the 2005 Grand List. Bill Cobb was re-elected for a one-year term as secretary; Diana Senturia was re-elected for a one-year term as treasurer; Peg Clemons was elected for a one-year term as examiner; and Jerry Senturia was re-elected for a three-year term as a voting member of the Prudential Committee. Lighting of the village tree was discussed, but no action was taken.

The major project for the year was the replacement of the old water line between the reservoir and Maple Tree Lane with larger, insulated pipe. The length of pipe requiring replacement and--as a result--the cost of replacement were significantly greater than the original estimates. The Fire District also began a survey of its property on Mack's Mountain Road. Finally, the annual village picnic was held at the Peacham School playground in August and was well attended.

We wish to thank the Peacham Volunteer Fire Department for their generous and essential assistance in completing the Mack's Mountain Road project.

We also wish to thank the Peacham Town Road Crew, who have efficiently cleared snow and provided access to the reservoir and control shed.

Once again, from the Water Operator's point of view, we had a very good year in 2006!

- We delivered clean, safe water to the Village with few interruptions.
- We passed all monthly and annual quality tests required by the State.
- Our equipment has been running at a high level of reliability.
- We produced 3,525,010 gallons of water, which averages to 9,645 gallons per day or 6.70 gallons per minute for the whole village over the year. For each of our 57 water connections, that averages to 61,807 gallons per year or about 169 gallons per day. Our overall usage was 20% higher than 2005 (one of our lower usage years) but 30% lower than 2004 (one of our higher usage years).

Thank you all for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted by the Prudential Committee,

Jerry Senturia

Larry Jensen

Gib Parrish

Peacham Fire District #1

Proposed BUDGET 2006, 6.6% Village Taxes, 57 Users @\$334 per User [Annual Meeting 2/14/2006]

Category Name	2005 Proposed Budget	2005 Actual	2006 Proposed Budget
Income			
Interest Income	\$ 200.00	\$ 334.78	\$ 500.00
<u>Village Tax</u>			
Taxes	\$ 4,349.16	\$ 4,349.16	\$ 4,365.26
Delinquent Fees and Penalties	\$ 10.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5.00
<u>Water Rent</u>			
Water Rents	\$ 19,706.00	\$ 19,351.39	\$ 19,038.00
Service Charge (Time Payment Plan)		\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Delinquent Fees and Penalties		\$ 2.06	\$ 20.00
Sale of Green Bay Loop Property	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,650.00	\$ 0.00
Town Appropriation	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Voluntary Contributions for Water Source Development	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Total Income	\$ 25,965.16	\$ 37,407.39	\$ 25,648.26
Expenses			
<u>Administration</u>			
Advertising Annual Meeting & Sale	\$ 50.00	\$ 93.60	\$ 50.00
Dues(VT League of Cities/Towns)	\$ 350.00	\$350.00	\$ 400.00
Duplicating	\$ 25.00	\$0.00	\$ 25.00
Insurance(VTLCT Fire, Liability & Bonding)	\$ 800.00	\$669.00	\$ 800.00
Legal	\$ 0.00	Included with Sale	\$ 0.00
Paper Supplies and Software	\$ 25.00	\$0.00	\$ 25.00
Post Office Box Rental	\$ 50.00	\$0.00	\$ 50.00
Postage	\$ 100.00	\$74.00	\$ 100.00
Prudential Committee & Staff Annual Stipends	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$ 0.00
Telephone @ Control Building	\$ 450.00	\$401.09	\$ 450.00
<u>Electricity</u>			
GMP-Electricity (Street Lighting)	\$ 1,700.00	\$1,653.82	\$1,700.00
Washington Electric Coop (Pumps and Controls)	\$ 1,000.00	\$935.53	\$ 1,000.00
<u>Training</u>	\$ 100.00	\$29.00	\$ 100.00
<u>Village Activities</u>			
Holiday Tree	\$ 100.00	\$151.00	\$ 100.00
Mowing Triangle	\$ 100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Gate	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Village Picnic	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$ 25.00
Picnic Ground Mowing	\$ 150.00	\$0.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Water Quality</u>			
Chemicals	\$ 100.00	\$ 75.10	\$ 100.00
Testing (Vermont Department of Health)	\$ 350.00	\$ 266.17	\$ 600.00
<u>Water System</u>			
Distribution Pipe Replacement and Insulation	\$ 5,000.00	\$0.00	\$ 5,000.00
Loan Payment	\$ 14,830.00	\$14,830.00	\$14,830.00
Vermont Rural Water Association	\$ 125.00	\$140.00	\$150.00
Operating Fee (State of Vermont)	\$ 150.00	\$124.00	\$ 150.00
Propane @ Control Building	\$ 100.00	\$114.73	\$150.00
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$277.82	\$ 1,000.00
Well Access Gate	\$ 400.00	\$ 169.54	\$ 0.00
Operating Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
<u>Repairs</u>			
Electrical Work	\$ 250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Excavation	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Plumbing	\$1,000.00	\$1,356.29	\$1,000.00
Snow Removal	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$ 0.00
Total Expenses	\$ 30,305.00	\$ 21,710.69	\$ 29,655.00
Total Income	\$ 34,830.00	\$ 37,407.39	\$ 25,582.10
Difference	\$ 4,525.00	\$ 15,696.70	\$ 3,902.90

Peacham Library Report 2006

*Here is where people
One frequently finds
Lower their voices
And raise their minds.
(Richard Armour, "Library")*

Walter Cronkite once said that "whatever the cost of our libraries, the cost is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation."

We are fortunate in Peacham to have a community that recognizes the value of a comprehensive Library in the development and maintenance of a free and thoughtful society. Only with the support and commitment of the Peacham community as a whole can the Library's Trustees, employees and volunteers provide such a wealth of materials and programs, as well as ready access to the wider world through the internet and Vermont's Interlibrary Loan system. All that happened at the Library in the past year would have been meaningless and impossible without your involvement. Thank you.

While "raising minds" is no doubt a very fine goal, it is a bit highfalutin for us. As stated in our Vision Statement, the Library "strives to be an important part of the community's intellectual, educational, leisure and cultural life." What form that will take and where it will lead is up to each individual patron. The Library provides resources and access. You decide what will be done with them.

In its attempts to meet the needs of a broad cross-section of the community, the Library has taken a multi-pronged approach.

The Library provides the following material resources:

- more than 5500 books for adults and 2900 for children
- more than 200 videos for adults and another 160 for children
- more than 200 audio books for adults as well as 50 for children
- 67 magazine and newspaper subscriptions.

The Library provides four computer stations, as well as a printer and a photocopier, for patron use. High speed internet access is available at each of these stations and wireless internet access is available throughout the building.

Library staff and volunteers develop and carry out a variety of programs throughout the year. In 2006 these included:

- summer, Christmas holiday and school vacation programs for kids, involving crafts, cooking, Santa, movies and other activities
- a Robotics program for children
- a Summer Lecture Series on Astronomy
- Adopt-a-Book and Adopt-a-Book for the Holidays programs
- the Boston Museum of Science program "Science Magic"

- storyteller Jane Napier at the Peacham Elementary School
- a Reader's Pot-Luck
- Ed Behr of "The Art of Eating" as speaker at the Annual Meeting
- Nat Tripp as speaker at the August Endowment celebration
- book sales
- Friday morning coffee hours.

Hilary Smith and Peter Griffin, the "curators" of the Gilmore Gallery at the Peacham Library, develop a variety of exhibits throughout the year. These often highlight the work of Peacham artists and artisans. In 2006 these shows included displays of the artwork of Peacham Elementary School, photographs by Rob Reade and Bruce Courtot, paintings by David Stauffer, works by local craftspeople, and an exhibit on varieties of printmaking.

Finally, the Community and Reading Rooms in the Library provided meeting space for a host of community groups and organizations. Among these were Christmas Club, Peacham Fellowship, Peacham Academy Alumni, Peacham Corner Guild, Odyssey Reading Group, Peacham Planning Commission, Peacham Tree Board, Community Forum, Peacham Historical Association, a yoga group, a Strong Bones group, Peacham Fire District, as well as several others.

The Friends of the Library worked diligently in 2006 to raise funds to help make all of the above possible. In particular, their efforts support collection development and programming at the Library. Notable among their 2006 activities were the Skit Night and Pie Social in April, the Annual Antique Show and Sale in July, and hosting the Village Harmony musicians when they came to give a concert in August. The Friends Executive Committee works hard all year, coaxing support and assistance from numerous members of the community in carrying out their projects. We thank you all!

It is impossible to calculate the many ways in which the Library benefits from the time and energy given by its many volunteers. We began a list of these stalwart and generous people, to be incorporated into this report, but as the numbers rose, so too did our nervousness at leaving people out. Therefore we will instead extend a heartfelt, and quite inadequate, thank you. You know who you are. Please accept our gratitude!

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Jensen and Betsy Smith, Co-Directors

Library Board: Charlie Browne (Vice President), Ron Crisman, Marit Danielson, Harvey Golubock (President), Peter Griffin, Beatrice DeRocco, Gib Parrish, Jutta Scott (Treasurer), Hilary Smith (Secretary)

The Peacham Conservation Commission Report 2006

The Peacham Conservation Commission took the summer off! When we met in the fall our primary focus was the Town Forest Plan. We hiked the Town Forest in November and made some recommendations to the Selectboard about possible hiking trails to the old farm site and Cow Hill. Neil Monteith, who has joined the PCC this winter, will make recommendations to the Selectboard about possible select cutting of trees in the Forest. We are still looking into right of way and liability issues with the trails into the Forest.

We looked at the trees in the cemetery and turned this back over to the Selectboard.

The PCC is still trying to come to some kind of agreement about the Farm Support Fund and have tabled this until next year while we investigate it further.

The Peacham Conservation Commission wishes to thank the residents of Peacham for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Fortin
David Magnus
Cindy McKnight, Secretary
Ron Miller
Neil Monteith
Marceya Roy



Johnson Hill Observatory

Peacham Community Housing Report 2006

Peacham Community Housing (PCH) plans for the housing needs of seniors, and promotes "quality of life" issues for all the residents of Peacham. We continue to serve as liaison between the residents of the two senior housing buildings (Kinnerson and Science) and the managing agency (Northern Community Management Corporation) as well as with our majority partner, Housing Vermont.

During the past year, as issues have arisen within our housing community, we have sought outside mediation help. We will continue to work with residents on the problems until they are resolved.

Ever since the South Peacham store closed abruptly, we have been seeking ways to fill the needs that the store had met for more than a century. Last year's annual report noted that there might be a possibility of reconverting the Old Town Hall building into a general store, which it had been for a number of years.

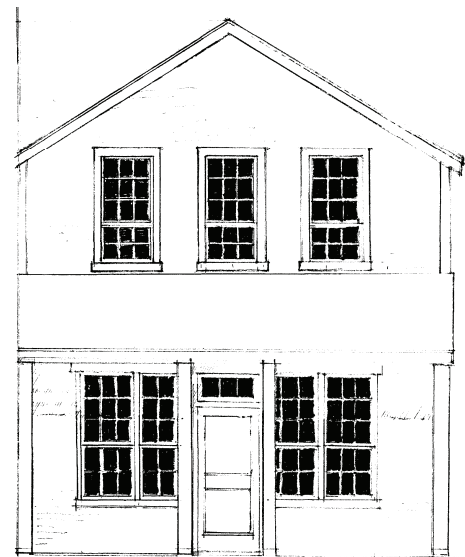
At the 2006 annual Town Meeting voters authorized the Selectboard to convey the Old Town Hall building (the building housing the Craft Guild and the attached bus barn) to PCH for conversion of the barn to a store/cafe. On June 21 that conveyance was completed.

There are several tasks for PCH over the coming months. Thanks to a grant from the Preservation Trust of Vermont, Ed Stretch has begun preparing preliminary drawings of the reconstructed building. We are also in the midst of seeking grants from other foundations and developing a plan for community fundraising. A further step will be drawing up a management plan for actual operation of the store and a cafe.

In order to get further community views on the project, PCH is asking the Community Forum to schedule a meeting in the spring when residents can express their opinions.

Board of Directors:

Harry Barnes, President
Chris Dunlap, Treasurer
Lynne Lawson, Secretary
Jean Dedam
Gib Parrish
Anna Rubin
Dart Thalman
Jerry Senturia, Honorary Member
Thelma White, Honorary Member



Proposed Front Elevation,
sketch by Ed Stretch

Peacham Planning Commission Report 2006

The comprehensive plan for Peacham Village was completed, and the Planning Commission submitted it to the Selectboard in March 2006. The Planning Commission acknowledges David Jacobs and Barry Lawson for their work in developing the plan and in preparing the final report. It also appreciates the interest, input, and support of residents and landowners in the planning process. The Selectboard has reviewed the plan and established a committee to follow-up on the plan's recommendations.

The Commission spent much of 2006 developing subdivision regulations for Peacham. The need for such regulations became apparent at a workshop held in February 2006 by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns that was attended by members of the Planning Commission, the Selectboard, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Commission plans to complete work on a draft of the regulations early in 2007, to hold a public meeting to obtain comments on the draft, and to submit a final draft of the regulations to the Selectboard for its consideration in late Spring or early Summer 2007. This work is supported, in part, by a municipal planning grant from the Vermont Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

The Commission continued its fine working relationship with Bob Hansen, the Peacham Zoning Administrator, in reviewing various zoning and land transfer issues, and with the Zoning Board of Adjustment in reviewing applications for conditional use permits and subdivisions.

