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TOWN MEETING 2012

TOWN MEETING RESULTS TOWN ARTICLES 375 People Voted

2. Town Auditors Report passed 329 Yes, 32 No
3. Town Operations passed 260 Yes, 109 No
4. Town Highway passed 246 Yes, 124 No
5. Revised Town Plan passed 248 Yes, 96 No
6. Parker Property Purchase passed 281 Yes, 144 No
7. MSVFD Building Exemption passed 273 Yes, 88 No
8. Municipal Forest passed 231 Yes, 134 No
9. Advisory - Tax the 1% passed 246 Yes, 107 No
10. Advisory - Citizens United passed 230 Yes, 106 No
11. Advisory - NDAA passed 210 Yes, 118 No

Appropriations:

12. MSVFD passed 278 Yes, 92 No
13. NeighborWorks passed 215 Yes, 152 No
14. RAVNAH passed 291 Yes, 76 No
15. Rutland Mental Health passed 252 Yes, 115 No
16. RSVP passed 221 Yes, 143 No
17. Women's Network & Shelter passed 270 Yes, 96 No
18. BROCC passed 245 Yes, 123 No
19. Vt Center for Independent Living passed 277 Yes, 91 No
20. ARC -Rutland Area passed 236 Yes, 128 No
21. Vt Assn of the Blind passed 264 Yes, 102 No
22. American Red Cross passed 273 Yes, 91 No
23. Southwest Vt Council on Aging passed 260 Yes, 104 No
24. Rutland Co. Humane Society passed 258 Yes, 109 No
25. Rutland Regional Ambulance passed 294 Yes, 72 No
26. Green-Up Day passed 285 Yes, 83 No
27. Rutland Co. Parent Child Center passed 213 Yes, 150 No
28. Poultney Community League passed 224 Yes, 139 No
29. Poultney-Mettowee District passed 197 Yes, 166 No
30. First Response passed 327 Yes, 83 No
31. Poultney Rescue Squad passed 301 Yes, 69 No
32. Northern Vt R C & D Council passed 251 Yes, 110 No

Town Officers:

- Town Clerk 3 Years - Laura Castle, 349 votes**
Town Treasurer 3 Years - Jennifer Talke Munyak, 314 votes
Tax Collector 1 Year - Laura Castle, 337 votes

Selectman 3 Years -

- Carl P. Haynes, 193 votes**
William Reed, 166 votes

Selectman 2 Years - Shirley D. Moyer, 315 votes

Selectman 2 Years - James Webber, 315 votes

Road Commissioner 3 Years -

- Carl P. Haynes, 155 votes**
William Reed, 213 votes

Lister 3 Years - Sally Achey, 325 votes

Library Trustee 3 Years (2 Seats)

- Lois Dansereau, 145 votes**
Kristal Hier, 184 votes
Maureen McCormick, 82 votes
Alida Tarbell, 186 votes

Ttee Copeland Church 1 Yr - Nanette Gilmour, 336 votes

Ttee Copeland Cemetery 1 Yr - Nanette Gilmour, 334 votes

Ttee Public Monies 1 Year -

- Lois Dansereau, 220 votes**
Carl P. Haynes, 131 votes

Planning Commission 3 Years - John Arsenaault, 322 votes

Write-in candidates and appointments will be announced in the next issue of *The Magnet*.

SCHOOL DISTRICT RESULTS SCHOOL ARTICLES 375 People Voted

Article 4: School Budget passed 195 Yes, 174 No

Article 5: Act 153 Study Support passed 218 Yes, 142 No

Article 6: Act 153 Funds passed 187 Yes, 172 No

Article 7: \$10K Foreign Language defeated 125 Yes, 241 No

Officers:

School Director 3 Years - Karen Mach, 253 votes

Write-in candidates will be announced in the next issue of *The Magnet*.

Town Meeting 2012



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Fountain of Youth



Will March go out like a lion or a lamb? Get a clue at the Young At Heart Senior Center in Poultney on **March 28**. Join fellow seniors for Yankee Pot Roast, Mashed Potato with Gravy, Garden Peas and Bread Pudding. Lunch is served at noon with homemade soup and coffee available after 11 a.m. Reservations must be made by calling Mary Thomas at 287-9200.

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A Note of Thanks

Many thanks to **Marilyn Parker** for her 30 years of dedicated service as the Town Treasurer, School Treasurer and Tax Collector. Her careful and consistent management of our town's

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Historical Society Upgrades Lighting

The Historical Society recently completed energy efficiency lighting upgrades in the Town Office, the dining room, kitchen, museum room and auditorium.

