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ANNUAL REPORT



**CITY OF NEWPORT
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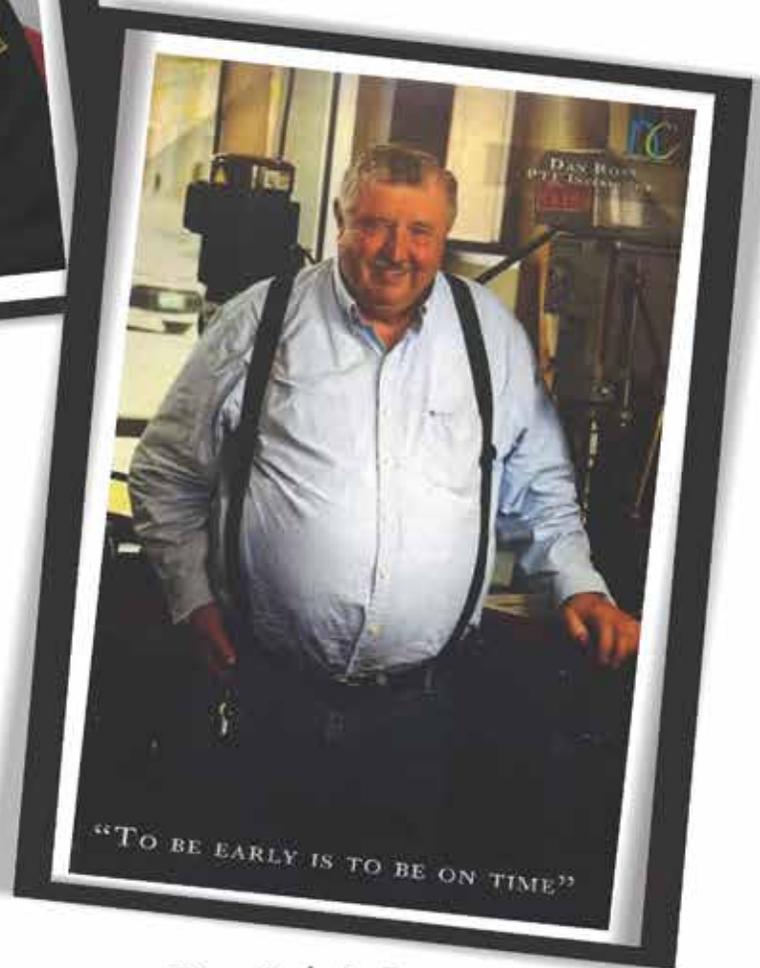
A review of fiscal year 2024-2025 including the proposed 2026 budgets, appropriations and articles to be voted on at the Annual City Meeting - March 3, 2026

2025

This Annual Report
is Dedicated in
Loving Memory and
Deep Appreciation
to the following
Community Minded Citizens



Dorothy F. Myers
December 1951 - March 2025
Police Dispatcher
1997-2025



Daniel J. Ross
November 1950 - January 2025
Planning Commission
2015-2018
DRB
2016-2018
City Council
2018-2021

*Fondly remembered by a
Grateful Community,
Family and Friends*



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WARNING

City of Newport, Vermont

108th Annual Meeting

March 3, 2026

The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main St., in said City of Newport on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, beginning at 8:00 am, at which time the polls will open, until 7:00 pm, at which time the polls will close, to act on the following articles to be voted by Australian Ballot (Articles 1 through 17), and to meet at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main St., in said City of Newport on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 8:00 pm to transact on the following articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot (Article 18)

The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are further notified and warned that a public informational hearing to explain and discuss the Australian Ballot Articles set forth below (Articles 1 through 17) will be held on Monday, March 2, 2026 beginning at 6:00 pm, at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main St., in said City of Newport. The public may attend the informational hearing in person or remotely at the following link.

Video Link: <http://meet.google.com/tpx-zctw-shc>

ARTICLES TO BE VOTED BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

ARTICLE 1

To elect in accordance with provisions of the Charter of the City of Newport, Vermont as amended and Title 17 VSA, Chapter 55, Sec. 2630, the following officers: Two Council Members for two years ensuing, One Trustee to Newport City School District for three years ensuing, One Trustee to North Country Union High School District #22 for three years ensuing, a Constable for one year ensuing, and Three Grand Jurors for three years ensuing, a School District Moderator for One year ensuing,

ARTICLE 2

Shall the City compensate the Mayor and Council Members serving the City of Newport for the ensuing year as follows: for the Mayor Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,250), for the Council Member serving as Council President Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), for the remaining Council Members One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,750)?

ARTICLE 3

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont approve the FY2027 budget, as recommended by the City Council, of \$9,341,645.09 of which \$3,184,208.45 is non-tax revenue, and \$6,157,436.64 of which is to be raised by taxes, for the general operation and to cover liabilities of the City of Newport, Vermont, including amounts approved by the voters as appropriations or assessments, and authorize the City to assess a tax in addition to amounts the City is by law allowed to assess, sufficient to provide for the same?

ARTICLE 4

Shall the voters of the Newport City School District authorize the Newport City School District to authorize the Newport City School Board to expend \$9,293,096, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?

The district estimates that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in per pupil education spending of \$15,603, which is 5.47% higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.

Article 5

Shall the voters of the Newport City School District authorize the Newport City School Board to transfer \$250,000, of unallocated, unaudited general fund balance to the Construction/Building Maintenance Fund from the 2024-2025 school year?

ARTICLE 6

Shall the voters of the City of Newport, Vermont vote to pay Real Property Taxes in four installments with due dates of September 15, 2026, December 15, 2026, March 15, 2027, and June 15, 2027, (32 V.S.A. sec. 4773) with an interest charge of 1% per month added if each installment is not paid by the due date (32 V.S.A. sec. 5136); and after June 15, 2027, any unpaid taxes will be charged an 8% commission or Penalty (32 V.S.A. sec. 1674) plus interest?

ARTICLE 7

Shall the voters of the City of Newport approve an amendment to the City’s Charter, dated January 28, 2026, containing the following sections?

Subchapter 1: Incorporation and Powers of the City

Subchapter 2: Governance Structure

Subchapter 3: City Manager

Subchapter 4: City Clerk and Treasurer

Subchapter 5: City Meetings

Subchapter 6: Ordinances

Subchapter 7: Administration

Subchapter 8: Budget Process

Subchapter 9: General Provisions

The Charter Amendment in its entirety is available for inspection at the City of Newport City Clerk’s Office during regular office hours, Monday–Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. the Charter Amendment is also available for review on the City’s website at www.newportvermont.org

ARTICLE 8

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000) to help defray the operational expenses of the Goodrich Memorial Library and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

Article 9

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) to Orleans/Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurse’s Aids, Homemaker and Personnel Care Attendants, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Programs, and other community health programs provided by the agency to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

Article 10

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to Rural Community Transportation (RCT) for services provided to the residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 11

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to assist the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging in providing services to older Vermonters and residents of the City of Newport for the ensuing year and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 12

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$4,818) to support Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. a non-profit 501-C3 organization, to assist in providing Psychiatric Mental Health Services to residents of Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 13

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) to support Umbrella, Inc. in providing services to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 14

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. to provide services to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 15

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to the Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its educational programs for the residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 16

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to ConnectABILITIES, formally OCCA, for the purpose of supporting programs and activities which seek to provide support, advocacy, and community connections for individuals with developmental disabilities in the City of Newport and Orleans County and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 17

Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter with its commitments to rescuing, providing care for, and finding homes for unwanted pets in the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

ARTICLE 18

To act on any other business that may legally come before the 108th Annual Meeting of the City of Newport, Vermont.

The legal voters of the City of Newport are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Annual Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Dated and Posted at the City of Newport, Vermont, in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont

This 30th Day of January 2026

Mayor

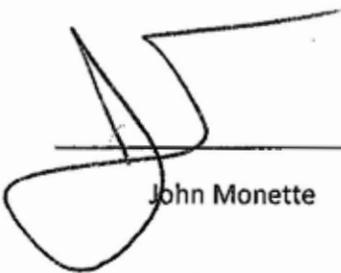


Rick Ufford-Chase

City Council



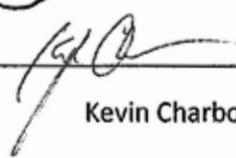
Carter Finegan



John Monette

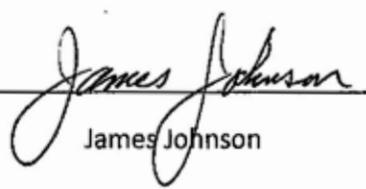


Andrew Touchette



Kevin Charboneau

City Clerk



James Johnson

The Municipal Building is Handicapped Accessible.

CITY GOVERNMENT

MAYOR

Honorable Rick Ufford-Chase2027

CITY COUNCIL

Kevin Charboneau, Council President2026
 John Monette2026
 Carter Finegan2027
 Andrew Touchette2027

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE

City Manager (*Vacant*)
 Kari Schulze, Finance and Office Administrator

CITY CLERK/TREASURER

James D. Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer..... 2028
 Stacey Therrien, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer
 Robyn Churchill, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Tom Bernier, Director Public Works

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Travis Bingham, Chief of Police

TAX ASSESSOR

Francis Cheney, III

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Francis Cheney III

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Kevin LaCoss, Chief
 James LeClair Jr., Assistant Chief
 Andrew Carbine, Assistant Chief

PARKS and RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Michael Brown, Director

SENIOR CENTER

Esther Searles, President

CITY ATTORNEY

Stitzel, Page & Fletcher, P.C.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Jean Condon Paul Monette Denis Chenette

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jennifer Smith Kyle Chadburn Carter Finegan
 Jamie Comtois John Aldridge Kelli Rhodes

JUSTICES of the PEACE

Pam Ladds Steven Laurie Ruth Ann Fletcher
 Jacques Roberge

GRAND JURORS

Andrew Touchette2027
 Laurie Grimm.....2027
 Clark Curtis2027

CITY LANDSCAPER

Robert Gosselin

PLANNING COMMISSION/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Gina Cirelli, Chair 2027
 Denis Chenette..... 2028
 Carole O’Connell 2026
 Jay Walsh 2027

HARBOR MASTER

Richard Story (Interim).....

HARBOR COMMISSION

Steven Edgerley..... 2027
 James Johnson 2027
 Tom Latta 2026
 William Round..... 2026
 Ronald Chaffee 2026
 John Monette..... 2027

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Agathe Coburn, Chair 2027
 Patrick Hurley 2027
 Melissa Pettersson 2027
 Denis Chenette 2026
 Jay Walsh 2026
 Laurie Grimm 2026
 David Kerr 2026

TRUSTEES to NCUHS

Christopher Royer 2025
 Wendy McGillivray..... 2026
 Timothy Cartee 2026

CITY SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Elizabeth Day..... 2026
 Carrie Ann Roberge 2026
 Mary Ellen McClure..... 2026
 Mary Ellen Prairie..... 2028

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Francis Cheney, Delinquent Tax Collector
 Newport Police, Animal Control
 Michael Brown, Health Officer
 Robert Gosselin, Tree Warden
 Representative to NVDA Board, *Rick Ufford-Chase*
 Representative to NVDA Board, (*Vacant*)
 Francis Cheney, III, Building Safety Officer
 Kevin LaCoss, E-911 Coordinator
 Emergency Management Director, *Kevin LaCoss*

FORMER CITY OFFICIALS

■ FORMER MAYORS

Hon. Curtis S. Emery	1918-1919
Hon. James T. Gardner	1919-1921
Hon. Ernest W. Savage	1921-1922
Hon. William C. Lindsay	1922-1925
Hon. Tom C. Camp	1925-1926
Hon. Tom C. Camp	March 2, 1926-April 18, 1926
Hon. J. E. McCarten.....	1926-1931
Hon. F. D. Burns.....	1931-1932
Hon. R.W.H. Davis	1932-1933
Hon. H.W. Fairbrother	1933-1934
Hon. John M. Bradley.....	1934-1938
Hon. Winston L. Prouty.....	1938-1941
Hon. O. S. Searles.....	1941-1945
Hon. R. E. Blake.....	1945-1947
Hon. L. H. McIver	March 4, 1947-October 11, 1947
Hon. P. J. Moore	October 11, 1947-1949
Hon. F. B. Crawford	1949-1952
Hon. R. E. Blake	1952-1953
Hon. F. L. Jenne	1953-1955
Hon. J. W. Natole.....	1955-1960
Hon. F. P. Davis	1960-1962
Hon. E. W. Logan	1962-1965
Hon. M. H. Carter.....	1965-1967
Hon. K. M. Frawley.....	1967-1968
Hon. Paul Bouffard.....	1968-1969
Hon. C. G. Schurman, Jr., M.D.	1969-1971
Hon. F. H. Spates	1971-1974
Hon. Augustus Parsons	1974-1976
Hon. William V. Caputo	1976-1980
Hon. Kenneth W. Magoon.....	1980-1982
Hon. Betty-Jane Durkee	1982-1985
Hon. Michael Bresette	1985-1987
Hon. Charles Pronto.....	1987-1991
Hon. Douglas B. Spates	1991-1993
Hon. Karin Zisselsberger	1993-1999
Hon. Reynold Choiniere	1999-2003
Hon. Richard M. Baraw	2003-2005
Hon. Ellwood F. Guyette.....	2005-2009
Hon. Paul Monette.....	2009-2023
Hon. Elizabeth Barnes.....	March 7-May 22, 2023
Hon. Linda Joy Sullivan	August 2023-March 2025

■ FORMER ALDERMEN

James T. Gardner	1918-1919
W. R. Prouty	1918-1919
Harry A. Black	1918-1920
Ernest W. Savage.....	1918-1921
B. W. Longeway.....	1919-1920
J. A. Aubin	1919-1921
W. W. True.....	1919-1921
H. W. Bernard.....	1920-1921
D. N. Dwinell	1921-1922
B. W. Wilcox	1921-November 6, 1922
J. B. Bly.....	November, 1922-March, 1923
J.E. Leberman.....	1923-1927
Elmer A. Slack	1925-1927
J. C. Oakley.....	1921-1923
John A. Prouty.....	1922-1924
Frank H. Sabourin	1923-1925
James E. McCarten.....	1922-April 18, 1926
George R. Root.....	1924-1928
Richard Hurst	April 1926-1928
F. D. Burns	1927-1929
J. M. Bradley	1926-1930
G. G. Flint	1927-1931
A. B. Cobleigh.....	1931-1935
P. W. Lawson	1929-1935
Hugh W. Fairbrother	1932
A. J. Beebe	1932-1934
Winston Prouty.....	1933-1937, 1941-1943
R. C. Sisco.....	1934
Dr. E. H. Mills.....	1935-1937
Dr. C. G. Schurman	1937-1939
H. C. F. Hoag.....	1938-1940
F. B. Crawford.....	1934-1941
A. W. Akin.....	1935-1941
O. S. Searles	1939-1941
D. J. Branon	1940-1942
F. E. Bailey	1941-May 6, 1942
R. E. Blake	1943-1949
E. F. Humphrey.....	1942-1946
L. H. McIver	May 6, 1942-1947
P. J. Moore	1941-October 11, 1947
G. W. McKenny.....	1945-1949
S. W. Keith.....	1946-1950
A. G. Roe	November 10, 1947-June 10, 1950
P. R. Rexford	1949-1951
R. C. Hunt.....	1950-1952
H. U. Tollerton	1952-July 6, 1953

F. L. Jenne 1951-1953
 E. A. Scott..... July 10, 1950-1954
 G. W. Shufelt 1949-1955
 J. W. Natole 1953-1955
 Edwin Gage 1952-1956
 F. P. Davis..... 1954-1960
 C. D. Rublee 1956-1960, 1965-1966
 H. A. Reed 1955-1961, 1962-1965
 E. W. Logan 1955-1965
 M. H. Carter 1960-1965
 R. E. Stearns, Jr..... 1960-1965
 C. D. Carpenter 1961-1965
 K. W. Rawley 1965-1967
 Charles H. Willard 1965-1969
 Paul A. Bouffard 1966-1968
 Benjamin S. Butterfield 1966-1970
 C. G. Schurman, Jr., M. D..... 1967-1969
 Howard K. Hoy 1969-1973
 Charles D. Horvath..... 1969-1971
 Charles R. Blake 1971-1977
 Augustus Parsons..... 1971-1974
 Edgar W. Kellaway 1970-1974
 William V. Caputo 1973-1976
 Thomas Emmerson 1974-1976
 Timothy A. Hamblett..... 1974-1976
 Kenneth W. Magoon 1976-1980
 Richard Cartee 1976-1978
 Maurice G. Marsh 1976-1980
 Robert H. Nelson..... 1977-April 12, 1982
 Betty-Jane Durkee..... 1978-1982
 John Sweet..... 1980-July 1, 1981
 Michael Bressette 1980-1985
 Jennifer Hopkins September 1, 1981-1986
 Robert Bowen May 17, 1982-1987
 Steven Vincent..... 1985-1988, May 2, 1988-1989
 Leslie Kennison 1986-May 2, 1988
 Charles Pronto 1986-1987
 Douglas Spates..... 1987-1991
 James D. Johnson..... 1989-1996
 Re-appointed July 22, 1996-1997
 Francis Cheney, Jr. 1991-May 9, 1993
 Daniel Ross..... 1991-1993
 Donald B. Hendrich..... 1993-1997
 William E. Gilding..... May 12, 1993-July 22, 1996
 Marie Joseph 1993-1998
 Re-appointed April 19, 1999-2000

Edgar W. Kellaway 1970-1974
 John Ward, Jr..... 1987 – 1991, 1996-1999
 Arthur Aiken..... 1998-November 5, 2001
 Dale Alger 2000-2003
 Richard Baraw 1997-2003
 Jacqueline Hamblett ... June 3, 2003-March 2, 2004
 Ellwood F. Guyette 1982-1986, 2003-2005
 Brenda Jones-Rooney 2004-2006
 Karin Zisselsberger 2006-June 27, 2007
 Charles Elliott..... September 2007-2008
 Paul L. Monette..... 1997-2009
 Timothy DeLaBruere 2008-2014
 Richard Baraw 2005-2015
 Denis Chenette 2009-2015, 2017-2019
 Jacques Roberge 1988-1994, 2015-2017
 Neil Morrisette 2014-2017
 Steven Vincent..... 2015-2017
 John Wilson November 2001-2018
 James Merriam Appointed April 2017-2018
 Julie Raboin..... Appointed April 2017-2020
 Daniel Ross..... 2018-2021
 Melissa Pettersson 2019-2023
 John Wilson 2020-2024
 Chris Vachon 2021-2025
 Clark Curtis..... 2023-2025
 Rick Ufford-Chase 2024-2025

■ **FORMER CITY CLERKS and TREASURERS**

Rufus W. Spear..... 1918-1928
 William C. Lindsay 1928-1934
 Austin J. Beebe..... 1934-1961
 Fredrick W. Kipp..... 1961-1977
 Charles R. Blake 1977-1997

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Report from the Mayor: 1/31/2026

This has been a year for preparing the soil for the seeds that will grow for decades to come.

Nothing about the last year has been easy, but our Council Members, City staff, and many community residents have worked together to take on big challenges. This year has proven that believing in one another and working together are the best things we can do to ensure that Newport will be a great place to live and to work and to visit for decades to come.



Here are some of the highlights:

- Last summer, after months of weekly meetings of the Finance Task Force led by Council member Carter Finegan, voters backed the City Council's moves to address significant accumulated deficits that we have ignored for far too long, and to pay for the new Water Tower on the East Side and the new fire truck approved by Newport residents several years ago. The payments on those debts are built into the FY2027 budget before you in this annual report. I can say with confidence that we have stabilized City finances, and the cash crisis is behind us.*
- The Water and Sewer Task Force, led by Council Member John Monette, has put in countless hours over the last year to get us to an honest accounting of what it costs to manage our Water and Wastewater Treatment operations and ensure that we are running those operations in the black. Also, the Public Works employees have made a heroic effort to address more than 40% of the city's properties that are still unmetered. Since August they have installed more than 275 meters, with about 400 still to go. I expect that they will complete almost all of those installations by October, 2026.*
- The Council spent many months reviewing the City's personnel policy and passed a revised document that addresses many points of concern raised by both staff and community residents.*
- The Task Force on Housing Insecurity, Public Encampments and Community Safety, chaired by Council President Kevin Charboneau, recommended a new ordinance on public safety that was passed unanimously by Council last fall. In addition, a community effort led entirely by volunteers to create a warming shelter for the winter months was adopted by Joshua House and was opened on January 31.*
- A Task Force on long-term planning for the Fire Department led by Council Member Andrew Touchette has been meeting monthly since last summer and will be bringing initial observations and recommendations for Council consideration by late spring. Newport's Fire Department, which went through significant turbulence over the last couple of years, has solid leadership and has seen an influx of new volunteers for the first time in a long while.*
- With a lot of guidance from Chip Stearns, our financial advisor from the New England Municipal Resource Center who the Council hired last spring, we have created reliable (and simplified) balance sheets and modernized the General Ledger Chart of Accounts that was last updated in 1996. As a result, Council has been able to review our financial condition in open meetings every month since early last fall.*
- Our Treasurer/Clerks office and Department Heads made a huge effort to get our Independent Audit completed by mid-October, creating a reliable base from which to begin the budgeting process for FY2027.*

- Council moved to modernize our system for paying invoices, and our staff expect to fully implement the new software system before Town Meeting day in March. The streamlined workflows that result will save significant staff time and ensure that the constant trickle of penalties the City pays in late fees will come to an end.
- The City Council is placing a new Charter before the voters on March 3rd. The Council is united in our conviction that a new, simplified City Charter will:
 - o be far easier for residents to understand.
 - o harmonize our charter with State statutes and sister cities across Vermont.
 - o largely eliminate the barrage of bickering about the charter that has characterized Council Meetings for a decade, and
 - o encourage new leadership to step up for City Council, Commissions and Task Forces, and key staff positions, including City Manager.
- Speaking of staffing, the Council hired a new Finance and Office Administrator last summer, and is now working with a consultant from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns to carry out the search for a new City Manager.
- On January 10th, the Finance Task Force and the City Council hosted a return to a traditional Town Meeting to help voters understand and offer feedback about the budget and the priorities that it represents. Stay tuned for similar opportunities in the year to come. The Council's goal is to strive for a transparent budgeting process that invites participation from everyone in the community.
- Finally, the Council and the Economic Development Team from Newport Downtown Development have partnered to lay the groundwork for long-term revitalization and development of our downtown. Much of that work has been a quiet effort to lay the foundation for the big projects that will be necessary to turn our City around and build up the Grand List for future generations. Newport residents can expect to see the first moves to start those key projects in the year to come.

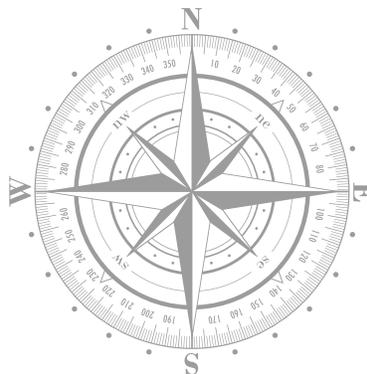
Here's the bottom line. None of this could have happened without a huge effort from our Department Heads and their staff, our City Council and the many volunteers who have stepped up this year to be a part of the solution. This is Newport's moment, and there is room for everyone who cares about our City to be involved.

Please read this annual report and let us know if you have questions. Pay special attention to the "Frequently Asked Questions" documents regarding the proposed new Charter and the Budget. And please - encourage your family and neighbors to come out and vote on March 3rd!

Sincerely,



Mayor Rick Ufford-Chase



PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FY2027 FAQ

There are significant changes in the presentation of this budget from past years, and the City Council has made complicated financial decisions about debt and City Finances over the course of the last year. This document is designed to help voters understand those changes. It is based on questions we have received from Newport residents.

1. **New Chart of Accounts:** The Council approved the first major overhaul of the Chart of Accounts in our General Ledger in thirty years. This combines and simplifies the line items in the budget. When the voter looks at the comparisons to previous years, the previous years have been presented using the new chart of accounts so that the comparison is “apples to apples”.
2. **Three Budgets for Voters to Review - Approval on March 3rd of only the General Fund Budget:** The City has three budgets. The largest is the General Fund and covers all city operations except the Water and Sewer operations. Voter approval is required for that budget. The City Council, acting as Water and Sewer Commissioners, approves the other two.
3. **Why don't voters get to approve the Water and Sewer budgets?:** By law, the Water and Sewer budgets operate like City-owned businesses and they must raise income through utility bills. Those operations receive no money from property taxes.
4. **Where does the City get its Money?:** The General Fund has three kinds of revenue:
 - a. Earned Income (like when we rent a space in the campground or what we charge others for emergency service dispatching)
 - b. Grants (like when we get Federal or State money to support city operations)
 - c. Property Taxes from residents and businesses in our City
5. **Why isn't the Council recommending deeper cuts to the budget?:** Council has presented as conservative a budget as possible while maintaining the current level of services that voters have come to expect. This budget cuts two full-time positions from our current staff. If we make further cuts, we will have to do so by cutting services.
6. **How is our money spent?:** This budget can be broken down approximately as follows:
 - a. 24-hour per day Policing: 29%
 - b. Public Works: 22%
 - c. Recreation: 9%
 - d. City Administration (including the Clerk Treasurer's office): 12%
 - e. Fire Department: 3%
 - f. Debt Service: 5%
 - g. Capital Reserves (for large, durable items like equipment, street maintenance or building upgrades): 9%
7. **Why do we spend so much money on debt service?:**
 - a. This budget begins the process of weaning the City away from buying vehicles or other big-ticket items on credit, which dramatically increases their cost to City residents. For instance, recent practice has been to purchase a new police cruiser every year, turning over our entire fleet every seven years. Every year we have taken a three-year loan to make the purchase of a new cruiser. The combined debt payments for those purchases will come to about \$68,300 in FY26. This budget proposes that we purchase the new cruiser outright, while continuing to pay debt on the two we bought the last two years. If we do the same again next year, by three years from now we will significantly lower the annual cost of cruiser replacement.
 - b. Most of the debt in the General Fund budget is driven by the moves that the Council made (with voter approval) last year to address significant deficits that were created through under-budgeting over the past decade.
8. **How does the City share staffing costs across the General, Water and Sewer Funds?:** For many years, it has been the City's practice to divide some salaries between the three different budgets to account for shared services. This year, any salaries that are shared are fully budgeted in the General Fund, and there is a new “Interfund Transfer” in all three budgets in which the General Fund bills the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund for their use of General Fund Employees. Here's how the breakdown works:
 - a. The Water and Sewer Fund share four full-time employees. 80% of their salaries and benefits are allocated to the Sewer Fund, and 20% to the Water Fund.
 - b. The Clerk/Treasurer's office salaries and benefits will bill 20% to the Sewer Fund. Though it is not in the

budget due to the current Charter restriction, if the new Charter is passed we will bill an additional 20% to the Water fund. This is a realistic estimate of the amount of time our staff in that office dedicate to Water and Sewer operations, and solidly in-line with the practices in sister cities like St Albans and St Johnsbury.

- c. 25% of the City Manager's and the Financial/Office Administrator's Salaries are allocated to Water and Sewer. This number may be billed at a higher rate if there are special projects in those Funds that require more time from those offices.
 - d. This budget bills for 33% each for the Director of Public Works' and three DPW staff salaries to be covered by the Water and Sewer Funds.
9. **How much of a raise is being proposed for City Staff in this budget?:** These three budgets call for a 3% increase in salaries across the board for Cost of Living Adjustments. Council approved only two other "merit" salary increases in the DPW that were far below standards across the state, placing Newport at risk of losing key employees. Voters should know that both Police Department and DPW Union negotiations are currently underway, but our expectation is that any change in their current contracts will be negotiated in such a way as to reduce and manage impact on the budget for the coming year.
10. **Why is the amount to be raised by taxes increasing by almost 11 percent? That's too high!:** A significant portion of the budget increase proposed for this year is due to the following factors:
- a. 5% of the increase can be attributed to debt service for voter approved loans that we were forced to take out last year. This included an \$868,000 loan for the New Fire Truck voters approved in 2022 and \$1,300,000 to cover an accumulated deficit that was allowed to build over the last decade and which voters approved last August.
 - b. Other debt service impacts the Water and Sewer budgets, and therefore the water and sewer rates: a \$2,603,000 Bond from the VT Bond Bank to pay for the new Water Tower approved by voters in 2021 and completed last fall and \$875,00 to cover an accumulated deficit in the Sewer Fund that built up due to decisions made by previous councils over the last decade not to raise rates enough to cover actual expenses.
 - c. This budget addresses mistakes that have been made in budgeting over the last several years that were contributing in hidden ways to the deficit. For example, due to lack of clarity in financial reporting, we have been under-budgeting the cost of benefits in our Police Department by \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year for the last several years. Those bills were paid, but the cost overruns contributed to the ballooning deficits that we are now having to pay for through debt.

The bottom line is that only about a third of the proposed increase in taxes for the General Fund can be attributed to increased operating expenses.

Final Notes:

- The council is recommending voter approval to collect taxes in quarterly payments. This decision will save the City more than \$50,000 per year in interest payments for short-term loans to cover cash flow.
- Though this budget is higher than any of us would like, the good news is that we are entirely confident that our financial reporting is now reliable and easily understandable. The City is back on firm financial footing, the Council and our Special Task Forces are on their game, and the City Council is working hard to prepare for long-term development that will build our Grand List over time to generate greater revenue and reduce the burden on our over-stressed property owners.

As Council members, we stand behind this budget and the many unseen things that had to happen over the last year to get us to this point.

Mayor Rick Ufford-Chase, Council President Kevin Charboneau, and Council Members Andrew Touchette, John Monette, and Carter Finegan



CITY of NEWPORT BUDGET REPORT

Council Approved Operation Budget: Water & Sewer Budget Presented on January 26, 2026

GENERAL FUND REVENUES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TAX & PENALTY

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
00-6-30-20-00.00 Property Taxes	\$4,995,594.00	\$9,861,298.35*	\$5,707,365.20	\$6,327,254.64
00-6-30-20-01.00 Property Taxes (Approp)	177,818.00	-	-	-
00-6-30-20-04.00 Fish & Wildlife Taxes	200.00	-	200.00	200.00
00-6-30-20-06.00 Interest Current	18,000.00	18,507.58	18,000.00	18,500.00
00-6-30-20-08.00 Corrections Contract.....	95,000.00	106,410.65	100,000.00	106,000.00
00-6-30-20-10.00 Payments in Lieu of Taxes	615,000.00	637,184.00	637,000.00	638,756.00
00-6-30-20-13.00 PILOT - NEKHS.....	-	700.00	-	-
00-6-30-20-15.00 Interest Delinquent.....	10,000.00	19,753.68	10,000.00	15,000.00
00-6-30-20-16.00 Penalty Delinquent	33,000.00	46,045.20	33,000.00	40,000.00
00-6-30-20-19.00 State Muni Tax Adj.....	215,000.00	207,815.88	-	-
00-6-30-20-20.00 PILOT - NEKCA.....	700.00	-	700.00	700.00
00-6-30-20-21.00 PILOT Hospital #3.....	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
00-6-30-20-22.00 Tax Sale Redemption	-	(4,551.03)	-	-
00-6-30-20-24.00 Pilot Natural Resources	-	1,123.66	-	1,200.00
Total Tax & Penalty	6,200,312.00	10,934,287.97	6,546,265.20	7,187,610.64

**includes taxes we collect for the school.*

LICENSES & FEES

00-6-30-21-01.00 Beverage Licenses.....	2,000.00	1,755.00	2,200.00	2,000.00
00-6-30-21-15.00 Green Mountain Passport	-	20.00	10.00	10.00
00-6-30-21-20.00 Dog Licenses	1,000.00	1,265.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
00-6-30-21-30.00 Zoning Permits/Misc Copie.....	8,000.00	7,999.80	8,000.00	6,500.00
00-6-30-21-40.00 Misc - City Clerk Receipt	100.00	10.00	100.00	100.00
00-6-30-21-41.00 NSF Fee.....	-	140.00	-	-
00-6-30-21-45.00 Vault Time.....	800.00	583.00	800.00	800.00
00-6-30-21-47.00 Vault Copies.....	2,600.00	2,082.00	2,600.00	2,500.00
00-6-30-21-48.00 Avenu Copy Revenue.....	600.00	1,087.50	600.00	600.00
00-6-30-21-50.00 City Clerk Recording Fees	38,000.00	35,756.00	30,000.00	35,000.00
00-6-30-21-55.00 Certified Birth Certs.....	5,000.00	5,520.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
00-6-30-21-56.00 Marriage Certificate.....	700.00	1,330.00	700.00	1,000.00
00-6-30-21-57.00 Certified Death Certs	2,600.00	3,680.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
00-6-30-21-63.00 Record Restoration Reserv	-	12,784.00	-	-
TOTAL LICENSES & FEES	61,400.00	74,012.30	54,210.00	58,210.00

REIMBURSEMENT

00-6-30-22-61.00 Cty Treasurer Reim School.....	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
00-6-30-22-75.00 Hold Harmless	22,000.00	26,610.00	23,500.00	27,000.00
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT	29,500.00	34,110.00	31,000.00	34,500.00

MISC INCOME

00-6-30-23-30.00 USDA Grant Fund.....	-	50.00	-	-
00-6-30-23-35.00 Grants Inc fund	-	50.00	-	-
00-6-30-23-41.00 MERP Grant	-	-	-	325,635.00
00-6-30-23-42.00 Vendor Permits.....	1,000.00	3,595.00	2,000.00	3,500.00
00-6-30-23-43.00 Special Event Permit	-	75.00	-	100.00
00-6-30-23-44.00 VT BGS Building Mini Grt.....	-	-	-	4,000.00
00-6-30-23-53.00 Municipal Planning Grant	-	7,500.00	-	30,000.00
00-6-30-23-66.00 Reim Recycled Metal	-	385.90	-	-
00-6-30-23-67.00 Equalization Reim.	2,000.00	2,111.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-6-30-23-72.00 Refunds.....	-	16,226.63	-	-