The Commission thanks the many citizens who have taken an interest in the future of Peacham. All are welcome to attend the Commission's regularly scheduled monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month starting at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Garrison

Tom Glavin

Tom Joyce

Marilyn Magnus

Gib Parrish

John Reiss

Maurine Rosenberg

Zoning Administrator's Report 2006

In the calendar year of 2006, twenty-nine (29) zoning applications were submitted. Twenty-seven (27) permits were issued. Two were withdrawn due to lack of required information. Of the permits issued, three (3) were processed as Conditional Use permits for subdivisions. The count follows:

1. Building Permits: 24
2. Subdivisions permits: 3

Bob Hansen
Peacham Zoning Administrator
592-3114

Zoning Board Of Adjustment – 2006

There were five applications to the Board of Adjustment this past year, which consisted of two variance requests from Barbara Spaulding/Anthony Ellis, and Allen Munkittrick, and three conditional sub-division requests from Sally Goodrich/Gary Swenson, Andy & Tammy Cochran/Jean and Paul Evans, and Hillary Smith Trust. The first four of these applications were granted. The fifth application for a conditional sub-division request of Hillary Smith Trust was still pending at the close of 2006.

Copies of these and all past applications, as well as those currently under consideration, are on file at the Town Clerk's Office. Notice of all Hearings are published in the local newspaper fifteen days prior to the Hearings, and are posted outside the Town Clerk's Office. Interested parties are invited to attend these Hearings.

Respectfully submitted:

Francis Carlet, Chair
Michael Bruton
Ronald Craig
Arthur Green
Donald Moore, Sr.

You Need a Permit for...

Building/altering, subdividing, or change in use of parcel: No land development may begin until a zoning permit has been issued by the Zoning Administrator as provided for in Section 4443, Title 24, VSA and Town of Peacham Zoning Regulations, Article 1, Section 103. The fee for a building permit application is \$30.00 plus a \$7.00 recording fee.

Appeal to Zoning Board of Adjustment: All zoning permits referred to or appealed to the Peacham Zoning Board of Adjustment will cost \$25.00

Road access: A permit is required from the Selectboard for any access from a property onto state highways and town roads (VSA 19, 1-43 Act 460). The fee is \$27.00.

Fire: A fire permit is needed for any open burning, except when the ground is snow-covered. Fire permits must be obtained from the Fire Warden. There is no fee.

Dog Licenses 2006

140 dog licenses were issued
for a total of \$1128.00.
Income: \$708.00
Expenses: \$420.00 (fees to State)

Rates for Dog Licenses

Neutered or spayed dog	\$4.00
State rabies control program	<u>\$3.00</u>
	\$7.00
Un-neutered or un-spayed	\$8.00
State rabies control program	<u>\$3.00</u>
	\$11.00

2007 licenses available January 1, 2007.
Licenses become effective April 1, 2007.
\$2.00 late fee for licenses acquired after the
April 15, 2007 deadline.

RABIES ALERT

Rabies is a disease that can kill animals and people.



- * Vermont law requires rabies shots for all CATS and DOGS.
- * Rabies shots help protect pets and pet owners from rabies.
- * Enjoy wildlife from a safe distance. Remember, rabid animals have been found in all Vermont counties.



Questions? Call the Vermont Rabies Hotline:
1-800-4-RABIES (472-2437)

Vermont Department of Health - Health Surveillance Division
P.O. Box 78, Burlington, VT 05402 • 802-724-6000 or 1-800-940-4374

Report from the Town Health Officer

The health of the local animal population remains a source of concern in Caledonia County and Peacham Town. During 2005 and 2006 there has been an outbreak of rabies. Rabies is a fatal viral disease found mainly in wildlife (especially raccoons, foxes, bats, skunks and woodchucks) but can infect domestic animals and humans. In 2006, 12 animals tested positive for rabies at the Vermont Department of Health laboratory. This is essentially the same as last year when 12 animals were confirmed and most likely represents a fraction of the total cases. Fortunately, no human or domestic animal exposure was reported. Vaccination of domestic animals including livestock continues to be important. One cow in Danville tested positive for rabies presumably after a raccoon bite. The Vermont Department of Health expects that the outbreak will continue to be a problem for many years.

The instructions for rabies prevention and control will not be repeated in this report. However, based on our experience this year, if you receive a bite from an animal contact the local health officer. By law, the local health officer must assure that the animal, regardless of vaccination status, be confined and observed for ten days for signs of illness. If you go for medical care do not assume that they will take responsibility for assuring that animal control measures or reporting are followed.

In October an officer from the Department of Fish and Wildlife shot a moose multiple times in the church parking lot due to public safety concerns. This event was traumatic and surprising for the townspeople and tourists who had been observing the animal most of the day. The officer reported he was charged by the animal and later stated that he believed the animal had brain worm. Brain worm, or meningeal worm, is a parasite primarily of deer that also affects moose. It is associated with poor health and sometimes death, however, the frequency or severity of this infection in moose is not clear. Regrettably, no laboratory test was performed to confirm this. In hindsight, I believe Peacham residents, familiar with the unpredictability of wildlife, might have been wise to rope off the church parking area and warn off tourists from approaching too close to the animal for pictures.

The Vermont Department of Health in collaboration with the Vermont Attorney General has been emphasizing the need to test for lead exposure and toxicity in children and to describe the extent of housing that may still have problems from lead paint. Lead is a highly toxic metal that has been commonly used in products such as paint, solder, batteries, brass, car radiators, bullets, and pottery. Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for infants, children

and pregnant women. The only way to find out if someone has been exposed to too much lead is by a blood test. All children should be tested for lead at ages one and two. Adults are also at risk from lead: elevated blood lead levels in adults have been linked with increased risk of death from heart attack or stroke. Adults, particularly those that work with lead products may want to be tested. Additionally, there are programs for homeowners and landlords to provide testing for lead contamination and to assist with lead removal if necessary. Over the next several weeks, the Vermont legislature will be considering proposed legislation to reduce lead in consumer products for sale in Vermont, particularly children's products. The legislature will also consider amendments to Vermont's law on lead in housing to address weaknesses in our current law. A copy of the report is available at the Attorney General's website at: <http://www.atg.state.vt.us/>. In addition, further information for protecting children from lead can be found at the Department of Health's website at www.healthvermont.gov/enviro/lead/lead.aspx or by calling 1-800-439-8550.

In 2006 the Town Health Officer received a most remarkable health advisory from the Department of Health. It is a nearly impenetrable set of instructions (with pictures) that tries to provide coherent guidance about eating fish (excellent source of high-quality protein and omega-3 fatty acids and low in saturated fats -- good for the heart) while also limiting fish consumption (due to methylmercury contamination which is toxic to the nervous system for humans and animals). After 10 years of testing hundreds of fish caught in Vermont authorities have been forced to provide warnings. The specific advice for a given situation is based on the type of fish, where in Vermont it was caught, the age and sex of the person that plans on eating it and whether they are pregnant, and how often a specific fish should be eaten to not exceed "safe" levels. Mercury in Vermont is mostly a result of coal burning electric power plants in the Midwest creating air pollution which is deposited in soil and water and concentrated in animals. One can hope the Vermont Attorney General is able to make headway in his attempts to reduce the pollution into the state. Meanwhile, the advisory may be found at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ead/mercury/fish/index.htm>. Or, a simpler version: http://healthvermont.gov/enviro/fish_alert/fish_alert.aspx.

In Peacham we hope to work with the community this year to:

1. Make sure that everyone has a list of his or her prescription medications. Medication errors are estimated to cause nearly 200,000 deaths per year and harm 1.5 million people every year. It is not wise to expect that information about the medications you are prescribed will be readily available to your doctor, another doctor (emergency room, a specialist) or will be handled appropriately when you check into or leave a hospital or nursing home. The Peacham Library staff, Town

Health officers, and representatives of EMS, and fire and rescue are offering to assist anyone who would like to make a list of their medications. There are excellent materials and resources available to help with this. We can meet to discuss this at your home or the library.

2. Encourage everyone to get the new advance directives forms and consider joining the registry. An Advance Directive is a written document, signed by an individual and two witnesses, that outlines the individual's wishes for medical treatment in the future when he or she no longer can (or wishes to) make decisions about what to do. It is what many people think of as a "living will," or a "durable power of attorney for healthcare." Forms are available on-line. These can be downloaded (Library staff or Town Health Officers can help with this) and completed. The forms can be shared with your family, physician, and now it is also possible to place it in a registry being maintained by the Vermont Department of Health. Your information is available to people you select and it is kept within a registry available to you or your physician. This program and the improved procedures are due in large measure to the efforts of Wendy Morgan, Assistant Attorney General and Chief of the public protection division in the Attorney General's office, and her staff. Forms are available at:
<http://www.healthvermont.gov/vadr/register.aspx>.

3. It is our hope to join with NVRH, the local Area on Aging, the Vermont Department of Health, area physicians, and numerous local initiatives such as the walking trail, the Town Plan, and school-based health education to link ideas and resources toward the goal of reducing chronic diseases and improving our ability to manage the medical conditions we may already have.

Members of the community that would like to discuss accessing useful health information or addressing chronic disease prevention are welcomed to contact the Town Health Officer or the Vermont Health Department District Office in St. Johnsbury.

Respectfully Presented February 12, 2007

Sharon McDonnell MD MPH
Town Health Officer, Peacham Vermont
Jean Berwick,
Deputy Town Health Officer



Recycling Information

The following items are currently being accepted in the recycling shed. Please rinse clean before disposing.

Tin Cans: Labels O.K. Flattening not required. Separate from aluminum cans – a magnet will stick to tin, but not aluminum.

Aluminum cans, foil, and food trays: Labels O.K. Flattening not required.

Glass (all colors): Not necessary to separate by color. NO plate glass, window glass, mirrors, crystal, ceramic, light bulbs, Pyrex, or drinking glasses. NO lids.

Plastic #1 - # 7: Not necessary to separate. Labels O.K. NO lids. NO containers of automotive fluids.

Corrugated cardboard and boxboard (cereal cartons, for example): No large staples.

Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, other paper products: Please remove plastic from envelopes.

Non-Recyclables

Regular, non-rechargeable alkaline batteries (Eveready, Duracell, Ray-o-Vac, AAA, AA, C, D, 9-volt, etc.) can be thrown in your garbage for disposal in the landfill.

Rechargeable batteries (Nickel-Cadmium, Lithium, Mercury) must be disposed of at a Household Hazardous Waste event (see schedule in this Town Report). These batteries cannot be stockpiled at the transfer station.

Waste oil, oil filters, automotive batteries are accepted at the Transfer Station.

Transfer Station Report 2006

The compactor is working good. Garbage is being picked up every three weeks instead of every week. We should save a lot on trucking.

We still need to be a lot more careful about separating tin cans and aluminum—the more we recycle, the more we save.

I would like to thank Neal Gombas for putting a roof over the compactor and closing it in. I would also like to thank everyone for helping me make this new system work.

Dick Blair

Fees at the Transfer Station

Bag of trash: \$ 2.00 (stickers at Town Hall or pay at Transfer Station)

Large appliances	\$10.00
Furniture, mattress, TV	\$5.00
Sofa	\$10.00
Tire	\$3.00
Pickup truck load	\$25.00



Old Cemetery Hill Road

Green Up Day 2006

It was April 18, 1970 when Vermont Governor Deane C. Davis famously closed Interstate 89 for several hours while thousands of volunteers from the University of Vermont and elsewhere walked the roadway picking up litter. Thus began a unique tradition which has continued without interruption for the last thirty-six years. Peacham celebrated Green Up 2006 alongside the rest of Vermont. More than thirty-five volunteers fanned out across the town, collecting some fifty large bags of trash and assorted other items, ranging from bulky to gross (one reason why Green Up Day is such a great activity for children). The elementary school served as the staging area for the event, and volunteers gathered at noon to enjoy a picnic lunch arranged by David and Jane Stauffer. For once the weather cooperated, and spared us the extremes of freezing, rainy or hot which can characterize early May. Thanks are due to the many volunteers, as well as the Peacham Selectboard, which authorized a \$50 donation to pay for lunch and provided a town dump truck to receive trash at the school.

Green Up Day is always the first Saturday in May—mark your calendars for Saturday, May 5, 2007 from 9:00 to 12 noon, followed by a picnic lunch at the school. A sign-up board will be outside the Post Office in mid-April. Thanks in advance for your participation!

Jo Anne Post
David Stauffer



Old Road Machine

Peacham Tree Board Report 2006

In June, 2006, the Select Board created a charter that established the Peacham Tree Board. The charter indicated that the board will include the Town's Tree Warden (currently Neil Monteith), a Town of Peacham Cemetery Sexton (Cheryl Stevenson) and such other members of the community as the Select Board shall designate on an annual basis. David Jacobs and Marj Swenson were asked to serve, along with Julie Lang who was appointed to chair the board.

The overarching objective of the newly established Tree Board, as outlined in the charter, is to develop a tree maintenance and planting plan, and with the Select Board's approval and necessary funding, carry out the implementation of the Plan. The Plan shall include trees in the Town's cemeteries, the Peacham Town Forest and shade trees along the Town highways. As the starting point, the Tree Board will use the *Village Tree Management Plan*.

The Tree Board will seek funding for its projects from several sources.

- The Tree Board will seek outside grant monies relating to the Plan and supervise any work authorized by grants.
- The Select Board will include funds in its annual budget to assist the Tree Board in carrying out its assigned duties.
- In addition, in the case of trees located in the Peacham cemeteries, cemetery funds may be used to implement the provisions of the Plan with the approval of the Select Board.