Downstairs, all fluorescent light fixtures were re-wired with new electronic ballasts replacing the obsolete magnetic ballasts. The T-12 (fat) fluorescent tubes were replaced with T-8 (skinny) tubes.

In the auditorium, eight 100w incandescent bulbs in ceiling fixtures were replaced with equivalent lumen 17w compact fluorescent bulbs. Sixteen spot light bulbs that drew 100 watts each were replaced with 90w equivalent LED spot light bulbs that each draw only 17 watts.

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Fire Department News

by Mark McManus, Assistant Chief

Brush Season, already?

Yes it is; already one call for a brush fire this year....in February!

Mother Nature couldn't care less what our human calendar says. It's dry out there in the woods and fields; and unless the ground is completely snow-covered, there is absolutely no outdoor burning without a permit. Please call Forest Fire Warden Jason Cook @ 235-1178, or Assistant Warden Tim Poole @ 235-1531 to apply for a burn permit. Otherwise, please don't be surprised when the Fire Department shows up to extinguish your unauthorized conflagration.

Junior Members

With the recent additions of Ashley Daniels and Dani Gourlay, we now have 5 Junior Firefighters on the Department. We are pleased to welcome them aboard, and would also like to congratulate Roger Brown on his recent election to the position of Assistant Junior Chief.

Building Committee to Reconvene



The Town Office Building Committee will be gearing up again now that the town has voted to purchase the Parker property. If you are interested in joining the committee please contact one of the Selectmen and express your interest.

Look for future updates in *The Magnet* and on Front Porch Forum.

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**Select Board Minutes
Special Meeting January 30, 2012
Approved**



CALL TO ORDER: C. Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
BOARD PRESENT: Jim Webber, Chris Larson, Mike Lamson, S. Moyer, C. Haynes
PUBLIC PRESENT: None
FY 2012/2013 Budget
 • The board worked on the 2012/2013 budget to discuss the \$750 for tax map updates which was not included in the general budget/warning. It was agreed to remove the tax map update cost as opposed to recalculate and revote the warnings.

Parker Property
 • The option agreement to purchase the Parker property was reviewed including changes requested by the Parker attorney regarding any items left in the garage.
 • C. Larson moves to accept the change to the purchase and sales agreement. C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned 7:25 pm.
 Mike Lamson, Clerk

**Select Board Minutes
Regular Meeting February 9, 2012 Approved**

CALL TO ORDER: C. Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
BOARD PRESENT: Shirley Moyer, Chris Larson, Carl Haynes, Mike Lamson
PUBLIC PRESENT: Laura Castle, John Thrasher, Allan Riedinger, James and Sarah Pesler
Approval of Minutes of 1/26 and 1/30
 • C. Larson moved to approve the 1/26 and 1/30 minutes as

presented. S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]
Public Comments: None
Garron Road Extension
 • Allan Riedinger attends with attorney John Thrasher to discuss the request to extend Garron Road to access his property.
 • James and Sarah Pesler attend to determine the details of the Riedinger request and how it will affect their property which is located in Wells.
 • John Thrasher presents a proposed scope of work from the Riedingers to improve Garron Road – requesting the town flag the road and survey if necessary, provide culvert.
 • The board is unclear as to current classification of the road and our responsibilities. John requests the town review Title 19 Section 33
 • The board will visit the site March 3 at 9:00 to walk the site. Additionally the board will confer with Gary Kupferer for guidance.

Planning Commission/Town Plan: None
Solid Waste/Fort Dumpster
 • Casellas submitted a proposal for single stream per request detailing cost analysis of different types of dumpster (compacting vs. container)
 • Jim suggests dropping policy of not charging for trash on large item day.

Town Office Replacement Plan/Parker property
 • Signed purchase option agreement received from the Parkers.
 • Discussed Ed Bove’s email requesting information for potential future use/remediation

Road Commissioner Report: None
Highway Dept. Storage Plan: None
Street Lighting

• “Improving Efficiency in Municipal Street and Public Lighting” document for LED street lighting received from Energy Committee. Signing the document commits the town (Energy

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Committee to take lead) to surveying the existing lighting, create streetlight inventory, prepare scope of work and budget. Document does not require funding/implementation of the project.