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
MISC INCOME cont.				
00-6-30-23-78.00 Cell Tower Lease	34,000.00	37,783.13	35,000.00	37,000.00
00-6-30-23-81.00 Haz Waste SWIP Grant.....	3,500.00	3,447.00	3,500.00	3,400.00
00-6-30-23-94.00 NCRC Reimbursement	-	55,923.71	-	-
00-6-30-23-98.00 Insurance Refunds/Claims	-	66,253.00	-	-
00-6-30-23-99.00 Misc Income	500.00	15,595.81	500.00	500.00
TOTAL MISC INCOME	41,000.00	208,996.18	43,000.00	406,135.00
OTHER INTEREST INCOME				
00-6-30-29-24.00 Wal-Mart Fund Interest	-	555.66	-	-
00-6-30-29-29.00 Interest Tennis Court Fun	-	6.33	-	-
00-6-30-29-32.00 Interest on Checking MBA	6,500.00	6,356.43	6,500.00	6,300.00
00-6-30-29-37.00 Interest Coventry St Fd	50.00	-	-	-
00-6-30-29-38.00 Int Reappraisal Fund.....	-	105.55	-	-
00-6-30-29-45.00 PW Comp Time Fund	-	125.61	-	-
00-6-30-29-94.00 Bike Path	-	-	-	48,000.00
00-6-30-29-95.00 Int Wal-Mart Funds.....	800.00	718.76	800.00	-
00-6-30-29-99.00 2020 Ford Explorer Procee	-	55,023.30	-	-
TOTAL INTEREST INC	7,350.00	62,891.64	7,300.00	54,300.00
REVENUE TRANSFER				
00-6-30-30-08.00 Sewer Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	94,437.29
00-6-30-30-09.00 Water Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	33,613.29
TOTAL REVEUE TRANSFER				128,050.58
POLICE DEPARTMENT INCOME				
00-6-40-41-05.00 Special Invest Unit SIU	-	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
00-6-40-41-06.00 VT Traffic Court Fines.....	10,000.00	3,318.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
00-6-40-41-13.00 Police Contracted Service	-	14,326.70	-	-
00-6-40-41-14.00 Oper Stonegarden 97.067.....	-	131,493.13	-	-
00-6-40-41-15.00 NCUHS Resource Officer.....	71,633.00	66,306.16	80,000.00	68,500.00
00-6-40-41-20.00 Parking Fines.....	500.00	1,340.00	500.00	1,000.00
00-6-40-41-30.00 SHARP Details 20.600	-	7,510.56	-	-
00-6-40-41-35.00 Police Reports.....	8,500.00	(769.23)	7,500.00	7,000.00
00-6-40-41-38.00 VT Rural Dev Innovation G.....	-	3,000.00	-	-
00-6-40-41-40.00 Dispatch Income	226,006.00	262,000.34	274,877.70	320,036.93
00-6-40-41-98.00 Dog Impound Fees.....	200.00	105.00	200.00	200.00
00-6-40-41-99.00 Other Income	-	-	30,000.00	-
TOTAL POLICE INCOME	316,839.00	518,630.66	433,077.70	436,736.93
FIRE DEPARTMENT INCOME				
00-6-45-41-05.00 Coventry Capital Share	29,000.00	30,452.48	29,000.00	35,000.00
00-6-45-41-17.00 Fire Dept-Miscellaneous.....	3,000.00	4,051.02	3,000.00	-
TOTAL FIRE DEPT INC.	32,000.00	34,503.50	32,000.00	35,000.00
STREET DEPARTMENT INCOME				
00-6-50-51-01.00 Street Dept-St Aid to Hig	146,000.00	158,383.53	146,000.00	156,000.00
00-6-50-51-02.00 Public Works Other Income.....	-	1,587.89	-	-
00-6-50-51-03.00 Street Dept-Labor & Mater.....	-	8,304.26	-	-
00-6-50-51-06.00 Lane Mileage	-	1,589.97	-	-
00-6-50-51-08.00 Sewer Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	132,397.47
00-6-50-51-09.00 Water Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	132,397.47
00-6-50-51-11.00 GrandStand:HUD Grnt	-	-	-	125,000.00
00-6-50-51-11.01 Grandstand:Freeman Fdn Gr	-	-	-	25,000.00
00-6-50-51-14.00 PW Vehicle/Equip Revenue	-	11,000.00	-	-
00-6-50-51-18.00 AOT Paving Grant.....	-	200,000.00	-	-
00-6-50-51-27.00 NBRC Causeway Grant.....	-	12,722.21	-	-

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
STREET DEPT cont.				
00-6-50-51-34.00 AOT Bike Path CA0009	-	2,360.70	-	-
00-6-50-51-35.00 EV Car Charging Income	-	1,513.18	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL STREET DEPT	146,000.00	397,461.74	147,500.00	572,294.94
RECREATION DEPARTMENT INCOME				
00-6-70-70-05.00 Aquatic Nuis AQ19-55	-	11,382.25	-	-
00-6-70-70-07.00 Wavied Event Fees.....	-	41.00	-	-
TOTAL REC DEPT INCOME	-	11,423.25	-	-
SENIOR CENTER INCOME				
00-6-70-71-01.00 Senior Center-Salary Reim	3,800.00	3,782.37	3,000.00	3,800.00
00-6-70-71-03.00 Gym Rental	7,000.00	11,075.00	7,500.00	10,000.00
00-6-70-71-04.00 VOREC Grant.....	-	19,499.13	-	-
00-6-70-71-06.00 Senior Ctr Other Reim	1,400.00	325.00	750.00	300.00
TOTAL SENIOR CENTER INCOME.....	12,200.00	34,681.50	11,250.00	14,100.00
PROUTY BEACH				
00-6-70-73-01.00 Prouty Beach-Admissions	500.00	41.58	-	500.00
00-6-70-73-02.00 P B Transient Camping	190,000.00	244,935.23	230,000.00	283,000.00
00-6-70-73-03.00 Prouty Beach Seasonal Pmt.....	58,500.00	49,977.68	46,000.00	54,900.00
00-6-70-73-05.00 PB Green Space Rental	200.00	300.00	-	-
00-6-70-73-06.00 Equipment Rental	1,000.00	150.00	1,000.00	500.00
00-6-70-73-09.00 PB Facility Rental	3,000.00	2,921.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
00-6-70-73-10.00 PB Athletic Fields Rental	300.00	680.00	300.00	600.00
00-6-70-73-11.00 Prouty Beach-Electric	4,000.00	6,789.22	4,000.00	6,000.00
00-6-70-73-12.00 Campground Store.....	10,500.00	12,331.51	11,000.00	12,000.00
00-6-70-73-13.00 Annual Events	27,000.00	15,703.00	32,000.00	30,000.00
TOTAL PROUTY BEACH	295,000.00	333,829.22	327,300.00	390,500.00
RECREATION PROGRAMS				
00-6-70-76-02.00 Miscellaneous.....	-	779.42	-	-
00-6-70-76-05.00 Summer Camp Programs.....	25,000.00	25,134.00	29,000.00	25,000.00
00-6-70-76-07.00 Adult Programs.....	5,000.00	5,071.80	6,500.00	6,500.00
00-6-70-76-08.00 Youth Summer Programs.....	2,000.00	1,240.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-6-70-76-09.00 Youth Winter Programs	2,000.00	13,681.28	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL RECREATION PROGRAMS	34,000.00	45,906.50	37,500.00	33,500.00
GARDNER PARK				
00-6-70-78-01.00 Lights/Misc	750.00	-	-	-
00-6-70-78-03.00 GP Restoration.....	-	300,000.00	-	-
00-6-70-78-04.00 Donations	-	20,817.43	-	-
00-6-70-78-05.00 Field Rental.....	8,000.00	5,160.00	8,000.00	6,000.00
00-6-70-78-08.00 GP Green Space Rental	1,500.00	1,240.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
00-6-70-78-09.00 Skating Rink Income	1,500.00	1,470.83	1,000.00	1,500.00
TOTAL GARDNER PARK.....	11,750.00	328,688.26	11,000.00	9,000.00
WATERFRONT				
00-6-70-79-01.00 Dock Rent Northern Star	5,330.00	6,425.00	5,525.00	5,525.00
00-6-70-79-02.00 Northern Star Electric Re.....	1,250.00	975.12	750.00	1,500.00
00-6-70-79-03.00 Dinghy Dock Revenue	600.00	335.00	750.00	500.00
00-6-70-79-04.00 Gateway Center Rental.....	19,500.00	22,550.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
00-6-70-79-06.00 Gateway Kitchen 2FL	1,130.00	-	1,080.00	-
00-6-70-79-09.00 Waterfront-Gasoline Sales.....	60,000.00	63,113.63	60,000.00	65,000.00
00-6-70-79-10.00 Waterfront-Misc Sales	7,500.00	1,881.50	3,000.00	2,000.00
00-6-70-79-11.00 Waterfront Transient	5,500.00	3,470.62	2,500.00	3,000.00
00-6-70-79-12.00 Waterfront Seasonal Slips.....	34,000.00	49,026.00	45,000.00	50,000.00
TOTAL WATERFRONT	134,810.00	147,776.87	142,605.00	151,525.00

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
WATERFRONT cont.				
TOTAL RECREATION.....	\$ 487,760.00	\$ 902,305.60	\$ 529,655.00	\$598,625.00
GRAND TOTAL INCOME.....	\$ 7,322,161.00	\$13,167,199.59	\$ 7,824,007.90	\$ 9,511,463.09
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES				
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS				
SALARIES AND BENEFITS				
00-7-30-30-10.00 Salaries - Council.....	9,550.00	8,350.00	9,550.00	9,550.00
00-7-30-30-10.02 Salaries - Manager.....	71,974.00	73,500.06	99,000.00	184,225.00
00-7-30-30-10.03 Salaries - Elections.....	3,000.00	3,910.11	2,000.00	3,000.00
00-7-30-30-10.04 Salaries - Treasurer.....	78,940.00	86,034.39	111,379.00	115,362.50
00-7-30-30-10.05 Salaries - Assessor.....	12,576.00	27,859.75	13,834.00	-
00-7-30-30-10.06 Reappraisal Salaries.....	-	-	-	31,000.00
00-7-30-30-10.07 Salaries - Clerk.....	79,140.00	80,437.72	84,100.00	112,662.51
00-7-30-30-10.08 Salaries - Plan & Zoning.....	50,304.00	36,156.62	55,334.00	86,160.00
00-7-30-30-10.09 DRB Board Salaries.....	2,500.00	1,584.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-30-30-10.10 Salaries - Del Tax Coll.....	3,750.00	502.41	-	-
00-7-30-30-10.11 Salaries - Custodian.....	58,859.00	49,455.83	55,895.21	15,600.00
00-7-30-30-11.00 Social Security.....	28,163.00	26,479.21	32,438.00	41,693.27
00-7-30-30-13.00 Health Insurance.....	81,871.00	85,490.08	112,138.00	108,837.23
00-7-30-30-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	1,589.00	3,657.03	2,060.00	2,448.00
00-7-30-30-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	3,750.00	3,924.38	5,240.00	4,500.00
00-7-30-30-14.00 Retirement.....	37,318.00	34,901.55	33,859.00	46,102.93
00-7-30-30-15.00 Work Attire.....	500.00	160.00	500.00	-
00-7-30-30-16.00 Unemployment.....	1,150.00	1,226.47	1,200.00	1,773.82
00-7-30-30-17.00 Work's Comp.....	2,850.00	6,285.18	3,390.00	6,478.00
00-7-30-30-18.00 HRA Expense.....	4,400.00	8,710.93	4,500.00	4,000.00
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS.....	532,184.00	538,625.72	628,417.21	775,393.26
OFFICE OPERATIONS				
00-7-30-31-20.00 Office Supplies.....	17,150.00	15,891.87	15,850.00	18,850.00
00-7-30-31-20.02 Recording Supplies.....	3,000.00	819.78	3,000.00	1,500.00
00-7-30-31-20.03 Dog Tags.....	45.00	146.39	45.00	50.00
00-7-30-31-21.00 Copier Lease.....	3,600.00	464.92	1,800.00	1,800.00
00-7-30-31-22.01 Reappraisal Software Main.....	8,200.00	11,068.00	8,500.00	10,000.00
00-7-30-31-22.02 Digitization Exp. (Avenue.....	4,000.00	4,675.00	4,000.00	5,000.00
00-7-30-31-22.03 AIGS - AP Solutions.....	-	-	-	16,000.00
00-7-30-31-22.04 Software Maintenance.....	3,000.00	21.19	5,000.00	500.00
00-7-30-31-23.00 Travel & Miscellaneous.....	5,400.00	2,004.34	3,900.00	4,400.00
00-7-30-31-24.00 Conference & Dues.....	1,575.00	401.14	600.00	650.00
00-7-30-31-26.00 Advertising.....	3,550.00	1,488.00	3,450.00	2,950.00
00-7-30-31-26.01 Annual Report.....	8,000.00	4,324.70	8,000.00	8,000.00
00-7-30-31-28.00 Equipment.....	2,000.00	1,271.50	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-30-31-30.00 Utilities.....	18,000.00	24,516.51	21,000.00	25,000.00
00-7-30-31-31.00 Communications.....	20,500.00	19,844.49	16,400.00	18,000.00
00-7-30-31-34.00 Waste Disposal.....	-	-	-	2,100.00
00-7-30-31-43.00 Legal Counsel.....	18,000.00	43,713.01	106,500.00	25,000.00
00-7-30-31-44.00 Audit Services.....	41,000.00	47,820.00	45,000.00	70,000.00
00-7-30-31-45.00 Contracted Services.....	2,500.00	53,579.78	1,500.00	12,000.00
00-7-30-31-46.00 Tax Map Maintenance.....	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,900.00	3,900.00
00-7-30-31-48.00 Employment Practices Ins.....	12,240.00	16,493.05	14,500.00	20,069.63
00-7-30-31-48.01 Public Official Liab Ins.....	6,000.00	4,593.88	6,000.00	6,848.79
00-7-30-31-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	800.00	1,116.50	800.00	1,200.00
00-7-30-31-62.00 Equipment.....	2,000.00	1,271.50	2,000.00	1,500.00
00-7-30-31-70.00 New Equipment.....	500.00	-	500.00	500.00

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
OFFICE OPERATIONS cont.				
00-7-30-31-90.05 Bike Path	-	-	-	60,000.00
00-7-30-31-90.08 Grant Administration	-	-	20,000.00	-
00-7-30-31-90.11 Municipal Plan Grant Exp	-	-	-	33,000.00
00-7-30-31-99.00 Council Special Projects	5,700.00	8,937.55	5,500.00	5,500.00
00-7-30-31-99.02 School Dist Elec Other	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL OFFICE OPERATIONS	190,760.00	268,463.10	300,245.00	356,818.42
CITY HALL				
00-7-30-33-32.00 Fuel Oil.....	19,000.00	18,003.69	18,000.00	20,000.00
00-7-30-33-33.00 Propane for Generator	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
00-7-30-33-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	26,050.00	20,294.96	26,300.00	18,900.00
00-7-30-33-62.00 Small Tools & Equip	1,000.00	83.44	1,000.00	500.00
00-7-30-33-71.00 Improvements	5,000.00	311.71	2,500.00	-
00-7-30-33-99.00 Misc Expense	200.00	110.00	200.00	-
TOTAL CITY HALL.....	51,350.00	38,803.80	48,100.00	39,500.00
GRAND TOTAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.....	\$774,294.00	\$845,892.62	\$976,762.21	\$1,171,711.68
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>				
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
PD SALARIES AND BENEFITS				
00-7-40-40-10.00 Salaries	1,439,646.00	1,562,598.74	1,511,796.15	1,514,312.59
00-7-40-40-10.01 Overtime.....	90,000.00	182,742.83	90,000.00	120,000.00
00-7-40-40-11.00 Social Security.....	115,643.00	122,484.61	108,870.87	125,024.91
00-7-40-40-13.00 Health Insurance.....	248,326.00	328,899.29	275,641.86	383,722.18
00-7-40-40-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	11,659.00	22,649.00	11,659.00	11,422.98
00-7-40-40-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	10,300.00	15,870.82	10,300.00	13,704.72
00-7-40-40-14.00 Retirement.....	150,305.00	177,558.83	150,313.21	168,400.00
00-7-40-40-15.00 Uniform Purchases	6,000.00	4,197.77	6,000.00	10,500.00
00-7-40-40-16.00 Unemployment Comp	3,300.00	3,597.28	3,300.00	5,617.10
00-7-40-40-17.00 Worker's Comp	66,325.00	52,938.21	86,993.00	85,959.00
00-7-40-40-18.00 HRA Insurance	17,000.00	30,258.92	4,500.00	16,000.00
00-7-40-40-19.00 Uniform Allowance/Gym Rmb.....	11,300.00	10,200.00	11,300.00	9,000.00
TOTAL PD SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,169,804.00	2,513,996.30	2,270,674.09	2,463,663.48
PD OPERATIONS				
00-7-40-41-20.00 Office Supplies.....	9,850.00	6,875.55	12,350.00	13,000.00
00-7-40-41-20.20 Stonegarden Maint Supply	-	6,149.77	-	-
00-7-40-41-23.00 Travel & Misc Expense	25,500.00	24,112.90	26,500.00	27,000.00
00-7-40-41-26.00 Advertising.....	600.00	152.66	600.00	600.00
00-7-40-41-29.00 K-9 Expenses.....	1,600.00	1,173.33	1,600.00	1,600.00
00-7-40-41-31.00 Communications.....	35,500.00	72,518.30	39,600.00	47,000.00
00-7-40-41-45.00 Outside Services	10,000.00	9,685.31	10,000.00	10,000.00
00-7-40-41-48.00 Police Liability Ins	45,000.00	49,394.49	45,000.00	98,641.72
00-7-40-41-90.14 SHARP 20.600	-	6,316.52	-	-
00-7-40-41-90.17 VT Drug Task Force Grant	-	15,044.31	-	-
00-7-40-41-90.18 VT Rural Dev Innovation G.....	-	2,692.80	-	-
00-7-40-41-90.20 Stonegarden Equip 97.067	-	5,947.26	-	-
00-7-40-41-99.00 Other Expenses.....	1,000.00	3,130.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTALS PD OPERATIONS	129,050.00	203,193.20	136,650.00	198,841.72
PD EQUIPMENT				
00-7-40-42-28.00 Equipment	15,000.00	19,147.04	20,000.00	25,000.00
00-7-40-42-35.00 Gasoline.....	26,000.00	24,133.31	26,000.00	26,000.00
00-7-40-42-60.00 Vehicle Repair & Maintena.....	25,000.00	23,111.25	25,000.00	25,000.00
00-7-40-42-90.00 Equipment	1,500.00	468.00	1,500.00	-
TOTAL PD EQUIPMENT.....	67,500.00	66,859.60	72,500.00	76,000.00

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POLICE DEPARTMENT cont.				
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$2,366,354.00	\$2,784,049.10	\$2,479,824.09	\$2,738,505.20
<u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>				
FD SALARIES AND BENEFITS				
00-7-45-40-10.00 Salaries	81,110.00	76,664.77	100,790.76	112,650.00
00-7-45-40-11.00 Social Security.....	6,205.00	5,789.99	7,660.00	8,617.73
00-7-45-40-13.00 Health Insurance.....	23,730.00	-	12,624.00	2,600.00
00-7-45-40-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	600.00	240.45	87.40	577.08
00-7-45-40-14.00 Retirement.....	4,910.00	1,875.21	4,950.00	5,087.50
00-7-45-40-15.00 Chief Work Attire	300.00	-	300.00	300.00
00-7-45-40-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	143.12	137.44	295.64
00-7-45-40-17.00 Fire Dept W/Comp.....	10,900.00	4,909.98	7,900.00	9,489.39
TOTAL FD SALARIES AND BENEFITS	127,955.00	89,623.52	134,449.60	139,617.34
FD OPERATIONS				
00-7-45-41-20.00 Operating Supplies	500.00	561.72	500.00	500.00
00-7-45-41-23.00 Other Expense	5,600.00	3,562.44	5,833.20	5,800.00
00-7-45-41-25.00 Postage	-	94.68	-	100.00
00-7-45-41-27.00 Personnel Equipment	16,500.00	21,358.94	15,000.00	20,000.00
00-7-45-41-30.00 Utilities	4,000.00	5,362.77	4,000.00	6,000.00
00-7-45-41-31.00 Communications.....	5,000.00	5,743.02	10,800.00	5,640.00
00-7-45-41-48.00 Insurance	10,450.00	8,878.16	12,065.83	15,135.96
00-7-45-41-99.00 Other Expense	-	43.77	-	-
TOTAL FD OPERATIONS	42,050.00	45,605.50	48,199.03	53,175.96
FD EQUIPMENT				
00-7-45-42-32.00 Fuel Oil.....	6,600.00	7,564.20	6,600.00	8,000.00
00-7-45-42-35.00 Gasoline.....	5,200.00	3,539.12	5,200.00	5,200.00
00-7-45-42-55.00 Repair & Maintenance Supp.....	600.00	1,430.25	600.00	1,000.00
00-7-45-42-60.00 Repair & Maintenance Supp.....	35,600.00	65,508.92	36,800.00	55,000.00
TOTAL FD EQUIPMENT	48,000.00	78,042.49	49,200.00	69,200.00
FIRE STATION				
00-7-45-43-34.00 Waste Disposal	-	-	-	750.00
00-7-45-43-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	1,800.00	6,251.25	15,000.00	14,250.00
TOTAL FIRE STATION	1,800.00	6,251.25	15,000.00	15,000.00
00-7-45-46-23.00 Other Expense	-	-	-	2,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	219,805.00	219,522.76	246,848.63	278,993.30
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$2,586,159.00	\$3,003,571.86	\$2,726,672.72	\$3,017,498.50
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>				
PW SALARIES AND BENEFITS				
00-7-50-50-10.00 Salaries	597,016.00	594,267.42	647,840.42	855,948.75
00-7-50-50-11.00 Social Security.....	45,213.00	50,218.01	52,456.48	65,480.08
00-7-50-50-13.00 Health Insurance.....	86,867.00	71,356.50	83,250.00	119,000.00
00-7-50-50-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	1,344.00	3,486.57	-	2,400.00
00-7-50-50-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	6,000.00	11,405.09	6,000.00	8,300.00
00-7-50-50-14.00 Municipal Retirement.....	44,798.00	51,882.46	53,752.42	76,965.26
00-7-50-50-15.00 Employee Work Attire	5,200.00	6,451.50	6,000.00	6,800.00
00-7-50-50-16.00 Unemployment.....	1,700.00	1,610.10	1,100.00	3,547.64
00-7-50-50-17.00 Worker's Comp	33,000.00	22,198.88	31,381.22	47,448.00
00-7-50-50-18.00 HRA Expense.....	10,000.00	6,219.72	3,000.00	5,700.00
TOTAL PW SALARIES AND BENEFITS	831,138.00	819,096.25	884,780.54	1,191,589.73
PW OPERATIONS				
00-7-50-51-20.00 Office Supplies.....	4,000.00	3,451.87	4,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-50-51-30.00 Utilities	7,000.00	9,090.95	8,650.00	9,200.00

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PW OPERATIONS cont.				
00-7-50-51-30.01 Street Lights Electricity	100,000.00	104,684.53	96,000.00	107,000.00
00-7-50-51-31.00 Communications.....	9,000.00	7,094.41	7,700.00	7,700.00
00-7-50-51-33.00 Propane	13,500.00	15,295.48	14,500.00	16,000.00
00-7-50-51-34.00 Waste Disposal	-	-	-	1,454.52
00-7-50-51-45.00 Professional Expense	110,900.00	50,339.04	21,900.00	25,000.00
00-7-50-51-45.01 Tree Maintenance.....	2,000.00	-	4,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-50-51-46.00 Professional Services	1,100.00	1,423.19	1,100.00	1,100.00
00-7-50-51-47.00 Truck & Equipment Rental.....	5,500.00	8,025.16	6,000.00	9,000.00
00-7-50-51-48.00 Property Insurance	30,500.00	27,947.24	38,000.00	39,734.02
00-7-50-51-99.00 Other Expense	250.00	56.00	2,500.00	2,000.00
TOTAL PW OPERATIONS.....	283,750.00	227,407.87	204,350.00	226,188.54
PW EQUIPMENT				
00-7-50-52-36.00 Diesel Fuel	58,700.00	42,521.23	44,200.00	45,000.00
00-7-50-52-60.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	133,900.00	134,204.68	154,600.00	157,090.84
00-7-50-52-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	8,700.00	7,541.14	8,650.00	7,000.00
00-7-50-52-70.00 New Equipment.....	250.00	175.00	250.00	2,000.00
TOTAL PW EQUIPMENT.....	201,550.00	184,442.05	207,700.00	211,090.84
PW MAINTENANCE				
00-7-50-53-50.00 Materials.....	195,000.00	183,769.99	200,000.00	215,000.00
00-7-50-53-52.00 Pavement Marking	7,500.00	9,303.87	11,000.00	10,000.00
00-7-50-53-54.00 Sign Repair/Replace.....	9,200.00	13,593.32	10,000.00	8,000.00
00-7-50-53-58.00 Bridge Maint-Long Bridge	-	47.48	-	-
00-7-50-53-71.00 Capital Improvements	2,000.00	-	12,000.00	-
00-7-50-53-83.00 State Operating Fees	350.00	-	350.00	-
00-7-50-53-90.00 State Fee - Stormwater.....	2,200.00	1,558.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-50-53-90.01 Grandstand:HUD Exp.....	-	-	-	125,000.00
00-7-50-53-90.02 Grandstand:Freeman Exp	-	-	-	25,000.00
TOTAL PW MAINTENANCE	216,250.00	208,272.66	235,350.00	385,000.00
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	1,532,688.00	1,439,218.83	1,532,180.54	2,013,869.11
<u>CITY LANDSCAPER</u>				
00-7-60-10-10.00 Salaries	41,865.00	41,057.16	41,060.95	42,292.77
00-7-60-10-11.00 Social Security	3,203.00	2,934.21	3,300.00	3,235.40
00-7-60-10-13.00 Health Insurance.....	8,944.00	9,022.34	8,400.00	13,013.73
00-7-60-10-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	264.00	440.11	270.00	350.00
00-7-60-10-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	350.00	447.60	450.00	500.00
00-7-60-10-14.00 Muni Retirement	3,489.00	3,632.10	3,500.00	3,912.08
00-7-60-10-16.00 Unemployment.....	175.00	143.12	175.00	295.64
00-7-60-10-17.00 Worker's Comp	1,700.00	2,279.02	1,700.00	2,497.00
00-7-60-10-18.00 HRA Expense.....	500.00	2,770.99	-	1,000.00
00-7-60-10-33.00 Propane	3,000.00	1,702.09	3,000.00	2,500.00
00-7-60-10-35.00 Vehicle Fuel	1,300.00	599.57	1,600.00	750.00
00-7-60-10-50.00 Supplies	14,800.00	17,794.22	15,500.00	18,500.00
00-7-60-10-55.00 Greenhouse Expense	500.00	-	400.00	400.00
00-7-60-10-60.00 Vehicle Repair.....	3,000.00	21,643.14	3,000.00	3,000.00
00-7-60-10-62.00 Equipment	500.00	602.51	400.00	600.00
TOTAL CITY LANDSCAPER.....	83,590.00	105,068.18	82,755.95	92,846.62
<u>RECREATION</u>				
RECREATION ADMINISTRATION				
00-7-70-70-10.00 Salaries - Rec Admin	77,574.00	105,569.45	67,972.50	70,011.00
00-7-70-70-11.00 Social Security.....	5,866.00	9,031.71	5,410.00	5,355.84
00-7-70-70-13.00 Health Insurance.....	32,760.00	46,125.95	35,472.00	36,568.59

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RECREATION ADMINISTRATION cont.				
00-7-70-70-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	1,187.00	1,686.42	-	971.43
00-7-70-70-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	1,100.00	1,275.01	1,250.00	722.28
00-7-70-70-14.00 Muni retirement.....	6,742.00	10,470.30	6,365.07	6,938.52
00-7-70-70-15.00 Employee Work Attire	100.00	288.00	100.00	100.00
00-7-70-70-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	674.87	200.00	295.64
00-7-70-70-17.00 Worker's Comp.....	3,000.00	3,192.52	3,397.93	2,435.00
00-7-70-70-18.00 HRA Expense.....	1,000.00	-	750.00	750.00
00-7-70-70-20.00 Office Supplies.....	500.00	721.67	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-70-22.00 Software	3,500.00	33.90	3,500.00	3,500.00
00-7-70-70-23.00 Travel & Misc Expense	1,000.00	1,541.46	1,000.00	1,500.00
00-7-70-70-31.00 Communications.....	5,000.00	3,396.72	5,410.30	4,000.00
00-7-70-70-45.00 Professional Expense.....	1,000.00	441.00	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-70-48.00 Property & Casualty Insur.....	9,600.00	7,866.07	13,000.00	12,597.70
00-7-70-70-60.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	1,000.00	1,105.65	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-70-70.00 New Equipment.....	500.00	757.12	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-70-90.00 ASCAP	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-70-99.00 Other Expenses.....	-	28.49	-	-
TOTAL RECREATION ADMINISTRATION.....	152,129.00	194,206.31	146,827.80	148,746.00
SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER				
00-7-70-71-10.00 Salaries	8,400.00	7,950.15	8,154.00	8,400.00
00-7-70-71-11.00 Social Security.....	567.00	537.58	547.28	642.60
00-7-70-71-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	163.12	150.00	295.64
00-7-70-71-17.00 Worker's Comp.....	300.00	1,287.23	357.70	292.00
00-7-70-71-39.00 Senior Center Expense.....	-	-	-	1,000.00
TOTAL SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER.....	9,467.00	9,938.08	9,208.98	10,630.24
PROUTY BEACH				
00-7-70-73-10.00 PB Operations.....	41,730.00	18,275.38	-	-
00-7-70-73-10.03 Salaries - PB Maint Sprvs	-	4,099.25	30,000.00	22,500.00
00-7-70-73-10.05 PB Seasonal Maint Staff.....	23,072.00	31,043.26	30,000.00	35,000.00
00-7-70-73-10.06 Campground Events.....	-	2,193.88	-	-
00-7-70-73-10.07 PB Seasonal T.B. Staff.....	38,701.00	32,879.13	40,000.00	20,000.00
00-7-70-73-11.00 Social Security.....	7,918.00	6,026.25	7,650.00	5,928.75
00-7-70-73-13.00 Health Insurance.....	13,658.00	3,257.25	-	-
00-7-70-73-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	-	-	-	-
00-7-70-73-14.00 Muni Retirement	3,652.00	1,263.98	-	-
00-7-70-73-15.00 Prouty Beach Attire	250.00	568.19	250.00	250.00
00-7-70-73-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	143.12	150.00	295.64
00-7-70-73-17.00 Workman's Comp	3,200.00	5,159.64	7,900.00	2,695.00
00-7-70-73-20.00 Operating Supplies	4,000.00	2,707.22	6,500.00	6,500.00
00-7-70-73-22.00 Software	2,600.00	2,560.00	2,082.00	3,500.00
00-7-70-73-30.00 Utilities	25,000.00	29,763.12	21,750.00	30,000.00
00-7-70-73-31.00 Communications.....	6,500.00	8,251.72	6,169.00	7,000.00
00-7-70-73-33.00 Propane	-	7.10	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-73-34.00 Waste Disposal	1,500.00	3,244.11	3,000.00	3,500.00
00-7-70-73-35.00 Gasoline.....	5,000.00	2,907.48	5,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-70-73-39.00 Merchandise for Resale.....	2,500.00	6,929.69	4,500.00	5,000.00
00-7-70-73-39.01 Camper Events.....	-	-	-	500.00
00-7-70-73-45.00 Contracted Services.....	-	551.44	750.00	500.00
00-7-70-73-46.00 Pest Control	200.00	749.60	250.00	500.00
00-7-70-73-55.00 Repair & Maint Supplies	6,000.00	3,595.62	6,500.00	5,000.00
00-7-70-73-60.00 Equip Maintenance.....	3,000.00	5,474.61	3,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-70-73-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	1,000.00	267.77	500.00	500.00

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PROUTY BEACH cont.				
00-7-70-73-70.00 New Equipment.....	5,000.00	3,644.14	4,500.00	4,500.00
00-7-70-73-71.00 Improvements	3,000.00	5,758.30	3,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-70-73-93.00 Lease Equipment	2,200.00	1,480.68	1,750.00	1,750.00
00-7-70-73-99.00 Other Expenses.....	200.00	4,010.63	500.00	4,000.00
TOTAL PROUTY BEACH	200,081.00	186,812.56	186,201.00	171,919.39
RECREATION PROGRAMS				
00-7-70-76-10.00 Salaries - Program Superv.....	12,380.00	-	-	36,608.00
00-7-70-76-10.05 Summer Camp Salary	-	28,897.46	33,000.00	34,000.00
00-7-70-76-10.06 Summer Prog Salary	32,000.00	7,280.73	-	-
00-7-70-76-10.07 Annual Events Salary	3,000.00	1,020.75	1,500.00	1,500.00
00-7-70-76-10.08 Adult Programs.....	500.00	-	500.00	-
00-7-70-76-10.14 Health Ins Opt Out.....	900.00	-	-	-
00-7-70-76-10.30 Winter Prog Salary.....	14,000.00	11,969.77	12,000.00	15,000.00
00-7-70-76-11.00 Social Security.....	4,696.00	3,818.09	3,595.50	6,663.76
00-7-70-76-13.00 Health Insurance.....	-	-	-	2,600.00
00-7-70-76-13.01 Dental/Vison Ins.	315.00	-	-	-
00-7-70-76-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	100.00	62.76	100.00	660.00
00-7-70-76-14.00 Muni Retirement	1,084.00	-	-	3,386.24
00-7-70-76-16.00 Unemployment.....	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
00-7-70-76-17.00 Worker's Comp	1,500.00	-	2,350.00	3,030.00
00-7-70-76-20.00 Annual Events.....	40,000.00	33,850.70	35,000.00	42,000.00
00-7-70-76-39.01 Basketball Expenses.....	-	31.33	-	-
00-7-70-76-39.08 Summer Camp Operations	4,000.00	5,035.31	5,000.00	5,000.00
00-7-70-76-39.09 Summer Programs	2,000.00	852.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-76-39.30 Winter Programs	500.00	337.98	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-76-70.00 New Equipment.....	500.00	234.01	500.00	500.00
TOTAL RECREATION PROGRAMS	117,575.00	93,390.89	95,145.50	152,548.00
GARDNER PARK				
00-7-70-78-10.00 Salaries	69,758.00	6,544.69	57,523.00	59,248.00
00-7-70-78-10.05 Seasonal Maint Staff.....	-	680.13	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-78-10.07 Gardner Park Operations.....	18,000.00	61,034.06	20,000.00	20,000.00
00-7-70-78-10.09 Playground Proj Labor	-	9,511.61	-	-
00-7-70-78-11.00 Social Security.....	6,714.00	5,469.12	5,930.51	6,138.97
00-7-70-78-13.00 Health Insurance.....	16,337.00	13,186.07	12,624.00	13,013.73
00-7-70-78-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	600.00	502.44	600.00	629.00
00-7-70-78-14.00 Muni Retirement	6,104.00	5,371.93	5,177.07	5,480.44
00-7-70-78-15.00 Gardner Park Attire.....	200.00	900.26	250.00	250.00
00-7-70-78-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	143.12	200.00	295.64
00-7-70-78-17.00 Worker's Comp	3,300.00	4,282.53	3,876.00	2,791.00
00-7-70-78-18.00 HRA Expense.....	700.00	-	750.00	750.00
00-7-70-78-20.00 Operating Supplies	3,000.00	3,264.44	3,000.00	3,000.00
00-7-70-78-30.00 Utilities	4,000.00	4,655.89	3,000.00	4,600.00
00-7-70-78-31.00 Communications.....	3,000.00	2,491.92	1,669.00	2,000.00
00-7-70-78-32.00 Fuel Oil.....	2,500.00	1,404.38	2,750.00	2,750.00
00-7-70-78-34.00 Waste Disposal	1,400.00	1,445.56	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-70-78-35.00 Gasoline.....	2,250.00	2,729.69	2,500.00	2,500.00
00-7-70-78-39.00 GP Resale of Goods	1,000.00	1,010.24	500.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-78-42.00 Playground Proj Engineer	-	25,886.01	-	-
00-7-70-78-45.00 Contracted Services.....	-	1,103.37	-	-
00-7-70-78-46.00 Pest Control	160.00	1,229.32	250.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-78-55.00 Repair & Maint Supplies	5,000.00	47,933.06	5,000.00	5,000.00
00-7-70-78-60.00 Equipment Maintenance	2,500.00	9,920.78	3,500.00	3,500.00