During the last six months of 2006, the Peacham Tree Board completed the following activities:

1. Established the Peacham village cemetery as first priority.
 - a. Ground maintenance of newly planted trees (from 2004-2006)
 - b. Seek bids and funding for tree maintenance (including removal of dead wood and selective cabling) and removal of hazard trees
 - c. Seek funding for development of Peacham *Cemetery Tree Management Plan* (to complement *Peacham Village Tree Management Plan*)
2. Pursued maintenance work in all Peacham villages as next priority:
 - a. Removal of hazard trees (to be completed by Road Crew this winter)
 - b. Seek bids and funding for maintenance of non-cemetery trees

During the first six months of 2007, our objectives are to address the following topics:

1. Draft a 20-year vision and 3-5 year implementation plan for Peacham trees (including new and replacement trees and a regular maintenance schedule)
2. Establish a Peacham Tree Policy (including notification of landowners)
3. Make recommendation for timber harvest in Town Forest
4. Re-energize the Friends of the Peacham Cemetery
5. Ensure regular updates of the Peacham tree inventory, originally completed in 2005

The Peacham Tree Board meets on a monthly basis; all meetings are posted on the town bulletin board at Town Hall. Any and all Peacham residents are welcome to attend.

Julie Lang

David Jacobs

Neil Monteith

Marj Swenson

Cheryl Stevenson

WARNING

NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

MARCH 6, 2007

The legal voters of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are hereby notified and warned to vote, by Australian Ballot, at the polling place and between the hours specified by their municipality on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 to act on the following article.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$ 559,845.00?

Stephen Pitkin

Stephen Pitkin - Albany

Harman Clark

Harman Clark - Sheffield

David Spencer

David Spencer - Groton

Larry Phipps

Larry Phipps - Westmore

Fredrick Hodgdon

Fredrick Hodgdon - Granby

Winston Dowland

Winston Dowland - Holland

Richard Blair

Richard Blair - Peacham

Ross Stevens

Ross Stevens - Unified Towns

Steve Barrup

Steve Barrup - Newport Town

Brian Gray

Brian Gray - Morgan

David Sanders

David Sanders - Jay

Vernon Crawford

Vernon Crawford - Canaan

Franklin Hovey

Franklin Hovey - Norton

Phillip Sorrell

Phillip Sorrell - Concord

Murray Hodgdon

Murray Hodgdon - Guildhall

William Douglas

William Douglas - Barnet

James Ashley

James Ashley - Danville

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Stephen Pitman

Stephen Pitman - Lyndon

Libre Drouin

Libre Drouin - Lyndon

William Eddy, Jr.

William Eddy, Jr. - Sutton

Paulette Routhier

Paulette Routhier - Bloomfield

Paul Barranger

Paul Barranger - Troy

Gene Perkins

Gene Perkins - Ryegate

Preston Smith

Preston Smith - Wheelock

Edward Bates

Edward Bates - Waterford

Joel Cope

Joel Cope - Brighton

Stuart Jackson

Stuart Jackson - Stannard

Jan Clausing

Jan Clausing - Newark

PROPOSED BUDGET
2007

BUDGET ITEM	2005 ACTUAL	2006 BUDGET	2006 ACTUAL	2007 PROPOSED
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES				
Advertising	\$2,069.75	\$1,500.00	\$898.75	\$1,000.00
Audit - Financial	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,600.00
Audit - Waste Haulers	\$3,564.37	\$3,200.00	\$2,902.42	\$3,500.00
Bank Charges	\$671.37	\$850.00	\$664.49	\$650.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$99.00	\$200.00		\$200.00
Cleaning	\$50.84	\$200.00		\$200.00
Copier	\$1,716.42	\$1,800.00	\$1,556.02	\$1,800.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$3,759.25	\$1,000.00	\$1,232.00	\$1,200.00
Heating Fuel	\$2,248.93	\$3,000.00	\$2,283.34	\$3,000.00
Insurance:				
Employment & Practices	\$606.00	\$700.00	\$661.00	\$750.00
Liability & Casualty	\$4,456.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,606.00	\$5,000.00
Public Officials	\$1,418.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,497.00	\$1,700.00
Legal Fees	\$330.00	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Postage	\$2,175.37	\$2,100.00	\$2,646.75	\$2,100.00
Supplies:				
Office	\$2,799.88	\$2,250.00	\$2,642.57	\$2,250.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,497.39	\$4,000.00	\$3,835.80	\$4,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,215.10	\$1,300.00	\$1,044.40	\$1,200.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$33,177.67	\$32,300.00	\$28,970.54	\$32,150.00
BUILDING EXPENSES				
Improvements	\$4,107.83	\$3,000.00	\$2,290.00	\$2,000.00
Electricity	\$4,982.77	\$5,500.00	\$7,004.30	\$7,000.00
Maintenance	\$5,879.85	\$2,500.00	\$2,838.82	\$4,000.00
Misc. Supplies	\$1,653.62	\$1,500.00	\$1,430.25	\$1,500.00
Trash Removal	\$1,223.56	\$1,300.00	\$1,305.38	\$1,500.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$17,847.63	\$13,800.00	\$14,868.75	\$16,000.00
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES				
Purchases	\$1,828.13	\$2,000.00	\$1,314.49	\$2,000.00
Baler Repairs	\$2,080.55	\$1,500.00	\$1,679.46	\$2,500.00
Baler Supplies	\$6,557.87	\$4,500.00	\$4,378.04	\$5,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$1,904.95	\$2,000.00	\$1,873.66	\$2,000.00
Forklift Repairs	\$3,732.52	\$2,500.00	\$7,256.82	\$3,500.00
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$1,066.56	\$1,500.00	\$2,002.45	\$1,500.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$731.84	\$1,000.00	\$648.26	\$750.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$457.24	\$1,000.00	\$2,014.02	\$2,000.00
Trucks				
Dodge--Gas	\$1,219.78	\$1,200.00	\$808.60	\$1,000.00
Dodge--Repairs	\$1,150.26	\$1,000.00	\$2,438.57	\$2,000.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$5,202.55	\$7,500.00	\$7,770.80	\$8,500.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$8,187.92	\$3,500.00	\$2,622.05	\$3,500.00
INTL--CDL & Drug Testing	\$133.00	\$200.00	\$65.00	\$200.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$34,253.17	\$29,400.00	\$34,872.22	\$34,450.00
PERSONNEL EXPENSES				
Gross Wages	\$206,477.22	\$215,384.11	\$215,320.03	\$226,060.00
Overtime Wages--District Operations	\$32.45	\$400.00		\$400.00
Overtime Wages--Warehouse	\$2,499.03	\$3,000.00	\$3,381.95	\$4,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$12,549.10	\$13,564.62	\$13,189.48	\$14,290.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$2,935.10	\$3,172.37	\$3,084.84	\$3,345.00
State Unemployment Insurance	\$2,153.53	\$2,500.00	\$409.94	\$600.00

PROPOSED BUDGET
2007

BUDGET ITEM	2005 ACTUAL	2006 BUDGET	2006 ACTUAL	2007 PROPOSED
VMERS (Retirement)	\$7,901.06	\$10,769.25	\$9,146.75	\$12,150.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$10,575.00	\$10,500.00	\$9,919.03	\$11,000.00
Health Insurance/Flex Spending	\$74,959.76	\$80,000.00	\$67,308.28	\$92,000.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$4,418.02	\$5,000.00	\$4,601.90	\$5,000.00
Training	\$345.00	\$1,000.00	\$955.00	\$1,200.00
Travel	\$14.26	\$200.00	\$38.84	\$200.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$324,859.53	\$345,490.35	\$327,356.04	\$370,245.00
PROGRAMS EXPENSES				
Advertising	\$4,961.60	\$6,000.00	\$6,236.83	\$6,000.00
Permits & Fees	\$420.95	\$300.00		\$0.00
Composting	\$2,903.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,481.75	\$16,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$2,400.00	\$2,800.00	\$7,686.00	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$9,981.56	\$20,000.00	\$25,349.20	\$22,000.00
Electronics Recycling	\$7,840.59	\$7,000.00	\$13,332.50	\$12,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$19,711.91	\$19,000.00	\$24,286.27	\$20,000.00
Hazmat Operations	\$1,628.62	\$2,000.00	\$3,816.39	\$3,000.00
Special Collections	\$3,581.76	\$4,000.00	\$5,264.13	\$5,000.00
Tire Disposal	\$12,333.05	\$12,000.00	\$16,216.80	\$13,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$65,763.04	\$79,600.00	\$108,669.87	\$97,000.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$475,901.04	\$500,590.35	\$514,737.42	\$549,845.00
DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS				
Interest	\$430.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Principal	\$39,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION	\$39,930.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CAPITAL FUND				
Capital Improvement Fund	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$520,831.06	\$505,590.35	\$519,737.42	\$559,845.00
NEKWMD REVENUES				
Grants--St of VT	\$20,435.22	\$19,700.00	\$24,785.43	\$40,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$41,437.63	\$36,000.00	\$35,007.91	\$29,000.00
Hazardous Waste (CEG Fees)	\$4,395.16	\$3,500.00	\$1,838.80	\$2,000.00
Interest Income	\$2,629.33	\$800.00	\$2,712.92	\$2,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$4,670.02	\$500.00	\$1,744.50	\$1,000.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$2,602.25	\$2,400.00	\$3,629.40	\$2,800.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$783.00	\$900.00	\$750.00	\$900.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$138,730.35	\$100,000.00	\$118,198.46	\$117,000.00
Electronics Recycling	\$5,220.55	\$4,500.00	\$7,486.54	\$5,000.00
Scrap Metal & Batteries & CFC Fees & Tires	\$25,203.02	\$13,000.00	\$34,828.32	\$20,000.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$341,265.65	\$324,290.35	\$331,965.10	\$340,145.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$587,372.18	\$505,590.35	\$562,947.38	\$559,845.00

Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2006 in strong financial condition. Recycling markets and the addition of four towns helped push revenues 11% above projections. The sale of recyclables yielded \$118,000 or 21% of total revenues. The NEKWMD ended 2006 with a surplus of over \$43,000. Continuous budget surpluses since 1998 have allowed the NEKWMD to remain debt-free in 2006 and replace virtually all of our aging equipment.

The NEKWMD is entering 2007 with a budget of \$559,845 – an increase of \$54,000 (10.7%). The population served by the District increased by 13%. Although the budget is increasing in 2007, the surcharge on non-recycled waste is dropping for the 7th year in a row. The surcharge for 2007 will be \$19.25/ton compared to \$19.50/ton in 2006.

Significant events in 2006 included:

- The addition of four new towns – Jay, Newport Center, Troy, and Westfield;
- The expansion of acceptable plastics for recycling from #1-2 to #1-7;
- Reduction in hauling charges for member towns from \$20/hr to \$15/hr;
- Receipt of a grant (\$6,740) from the VT Agency of Natural Resources for Prevention of Illegal Burning of Solid Waste;
- Diversion of over 12 tons of food waste through composting in Lyndonville.

The 35,000 residents of 41 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured their waste management concerns are properly addressed in a timely and environmentally sound fashion. The NEKWMD is currently staffed by 7 full-time and 2 part-time employees. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principle authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly and sets the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget.

The NEKWMD will continue to promote unit-based pricing for non-recyclable wastes. Since fees for NEKWMD membership are based primarily on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

In 2007, the NEKWMD will be looking to add composting opportunities throughout the District, strengthen outreach to schools, and promote greater participation in recycling programs throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

NEKWMD Executive Committee

Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District 2006 Report for the Town of Peacham

The 2006 recycling rate for the Town of Peacham was 31% (the highest rate in the District!). (Much of this improvement is a result of the new recycle shed which was completed in 2006.) Every ton of trash costs approximately \$100 to dispose of, while recycling pick-ups cost the town \$18.95 per ton in hauling fees. Therefore, as residents recycle more the town can lower its overall waste management costs.

Additional savings to the town were achieved through the use of the new compactor which was installed in 2006 and which is able to hold more waste, thereby resulting in reduced hauling and transportation fees from the current haulage company.

The NEKWMD runs a household hazardous waste collection through the summer months at the Lyndonville recycling center. This is open to residents and conditionally exempt generator businesses from all NEKWMD towns.

The money for the NEKWMD budget comes from the sale of recyclables (21%), State grants (7%), hauling fees (5%), miscellaneous fees and income (6%), and a surcharge on every ton of trash disposed of from NEKWMD towns (61%). This surcharge is dropping from \$19.50 to \$19.25 for 2007 - this is the seventh year in a row that the surcharge has dropped.

We are looking forward to a full slate of events during 2007. The hazardous waste depot in Lyndonville will be open from June 1 to September 29 by appointment and on Saturday July 21 and Saturday September 29 without an appointment. HHW events will be held on Saturday June 30 at the Ryegate Recycling Center and on Saturday, September 29 at the Waterford Transfer Station – Peacham residents are welcome at these collections. Watch for our annual bicycle reuse event this spring – come and pick up a new- to- you bike at no cost! Clothing drop and swaps are scheduled for spring and fall at the Fenton Chester arena in Lyndonville and the IROC in Derby. Be sure to check the calendar often at www.nekwmd.org for more information.

Please give us a call at 626-3532 or 1-800-734-4602 with any questions, comments, or waste management issues that you have. We can also be reached by e-mail at progmgr@nekwmd.org or on the web at www.nekwmd.org.

Thank you and happy recycling!