- M. Lamson moves to sign the "Improving Efficiency in Municipal Street and Public Lighting" document. C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

Audit: None

Financials/Board Orders

- C. Haynes moves to approve the general town orders as presented. M. Lamson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]
- C. Haynes moves to approve the highway town orders as presented. M. Lamson 2nd. [S. Moyer – nay, M. Lamson – aye, C. Haynes – aye, C. Larson – aye, motion carried]

Correspondence

- Town Highway grant application from VTRans
- Certificate for Highway Mileage
- Dubois and King invitation to enter contest for \$10,000 engineering services
- Notification from Dept of Health confirming Rita Hansen is the town Health Officer
- 2 letters from Bob Zorn

FY 2012/2013 Budget/Town Report: None.

Other Business: None.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned 9:28 pm.

Mike Lamson, Clerk



**School Directors (Regular) Meeting
February 9, 2012
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES**

Present: Board Members: Kimberly Mathewson (Chair), Clarence Haynes (Clerk), and Kendra Larson. **Also Present:** Joan Paustian (Supt.), Louis Milazzo, (Business Mgr.), Rick Beal (Principal) and Susan Rosso (Recording Secretary). Public Present: Bob Bruttomesso. Steven Letendre (Vice-Chair) and Matt Peschl (Member) arrived at 6:36PM.

1. Call to Order: Kimberly Mathewson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes – Unofficial Minutes from:
 1. January 26, 2012 (Special)
 2. January 12, 2012 (Regular)
 3. December 7, 2011 (Special) (Still Pending)
 4. June 3, 2011 (Special) (Still Pending)
 5. June 6, 2011 (Special) (Still Pending)

Minutes of Jan. 12 and Jan. 26, 2012 were reviewed. Clarence Haynes moved to approve the minutes of Jan. 12 and Jan. 26, Kendra Larson seconded; motion carried 3-0. Other meeting minutes still pending. (Steven Letendre & Matt Peschl arrived at this time.)

b. Superintendent's Report

Supt. Paustian began by thanking Kimberly Mathewson and Matt Peschl for their service on the board. She especially thanked Mrs. Mathewson for her advice and judgment as Chair of both the MSES and RSWSU Boards. She will miss working with both of them. The Superintendent's evaluation packet has been distributed and needs to be back to C.O., preferably by Feb. 10, but no later than noon on Feb. 13, so it can be reviewed at the next Human Resources Committee meeting. The Curriculum Council packet will be going out soon, as well. Clarence Haynes

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shared that he heard through the media that the governor has asked local communities to vote down school budgets in order to force budget cuts. MSES cut the budget 10% two years ago and 2% last year. Continued cuts are not possible while maintaining an effective educational program.

c. Principal's Report

Principal Beal reported that Reading Professional Development continues with Ms. Fuller. He gave "kudos" to the teaching staff for their willingness and involvement in the learning process. MSES is looking at a new reading program for the primary grades. A local individual is available to fill the vacant ASP Spanish teacher position. Mr. Beal and Ms. Tinsley received the Farm to School planning grant. The Winter Fun Day with Tinmouth has been cancelled due to lack of snow. NECAP scores have arrived. MSES scored above the state average in some areas. The school was approved for a loan from the state drinking water revolving fund. The loan can be forgiven so updating the water system panel may be done at no cost to the school. The school also received a grant for \$2,500 for a wall-mounted scoreboard; FFE will kick in the additional funds needed to purchase the unit. Mr. Beal informed the Board that we received a \$5,000 grant for stream bank stabilization to repair the damage caused by "Irene." FEMA was here today, however, they do not work with privately owned land. Other options will be explored. We had a great artist-in-residency program and senior/grandparent luncheon. A number of thank you notes were received from seniors; it was so valuable for the children to interact with our elder community members. The 1960's has been chosen as the time frame for this year's Living History event. Kendra Larson commended Mr. Beal for finding and applying for grants for the school.

d. Business Manager's Report

i. Financial Statements

There is still no decision in Montpelier on the educational

base tax amount. Mr. Milazzo will be returning to Montpelier shortly; he will keep the Board posted.

Kendra Larson moved to accept the reports of the Superintendent, Principal, and Business Mgr., Matt Peschl seconded; motion carried 5-0.

3. Approve Warrants:

- a. Warrant #122 in the amount of \$15,186.31 - 12/30/11
- b. Warrant #123 in the amount of \$96,917.07 - 1/13/12
- c. Warrant #124 in the amount of \$7,468.62, - 1/27/12

Warrants #122, 123, and 124 were reviewed. Kimberly Mathewson moved to approve Warrant #122 in the amount of \$15,186.31 dated 12/30/11, Warrant #123 in the amount of \$96,917.07 dated 1/13/12, and Warrant #124 in the amount of \$7,468.62 dated 1/27/12, Matt Peschl seconded; motion carried 4-1. Mr. Haynes opposes Warrant #123; specifically regarding the payment of Section 504 costs to a private school.