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
GARDNER PARK cont.				
00-7-70-78-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	1,000.00	454.93	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-78-70.00 New Equipment.....	1,105.00	5,392.46	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-78-71.00 Improvements	3,000.00	979.86	3,000.00	3,000.00
00-7-70-78-93.00 Lease Equipment	1,000.00	3,268.99	2,750.00	3,500.00
TOTAL GARDNER PARK.....	152,828.00	220,796.86	139,849.58	145,446.78
WATERFRONT				
00-7-70-79-10.00 Dock Admin/Harbormaster	27,040.00	16,688.48	54,204.00	27,915.00
00-7-70-79-10.01 Dock Admin Overtime	-	-	-	-
00-7-70-79-10.06 Dock Operations	17,000.00	12,456.02	22,000.00	31,000.00
00-7-70-79-10.07 AIS Management/Greeters.....	-	6,641.78	6,000.00	7,500.00
00-7-70-79-11.00 Social Security.....	3,370.00	1,788.02	6,135.60	5,080.75
00-7-70-79-13.00 Health Insurance.....	-	-	12,624.00	6,571.29
00-7-70-79-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	-	482.47	-	187.66
00-7-70-79-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	-	31.44	-	276.50
00-7-70-79-14.00 Muni Retirement	-	-	4,878.36	2,582.14
00-7-70-79-16.00 Unemployment.....	200.00	143.12	200.00	295.64
00-7-70-79-17.00 Workman's Comp	1,800.00	2,245.11	4,110.00	2,310.00
00-7-70-79-20.00 Operating Supplies	2,000.00	1,354.21	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-70-79-22.00 Software	1,500.00	442.00	500.00	500.00
00-7-70-79-27.00 PPE & Attire	200.00	-	250.00	250.00
00-7-70-79-30.00 Utilities	13,200.00	19,604.02	14,500.00	20,000.00
00-7-70-79-31.00 Communications.....	3,000.00	3,192.59	3,500.00	3,500.00
00-7-70-79-34.00 Waste Disposal	4,000.00	4,176.50	3,250.00	4,250.00
00-7-70-79-35.00 Resale Gasoline.....	55,000.00	26,664.38	45,000.00	50,000.00
00-7-70-79-39.00 WF Resale Goods.....	1,000.00	1,242.11	750.00	750.00
00-7-70-79-46.00 Pest Control	990.00	1,454.10	1,750.00	1,500.00
00-7-70-79-55.00 Repair & Maint Supplies	5,000.00	8,139.68	5,250.00	5,250.00
00-7-70-79-60.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	4,000.00	3,262.40	3,500.00	3,500.00
00-7-70-79-62.00 WF Small Tools & Equip.....	400.00	63.32	250.00	250.00
00-7-70-79-70.00 New Equipment.....	500.00	434.65	250.00	500.00
00-7-70-79-71.00 Improvements	1,500.00	128.71	1,000.00	1,000.00
00-7-70-79-83.00 Permits & Inspection	100.00	150.00	200.00	200.00
00-7-70-79-90.00 Aquatic Nuisance	7,500.00	6,100.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
00-7-70-79-99.00 Other Expenses.....	1,000.00	931.92	2,000.00	2,000.00
TOTAL WATERFRONT	150,300.00	117,817.03	204,101.96	189,168.98
TOTAL RECREATION.....	\$782,380.00	\$822,961.73	\$781,334.82	\$818,459.39
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT				
00-7-80-86-24.00 VLCT Membership	7,189.00	14,165.00	7,200.00	7,561.00
00-7-80-86-54.00 Main St Banners Exp.....	5,000.00	-	500.00	-
00-7-80-86-71.00 Bike Path	7,000.00	4,963.26	5,000.00	-
00-7-80-86-98.02 NH Community Loan/NCIC	-	10,000.00	-	-
00-7-80-86-98.03 NVDA	3,800.00	7,574.00	3,965.00	4,232.00
00-7-80-86-98.04 Volunteer Band.....	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT	23,489.00	37,202.26	17,165.00	12,293.00
CONSERVATION PROJECT				
00-7-81-80-16.00 Unemployment.....	-	286.24	-	591.27
00-7-81-80-17.00 Worker's Comp	-	4,830.71	-	-
TOTAL CONSERVATION PROJECT	-	5,116.95	-	591.27
HEALTH & WELFARE				
00-7-82-68-10.00 Health Officer Salary.....	3,973.00	5,000.04	5,000.00	5,000.00
00-7-82-68-11.00 Social Security.....	304.00	1,103.04	620.00	382.50

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HEALTH & WELFARE cont.				
00-7-82-68-29.00 Health Officer Expenses	-	142.07	-	-
00-7-82-69-10.00 Recycling Salaries.....	17,716.00	19,877.38	-	20,473.70
00-7-82-69-11.00 Social Security.....	1,356.00	763.51	-	1,566.24
00-7-82-69-16.00 Unemployment.....	340.00	66.00	-	300.00
00-7-82-69-17.00 Worker's Comp	2,600.00	-	-	1,322.60
00-7-82-69-24.00 Haz Waste Disposal SWIP	20,000.00	22,979.02	17,500.00	17,000.00
00-7-82-69-26.00 Haz Waste Mailing SWIP	200.00	-	200.00	200.00
00-7-82-69-29.00 Recycling Expense.....	27,500.00	21,648.49	-	23,000.00
00-7-82-69-34.00 Waste Disposal	6,700.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
00-7-82-69-46.00 Other Professional Exp	4,250.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-82-69-55.00 Clean-up Project	-	70.00	-	-
TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE	84,939.00	75,649.55	32,320.00	78,245.04
DEBT SERVICE AND MISCELLANEOUS				
DEBT SERVICE				
00-7-90-90-93.01 2014 Heavy Res Prin 1988	40,200.00	-	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.02 2014 Heavy Res Int 1988	2,000.00	-	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.09 2021 PD Exp Q42 Prin 3230	6,000.00	5,122.27	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.10 2021 PD Exp Q42 Int 3230	200.00	20.75	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.11 2021 Q41 Exp Prin 3041	8,000.00	-	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.12 2021 Q41 Exp Int 3041	750.00	-	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.13 2023 Expl Q43 prin 3295	16,000.00	15,024.66	17,566.08	1,458.13
00-7-90-90-93.14 2023 Expl Q43 int 3295	1,500.00	1,077.58	806.28	5.50
00-7-90-90-93.15 2023 PD Exp Q45 Pri #3281	16,000.00	16,522.29	6,610.63	-
00-7-90-90-93.16 2023 PD Exp Q45 Int #3281	1,500.00	1,069.29	313.31	-
00-7-90-90-93.17 2024 Tahoe #27750 Prin	-	13,223.62	18,341.10	18,997.71
00-7-90-90-93.18 2024 Tahoe #27750 Int.....	-	1,576.88	884.04	736.29
00-7-90-90-93.19 2025 Fire Trk Prin.....	-	-	67,880.00	70,334.04
00-7-90-90-93.20 2025 Fire Trk Int.....	-	-	-	36,650.10
00-7-90-90-93.23 2025 Tahoe Q44 Prin #3448	-	-	18,341.10	17,884.80
00-7-90-90-93.24 2025 Tahoe Q44 Int #3448	-	-	884.00	1,499.88
00-7-90-90-93.25 Fire Dept Extrac EQ lease.....	18,544.00	18,729.02	18,544.00	18,544.00
00-7-90-90-93.26 Fire Dept. Gear Lease	24,700.00	24,645.72	24,645.72	24,645.72
00-7-90-90-93.27 \$1.3M PSB Principal.....	-	-	-	111,958.45
00-7-90-90-93.28 \$1.3M PSB Interest	-	-	-	66,498.95
00-7-90-90-93.30 G Park Rest Loan #3422	-	35,996.77	-	39,733.00
00-7-90-90-93.31 Gard Park Int.loan #3422.....	-	9,399.35	-	5,663.00
00-7-90-90-93.36 Late payments	-	1,268.79	-	-
00-7-90-90-93.37 Line of Credit Interest	-	81,761.30	50,000.00	25,000.00
00-7-90-90-93.42 Police Taser Lease	3,500.00	-	45,485.88	53,571.30
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	138,894.00	225,438.29	270,302.14	493,180.87
FUNDING RESERVES				
00-7-90-91-91.06 Reappraisal Fund Payment	20,000.00	-	24,000.00	50,000.00
00-7-90-91-91.10 Tennis Court Sinking Fund	1,440.00	-	1,440.00	1,440.00
FUNDING RESERVES.....	21,440.00	-	25,440.00	51,440.00
PERSONNEL EXPENSES				
00-7-90-95-12.00 State CCC	-	13,977.02	-	13,000.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	-	13,977.02	-	13,000.00
OTHER EXPENDITURES				
00-7-90-97-10.00 NCIC Grants Admin	30,000.00	6,480.00	-	-
00-7-90-97-45.00 Newport Ambulance	240,870.00	248,991.96	256,000.00	258,442.65
00-7-90-97-48.00 Prop & Casualty Insurance.....	15,900.00	41,280.43	17,500.00	56,481.96

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OTHER EXPENDITURES cont.				
00-7-90-97-80.00 Orleans County Tax.....	54,000.00	62,100.55	58,000.00	67,000.00
00-7-90-97-90.00 MERP Grant Expenditures	-	32,548.57	-	325,635.00
00-7-90-97-90.01 VT BGS Bldg Mini Grt Exp	-	-	-	4,000.00
00-7-90-97-98.00 Renaiss Proj (NCDD).....	30,000.00	68,602.19	30,000.00	30,000.00
00-7-90-97-99.00 Miscellaneous.....	2,200.00	2,206.95	2,250.00	3,000.00
TOTAL OTHER EXPENDITURES	372,970.00	462,210.65	363,750.00	744,559.61
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE AND MISCELLANEOUS	533,304.00	701,625.96	659,492.14	1,302,180.48
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
00-7-92-98-10.02 Main Street Maintenance.....	5,000.00	2,254.36	5,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-47.01 Event/Program Equipment	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	-
00-7-92-98-51.00 Street Resurfacing	235,000.00	339,056.79	250,000.00	229,460.00
00-7-92-98-54.02 VISTA Contract Materials.....	-	164,591.42	-	-
00-7-92-98-54.03 VISTA Traffic Lights.....	80,000.00	153,393.66	100,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-55.04 Fire Station Repair & Mai.....	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-55.10 Municipal Bldg Maint	15,000.00	-	15,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-60.04 Rec Maintenance Vehicles.....	10,000.00	11,346.00	20,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-70.01 Bullet Proof Vest Relacem	5,000.00	7,533.12	5,000.00	83,750.00
00-7-92-98-70.02 Cruiser Equipment.....	-	-	10,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-70.03 Dispatch Equipment	10,000.00	-	10,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-70.04 Fire Vehicle/Equipment	60,000.00	-	10,000.00	45,200.00
00-7-92-98-70.05 Lease/Purchase-Fire P U.....	-	-	-	-
00-7-92-98-70.07 Police Vehicles	-	55,023.30	-	-
00-7-92-98-70.08 Prouty Beach Washer/Dryer.....	-	-	-	55,000.00
00-7-92-98-70.09 Public Works Vehicles	170,000.00	201,036.70	180,000.00	200,000.00
00-7-92-98-70.11 Tech Equip Fleet Replacem.....	5,000.00	-	20,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-71.15 BridgeCulvert/Retain Wall	25,000.00	-	60,000.00	60,000.00
00-7-92-98-71.24 Gardner Park Improvements	30,000.00	-	20,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-71.28 Gateway Renovations	6,000.00	-	5,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-71.29 Gateway/Waterfront Impr.....	30,000.00	7,780.22	10,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-71.35 Prouty Beach Improv	15,000.00	35,140.88	30,000.00	-
00-7-92-98-71.40 Street Reconstruction.....	35,000.00	10,777.18	40,000.00	160,540.00
TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.....	743,500.00	987,933.63	797,500.00	833,950.00
APPROPRIATIONS				
00-7-95-66-98.03 City Recycling Center	-	81.00	49,487.00	-
00-7-95-66-98.04 ConnectABILITIES.....	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.05 Goodrich Memorial Library	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.07 NE Kingdom Comm Action	8,000.00	8,000.00	-	-
00-7-95-66-98.08 NEK Adult Learning Scvs.	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.09 NEK Council on Aging	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.10 NKHS NEK Human Svcs	4,818.00	4,818.00	4,818.00	4,818.00
00-7-95-66-98.12 Orleans & North Essex VNA.....	17,500.00	17,500.00	17,500.00	17,500.00
00-7-95-66-98.14 Orls Cty Historic Society.....	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.15 Pope Memorial Animal Soci	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.17 Rural Comm Transit	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
00-7-95-66-98.20 Umbrella Inc	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	177,818.00	177,899.00	219,305.00	169,818.00
00-7-95-99-98.00 Transfer Funds School.....	-	5,203,249.00	-	-
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....	177,818.00	5,381,148.00	219,305.00	169,818.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	7,322,161.00	13,405,389.57	7,825,488.38	9,511,463.09
TOTAL GENERAL FUND.....	-	(238,189.98)	(1,480.48)	-

SEWER & WATER BUDGETS	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
SEWER DEPARTMENT INCOME				
08-6-50-26-40.00 Sewer Dept-Sewer Charge	\$1,477,306.00	\$1,398,621.79	\$1,422,948.35	\$1,586,794.31
08-6-50-26-41.00 Sewer Dept-Derby Share	140,000.00	109,990.78	140,000.00	110,000.00
08-6-50-26-42.00 Sewer Dept-Labor & Materi....	-	3,469.00	-	-
08-6-50-26-43.00 Sewer Allocation Fee	450.00	44.00	-	-
08-6-50-26-44.00 Sewer Dept. Misc.....	-	15.40	-	-
08-6-50-26-45.00 Sewer Plant-Discharge Fee	185,000.00	239,193.58	160,000.00	243,977.45
08-6-50-26-70.00 Interest Income	6,500.00	12,240.55	7,000.00	7,000.00
08-6-50-29-40.00 RF1-259-1.1 CSO	-	-	-	25,000.00
08-6-50-29-41.00 ARPA CSO.....	-	-	-	649,015.61
08-6-50-29-75.00 WWTF Sinking Fund Interest ..	50.00	98.06	-	-
08-6-50-29-77.00 Vactor Fund Int	-	1,105.89	-	-
TOTAL SEWER INCOME	1,809,306.00	1,764,779.05	1,729,948.35	2,621,787.37
08-6-50-30-99.00 Transfer In.....	-	-	-	-
TOTAL SEWER INCOME	\$1,809,306.00	\$1,764,779.05	\$1,729,948.35	\$2,621,787.37
SEWER COLLECTION				
08-7-50-57-10.00 Regular Pay	52,647.00	63,258.74	62,814.40	132,397.47
08-7-50-57-10.01 Sewer Coll-Overtime.....	5,000.00	1,646.52	7,200.00	-
08-7-50-57-11.00 Social Security.....	3,492.00	4,182.96	6,076.00	-
08-7-50-57-13.00 Health Insurance.....	14,757.00	6,244.19	11,400.00	-
08-7-50-57-14.00 Retirement.....	3,995.00	-	4,000.00	-
08-7-50-57-16.00 Unemployment Compensation	500.00	134.00	500.00	-
08-7-50-57-17.00 Worker's Compensation	3,200.00	-	3,000.00	-
08-7-50-57-20.00 Operating Supplies	1,000.00	70.39	1,000.00	1,000.00
08-7-50-57-20.01 Repair & Maintenance Supp...	500.00	20.10	500.00	500.00
08-7-50-57-30.00 Utilities	23,000.00	24,550.52	25,000.00	25,500.00
08-7-50-57-31.00 Pump Station Alarm Lines	1,500.00	1,034.35	1,500.00	1,500.00
08-7-50-57-32.00 Fuel.....	8,000.00	6,762.79	5,000.00	6,900.00
08-7-50-57-45.01 Professional Expense	-	36.25	-	-
08-7-50-57-45.02 Pump Station Alarms	7,000.00	3,884.50	5,100.00	4,300.00
08-7-50-57-47.00 Truck & Equip Rental	8,000.00	698.75	12,000.00	-
08-7-50-57-50.00 Materials.....	18,000.00	8,495.27	20,000.00	15,000.00
08-7-50-57-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	5,500.00	11,794.23	6,000.00	14,000.00
08-7-50-57-55.01 Pump Station Repair	24,000.00	25,147.19	28,000.00	26,000.00
08-7-50-57-60.00 Truck & Equip Maint Suppl	27,400.00	9,887.07	10,000.00	10,000.00
08-7-50-57-60.01 Truck & Equip Repairs.....	15,500.00	5,330.49	7,000.00	8,000.00
08-7-50-57-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	4,000.00	6,151.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
08-7-50-57-66.00 Water Meters	38,000.00	33,748.84	-	-
08-7-50-57-99.00 Other Expenses.....	1,500.00	812.25	2,200.00	-
TOTAL SEWER COLLECTION	266,491.00	213,890.40	222,290.40	249,097.47
SEWER PLANT				
08-7-50-58-10.00 Regular Pay	190,570.00	171,367.94	222,728.22	207,996.52
08-7-50-58-10.02 Overtime Pay	13,000.00	8,169.17	15,000.00	15,000.00
08-7-50-58-20.00 Office Supplies.....	700.00	199.84	700.00	400.00
08-7-50-58-30.00 Utilities	102,000.00	101,793.97	91,500.00	105,000.00
08-7-50-58-31.00 Communications.....	8,500.00	8,664.60	8,000.00	9,200.00
08-7-50-58-32.00 Fuel.....	53,500.00	28,597.24	36,000.00	32,000.00
08-7-50-58-34.00 Solid Waste Disposal.....	2,500.00	1,198.92	1,400.00	1,400.00
08-7-50-58-45.00 Professional Expense	5,000.00	5,184.22	7,000.00	7,000.00
08-7-50-58-46.00 Sludge Dewater/Disposal	127,000.00	134,339.28	205,000.00	150,000.00
08-7-50-58-47.00 Truck & Equip Rental	1,500.00	3,895.19	2,500.00	4,200.00
08-7-50-58-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	30,000.00	20,271.67	33,000.00	33,000.00

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
SEWER PLANT cont.				
08-7-50-58-55.01 Repair Parts	27,000.00	41,979.75	27,000.00	45,000.00
08-7-50-58-60.00 Truck & Equip Maint Suppl	4,800.00	2,317.68	11,500.00	5,000.00
08-7-50-58-60.01 Truck & Equip Repairs.....	250.00	744.44	2,950.00	5,000.00
08-7-50-58-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	3,500.00	1,079.62	3,200.00	3,200.00
08-7-50-58-65.00 Operating Supplies	140,000.00	202,043.15	180,000.00	210,000.00
08-7-50-58-71.00 Plant Improvements	12,000.00	-	50,000.00	40,000.00
08-7-50-58-83.00 Plant Water Usage Fees.....	16,000.00	9,675.64	12,000.00	11,000.00
08-7-50-58-83.01 State Operating Fee	5,100.00	10,200.00	5,100.00	5,100.00
08-7-50-58-99.00 Other Expenses.....	9,000.00	8,262.25	10,400.00	9,500.00
TOTAL SEWER PLANT	751,920.00	759,984.57	924,978.22	898,996.52
SEWER ADMINISTRATION				
08-7-50-59-10.00 Salaries	100,622.00	56,425.38	62,396.54	94,437.29
08-7-50-59-10.10 Holiday.....	5,259.00	1,743.34	1,776.06	-
08-7-50-59-10.12 Vacation.....	9,104.00	2,169.51	4,098.60	-
08-7-50-59-15.00 Employee Work Attire	2,600.00	2,586.41	2,800.00	2,900.00
08-7-50-59-20.00 Office Supplies.....	1,000.00	-	300.00	300.00
08-7-50-59-22.00 Software	600.00	175.00	-	-
08-7-50-59-31.00 Communications.....	1,400.00	-	500.00	-
08-7-50-59-45.00 Professional Services	500.00	147.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
08-7-50-59-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	1,000.00	1,539.20	600.00	1,200.00
08-7-50-59-99.00 Other Expenses.....	300.00	1,000.00	300.00	500.00
TOTAL SEWER ADMINISTRATION	122,385.00	65,785.84	74,271.20	100,837.29
PERSONNEL EXPENSES				
08-7-50-90-10.00 Health Ins Opt Out.....	-	1,000.00	-	2,080.00
08-7-50-90-11.00 Social Security.....	24,347.00	17,763.83	5,000.00	17,059.23
08-7-50-90-13.00 Health Insurance.....	27,649.00	42,971.58	22,560.48	31,232.95
08-7-50-90-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	-	1,250.45	-	800.00
08-7-50-90-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	2,600.00	2,382.14	2,400.00	2,121.34
08-7-50-90-14.00 Municipal Retirement.....	27,052.00	48,024.75	10,000.00	20,627.18
08-7-50-90-16.00 Unemployment Compensation	1,000.00	457.98	1,000.00	946.04
08-7-50-90-17.00 Worker's Compensation	11,000.00	12,236.41	12,074.00	7,954.00
08-7-50-90-18.00 HRA Expense.....	2,600.00	6,213.72	2,600.00	2,677.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	96,248.00	132,300.86	55,634.48	85,497.74
OTHER EXPENSES				
08-7-50-91-42.00 Engineering.....	3,000.00	-	-	-
08-7-50-91-45.00 Fold Utility Bills.....	100.00	59.99	100.00	100.00
08-7-50-91-46.00 Sewer Line Mapping	3,800.00	897.51	500.00	2,000.00
08-7-50-91-48.00 P & C Insurance-Plant	36,200.00	23,363.24	40,500.00	29,203.30
08-7-50-91-55.00 Claims & Damages.....	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	-
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	44,100.00	24,320.74	42,100.00	31,303.30
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
08-7-50-94-10.00 Sewer Lines-Labor	110,000.00	59.66	-	-
08-7-50-94-42.01 CSO Engineering	8,500.00	0.31	1,500.00	-
08-7-50-94-42.04 Siphon Study.....	2,000.00	-	-	-
08-7-50-94-50.00 CSO Materials	-	-	-	-
08-7-50-94-56.00 Sewer Lines & Structures.....	30,000.00	-	7,000.00	-
08-7-50-94-70.02 Vehicle	-	-	-	-
08-7-50-94-71.04 Pump Stations.....	-	-	-	-
08-7-50-94-90.00 ARPA CSO Exp	-	-	-	649,015.61
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	150,500.00	59.97	8,500.00	649,015.61

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
DEBT SERVICE				
08-7-50-95-71.01 RF075 Plant Upgrade	216,909.00	-	216,909.00	225,672.00
08-7-50-95-90.00 SRF RF1-150 Interest.....	2,358.00	2,292.00	2,358.00	2,057.00
08-7-50-95-91.04 Vactor Sinking Fund	50,000.00	-	-	-
08-7-50-95-93.03 PSB Loan 3451 Prin.....	-	-	-	68,512.02
08-7-50-95-93.04 PSB Loan 3451 Int.....	-	-	-	42,000.42
08-7-50-95-93.11 2001 Sewer Prin 2010-4	25,000.00	-	25,000.00	-
08-7-50-95-93.12 2001 Sewer Int 2010-4.....	1,988.00	656.25	1,988.00	-
08-7-50-95-93.14 Dewatering Loan #2921 Int	3,381.00	582.56	3,381.00	-
08-7-50-95-93.15 RF1-259-1.0 CSO Prin.....	-	-	-	25,000.00
08-7-50-95-93.17 RF150 Prive Pump Prin	10,892.00	-	10,892.00	11,985.00
08-7-50-95-93.21 SRF RF1 - 075 Interest/Ad	22,576.00	22,576.02	22,576.00	13,813.00
08-7-50-95-98.00 Dewatering Loan #2921 Pri	44,558.00	-	44,558.00	-
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	377,662.00	26,106.83	327,662.00	389,039.44
CAPITAL RESERVE				
08-7-50-96-91.00 Capital Reserve	-	-	82,771.82	128,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE	-	-	82,771.82	128,000.00
SEWER SYSTEM DEPRECIATION				
08-7-50-97-97.00 Depreciation	-	420,789.91	-	90,000.00
TOTAL SEWER SYSTEM DEPRECIATION	-	420,789.91	-	90,000.00
08-7-95-95-95.00 Transfer Out	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	1,809,306.00	1,643,239.12	1,738,208.12	2,621,787.37
TOTAL SEWER FUND	-	121,539.93	(8,259.77)	-
WATER DEPARTMENT INCOME				
09-6-50-04-20.00 Water Allocation Fee	250.00	163.50	-	-
09-6-50-26-50.00 Water Dept - Rent.....	1,160,659.00	878,271.68	1,155,756.17	1,220,301.79
09-6-50-26-51.00 Water Dept-Labor & Materi....	1,000.00	2,500.00	-	-
09-6-50-26-60.00 Interest Income	4,700.00	8,264.96	-	7,000.00
09-6-50-26-80.00 Water Tower Fund Interest.....	150.00	144.37	-	-
09-6-50-26-83.00 Interest Reservoir Cover.....	-	282.14	-	-
09-6-50-26-88.00 ARPA Fund Interest.....	-	113.11	-	-
09-6-50-26-89.00 ARPA Funds.....	-	182,465.06	-	-
09-6-50-26-94.00 ES Water Tower Grant Reim....	-	731,500.63	-	-
09-6-50-26-97.00 Misc Income	-	48.00	-	-
09-6-50-26-98.00 Water Facility Repl Int.....	120.00	177.72	-	-
09-6-50-30-99.00 Transfer In.....	-	-	-	-
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT INCOME	\$1,166,879.00	\$1,803,931.17	\$1,155,756.17	\$1,227,301.79
WATER TREATMENT & PUMPING				
09-7-50-62-10.00 Regular Pay	43,227.00	51,852.61	47,893.14	57,624.13
09-7-50-62-10.01 Overtime Pay	3,400.00	3,060.28	5,000.00	5,000.00
09-7-50-62-11.00 Social Security.....	3,544.00	4,722.80	2,500.00	-
09-7-50-62-20.00 Operating Supplies	28,500.00	39,849.51	27,000.00	42,000.00
09-7-50-62-30.00 Utilities	170,000.00	172,737.57	167,000.00	175,000.00
09-7-50-62-31.00 Communications.....	7,500.00	9,061.01	7,900.00	9,700.00
09-7-50-62-32.00 Fuel.....	3,500.00	3,013.23	5,000.00	4,000.00
09-7-50-62-60.00 Repair Parts	7,200.00	207.68	3,000.00	3,000.00
09-7-50-62-60.01 Repair & Maintenance.....	35,000.00	2,714.54	55,000.00	30,000.00
09-7-50-62-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment	1,800.00	114.91	1,200.00	500.00
09-7-50-62-66.00 Water Meters	38,000.00	33,776.48	50,000.00	5,000.00
09-7-50-62-99.00 Other Expenses.....	18,000.00	11,061.97	15,000.00	13,500.00
TOTAL WATER TREATMENT & PUMPING	359,671.00	332,172.59	386,493.14	345,324.13

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
WATER DISTRIBUTION				
09-7-50-64-10.00 Regular Pay	58,648.00	53,934.46	64,614.40	132,397.47
09-7-50-64-10.01 Water Distr-Overtime	1,000.00	1,914.77	2,000.00	-
09-7-50-64-20.00 Operating Supplies	2,000.00	928.95	1,200.00	1,200.00
09-7-50-64-22.00 Equipment	3,000.00	229.72	3,000.00	2,000.00
09-7-50-64-31.00 Communications.....	2,000.00	963.54	500.00	1,200.00
09-7-50-64-32.00 Fuel.....	15,000.00	4,186.70	3,000.00	4,500.00
09-7-50-64-47.00 Truck & Equip Rental	500.00	-	500.00	-
09-7-50-64-50.00 Materials.....	24,000.00	21,141.43	8,000.00	8,000.00
09-7-50-64-55.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	7,000.00	1,504.20	1,500.00	2,000.00
09-7-50-64-60.00 Truck & Equip Maint Suppl	12,000.00	9,082.48	6,000.00	11,000.00
09-7-50-64-60.01 Truck & Equip Repairs.....	5,000.00	5,220.47	5,000.00	6,500.00
09-7-50-64-62.00 Small Tools & Equipment.....	3,000.00	7,091.78	3,000.00	4,000.00
09-7-50-64-71.01 Derby Road Waterline	33,500.00	34,647.95	33,500.00	-
09-7-50-64-99.00 Other Expenses.....	6,000.00	660.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
WATER DISTRIBUTION	172,648.00	141,506.45	133,314.40	173,797.47
WATER DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION				
09-7-50-65-10.00 Salaries	103,470.00	66,131.35	40,992.20	33,613.29
09-7-50-65-15.00 Employee Work Attire	2,100.00	2,401.23	2,200.00	2,900.00
09-7-50-65-20.00 Office Supplies.....	300.00	250.00	200.00	250.00
09-7-50-65-22.00 Equipment (Computer).....	500.00	175.00	-	200.00
09-7-50-65-31.00 Communications.....	200.00	-	200.00	-
09-7-50-65-60.00 Repair & Maintenance.....	1,500.00	2,091.50	1,500.00	2,000.00
09-7-50-65-99.00 Other Expenses.....	1,000.00	3,770.89	1,500.00	4,000.00
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION .	109,070.00	74,819.97	46,592.20	42,963.29
PERSONNEL EXPENSES				
09-7-50-90-10.00 Health Ins Opt Out.....	750.00	1,300.00	750.00	520.00
09-7-50-90-11.00 Social Security.....	11,102.00	7,973.01	10,000.00	4,790.75
09-7-50-90-13.00 Health Insurance.....	42,416.00	23,278.43	22,560.48	7,808.24
09-7-50-90-13.01 Dental/Vision Ins.	-	-	-	200.00
09-7-50-90-13.02 Life/AD&D/Disability.....	1,400.00	722.60	1,400.00	550.00
09-7-50-90-14.00 Municipal Retirement.....	16,778.00	21,719.99	13,000.00	5,792.73
09-7-50-90-16.00 Unemployment Compensation	600.00	718.34	600.00	236.51
09-7-50-90-17.00 Worker's Compensation	7,200.00	11,606.87	6,600.00	1,988.00
09-7-50-90-18.00 HRA Expense.....	1,000.00	6,213.72	6,000.00	2,219.29
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	81,246.00	73,532.96	60,910.48	24,105.52
OTHER EXPENSES				
09-7-50-91-45.00 Professional Expense	-	354.55	-	1,000.00
09-7-50-91-48.00 Prop & Casualty Insurance.....	9,225.00	4,881.38	9,225.00	5,356.87
09-7-50-91-90.00 Waterline Mapping.....	3,800.00	882.52	500.00	2,000.00
09-7-50-91-93.00 Water Tower LOC interest.....	-	24,622.85	-	-
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	13,025.00	30,741.30	9,725.00	8,356.87
09-7-50-92-10.05 Administration	-	2,041.35	-	-
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
09-7-50-94-10.00 Water Lines-Labor	8,500.00	8,480.03	2,500.00	-
09-7-50-94-42.00 Waterline Eng & Des.....	5,000.00	0.39	5,000.00	-
09-7-50-94-45.00 Water Tower Maint Contrac ...	23,900.00	24,541.65	24,800.00	26,500.00
09-7-50-94-56.00 Waterline Materials.....	10,000.00	-	-	-
09-7-50-94-71.02 Eastside Water Tower Proj.....	-	0.01	-	-
09-7-50-94-71.03 Water Lines-Materials	8,500.00	-	6,000.00	-
09-7-50-94-91.00 Water Reservoir Cover.....	-	24.69	-	-
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	55,900.00	33,046.77	38,300.00	26,500.00

	2024-2025 BUDGET	2024-2025 ACTUALS	2025-2026 BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED
DEBT SERVICE				
09-7-50-95-91.00 Water Tower Sinking Fund.....	180,000.00	-	30,000.00	-
09-7-50-95-93.01 26 VMBB Water Twr Prin	-	-	-	201,790.51
09-7-50-95-93.02 26 VMBB Water Twr Int	-	-	-	20,000.00
09-7-50-95-93.03 PSB BAN 3466 Prin.....	-	-	-	-
09-7-50-95-93.04 PSB BAN 3466 Int.....	-	-	-	-
09-7-50-95-93.07 Eastside Water Tower Prin.....	-	-	195,000.00	-
09-7-50-95-93.08 Eastside WT LOC Int.....	-	-	-	-
09-7-50-95-93.10 RF3-095 Water Well Prin	34,666.00	-	34,666.00	41,054.00
09-7-50-95-93.11 RF3-095 Water Well Int	2,111.00	809.12	2,111.00	411.00
09-7-50-95-93.12 RF3-129 Int & Admin Fee.....	29,045.00	31,247.00	29,045.00	27,169.00
09-7-50-95-93.19 RF3-129 Arsenic Water Pri.....	126,353.00	-	126,353.00	140,009.00
09-7-50-95-93.20 RF3-095 Admin Fee	3,144.00	1,618.24	3,144.00	821.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	375,319.00	33,674.36	420,319.00	431,254.51
Capital Reserve				
09-7-50-96-91.00 Capital Reserve	-	-	54,782.71	148,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE	-	-	54,782.71	148,000.00
WATER SYSTEM				
09-7-50-97-97.00 Depreciation	-	253,723.44	-	27,000.00
TOTAL WATER SYSTEM	-	253,723.44	-	27,000.00
TOTAL WATER EXPENDITURES	1,166,879.00	975,259.19	1,150,436.93	1,227,301.79
TOTAL WATER FUND	-	828,671.98	5,319.24	-



QUICK SUMMARY OF KEY CHARTER CHANGES:

This is not meant to be an exhaustive review of all charter changes. It offers a quick synopsis of what the Council Members had in mind as they worked on the new, proposed charter.

Why does this seem important to us now?

Our primary reasons to modernize our 110 year old charter are as follows:

1. To offer clear language that regular people can read and understand.
2. To harmonize the City of Newport with State statutes and with the practices of other Cities across the state.
3. To attract the highest quality candidates for City Manager and Council by signaling our commitment to look to the future.
4. To cut legal expenses on the need for attorneys to interpret our charter both within our community and to outside lenders.

What Stays the Same:

1. The proposed charter maintains and strengthens our commitment to be a Council-Manager form of government. This means the Council is responsible for setting policy and key strategic planning decisions as well as approving budgets and key financial decisions, while the Manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the city and its staff.
2. This charter maintains the division between the City Operations and the Clerk/Treasurer responsibilities of our municipal government.
3. This Charter maintains the current Charter's provisions regarding how the Mayor and Council Members are elected and how they make decisions. As is our current practice, the Mayor retains the role of CEO of the City and sets the Council agenda, but does not vote except to create a quorum or break a tie among Council Members.
4. We have clarified current practices regarding the responsibilities and power of the Manager with regard to City Administration. Our goal here has been to strike a balance of power between the City Manager, the Mayor, and the City Council Members. We believe this Charter gives appropriate authority to the City Manager for day-to-day operations, while maintaining the responsibility of City Council and Mayor to determine policy and oversee financial performance and budgeting.

What is different in this New Charter?

1. Where our City practices have been in alignment with State Statutes, or where the State statute has precedence, the proposed Charter removes the items for simplicity and clarity.
2. We have added the ability to recall elected officials (with petitions signed by 15% of registered voters – a high bar).
3. The proposed Charter raises the required number of signatures on a petition requiring a special election from 25 people to 3% of the registered voters (currently about 110 people).
4. The proposed Charter calls for appointment of a Clerk/Treasurer by the Council instead of election by the voters. The Council's reasoning is that the complexity of this job requires very specific skill sets. Under the proposed Charter, The Clerk/Treasurer would be directly responsible to the Council for evaluation, and would supervise their own employees in that office. This change would take effect at the end of the current Clerk Treasurer's term in 2028.
5. The proposed Charter defers to State statute regarding decisions about borrowing. The information governing municipal indebtedness can easily be referenced online at 24 V.S.A. § 1786a and related sections.
6. The proposed charter would remove the antiquated provision stating that no portion of the Clerk/Treasurer's office expense can be charged to the Water Fund.
7. For clarity of meaning, the proposed Charter refers to all Council members except the Mayor as Alderpersons, and to the Mayor and Alderpersons collectively as The Council.

Both the current Charter and the Council's proposed Charter can be read in their entirety in this annual report. If voters have specific questions, please reach out to any Council Members before the election.

Mayor Rick Ufford-Chase, Council President Kevin Charboneau, and Council Members Carter Finegan, John Monette and Andrew Touchette.