Michael H. Bergeron, Sheriff, Annual Report For 2006
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The state of the Caledonia County Sheriff's Department remains very good. We are finishing up a very busy year. We added a 2006 Chevy Impala cruiser to our fleet, this past year and have a 2007 Impala on order. Our fleet of vehicles is the backbone of our ability to provide the services we provide. All of our vehicles are purchased with money generated from our contracted service. No taxpayer money was used for their purchase. We continue to do town patrols, and we feel that the towns that we patrol are a safer place to live and drive in because of our presence. (Deputy Bill O'Hare does the bulk of these patrols) The Sheriff's Department has sixteen Law Enforcement Officers, one civil process server, an Office Administrator and Administrative Assistant. Deputy Gerard DeLisle has moved from his regular Deputy duties to our Administrative Assistant. He had training in the dispatch aspects of the job and has quickly learned the office administration requirements. We are happy to have Capt. Steve Gadapee and Sgt. Allan Moreau back from their call to the guards at the end of November 2004. We were very anxious for their return and are very proud and thankful of their service to our country.

The Department keeps our civil process server busy serving between 100 and 150 pieces of civil process a month. We provide the security for the courthouse and the hearings that go on there daily. The relationship that we enjoy with the court personnel has been fostered I feel by the fact that our office is in the courthouse. It has been five years now that we moved here and we feel it's the best possible location for a Sheriff's Office. We are attempting to keep the rent down that the county pays the state for the space we use. Our legislators have pledged their assistance. Our transport of prisoners from the Correctional Center in St. Johnsbury to courts in various parts of the state has increased greatly because of an effort to save money. Many times in the past Sheriff's from greater distances were doing those transports. We have contracts with Mental Health and Dept. of Children and Families to do transports for both of these agencies at all times of the night and day. We do many security details throughout the year. One such detail was the following, Deputy Bill O'Hare instructed all NVRH staff on security issues and we assisted management there in looking at their facility with an eye toward better security. Management at NVRH has established a comprehensive security plan that looks at patient and staff safety. We are very happy to be part of that plan. We will again do snowmobile patrols throughout the county, doing our best to keep the trails as safe as possible, and we will again answer snowmobile related complaints. We held our bicycle safety day and helmet giveaway in Lyndonville last spring for the Lyndon area young people. This past early winter we held snowmobile education courses so that young people could get a certificate to drive a snow machine. Deputy Dean Shatney was the instructor for those classes. Deputy James Hemond accepted a full time position with the Lyndonville Police Dept. and we wish him the best of luck, he continues to work part time for us. Deputy DeLisle conducted a hunter safety class again last fall so that new hunters would have the knowledge to hunt in a safe and courteous way. Deputy Jack Smith patrols the Groton State Forest during the summer and does an outstanding job of keeping things running smooth.

An organization is only as good as the people that work within it. I have a wonderful group of very dedicated people. Deputies James Hemond and Bill O'Hare shared Deputy of the year award this year for their efforts for covering the duties of our missing National Guard members. Capt. Steve Gadapee ran for and was elected Sheriff of Essex County. He leaves us for his new position in January. Good luck Steve!

Thank you for your support and please call if you think the Sheriff's Dept. can be of some assistance to you.

Sincerely,
Michael H. Bergeron
Sheriff

Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont

On behalf of the Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont, thank you for your past financial support. Because we are a community-based, private, non-profit organization serving older adults, we depend on the support of local groups. Peacham's continued financial assistance remains vital to our future, and we are again asking for an appropriation from the town in the amount of \$600.00.

The mission of our organization is to help seniors and their families cope with the challenges of aging, while promoting the dignity and independence of older adults. Our staff works closely with seniors to determine how to best meet their individual needs; offering assistance with Medicare, Social Security, Medicaid, food and fuel assistance, in-home services and many other types of help. There is no charge for services provided by the Agency.

Your past funding has allowed us to provide critical services to Peacham's seniors including support of senior meal programs, delivery of meals to the homebound, health insurance counseling, transportation for medical and other appointments, legal services and companionship.

Please let us know if we can help you, a family member or someone you know. We can be reached at 748-5182, via the Senior HelpLine at 1-800-642-5119 or on the internet at www.nevaaa.org. Thank you.

Ken Gordon, Executive Director
Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont

REPORT OF CALEDONIA HOME HEALTH CARE AND HOSPICE

Fiscal Year 2006 was our fifth full year under the Medicare's Prospective Payment System. We were able to successfully provide our clients with qualified home care services under this payment system. We were able to end the year in a financially sound position secondary to the financial support we received from towns, donated memorial contributions and fundraising events.

Our mission continues to be to provide necessary services to individuals and their families regardless of an individual's ability to pay. We are very committed to this philosophy. We feel strongly that each resident of our service area is entitled to home care services if they meet the criteria for such services. To assure that this can continue to happen, your support to us is crucial. Town monies are used to counter losses we experience when we provide free care. It is also used to support program growth and the development of necessary services to assure an individual's ability to remain independent.

Last year we made over 46,000 visits to your neighbors and relatives. In addition to our home care and hospice programs, we offered a variety of screenings and community clinics for flu shots. In collaboration with NVRH we conducted a Cancer Support Group. Our Private Duty program held steady and our Healthy Baby program experienced growth.

Caledonia Home Health Care (CHHC), as all of the non-profit home health agencies in Vermont, is certified by Medicare and Medicaid to provide home care and hospice services to Caledonia County, seven towns in Essex County and one town in Orleans County.

Universal access to home health care for all Vermonters is essential. However, it places the responsibility on the home care agency to raise the necessary funds to supply the needed services. The agencies do not receive any direct subsidies or grants from either the state or federal government. Our certification as licensed home health agencies allows us to bill clients, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance companies for services rendered. In some instances the reimbursement amount is less than the actual cost of providing the service. Therefore, the financial support of the communities served by CHHC is essential in maintaining these services.

Vermont's tradition of "caring for its own" is strikingly evident in the generous response we have received from our annual appropriation request, throughout our history. We have always strived to keep this request as reasonable and equitable as possible while seeking to cover a portion of the shortfall encountered in serving all in need. This year is no different. Individual town requests are based on a combination of factors including population, history of CHHC use, the number of visits in the past year, and the free care provided in each community. We have appreciated your support in the past and hope it will continue. Our annual report, including an audited financial statement, is available at our office for public inspection.

All of us at Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice remain committed to helping you, your family and your neighbors to lead healthy and independent lives. All town appropriation money will go directly to preserve the health care you and your neighbors deserve. Thank you for your continued support.

TOWN OF Peacham VISIT STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

	<u>2006</u>		<u>2006</u>
Nursing Visits	81	Social Services	7
Home Health Aide	25	Homemaking	0
Therapy Visits (Physical, Occupational, Speech)	107	Hospice	2
		Total	222

Other Services Provided: Bereavement Program, Maternal Child Health, Adult Health Screening & Education, Flu Clinic, Long Term Care, Support Groups, Private Duty

Catamount Arts 2006

The residents and voters of Peacham played a very important role in the success of Catamount Arts during 2006. Through support at Town Meeting and by attending many of the films and live performances offered throughout the year, the citizens of Peacham helped to keep the Arts vital and available to all of the residents of the Northeast Kingdom.

During 2006, Catamount was able to present more than 50 films and 30 live performances, in large measure due to the generosity of the voters of Peacham. Your appropriations helped to underwrite the costs of these presentations as well as helping Catamount pay for such general operating expenses as heating and electricity.

A significant portion of the appropriation provided by the voters of Peacham also went to provide much needed funding for Catamount's School Time Performances, which brought such educational and entertaining performers as the National Marionette Theatre and Dr. Quinton Quark's Slapstick Science to more than 4,000 school children in pre-kindergarten through grade eight, including several performances that were attended by students from the Peacham School.

The appropriation provided by the voters of Peacham also enabled Catamount to continue to offer its visual art exhibits free to the public. During 2006, more than 20 exhibits were mounted, including one by area school children, and several single artist and group theme shows that actually included work by several Peacham artists.

Catamount is also very proud of the fact that a sizable portion of its almost 500 members are residents of Peacham. These members form the core of Catamount's patrons and serve as cultural and artistic ambassadors to their own communities. Catamount's Board of Directors also regularly includes members from Peacham. Lorraine Clough, Catamount's Campaign Coordinator for our Arts Building Community campaign is a Peacham resident and, of course, Catamount's film offerings would not be possible without the regular efforts of our projectionist David Jacobs, also of Peacham.

As we enter 2007, Catamount has been blessed with the opportunity to join with the Masonic Lodge of St. Johnsbury in creating a new Community Arts Center that will also continue to serve as the home of area Masons. The major construction on this new facility is currently underway thanks to the cooperation of the Building Trades class at St. Johnsbury Academy and several local contractors. This new Community Arts Center will house two classrooms, an educational museum and a performance space that will be available to local performing artists, including those from Peacham, as well as two film theaters. However, along with the added opportunity to serve the artistic needs of the community, also comes added expense. For this reason, Catamount respectfully requests your continued support and appropriation for the coming year.

DANVILLE RESCUE, INC.

TOWN OF

This year has been one of new experiences and growth for the Rescue Squad.

As I'm sure everyone remembers, the Rescue Squad took on the challenge of implementing a billing system for the first time in its history. Our original goal was to begin the first of July, unfortunately, by the time we received all the federal numbers and licenses it was actually August 1st before the first bill was issued. This process has forced us to make changes in our structure and crew expectations which have created a significant learning curve. It became necessary to hire a part-time bookkeeper to set-up and maintain our financial accounts. Administrative time has been increased tri-fold (however remains volunteer at this time) and members have needed to increase their time spent per call due to increased paperwork. We have contracted with a local billing group to process our claims and have successfully worked with them since August. Their charges are submitted as a percentage of the actual amount billed; unfortunately, a large percentage of our patients are covered by Medicare and like many other companies only cover a percentage of the total bill. We would like to be able to provide you with accurate information regarding our account receivables, however until we have a full year cycle the information is not complete and may be misleading. It is necessary for us to continue to request funding from the Town as it is impossible for us to predict how many we will serve and how consistent the reimbursement will be from various companies. Our staff would be more than glad to sit down with anyone who wishes to review the financials in detail, just give us a call to schedule an appointment at 684-9600.

As our Squad develops into today's culture, we have found it necessary to explore avenues we have not been down in the past. Federal and State regulations have increased, the need for changes in staffing has surfaced, upgrading skill levels and new equipment are just a few of our challenges. In managing many of these changes, we have researched other services and explored their approach of daily operations. In order for us to continue serving our community as we have in the past, we will need to address many of these issues in the near future.

Our current call volume averages 300 runs per year. These calls include coverage of Danville, Peacham, and portions of Walden. We are also available for transfers from one facility to another and work within a mutual aid system with other services in the area.

Our members consist of members of **your** community: teachers, nurses, carpenters, students, bankers, farmers, administrative workers, business owners and laborers. They are dedicated and sincere. They work hard at both caring for those in need and maintaining their skill level through training and educational opportunities. They sweep floors at the station, take out garbage, shovel, plan fundraisers, and wash ambulances in their spare time. Your trust in them is important, believe in what they are doing. . . stop, say Thank You...let them know you care.

Members of Danville Rescue



Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. 2006 Annual Report Summary

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., is a private not-for-profit organization serving Essex, Caledonia and Orleans Counties. It is organized and directed by local citizens who believe that human services should be cost effective and responsive to the needs of our local communities.

The State of Vermont contracts with NKHS to provide a broad range of services to individuals with severe and persistent mental illness, children with severe emotional disturbance and their families, and individuals with developmental disabilities including mental retardation and autism. Services are also offered to individuals with alcohol and drug problems by the Tri-County Substance Abuse Program, a division of NKHS.

NKHS provides emergency and outpatient services to individuals with various, less severe social, emotional and psychological problems. To the extent that these services are subsidized by state and local dollars. NKHS provides the services on a sliding fee scale based on the person's ability to pay.


Your appropriation is especially important to the delivery of our programs and services because it demonstrates community support and financial assistance. We greatly appreciate your interest and support.

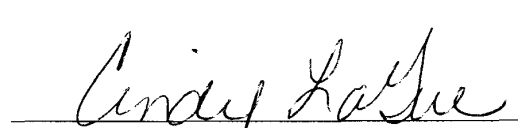
FY 2005 SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR THE TOWN OF PEACHAM

2000 Census* Count for your town: **665** Persons served: **11**

Our request for support at \$1.05 per capita = **\$698.00**

Thank you for your support.


Eric Grims
Executive Director


Cindy LaGue
President, Board of Directors

* US Census Bureau



Northeast Kingdom **Youth** Services

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Email: nekys@nekys.org

Peacham Town Report Summary

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services has offered vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975. Our staff is available to Peacham residents 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year.

In 2006:

Youth Services served over 3,344 people in Caledonia and Essex counties and provided more than 3,500 nights of safe housing for homeless youth and those needing a safe place to stay.

Youth Services served 50 in Peacham.