4. General Public Comments

Mr. Bruttomesso presented a letter to Mrs. Mathewson asking for salary and benefit information for all Central Office personnel. He also asked the Board about the switch from V-CAT to the AIMSWeb student data management system. He stated that while AIMSWeb has some valuable features, it does not have some of the capabilities of V-CAT such as tracking NECAP scores. He also asked how it is decided which schools will pilot new programs and what data are used to make decisions to replace educational programs. He would like to see more consistency in the way positions are created and how employees are compensated at C.O. versus the school level. He spoke about how the model has changed from paying vendors and technology or instructional specialists as needed to hiring these individuals as SU employees, and if costs have been reduced or have increased after factoring in the benefits provided to those employees. Supt.

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Paustian addressed some of Mr. B.'s questions. Mr. Letendre asked Mr. B. if he was raising these questions as a teacher or as a resident. Mr. B. replied that in some instances it is hard to separate these roles.

5. New Business:

a. Prepare for Town Meeting

Laura Castle had some questions about the ballot; the town treasurer position is for three years while the school treasurer position is for one year. This is fine; just something to be aware of. The wording of the warning was discussed. There will be an informational meeting at the school on Tues., Feb. 28 from 6:30-8:00PM. Refreshments and childcare will be provided. Mr. Beal will provide a presentation. Information to be shared with voters at Town Meeting was distributed and reviewed for accuracy and typographical errors. Discussion about the best way to present the information ensued. Kendra Larson spoke to the moderator about displaying student work and a brief PowerPoint presentation and was told this was acceptable. The board members discussed the areas in which each felt most knowledgeable to present information and answer questions.

(Board Member Steven Letendre left the meeting at this time.)

6. Old Business: None.

7. Policies (For Adoption):

a. D-4: Educator Supervision and Evaluation: Probationary Teachers

The policy was reviewed. Kimberly Mathewson moved to adopt Policy D-4: Educator Supervision and Evaluation: Probationary Teachers, Clarence Haynes seconded; motion carried 4-0.

8. Executive Session 1 VSA § 313 (1-9) (a) (b) if warranted (Discussion & Possible Action).

a. 1 VSA § 313 (1) (a)(b) contractual/personnel and possible negotiations

Clarence Haynes moved to have the Board enter Executive Session at 8:30PM for contractual/personnel issues, Principal's evaluation, and possible negotiations, Kimberly Mathewson sec-

onded; motion carried 4-0.

(Susan Rosso and Bob Bruttomesso left the meeting at this time.)

9. Action on Personnel Contract

i. New Hires:

1. Karie Hawthorne (Instructional Assistant)

2. Mareua Millarc (ASP Spanish Teacher)

ii. Resignations:

1. John Peck (Instructional Assistant)

iii. Terminations:

iv. Other:

10. Other Lawful Business

11. Set Next Board Meeting (Anticipated March 8, 2012, 6:00 p.m.)

12. Adjournment

February 9, 2012

Continuation Meeting Unofficial Minutes

Executive Session:

Motion made by Clarence Haynes, seconded by Kimberly Mathewson to move the Board (to include Superintendent Paustian and Principal Beal) into executive session for the purpose of a personnel matters 1 VSA § 313 (1 & 4)(a)(b) at 8:28PM. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kendra Larson, seconded by Kimberly Mathewson to move the board out of executive session at 9:25PM.

Motion made by Clarence Haynes, seconded by Kimberly Mathewson to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent regarding employment status for John Peck. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kimberly Mathewson, seconded by Kendra Larson to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent (and Principal) to hire Karie Hawthorne as an individual student as-

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sistant effective 2/13/12 through the end of this school year and Mareua Millarc as the After School Program Spanish Instructor effective 2/13/2012 to the end of the current school year. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kimberly Mathewson, seconded by Kendra Larson to approve offering a multi-year contract for Principal Rick Beal for three years (beginning FY13) with an additional 3-year option. Motion carried.

At this time, the Board wished to express sincere appreciation and thanks to Matthew Peschl for his service on the Board of School Directors; and in particular for bringing his wealth of information and experience with construction et al. His work on the board, although for a short time, was valuable and much appreciated.