The Vermont Statutes Online

The Statutes below include the actions of the 2025 session of the General Assembly.

NOTE: The Vermont Statutes Online is an unofficial copy of the Vermont Statutes Annotated that is provided as a convenience.

Title 24 Appendix: Municipal Charters

Chapter 7: City of Newport

§ 4. Establishment of City

Out of the territory heretofore existing within the limits of the Towns of Newport and Derby is established the City of Newport, embracing all the territory included within the limits described in this charter, and the remainder of the territory of the Town of Newport is established as a new town to be the Town of Newport and the remaining territory of the Town of Derby is established as a new town to be the Town of Derby. The Villages of Newport and West Derby are hereby abolished as soon as this charter shall go into operation, and all property, rights, funds, taxes, rights of action, ~~etc.~~, belonging to said Villages of Newport and West Derby, respectively, shall at once be transferred and belong to said City of Newport; and said City of Newport shall assume and have all the duties, rights, and obligations and debts of the said Villages of Newport and West Derby, respectively, except as herein otherwise provided.

§ 2. [Transitional provisions relating to the governance of the Towns of Newport and Derby; the City of Newport and the process for acceptance of the charter; § 2 of No. 273 of the Laws of 1917.]

§ 3. City boundaries and corporate powers

The inhabitants of that portion of the Towns of Newport and Derby included within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of land of J. C. Roby, and southwest corner of land of William Buck in the Town of Derby on the north line of the Town of Coventry, and following the lot line between the lands of the said Roby and said Buck northerly, which said lot line is the easterly line of the new municipality, and continuing that line between the lands of the following persons: E. Miller, Fred Blake, Will Halley, Frank O'Hill, J. H. Gaines, Will Rann, Charles Lemorey, Henry Lahar, and Mrs. Benj. Hinman, on the westerly side of said lot line, and A. R. Hudson and wife, Theophile Meoykins and Isaac Labounty on the easterly side of said lot line follow said lot line to a point which is N. latitude 44 degrees 55' 56" and W. longitude 72 degrees 11' 46" and 467 feet southerly of the southerly boundary of Pine Hill road so-called; thence S. 81 degrees E.

the southerly line of said Pine Hill road; thence following the Pine Hill Road southeasterly on the southerly side thereof until it strikes the land owned by Mrs. Hitchcock on the northerly side of said road and following the southerly line of the Charles Noyes Farm and the southerly line of the Frank Hayward farm to the southeasterly corner of the said Hayward Farm where it strikes the road to Arnold's Mills, so called; thence following said road on the easterly side thereof northerly across Clyde River to Clyde Street, thence following Clyde Street on the northerly side thereof westerly to the east line of Dr. George F. Adams' land; thence northerly on said Adams' east line and on the east line of land owned by Aaron Grout to the road running from Derby Center to West Derby village; thence following said Derby Center Road on the northerly edge thereof to the east line of land owned by Fortunat Dubuc and wife and known as the Colby farm thence northerly on the east line to the northeast corner of said farm; thence following westerly on the north line of said farm to the north line of the present village of West Derby; thence following said village line westerly to Sias Avenue, or Beebe Road, so called, following said Sias Avenue northerly on the westerly side thereof to Austin Beebe's north line; thence westerly following Austin Beebe's north line to Elijah Leavitt's east line; thence northerly following Elijah Leavitt's east line to the road that runs from Sias Avenue to the railroad track, following said road a few rods on the northerly side thereof to the east line of the farm owned by Charles and Myrtle A. Marsh, on the north side of said road; thence following the east line of said Marsh Farm to its northeast corner; thence westerly following its north line to the railroad right of way; thence following said right of way on the easterly side thereof to the railroad culvert (No. 91) crossing what is known as Meadow Brook; thence following said brook to the shore of Lake Memphremagog, following the shore of Lake Memphremagog southwesterly to Indian Point near the cottage now owned by Charles F. Bigelow, and including in the limits of the City Horse Neck Island, which lies a few rods from the said lake shore and is owned by F. E. Miles; thence westerly across the lake from Indian Point in a straight line to the northeast corner of the farm formerly owned and occupied by Tarrant S. Cummings and now owned by Joseph Bouchard; thence westerly on said Bouchard's north line to the easterly side of the poor farm road; thence southerly on the easterly side of said road to the south line of said Bouchard's Farm; thence easterly to William Hyer's west line; thence southerly on the west lines of lands owned by said Hyer, Richmond and son and Arthur Wells to the west line of land owned by O. D. Hancock; thence southerly on said Hancock's west line and in a straight line to the Coventry Town line; thence following said Coventry Town line to the point begun at in Derby, are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate and politic under the name of the City of Newport, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend in any court, may have a common seal and alter it at pleasure, may take, hold, purchase, and convey such property, real and personal, as the purposes of the corporation may require, may borrow money on the credit of the City in the mode and under the restrictions hereinafter provided, may elect a representative to the General Assembly and the same number of justices of the peace as a town of equal population may elect, shall exercise and enjoy all the rights

~~Committee powers and privileges as are conferred upon or are incident to towns in this State and shall be subject to like duties, liabilities, and obligations, except as otherwise provided in this charter.~~

§ 4. Voter qualifications

The qualifications of a voter in City meetings shall be the same as are required of voters in town meetings.

§ 5. Warning and convening of annual meeting

On the first Tuesday of March 1918, and annually thereafter on the first Tuesday of March, a meeting of the legal voters of said City shall be held at nine o'clock A.M., at a place to be appointed by the City Council of said City, of which notice shall be posted in at least three public places within the limits of said City, and at least 21 days previous thereto, and also published for at least two weeks in a newspaper printed in said City, which notices shall be signed by the City Clerk, and in case of his or her failure, by the Mayor; provided, that if the annual meeting shall fail to be holden for want of notice hereinbefore mentioned or for any other cause, the corporation shall not thereby be prejudiced, and the several officers hereafter mentioned may at any time thereafter be elected at a special meeting called for that purpose as hereinbefore provided. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held at the school hall in the present Village of Newport, and shall be called by the Clerk of the Village of Newport. The Clerk of said City shall, at any time when directed by the City Council, or when requested in writing by 25 legal voters of said City, call a special meeting of the legal voters of said City at such time of day and place as directed by the City Council. In case of the failure of the Clerk to call a meeting as aforesaid, that duty shall be performed by the Mayor. The business session of each annual or special City meeting shall be held at eight o'clock in the evening of the day for such meeting, but this shall in no way alter the hour designated, or to be designated, for any meeting where any question must be voted upon under the Australian ballot system.

§ 6. Elections of officers at annual meeting

At the annual meeting the said corporations shall elect from among the legal voters of said City a Mayor, City Clerk, four aldermen, a City Treasurer, one Constable, three listers, three auditors, and three grand jurors, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, except that at the first annual meeting of said corporation two of said aldermen shall be elected for one year and two for two years; one of said listers shall be elected for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; one of said auditors shall be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and at each succeeding annual election two aldermen shall be elected for two years, one lister for three years, and one auditor for three years. The City Clerk and the Treasurer shall be elected for a term of three years, and the Mayor for a term of two years.

§ 7. Mayor and Board of Aldermen as City Council

~~The administration of all fiscal, probate, and municipal affairs of said City, and the government thereof, shall be vested in the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The Board of Aldermen shall consist of four aldermen, who shall elect one of their number President of said Board. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in their joint capacity, shall be called the City Council. The Mayor and aldermen shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The Mayor and aldermen shall receive such compensation as the City shall determine at its annual or any special City meeting.~~

§ 8. Officers appointed by City Council

The City Council shall appoint, and may remove at its pleasure and appoint others in their stead, the following officers, none of whom shall be members of the City Council, viz: a Collector of Taxes, a Superintendent of Streets and Waterworks, a City Attorney, a Board of Fire Wardens, consisting of one Chief and a first and second Assistant Engineer, and such other officers not herein otherwise provided for as are required by law. The City Council may fill vacancies in elective City offices. Including the Board of School Trustees, until the next annual meeting, unless a special City meeting for the purpose of filling such vacancy is sooner warned and held. The City Council may fill vacancies in appointive offices until the next annual meeting or during the pleasure of said Council.

§ 9. Powers of Mayor; City Council to establish water rates

The Mayor shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the City. He or she shall use his or her best efforts to see that the laws and City ordinances are enforced and that the duties of all subordinate officers are faithfully performed. He or she shall take care that the finances of the City are properly expended and shall bring before the Board of Aldermen whatever he or she may deem worthy of their attention for prudentially and efficiently carrying on the affairs of the City. In his or her absence, the President of the Board of Aldermen shall act as Mayor in his or her stead. The Mayor, with the consent of the Board of Aldermen, shall have the power to remit penalties for the breach of City ordinances, in whole or in part, and shall cause the reason for such remission to be entered on the City records. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the City, with the power of moderator in town meetings, and at all meetings of the City Council. The City Council shall have all the powers of a selectboard. Said City Council shall hold a meeting on the first Monday of each month and oftener at the call of the Mayor. The presence of a majority of said Council shall be necessary to transact business at any meeting. The City Council shall establish rates to be paid for the use of water supplied by the City water works, which shall be called service rates and shall be collected by the City Treasurer. Such service rates shall be and are hereby made a lien in the nature of a tax upon the real estate so supplied with water and shall be collected and enforced under such regulations and ordinances as the City Council shall prescribe. The Mayor may appoint a Chief of Police and such number of other officers as he or she shall deem necessary, for a period not exceeding his or her term of office, but such appointees shall not continue in office after the next regular meeting of the City Council unless the same shall be approved by the City Council at such meeting. The Mayor may suspend any

~~police officer and street sweepers shall not continue to enforce other laws not in substance within the jurisdiction of the City Council unless the same shall be approved by the City Council, and the City Council may at any time annul any of such appointments.~~

~~**§ 10. Mayoral approval and Board of Aldermen reconsideration of vetoed actions**~~

~~The action of the Board of Aldermen shall require the approval of the Mayor, except as herein otherwise provided, for the enacting of all ordinances and bylaws and the awarding of any contracts, the appointment of any officers or committees, or the passing of any resolution. If the Mayor shall approve any ordinance, bylaw, resolution, appointment, or contract made or voted by the City Council, the same shall be reduced to writing and the Mayor shall sign the same. If he or she does not sign the same he or she shall return it with his or her objections in writing to the Board of Aldermen at their next regular meeting, provided he or she shall have not less than one week to consider such ordinance, bylaw, resolution, appointment, or contract. The Board of Aldermen shall then proceed to consider such ordinance, bylaw, resolution, contract, or appointment, and if, upon such reconsideration, three-fourths of the whole number of aldermen shall vote in favor of the same it shall be valid and take effect, notwithstanding the objection of the Mayor. If any such ordinance, bylaw, resolution, appointment, or contract shall not be returned by the Mayor to the Board of Aldermen at their next regular meeting after the period of one week has elapsed after he or she shall have received it, the same shall be valid and take effect without his or her approval. The fiscal year for all departments of said City shall begin on July 1st and end on the following June 30th.~~

~~**§ 11. Police officers**~~

~~All police officers shall have authority to serve anywhere within the State, and return process in criminal causes returnable within the State, and shall have the power of constables in all matters arising under the criminal and police laws of the State and the police regulations of said City.~~

~~**§ 12. Board of Civil Authority and Board of Abatement**~~

~~The City Council, City Clerk, and the justices of the peace residing in the City shall constitute the Board of Civil Authority for the City, and, in conjunction with the Justices, shall constitute a Board for the Abatement of Taxes, and shall be governed by the general laws of the State in respect to the abatement of taxes. The Board of Civil Authority shall perform all the duties imposed by law upon the board of civil authority of towns, except as hereinbefore provided. All meetings of the Board of Civil Authority shall, on application, be appointed and notified by the Mayor in the manner provided by law for appointing and notifying the meetings of the board of civil authority in towns. The compensation of all officers, servants, and employees of the City shall be fixed by the City Council, except as herein otherwise provided.~~

~~**§ 13. City Clerk**~~

~~The City Clerk shall perform for the City the same duties devolving by law upon town clerks, except so far as the same are rendered unnecessary by this charter, and shall receive the same fees therefor, or shall receive such compensation from the City for his or her services as the City Council shall allow. He or she shall be Clerk of the City Council and shall keep a record of their proceedings. He or she shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his or her duties, and his or her records, copies, and certificates shall be legal evidence in all courts and for all purposes, the same as those of town clerks. He or she shall have the exclusive charge and custody of the records and papers of the City, which shall not be taken out of his or her office unless upon the order or process of a court of competent jurisdiction. He or she shall have the same rights and authority conferred upon town clerks and may perform any official act that may be performed by town clerks.~~

~~**§ 14. City Treasurer**~~

~~The City Treasurer shall have the same powers and be subjected to the same liabilities as are prescribed by law for town treasurers. The City Clerk shall be eligible to hold the office of City Treasurer. It shall be the duty of said Treasurer, upon the receipt of any rate bill as hereinafter provided for, to post notices in at least three public places in said City, and to publish the same for one week in a newspaper published in said City, calling upon the taxpayers to pay their respective taxes within 90 days from the date of said notice. There shall be deducted from the taxes paid during the 90 days specified, four per cent of the amount thereof. At the expiration of said 90 days the said Treasurer shall issue his or her warrant against the delinquent taxpayers to the amount of their taxes, returnable in 60 days from the date thereof, and deliver the same to the Collector of Taxes of said City, but if the City Council direct, the issuing of said warrant shall be delayed 60 days from the expiration of said 90 day period. There shall be allowed said Treasurer the sum of five cents for each name on the warrant issued by him or her, which shall be taxed against the delinquent taxpayer. Upon the return of any warrant so issued by the City Treasurer, if any taxes included in such warrant remain uncollected, the City Treasurer may reissue such warrant to the Collector for the collection of such unpaid taxes, returnable in 60 days from the date of such reissue. In reissuing said warrant, it shall only be necessary for the City Treasurer to write upon the same "Reissued to the Collector, returnable in 60 days from this date," dating and signing the same, and the reissue of such warrant shall in no manner affect any act or proceeding of the Collector made on such warrant previous to its reissue. It shall be the duty of the City Treasurer to collect all water rates that may be or shall hereafter become due to said City for the use of the City water under such regulations and ordinances as shall be prescribed by the City Council, but no compensation shall be allowed said treasurer for the performance of this duty. The City Treasurer shall keep a separate account of all monies appropriated for the use of schools, which monies shall consist of the income of all school funds of whatsoever nature, the income of any money or other property donated by any person to said City for the use of schools, and all money appropriated by the City Council for that purpose. The City Treasurer shall pay out of any monies mentioned in this paragraph, all warrants drawn by the school trustees for the use~~

~~**§ 14. Collector of Taxes**~~

~~The Collector of Taxes shall have the same powers and be subject to the same liabilities in and for the City as collectors of town taxes in the State have by law and are subject to and shall proceed in the performances of his or her duties as such collectors of town taxes are required to proceed. It shall be the duty of the Collector of Taxes of said City to execute such warrants as shall be issued by the City Treasurer under the provisions of section 14 of this charter, and return the same to said Treasurer and the amount thereon collected, with the return of his or her doing thereon within the time, therein named; provided, however, that if the said Treasurer shall make an affidavit that any person, whose name appears on the rate-bill as a taxpayer, is about to remove or abscond from the State, and shall file the same with the City Council, the Treasurer may thereupon issue a warrant against such taxpayer for the amount of his or her tax, although the 90 days hereinbefore mentioned shall not have then expired, and it shall be the duty of the said Collector to execute the warrant. The City Council may award said Tax Collector such compensation as they may determine to be appropriate.~~

~~**§ 15. Constable**~~

~~The Constable shall have the same powers and be under the same duties and liabilities as are prescribed by law for the constables of towns, except for the collection of taxes, and said Constable and all special police officers shall have the same powers as sheriffs in suppressing riots and all unlawful assemblages, and of arresting without warrant all persons disturbing the peace, and may bring them before any competent court forthwith. The City Constable shall be Collector of Taxes and shall have the same powers and be subject to the same liabilities in and for the City as collectors of town taxes in the State have by law and are subject to, and shall proceed in the performance of his or her duties as such collectors of town taxes are required to proceed. It shall be the duty of the Collector of Taxes of said City to execute such warrant as shall be issued by the City Treasurer under the provisions of section 14 of this charter, and return the same to the said Treasurer and the amount thereon collected, with the return of his or her doings thereon within the time therein named; provided, however, that if the said Treasurer shall make an affidavit that any person, whose name appears on the rate-bill as a taxpayer, is about to remove or abscond from the State, and shall file the same with the City Council, the Treasurer may thereupon issue a warrant against such taxpayer for the amount of his or her tax, although the 90 days hereinbefore mentioned shall not have then expired, and it shall be the duty of the said Collector to execute the warrant. The City Council may award such Tax Collector additional compensation for the collection of taxes beyond that now fixed by statute.~~

~~**§ 16. Department of Assessment**~~

~~There shall be a Department of Assessment, which shall consist of a Chief Assessor and such assistants as are deemed to be necessary by the City Council. The Chief Assessor and assistants shall be appointed and may be removed by the City Council. The~~

~~**§ 17. Auditors**~~

~~as are prescribed for listers or the board of listers under the laws of this State, except as herein otherwise provided. At least every five years the Department shall review, or cause to be reviewed, their appraisals of all real property in the City that is subject to taxation, and conduct a reappraisal of all such properties when necessary to conform their appraisals to the standards for appraising established by the laws of this State.~~

~~**§ 18. City grand jurors**~~

~~The auditors shall examine and adjust the accounts of the Treasurer and all other City officers, and report the accounts so settled with the items thereof, and also the state of the Treasury; and the reports shall be printed, together with those of the other City officers, under the direction of the City Council, at the expense of said City, and circulated among the taxpayers thereof at least 15 days prior to the annual meeting.~~

~~**§ 19. Overseer of the Poor**~~

~~The City grand jurors shall be complaining officers and shall have the same powers and be subject to the same liabilities in said City as are conferred and imposed by law upon grand jurors.~~

~~**§ 20. Superintendent of Streets**~~

~~The Superintendent of Streets, under the direction of the City Council, shall have the superintendence of all roads, streets, sidewalks, sewers, and electric wires, conduits, and appliances used for lighting purposes and owned by the City, in said City, and the construction and repair of the same, and shall have the general supervision of the entire water works belonging to the City of Newport, and shall keep the same in repair.~~

~~**§ 21. City Attorney**~~

~~It shall be the duty of the City Attorney to prosecute and defend all suits by or against the City in which the City is interested, to prosecute for all violations of the City ordinances, and to advise the Mayor or Council when requested by them upon any legal questions arising relative to the affairs of the City, and to perform all the duties imposed by law upon town agents.~~

~~**§ 22. Board of Fire Warden**~~

power at such fire to suppress all tumults and riots by force if necessary, to direct the labor of all persons present during the continuance of such fire, to remove goods and effects endangered by such fire and protect the same from waste and depredation, and to pull down, remove, or destroy any house, store, or other building when they or any of them are present at such fire shall deem it necessary for the better preservation of any property. Said Board of Fire Wardens may inspect the manner of manufacturing and keeping gun powder, lime, ashes, matches, lights, fire works, or combustibles, and the construction and repairs of fireplaces, stoves, flues, and chimneys in said City. Said Board of Fire Wardens may, by vote of a majority thereof, direct all persons manufacturing or keeping such gunpowder, lime, ashes, matches, lights, fireworks, combustibles, kerosene oil, petroleum, naphtha, gasoline, oils, or burning fluid, in what manner and quantities to manufacture and keep the same, and the owners or occupants of buildings with such fire places, stoves, flues, or chimneys, how to repair the same. Every person refusing or neglecting to obey such order shall forfeit and pay to the use of said City a fine not exceeding \$25.00 for each period of 20 days after notice of such order that such person shall neglect or refuse to obey the same. Such order shall not be inconsistent with any ordinance or bylaw of the City. The Board of Fire Wardens shall have full power to regulate their own proceedings and to form new hose or hook and ladder companies, subject to the approval of the City Council, and to organize and govern the Fire Department, and, subject to the approval of the City Council, to purchase necessary fire apparatus and have the general care and custody of the property pertaining to the Fire Department.

§ 23. City Council powers

The City Council shall have power to make, establish, alter, amend, or repeal ordinances, regulations, and bylaws not inconsistent with this charter or with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State for the following purposes and to inflict penalties for the breach thereof:

- (1) To establish and regulate a market, and to regulate the selling or peddling of meat, fish, or other provisions for vehicles or otherwise within the City.
- (2) To restrain and prohibit all descriptions of gambling and for the destruction of all instruments and devices used for that purpose.
- (3) To regulate the exhibitions of common showmen and shows of every kind not interdicted by law, and to regulate, restrain, or license itinerant vendors and peddlers.
- (4) To prevent riots, noises, disturbances, or disorderly assemblages.
- (5) To abate and remove nuisances, and to restrain and suppress houses of ill fame and disorderly houses.
- (6) To compel the owner or occupants of any unwholesome, noisome, or offensive house or place, to remove or clean the same from time to time, as may be necessary for the health or comfort of the inhabitants of said City, and to remove and dispose of garbage.

ashes, rubbish, and all kinds of refuse.

- (7) To direct the location and control of all slaughterhouses, markets, manufactories, blacksmith shops, sewers, and all private drains, and to compel the construction of drains within the limits of the City, under such inspection regulations as the City Council may adopt.
- (8) To regulate the manufacture and keeping of gunpowder, ashes and all other combustible and dangerous material.
- (9) To regulate the making of alterations and repairs of stovepipes, fireplaces, fireplaces, and other things from which danger of fire may be apprehended, and also to regulate the use of buildings in crowded localities for hazardous purposes; to provide for the preservation of buildings from fires by precautionary measures and inspections; to regulate the size, height, and material of new buildings to be constructed in the City or in certain prescribed localities therein, and to establish and regulate a fire department and fire companies, and to make regulations concerning the management and the conduct of all persons present at fires, the removal and protection of property, the examination of any building or place where combustible material or substances are supposed to be kept or deposited, the removal of such material and substances, and the adoption of other suitable safeguards against fires and the loss or destruction of property by reason of the same.
- (10) To prevent immoderate riding or driving and to regulate the management, operation, use, and speed of automobiles, motor, and other vehicles in the streets, and to prevent cruelty to animals.
- (11) To regulate the erection of buildings and prevent encumbering the streets, sidewalks, and public alleys with firewood, lumber, carriages, boxes, or other things, and provide for the care, preservation and improvement of public grounds.
- (12) To restrain and punish vagrants, mendicants, and common prostitutes, and to make regulations respecting paupers.
- (13) To restrain or regulate the keeping and running at large of cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats, fowls, and dogs. And, in addition to the tax now imposed by law upon the owners or keepers of dogs, to require the owner or keeper of any dog or dogs to pay such additional tax or license fee for the keeping thereof as they may impose, and prescribe such penalties in default thereof as may be deemed necessary. All monies received hereunder shall be paid into the City Treasury.
- (14) To regulate and determine the time or place of bathing in any of the public waters within said City, or adjacent thereto, and to prevent the same.
- (15) To compel all persons to remove from the sidewalks and gutters in front of the premises owned or occupied by them all snow, ice, dirt, and garbage, and to keep such

premises in the City to cut and remove from the streets and sidewalks in front of such premises all grass, thistles, and weeds growing or being thereon, under such regulations as may be prescribed therefor.

(16) To license innkeepers, keepers of saloons, victualing houses, billiard and pool rooms, and bowling alleys, and auctioneers, under such regulations as shall be prescribed therefor; and all monies paid for such licenses shall belong to the City and be paid into the City Treasury.

(17) To regulate or restrain the use of rockets, squibs, fire crackers, and other fireworks in the streets or commons, and to prevent the practicing therein of any amusements having a tendency to injure or annoy persons passing therein or to endanger the security of property.

(18) To regulate gauging, the place and manner of selling and weighing hay, packing, inspecting and branding beef, pork, and produce, and of selling and measuring wood, lumber, ice, lime, and coal, and to appoint suitable persons to superintend and conduct the same.

(19) To license porters, cartmen and owners and drivers of hacks, coaches, cabs, carriages, and other public vehicles, and to regulate their fees and prescribe their duties.

(20) To prescribe the powers and duties of watchmen and police officers of said City.

(21) To provide for lighting public streets, places, and highways.

(22) To prohibit and punish willful injuries to trees, shrubs, and plants planted for shade, ornament, convenience, or use, public or private, and to prevent and punish trespasses or willful injuries to or upon public buildings, squares, commons, cemeteries, or other property.

(23) To regulate the burial of the dead, the keeping, returning and preserving of statistics of deaths and burials also the returning, and keeping of a record of all births and marriages.

(24) To regulate the examination of the land and other public records and documents of the City, by individuals, as may be necessary for the security and preservation of the same.

(25) To manage and control the public places, parks, and commons in said City, to regulate the use of the same by the public, and to prevent and punish trespasses or willful injuries to or upon any fountain, shade or ornamental tree, plant or shrub, building or structure placed therein by or under the order of the City Council, in such a manner as shall not be inconsistent with the laws of this State.

(26) To regulate or prohibit the suspending or putting up of any sign, awning, or other structure in, upon/or over any street, sidewalk, lane, alley, common, or any other public

taken down or removed; and, after 10 days' delay in complying with said order, to remove the same at the expense of the owner thereof.

(27) To compel reports from physicians, surgeons, and others of contagious and infectious diseases and those of a pestilential nature.

(28) To compel the registration of physicians or others practicing medicine, surgery, or midwifery.

(29) To prescribe standard rules for the placing of poles, wires, and electrical conduits in, over, and under the streets of the City, and to regulate their use. And said City Council may make and establish, amend, or repeal bylaws, rules and ordinances that they may deem necessary for the well being of said City, and not repugnant to the Constitution or laws of this State; all of which bylaws, regulations, and ordinances shall be duly published in one or more newspapers of this City, to be prescribed by the City Council, at least 20 days before they take effect.

(30) To license the owners of billboards and regulate the erection thereof.

(31) To control the erection of buildings and other structures on the shore of Lake Memphremagog, within City limits, and to prescribe regulations as to the use of said shores not inconsistent with the rights of private owners of the rights of navigation in the waters of said lake vested in the public.

(32) To establish curfew regulations and prescribe rules governing the presence of children on the streets or in public places at night, and fix penalties for the violation of such rules and regulations.

§ 24. Fines

No fine shall be imposed for the violation of any City ordinance or bylaw exceeding \$100.00, provided, that when it may be necessary to abate a nuisance the expense of such abatement may be imposed upon the delinquent in addition to said fine. A person who violates any City ordinance or bylaw may, on conviction thereof, be imprisoned in the house of correction, at hard labor, for a term not exceeding six months in addition to or in lieu of said fine, in the discretion of the court. A person convicted for violation of any City ordinance or bylaw, who shall neglect to pay such fine and costs as the court in its discretion shall adjudge, subject to the limitations herein contained, within 24 hours from the rendition of such judgment, shall be committed to said house of correction under the same regulations and in the same manner as provided by the laws of this State. In addition to such fine for a violation of any such ordinance or bylaw, the City may have and maintain an action of tort founded on this statute against any person willfully and maliciously damaging or destroying any of the property of said City, or injuring or corrupting any of the water supply or water works of said City, and may recover treble damages and costs against such person.

~~The City Council shall have the power to establish sidewalks, and to prescribe the material to be used therein, and also to provide, order, and direct that the sidewalks upon such streets as the City Council shall designate, shall together with the curbing therefor, be constructed in part at the expense of the owner or owners of the lands or buildings adjacent thereto, and in proportion to the benefit conferred, not to exceed one-half, and to assess the lands or buildings of such owner or owners adjacent to or abutting on any such sidewalk, to be constructed in compliance with such order, such proportion of the cost or expense thereof, such assessment to be apportioned among the owners of such lands or buildings fronting as aforesaid according to their frontage on such sidewalk, and the benefit to be conferred to be made in the manner and in accordance with provisions respecting highways. When such Council shall have made any such assessment, it shall make a report thereof, setting forth its doings in that respect, which report shall be recorded in the City Clerk's office, and, when so recorded, the amount so assessed shall be and remain a lien in the nature of a tax upon the land so assessed until the same shall be paid. Said Council shall have power to assess abutting land owners for a portion of the expense of sprinkling streets, not to exceed one-half, and in proportion to the benefit conferred. Such assessment when made and filed as hereinbefore specified shall be and remain a lien in the nature of a tax upon the land so assessed until the same shall be paid.~~

~~**§ 26. Water system**~~

~~The City Council shall have all the powers over and in any way appertaining to the water system owned by the present Village of Newport that are now conferred on the water commissioners, provided for in 1878 Acts and Resolves No. 201, entitled "An act defining the power of the Village of Newport," and all amendments thereto.~~

~~**§ 27. Sale or lease of City owned property**~~

~~The City Council may authorize the sale of real or personal estate belonging to the City when the same shall not exceed in value \$1,000.00, or may lease the same for a term not exceeding one year, and all conveyances, grants, or leases of any such real estate shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the City Seal.~~

~~**§ 28. City expenditures**~~

~~Except as herein otherwise provided, no money shall be paid out of the City Treasury except upon warrant, signed by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Aldermen, such approval to be authenticated by the City Clerk. A full record of all expenditures shall be kept, and a clear statement of all receipts and disbursements of City monies, and of the affairs of the City generally, shall be annually published under the direction of the City Council, at least two weeks before the annual City election. No City official shall be directly or indirectly interested in any contract with the City.~~

~~The City Council shall have the power to lay and assess upon the grand list of said City, and in addition to such tax as may be necessary for the payment of all such State, county, and highway taxes as are or may be required by law, and in addition thereto such tax as the Board of School Trustees shall recommend to said Council for the support of schools, not exceeding 100 cents on the dollar of the grand list of said City unless authorized by a vote of the City. They shall have power annually to lay and assess upon said grand list such tax, which shall not exceed 100 cents on the dollar thereof, unless by vote of the City, and in their judgment may be required for the payment of the current expenses of the City and for carrying out any of the provisions of this charter, and in addition they shall annually assess a tax of not less than 20 cents nor more than 60 cents on the dollar of said grand list, the proceeds of which shall be used in retiring the floating and funded indebtedness of said City or in creating a sinking fund for the future redemption of such indebtedness. All of the aforesaid taxes may be included in one rate bill, and such tax bills, with a warrant signed by the Mayor of the City or any justice of the peace within the county shall be delivered to the Treasurer, to whom all taxes shall be paid in money.~~

~~**§ 30. Revenues credit and appropriations**~~

~~(a) The current revenues of the City shall consist of money raised by taxation, from fines and other lawful sources, and such revenues shall constitute the entire sum from which appropriations and payments are to be made, according to law, by or under the authority of the City Council. The credit of the City, other than by temporary loans, not exceeding \$3.50 on the dollar of the grand list of the City for the time being shall not be pledged except by authority of the legal voters of the City. Such temporary loans and all debts incurred by the City Council shall be deemed expenditures and shall be paid by the City Council during the fiscal year in which they are contracted.~~

~~(b) All appropriations for specific purposes made at any annual or special meeting in said City shall, unless otherwise directed by the voters, be paid out of current revenues for that year and shall be deemed as expenditures by the City Council.~~

~~(c) The City Council shall not exceed in expenditures, except by express authority of the legal voters of the City, said current revenues of the City during any year. If it should happen that said current revenues of the City shall have been expended before the end of any fiscal year, and there remain necessary or desirable expenditures to be met, the City Council shall call a special meeting of the legal voters of the City to consider what shall be done.~~

~~(d) The Mayor and Board of Aldermen, without special direction of the voters of said City, shall not draw, sign, or approve warrants to pay expenditures or appropriations in excess of current revenues. The City Treasurer, without special direction of the voters of said City, shall not honor or pay warrants in excess of current revenues. Any official violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to refund to the City the full amount of all warrants drawn, signed or approved or so honored or paid.~~

§ 32. Bonds of City officers

The Treasurer, Clerk, Constable, Tax Collector, and Superintendent of Streets and Waterworks shall annually give bonds to the City to the satisfaction of the City Council for the faithful discharge of their respective duties, and any other City officer may be required by the City Council to give similar bonds. In case any officer neglects to give bonds as above specified, after 10 days' notice from the City Council that he or she is required to do so, his or her office shall thereupon become vacant and the vacancy shall be filled as hereinbefore provided.

§ 33. [Transitional provisions related to the financial assets and liabilities of the Villages of Newport and West Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 37.]

§ 34. Pledge of credit

Whenever the legal voters of the City shall give authority to the Council thereof to pledge the credit of the City for any purpose, the City shall have power and authority to issue its negotiable orders, warrants, notes, or bonds, and to prescribe whether such bonds shall be registered or have interest coupons attached to the amount, not to exceed the limit prescribed by law, for which the legal voters aforesaid shall have given authority to so pledge the credit of the City. Such notes or bonds shall be payable at such time and at such a rate of interest as shall be established by said voters, or, if no time or rate of interest is fixed thereby, the same shall be established by resolution of said Council.

§ 35. [Transitional provisions related to the financial liabilities and assets of the Towns of Newport and Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 35.]

§ 36. [Transitional provisions related to the books and records of the Town of Newport; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 36.]

§ 37. [Transitional provisions related to the books and records of the Town of Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 37.]

§ 38. Paupers

(a) The Town of Newport and the City of Newport shall, on and after April first, 1919, be respectively liable for one-half the support of all persons who were paupers on said Town of Newport, meaning those being supported on the Town Farm of said Town, on the first Tuesday of March 1918. As soon as may be after the passage of this charter and forthwith after each annual Town and City meeting hereafter the Overseers of the Poor of said Town and City shall meet to agree upon the charge for board and lodging of said paupers on the City Farm of said City for the year ensuing, and, if they agree, they shall reduce their agreement to writing in duplicate and file one of said duplicates with the City Clerk of said City and one with the Town Clerk of said Town; but if said overseers cannot agree upon

§ 39. Public schools and school property

The exclusive management and control of the public schools and all school property is vested in a board of five school trustees. Said trustees shall be bona fide residents of the City and qualified voters for school officers. The three incumbents constituting the present Board shall continue in office until their respective terms expire. At the annual meeting each year thereafter one trustee shall be elected for a term of three years and until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The remaining two members of the Board shall be appointed in the first instance by the City Council, one for a term of one year, and one for a term of two years; and thereafter the successor of each shall be elected and hold office for a term of three years and until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The Board of School Trustees shall make an annual report of their doing and expenditures to the City Council on or before the first day of February in each year for the last preceding fiscal school year, and in this report they shall make estimates of the necessary expenditures for the support of schools for the ensuing fiscal year, the amount of school income to be

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~~for the support of said schools, which report shall be published with the report of the City officials, as herein provided. Said Board of School Trustees shall annually recommend to the City Council, on or before the first day of April, the amount of money that they require for school purposes, to be raised by taxation, and the City Council shall include such tax in their annual rate bill. On or before the first day of each July hereafter the City Council shall appropriate for the use of schools such sum as will be raised by taxation in that year for the support of schools, and shall also then appropriate the amount of school income to be derived from sources other than taxation in such year, all of which shall constitute the school fund of said City that the City Treasurer shall pay out from time to time on warrants signed by a majority of the Board of School Trustees which said warrant shall not require the approval of the City Council. All money and property formerly owned by the Newport Academy and Graded School District shall belong to said City and all debts and liabilities of said District shall be paid and discharged by said City, and all lawful contracts of said District on March 1, 1918, shall be carried out by said City. The act incorporating the Newport Academy and Graded School District, and all acts, amendatory thereof, are hereby repealed. The school trustees shall give such bond to the City, at the expense of the City, as the City Council shall demand and approve for the faithful discharge of their duties.~~

§ 40. City Manager

- (a) The Council may, when the City so votes at any annual meeting, appoint a City Manager who shall be the administrative head of the municipal government under the direction and supervision of the Council, and who shall hold office at the pleasure of the Council. The duties of the City Manager shall be:
 - (1) to see that the laws and ordinances are faithfully executed;
 - (2) to attend all meetings of the Council at which his or her attendance may be required by that body;
 - (3) to recommend for adoption to the Council such measures as he or she may deem necessary or expedient;
 - (4) to appoint, excepting as otherwise provided for by this act, all officers and employees of the municipality, and to perform the duties of such officers and employees as the Council may designate; (5) to prepare and
 - (5) to prepare and submit to the Council such reports as may be required by that body, or as he or she may deem advisable to submit;
 - (6) to keep the Council fully advised of the financial condition of the municipality and its future needs;
 - (7) to prepare and submit to the Council a tentative budget for the next fiscal year;
 - (8) and to perform such other duties as the Council may determine by ordinance or resolution.