*NEKYS has provided essential support to 470 youth and families through the **Family Connections and Parent Education Programs**. Through mediation, counseling, and parent and youth support groups, these programs give families the tools they need to cultivate safe, nurturing homes. Families learn problem-solving skills and develop plans designed to keep future conflicts from reaching a crisis. When one youth is diverted from entering state's custody, the state of Vermont saves more than \$25,000. Staff is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.*

*The **Caledonia and Essex Court Diversion Programs** worked with 335 clients. The State's Attorney refers first-time criminal offenders, plus 25% of the juvenile delinquents in Caledonia County Family Court to Youth Services' Diversion Programs. The completion success rate of our clients is among the highest in the state: 90% overall: 89% for ages 10-17 and 91% for those 18+. Diversion clients worked, 923 hours of community service at senior housing sites, libraries, churches, etc. and donated \$200 to area charitable organizations. Offenders paid \$1,664.23 in restitution to crime victims, for a 100% victim compensation rate. Since it costs thousands of dollars to process one person through the court system, it is easy to see that the \$202 spent on one Diversion client is well worth the cost.*

*NEKYS **Transitional Living Programs** for young adults 15-21 who have been in foster care, are homeless or at high risk of homelessness served 494 young adults. NEKYS gave these young people information, support and life-skills education to help them learn to live productively on their own. The **Living Room** day shelter, which is open 12:30-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and every Wednesday for dinner, saw an average of 13 youth daily. The Living Room offers a safe, comfortable learning environment for youth to eat, rest, shower, do laundry, socialize in a substance-free environment, and use of a computer for homework and resume writing. Additionally we are raising funds to re-open our **Elm Street Program** to provide a home with caring, awake, overnight staff that will ensure a safe supportive environment for our youth to live and learn.*

***JUMP Youth Mentoring Program** successfully matched 48 at-risk students in grades 5 through 10 with caring adult mentors once a week in the student's school. When mentees were asked one thing they learned about themselves, one youth said: "I am always heard." When mentors were asked what the best part of being a mentor was, one said, "Having a fun hour with a great young person!"*

Youth Services also offers weekly dinners, outreach to schools and communities, as well as alternative opportunities for youth to be successful.

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services is a private, non-profit agency governed by a community-based, volunteer Board of Directors. We rely on grants, contracts, and appropriations from the towns we serve. Thank you again for supporting families in your community. If you have any questions or concerns, please call at 748-8732.

YOUTH SERVICES WORK WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT!

NEKYS supports youth, their families and communities through quality programs that strengthen positive life skills and encourage stability.

Northeastern Vermont Development Association Report 2006

True to our mission, Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) worked hard during the past year to meet the economic development and planning needs of the region's businesses and municipalities. 2006 was our 56th year of dedicated service to the people of the Northeast Kingdom.

Among NVDA's most important accomplishments in 2006 was the completion and adoption of a new Regional Plan that is in tune with current development trends. Many of our other projects were also regional in nature and therefore benefited every single community in this region. A good example of this is the Homeland Security Critical Facilities Inventory, which will streamline emergency management throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

We continued to provide essential technical services to town and city officials. This work included conducting transportation studies, traffic counts — including in the Town of Peacham, bridge & culvert inventories; preparing and reviewing municipal planning documents; confirming municipal planning processes; interpreting and explaining planning law to planning and zoning officials (also zoning and subdivision assistance to the Town of Peacham); and preparing GIS maps. NVDA also continued to offer reliable and knowledgeable grant writing and grant administration services to a number of towns.

On the economic development front, several new or expanding businesses developed facilities in our industrial parks. Additionally, NVDA's Charles E. Carter Business Resource Center in the St. Johnsbury-Lyndon Industrial Park and our Newport Incubator Building have continued to provide operating and training space to several businesses.

Some truly innovative initiatives are currently in the works in the areas of affordable housing, job creation and broadband service. In the past year, NVDA also obtained a grant to evaluate the feasibility of developing a regional forest and wood products center, which has the potential to boost the local forest product industry and to become a major retail establishment and visitor destination.

In keeping with our long-standing collaboration, in 2006 we continued to work closely with the Small Business Development Center to create and retain jobs throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

NVDA's own technical assistance grant program supported three small businesses in the areas of market research, organizational development, process engineering and marketing.

We look forward to serving you in 2007, and we appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,
Steve Patterson, Executive Director

Umbrella Report 2006

Umbrella works to foster communities of strong women, supported families and safe homes, believing that what's good for women and families is good for everyone. 2006 was a year of change for Umbrella. We moved our main office back to Main Street in St. Johnsbury, in the beautifully renovated O. Dean Hale building. Our new space is bright and accessible, with features that increase the safety, privacy and comfort of our visitors.

At the close of 2005, the Domestic and Sexual Violence Program introduced the new Housing for Women in Transition program, which helps survivors of domestic violence find an apartment and build upon their existing resources to create a safe, sustainable living situation. Last year seven women and their children found apartments all around the NEK, and got a helping hand with rent and other moving expenses. The program nearly always has a waiting list, as the need is greater than our current funding can support. In addition, we continue to offer advocacy, crisis counseling, information and referral, safety planning and support groups to people who've experienced domestic and/or sexual violence. Our crisis hotline operates 24 hours per day every day of the year.

Kingdom Child Care Connection (KCCC) at Umbrella continues to experience growth in our child care subsidy program, with our caseload hovering around 500 families. KCCC's Resource Development Specialist is working to support registered and licensed child care providers as they pursue their professional goals, including involvement in the voluntary Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS). STARS allows providers to document their program enhancements above the basic requirements of state licensing, and gives parents one indicator of quality to help in their selection process. KCCC's referral program helps educate parents about the child care options available to them, and provides a free database search for programs that may meet their needs.

Umbrella serves residents of Caledonia and southern Essex counties, providing voluntary support, direct service and prevention education to more than 3,000 individuals each year through our two core programs. All direct services to individuals are provided free of charge.

Given the nature of our programs, some services are provided anonymously, so concrete service counts are not possible. We know that last year, *at least* 7 Peacham individuals/families received direct services through Umbrella's two core programs (exclusive of youth prevention programming), and 3 child care providers took advantage of our professional development programs. We also know that more than 30% of women will be victims of abuse during their lives, and that the overwhelming majority of families rely on child care for the healthy development of their children and the productivity of our community. Your support of Umbrella is crucial to the success of these programs, and allows us to explore new ways to make our community safe and strong for all.

Thank you for your support of Umbrella.

2007 Appropriation Request: \$500

Michelle B. Fay

Umbrella, Inc., 1222 Main Street, Ste. 301, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819
802-748-1992 x314

**WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF PEACHAM
TO BE HELD ON MARCH 6, 2007**

The legal voters of the town of Peacham are hereby warned to meet in the Peacham Town Hall in Peacham on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 immediately following the adjournment of the Town Meeting, which begins at 10:00 AM, to transact the following business:

ARTICLE 1 To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting.

ARTICLE 2 To hear the Auditors report on the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2006.

ARTICLE 3 To elect a School District Clerk/Treasurer.

ARTICLE 4 To elect a School Director for a term of three years.
To elect a School Director for the two years remaining from a term of three years

ARTICLE 5 To hear a Report of the Board.

ARTICLE 6 Shall the school district approve a sum of money up to \$95,000, less any state aid that may be received, to replace the roof on the school.

ARTICLE 7 Shall the school district vote to adopt an expenditure budget as presented for the school year ending June 30, 2008 including an appropriation of a sum of money for the support of schools with provisions for current expenses, capital improvements, a deficit if any, and for other lawful purposes?

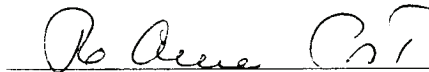
ARTICLE 8 To see if the school district will authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts, and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2008 in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes.

ARTICLE 9 To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Peacham this ____ day of January, 2007.

Peacham School Directors

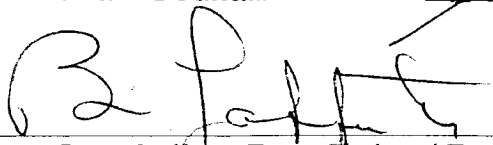
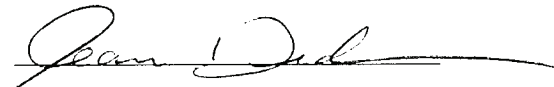
Jo Anne Post, Chair



Arthur Greene, Vice-Chair



Jean Dedham Clerk


Attest: Bruce Lafferty, Town Clerk and Treasurer

Minutes for School District Meeting March 7, 2006

The Directors of the Peacham School District met March 7, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Leslie Morrison opened the meeting. JoAnne Post moved to adjourn to the Peacham Congregational Church. Susan Greenleaf seconded. Unanimously approved. The Directors reconvened with the voters of the Peacham School District at the Peacham Congregational Church. Morrison opened the meeting at 10:03. Voters then acted on the following articles:

Article 1. Mike Bruton moved to nominate Patrick Downes for moderator. Judy Chypre seconded. Downes declined. Betsy McKay nominated Leslie Morrison moderator for the ensuing year. Bruce Lafferty seconded. Paul Clemons moved to close nominations and cast one ballot. Steve White seconded. So voted. Morrison was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Becky Jensen discussed the auditor's report.

Article 3. Judy Chypre nominated Karen Joyce as School District Clerk/Treasurer. Becky Jensen seconded. Jerry Senturia nominated Bruce Lafferty. Diana Senturia seconded. John Marshall nominated Lori Craig. Phyllis Randall seconded. Steve White moved to close nominations. Barry Lawson seconded. So voted. Bruce Lafferty was elected.

Article 4. Paul Clemons nominated Bill Cobb for School Director for a term of three years. Diana Senturia seconded. Peg Clemons moved nominations be closed. Betsy McKay seconded. So voted. Jerry Senturia moved to cast one ballot. Wynne Browne seconded. Bill Cobb was elected.

Lynne Lawson moved to nominate Arthur Green for School Director for a term of two years remaining of a three-year term. Beppy Brown seconded. Steve White moved to close nominations and cast one ballot. David Magnus seconded. Arthur Green was elected.

Article 5. Susan Greenleaf reported for the current Board of School Directors. JoAnne Post discussed budget highlights.

Article 6. Hilary Smith moved to table the article authorizing the Board of Directors to transfer 50% of the accumulated surplus of approximately \$49,330 at the end of FY '05 into the reserve fund for tax stabilization in future years and to use 50% of the surplus to reduce taxes in the FY '07 budget until next year. Peg Clemons seconded. So voted.

Article 7. Jerry Senturia moved to adopt an expenditure budget as presented for school year ending June 30, 2007, including an appropriation of a sum of money for all lawful purposes. Diana Senturia seconded. Becky Jensen wanted to know the bottom line. Rob Billings of the CCSU said it would be \$1,445,037.00. David Magnus moved to amend the proposed budget to add \$10,000. Jane Woodhouse seconded. Discussion ensued. Steve white moved to call the motion. Woodhouse seconded. So voted. The motion to amend was approved. The revised expenditure budget was approved unanimously.

Article 8. Charlie Browne moved to authorize the Board of Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Diana Senturia seconded. So voted unanimously.

Article 9. Frank Carlet offered congratulations to Susan Greenleaf and Jeremy White for their service to the Board of Directors.

Paul Clemons moved to adjourn. Beppy Brown seconded. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 pm.

The foregoing is approved and attested to by:

PEACHAM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

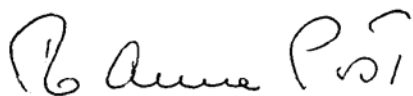
Bill Cobb



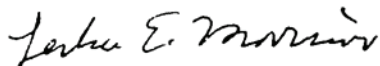
Arthur Green



JoAnne Post



MODERATOR



Leslie Morrison

CLERK TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT



Patrick Downes

Peacham School District Auditors' Report 2006

We have examined the accounts and records of the Peacham School District, verified the stated cash balances and inspected certificates or other securities and trust funds. Checks were written according to statements and warrants (though some warrants were missing). To the best of our knowledge, the report submitted herewith presents the financial position of the Peacham School District on June 30, 2006, and gives an accurate account of the funds during the year ended.

We appreciate having access to the NEMRC records this year. Being able to look at the complete set of accounts and reports aided our job in examining the books. We expect that these records will be available in the Town Offices on a regular basis, at least once a year, in September, for the Town Treasurer, the School Directors and the Auditors to examine.

We continue to be concerned that the School Directors are not more actively involved in the oversight of the school finances, as we said in 2005. The School Directors should regularly receive reports with the warrants to be signed indicating the line item(s) charged and the remaining balance for each line item(s). We feel such reports would help the School Directors maintain fiscal control over the budget, particularly if all three Directors examine the warrants and bills at each meeting.

We continue to believe that petty cash should not be used for expenses exceeding \$50.00, as stated in our 2005 report. The review of the petty cash this year indicated a number of inappropriate uses of the petty cash fund for large sums (in excess of \$1000.00) of money.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Davis

Rebecca Jensen

Diana Senturia

PEACHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2006

ASSETS

	<u>General Fund</u>	Hot Lunch Fund	Special Reserve Fund	Capital & General Long Term Debt	Memo Only Totals
<u>Current Asset</u>					
Cash	\$ (25,972)				\$ (25,972)
Restricted Cash			95,225		95,225
Accounts Receivable	28,157	116			28,273
Due From Other Funds	57,120	1,914	6,000		65,034
Due From CCSU	40,483				40,483
Prepaid Expense	1,915				1,915
Total Current Assets	101,702	2,030	101,225	0	204,957
<u>Fixed Assets</u>					
Property - Net of Depreciation	0	0		205,619	205,619
Total Fixed Assets	0	0	0	205,619	205,619
Total Assets	<u>\$ 101,702</u>	<u>\$ 2,030</u>	<u>\$ 101,225</u>	<u>\$ 205,619</u>	<u>\$ 410,576</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

<u>Current Liabilities</u>					
Accounts Payable	\$ 10,462				10,462
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	13,056				13,056
Due To Other Funds	6,000	31,427	27,615		65,042
Deferred Revenue	0				0
Total Current Liabilities	29,518	31,427	27,615	0	88,560
<u>Long Term Liabilities</u>					
Bond Payable	0	0	0	115,000	115,000
Total Long Term Liabilities	0	0	0	115,000	115,000
Total Liabilities	29,518	31,427	27,615	115,000	203,560
<u>Fund Balance</u>					
Unreserved Fund Balance	5,819	(29,396)			(23,578)
Investment in General Fixed Assets	0			90,619	90,619
Reserved Fund Balance	66,365	0	73,610		139,975
Total Fund Balance	72,184	(29,396)	73,610	90,619	207,016
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 101,702</u>	<u>\$ 2,030</u>	<u>\$ 101,225</u>	<u>\$ 205,619</u>	<u>\$ 410,576</u>

Peacham School District
Budget Development FY08

Function: Expenditure Summary by Function

<u>Function</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
1000	Instruction	272,835	286,418	281,458	291,980	303,381	21,923	7.79%
1000	Regular Education Tuition	610,186	660,829	672,367	795,181	744,484	72,116	10.73%
1200	Special Education	32,488	35,296	33,394	46,801	44,289	10,894	32.62%
1200	Special Education Tuition	14,732	36,689	26,321	0	0	(26,321)	-100.00%
2100	Student Support	75,518	52,166	47,137	47,591	48,186	1,049	2.22%
2120	Guidance	7,971	7,358	8,053	8,007	8,053	(1)	-0.01%
2130	Nurse	4,906	4,602	4,799	4,819	4,847	48	0.99%
2150	Speech	2,500	2,006	2,238	5,247	5,600	3,362	150.18%
2222	Library	18,884	14,402	16,421	14,819	14,876	(1,546)	-9.42%
2230	Technology	18,220	18,210	17,010	16,500	16,910	(100)	-0.59%
2240	Professional Development	17,340	3,175	14,892	6,707	8,135	(6,758)	-45.38%
2300	School Board (1)	53,526	49,423	67,885	64,541	94,012	41,892	80.38%
2410	Principal's Office	76,148	71,654	84,039	73,946	80,023	(4,017)	-4.78%
2520	Fiscal Services	29,067	25,775	30,998	36,465	38,549	7,551	24.36%
2600	Plant Operation	70,482	71,483	83,000	78,412	80,031	(2,969)	-3.58%
2700	Transportation	32,100	36,524	38,000	35,321	38,173	173	0.46%
5000	Debt Service	27,808	27,807	27,022	27,022	26,220	(802)	-2.97%
	Education Fund Payment		149	0	0	0	0	NM
	Totals	1,364,712	1,403,964	1,455,037	1,553,358	1,555,767	116,495	<u>8.09%</u>
	Revenues	<u>1,380,078</u>	<u>1,410,512</u>	<u>1,445,037</u>	<u>1,433,828</u>	<u>1,555,767</u>	<u>110,730</u>	<u>7.66%</u>
	Surplus/(Deficit)	15,366	6,547	(10,000)	(119,530)	<u>0</u>	<u>(5,766)</u>	
	Hot Lunch Provision	<u>(15,366)</u>	<u>(16,146)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
	Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>0</u>	<u>(9,599)</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(119,530)</u>			

(1) FY07 and FY08 budgeted and projected amounts contain a provision for Hot Lunch deficit.

Peacham

FY2008 Budget

FY2006	FY2007	FY2007	FY2008	Budget FY'07 to FY'08
Actual	Budget	Projection	Budget	Incrs/(Decrs) Percent

Revenue**Local**

1110	Education Fund Payments	1,220,465	1,273,110	1,273,110	1,383,433	110,323	8.67%
1510	CD & MM Interest	23,593	12,000	20,000	22,500	10,500	87.50%
5900	Miscellaneous	3,302	500	2,000	1,500	1,000	200.00%
Totals		1,247,360	1,285,610	1,295,110	1,407,433	121,823	9.48%

State

3110	Education Fund Payments	149	0	0	0	0	NM
3111	Transportation Aid (Net)	13,950	14,858	13,848	18,263	3,405	22.91%
3145	Small Schools Grant	55,340	55,340	55,800	55,340	0	0.00%
3161	Capital Debt Hold-harmless	0	0	0	0	0	NM
3201	SE Mainstream Block Grant	31,232	31,232	31,232	36,003	4,771	15.28%
3202	SE Intensive Reimbursement	22,329	0	0	0	0	NM
3204	Essential Early Education	5,567	0	0	0	0	NM
3205	SE State Placed Reimbursement	15,230	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		143,797	101,430	100,880	109,606	8,176	8.06%

Federal

4250	Consolidated Federal Programs	19,355	35,000	15,466	15,466	(19,534)	-55.81%
	US History Grant	0	0	0	0	0	NM
	CCSU Portion of Pre-K Program	0	22,997	22,372	23,262	265	1.15%
	Transfers, Gifts and Carryforw	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		19,355	57,997	37,838	38,728	(19,269)	-33.22%

General Fund Total Revenues

1,410,512	1,445,037	1,433,828	1,555,767	110,730	7.66%
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Food Service Revenues

1610	Food Service Sales	12,329	11,000	12,000	12,250	1,250	11.36%
3450	Food Service Match	2,141	300	400	400	100	33.33%
4550	Child Nutrition	10,197	7,400	10,000	10,000	2,600	35.14%
Totals		24,667	18,700	22,400	22,650	3,950	21.12%

All Funds Total Available

1,435,179	1,463,737	1,456,228	1,578,417	114,680	7.83%
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Detail budgets are available at the School and at the Town Clerk's Office

Notes on FY'07 and FY'08

Under Act 68, the total amount of revenue to be received from the Education Fund is shown under the Local section and is titled Education Fund Payments.

Each year the April 1 Grand List determines how much of the Education Fund Payments will be received from the Local taxpayer as Residential or Non-Residential Payments.

Any remaining Education Fund Payments, up to the total of the amount shown under Local as Education Fund Payments, will be received from the State. Any amount collected that is not needed by the school will be sent to the State Education Fund.

Peacham

FY2008 Budget

FY 2006

FY 2007

FY 2007

FY 2008

FY'07 to FY'08

Actual

Budget

Projection

Budget

Incrs/(Decrs)

Pct

FUNCTION**1000 Classroom Instruction**

100	Personnel	204,419	211,074	211,252	218,160	7,086	3.36%
200	Benefits	58,871	62,384	65,478	69,971	7,587	12.16%
300	Professional Services	7,457	2,000	2,000	2,000	(0)	0.00%
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	278	0	250	250	250	NM
560	Tuition	660,829	672,367	795,181	744,484	72,116	10.73%
600	Supplies	13,155	6,000	13,000	13,000	7,000	116.67%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	2,238	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		947,247	953,826	1,087,160	1,047,865	94,039	9.86%

1200 Special Education

100	Personnel	26,341	24,342	38,531	33,252	8,910	36.60%
200	Benefits	5,751	6,227	7,521	7,337	1,109	17.81%
300	Professional Services	179	1,725	350	3,300	1,575	91.30%
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	1,347	100	100	100	0	0.00%
560	Tuition	36,689	26,321	0	0	(26,321)	NM
600	Supplies	1,678	1,000	300	300	(700)	-70.00%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		71,985	59,715	46,801	44,289	(15,427)	-25.83%

2100 Student Support

100	Personnel	34,066	31,828	41,134	41,134	9,306	29.24%
200	Benefits	3,903	2,854	3,752	3,752	898	31.46%
300	Professional Services	2,010	2,205	2,205	2,800	595	26.98%
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	0	250	500	500	250	100.00%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	12,186	10,000	0	0	(10,000)	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		52,166	47,137	47,591	48,186	1,049	2.22%

FUNCTION**2120 Guidance**

100	Personnel	6,643	7,056	7,056	7,056	0	0.00%
200	Benefits	508	697	691	697	(1)	-0.11%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	207	300	260	300	0	0.00%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		7,358	8,053	8,007	8,053	(1)	-0.01%

2130 Nurse

100	Personnel	3,888	4,085	4,085	4,085	0	0.00%
200	Benefits	298	414	409	412	(2)	-0.60%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	416	300	325	350	50	16.67%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		4,602	4,799	4,819	4,847	48	0.99%

2150 Speech

100	Personnel	1,846	1,949	0	0	(1,949)	NM
200	Benefits	141	189	0	0	(189)	NM
300	Professional Services	0	0	5,147	5,600	5,600	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	19	100	100	0	(100)	NM
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		2,006	2,238	5,247	5,600	3,362	150.18%

FUNCTION**2222 Library**

100	Personnel	9,487	9,514	9,461	9,461	(53)	-0.56%
200	Benefits	726	2,908	908	915	(1,993)	-68.55%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	4,189	4,000	4,450	4,500	500	12.50%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		14,402	16,422	14,819	14,876	(1,546)	-9.42%

2230 Technology

100	Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	NM
200	Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	NM
300	Professional Services	12,105	13,260	13,300	13,260	0	0.00%
400	Property Services	88	750	350	400	(350)	-46.67%
500	Other Services	0	600	600	600	0	0.00%
600	Supplies	3,181	2,400	1,250	1,900	(500)	-20.83%
700	Equipment	2,835	0	1,000	750	750	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		18,210	17,010	16,500	16,910	(100)	-0.59%

2240 Professional Development

100	Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	NM
200	Benefits	3,175	14,892	6,707	8,135	(6,758)	-45.38%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	NM
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		3,175	14,892	6,707	8,135	(6,758)	-45.38%

FUNCTION**2300 School Board**

100	Personnel	600	600	600	600	0	0.00%
200	Benefits	46	50	50	51	0	0.92%
300	Professional Services	44,022	44,137	43,637	54,746	10,608	24.04%
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	1,230	4,033	2,235	3,733	(300)	-7.44%
600	Supplies	2,455	2,000	2,200	2,000	0	0.00%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	1,070	1,300	1,050	1,300	0	0.00%
900	Transfers	149	15,766	14,769	31,582	15,817	100.32%
Totals		49,572	67,886	64,541	94,012	26,125	38.48%

2410 Principal's Office

100	Personnel	52,133	60,563	52,535	55,475	(5,087)	-8.40%
200	Benefits	14,381	18,177	15,736	18,697	520	2.86%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	3,366	3,200	3,500	3,500	300	9.38%
500	Other Services	654	900	775	850	(50)	-5.56%
600	Supplies	786	900	800	850	(50)	-5.56%
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	334	300	600	650	350	116.67%
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		71,654	84,039	73,946	80,023	(4,017)	-4.78%

2520 Fiscal Services

100	Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	NM
200	Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	NM
300	Professional Services	9,687	11,498	11,498	11,849	351	3.06%
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	221	0	300	300	300	NM
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	15,867	19,500	24,667	26,400	6,900	35.38%
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		25,775	30,998	36,465	38,549	7,551	24.36%

FUNCTION**2600 Plant Operation**

100	Personnel	21,908	22,982	19,630	19,630	(3,352)	-14.59%
200	Benefits	10,700	12,093	13,039	13,926	1,833	15.16%
300	Professional Services	290	425	300	425	0	0.00%
400	Property Services	8,385	9,300	9,000	9,300	0	0.00%
500	Other Services	6,169	8,900	5,343	7,100	(1,800)	-20.22%
600	Supplies	21,319	28,750	29,800	29,100	350	1.22%
700	Equipment	2,711	250	1,000	250	0	0.00%
800	Other	0	300	300	300	0	0.00%
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		71,483	83,000	78,412	80,031	(2,969)	-3.58%

2700 Transportation

100	Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	NM
200	Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	NM
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	36,524	38,000	35,321	38,173	173	0.46%
600	Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	NM
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		36,524	38,000	35,321	38,173	173	0.46%

5000 Debt Service

100	Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	NM
200	Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	NM
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Other Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
600	Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	NM
700	Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	NM
800	Other	21,807	21,022	21,022	20,220	(802)	-3.81%
900	Transfers	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Totals		27,807	27,022	27,022	26,220	(802)	-2.97%

General Fund Totals

1,403,964	1,455,039	1,553,357	1,555,767	100,728	6.92%
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FUNCTION**3100 Hot Lunch Fund**

100	Personnel	16,347	17,424	16,940	16,940	(484)	-2.78%
200	Benefits	1,370	2,842	2,679	2,799	(42)	-1.49%
300	Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	NM
400	Property Services	2,599	300	250	250	(50)	-16.67%
500	Other Services	212	200	200	225	25	12.50%
600	Supplies	16,730	13,600	17,000	16,900	3,300	24.26%
700	Equipment	3,555	100	100	100	0	0.00%
800	Other	0	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		40,813	34,466	37,169	37,214	2,749	7.97%

Total General and Hot Lunch	1,444,777	1,489,504	1,590,526	1,561,399	103,477	6.95%
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All objects

100	Personnel	377,677	391,417	401,224	405,794	14,377
200	Benefits	99,870	123,728	116,969	126,690	2,962
300	Professional Services	75,750	75,250	78,437	93,980	18,730
400	Property Services	14,438	13,550	13,100	13,450	(100)
500	Other Services	46,414	52,733	44,824	51,031	(1,702)
560	Tuition	697,518	698,688	795,181	744,484	45,795
600	Supplies	64,357	59,600	70,285	70,000	10,400
700	Equipment	9,101	350	2,100	1,100	750
800	Other	53,501	52,422	47,639	48,870	(3,552)
900	Transfers	6,149	21,766	20,769	6,000	(15,766)
Totals		1,444,777	1,489,504	1,590,526	1,561,399	71,895

FY08 Tax Computation

Peacham School District

Estimated Tax Rates Calculation	<u>FY08</u>		<u>FY07</u>
Budgeted Expenditures	1	\$1,555,767	\$1,445,037
Less: Local Revenues	2	(172,334)	(171,927)
Net Education Fund Spending	3	1,383,433	1,273,110
Equalized Pupils (1)	4	115.52	119.61
Education spending per equalized pupil	5	11,976	Line 3 / Line 4 10,644
Base for tax rate calculation (2)	6	7,736	7,330
District spending adjustment factor	7	154.805%	Line 5 / Line 6 145.211%
Statewide Residential Property Tax Rates (2)	8	\$0.90	\$0.95
District spending adjustment		154.805%	Line 7 calculation 145.207%
		\$1.3932	Line 8 x Line 7 \$1.3795
Common Level of appraisal adjustment (3)		74.21%	89.51%
Estimated Residential Tax Rate		\$1.8774	\$1.5411
Change from Prior Year Actual Tax Rate		\$0.3362	\$0.0934
Statewide Non Residential Tax Rate (2)		\$1.39	\$1.44
Common Level of appraisal adjustment		74.21%	89.51%
		\$1.8731	\$1.6088
Spending threshold amount		\$12,594	\$11,728

Notes:

(1) Equalized pupil calculation is from Dept of Education and is based on FY'06 and FY'07 data and averaged over those two years.