~~(b) The City Manager who receives such salary as may be fixed by the Council, before entering upon the duties of his or her office, he or she shall take the official oath required of other officers by this charter and shall execute a bond in favor of the municipality for the faithful performance of his or her duties in such sum as may be fixed by the Council. The City Manager need not be a voter in or a resident of the City.~~

§ 41. City Council election of City officers

The Council shall, when the City so votes at any annual meeting, elect the Clerk, Treasurer, Constable, listers, auditors, City grand jurors provided for in section 6 of this charter, which election by said Council shall be in lieu of the method provided for in said section 6 of this charter. The term of office of each person so elected by said Council shall be that provided for by said section.

~~(c) The City Council shall have the authority to elect a City Manager.~~

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Subchapter 1: INCORPORATION AND POWERS OF THE CITY

§ 101. Corporate Existence Retained

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other municipal Charter, the City of Newport, as constituted by 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, and as amended, continues to be a municipal corporation within the State of Vermont.

§ 102. General Powers; Law

Except as modified by the provisions of this Charter, or by any lawful regulation or ordinance of the City of Newport, all provisions of the laws of the State of Vermont applicable to municipal corporations shall apply to the City of Newport.

§ 103. Specific Powers

The City of Newport shall have all the powers granted to cities and municipal corporations by the Constitution and laws of the State of Vermont together with all the implied powers necessary to carry into execution all the powers granted, and it may enact ordinances not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Vermont or with this Charter.

§ 104. Reservation of Powers

Nothing in this Charter shall be construed as in any way to limit the powers and functions conferred upon the City of Newport and the City Council by general or special enactments in force or effect or hereafter enacted, and the powers and functions conferred by this Charter shall be cumulative and in addition to the provisions of such general or special enactments.

§ 105. Form of Government

The municipal government provided by this Charter shall be known as council-manager form of government. Pursuant to its provisions and subject only to the limitations imposed by the Vermont Constitution and by this Charter, all powers of the City of Newport shall be vested in an elected City Council which shall include four Alderpersons and a Mayor, and which shall enact ordinances, codes, and regulations; adopt budgets; determine policies; and appoint the City Manager, who shall enforce the laws and ordinances and administer the government of the City. All powers of the City shall be exercised in the manner prescribed by this Charter or prescribed by ordinance.

Subchapter 2: GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

§ 201. Powers and Duties of City Council

(a) The members of the City Council shall constitute the legislative body of the City of Newport for all purposes required by statute and, except as otherwise provided in this Charter, shall have all the powers and authority given to and perform all duties required of municipal legislative bodies or City councils under the laws of the State of Vermont.

(b) Within the limitations of the foregoing, the City Council shall have the power to:

(1) Appoint, direct, supervise and remove the City Manager, City Clerk, City Attorney, and City Treasurer.

(2) Create, change, and abolish offices, commissions, or departments other than the offices, commissions, or departments established by this Charter or state statute.

(3) Appoint the members of all boards, commissions, committees, or similar bodies unless specifically provided otherwise by this Charter.

(4) Provide for an independent audit by a certified public accountant.

(5) Inquire into the conduct of any officer, commission, or department and investigate any and all municipal affairs.

(6) Authorize the sale, subject to 24 V.S.A. §1061, or lease of any real estate or personal property belonging to the City.

(7) Exercise every other power that is not specifically set forth herein but that is granted to city councils or municipal legislative bodies by the laws of the State of Vermont.

§ 202. Composition of City Council and Terms of Office

(a) There shall be a City Council consisting of five persons: a Mayor and four Alderpersons.

(b) All members of the City Council shall reside within the boundaries of the City of Newport and shall be elected by the qualified voters.

(c) The term of office of all persons on the City Council shall be two years. Terms shall be

staggered, so that two Alderpersons and the Mayor are elected in odd-numbered years, and the other two Alderpersons are elected in even numbered years.

§ 203. Mayor

(a) The Mayor shall be the head and chief executive officer of the City Government and shall have all powers and authority necessary or advisable therefor, except for the authority granted by the provisions in this Charter to the City Manager. The Mayor shall use the Mayor's best efforts to see that the laws and the City ordinances are enforced. The Mayor shall take care that the finances of the City are properly managed and shall bring before the City Council public issues relevant to the affairs of the City. The Mayor shall preside at all City Council meetings with the powers of moderator, shall have a voice in City Council meetings in accordance with City Council rules and procedures, and shall be entitled to a vote in the circumstances set forth in this Charter.

(b) The Mayor may veto any action passed by the City Council, provided that documentation of the veto and an explanation of the reasons for it are provided to the City Council in writing no later than seven calendar days after passage. Any veto by the Mayor can be overridden by a vote of three or more Alderpersons at the next regular City Council meeting and consideration of the same by the City Council shall be an agenda item at its next regular meeting.

§ 204. Commencement of Terms; Election of City Council President

The terms of newly elected officers shall commence as soon as new members are sworn into office by the City Clerk or any other official authorized to administer oaths. At the first regular or special meeting following the annual City meeting, the City Council shall, by majority vote, organize and appoint a President who shall assume the duties of the Mayor as requested or necessary when the Mayor is unable to carry out those duties.

§ 205. Vacancy in Office

If the Mayor dies, resigns, is incapacitated, is recalled or ceases to be a resident of the City, the President of the City Council shall serve as acting Mayor until either the next annual election or the date of a special city meeting called for either by vote of the City Council or by petition signed by three percent (3%) of the registered voters of the City for the purpose of an election to fill the position. Incapacity shall be determined by a vote of the City Council. If an Alderperson dies, resigns, is incapacitated, is recalled or ceases to be a resident of the City, the remaining members of the City Council shall appoint a person to fill that position until either the next annual meeting or the date of a special city meeting called either by vote of the City Council or by petition signed by three percent (3%) of the registered voters of the City for the purpose of an

election to fill the position. Incapacity shall be determined by a vote of the City Council. Incapacity shall include the failure by any member of the City Council to attend at least one half of the meetings of the City Council in any calendar year. At the next annual or special City meeting, the vacancy shall be filled and the person so elected shall serve for the remainder of the term of office. If the City Council is unable to agree upon an interim replacement, a special City meeting shall be held within sixty (60) days of the vacancy to fill the position.

§ 206. Recall

Any elected officer of the City may be recalled from office as follows:

(a) A petition signed by not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the registered voters of the City shall be filed with the City Clerk requesting a vote on whether the elected officer shall be removed from office.

(b) The City Council shall call a special City meeting to be held within 60 days of receiving the petition to vote on whether the elected officer shall be removed.

(c) The official shall be removed only if at least as many registered voters of the City vote as voted in the election wherein the officer was elected and a majority of that number vote for removal.

(d) If the City votes for removal of an elected officer, the office shall thereupon become vacant and the City Council shall follow the procedure in Section 205, above.

§ 207. Compensation

(a) Compensation paid to the City Council members shall be set by the voters at the annual meeting, with a minimum of \$1,500.00 a year each. The compensation shall be set forth as a separate item in the budget presented to the annual meeting. City Council members may choose to forgo the compensation or a portion of the compensation.

(b) The City Council shall fix the compensation of all appointees and the City Manager. The City Council shall review, approve, and ratify any collective bargaining agreements, which may be negotiated or fixed by the City Manager or their designee.

§ 208. Conflict of Interest; Prohibitions

(a) No City Council member shall hold any other compensated City position or employment during the term for which they were elected to the City Council, unless allowed by the laws of

the State of Vermont. City Council members may be appointed to represent the City on other boards, except as limited by the laws of the State of Vermont.

(b) Neither the City Council nor any of its members shall in any manner dictate the appointment, supervision or removal of any City administrative officers or employees whom the City Clerk, City Treasurer or City Manager or any of the City Manager’s subordinates are empowered to appoint. The City Council may discuss with the City Clerk, City Treasurer or City Manager the appointment, evaluation, and removal of such officers and employees in executive session.

(c) Except for the purpose of inquiries and investigations under Section 201(b)(5) of this Charter, the City Council and its individual members shall deal with the municipal officers and employees who are subject to the direction and supervision of the City Clerk, City Treasurer or City Manager solely through the City Clerk, City Treasurer or City Manager, as appropriate, and neither the City Council nor any of its members shall give orders to any such officer or employee, either publicly or privately.

§ 209. City Council Meetings and Procedure

(a) As soon as possible after the election of the Mayor and Alderpersons, the City Council shall fix the time and place of its regular meetings annually, and such meetings shall be held at least once a month. Special meetings and emergency meetings may be called either by the Mayor or by two Alderpersons as allowed and in accord with the requirements of this Charter or state law.

(b) The City Council shall determine its own rules and order of business. The Mayor shall set the agenda for City Council meetings with advice from the Alderpersons, the City Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Treasurer.

(c) The Mayor shall vote only in the instances where the Mayor’s vote is necessary to attain the quorum or in those instances where it is necessary to break a tie vote among the Alderpersons.

§ 210. Appointments

The City Council shall appoint the members of all boards, commissions, committees, or similar bodies unless specifically provided otherwise by this Charter. The terms of all appointments shall commence on the day after the day of appointment unless the appointment is to fill a vacancy in an office, in which case the term shall commence at the time of appointment and continue until the original term of the vacant position expires.

§ 211. Harbor Commission

There shall be a Harbor Commission, and its powers, obligations and operation shall be under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont, as amended. Members will be appointed by the City Council for three-year terms pursuant to the process set forth in existing ordinances, as the same may be subsequently amended from time to time.

§ 212. Other Boards, Committees and Task Forces

The City Council may from time to time establish, modify the charge and terminate other boards, committees and task forces, as may be necessary or beneficial for the administration of the affairs of the City. The composition of such boards, committees and task forces shall be established by the City Council upon creation of the same. Unless authority is expressly conferred by State law, all such boards, committees and task forces shall be advisory only.

§ 213. Obligation to Serve as Water and Sewer Commissioners

The City Council shall serve as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners. The Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners shall meet at least once per calendar year to review the prior year's audit, approve the coming year's budgets, and to alter rates as necessary or desirable to sufficiently fund the expense budgets. Other than this mandatory annual meeting, the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners shall be subject to the terms and provisions of 24 V.S.A. Chapter 89, 95, 101 and such other general enactments as may be applicable thereto.

Subchapter 3: CITY MANAGER

§ 301. City Manager; Appointment and Hiring

The City Council shall appoint a City Manager under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont. The City Manager need not be a resident of the City of Newport, either before or after appointment.

§ 302. Powers of City Manager

The City Manager shall be the chief administrative officer of the City of Newport. The City Manager shall be responsible to the City Council for the administration of all City affairs placed in the City Manager's charge by or under this Charter. Except with respect to those powers reserved to the City Council under Subchapter 2 of this Charter, the City Manager shall have

the following powers and duties in addition to those powers and duties delegated to municipal managers under the laws of the State of Vermont:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this charter, the City Manager shall appoint and, when the City Manager deems it necessary for the good of the City, suspend or remove all City of Newport employees and other employees provided for by or under this Charter under the City Manager's supervision. The City Manager shall consult with City Council in executive session of a duly-warned Council meeting before exercising the City Manager's sole authority to suspend or remove any staff member under the City Manager's supervision at the level of department head or director. The City Manager may authorize any employee who is subject to the City Manager's direction and supervision to exercise these powers with respect to subordinates in that employee's department, office, or agency. There shall be no discrimination in employment, in accordance with applicable State and federal laws, including 21 V.S.A. § 495. Subject to the terms of any applicable collective bargaining unit contract, appointments, lay-offs, suspensions, promotions, demotions, and removals shall be made primarily on the basis of training, experience, fitness, and performance of duties, in such manner as to ensure that the responsible administrative officer may secure efficient service.

(b) The City Manager shall direct and supervise the administration of all departments, offices, and agencies of the City of Newport except as otherwise provided by this Charter or by law.

(c) The City Manager and the City Council shall share the authority to contract with and direct the City Attorney. The City Council shall reserve the authority to approve contracts with the City Attorney and to retain additional legal counsel as needed. The City Manager shall have the authority to work with the City Attorneys to carry out the business of the City as needed.

(d) The City Manager or a staff member designated by the City Manager shall attend all City Council meetings and shall have the right to take part in discussion and make recommendations but may not vote. The City Council may meet in executive session without the City Manager for discussion or evaluation of the City Manager's performance or if the City Manager is the subject of an investigation pursuant to Section 201(b)(5) of this Charter.

(e) The City Manager shall see that all laws, provisions of this Charter, and acts of the City Council, subject to enforcement by the City Manager or by officers subject to the City Manager's direction and supervision, are faithfully executed.

(f) The City Manager shall prepare and submit the annual budget and capital program to the City Council.

(g) The City Manager shall submit to the City Council and make available to the public a complete report on the finances and administrative activities of the City of Newport as of the end of each fiscal year and at such other times as the City Council may require.

(h) The City Manager shall make such other reports as the City Council may require concerning the operations of the City of Newport's departments, offices, and agencies subject to the City Manager's direction and supervision.

(i) The City Manager shall keep the City Council fully advised as to the financial condition and future needs of the City of Newport and make such recommendations to the City Council concerning the affairs of the City of Newport as the City Manager deems advisable.

(j) The City Manager shall be responsible for the enforcement of all City of Newport ordinances and laws.

(k) When advisable or proper, the City Manager may delegate to appropriate officers and employees of the City of Newport any duties conferred upon the City Manager by this Charter, the Vermont statutes, or the City Council.

(l) The City Manager shall perform such other duties as are specified in this Charter, in State law or as may be required by the City Council.

(m) Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, City personnel policies or in any applicable collective bargaining unit contract, and within the parameters of the then effective City budget, the City Manager shall fix the compensation of City employees.

(n) The City Manager may recommend specific candidates for the City Council's consideration in their appointment of the City Clerk and Treasurer.

(o) The City Manager shall serve as delinquent tax collector.

§ 303. City Manager; Removal; Hearing

The City Council may remove the City Manager from office for cause in accordance with the following procedures:

(a) The City Council shall adopt by affirmative vote of a majority of all its members a preliminary resolution that must state the reasons for removal and may suspend the City Manager from duty for a period not to exceed 45 days. Within three days after the vote, a copy of the resolution shall be delivered to the City Manager.

(b) Within five days after a copy of the preliminary resolution is delivered to the City Manager, the City Manager may file with the City Council a written request for a hearing; the hearing shall be in a public or executive session by choice of the City Manager. This hearing shall be held at a special City Council meeting not earlier than 15 days nor later than 30 days after the request is filed. The City Manager may file with the City Council a written reply not later than five days before the hearing.

(c) The City Council may adopt a final resolution of removal, which may be made effective immediately, by affirmative vote of a majority of all its members at any time after five days from the date when a copy of the preliminary resolution was delivered to the City Manager, if the City Manager has not requested a hearing, or at any time after the hearing, if the City Manager has requested one.

§ 304. Vacancy in Office of City Manager

The City Council shall make appropriate arrangements to carry out the City Manager’s responsibilities if the City Manager’s position is vacant. For periods up to one continuous month of absence for any reason other than incapacity, the City Manager may appoint appropriate staff member to perform the City Manager’s duties. If the City Manager is absent for longer than one month or for any length of time due to incapacity, City Council approval will be required to assign the City Manager’s responsibilities appropriately. If the City Manager fails to make such designations, the City Council may by resolution appoint an officer or employee of the City to perform the duties of the City Manager until the City Manager is able to return to duty.

Subchapter 4. City Clerk and Treasurer

§ 401. Completion of Elected Term

The incumbent elected City Clerk and City Treasurer shall continue to serve in those capacities through the expiration of the terms of office on March 7, 2028. In the event that the currently serving Clerk/Treasurer either chooses to or must leave office prior to completion of his term of office on March 8, 2028, the City Council shall appoint a City Clerk and a City Treasurer to serve out the remainder of the respective terms of office.

§ 402. Appointment

(a) The City Clerk and the City Treasurer shall be appointed by the City Council with advice from the City Manager with a term commencing on March 8, 2028. The City Clerk and City Treasurer shall serve as an officer and employee of the City, but under the City Council’s supervision and administrative control.

(b) The same person may be appointed to both City Clerk and City Treasurer positions if the City Council so chooses. The positions of City Clerk and City Treasurer shall be compensated at a level of compensation to be determined by the City Council with the advice from the City Manager.

(c) The City Clerk and City Treasurer shall appoint, direct, supervise and remove one or more Assistant City Clerks and Assistant City Treasurers who shall be compensated at a level of compensation to be determined by the City Council with advice from the City Manager.

(d) The City Clerk and City Treasurer shall be supervised by the City Council, which will set the terms of the job descriptions, taking into account all requirements of and duties imposed by the laws of the State of Vermont on municipal clerks and treasurers. The City Council's authority hereunder includes evaluation of the performance of said duties, and removal from office for cause with notice and a hearing, if requested, at an appropriately warned meeting of City Council. The requested hearing may be held in open session or in executive session at the election of the City Clerk or City Treasurer.

Subchapter 5: CITY MEETINGS

§ 501. City Meetings and Elections

(a) The annual City meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in the month of March, at which time the voters shall vote for the election of officers, the voting on the City budget, and any other business included in the warnings for the meeting. The agenda and all ballot items for the annual meeting shall be warned not less than 30 nor more than 40 days before the meeting.

(b) Special City meetings shall be called either by petition of three percent (3%) of the registered voters of the City or in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Vermont, except as provided in this Charter with respect to recall petitions and special elections.

(c) The election of officers, the voting on budgets, and the voting on all questions at annual and special meetings shall be by Australian ballot system. The City Clerk and Board of Civil Authority shall conduct elections in accordance with laws of the State of Vermont.

Subchapter 6: ORDINANCES

§ 601. Adoption of Ordinances

Ordinances shall be adopted in accordance with State law pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §§ 1972–1976, as amended.

Subchapter 7: ADMINISTRATION

§ 701. Real Estate Assessor

In lieu of the election of listers, there shall be either a real estate assessor who is a certified real estate appraiser or an independent appraisal firm, headed by a certified real estate appraiser, appointed by the City Council that shall carry out the duties of assessor in the same manner, shall be subject to all of the same liabilities prescribed for listers under the laws of the State of Vermont in assessing property within the City of Newport, and shall establish the grand list thereof and shall return such list to the City Clerk within the time required by Vermont law.

§ 702. Officers' and Employees' Bonds

On an annual basis, all officers and employees from whom bonds are required by law shall give bonds to the City, to the satisfaction of the City Council, for the faithful discharge of their respective trusts. Such bond shall be given before the officer or employee concerned enters upon his or her duties. If the City Council requires a bond with a fidelity company as surety, the City shall pay the expense thereof. The City Manager may contract for one blanket bond to cover all City officers and employees required to furnish bonds. The City Council, in its discretion, may purchase crime insurance either in addition or in lieu of bonds.

Subchapter 8: BUDGET PROCESS

§ 801. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the City shall begin on the first day of July in the calendar year and end on the last day of June of the next calendar year. The fiscal year shall constitute the budget and accounting year as used in this Charter.

§ 802. Annual City Budget

With support from the finance department, the City Manager shall submit to the City Council a budget for review before the annual City Meeting or at such previous time as may be directed by the City Council. The budget shall contain:

- (a) an estimate of the financial condition of the City as of the end of the fiscal year;
- (b) an itemized statement of the recommended income and expense budget, and for capital improvements, during the next fiscal year, with comparative statements of estimated income and expense budgeted for the current fiscal year and actual income and expense for the immediate preceding fiscal year;
- (c) an itemized statement of estimated revenues from all sources, other than taxation, for the next fiscal year and comparative figures of tax and other sources of revenue for the current and immediate preceding fiscal years;
- (d) a capital budget for not fewer than the next five fiscal years, showing anticipated capital expenditures, financing, and tax requirements; and
- (e) such other information as may be required by the City Council.

§ 803. City Council Action on Budget

The City Council shall review and approve the recommended budget with or without change. The budget shall be made available to the public in printed form in the City Clerk's office and in electronic form (pdf or its equivalent) on the City's website or such future equivalent as may exist from time to time not later than two weeks after its preliminary adoption by the City Council. The City Council shall fix the time and place for holding a public hearing for the budget and shall give public notice of the hearing.

§ 804. Budget Meeting; Warning

- (a) The City Council shall hold at least one public informational meeting within the 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting to present and explain its proposed budget and shall give a public notice of such hearing.
- (b) The City Manager shall, not less than 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting, make available the City Council's recommended budget and the final warning of the upcoming Annual Meeting.

(c) The annual City report shall be made available to the legal voters of the City not later than 10 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

§ 805. Amount to Be Raised by Taxation

Upon passage of the budget by the voters, the amounts stated therein as the amount to be raised by taxes shall constitute a determination of the amount of the levy for the purposes of the City in the corresponding tax year, and the City Council shall levy such taxes on the grand list as prepared by the assessor for the corresponding tax year.

Subchapter 9: GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 901. Savings Clause

The enactment, modification or subsequent repeal of this Charter shall not affect the validity of a previously enacted ordinance, resolution, or bylaw.

§ 902. Severability

The provisions of this Charter are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Charter is found to be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which can be given effect without the invalid provision.

§ 903. Statutory References

If any matter mentioned in this Charter is said to be controlled by state statutes, the reference to the state statute shall apply to the statute as amended or renumbered, or any statute substituted therefor and having similar subject matter.

CITY CLERK and TREASURER REPORTS

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025



The following reports are a summary of the City of Newport's financial activities from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Should anyone have questions or need information please visit our office or call 802-334-2112. We will be glad to answer any questions you may have or direct you to the appropriate department for answers. Thank you to Assistant Clerk/Treasurers Stacey Therrien and Robyn Churchill for their professionalism, expertise and dedication to the citizens of Newport.

James D. Johnson,
City Clerk Treasurer

TAX LEVY

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Municipal Grand List	321,623,860	323,991,860	328,344,300
Education Grand List	323,617,054	326,260,594	329,233,000
Homestead Rate.....	3.0892	3.3846	3.5248
Non-Resident Rate	3.1028	3.4445	3.6201
Municipal Rate	1.3503	1.5419	1.6714
Appropriations0528	.0525	.0668
Voted Exempt.....	.0189	.0225	.0113
Residential Education Rate	1.6672	1.7677	1.7753
Non-residential Educational Rate	1.6808	1.8276	1.8706
School Taxes	4,868,463	5,250,004	5,530,547
Appropriations	167,218	169,818	177,818
Voted Exempt.....	60,884	72,822	37,115
Municipal Taxes.....	4,573,480	4,995,594	5,707,365

**MOORING
MANAGEMENT FUND**

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Revenues

Recreation and Culture..... 3,260

Expenditures

Recreation and Culture..... 3,260

Beginning Balance (4,440)

Ending Balance (4,381)

RECREATION FUND

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Revenue

Recreation and Culture 7,095

Investment Income 566

Total 7,661

Expenditures

Recreation and Culture..... 3,228

Capital Outlay 77,743

Total 80,971

Operating Transfers Out (20,817)

Beginning Balance 109,308

Ending Balance 15,181

PUBLIC SAFETY FUND

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Revenue

Interest..... 11,518

Expenses

Police Expenditures..... 18,693

Beginning Balance..... 29,233

Ending Balance..... 22,059

PERLEY NILES FUND

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Additions

Interest Income 4,772

Dividend Income 1,780

Net Gain (loss) 10,201

Total 16,753

Deductions

Administrative Fees 1,677

Contracted Services..... 85

Other Expenditures 271

Total 2,066

Beginning Balance 187,626

Ending Balance 202,346

RESTRICTED/ASSIGNED FUNDS

FY Ending June 30, 2025

General Fund

Records Restoration	55,380
Reappraisal Fund	20,000
NBRC Grant Funding Match.....	240,800
Economic Development	
Walmart Funds	386,013
Total General Fund	702,193

Recreation Fund

Playground Equipment	15,181
Total Restricted.....	717,374

Committed

Tennis Court Fund.....	7,224
Capital Projects.....	17
Total Committed	7,241

EAST MAIN STREET CEMETERY FUND

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Additions

Contributions.....	150
Interest Income	6,238
Dividend Income	1,868
Net Gain from Investments	10,977
Total.....	19,253

Deletions

Administrative Fees	1,980
Contracted Services.....	7,000
Total.....	8,980

Beginning Balance	197,253
Ending Balance	207,526

NOTES AND BONDS PAYABLE

FY Ending June 30, 2025

General Fund

Beginning Balance	224,672
Additions	255,023
Deletions	121,671
Ending Balance	358,024

Sewer Fund

Beginning Balance	1,340,577
Additions	0
Deletions	289,069
Ending Balance	1,051,508

Water Fund

Beginning Balance	1,122,479
Additions	0
Deletions	0
Ending Balance	1,122,479

COMMUNITY/DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

FY Ending June 30, 2025

Additions

Interest Income.....	35
Beginning Balance	31,818
Ending Balance	31,853



ENTERPRISE FUNDS
FY Ending June 30, 2025

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Water</u>
Charges and Rent	1,399,622	880,983
Derby Share	113,460	
Discharge Fees	239,253	
ARPA Grant Income		182,465
Other Income		731,501
Total	1,751,335	1,794,949
 <u>Operating Expense</u>		
Sewer System	207,512	
Sewer Plant	759,985	
Water Treatment & Pumping		332,176
Water Transmitting & Distribution		141,507
Administration	65,290	74,820
Depreciation	420,790	253,723
Personnel & Other Expense	154,504	72,555
Maintenance Expenses	8,422	42,183
Total Expenses	1,617,133	916,961
Gain from Operations	134,202	877,988
Interest Income	13,445	8,982
Interest Expense	(26,107)	(58,297)
Change in Net Position	121,540	828,673
 Beginning Balance	 667,828	 2,220,811
Ending Balance	789,368	3,049,495



VITAL STATISTICS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

■ MARRIAGES

2021	27
2022	32
2023	25
2024	31
2025	43

■ BIRTHS

YEAR	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
2021	84.....	77.....	161
2022	72.....	81.....	153
2023	83.....	86.....	169
2024	95.....	81.....	176
2025	79.....	90.....	169
Residents of City.....			26

■ DEATHS

YEAR	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
2021	78.....	81.....	159
2022	65.....	83.....	148
2023	51.....	61.....	112
2024	49.....	66.....	115
2025	59.....	62.....	121
Residents of City.....			51

■ 2025 DEATHS SHOWN BY AGE GROUP

Under 1 year	1
Between 1 and 10 years.....	0
Between 11 and 20 years.....	0
Between 21 and 30 years.....	0
Between 31 and 40 years.....	2
Between 41 and 50 years.....	3
Between 51 and 60 years.....	7
Between 61 and 70 years.....	21
Between 71 and 80 years.....	31
Between 81 and 90 years.....	28
Between 91 and 100 years.....	26
Over 100 years old	2
Total	121

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Newport City Department of Public Works is responsible for the planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of all city facilities and basic services that affect the daily lives of all who live and work in Newport.

The department manages essential infrastructure, including drinking water, wastewater collection and treatment, street lighting, and controlled intersections. Our responsibilities extend to city highways, recycling services, municipally owned buildings, recreation facilities, and the city's vehicle fleet.

Our primary goal is to provide essential services that ensure the well-being of the community. With a dedicated workforce of sixteen full-time and five part-time employees, the department performs routine maintenance, budgeted operations, and capital improvements.

Newport is fortunate to have highly qualified personnel with the expertise to perform complex tasks in-house, saving the city the considerable expense of hiring outside contractors. Our employees frequently work nights, weekends, and holidays under extreme conditions to meet the needs of our residents and local businesses.

The Public Works Department maintains over forty miles of paved and unpaved city roads, six bridges, and sixteen miles of sidewalks.

Our operations include snow removal, roadway construction and rehabilitation, street sweeping, street lighting, and litter control. We also manage storm drainage systems, traffic signals and signs, maintenance paving, landscaping, pothole patching, shoulder maintenance, pavement markings, and roadside mowing.

Additionally, the Street Department maintains and improves the city's storm drainage structures—including pipelines, catch basins, ditches, swales, and underdrains—to ensure compliance with state and federal water quality standards.

2025 CONSTRUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Please find the following updates regarding our recent infrastructure projects:

Gardner Park Playground: Following initial soil remediation and a \$315,000 bond vote (of which the City only needed to borrow \$200,000), the playground celebrated its grand opening in July 2025.

I would like to personally thank my staff in the Public Works Department for their hard work and enthusiasm for building the wooden pirate ship, castle, and playhouse. These three structures have enhanced the overall look, fun, and creativity throughout the playground.

The construction of the wooden structures was completed at the Public Works facility during the 2024/25 winter season.



Public Works projects typically involve replacing underground infrastructure that is rarely seen. However, our talented staff possesses a diverse array of skills that allow us to take on a wide variety of challenges.



In recent years, we have also constructed several aesthetically pleasing projects for the community to enjoy. The Gardner Park playground is one of those projects, and it is one we are particularly proud of.





CAUSEWAY TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND STREET LIGHTING PROJECT:

This project is partially funded by two Grants NBRC \$250,000 and USDA \$119,637.

The bid process went through two rounds this summer. The second bid process was awarded to Electric Light Company Light of Cape Neddick, ME for \$876,260. A portion of the bid totaling \$586,555 was to be constructed by the Public Works Department. This portion was taken out of the bid to financially make the overall project affordable for the city. Causeway project has been completed, and final cleanup will take place this construction season. The total cost as of early February for city portion of the project was only \$229,584.00.

PROUTY BEACH IMPROVEMENTS

We are pleased to announce several updates to the Prouty Beach Campground. We have recently installed eight new full-hookup RV sites, bringing our total capacity to 80 sites and 13 tent sites. The sites were built along the tennis courts and playground.

Additional enhancements to the campground included a new wooden monster truck play structure, a misting pole, and an ADA-accessible rental cabin.

Some trees were removed from within the playground and new wood chips were added for safety.

Public Works set up the new cabin with electricity and built a ramp to make our first cabin rental handicap accessible.



SEWER SYSTEM

The sewer system consists of approximately 115,000 linear feet of piping and an estimated 500 sewer manholes. The network includes force main piping that pumps sewage from low-elevation areas to gravity sewer lines, managed by ten sewer pumping stations.

All waste is processed at the wastewater treatment facility, which has a design capacity of 1.3 million gallons per day. Over the past year, the facility treated an average of 536,508 gallons per day.

WATER SYSTEM

The city currently owns, operates, and maintains approximately 197,650 linear feet of water main. Our distribution system includes pipes ranging from 1 to 14 inches in diameter, varying in age and material.

System storage consists of a 750,000-gallon elevated storage tower with a booster pumping station on the west side, a 1,100,000-gallon earthen reservoir on the east side, and the new 210,000-gallon eastside water tower that maintains adequate pressure for Derby Road. This infrastructure supports 324 fire hydrants and 1,795 service connections.

Water is supplied by two gravel-packed wells and an arsenic treatment facility, which produced an average of 580,753 gallons per day over the past year.

LAKEMONT WATER SYSTEM

The Public Works staff has completed the installation of 802 linear feet of 4" water main and property service connections on the westerly side of the development. This line has been pressure tested, chlorinated, and is now actively supplying water to those properties.

Work on the easterly side has begun, but construction has halted for the winter. It will be completed during the upcoming construction season.

LEAD & COPPER INVENTORY

Regarding our Lead & Copper Inventory, please be advised that no lead service lines have been identified at this time.

The goal of this study is to identify any water service lines made of lead by determining the material used on both the city and the property owner's side. To meet this requirement, we need your assistance in identifying the material of your specific water line.

Please contact us at (802) 487-9448 or via email at newportwaterdepartment@gmail.com to schedule a brief home inspection.

Your cooperation in completing this inventory is greatly appreciated.

MANDATORY WATER METER

The Public Works Department is currently mandating the installation of water meters for all properties. Since this initiative began in August 2025, we have successfully installed over 260 meters. However, 456 properties remain out of 1,795 total properties.

The city has begun placing door hangers at properties to notify owners of this requirement. A second round of notices has now been placed at all outstanding properties. Please be advised that once a third and final notice is issued, significant sanctions and fees will be levied against your account until a meter is installed.

To avoid these penalties and schedule your installation, please contact us immediately at (802) 487-9448 or email newportwaterdepartment@gmail.com.

EASTSIDE-DERBY ROAD WATER TOWER PROJECT

The new 210,000-gallon water tower on Derby Road came online this past fall and is now serving the City's water needs. With this project complete, the city will no longer be reliant on the Village of Derby water for future growth along the Derby Road corridor.

We remain committed to providing the people of Newport with high-quality water and wastewater treatment. I want to commend Jason, Eric Carrier, and Jared our Treatment Facility staff, for their continued hard work and dedication.

I am proud to be part of the innovations and changes that move our city forward, making it a better place to live, work, and play. I would like to personally thank the remaining Public Works crew—Chris, Dan, Ben, Travis, Andrew, Corey, Tucker, Royce, Larry, Eric Hartman, Rob, Mac, Robert, Arnold, and Jonathan—for their continued hard work to make major upgrade projects throughout the city possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas L. Bernier
Director of Public Works

NEWPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT



2025 Incidents

Agency Assist.....	226	DRE Call Out	11	Service of Paperwork	196
Alarms	107	Drugs	16	Sex Offender Registry Check.....	6
Alcohol/Tobacco Offense/Minor ..	16	E911 Hangup	33	Sex Offender Registry Violation..	1
Animal Problem.....	102	Family Fight/Domestic.....	58	Sex Offense	19
Arson	3	Fireworks.....	2	SHARP/GHSP Detail	37
Assault	26	Foot Patrol	66	Snowmobile Complaint	1
Assist - K9	2	Found/Lost Property	50	Stalking	1
ATV Complaint	5	Fraud	30	Stolen Vehicle	4
Background Investigation	18	Illegal Burning.....	1	Stonegarden Detail	318
Bike Patrol	7	Information Card	37	Suicide Attempted	3
Boater Assist.....	2	Intoxicated Person	23	Suspicious.....	142
Bomb Threat.....	1	Juvenile NICS Check.....	15	Threats/Harassment.....	49
Burglary	10	Juvenile Problem	62	Traffic Hazzard	29
Citizen Assist.....	281	Larceny	79	Traffic Offense	6
Citizen Dispute.....	85	Littering	4	Traffic Stop.....	1054
Communications Offense	6	Marine Patrol.....	1	Trespassing	60
Crash Property - Injury	13	Medical Assist.....	10	TRO/FRO Violation	10
Crash - Non Reportable	34	Missing Person	9	Truck Inspection	3
Crash - Property Damage	120	Motor Vehicle Complaint	197	Unsecure Premises.....	10
Cruelty to Child.....	3	Motorist Assist.....	14	Vandalism	35
Custodial Interference	2	Noise Disturbance	49	Vessel Inspection	2
Death Investigation	9	Overdose	1	VIN Verification.....	15
Deliver Message	9	Parade Detail	5	Violation Conditions of Release	26
Directed Patrol.....	202	Parking Problem	77	Wanted Persons	73
Disorderly Conduct.....	30	Public Records Request	31	Weapons Offense	4
Disposed Needle	4	Public Speaking.....	39	Welfare Check	134
		Ride Along	6	Total Incidents	4,487

The Newport Police Department strives to serve our community with professionalism, integrity and courage all while maintaining transparency. We are pro-active in our community involvements and support all activities that Newport City has to offer and maintain public safety.

The 2026 Annual Report highlights a period of stability and community engagement, maintaining full staffing levels with 14 full-time officers and 5 full-time dispatchers. This staffing includes a Chief, two Sergeants, and eleven Patrol Officers, with specialized roles for a School Resource Officer, a Detective, and K9 Ozzy.



OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2025:

Police Response: Officers responded to 4,487 calls for service.

Dispatch Activity: The dispatch center handled 12,201 emergency calls, providing critical communication services for 19 different agencies throughout Orleans County.

Crime Trends: Data from 2025 showed a decrease compared to 2024 in several key areas, including assaults, burglaries, citizen disputes, stolen vehicles, and robberies. There were zero homicides in 2025.

Community Engagement:

The department successfully hosted its 5th annual "BBQ with the Badge," the annual "Skate with a Cop," bike rodeo, mock crash, and K9 demonstrations to foster local support.

In Memoriam:

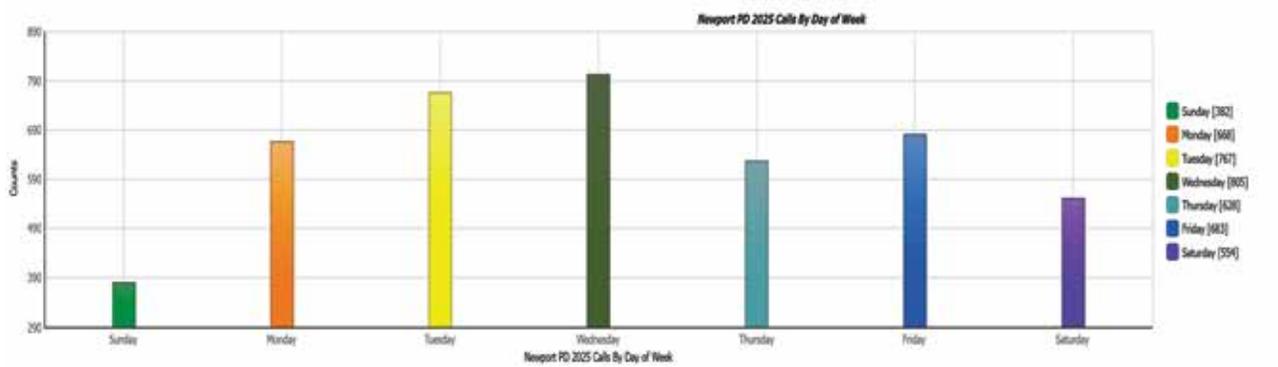
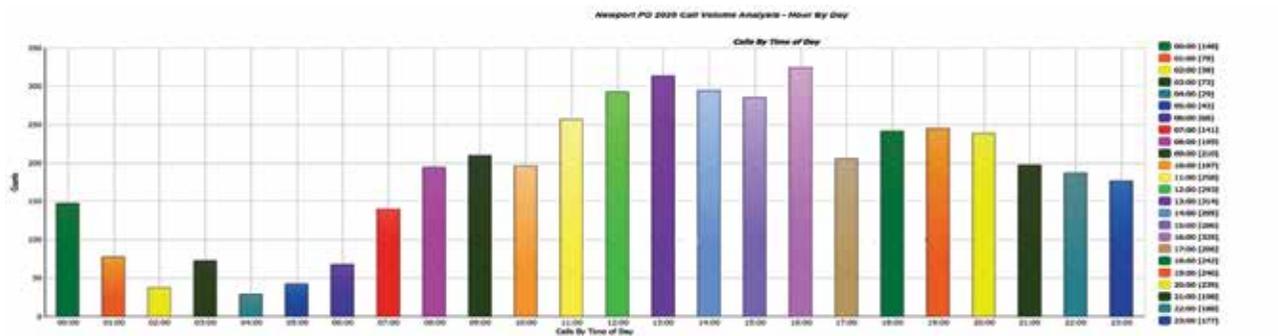
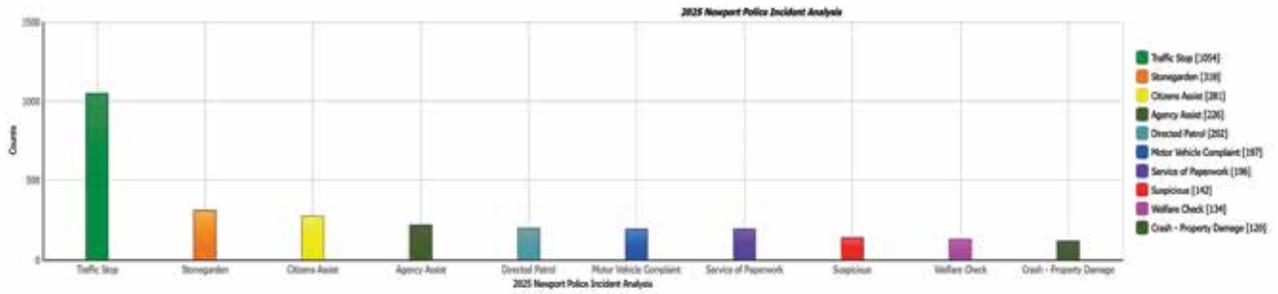
The department honored the memory of Dorothy Myers, who served as a Newport Police dispatcher for 18 years, from 1997 to 2015.

In 2026 the Newport Police Department will stay committed to our policing efforts and overall public safety. We always appreciate the support from the community and engagement with various issues in our community. Thank you for your support and look forward to another great year.

Chief Travis R. Bingham



2025 NEWPORT POLICE INCIDENT ANALYSIS



MESSAGE from the RECREATION DEPARTMENT

December 2025

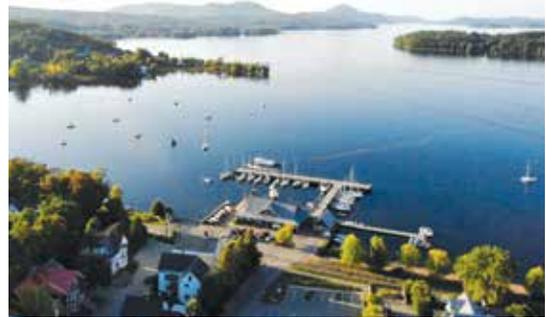
The Newport Recreation Department's mission is to **provide the citizens of Newport with a broad selection of high quality recreational opportunities through facilities and programs and to enhance the quality of life for all ages.** The last fiscal year, the revenue generated by the Gateway Center and Marina, Prouty Beach Campground, Gardner Park, the Municipal Building Gym, and other programs totaled \$561,989.

GATEWAY CENTER & NEWPORT CITY DOCK

The Gateway Center is Newport City's picturesque banquet hall nestled on the shore of Lake Memphremagog, we continue to provide a welcoming space for family and community events at a reasonable rate. At the Newport City Dock, Harbor Master Patrick Finn continues to make improvements. We continue to serve the community and our neighbors from Quebec with seven day a week service from May-October. We are currently the only operation on the U.S side of the lake that offers gas sales and we will continue to provide the service for the area.



This year we continued our ongoing battle with invasive species on Lake Memphremagog. We switched from bottom benthic barriers to a diver assisted suction harvesting of the invasive Eurasian Watermilfoil. We will monitor the progress and continue with this procedure next summer. We also saw a drastic increase in zebra mussels on the U.S. side of the lake. Our greeter program and the greeter programs around the lake are doing their part to try to curb the spread of these invasive species but it takes everyone. If you are a boater, please make sure your boat is clean before moving from lake to lake.



GARDNER MEMORIAL PARK

Centrally located, Gardner Memorial Park is one of Newport City's most visited recreation facilities. The 20 acre campus includes athletic fields for baseball, softball, soccer and football along with a modified basketball court, skate park and playground. Adjacent to the mouth of the Clyde River, the park is a local hot spot for fishing, kayaking and picnicking.



This year we completed the long awaited playground project and had the ribbon cutting ceremony during the 4th of July celebration. The project took many years and many people to push it over the finish line, a huge thank you goes out to the Newport Recreation Committee for their fundraising and staying focused on pushing the project through the difficulties. Thank you to all our major donors and to the Public Works Department who constructed the playground and awesome wooden play structures. Newport now has one of the best playgrounds in the NEK!

During winter the "skate shack" opens and the heart of Gardner Park was transformed into an outdoor ice skating facility. Skating in Gardner Park has been increasing in popularity over the last couple years, with more families and young children taking an interest. Families appreciate the ability to borrow skates and use the rinks at no cost, aside from donations. We had several school groups come through for winter activity days and had 24 youth learn to skate with our skating lesson program. We also started decorating the park for a holiday drive thru light display and will continue to expand.





PROUTY BEACH & CAMPGROUND

Prouty Beach is a 36 acre park with breathtaking views of Lake Memphremagog and Downtown Newport. We had another stellar year, despite issues at the border, the campground was near capacity all summer long seeing campers from all parts of the U.S. and Canada. Camp Memphremagog, our youth summer day camp was also near capacity all summer with 53 youth going through the 8 week program led by our well trained and seasoned camp staff. We also continued our partnership with Chris Hulse at USTA Net Generation for a phenomenal tennis camp. Prouty Beach also hosted the fleet for Newport Community Sailing Center all summer at the beach for the first time.

Our continuing goal at Prouty Beach campground is to provide the best camping experience in the Northeast, with that we continue to expand. This summer we added 8 new full hook up RV sites as well as a lake side family cabin that sleeps 4. We are excited to welcome families to our cabin this coming summer. We also continued with our ever growing Prouty Beach Haunted Woods in October. This spooky hike leads you through our new tent area to frightening sites and jump scares along the way.

Finally, we would also like to thank Memphremagog Watershed Association for their extensive work on trying to curb the spread of invasive phragmites along the shore of the campground and into Scott's Cove along Bluffside Farm. Their extensive work has opened up the water way to allow native species to take root again, they will continue their efforts to remove the invasive species and plant native plants along the shoreline.





EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Our annual events repertoire has been a tradition in our community for decades. These programs play a vital role in our community's vibrancy and play an important role for the city. We continue to offer year round events to include Fall Fest, Haunted Woods, Pumpkin Palooza with the Rec. Committee, Pomerleau Park tree lighting ceremony, The Pomerleau Party, Family Skate Date, Skate Lessons, Winter Fest, Father/Daughter & Mother/Son Dances with the Rec. Committee, Easter Egg Hunts, City Wide Yard Sale, 4th of July Celebration and fireworks, and the Memphremagog Festival, School Vacation Baking and Bingo with the Forever Young Club, just to name a few. This year we added in an after school program called the Rec. League which is a co-ed low key sports program designed for all ability levels for kids up to 7th grade. We also added to the line up the Great Cardboard sled race for youth and adults, many of the local Scouts participated in the race at Prouty Beach sledding hill during Winterfest.

The Newport Parks & Recreation Department, working hand in hand with the Public Works Department and the other city departments, strives to provide reliable facilities and creative programming for City residents and visitors. We continue to offer quality events for all residents to enjoy and be proud to live, work, and play, in the beautiful City of Newport.

Our doors are always open and we are honored to be serving you! Contact us any time by phone, or find us online at www.NewportRecreation.org or "Newport Parks & Recreation" on Facebook.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael E. Brown
Recreation Director



REC. LEAGUE

MESSAGE from the RECREATION COMMITTEE

December 2025

The Newport Recreation Committee consists of passionate volunteers who share a common mission to promote citizen involvement and foster a strong sense of community by advocating for diverse, year-round recreational opportunities and safe, well-maintained facilities to enhance the social, cultural and physical well-being of our residents and visitors. Members of the committee include Committee Chair Jaime Comtois, Committee Vice Chair Jennifer Smith, Secretary Kyle Chadburn, Kelli Rhodes, Carter Finnegan, and John Aldridge.

The Recreation Committee serves as an advisory board to the Newport City Council on issues pertaining to parks and recreation. The group assumes a role in developing a sense of community and enhancing quality of life by influencing the recreational future of Newport. At monthly meetings we discuss upcoming events, facility improvements, long and short term goals, volunteer opportunities and much more. Meetings are about two hours long and are held at the Newport Municipal Building on the third Thursday of each month from 5:30-7:30PM. Consider this a formal invite to any and all who share our passion for parks and recreation! All meetings are open to the public with community participation encouraged.

This year was a huge year for the Recreation Committee. We were able to build a new playground at Gardner Park! The Committee has worked tirelessly for many years to build this playground for the community. We are so proud of all the hard work we have done and all of the past committee members who have made this possible. We hope the community enjoys the playground as much as we do!

2025 Committee events included our annual Bike Rodeo, a Coin Drop, the Ice Out Contest, the Mother Son Dance, The Father Daughter Dance and the PumpkinPalooza in the parklet next to the municipal building.



Jennifer Smith receiving an award from the Mayor



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Coin Drop



Gardner Park Ceremony



MESSAGE from the FOREVER YOUNG CLUB

222 Main Street
Newport, Vt. 802-334-6029

We had our summer picnic at the Gateway this year. In April we did a Kids Cooking event at the Center. Had a fun day at our Halloween party.

We held our Holiday Party at the Cow Palace this year.

The third Monday of every month we hold a Community Bingo at the center. We enjoy a light lunch at noon and then after we start bingo. We play with cards \$.50 each and chips. Usually about 2 hours. We have some chips here. Usually play 10 regular games, 4 specials then the jackpot

We would once again like to thank the City of Newport for all that they do for our group.

Respectfully submitted:

Esther Searles,
*President 802-754-6642
or 802-323-7150*

Darlene Whipple,
Vice President

Sally Brochu,
Treasurer

Ann Collins,
Secretary

Donna Russo,
Member at Large



NEWPORT CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT



We would like to begin by expressing our sincere appreciation to the citizens of Newport for their continued support of the City of Newport Fire Department (CNFD). This year we made major operational improvements, added new apparatus to our fleet, and new members to our roster. Our leadership remains committed to advancing the department, enhancing efficiency, and strengthening our capabilities.

LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION

Chief: Kevin Lacoss

Assistant Chiefs: James LeClaire, Andrew Carbine

Captains: Mark Hinton, Andrew Touchette

Lieutenants: Dyan Messier, Chuck Newton

Administrative Firefighter: Jeffrey Young

MEMBERSHIP

Currently, our roster includes 28 active and dedicated members with well over 300 years of combined experience. Five new members joined in 2025, and we also have five junior members that are eager to learn, and will become great firefighters.

We are always looking for dedicated individuals to join our ranks. CNFD offers various roles, including interior firefighter, driver/operator, and support positions. Applicants must be 18 or older, possess a driver's license, and pass a background check. All training and gear are fully funded by the department. CNFD meets on Tuesday evenings, with a structured schedule of meetings, training, and equipment maintenance.

For teens aged 14-17, we offer a Junior Firefighter program, an excellent introduction to the fire service. Interested candidates are encouraged to visit the station, tour the facilities, and learn more about joining.



CALLS

This year, CNFD responded to 254 calls, a higher volume compared to previous years. The Town of Coventry contracts with CNFD for fire protection. Thirty-three of these calls were in Coventry.

Type	Count Total	Count Coventry
Structure Fire.....	8	1
Cooking Fire/Smoldering.....	3	
Chimney Fire.....	3	1
Brush/Grass Fire	5	2
Vehicle Fire	6	3
Boiler/Furnace.....	0	
Mutual Aid Fire.....	4	
Fire, Other	12	
Crash.....	45	20
Haz-Mat Incident.....	1	
Power Line Incident.....	4	
Traffic Hazard/Detail.....	5	
Gas/Vapor Incident.....	1	
Ice/Water Rescue	3	
Fire Alarm	61	2
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	26	1
Smoke Investigation	12	
Sprinkler System.....	2	
Flooding/ Water in Building	1	
Odor Complaint.....	6	
Burning Complaint.....	12	3
Illegal Burning.....	10	
Fireworks	0	
Medical Assist.....	14	
Agency Assist.....	10	
Totals	254	33

EVENTS

CNFD remains actively involved in community events and public outreach initiatives. All told we held or participated in over 20 public outreach events, with over 150 hours of volunteer time:

In support of North Country Athletics, we flew the US flag at 4 football games and 1 soccer game.

In October we held our annual Fire Prevention & Safety Open House at the fire station. This was our busiest year to date, due in large part to continuous firefighting demonstrations taking place. We had a bounce house, cotton candy, Buggy's Breakfast food truck, face painting, and fire extinguisher training with live fire. Newport Police also participated in our open house.

During the month of October, we visited Newport City Elementary School, Coventry Village School, North Country Union High School, New Hope Bible School, and United Christian Academy, where we discussed fire safety with students and fire prevention. We participated in several "Trunk or Treat" events, handing out candy and plastic fire helmets, and visited multiple preschools to talk to kids about fire safety.

In December, we participated in the Orleans County Sheriff's Department annual "Operation Santa" toy drive. Many local law enforcement agencies, Newport Ambulance, Derby Line

We had the privilege of delivering toys to Newport City Elementary School and Coventry Village School. Santa came with us on our toy delivery to Coventry Village School, and with the permission of CVS staff, Santa paid a surprise visit to several classrooms.

TRAINING

Members of CNFD meet for training twice per month, covering a wide range of topics. Members also participated in several special training events. In the spring, new members participated in the Northeast International Mutual Aid (NEIMA) Essentials class, and eleven members took classes at the NEIMA Regional Fire School. Several members also took classes at the North Country International Fire School in Alburgh, Vermont.

CNFD is currently hosting Firefighter Level I & II classes at our station. These classes run back to back beginning in August, and culminate in May. These are Pro-Board accredited certifications, totaling 276 hours of instruction time. Five CNFD members are taking both Firefighter Level I & II, two members who are already certified at Firefighter Level I will be joining the class to earn Firefighter Level II.

Members of CNFD are not paid for training. Every year, members collectively volunteer hundreds of hours to improve their knowledge and skills. In 2025, all CNFD members combined had over 1,700 hours of training.



APPARATUS

In 2025 the City of Newport Fire Department took delivery of two new pieces of apparatus: a Zodiac Milpro Mark 2GR rescue boat, and a Spartan pumper-tanker.



The purchase of our Zodiac rescue boat was funded by a grant. It will be used on lake Memphremagog, but is light enough to be deployed by hand on any body of water, or during flooding for search and rescue operations.



Our new Engine was delivered on October 10th, just in time for our annual open house. It was put into service on October 16th. Engine 3 can operate either as an Engine, or as a Tanker, depending on the call. Engine 3 replaced Engine 1, a 1998 Ferrara pumper.

The City of Newport Fire Department operates the following apparatus:

- Engines: Engine 2 (2010 Smeal), Engine 3 (2025 Spartan)
- Aerial: Tower 1 (2001 Smeal, 85ft Platform)
- Rescue: Rescue 5 (2014 RescueOne Heavy Rescue)
- Wildland & Utility Vehicles: Brush 23 (2004 Ford F350), CanAm UTV
- Marine: Rivercraft rescue airboat, Zodiac Milpro rescue boat
- Support: Portable Breathing Air Cascade unit, Chief's Car (2017 Ford Interceptor Utility)

EQUIPMENT

No major equipment upgrades were made this year.

STATION

Our station, built in 1998, continues to serve us well. Planned HVAC and lighting improvements, and exterior trim repairs were not realized this year, but we expect them in 2026.

LOOKING AHEAD

We remain committed to serving the community with professionalism and dedication. Thank you to the citizens of Newport for your ongoing support. Citizens are welcome to stop in at our station during normal business hours to look at our equipment and talk to on-duty firefighters. We look forward to another year of service and excellence.

Respectfully Submitted,
City of Newport Fire Department



ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ANNUAL REPORT

December 31, 2025

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission is responsible for establishing overall land use and development policy for the City of Newport. This takes two forms – the land use plan, and the zoning bylaws. While the Planning Commission researches and prepares drafts of the plan and bylaws, final approval and adoption require action by the City Council. Planning Meetings are held every first and third Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. in the Newport City Council Room. The public is welcome, and a remote option is available.

The City of Newport received a Local Planning Grant from the State of Vermont to undertake a comprehensive evaluation and update of its Subdivision and Zoning Bylaws. Primarily designed to reduce all unreasonable barriers to the development of new housing units, the aptly named Bylaw Modernization Project has been the central focus of the Planning Commission in 2025. The Commission, with the assistance of contracted professional planner Brandy Saxton, has completed the updated Newport Unified Development Regulations. Currently, an external legal review of the Proposed Draft Regulations is in process with an anticipated release date in the spring 2026.

Planning Commission Members:

- Gina Cirelli, Chair
- Carole O’Connell, Vice Chair
- Denis Chenette
- Jay Walsh
- Vacant

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Historic Preservation Commission consists of 5 members appointed by the Newport City Council for 3-year terms. Meetings are held four times a year and are held in conjunction with regular Planning Commission meetings. Historic Preservation is responsible for the planning, advocacy, and promoting appreciation of Newport’s historic and architecturally significant resources. The regularly scheduled 2026 meetings will be held March 17, June 16, September 15, and December 15, 2026. All meetings take place in the city council room. The public is welcome, and a remote option is available.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Consistent with Newport’s Zoning Bylaws and Vermont State Statute the Development Review Board is charged with reviewing and ruling on proposals for land development in the city. This includes but is not limited to appeals, waivers, variances, site plan and Local Act 250 review.

The board holds public hearings on an as needed basis on Wednesdays in the city council room. Public Notice of upcoming hearings are warned 15 days in advance on the city’s website, in 3 public location’s and in the local news-

paper. Interested members of the community are encouraged to attend. The Development Review Board convened 3 times in 2026.

Current DRB Members are:

- Agathe Coburn, Chair
- Jay Walsh, Vice Chair
- Patrick Hurley, Secretary
- Dennis Chenette
- Melissa Pettersson
- Laurie Grimm
- David Kerr

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Frank Cheney Zoning Administrator is available to assist the public with all residential and commercial planning within the City of Newport. Zoning permits, regulations, property information and mapping resources may be obtained online by accessing Planning and Zoning on the official Newport City Website. The zoning office is open Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m.–4 p.m., any member of the community who may require assistance should contact Mr. Cheney at 802-334-6992 or zoning.administrator@newportvermont.org.

Development activity in 2025 remained relatively healthy with 76 permits being issued. This compares to 77 permits in 2024 and 91 permits in 2023.

2025 PERMIT DETAIL

NEW STRUCTURES	ADDITIONS	CHANGE OF USE	SUBDIVISIONS/ BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS
14	10	18	2
SIGNS	CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY	SHEDS, WALLS AND FENCES	MISC.
2	11	13	6

2026 Outlook

Interest in Newport as a short and long-term destination continues to grow. This combined with an active real estate market would indicate that the outlook for land development in Newport remains positive for 2026. It is however important to consider that the availability or lack thereof affordable housing does represent a significant obstacle to the future economic growth of many Vermont communities. Newport is no exception; recent census data indicates that the housing shortage in our municipality may be as much as 250 units with demand increasing steadily. Analysis of 2025 permit data reveals that 8 new residential dwelling units were permitted and one unit was lost.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Cheney, Zoning Administrator

NEWPORT CITY 2025 ANNUAL TAX ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor's Office—Frank Cheney is available to assist the public with all aspects of residential and commercial property valuation needs. Property information and mapping resources may be obtained online by accessing the Planning and Zoning link on the official Newport City Website. The tax assessor's office is open Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m.–4 p.m., any member of the community who may require assistance should contact Mr. Cheney at 802-334-6992 or zoning.administrator@newportvermont.org.

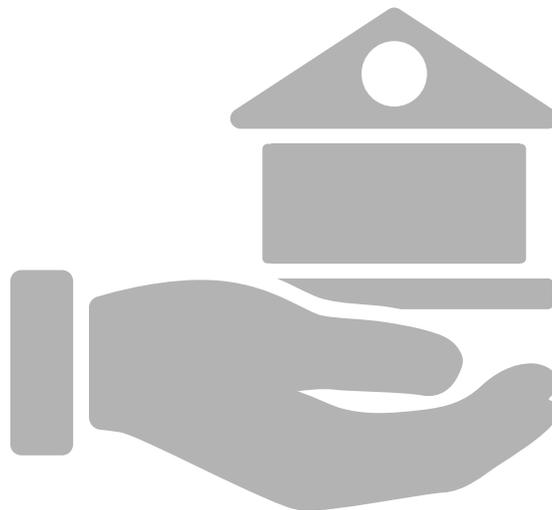
2025 Grand List—The Final 2025 Total Municipal Grand Listed Value submitted to the State of Vermont Department of Taxes was \$328,355,100, this represents a \$4,363,240 increase over the 2024 submission. The results of the completed 2025 State of Vermont Property Valuation and Review Equalization Study for the City of Newport are: 1) Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) which is a measurement of how fairly distributed the property tax is within our city, decreased from 26.60% in 2024 to 22.85% in 2025. A COD of greater than 20% necessitates a city-wide property reappraisal. 2) Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) is a measurement comparing the generally listed municipal property values to current fair market values as identified by recent cer-

tified property sales. Newport's CLA decreased from 65.88% in 2024 to 56.60% in 2025. CLA percentages are utilized to adjust or equalize state education tax each year. In 2026 this will result in a State Adjustment (SA) to Newport's Education Tax Rate of 80.48%.

Mandated Reappraisal—The City of Newport received a Reappraisal Order from the State of Vermont in June 2024. Following extensive research and evaluation a contractor has been selected to complete a city-wide reappraisal of all property located in the City of Newport. The reappraisal project will commence in the fall of 2026 and be completed for 04/01/2028 Grand List Values.

2026 Outlook—Although Residential Property Values in Newport have risen sharply over the past few years, evaluation of the 2025 sales data indicates a "leveling off" of sales prices. Recent sales volume, a relatively low residential inventory, and high construction cost could limit the further moderation of values in 2026.

Sincerely,
Frank Cheney,
Newport City Tax Assessor



Newport Local Health Office Annual Report: 2025

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. The Newport Local Health Office provides essential services and resources to towns in Orleans and Northern Essex counties. Some highlights of our work in 2025 are below. For more information, visit HealthVermont.gov/local/newport

If you need help accessing or understanding this information, contact AHS.VDHNewport@vermont.gov

Improve Family and Child Health



- In 2025, our Women, Infants, & Children (WIC) team provided direct nutrition education and support services to 157 individuals every month, with 881 participants receiving monthly food benefits.
- This summer, WIC distributed \$3,600 in Farm to Family coupons to WIC families to purchase produce at participating Vermont Farmer's Markets, Farm Stands, and Apple Orchards.
- In 2025, Newport WIC was awarded a USDA Breastfeeding Premier Award of Excellence, in recognition of exemplary breastfeeding practices and community supports. Locally, 75% of infants born in this community were ever breastfed, and 26% of pregnant and postpartum WIC participants are supported by WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselors.

Creating Resilient Communities

- The free Barton Dental Clinic served 38 community members - 84% adults and 16% children—providing no-cost preventive and restorative care. Services included 67 Silver Diamine Fluoride applications, 17 glass ionomer treatments, and 23 fluoride varnish applications. The average client age was 44.
- The Newport Local Health Office community garden yielded 365 pounds of produce that we distributed to the community, including seven large pumpkins, supporting access to fresh, healthy food. Partnering with Salvation Farms, our office distributed another 700 pounds of surplus produce to the community.

Protecting Community Against Injury and Disease

- Newport's immunization team administered a total of 137 vaccines this year to 117 individuals, including at local dairy farms and during Newport's annual PRIDE Fest.
- From October 2024 to October 2025, the Northeast Kingdom MRC volunteered 603 hours (valued at \$20,296) to support public health preparedness and emergency response.



HealthVermont.gov/local/newport
802-334-6707



CITY OF NEWPORT, VERMONT

2025 AUDITOR'S REPORT



Kittell Branagan & Sargent

Certified Public Accountants

Vermont License #167

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Newport
Newport, Vermont

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Newport, Vermont, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City of Newport, Vermont's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Newport, Vermont, as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City of Newport, Vermont and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note 18 of the financial statements, the City adopted new accounting guidance, *GASB No. 101, Compensated Absences*. Our opinion is not modified as a result of this change.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Newport, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Newport, Vermont's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Newport, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information, the schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Newport, Vermont's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.



St. Albans, Vermont
October 2, 2025

The Full Independent Auditors Report has been published on the City Website and is available as a separate packet with this Annual Report. That report includes the Accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Management Discussion and Analysis, Required Supplementary Information, and the Single Audit Act - Reports and Schedules.

2026 APPROPRIATION REQUESTS



	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Goodrich Memorial Library.....	110,000.....	110,000.....	110,000
Orleans/Essex VNA and Hospice.....	17,500.....	17,500.....	17,500
Rural Community Transportation.....	11,000.....	11,000.....	11,000
NEK Council on Aging.....	7,000.....	7,000.....	7,000
NEK Human Services, Inc.	4,818.....	4,818	4,818
Umbrella, Inc.....	8,500.....	8,500	8,500
NEK Learning Services, Inc.	3,000.....	3,000	3,000
Orleans County Historical Society	4,000.....	4,000.....	4,000
ConnectABILITIES (formerly OCCA)	2,000.....	2,000	2,000
Pope Frontier Animal Shelter	2,000.....	2,000.....	2,000
Total.....	169,818.....	169,818	169,818

GOODRICH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Goodrich Memorial Library depends on the generosity of the people using it. Without your continued support, the library could not continue as a free source for reading material, life-long learning, programs, and a place for groups to meet.

Additionally, the library has taken an active role in Newport's events, collaborating with the Newport Recreation Department and the Downtown Development Board. These have been successful for the library in spreading the word of the many services, books, DVDs and audio books the library loans out to its patrons. If you are not currently a patron of the library, please stop by and see what the library can offer. Additionally, just taking a tour is worth an hour of your time. The architecture and collection of historical items related to Newport's history should not be missed.

On behalf of our library users, we request the sum of 110,000 (one hundred ten thousand dollars) be included in the Newport City budget for 2026 to help maintain the level of service our residents have come to expect.

Thank you for your continued support,
Joanne Pariseau

Library Board:

James Johnson, Chair
Steve Edgerley, Treasurer
Melissa Pettersson, Secretary
Steve Mason
Paul Monette
Keith Richards
Hannah Roberts

Library Staff:

Joanne Pariseau, Director
Sarah Rose Ciaccio, Library Clerk
Trudy Lyon, Library Clerk
Nicole Johnson, Janitor

The Goodrich Memorial library strives to be an integral part of the community. With this in mind :

To play an active role in the community the Goodrich Memorial Library:

Offers Programs:

Snapshot from Vermont Humanities
Concerts
Story time/Stories in the Park
"MESS"tival
Book Club
Christmas Open House
Author visits
Book Sale

Attend Programs:

Bike Rodeo
Family Resource Expo sponsored by NEKCA
Forage Festival
Summer Block Party at Gardner Park
Chili/Fall Festival

Provides meeting space for:

Memphremagog Watershed Association
Alzheimer's Caregiver's support group
Four Season Gardening Club
Knifty Knitters
Bridge Group
Mahjong Group
Cribbage Group
Peer Growth & Life-Long Learning
DUMP
Easter Seals
Grandstand Committee
Vermont Legal Aid
Northeast Kingdom Organization
Vermont Arts Council
NEK Indivisible



CONNECTABILITIES

Since OCCA rebranded itself as ConnectABILITIES we continue to support our community members in Orleans County with visible and invisible developmental and intellectual disabilities. In the years since COVID, the lack of volunteers continues to remain a challenge for all not-for-profit organizations, not only in our area but across the country.

Since our rebranding In 2023 we have increased our services and reach. We not only serve the needs of the disability community, but we also serve their families and advocates.

We are proud to be celebrating our 38th anniversary and are a vibrant and needed entity in the community.

ConnectABILITIES' mission is to create and support relationships between community volunteers and people with differing abilities so that all are heard, empowered, and fully included in the community. We strive to engage all of these people in opportunities that enhance their quality of life, and we seek to provide whatever support we can feasibly provide towards helping them to achieve their life goals. In doing so we keep our hearts and minds open to all who seek our help, regardless of their particular situations.

Since our rebranding, ConnectABILITIES accomplishments have included:

- Recruiting and hiring Consultants who demonstrate subject matter expertise.
- Increasing our connection with community resources and working in partnership with other organizations, serving our shared constituency.
- Providing an inclusive program series, which explores the Arts, encourages socializing, and meeting of other community members, through shared meals, life skills enhancement, socialization, and building friendships. Transportation is provided to these events.
- Providing ongoing outreach and support to advocates (community volunteers) and partners (community members with disabilities).
- Continuing our toll-free Helpline as a 24/7 resource for our community, we provide, in collaboration with their families, support, access to resources, and referrals for callers needing assistance in reference to their disability needs.
- Providing ongoing development of our resource referral database for federal, state, and local public agencies.

- Adding casework management and increasing our level of service for those experiencing crisis or are in need of advocacy.

Intentionally, ConnectABILITIES operates with a small budget. We do not receive funds from Federal or State agencies, or The United Way. Our funding comes from Town Appropriations across Orleans County, and from local donors. Your generosity on Town Meeting Day when you vote to support ConnectABILITIES and the disabled community is greatly appreciated. In light of the recent government budget cuts, the Board decided to establish a shelf-stable emergency food pantry to support our community, in lieu of this year's annual calendar.

In solidarity,

Franklin J. Rudolph, Ph.D., Board Chairman

Ann Stannard

Rich Ossias

Michael Gruteke

Carl Ball

Board Members

888-635-6222

Graci Kenyon-Rudolph, Executive Director

RCT

RCT is a private nonprofit 502(c)(3) corporation which provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Essex and Lamoille Counties.

In FY2025, RCT provided 15,045 rides, traveling 256,779 miles at a total cost of \$459,934.41 to the residents of Newport. RCT continues to provide safety focused, demand-based rides, and all buses operated fare free.

RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, most grants require a local match of 20% to 50%. Town appropriations are used exclusively for these purposes and therefore critical to maintaining and expanding our services.

We hope you will vote to fund our request (\$11,000), and RCT looks forward to continued service to the residents of Newport.

Sincerely,

Renee Stalczynski, Office Administrator

OLD STONE HOUSE MUSEUM & HISTORIC VILLAGE

Twenty twenty-six holds the promise of another exciting year for the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village! For 100 years, the Orleans County Historical Society has been caring for artifacts, hosting hands-on programs, and creating a space where people of all ages can engage with the past and find inspiration for the future. Our historic village encompasses eight remarkable buildings and a collection of over 75,000 artifacts that vividly illustrate various aspects of Orleans County's heritage.

Through tours, events, research opportunities, and recreational activities, the Old Stone House remains a vital and dynamic cornerstone of Orleans County culture. Each year, the museum attracts nearly 5,000 visitors to Orleans County, bringing vital tourism revenue into our community. Additionally, our annual grants and preservation projects inject funds into the local economy, supporting contractors, tradespeople, and suppliers while ensuring the longevity of our historic treasures.

The museum provides meaningful employment opportunities, with six permanent staff members and three to five seasonal employees each year. For the past three summers, we have been proud to welcome local high school students to our team. These young participants have gained valuable experience by helping to maintain the grounds, preserve collections, welcome visitors, and much more. With your help, we will continue this youth program in 2026.

As a nonprofit organization deeply committed to preserving and celebrating our history, enhancing local culture, and contributing to the region's economy, we rely on support from the towns we serve most directly.

I respectfully submit this request in the sum of \$4,000 and thank you for your help.

Sincerely,
Krista Barry, Executive Director
Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village

THE POPE MEMORIAL FRONTIER ANIMAL SHELTER, INC.

The Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc. has continued to rescue, provide healthcare and housing to and adopt into caring homes over 365 Dogs and Cats in 2025.

Town appropriations are a very necessary part of the Shelter's yearly survival, and the monies are used to provide food, veterinarian services, medicines,

utilities and maintenance. We have an amazing staff and volunteer pool who are dedicated to the welfare of our animals. During the past 12 months, volunteers have given over 5,000 hours of their time.

THANK YOU! To all who work with our dogs and kitties and to the Towns who support our mission through donations and town appropriations.

NORTHEAST KINGDOM COUNCIL ON AGING

The Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging respectfully requests continued financial support from the Town of Newport City to assist older residents in living safely, independently, and with dignity in their own homes and communities.

In **FY2025**, the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging supported **497 older adults in Newport City**, providing **585 service interactions** that connected individuals with resources such as fuel and food assistance, Medicare guidance, case management, transportation coordination, caregiver support, and evidence-based wellness programs. Through our network of nutrition partners, we also coordinated **20,376 home-delivered meals**, ensuring that our older neighbors received nutritious food and critical daily safety checks.

Every day, older residents of Newport City reach out to us through our **Statewide Helpline (1-800-642-5119)** seeking support during moments of need. Our staff and volunteers respond with compassion, urgency, and respect—ensuring that no older Vermonter is left without assistance.

As demand for services continues to grow and the cost of essential supports increases, the Town's partnership is vital. We respectfully request \$7,000 in municipal funding to maintain and strengthen services for older adults in Newport City.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and for your continued commitment to supporting your older neighbors.

Meg Burmeister, Executive Director
www.nekcouncil.org

NEKLS - NORTHEAST KINGDOM LEARNING SERVICES

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services is a long-standing provider of Adult Education and Literacy, K-12 Tutorial, and Childcare services in Orleans, Essex and Caledonia counties.

Since the mid 1960's, NEK Learning Services has been providing the residents of Newport age 16 and older who have left the public school system, with Adult Basic Education and Literacy services, helping them earn GED's and in later years, helping them earn their High School Diploma's in partnership with North Country Union High School (or other partnering high schools) through the VT High School Completion Program and more recently, the VT Adult Diploma Program.

In recent years, NEK Learning Services has provided (3) Step Up to Child Care, workforce trainings, providing 30 VT adults with the necessary training to enter the childcare field ready to work. Over 75% of participants successfully completed the training and entered employment or improved their employment in the childcare field.

In the Spring of 2026, NEK Learning Services, in partnership with Northern Vermont Area Health Education Center (AHEC) will be presenting a Step Up to Health Careers workforce training. We also provide one on one K-12 Tutorial instruction for Newport City Elementary and North Country Jr./Sr. High School students in need of supplemental education instruction. This is a fee-based program, usually paid for by the sending school.

Since 2019, NEK Learning Services has operated Ready, Set, Grow Childcare Center on Farrant Street in Newport, providing 5-STAR quality childcare for infants and toddlers ages 6 weeks to school age as well as Universal Pre School, supporting working parents from Newport and the surrounding area.

In 2025, NEK Learning Services served 30 Newport adults in our Adult Education and Literacy programs and 44 Newport children in our Ready, Set, Grow, Childcare Center. NEK Learning Services employs 50 staff, including full and part-time. NEK Learning Services has Community Learning Centers in Canaan, Island Pond, Newport, St Johnsbury and Hardwick.

100% of your Appropriation will be used in Newport to support instructional materials for adult students and children served by NEK Learning Services.

Number of Newport residents served through NEKLS during the past year:

30 adults in Adult Education and Literacy program

44 children in Ready, Set, Grow Childcare program

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Faust
Executive Director

ORLEANS-ESSEX VNA & HOSPICE, INC.

Orleans Essex Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Hospice, Inc. provides professional quality home health services to the residents of the 24 communities in Orleans and northern Essex counties. We serve the elderly, homebound and chronically ill through the VNA and homemaker programs and the terminally ill through our Hospice program. Special programs include a variety of clinics available to the public. As the only not-for-profit agency serving the area, our services are available to anyone in need regardless of their ability to pay and all clients are charged the same fee for the same service. We are locally controlled by a volunteer Board of Directors representing the towns we serve. We adhere to strict regulations, which prohibit the practice of charging more to a client who can afford services to compensate for those who cannot. All revenue, by law, goes back into the Agency to provide, maintain, and improve services and programs.

SUMMARY OF SERVICES:

Total Agency Visits FY 2025 27,125

Total Visits FY 2025 – City of Newport 6,063

During Fiscal Year 2025, home based services were provided to 260 individuals in the City of Newport for a total of 6,063 multi-disciplinary visits. 88 residents received services through Agency-sponsored wellness programs.

Appropriation Request for 2026..... \$17,500.00

Members of your community are in need of services daily and they receive them from the dedicated staff of the Orleans Essex VNA and Hospice, seven days a week, 24-hours a day. The funds your community appropriates to our Agency allow us to continue providing much needed care to individuals without third party insurance and those unable to pay, and provide special programs open to all community members. The Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice is supported by donations, service fees, and the generosity of communities who realize that in order to continue providing high quality home health services to their family members, friends, and neighbors, appropriations are desperately needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyne B. Limoges, MSN, RN
Executive Director

NORTHEAST KINGDOM HUMAN SERVICES

Please consider financially supporting Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.'s (NKHS) mission to empower individuals, families, and communities by promoting hope, healing and support.

This request (\$4,818) is the same amount as voted at the 2025 Town Meeting and 0.0499492006838251% of appropriation requests from 48 Northeast Kingdom towns. As a Designated Agency serving Vermont's system of care, we are responsible for assuring that a comprehensive range of services are available regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The 503 NKHS professional employees work to help others live fulfilling lives and contribute to their community. We offer confidential services that include 24/7 emergency mental health care with Enhanced Mobile Crisis response, walk-in support at the Front Porch Urgent Mental Health Care center, and call/text/chat mental health support through 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline. NKHS also offers outpatient therapy for adults, children, and families through various programs and supports individuals with developmental disabilities, ensuring equal rights, respect, and dignity. For more information about our agency and services, please visit our website at <https://www.nkhs.org> or call our offices.

Between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025, NKHS provided supportive services to 2,774 individuals. 368 lived in the Town of Newport City benefiting from 38,508 service hours. NKHS also provided 363 hours of community outreach with Starting Over Strong VT support, community meetings, and training impacting 6,034 individuals. During this time, over 3,995 unique individuals benefitted from the 988-crisis line.

We strive to respond to community needs with quality care. Your support is integral to our mission. Thank you for considering our request.

Respectfully,

Kelsey Stavseth
Executive Director
Northeast Kingdom Human Services Board of Directors
and Leadership Team

UMBRELLA

Since 1976, Umbrella has ensured that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties have access to services that cultivate a Northeast Kingdom where all people thrive free from abuse and oppression. Umbrella operates 4 multifaceted, client-centered programs and plays a crucial role in decreasing the

incidence and impact of domestic and sexual violence. Services offered include:

Advocacy Program serves survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, teen dating violence, as well as violence related to gender or sexual orientation - which in total we characterize as gender-based violence. In our work, the client leads and we support them in any way they need us to including legal advocacy, housing advocacy, support with parenting after trauma and more. In FY25, Advocacy supported approximately 1,172 survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Social Change focuses on prevention education and initiatives in schools and in the community that aim towards preventing gender-based violence, and creating a community where abuse and oppression are acknowledged and addressed. One of our strategies is to provide pathways for girls to work within this social change and prevention field through the Youth in Power Program. In FY25, Our Social Change programs provide prevention education and support to 2,751 youth in local schools with prevention education and supported 461 adults through workshops and training. Our Accountability Programs: served 65 individuals, and celebrated 33 program graduates.

Family Based Services focuses on child-care and strengthening family relationships. Kingdom Child Care Connection (KCCC) assists families in the Northeast Kingdom to receive subsidized child care, appropriate child care referrals and specialized childcare placement support. The Family Room offers supervised visitation for families throughout the Northeast Kingdom. In FY25, Kingdom Child Care Connection program served 2,015 families. The Family Room, provided safe, supervised visits for 57 families.

Given that some services are provided anonymously, it is difficult to provide each town with a precise number of people served by Umbrella. However, at least 260 people in the City of Newport were served by Umbrella in Fiscal Year 2025 and the community as a whole benefited from prevention and outreach programs in schools, as well as training and consultation for human service and law enforcement professionals.

Community support is critical to sustain our programming and to discover innovative approaches to the work Umbrella does. We are deeply grateful for Derby's support.

Respectfully,
Amanda Cochrane, Executive Director



NEWPORT DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

Newport Downtown Development had a very successful year, with our work focused in four primary areas of work.

1. Our volunteer Economic Development Team worked coordinated closely with City Council to guide the development of the Downtown Development. That included many hours of meetings with potential developers, dozens of meetings with colleagues in the State of Vermont, significant planning with NEK legislators, and coordination with engineering and architectural firms to gather key information for the determination of the feasibility of a Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) or Community Housing Infrastructure Program (CHIP) initiatives in Newport.
2. Our Communications Team worked with Mt Mansfield to develop a highly successful video promoting Newport and helping to interpret the challenges before us. The contract also called for a series of four, shorter-form videos aimed at potential visitors to the region, developers, outdoor-recreation enthusiasts, and Canadians. They also carried out an online survey to explore what amenities folks in the NEK are looking for in their downtown: More than 900 people filled out the survey.
3. The Events crew organized the Forage Festival in May, the Food Trucks on Main in conjunction with Weds on the Waterfront, the Chili/Fall Festival, Hometown Holiday, and our signature event: Winter Saturdays. Those winter Saturdays have

moved up to the Tasting Center this year and are helping to bring movement back to Main Street on Saturday nights!

4. We completed the high school-designed sculpture project, carried out the “tiny art” initiative, and received Bronze Level Certification as a Bike Friendly Community! We also relaunched the new DiscoverNewportVT.com website to make it far more helpful to both locals and visitors.

We are thrilled to be partners with the City Council and City staff as we work to drive the rebirth of downtown Newport!

Board Members: Andrea Carbine, Sarah Chadburn, Scott Grimes, Dave Laforce, Eleanor Leger, Terry Payton, Umair Malik and Emily Smartt and Director: Rick Ufford-Chase



***Scan here to watch
“The Newport Initiative”***

Newport Ambulance Service, Inc.

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

2025 Annual Report

Dear Community Members,

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

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



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

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

Highlights from this year include:

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

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

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

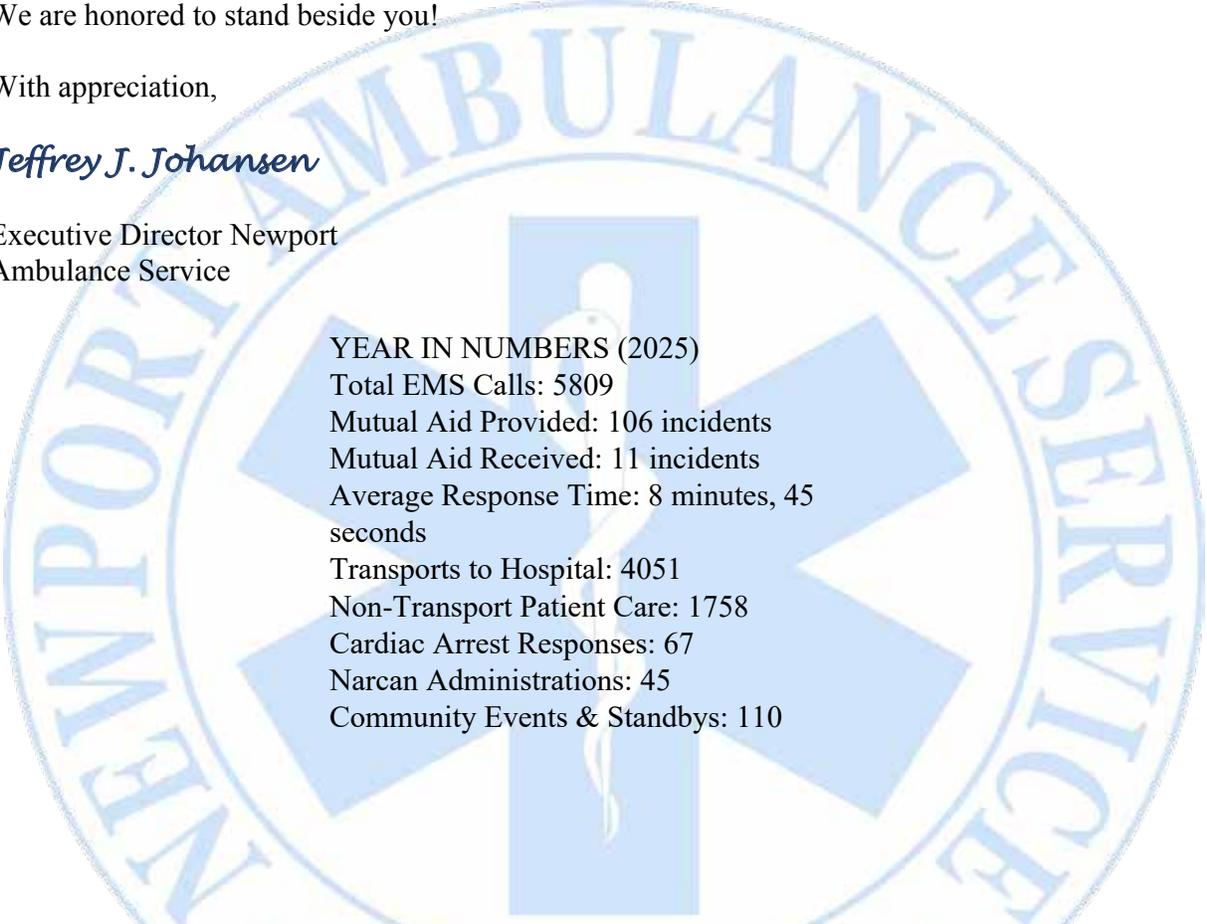
As we look ahead, we remain committed to continuous improvement, transparent communication, and strengthening our connection with each community we serve. Thank you again for your partnership and for recognizing the importance of strong, sustainable EMS coverage. Newport Ambulance Service thanks you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

We are honored to stand beside you!

With appreciation,

Jeffrey J. Johansen

Executive Director Newport
Ambulance Service



YEAR IN NUMBERS (2025)
Total EMS Calls: 5809
Mutual Aid Provided: 106 incidents
Mutual Aid Received: 11 incidents
Average Response Time: 8 minutes, 45 seconds
Transports to Hospital: 4051
Non-Transport Patient Care: 1758
Cardiac Arrest Responses: 67
Narcan Administrations: 45
Community Events & Standbys: 110





2025 ANNUAL REPORT

This year, we have been implementing our mission to ensure that unserved and underserved community members in the 72 towns that make up our communications union district have access to reliable, fast, and affordable fiber internet.

We did this through numerous efforts, including focusing on our internal processes, upgrading our financial and build software, and expanding our locally-sourced workforce. We also continued to fully integrate NEK Broadband and CVFiber into a single merged entity.

CONSTRUCTION AND SERVICE

Projected Growth by Year

2025		2026 projected	
Towns served	40	Towns served	55
Miles built	510	Miles built	555
Addresses passed	10,026	Addresses passed	15,000

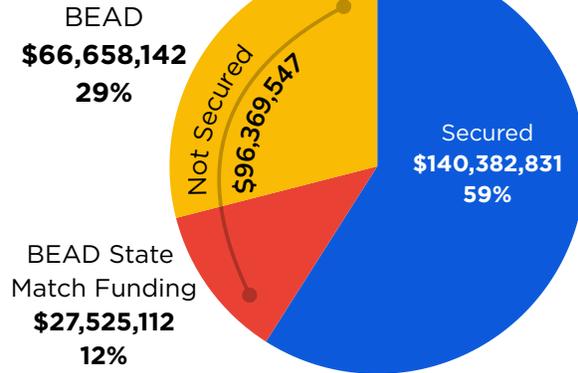
10,026  **SERVICE AVAILABLE** **1,055**  **MILES OF NETWORK**

1,902  **CUSTOMERS SERVED** 

BUILDING CAPACITY

In 2025, we doubled the number of our staff for the 4th year in a row, and now we have 26 staff members. There were also 3 broadband training classes, and out of the 28 graduates, NEKCV employs eight class graduates.

TOTAL FUNDING



BUDGET SUMMARY

2025 Budget 2025 Forecast 2026 Budget

	2025 Budget	2025 Forecast	2026 Budget
INCOME			
Operations Revenue	\$2,047,769	\$1,890,583	\$3,524,616
RDOF Revenue	\$1,247,036	\$1,830,733	\$477,590
Ops & Admin Grant Revenue	\$3,856,318	\$8,708,463	\$8,000,707
Capital Investment Grant Revenue	\$36,529,448	\$17,208,689	\$34,997,009
Other Revenue	\$220,254	\$366,379	\$346,722
TOTAL REVENUE	\$43,900,825	\$30,004,848	\$47,346,644
EXPENSES			
Operational Costs excludes depreciation/amortization	\$1,247,036	\$1,057,340	\$1,671,193
Administrative Costs	\$3,856,318	\$3,634,149	\$5,089,496
TOTAL EXPENSES & COSTS	\$5,103,354	\$4,691,489	\$6,760,689
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATIONS	\$38,797,471	\$25,313,359	\$40,585,955
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$36,529,448	\$18,802,570	\$33,269,506
ANNUAL NET CASHFLOW	\$2,268,023	\$6,510,789	\$7,316,448
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS			\$6,510,789
TOTAL SURPLUS			\$13,827,238
NON-CASH COSTS depreciation/amortization		\$2,800,000	\$4,430,648

SIGN UP FOR UPDATES

To order our service, get updates, or sign up for our newsletter, visit get.nekbroadband.org. or cvfiber.net

NEKCV is a communications union district (CUD) that aims to provide high-speed internet access to 72 towns across the Northeast Kingdom and Central Vermont.



NEWPORT CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

166 Sias Ave. Newport, VT 05855

Phone: 802-334-2455 * Fax: 802-334-0161

Aaron Larsen, Principal * Dawnna Chase, Assistant Principal

On behalf of the students, families, staff, and School Board of Newport City Elementary School, we are grateful for the opportunity to share our proposed budget and to highlight the important work taking place in our school each day.

Our school proudly serves approximately 275 students from kindergarten through sixth grade. Each child who walks through our doors brings unique strengths, challenges, and potential. Our mission is to educate the whole child to become a caring, productive participant. To do that we strive to create a learning environment that is safe, supportive, and engaging for our students.

We have many exciting things happening at Newport City. We are in our second year of a new literacy program that will help encourage growth in our students' literacy skills. We also have made a strong push to increase student engagement. We are continuing to provide opportunities for our students to engage both in and out of the classroom. Our Student Leadership team gives several of our students a chance to practice their leadership skills while working to improve our school. Our guidance department is working on a production of the musical "Bully No More" where students will use their creativity to share a positive message. We have made investments in STEM and have even started a robotics club. Additionally, we are increasing opportunities for experiential learning through our partnerships with Jay Peak, Memphremagog Science & Education Center, Green Mountain Farm to School, and others. Also, new this year our 6th graders will be attending Outdoor Classroom for a culminating trip focusing on outdoor learning and exploration.

We also have some important upgrades to our building. In addition to regular maintenance, we are installing a new fire alarm system and upgrading our elevator. Due to our existing building maintenance fund, we are not asking for any additional money in the budget to fund these essential safety projects.

This year the focus of our budget is on maintaining the integrity of our programming for students without adding new positions. We are proposing a total budget of \$9,293,096, up \$490,096 over last year. This is a 5.57% increase. We were able to use some additional revenue to decrease that burden on taxpayers so the actual educational spending will only go up 5.47%. It also supports the dedicated educators and staff who build relationships with students and create the foundation for lifelong learning.

The reason there is any increase at all, despite keeping services level, are factors such as a statewide health insurance increase of over 7% for all staff, as well as negotiated increases in wages for teachers and staff. The school board believed these increases were necessary to attract and retain high quality educators. We are mindful of our responsibility to use public funds carefully and transparently. This budget proposal is the result of thoughtful planning and collaboration focused on the needs of our students.

We thank the residents of Newport City for their continued support of public education and for recognizing the value of investing in our youngest learners.

Respectfully,

Aaron Larsen
Principal, Newport City Elementary School

Carrie Ann Roberge
Chair, Newport City Elementary School Board of Directors

The mission of NCES is to educate the whole child to become a caring, productive participant of the community.

NEWPORT CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FY2027 BOARD APPROVED BUDGET

	FY2025 BUDGET 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	FY2025 ACTUAL 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026	FY2027 PROPOSED BUDGET 7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027
LOCAL REVENUES				
PreElementary Tuition - VT LEA (public)	\$-	\$(3,884)	\$-	\$(4,106)
Other Transp. Fees	\$(1,000)	\$-	\$-	\$-
Investment Earnings - Interest	\$(25,000)	\$(90,904)	\$(35,000)	\$(35,000)
Dividends	\$(500)	\$(961)	\$(500)	\$(500)
GAIN OR LOSS ON INVESTMENT	\$(1,500)	\$(20,934)	\$(7,000)	\$(7,000)
Misc. Orther Local Revenue	\$-	\$(4,850)	\$-	\$-
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES	\$(28,000)	\$(121,533)	\$(42,500)	\$(46,606)
SUBGRANT REVENUES				
Subgrant PCB Investigation & Mitigation	\$-	\$(6,574)	\$-	\$-
Subgrant Title I	\$-	\$(2,094)	\$-	\$-
Sub Grant Medicaid	\$(173,058)	\$-	\$-	\$(5,000)
Other Subgrants	\$(700)	\$-	\$(700)	\$-
Subgrants Schoolwide Programs	\$(270,318)	\$(321,900)	\$(275,571)	\$(286,292)
TOTAL SUBGRANT REVENUES	\$(444,076)	\$(330,568)	\$(276,271)	\$(291,292)
STATE REVENUES				
Education Spending Grant	\$(7,745,499)	\$(7,745,499)	\$(8,483,746)	\$(8,755,198)
ELL Categorical Aid	\$-	\$(25,000)	\$-	\$-
TOTAL STATE REVENUES	\$(7,745,499)	\$(7,770,499)	\$(8,483,746)	\$(8,755,198)
FUND BALANCE AS REVENUES				
Fund Balance as Revenue	\$-	\$(249)	\$-	\$(200,000)
TOTAL FUND BALANCE AS REVENUES	\$0	\$(13,263)	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$(8,217,575)	\$(8,222,849)	\$(8,802,517)	\$(9,293,096)
DIRECT INSTRUCTION				
Salary - Elementary Teachers	\$1,846,341	\$1,477,385	\$1,516,994	\$1,694,569
Reg Ed Summer Services	\$1,500	\$-	\$2,100	\$2,100
Intervention Teacher Salary	\$-	\$38,399	\$214,441	\$305,832
Salary - Elementary Para	\$156,066	\$61,865	\$97,335	\$27,215
Substitutes Pay - Elementary	\$50,000	\$75,263	\$50,000	\$50,000
Health Ins - Elementary	\$593,492	\$442,754	\$547,767	\$545,695
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$109,500	\$66,935	\$88,840	\$75,266
FICA - Elementary	\$157,125	\$118,187	\$139,901	\$155,113
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$6,697	\$8,047	\$8,922
VSTRS OPEB	\$20,000	\$20,046	\$20,000	\$20,000
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$10,925	\$5,197	\$7,057	\$1,973
Tuition - Elementary	\$25,000	\$11,662	\$73,604	\$25,000
Unemployment - Elementary	\$6,153	\$3,930	\$4,160	\$4,039
Workers Comp	\$16,820	\$17,062	\$14,630	\$15,410
Dental Ins - Elementary	\$20,714	\$15,122	\$20,125	\$17,685
Life Insurance - Elementary	\$1,505	\$1,182	\$1,479	\$1,107
Long Term Disability - Elementary	\$6,207	\$4,992	\$5,669	\$4,907

	FY2025 BUDGET	FY2025 ACTUAL	FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
	7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026	7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027
Student Loan Assistance	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Purchased & Technical Services - Element	\$15,000	\$2,724	\$15,000	\$15,000
REPAIR SERVICES	\$-	\$1,531	\$-	\$-
Rentals/Lease	\$15,000	\$13,949	\$15,000	\$15,000
Student Tuition (504)	\$50,000	\$-	\$50,000	\$50,000
Travel - Elementary	\$500	\$85	\$500	\$500
Supplies - Elementary	\$49,500	\$35,292	\$49,500	\$49,500
Equipment - Elementary	\$-	\$495	\$-	\$-
Copier Supplies	\$-	\$372	\$-	\$-
P.E. Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,944	\$1,000	\$1,000
Music Supplies	\$1,000	\$771	\$1,000	\$1,000
Art Supplies	\$4,000	\$2,692	\$4,000	\$4,000
Band Supplies	\$2,000	\$-	\$2,000	\$2,000
Books/Periodicals - Elementary	\$15,000	\$2,715	\$15,000	\$15,000
Computer Software - Elementary	\$2,500	\$4,316	\$2,500	\$2,500
Dues\Fees - Elementary	\$3,000	\$5,765	\$3,000	\$3,000
Field Trips - Elementary	\$10,500	\$7,689	\$10,500	\$10,500
TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTION	\$3,192,348	\$2,451,016	\$2,983,149	\$3,127,832
PRE-K				
Salary - Pre K Teacher	\$130,200	\$131,532	\$130,770	\$155,015
Salary - Pre K Para	\$52,239	\$44,769	\$47,988	\$59,868
Substitutes Pay - Pre K	\$1,500	\$1,805	\$-	\$1,500
Health Ins - Pre K	\$36,136	\$58,351	\$64,790	\$62,604
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$12,400	\$8,513	\$10,400	\$10,300
FICA - Pre K	\$14,071	\$12,521	\$13,675	\$16,439
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$715	\$787	\$945
Municipal Retirement	\$3,657	\$3,204	\$3,479	\$4,340
Tuition - Pre K	\$5,424	\$100	\$5,424	\$5,424
Unemployment - Pre K	\$659	\$367	\$490	\$490
Workers Comp - Pre K	\$1,532	\$1,264	\$1,430	\$1,633
Dental Ins - Pre K	\$3,057	\$2,432	\$2,385	\$2,568
Life Insurance - Pre K	\$139	\$141	\$139	\$109
Long Term Disability - Pre K	\$566	\$534	\$554	\$520
Tuition - PreK (private)	\$75,280	\$65,606	\$75,280	\$75,280
Tuition-PreK	\$7,528	\$18,599	\$15,056	\$15,056
Supplies - Pre K	\$1,500	\$1,213	\$1,500	\$1,500
Computer Software - Pre K	\$600	\$-	\$-	\$-
Dues\Fees - Pre K	\$100	\$-	\$100	\$100
TOTAL PREK	\$346,588	\$351,667	\$374,247	\$413,691
SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS				
Salary - Schoolwide Teacher	\$171,745	\$189,026	\$231,839	\$185,463
Health Ins - Schoolwide	\$79,427	\$54,372	\$35,187	\$49,767
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$14,900	\$7,095	\$10,640	\$8,234
FICA - Schoolwide	\$13,138	\$13,157	\$17,736	\$14,188
Childcare Tax Schoolwide	\$-	\$710	\$1,020	\$816
VSTRS OPEB	\$-	\$48,466	\$32,691	\$47,553
VSTRS Pension Payment	\$44,035	\$-	\$-	\$-

	FY2025 BUDGET	FY2025 ACTUAL	FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
	7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026	7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027
Tuition - Schoolwide	\$-	\$4,100	\$6,129	\$6,366
Unemployment - Schoolwide	\$40,000	\$526	\$323	\$612
Workers Comp - Schoolwide	\$6,238	\$1,483	\$1,855	\$1,410
Dental Ins - Schoolwide	\$824	\$1,569	\$3,393	\$1,203
Life Insurance - Schoolwide	\$1,443	\$121	\$261	\$170
Long Term Disability - Schoolwide	\$2,721	\$614	\$719	\$449
Purchased & Technical Services Schoolwide	\$218	\$-	\$1,200	\$1,200
Supplies - Schoolwide	\$532	\$-	\$1,000	\$1,000
Dues\Fees - Schoolwide	\$500	\$173	\$500	\$500
TOTAL SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS	\$375,721	\$321,410	\$344,493	\$318,931
TITLE IIA TEACHER QUALITY				
Supplies - Title I	\$-	\$2,584	\$-	\$-
TOTAL TITLE IIA TEACHER QUALITY	\$-	\$2,584	\$-	\$-
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
Salary - Para	\$460,923	\$386,219	\$445,605	\$579,715
Substitutes Wages	\$8,500	\$23,640	\$10,000	\$10,000
Health Insurance	\$81,854	\$88,329	\$189,980	\$201,230
HRA	\$43,200	\$9,927	\$28,600	\$30,800
FICA	\$35,911	\$31,586	\$34,089	\$44,348
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$1,786	\$1,961	\$2,551
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$-	\$28,613	\$171,893	\$42,029
Tuition Reimbursement	\$32,265	\$-	\$3,000	\$3,000
Unemployment	\$3,160	\$1,877	\$2,393	\$2,570
Workers Comp	\$3,872	\$2,984	\$3,565	\$4,406
Dental	\$4,972	\$3,641	\$5,946	\$7,536
Life Insurance	\$496	\$423	\$1,381	\$428
Long Term Disability	\$1,429	\$931	\$1,381	\$1,403
NCSU SPECIAL SERVICES ASSESSMENT	\$496,356	\$496,358	\$475,577	\$634,624
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$1,172,938	\$1,076,314	\$1,375,371	\$1,564,641
CO-CURRICULAR				
Cocurricular Wages (Bike Club)			\$-	\$216
FICA			\$-	\$17
Childcare Tax			\$-	\$1
Purchased Services from SU Encore	\$26,000	\$34,389	\$34,000	\$34,000
PURCHASED SERVICES	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
TOTAL CO-CURRICULAR	\$32,000	\$40,389	\$41,000	\$41,234
GUIDANCE				
Salary - Guidance Teacher	\$128,608	\$266,091	\$97,250	\$92,130
Summer Services-Guidance	\$1,800	\$-	\$1,800	\$1,800
Salary - Para	\$58,536	\$83,115	\$82,212	\$43,730
Health Ins	\$65,369	\$89,230	\$57,740	\$25,831
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$12,400	\$3,563	\$8,400	\$4,400
FICA	\$14,455	\$24,987	\$13,729	\$7,208
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$1,320	\$790	\$415
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$2,562	\$2,907	\$5,960	\$3,170

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Tuition	\$2,712	\$-	\$4,068	\$2,768
Unemployment	\$494	\$612	\$612	\$245
Workers Comp	\$1,388	\$1,001	\$1,436	\$716
Dental Ins	\$2,385	\$2,663	\$2,419	\$54
Life Insurance	\$114	\$288	\$165	\$228
Long Term Disability	\$512	\$1,101	\$556	\$329
Travel	\$150	\$-	\$150	\$150
Supplies	\$1,500	\$484	\$1,500	\$1,500
Books/Periodicals	\$100	\$15	\$100	\$100
Dues\Fees	\$75	\$-	\$75	\$75
TOTAL GUIDANCE	\$293,160	\$477,377	\$278,962	\$184,849

SCHOOL NURSE

Salary - Health Services	\$49,227	\$70,245	\$58,780	\$70,055
Wages - Nurse Support	\$31,853	\$35,590	\$50,182	\$102,882
Substitutes Pay - Nurse Office	\$1,500	\$4,889	\$6,500	\$6,500
Health Ins	\$10,484	\$23,739	\$24,182	\$25,831
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$4,200	\$4,475	\$-	\$2,200
FICA	\$6,317	\$8,104	\$8,336	\$13,230
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$462	\$479	\$761
VSTRS OPEB Nurses Office		\$1,542	\$-	\$1,542
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$2,230	\$3,416	\$3,638	\$7,459
Tuition	\$2,289	\$-	\$2,712	\$2,768
Unemployment	\$330	\$275	\$410	\$490
Workers Comp	\$681	\$869	\$872	\$1,314
Dental Ins	\$1,041	\$2,119	\$1,344	\$2,520
Life Insurance	\$70	\$85	\$96	\$95
Long Term Disability	\$251	\$303	\$338	\$419
Contract Services - NCSU	\$-	\$70	\$-	\$-
Supplies	\$1,500	\$3,017	\$1,500	\$1,500
Dues\Fees	\$200	\$545	\$200	\$200
TOTAL SCHOOL NURSE	\$112,173	\$159,744	\$159,569	\$239,765

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$4,000	\$-	\$-	
TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	\$4,000	\$-	\$-	

SPEECH/AUDIOLOGY SERVICES

Professional Services Reg Ed Speech	\$-	\$533	\$-	\$-
PURCHASED SERVICE FROM SU-ELL		\$33,269	\$-	\$-
Supplies-Reg Ed Speech	\$250	\$276	\$250	\$250
Paraeducator Salary SLPA	\$78,801	\$78,232	\$79,760	\$94,541
Health Insurance	\$-	\$14,169	\$5,600	\$49,662
HRA	\$6,000	\$-	\$-	\$8,800
FICA	\$6,028	\$6,127	\$6,102	\$7,232
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$344	\$351	\$416
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$4,103	\$4,562	\$5,783	\$6,854
Unemployment	\$412	\$367	\$367	\$367
Workers Comp	\$662	\$635	\$638	\$719

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Dental	\$672	\$1,538	\$1,489	\$2,160
Life Insurance	\$78	\$95	\$78	\$61
Long Term Disability	\$244	\$157	\$247	\$229
TOTAL SPEECH & AUDIOLOGY SERVICES	\$97,250	\$140,303	\$100,665	\$171,292
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY				
Occupational Therapy	\$2,000	\$125	\$2,000	\$2,000
TOTAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	\$2,000	\$125	\$2,000	\$2,000
PHYSICAL THERAPY				
Physical Therapy	\$500	\$-	\$-	\$-
TOTAL PHYSICAL THERAPY	\$500	\$-	\$-	\$-
OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES STUDENT				
H/S Coordinator	\$111,205	\$140,084	\$96,661	\$108,066
HHB COORDINATOR	\$-	\$8,674	\$42,478	\$-
EST/504 Coordinator Salary	\$70,664	\$24,487	\$70,740	\$-
BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIST/TECH PARA WAGES	\$145,640	\$62,861	\$168,295	\$222,115
Behavior Specialist Wages Other	\$-	\$31,184	\$-	\$-
Wages-Tooth Tutor	\$2,279	\$-	\$3,223	\$-
Health Ins	\$78,067	\$64,882	\$104,060	\$83,756
HRA	\$6,600	\$16,565	\$19,400	\$13,200
FICA	\$25,108	\$19,780	\$26,890	\$25,259
FICA-Tooth Tutor	\$174	\$-	\$165	\$-
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$1,138	\$1,557	\$1,453
Municipal Retirement	\$23,962	\$17,405	\$20,355	\$23,938
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	\$2,712	\$-	\$2,712	\$-
Unemployment	\$509	\$979	\$1,201	\$1,102
Workers Comp	\$1,528	\$2,148	\$2,812	\$2,509
Workers Comp - tooth Tutor	\$19	\$-	\$17	\$-
Dental Ins	\$2,855	\$1,723	\$3,158	\$189
Life Insurance	\$183	\$186	\$252	\$183
Life Insurance - Medicaid	\$44	\$-	\$-	\$-
Long Term Disability	\$1,015	\$656	\$1,090	\$799
Long Term Disability - Medicaid	\$7	\$-	\$-	\$-
Contract Services	\$-	\$19,085	\$-	\$-
Contract Serv- School Based Clinicians	\$50,000	\$35,720	\$50,000	\$50,000
Travel	\$300	\$-	\$300	\$300
Supplies	\$1,000	\$45	\$1,000	\$1,000
NCSU Purchased Service -HHB	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$25,140
NCSU Early Childhood Assessment	\$119,786	\$119,786	\$151,032	\$174,397
TOTAL OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES STUDENT	\$643,657	\$567,389	\$767,398	\$733,406
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING				
Salary - Teacher	\$-	\$10,693	\$2,000	\$2,000
FICA	\$-	\$791	\$153	\$153
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$46	\$9	\$9
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$-	\$2	\$-	\$-
Contract Services	\$10,000	\$5,570	\$10,000	\$10,000