Revisions to data from the Department of Education for FY'08 has been submitted

(2) Amounts are based on the recommendations from the Department of Taxes to the Legislature and are subject to final approval or change by the 2007 Legislative session

(3) Common level of appraisal percentage is calculated by VT Department of Taxes, Division of Property Valuation and Review. Certification received by Town Clerk December 11, 2006.

<u>Actual Calendar Year Tax Rates</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Residential	\$1.5412	\$1.5223	\$1.4477	
Non Residential	\$1.6088	\$1.5964	\$1.4959	
For school fiscal year budget	FY'07	FY'06	FY'05	FY'04
Common Level of Appraisal	89.51%	94.59%	102.95%	83.72%
<u>For Fiscal Year Budget</u>	<u>FY'07</u>	<u>FY'06</u>	<u>FY'05</u>	<u>FY'04</u>
Number of equalized pupils	119.61	123.95	128.45	133.11
Change in Equalized Pupils	(4.34)	(4.50)	(4.66)	
Percentage of change	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	

Equalized Pupils maximum loss in any one year to year change is 3.5%
7,360 of budget cost = one penny on tax rate

Three Year Tax Computation Comparison

District: **Peacham**
County: **Caledonia**

LEA: **T151**
S.U.: **Caledonia Central**

Expenditures		FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008
1.	Budget (local budget, excluding special programs reported in line 3, full tech expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,424,975	\$1,380,078	\$1,463,737	\$1,555,767
2.	<i>plus</i> Special revenue program expenditures (federal dollars, restricted grants, etc.- included in FY06-FY08 budgets)				
3.	Locally adopted or warned budget (including federal dollars)	\$1,424,975	\$1,380,078	\$1,463,737	\$1,555,767
4.	<i>plus</i> 1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	-	-	-	
5.	<i>plus</i> 2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	-	-	-	
6.	<i>plus</i> 3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	-	-	-	
7.		-	-	-	
8.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,424,975	\$1,380,078	\$1,463,737	\$1,555,767
9.	<i>plus</i> No union high school assessment	-	-	-	
10.	<i>plus</i> No union elementary or junior high school assessment	-	-	-	
11.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if not included in budgets				
12.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$1,424,975	\$1,380,078	\$1,463,737	\$1,555,767
13.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	\$59,620	\$58,677	\$53,635	\$59,095
14.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	
Revenues					
15.	<i>plus</i> Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$185,171	\$159,613	\$190,627	\$172,334
16.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	
17.	<i>plus</i> Special program revenues for federal programs (if not included in FY05 budget; included in FY06-FY08 budgets)	-	-	-	
18.	<i>minus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues	-	-	-	
19.		-	-	-	
20.	Total local revenues	\$185,171	\$159,613	\$190,627	\$172,334
21.	Education Spending (Act 68 definition)	\$1,239,804	\$1,220,465	\$1,273,110	\$1,383,433
22.	Equalized Pupils	128.45	123.95	119.61	115.52
23.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$9,652	\$9,846	\$10,644	\$11,976
23a.	<i>minus</i> Less eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	136.33	175.94	175.75	
24.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
25.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$9,652	\$9,846	\$10,644	\$11,976
26.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$11,976 / \$7,736)	141.942% <small>based on \$6,800</small>	141.167% <small>based on \$6,975</small>	145.209% <small>based on \$7,330</small>	154.809% <small>based on \$7,736</small>
27.	Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized (154.809% x \$0.90)	\$1.490 <small>based on \$1.05</small>	\$1.440 <small>based on \$1.02</small>	\$1.380 <small>based on \$0.95</small>	\$1.393 <small>based on \$0.90</small>
28.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	102.95%	94.59%	89.51%	74.21%
29.	Estimated homestead tax rate, actual (\$1.393 / 74.21%)	\$1.448	\$1.522	\$1.541	\$1.878
30.	Household Income Percentage for income sensitivity (154.81% x 1.80%)	2.70% <small>based on 1.90%</small>	2.61% <small>based on 1.85%</small>	2.61% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.79% <small>based on 1.80%</small>

Peacham School District

For FY	<u>June 30, 2006</u>		Total	Total	
<u>Object</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Benefits</u>	<u>Sal & Ben</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
110	Brehm, Lian	4,061.30	351.71	4,413.01	Art
110	Brisco, Janice	51,798.00	16,862.99	68,660.99	Grade 3/4
110	Crum, Cathy	27,377.94	2,364.73	29,742.67	Title I
110	Edmondson, Janet	7,752.60	671.38	8,423.98	Music
110	Fearon, Christina	38,798.00	15,774.46	54,572.46	Grade 1/2
110	Iwankovitsch-Ross, Carrie	1,845.65	159.83	2,005.48	Speech Language
110	Macdonald, Jean	9,047.60	778.81	9,826.41	Physical Education
110	Moore, Lisa	3,888.40	336.74	4,225.14	Nurse
110	Olcott-Nelson, Wendy	57,123.00	14,082.41	71,205.41	Special Education/Principal
110	Parker, Sarah	39,958.40	7,085.85	47,044.25	Pre K/K
110	Reade, Ingrid	9,064.60	780.20	9,844.80	Librarian
110	Reade, Robert	8,298.25	717.29	9,015.54	Extension
110	Renfrew, Kathy	53,268.00	16,983.68	70,251.68	Grade 5/6
111	Stevens, Anne	4,162.30	553.66	4,715.96	French/ESL
110	Substitutes	25,055.67	1,916.76	26,972.43	Substitutes
110	Webster, Diana	6,642.60	575.25	7,217.85	Guidance
	Totals	348,142.31	79,995.74	428,138.05	

Note: PSD reimbursed for Sarah Parker CREEP activities, Salary \$16,732.58 and Benefits \$4,395.44 by CCSU.

Staff Personnel

For FY	<u>June 30, 2006</u>		Total	Total	
<u>Object</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Benefits</u>	<u>Sal & Ben</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
115	Evangelista, Martha	17,859.34	6,199.67	24,059.01	Administrative Assistant
115	Ruffner, Alice	13,274.72	1,942.61	15,217.33	Hot Lunch
115	Stevenson, Cheryl	22,176.48	11,961.12	34,137.60	Custodian
115	Lakus, Hope	1,185.00	158.55	1,343.55	Tutor
		54,495.54	20,261.96	74,757.50	

Administrative Professional Personnel

For FY	<u>June 30, 2006</u>		Total	Total	
<u>Object</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Benefits</u>	<u>Sal & Ben</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
110	School Board	600.00	50.00	650.00	School Directors
		600.00	50.00	650.00	
	FY'06 Totals	403,237.85	100,307.70	503,545.55	

Peacham School District

Substitutes	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Berwick, Wanda	3,185.00		318.50
Blackmore, Dolores	942.50	14.50	
Briggs, Cassidy	32.50	0.50	
Davis, Benjamin	195.00	3.00	
Detjens, Deirdre	812.50	12.50	
Emerson, Angel	487.50	7.50	
Erhard, Steven	65.00	1.00	
Gadapee, Wayne	130.00	2.00	
Kaplan, Jonathan	32.50	0.50	
Luomala, Jael	292.50	4.50	
Palmer, Tonya	45.00		4.50
Quinn, Tami S.	695.00		69.50
Renfrew, Gayle Lynn	730.00		73.00
Riley, Eileen	65.00	1.00	
Smith, Laurie	65.00	1.00	
Sofman, Lisa	162.50	2.50	
Stresing, Deborah	455.00	7.00	
Talamini, Lynn M.	16,208.17	6 @ 65, long term sub 104.5 @151.37	
Tolle, Sherry	97.50	1.50	
Vance, Linda	65.00	1.00	
Woodhouse, Jane	292.50	4.50	
	<u>25,055.67</u>	<u>175.00</u>	<u>257.50</u>

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Actual</u>		<u>Scheduled Payment of</u>		<u>Balance</u>
	<u>Payment</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	
07/01/03	Opening Balance				160,000.00
12/01/03	14,287.08	4.9910%	4,354.68	15,000.00	145,000.00
06/01/04	3,980.35		3,980.35		145,000.00
12/01/04	13,912.75	5.0910%	3,980.35	15,000.00	130,000.00
06/01/05	3,598.53		3,598.53		130,000.00
12/01/05	18,598.53	5.1910%	3,598.53	15,000.00	115,000.00
06/01/06	3,209.20		3,209.20		115,000.00
12/01/06	18,209.20	5.2910%	3,209.20	15,000.00	100,000.00
06/01/07	2,812.38		2,812.38		100,000.00
12/01/07	17,812.38	5.3910%	2,812.38	15,000.00	85,000.00
06/01/08	2,408.05		2,408.05		85,000.00
12/01/08	17,408.05	5.6660%	2,408.05	15,000.00	70,000.00
06/01/09	1,983.10		1,983.10		70,000.00
12/01/09	16,983.10	5.6660%	1,983.10	15,000.00	55,000.00
06/01/10	1,558.15		1,558.15		55,000.00
12/01/10	16,558.15	5.6660%	1,558.15	15,000.00	40,000.00
06/01/11	1,133.20		1,133.20		40,000.00
12/01/11	16,133.20	5.6660%	1,133.20	15,000.00	25,000.00
06/01/12	708.25		708.25		25,000.00
12/01/12	15,708.25	5.6660%	708.25	15,000.00	10,000.00
06/01/13	283.30		283.30		10,000.00
12/01/13	10,283.30	5.6660%	283.30	10,000.00	0.00
	<u>197,568.50</u>		<u>47,703.70</u>	<u>160,000.00</u>	

School Board's Report 2006

Peacham Elementary School is sometimes dubbed “a great little school,” and it is the School Board’s task to balance both sides of the equation—keeping the “great” while adjusting for the “little.” Numbers are much on everyone’s mind these days, as lower enrollment and increased expenses at both the secondary and elementary levels and a sizeable drop in our Common Level of Appraisal have caused a spike in our education property tax rate. As this letter is being written in January, the Board is preparing to host a Community Dialogue on the school, to address these issues and try to build consensus on going forward.

Despite budgetary concerns, the elementary school remains a vital hub for learning, enrichment and community involvement. One major initiative over the spring, summer and early fall of 2006 was an Action Planning process spearheaded by Shelly Green. Under her guidance, a whole series of conversations took place with parents, teachers and community members to gather input on the school and help determine what should be added or improved. Out of this process emerged the concept of the Personal Learning Plan (PLP) as a vehicle to further individualize education and take every child on a journey toward some topic or project of personal interest. In October, Peacham became what is perhaps the only elementary school in Vermont to adopt PLP’s for its students.

Thanks to the community’s generosity in restoring funding for the Extension program at last year’s Town Meeting, the school was able to hire a superb extension teacher, Eileen (Nene) Riley, who began working with the children as a PLP coordinator, librarian and liaison with community volunteers. Through her efforts, David Magnus, a retired high school science teacher, has two science groups meeting on a regular basis; Peacham artisan Omri Parsons has led classes in candle-making, jewelry crafts, and the construction and use of pinhole cameras; two artists from the Vermont Institute for Cartoon Studies led a workshop in cartooning; and other arts activities are planned for the spring to which all Peacham children will be invited.

The core program at the school, as described in the School Report Card, is the product of hard-working and highly experienced classroom teachers assisted by talented support staff and energetic “specials” teachers in music, art and physical education. There has been discussion of cutting staff and/or programs in an effort to reduce expenditures, or more drastic measures such as merging with another school district or even closing the school altogether. Ultimately the community will have to reach some consensus about the school, and how or whether to

maintain it. There are costs and benefits associated with keeping the school as it is, *and* with altering the way Peacham educates its children.

We can and should be proud of the job the school is doing to welcome and educate all children, and we should think carefully about all the implications—not just the budgetary ones—involved in making any major changes. If it takes a village to raise a child, it may likewise take children to make a village.

From the Peacham School Board,

Jo Anne Post
Arthur Green
Jean Dedam



Peacham Corner School House

January 2007

Dear Peacham Community Members,

There are many exciting learning opportunities taking place at Peacham Elementary School this year, both for students and staff. This is my third year as Teaching Principal. I continue to share my time between administrative responsibilities and providing services to students with special needs.

There are a few new faces at school this year. Nene Riley, a Peacham resident, is our new Extension Coordinator. Nene joined our staff when Rob and Ingrid Reade accepted positions in other schools. Nene has been in education for many years and brings a wealth of experience to Peacham Elementary School. Paula Guion and Cheryl Lakin also joined our staff this year. Paula is a Special Education paraprofessional and Cheryl Lakin is providing speech and language services to our preschool through grade six population. We'd also like to welcome back our 5th and 6th grade teacher, Kathy Renfrew. As many of you know, Kathy was diagnosed with cancer last year. She faced her treatments with a great deal of strength and courage, and returned to school in August feeling better than ever.

We have a new Action Plan in place this year. The action planning process began last June and was led by Shelley Green, a Peacham resident and educator. Parents, staff and community members had many opportunities via meetings, phone calls, letters and email to provide feedback about school programs and experiences.

One outcome of the action planning process has been the development of Personal Learning Plans for all students in grades one through six. Through a series of surveys, conversations and class discussions, students shared information about their learning styles, strengths and challenges, and interests. In November, students, parents and teachers met to review this information and develop personal learning goals. Nene Riley, the classroom teachers, and numerous parents and community members are providing guidance as students work to achieve their goals. We are excited about the addition of the Personal Learning Plans to our school program.

Our classroom configurations remain the same this year. We have a combined Preschool/Kindergarten class of 16 students, a 1/2 class of 9 students, a 3/4 class of 8 students, and a 5/6 class of 12 students. These classroom configurations continue to work well for the students.

We encourage you to stop by the elementary school for a visit, to enjoy a special program, spend time with students, or to sample a delicious meal. Your presence would be much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the students of Peacham.

Sincerely,
Wendy Olcott Nelson
Teaching Principal, Peacham Elementary School

Peacham School Children

	2005 Town Report			As of January 16, 2007				07-08 Projections as of January 16, 2007			
	Peacham Elementary and Middle/High School 04-05	Peacham Elementary and Middle/High School 05-06	Peacham Elementary and Middle/High School 06-07	Total 06-07	Peacham Elementary School 06-07	Private School 06-07	Home School* 06-07	Total 07-08	Peacham Elementary School 07-08	Private Elementary School 07-08	Home School* 07-08
Pre-K	10	10	7	12	9		3	12	12		
K	5	2	8	8	7		1	6	5		1
1st Grade	6	5	2	5	3		2	8	7		1
2nd Grade	6	5	6	8	6	1	1	5	3		2
3rd Grade	10	6	4	4	4			8	6	1	1
4th Grade	8	10	6	5	4		1	4	4		
5th Grade	10	7	10	9	7	2		5	4		1
6th Grade	6	11	7	7	5	1	1	9	7	2	
7th Grade	7	5	10	16				7			
8th Grade	6	7	4	9			1	16			
9th Grade	13	10	11	7				9			
10th Grade	14	11	9	13				7			
11th Grade	16	15	12	12			1	13			
12th Grade	15	15	14	16				12			1
PK-6	61	56	50	58	45	4	9	57	48	3	6
K-6	51	46	43	46	36	4	6	45	36	3	6
7-12	71	63	60	73	0	0	2	64	0	0	1
Total	132	119	110	131	45	4	11	121	48	3	7

*includes students not participating in Kindergarten or pre-school

Peacham Parent/Teacher/Friends Group

The Peacham School Parent Teacher Group (PTG) changed its name in 2006 to the *Peacham School Parent/Teacher/Friends Group (PTF)* in hopes of involving more Peacham community members as well as school parents and staff. The PTF also revised its mission statement and bi-laws in 2006*.

Last spring the Peacham PTF held it's 13th annual auction raising just over \$5,000. With funding from PTF, the Peacham School was fortunate to be able to host our friends Ben Koenig and Twa Mercer as artists-in-residence. The students performed some amazing Caribbean music and songs that they learned from this talented duo. We also had a chance to sing some all-time favorite songs together. Our annual family trip in June consisted of an educational excursion to the ECHO at the Lahey Center on Lake Champlain and a tour of Lake Champlain on the tour boat "The Spirit of Ethan Allen". The rain didn't dampen our spirits; everyone had a wonderful time. This year the PTF voted to fund the DARE Program and several Emergency First Aid Certification workshops for Peacham School students in the 5/6 classroom. Again this year, the Peacham School PTF hosted the Peacham Fall Foliage Luncheon with the generous help of parents, community volunteers, school staff and students. Our food and hospitality received rave reviews from our Fall Foliage visitors. Students also had the opportunity to take part in the "Dr. Quanton Quark Science Program" through Catamount Arts this past fall. This outstanding educational program was, once again, fully funded by PTF. During the holiday season, the PTF donated money to help fund the Peacham Holiday Gift and Food Giving program coordinated by Cheryl Stevenson. We were able to give presents and holiday food to several Peacham families. Our Burke Mountain ski program has been redesigned this year to be able to offer skiing to all students in grades 1-6 with snowboarding as an additional option for our 5th and 6th graders. PTF will fund the entire four-week program for all students including lessons, all necessary equipment, and transportation. We are thrilled to be able to offer this outstanding ski program to Peacham School students.

The cross-country ski packages that were purchased with PTF funds last year have arrived! Neal Gombas has volunteered to build a proper storage area for our cross-country ski equipment and snowshoes.

We are looking forward to a busy spring with on going fundraising, possibly one or more artist-in-residence programs, and the continued support of our small, vital, community school.

Please join us in our worthy endeavors. If you would like to be involved with Peacham School's PTF program, please call Wanda Berwick, Alice Ruffner, or Wendy Olcott-Nelson. Thank you for your continued support of Peacham's children.

Wanda Berwick and Alice Ruffner
Co-Chairs, Peacham School PTF

Peacham School P ARENT TEACHER FRIENDS GROUP

Mission Statement

To facilitate unity between the parents and the school community thus enriching the lives of our children. Through open communication and a close relationship between home and school, we support the public educational environment. We strive to promote quality education, to expand the arts, encourage community involvement, enrich student's experience, and work for a healthy school environment.

We strive to organize activities to enhance the "Spirit of Community" at Peacham School; to develop a strong network of Peacham parents, school staff and community members committed to the health, education and welfare of Peacham School's children.

Our collective efforts focus on shared responsibility in development of advocacy, teaching and learning, and parent involvement to assure strong capable children who will lead us into the future.

Peacham PTF believes that all children have the right to a quality public education, which allows each child the opportunity to reach his or her fullest potential.

*Copies of the new bi-laws are available by calling the school and requesting a copy.

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FY06 - FY07 -FY08

Function: Revenue

<u>Rev Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
	Assessments - Supervisory Union	337,325	337,540	337,540	370,533	32,993	9.77%
	E-Rate	257	0	1,000	0	0	0.00%
	I DEA-B Flow Thru	173,959	161,435	175,092	177,689	16,254	10.07%
	I DEA-B Pre School	4,552	4,500	4,410	4,410	(90)	-2.00%
	Medicaid - I EP	133,787	151,895	90,000	90,000	(61,895)	-40.75%
	Miscellaneous	1,036	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%
	EEE Grant	38,730	37,025	43,303	43,000	5,975	16.14%
	EEI Grant	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	0	0.00%
	Interest	3,969	2,500	3,500	2,500	0	0.00%
	CREEP Grants	6,700	0	0	0	0	NM
	Consolidated Federal Programs	84,508	106,391	155,072	155,072	48,681	NM
	Grant Administration	5,675	30,570	18,042	18,440	(12,130)	NM
	Totals	<u>820,498</u>	<u>861,856</u>	<u>858,959</u>	<u>892,644</u>	<u>30,788</u>	3.57%

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FY06 - FY07 -FY08

Function: Expenditure Summaries by:

<u>Function</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>07 to 08 Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
	Superintendent	224,215	237,280	227051	234274	(3006)	-1.27%
	Special Services	182,317	169,825	206273	204428	34603	20.38%
	Fiscal	131,389	149,417	142652	150643	1226	0.82%
	Preschool Program	279,322	305,334	292188	303300	(2034)	-0.67%
	Expenditure Totals	<u>817,244</u>	<u>861,856</u>	<u>868164</u>	<u>892644</u>	<u>30788</u>	<u>3.57%</u>
	Revenue Totals	<u>820,498</u>	<u>861,856</u>	<u>858959</u>	<u>892644</u>		
	Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>3,254</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(9205)</u>	<u>0</u>		
<u>Object Code</u>							
	Personnel	554,484	645,117	591602	613630	(31487)	-4.88%
	Benefits	99,029	112,381	93643	98578	(13803)	-12.28%
	Supplies and Services	<u>163,731</u>	<u>104,358</u>	<u>182919</u>	<u>180436</u>	<u>76078</u>	<u>72.90%</u>
	Totals	<u>817,244</u>	<u>861,856</u>	<u>868,164</u>	<u>892,644</u>	<u>30,788</u>	<u>3.57%</u>
<u>Percentages</u>							
	Personnel	67.85%	74.85%	68.14%	68.74%		
	Benefits	12.12%	13.04%	10.79%	11.04%		
	Supplies and Services	<u>20.03%</u>	<u>12.11%</u>	<u>21.07%</u>	<u>20.21%</u>		
		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		

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Function: **2320 - Superintendent**

<u>Obj Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
100	Salaries and Wages	140,105	149,773	147,524	154,887	5114	0
200	Benefits	19,761	18,728	15,691	16,370	(2358)	(0)
300	Professional Services	15,835	14,400	14,225	13,560	(840)	(0)
400	Repair & Maintenance	15,491	16,279	16,325	16,279	0	NM
500	Purchased Services	11,596	19,600	15,241	16,070	(3530)	(0)
600	Supplies	14,029	13,750	12,275	13,358	(393)	(0)
700	Equipment	4,398	1,000	700	0	(1000)	(1)
800	Other	3,000	3,750	5,070	3,750	0	NM
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
	Totals	<u>224,215</u>	<u>237,280</u>	<u>227,051</u>	<u>234,274</u>	<u>(3006)</u>	(0)

Function: **2420 - SPED**

<u>Obj Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
100	Salaries and Wages	119,622	140,147	139,522	143,111	2964	0
200	Benefits	25,893	19,151	17,657	18,349	(802)	(0)
300	Professional Services	19,064	500	34,300	36,250	35750	72
400	Repair & Maintenance	175	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Purchased Services	5,534	6,477	5,545	4,818	(1660)	(0)
600	Supplies	3,471	1,850	1,500	1,600	(250)	(0)
700	Equipment	7,251	1,000	7,500	0	(1000)	(1)
800	Other	1,307	700	250	300	(400)	(1)
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
	Totals	<u>182,317</u>	<u>169,825</u>	<u>206,273</u>	<u>204,428</u>	<u>34,603</u>	20.38%

Function: **2520 - Fiscal**

<u>Obj Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
100	Salaries and Wages	109,971	121,477	119,477	125,451	3,974	3.27%
200	Benefits	17,695	19,788	18,974	19,975	187	0.95%
300	Professional Services	989	1,440	300	800	(640)	-44.44%
400	Repair & Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	NM
500	Purchased Services	1,383	1,955	1,250	1,585	(370)	-18.93%
600	Supplies	982	2,950	2,500	2,500	(450)	-15.25%
700	Equipment	34	1,000	0	0	(1000)	-100.00%
800	Other	336	807	150	332	(475)	-58.86%
900	Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		<u>131,389</u>	<u>149,417</u>	<u>142,652</u>	<u>150,643</u>	<u>1226</u>	0.82%

Function: **1210 - CREEP**

<u>Obj Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Actual FYE June 30, 2006</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Projected FYE June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Budget FYE June 30, 2008</u>	<u>Budget Incrs/(Decrs)</u>	<u>Percent Incrs/(Decrs)</u>
100	Salaries and Wages	184,786	233,720	185,080	190,181	(43539)	-18.63%
200	Benefits	35,680	54,714	41,320	43,884	(10830)	-19.79%
300	Professional Services	36,371	4,000	53,488	56,510	52510	1312.74%
400	Repair & Maintenance	5,390	0	300	300	300	NM
500	Purchased Services	4,478	1,800	3,700	4,625	2825	156.94%
600	Supplies	7,798	9,100	8,100	7,800	(1300)	-14.29%
700	Equipment	3,476	2,000	200	0	(2000)	-100.00%
800	Other	200	0	0	0	0	NM
900	Transfers	1,144	0	0	0	0	NM
Totals		<u>279,322</u>	<u>305,334</u>	<u>292,188</u>	<u>303,300</u>	<u>(2034)</u>	-0.67%

Supervisory Union Totals

817,244

861,856

868,164

892,644

30,788

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CALEDONIA CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION 2006-2007 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that students are doing well in the Barnet, Danville, Peacham and Walden Schools. The percentages of our elementary and middle school students meeting or exceeding state standards in Math, Reading and Writing compare favorably with state wide averages on the DRA and NECAP tests. These students are well prepared for high school. At the high school level, Danville students have some of the highest Math and Language Arts scores in the state. Danville students are also being accepted to competitive colleges like Dartmouth and Middlebury. Student achievement is strong but we must continue to improve.

Our principals and teachers are constantly focused on improving student learning. Each of the schools has an "Action Plan" for improving student achievement. Teachers analyze student test results, not only to see how students are doing, but to identify gaps or weaknesses in instruction and curriculum and plan improvements. Each school's "Action Plan" is reviewed and updated annually based on the next years test results. Teachers from the four schools also meet monthly in grade level teams to discuss curriculum, share ideas and compare student work. At Danville High School, teachers work together by department on curriculum and instructional programs. These meetings allow teachers to learn from each other and collaborate to find better ways to help our students succeed.

The ongoing professional development of teachers is also a strong focus. Teachers are constantly improving their skills and knowledge by taking courses and attending workshops and conferences. This year 10 teachers will complete Masters Degrees. Across the supervisory union, 70 teachers have taken or are taking the Skillful Teacher course and eventually all teachers will complete this course. This course expands teachers' tool box of techniques and approaches, in order to actively engage all learners and improve students' comprehension and retention of lessons. Teachers are supported and reinforced to use new ideas and improve their instruction through peer observations, in-service programs, faculty meetings and teacher evaluations.

Your schools are getting better. Your teachers are constantly working to improve student learning by improving instruction, by focusing on what kids need to learn, by analyzing test results and by getting kids to work hard. We can teach our kids to get smarter and do better in school.

John A. Bacon
Superintendent of Schools