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Supplies	\$7,500	\$1,450	\$7,500	\$7,500
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING	\$17,500	\$18,551	\$19,662	\$19,662
LIBRARY				
Salary - Teacher	\$65,713	\$49,353	\$65,870	\$80,195
Health Ins	\$29,233	\$10,257	\$32,718	\$23,831
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$4,000	\$883	\$4,000	\$4,000
FICA	\$5,026	\$3,627	\$5,039	\$6,135
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$219	\$290	\$353
Tuition	\$2,712	\$-	\$2,712	\$2,768
Unemployment	\$165	\$122	\$122	\$122
Workers Comp	\$552	\$524	\$527	\$609
Dental Ins	\$672	\$224	\$672	\$720
Life Insurance	\$44	\$47	\$44	\$34
Long Term Disability	\$204	\$168	\$204	\$194
Travel	\$250	\$277	\$250	\$250
Supplies	\$600	\$1,061	\$600	\$600
Books/Periodicals	\$7,500	\$8,191	\$7,500	\$7,500
Computer Software	\$2,500	\$692	\$2,500	\$2,500
Dues\Fees	\$1,000	\$612	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$120,171	\$76,257	\$124,048	\$130,812
TECHNOLOGY				
Supplies	\$12,000	\$15,689	\$12,000	\$12,000
Computer Software	\$7,500	\$3,906	\$7,500	\$7,500
Supplies-Technology Related	\$-	\$4,051	\$-	\$-
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY	\$19,500	\$23,647	\$19,500	\$19,500
OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF				
EST/504 Coordinator Salary	\$-	\$46,253	\$-	\$80,595
PATH Stipend	\$700	\$-	\$700	\$700
Health Ins	\$-	\$13,610	\$-	\$23,831
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$4,000
FICA	\$-	\$3,197	\$-	\$6,166
FICA PATH	\$-	\$-	\$54	\$54
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$167	\$-	\$355
Path - Childcare Tax	\$-	\$-	\$3	\$3
Unemployment	\$-	\$122	\$-	\$122
Workers Comp	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$613
Dental Insurance	\$-	\$672	\$-	\$1,080
Life Insurance	\$-	\$33	\$-	\$34
LONG TERM DISABILITY	\$-	\$156	\$-	\$195
TITLE IV INVESTIGATIONS HHB	\$-	\$1,264	\$-	\$-
Supplies	\$-	\$35	\$-	\$-
TOTAL OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES INSTRUNCT. STAFF	\$700	\$65,508	\$757	\$117,747
2310 BOARD OF EDUCATION				
Wages-Board Minute Keeper	\$1,600	\$1,400	\$1,600	\$1,600
Salaries - Board	\$6,000	\$3,063	\$6,000	\$6,000

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FICA	\$581	\$341	\$581	\$581
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$20	\$33	\$33
Legal	\$2,000	\$5,690	\$2,000	\$2,000
Audit Services	\$12,600	\$10,450	\$12,600	\$12,600
Liability Insurance	\$22,500	\$19,702	\$25,875	\$27,945
Advertising	\$1,000	\$1,839	\$1,000	\$1,000
Supplies & Food Community Engagement	\$3,000	\$1,105	\$3,000	\$3,000
Dues	\$2,000	\$1,408	\$2,000	\$2,000
Other Board Expenses	\$2,000	\$2,081	\$2,000	\$2,000
Contingency for Wage Increases	\$-	\$-	\$301,000	\$-
TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$53,281	\$47,099	\$357,689	\$58,759
BOARD TREASURER				
Treasurer Services	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500
TOTAL BOARD TREASURER	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION				
NCSU Assessment	\$364,744	\$364,744	\$365,789	\$366,204
TOTAL EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION	\$243,565	\$243,565	\$364,744	\$365,789
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL				
Substitute - Clerical	\$-	\$1,672	\$-	\$-
Salary - Principal	\$110,864	\$110,864	\$110,864	\$131,250
Salary - Assistant Principal	\$91,936	\$91,936	\$91,936	\$108,150
Salary - Clerical	\$79,790	\$83,852	\$79,922	\$78,517
Health Ins	\$98,106	\$104,931	\$109,800	\$94,130
HEALTH INSURANCE HRA	\$16,800	\$15,928	\$16,800	\$12,400
FICA	\$21,619	\$19,789	\$21,628	\$24,321
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$1,156	\$1,244	\$1,399
Municipal Retirement	\$5,585	\$5,870	\$5,794	\$5,692
Tuition	\$5,424	\$-	\$-	\$5,536
Unemployment	\$659	\$489	\$490	\$490
Workers Comp	\$2,374	\$2,251	\$2,262	\$2,416
Dental Ins	\$3,360	\$3,306	\$3,360	\$2,880
Life Insurance	\$400	\$395	\$400	\$312
Long Term Disability	\$876	\$833	\$876	\$769
Student Loan Assistance	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,000
Postage	\$2,000	\$2,055	\$2,000	\$2,000
Travel	\$1,500	\$1,597	\$1,500	\$1,500
Supplies	\$3,500	\$6,708	\$3,500	\$3,500
Dues\Fees	\$3,000	\$5,156	\$3,000	\$3,000
Miscellaneous	\$-	\$552	\$-	\$-
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	\$447,793	\$459,339	\$455,376	\$479,262
FISCAL SERVICES				
FISCAL WAGES	\$5,730	\$2,641	\$3,012	\$3,366
FICA	\$439	\$202	\$230	\$257
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$12	\$13	\$15
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$94	\$109	\$49	\$70

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	<i>7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025</i>	<i>7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025</i>	<i>7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026</i>	<i>7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027</i>
WORKERS COMP	\$48	\$24	\$24	\$26
Crime Insurance	\$1,000	\$-	\$-	\$-
Purchased Servies from SU	\$52,710	\$52,700	\$54,300	\$56,000
Interest Current Loans	\$20,000	\$104,642	\$70,000	\$105,000
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	\$80,021	\$160,330	\$127,628	\$164,734
OPERATIONS OF BUILDINGS				
Substitute Salary	\$-	\$7,705	\$-	\$-
Custodian Salary	\$154,016	\$161,837	\$147,952	\$211,898
Summer Custodians	\$20,000	\$19,292	\$22,000	\$22,000
Health Insurance	\$54,157	\$54,258	\$78,358	\$86,182
HRA	\$15,400	\$4,508	\$15,400	\$15,400
FICA	\$13,314	\$13,297	\$11,318	\$16,210
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$774	\$651	\$932
Municipal Retirement	\$10,781	\$12,447	\$10,727	\$15,363
Unemployment	\$659	\$542	\$542	\$665
Workers Comp	\$1,294	\$11,744	\$9,972	\$13,625
Dental	\$2,385	\$1,828	\$2,385	\$2,976
Life Insurance	\$78	\$85	\$78	\$122
Long Term Disability	\$477	\$469	\$459	\$513
Sewer Services	\$4,400	\$5,113	\$4,400	\$4,400
Water Services	\$2,600	\$2,940	\$2,600	\$2,600
Rubbish Services	\$8,000	\$8,573	\$8,000	\$8,000
Repairs and Maintenance Services	\$22,000	\$38,643	\$22,000	\$22,000
Other Purchased Property Services	\$40,000	\$-	\$40,000	\$40,000
Property Insurance	\$30,000	\$28,468	\$34,500	\$37,260
Telephone	\$5,500	\$5,595	\$5,500	\$5,500
Travel	\$250	\$-	\$250	\$250
Supplies	\$30,000	\$25,005	\$30,000	\$30,000
Electricity	\$55,000	\$68,467	\$55,000	\$70,000
Bottled Gas	\$70,000	\$59,522	\$70,000	\$70,000
DUES/FEES	\$-	\$1,341	\$-	\$-
TOTAL OPERATIONS OF BUILDINGS	\$540,311	\$532,453	\$572,092	\$675,896
BUILDING UPKEEP				
Repairs & Maintenance Services	\$25,000	\$71,696	\$25,000	\$25,000
Repairs and Maintenance Services - PCB	\$-	\$3,287	\$-	\$-
Other Purchased Services	\$15,000	\$950	\$15,000	\$15,000
Supplies	\$5,000	\$12,300	\$5,000	\$5,000
TOTAL BUILDING UPKEEP	\$45,000	\$88,233	\$45,000	\$45,000
GROUNDS UPKEEP				
Snow Removal	\$15,000	\$22,325	\$15,000	\$15,000
Repairs & Maintenance Services	\$10,000	\$2,592	\$10,000	\$10,000
Storm Water Mitigation Project	\$11,800	\$-	\$11,800	\$11,800
Supplies	\$3,000	\$3,185	\$3,000	\$3,000
TOTAL GROUNDS UPKEEP	\$39,800	\$28,102	\$39,800	\$39,800

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EQUIPMENT UPKEEP				
Repairs & Maintenance Services	\$7,000	\$6,348	\$7,000	\$7,000
Rentals of Equipment	\$1,000	\$1,097	\$1,000	\$1,000
Other Purchased Property Services	\$12,000	\$9,378	\$12,000	\$12,000
Supplies	\$1,500	\$1,020	\$1,500	\$1,500
TOTAL EQUIPMENT UPKEEP	\$21,500	\$17,843	\$21,500	\$21,500
CROSSING GUARD				
Crossing Guard	\$-	\$-	\$8,042	\$3,856
Safety Wages	\$3,200	\$4,690	\$-	\$-
Health Insurance	\$-	\$1,996	\$-	\$-
FICA	\$245	\$300	\$491	\$295
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$18	\$35	\$17
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$224	\$328	\$583	\$280
Workers Compensation	\$27	\$-	\$51	\$248
Dental	\$-	\$67	\$-	\$-
Life Insurance	\$-	\$2	\$-	\$-
Long Term Disability	\$10	\$6	\$20	\$9
TOTAL CROSSING GUARD	\$3,706	\$7,407	\$9,222	\$4,705
TRANSPORTATION				
SU Purchased Services	\$145,940	\$103,898	\$179,000	\$220,000
TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	\$145,940	\$103,898	\$179,000	\$220,000
TRANSPORTATION EXTRA/COCURRICULAR				
SU Purchased Services - Extra Curricular	\$-	\$3,056	\$-	\$-
TOTAL TRANSPORT EXTRA/COCURRICULAR	\$-	\$3,056	\$-	\$-
TRANSPORTATION MONITORING SERVICES				
Substitute Bus Monitor Wages	\$-	\$4,736	\$-	\$-
Salary - Bus Monitor	\$-	\$19,877	\$-	\$-
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$-	\$7,736	\$-	\$-
FICA	\$-	\$1,671	\$-	\$-
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$96	\$-	\$-
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$-	\$1,395	\$-	\$-
WORKERS COMP		\$1,967	\$-	\$-
DENTAL INSURANCE	\$-	\$238	\$-	\$-
Life Insurance	\$-	\$10	\$-	\$-
LONG TERM DISABILITY	\$-	\$32	\$-	\$-
Bus Monitor Salary	\$5,782	\$2,305	\$-	\$-
FICA	\$419	\$142	\$-	\$-
Childcare Tax	\$-	\$8	\$-	\$-
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$405	\$161	\$-	\$-
WORKERS COMP	\$49	\$-	\$-	\$-
Life Insurance		\$2	\$-	\$-
LONG TERM DISABILITY	\$18	\$6	\$-	\$-
TOTAL TRANSPORT MONITORING SERVICES	\$6,673	\$40,385	\$-	\$-

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DEBT SERVICES CAPTIAL CONSTRUCTION				
Long Term Debt - principal	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$57,609
Long Term Debt - interest	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$35,665
TOTAL DEBT SERVICES OTHER	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$93,274
DEBT SERVICES OTHER				
Long Term Debt - principal	\$30,000	\$-	\$30,000	\$30,000
Long Term Debt - interest	\$1,100	\$-	\$1,100	\$1,100
TOTAL DEBT SERVICES OTHER	\$31,100	\$0	\$31,100	\$31,100
FUND TRANSFER				
Fund transfer	\$-	\$310,000	\$-	\$-
TOTAL FUND TRANSFER	\$-	\$310,000	\$-	\$-
GRAND TOTAL	\$8,217,575	\$7,942,670	\$8,802,517	\$9,293,096
NET		(\$280,179)		



NCSU SUPERINTENDENT of SCHOOLS

ANNUAL LETTER

Explanation of Education Funding, Town Meeting, 2026

The big story of the 2025 – 2026 school year is Act 73, the legislation that was passed at the end of the session. Act 73 is intended to enact many future changes to Vermont’s educational systems. Currently, there are 119 school districts in the state of Vermont, and if Act 73 is implemented in its current form, it will drastically reduce the number of districts, significantly decrease the number of board members in the state, and change entirely the way that schools are funded. The three components of Act 73 are implementing redistricting, governance changes, and a foundation formula.

Under Act 73, new districts would be from 4,000 – 8,000 students. There was a redistricting task force that met eight times last year to determine up to three maps to present to the legislature. However, the redistricting task force came up with one map that didn’t force any kind of consolidation. Instead, it allowed for Cooperative Education Service Areas (CESAs), which would be a voluntary merger of districts to share educational services and regional high schools. In North Country Supervisory Union (NCSU), we have about 2700 students, and the only way for us to get to a district with a minimum size of 4,000 would be to merge with Essex North Supervisory Union (ENSU) and Orleans Central Supervisory Union (OCSU). Although we have had a series of meetings with board members and superintendents from these SUs over the fall and winter, our analysis is that there is no cost savings in creating a district that would stretch westward to Jay-Westfield, northward to the Canadian border, eastward to the New Hampshire border, and southward to Glover. With a regional high school in this region, it might be difficult to find one place that would be in the middle for students traveling from this large geographical region, and there currently is no high school that is large enough to house the number of students that would be required in this merged school. With PCBs at North Country Union High School, the largest high school by far in the region, we would likely need to build a new high school. I’m not sure closing three high schools and building one new one would actually save money in the short-term, but perhaps in the long-term.

Another component of Act 73 is to create voting wards for school board (governance) purposes. In these much larger districts, there would not be one-to-one representation, but instead voting wards would be established, much like the wards that exist for electing state representatives and senators. Therefore, several towns might elect one school board member. In a system like this, the voices of smaller towns may not be as loud as they are with one-to-one representation.

The final component of Act 73 is to create a foundation formula. Currently, Vermont funds its education differently than a lot of other states. We have a statewide education fund which means all the budgets that are passed across the state are added together, and that money is then raised by the legislature to pay for education. Most of education is paid for using property taxes, but there are other revenue sources that are also used, like lottery sales, cannabis sales, and short-term rental sales. The proposed change to a foundation formula would echo what most other states do: the state tells schools how much they will give them for educating each student, with weights added in for poverty, special education, and other special categories, and that’s what the schools receive for funding. In this system, voters don’t vote on the budget, nor is there any say about how much money a town will get for educating its students.

Although the governor and legislature have said that Act 73 will save taxpayer money, the only modeling we have to date shows that many of our local towns will actually see a tax increase. This is because there will be a statewide tax rate. In this new system, lower spenders will see a tax increase and higher spenders will see a tax decrease.

Act 73 aside, we are still budgeting using the same system we have been using for decades. Currently, there are three factors that work together to determine our tax rates. Those three things are:

1. Number of students and education spending

As you know, we have weighted pupils that include students of poverty, sparsity, rurality, or students who are English Language Learners, who count as more than one student. The Long-Term Weighted Average Daily Membership (LTW ADM) is the count of students including the weights. Our schools have many more weighted students than equalized pupils. When you divided the total amount of spending by the total of weighted students, you come up with how much the school is spending per weighted student.

The NEK traditionally spends much less than other districts in the state, and when we divide our smaller budgets

by this higher number of weighted students, we end up with an even smaller amount spent per weighted student.

Educational spending is the ONLY factor that schools and school boards have any control over.

2. Dollar yield

Dollar yield is the amount the legislature determines the state education fund will contribute towards educating each student. The difference between what the school is spending vs. the dollar yield contribution is how many tax dollars need to be raised. The lower the dollar yield, the higher the tax rate.

The Tax Commissioner makes a recommendation about dollar yield on December 1st and the Legislature votes on what the dollar yield will be at the end of the legislative session. Usually, the Legislature's vote is similar to what the Tax Commissioner recommends. This year's recommendation is \$8,849, which is approximately \$250 more than last year's yield. The yield would be \$12,154 except the state is applying a 72% adjustment to the yield to adjust for the statewide Common Level of Appraisal (CLA – see below). This means that the yield is currently \$8849. They are doing this before the tax rate is figured, which shifts the attention to education spending, rather than to the effect that the CLA has on tax rates. I believe this is an attempt to further blame education for rising property taxes, when CLA does in fact have an effect.

Only the Legislature can set the dollar yield, so this is a factor that schools and school boards have no control over.

3. Common level of appraisal

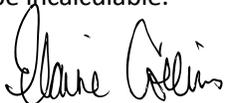
Every town has a group of listers. Listers are responsible for creating and maintaining the grand list, which contains each home's appraised value for tax purposes. The state reviews the grand list on a yearly basis and determines the common level of appraisal (CLA) by looking at what homes are appraised at on the grand list and how much homes are selling for. If every home was appraised at what it sold for, the CLA would be 100%. If homes were selling for less than their appraised value, the CLA would be more than 100% and taxes would decrease. We are all aware of the recent increase in the cost of homes and that most homes are selling for a lot more than they are appraised for. This causes the CLA to drop, and results in increased tax rates. Essentially this is a tax penalty for not raising enough taxes at the local level.

As mentioned above, the state is now using a statewide CLA adjustment. They are applying this adjustment to the dollar yield rather than to the tax rate. It has the same effect on taxes, but shifts the attention to education spending rather than to the CLA. In our region, the CLA has dropped significantly except in two towns. This has having a very negative impact on tax rates across NCSU.

Regardless, common level of appraisal is a function of town government, and schools and school boards have no control over CLA.

There is no doubt that the legislature will continue to work through Act 73 to determine what needs to be changed and what needs to stay the same in this law. Regardless, there will be significant changes to the way that we fund education during this session, and I believe and agree that we must make changes. We cannot outprice Vermonters from living in our communities, and 67% of the education fund is currently funded by property taxes. Education funding is complex and there is no direct correlation between what one school district spends and what the tax rates look like in that district. This is due to the interplay of the variables mentioned above and since we are a statewide system, decisions that are made in other parts of the state – who tend to spend much more than we do in our supervisory union – affect our bottom line. There is a need for more transparency in this system and for us to consider other ways to fund education in Vermont. There is also a need for the legislature to stop mandating schools to do things that cost money without an identified revenue source. Programs like universal Pre-K and universal school meals are wonderful programs, and are the right programs to provide, but without a revenue source, this falls back on taxpayers to fund.

Our primary responsibility is to educate the NCSU's children. For many students, if we don't provide for their mental, social emotional, and behavioral needs, they will never realize their potential and the cost of that would be incalculable.



Elaine Collins
Superintendent, North Country Supervisory Union



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LEARNING BELIEFS

Learning takes place in a culture that fosters...

Growth Mindset ❖ Curiosity ❖ Perseverance ❖ Relevance
Mutual Respect ❖ Feedback & Reflection ❖ Instructional Access ❖ Equity
Diversity ❖ Personal Responsibility
Shared Leadership ❖ Individual & Collective Accomplishments
Community Partnerships

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Learners participate in experiences that/to...

Support Personal Pathways ❖ Include Problem-Based Projects
Are Academically Rigorous
Make Inter-Disciplinary Connections ❖ Contain Experiential Discovery
Utilize Transferable Skills ❖ Encourage Student Voice
Incorporate Technology ❖ Involve Physical Activity ❖ Create & Perform
Engage The Community ❖ Occur In The Natural World
Happen Anywhere & Any Time

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learners succeed by becoming...

Caring, Kind & Grateful ❖ Confident & Self-Directed ❖ Honest & Fair
Independent Thinkers ❖ Innovative Problem Solvers
Academically Accomplished ❖ Effective Communicators & Collaborators
Technologically Skilled ❖ Globally Aware ❖ Contributing Citizens
Respectful of Our Environment
Physically, Emotionally & Socially Healthy
Appreciative Of & Skilled In The Visual & Performing Arts



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SUPERVISORY UNION WORK & LEARNING PLAN

Equity

- Advance equity principles and practices

Social & Emotional Learning

- Deliver research-based practices with consistency that advance positive attitudes, habits, and actions

Content Standards and Transferable Skills

- Implement curricula based on current content standards
- Implement curricula based on NCSU transferable skills
- Promote effective digital learning

Student Engagement

- Promote inquiry-based learning
- Support interdisciplinary instruction
- Create multiple pathways
- Foster personalization

Student Voice & Leadership

- Promote student contributions and leadership in their communities
- Include students in authentic decision making at all levels

Formative Assessment and Data

- Provide multiple opportunities for feedback and reflection
- Use technology to support assessment, reporting and reflection
- Students engage in goal setting in age-appropriate ways
- Use qualitative and quantitative data to guide the reflection and review of programs, practices, systems and structures

Approved by the NCSU Full Board December 2018

NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION
FY2027 Board Approved Assessment Budget

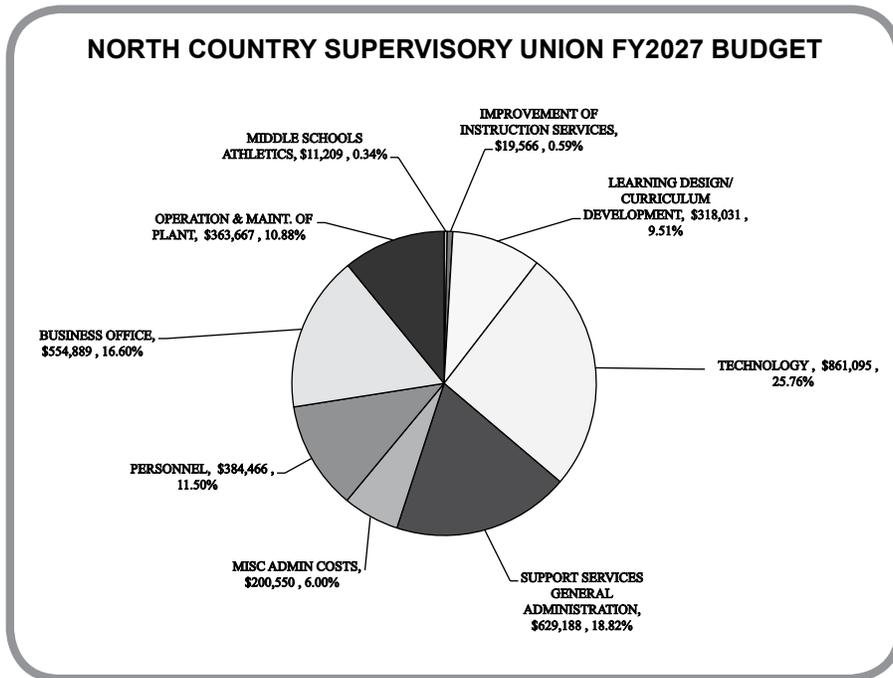
DESCRIPTION	FY 2026	FY2027
<u>ASSESSMENT REVENUE</u>	Adopted Budget	Board Approved
INTEREST	7/1/25-6/30/26	7/1/26-6/30/27
INTEREST INCOME-CASH ACCOUNT	(\$ 50,000)	(\$100,000)
INTEREST INCOME-MONEY MARKET	(1,500)	(1,500)
INTEREST REVENUE	(51,500)	(101,500)
ASSESSMENTS	(2,935,332)	(2,924,161)
TOTAL TOWN ASSESSMENT	(2,935,332)	(2,924,161)
MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE		
INDIRECT COSTS REVENUE.....	(125,000)	(100,000)
FUND BALANCE AS REVENUE	-	(217,000)
TOTAL MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE.....	(125,000)	(317,000)
TOTAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE	(\$3,111,832)	(\$3,342,661)
<u>ASSESSMENT EXPENDITURES</u>		
MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS		
SALARY MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS	\$ 6,313	\$ 7,500
FICA.....	483	574
VT CHILD CARE TAX.....	-	32
W COMP	50	103
PURCHASED SERVICE	1,000	1,000
SUPPLIES	2,000	2,000
TOTAL MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS.....	9,846	11,209
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION		
SP PROJECTS LICENSING COACH	7,000	7,000
SP PROJECTS FICA.....	535	536
SP PROJECTS VT CHILD CARE TAX.....	-	30
SP PROJECTS P SERV.....	5,000	5,000
SP PROJECTS SUPPLIES.....	2,000	2,000
SPEC.PROJ.-FOOD.....	5,000	5,000
TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION.....	19,535	19,566
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT		
DIRECT INSTRUCTION TECH PLATFORMS	84,682	90,000
DIRECTOR OF LEARNING DESIGN/ CURRICULUM SALARY	116,948	114,400
WAGES CURRICULUM ADMIN/GRANTS ASST..	25,431	29,782
BCBS.....	42,548	43,452
HRA	6,300	6,300
FICA.....	11,476	11,030
CHILD CARE TAX	660	634
LIFE INSURANCE.....	186	145

	FY 2026	FY2027
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	7/1/25-6/30/26	7/1/26-6/30/27
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CON'T.		
MUN. RETIREMENT	1,973	2,234
WORKERS COMP	1,260	1,972
UNEMPLOYMENT	77	22
TUITION	2,712	2,768
DENTAL.....	1,315	1,332
LTD	465	360
TRAINING - PD LEARNING DESIGN STAFF	4,000	4,000
TRAINING - PD VARIOUS STAFF	-	4,000
TRAVEL.....	1,400	1,400
SUPPLIES	1,200	1,200
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	500	500
CONF & DUES	1,500	2,500
TOTAL CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	304,633	318,031
TECHNOLOGY		
DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY.....	106,080	115,839
NETWORK/TECH SUPPORT WAGES.....	215,219	273,801
BCBS.....	127,291	119,509
HRA	15,400	17,600
FICA.....	26,138	29,809
CHILD CARE TAX.....	1,503	1,714
LIFE INSURANCE.....	300	237
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	26,720	31,250
WORKERS COMP	2,870	5,328
UNEMPLOYMENT	208	90
TUITION	1,800	2,768
DENTAL.....	3,755	4,176
LTD	1,059	974
PURCHASED SERVICE - TECH/EDUCATIONAL/HR PLATFORMS.....	236,375	225,000
TRAVEL.....	6,400	7,500
ROOMS & MEALS	500	500
SUPPLIES	3,500	3,500
SOFTWARE	3,500	3,500
EQUIPMENT	10,000	10,000
EMPLOYEE TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT	8,000	8,000
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY.....	796,618	861,095
SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN		
SUPERINTENDENT SALARY	145,583	174,928
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT SALARY	125,000	149,760
COMMUNICATIONS COORD/ ADMIN ASSIST WAGES	112,959	138,460
BCBS.....	56,176	62,499
HRA	15,000	10,000

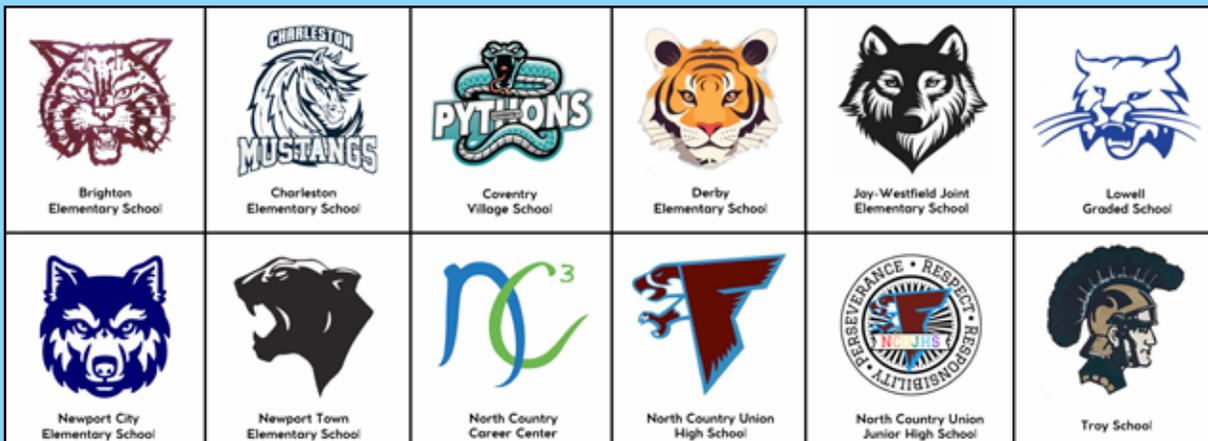
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SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN CON'T.		
FICA.....	31,702	35,431
CHILD CARE TAX.....	1,823	2,038
LIFE INSURANCE.....	400	312
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT.....	9,446	10,384
WORK COMP.....	3,481	6,333
UNEMPLOYMENT.....	130	60
DENTAL.....	1,750	1,825
LTD.....	1,285	1,158
AUDIT NCSU.....	10,500	15,000
LODGING & MEALS.....	2,000	2,000
TRAVEL.....	5,000	5,000
VSA DUES.....	5,000	5,000
PROF DEVELOPMENT-SECRETARY.....	500	500
PROF DEVELOPMENT-SUPERINTENDENT(S).....	2,500	3,500
VREC DUES.....	2,500	5,000
TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN.	532,735	629,188
MISC ADMIN COSTS		
LEGAL SERVICES.....	5,000	5,000
STIPEND TREASURER'S.....	1,050	1,050
PURCHASE SERVICE.....	20,000	15,000
EQUIP MAINT.....	4,500	6,000
MACHINE LEASES & RENTALS.....	16,000	16,500
CONSOLIDATED INSURANCE.....	33,000	35,000
TELEPHONE.....	8,500	8,000
POSTAGE.....	12,000	11,000
INTERNET.....	50,000	50,000
ADVERTISING.....	10,000	10,000
MISC FOOD MEETINGS.....	8,500	8,500
OFFICE SUPPLIES.....	25,000	25,000
BOOKS.....	500	500
FURNITURE.....	2,500	2,000
MISCELLANEOUS DUES/ FEES SUPERINTENDENT(S).....	7,000	7,000
WAGE INCREASE/ ADJUSTMENTS CONTINGENCY LINE.....	121,000	-
TOTAL MISC. ADMIN. COSTS.....	324,550	200,550
PERSONNEL		
PERSONNEL SALARY/WAGES.....	182,294	219,603
PERSONNEL BCBS.....	44,643	58,981
PERSONNEL HRA.....	8,800	8,800
PERSONNEL FICA.....	14,922	16,800
PERSONNEL CHILD CARE TAX.....	858	966
PERSONNEL LIFE INS.....	96	176

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PERSONNEL con't.		
PERSONNEL RETIREMENT	14,141	16,470
PERSONNEL WORKERS COMP	1,638	3,003
PERSONNEL UNEMPLOYMENT	125	45
PERSONNEL TUITION	2,712	2,768
PERSONNEL DENTAL.....	1,060	1,105
PERSONNEL LTD	605	549
PURCHASED SERVICE PERSONNEL	3,700	3,700
PERSONNEL TRAVEL.....	500	500
PERSONNEL HR PLATFORMS.....	48,000	50,000
PERSONNEL CONF/DUES	1,000	1,000
TOTAL PERSONNEL.....	325,094	384,466
BUSINESS OFFICE		
SALARY DIRECTOR BUSINESS.....	74,944	89,908
WAGES FINANCE ASSISTANTS.....	100,699	136,800
WAGES COURIER.....	2,300	2,500
SALARY STAFF ACCOUNTANTS	78,969	89,129
WAGES GRANTS ASSISTANT	31,599	28,334
BCBS BUSINESS OFFICE	93,299	91,023
HRA.....	18,000	18,000
FICA BUSINESS OFFICE	23,489	26,330
CHILD CARE TAX	1,351	1,514
LIFE INS BUSINESS OFFICE.....	225	161
RETIREMENT BUSINESS OFFICE.....	23,471	27,386
WORKERS COMP BUSINESS OFFICE.....	2,579	4,706
UNEMPLOYMENT BUSINESS OFFICE.....	249	64
TUITION BUSINESS OFFICE.....	2,712	2,768
DENTAL BUSINESS OFFICE	3,375	3,406
LTD DIRECTOR BUSINESS	952	860
PROF DEV BUSINESS OFFICE.....	8,000	8,000
MAINTANCE CONTRACT ERP PRO.....	15,000	15,000
TRAVEL BUSINESS OFFICE.....	5,000	5,000
ROOMS & MEALS BUSINESS OFFICE	2,500	2,500
DUES & FEES BUSINESS OFFICE	1,000	1,500
TOTAL BUSINESS OFFICE	489,713	554,889
OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT		
FACILTIES COORDINATOR WAGES.....	65,255	104,000
CUSTODIAN WAGES	18,142	25,016
FACILTIES COORDINATOR & CUSTODIAL BENEFITS.....	19,711	27,348
OPERATION AND MAINT PURCHASE SERV	8,000	8,000
CUSTODIAN PURCHASES SERVICE	19,000	-
RUBBISH REMOVAL	3,000	4,000
STORAGE RENTAL SPACE	1,000	1,500

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OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT con't.		
TRAVEL.....	-	1,000
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES.....	5,000	8,500
TOTAL OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	139,108	179,364
OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT		
RENT.....	170,000	184,303
TOTAL OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	170,000	184,303
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,111,832	\$3,342,661



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Household Hazardous Waste



Saturday May 16th
Saturday October 17th
7:30 am to 11:30 am

Event to be held at the, New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc.
landfill facility on Airport Road in Coventry

This event is FREE and open to the RESIDENTS of

**Newport City, Coventry, Barton,
Lowell & Burke**

If you qualify as a small quantity (CEG) business, and wish to dispose of your hazardous waste, arrangements for disposal and payment must be made in advance and at least one week prior to the event.

Proof of residency will be required.

Materials Accepted at the Event:

Acids, Adhesives, Aerosols, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Cements, Charcoal Lighters, Chlorine, Cleaning Fluid, Degreasers, Disinfectants, Drain Cleaners, Dry Gas, Epoxies, Dyes, Fiberglass Resins, Flea Powders, Furniture Strippers, Hair Removers, Herbicides, Insect Repellents, Lacquers, Lubricants, Mothballs or Flakes, Nail Polish Removers, Oven Cleaners, Latex Paints, Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Permanent Solutions, Pesticides, Photo Chemicals, Rat Poisons, Rug & Upholstery Cleaners, Rust Solvents, Wood Preservatives, Spot Removers, Toilet Bowl Cleaners, Tub and Tile Cleaners, Turpentine, Varnish, Weed Killers, Wood Polishes, Wood Stains, Fluorescent Light Tubes/Lighting, Mercury Containing Products, Roofing Tar & Driveway Sealer.

Materials NOT Accepted at the Event:

Asbestos, Asphalt, Automotive and Marine Batteries, Electronic Waste, Tires, Used Oil, Explosives or Shock-Sensitive Materials, Ammunition, Radio-Active Wastes, Pathological Wastes, Infectious Waste, Medicines, Dioxins, Smoke Detectors, Compressed Gas Cylinders.

If you have any questions about the event or acceptable materials, please call;
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New Engine Truck added to City's Fire Department Rescue Fleet