The Board also expressed a debt of gratitude and appreciation to Kimberly Mathewson for her many years of service to the School Board and specifically for her leadership as Chairperson for the past several years. Kimberly's dedication always went well above and beyond any expectations; her tireless efforts on behalf of the Board and for the benefit of the children and school community of Middletown Springs are invaluable.

Adjourn:

Motion made by Kimberly Mathewson, seconded by Kendra Larson to adjourn the meeting at 9:30PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence Haynes, Board Clerk



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Volunteer training will include an introduction to hospice and palliative care, education on death, dying and grief, and the development of communication and support skills. Hospice volunteers provide support for people with life-limiting illnesses and their families in the home, hospital and nursing facilities.

For information and to register, contact John Campbell, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, at jcampbell@ravnah.org or (802) 770-1683.



Mill River Bistro Event



The Mill River Music Department presents their 14th annual Bistro event at the Brandon Inn on Friday and Saturday March 30 and 31. Each piece of music selected for this evening is intentionally meant to move you emotionally. It may make you smile, shed a tear, give you chills or make you laugh out loud. Please join us for a journey through The Depth of Music! The event will be a dinner theatre extravaganza with music and fine food for two evening performances and one matinee at the Brandon Inn, in Brandon, Vermont. Evening performances will begin with a cash bar, hors oeuvres and music by the Mill River Jazz Ensemble. Dinner will be interspersed with solo performances and the evening ends with a concert by the Mill River Men's, Women's and Chambers Ensembles. Tickets are available by calling Tammy Heffernan at 259-3711 or Beverly Darling 492-3538 or emailing tammy.heffernan@mac.com or bdarling@rssu.org. Evening performance tickets are \$30 and matinee performances are \$22. The doors open on Friday and Saturday for the evening performances at 6 o'clock and at 12 noon for the luncheon matinee. Shows sell out quickly so call to reserve your seats. Proceeds from this event benefit the Mill River Friends of Music organization which supports the music programs at Mill River. Please call with any questions at 446-2928 or email.



Town Approves Purchase of Parker Property

A view of the Parker property on the corner of South and East Streets. The voters of the Town of Middletown Springs recently approved purchase of this property. The intent is to build a new town office here.

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Elders with gross incomes below 185% of federal poverty levels do not have a resource limit, so savings don't count. The 185% income limit is \$1,679 for a single person or \$2,268 for a couple. If your income is over these numbers, you can still be eligible. If so, you do have a resource limit, but your house, car, and retirement savings do not count as resources. Your 3SquaresVT benefit will not count as income either, so your eligibility for other programs like Medicare will not be at risk.

Many Vermonters are facing challenges right now. You are not alone. Everyone needs access to healthy food, and 3SquaresVT is here to help. 1 in 6 Vermonters take part, including thousands of senior citizens. As an elder, you've worked hard all your life and you have earned the help you need.

For more information or an application, visit www.vermontfoodhelp.com

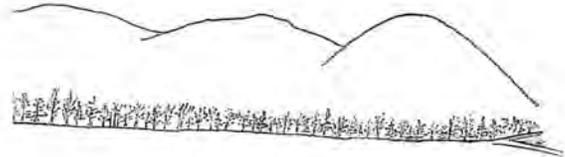


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Songs of love and songs of loss; of birds, of
breakfast, of waking and sleeping.

Please join us! Kids welcome.
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**Saturday, March 31, at 8 am
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 Collection Events**
 for
Solid Waste Alliance Communities

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012
 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. – RUTLAND
 TOWN Transfer Station, in North-
 ward Park, off Post Road Extension,
 Rutland



SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2012
 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. – CHITTENDEN TRANSFER
 STATION, Chittenden

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2012
 8:00-9:30 a.m. - PAWLET, Mettowee Community School
 Parking Lot, Route 153, West Pawlet
**10:30-noon – MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS Transfer
 Station, behind fire house, Middletown Springs**

**Are you on Middletown's
 Front Porch ??**

As part of the e-Vermont project we have opened a Front Porch Forum for Middletown Springs. Connect with your neighbors. There are no fees, no spam, only local messages. And, it will NOT overflow your inbox. Once you sign up, you will receive an email every few days listing postings by your neighbors & friends. Notices include announcements for events, eggs for sale, questions, and ponderings.



Sign up at www.frontporchforum.com. See you on the porch...



“BINGO”

Every Monday Night

7:00 p.m.

at the Firehouse

Proceeds to support the

Middletown Springs Fire Department



Legislative News

The Legislature is about half way through the session and over 1100 bills have been introduced, which is average for the recent sessions. Committees are concentrating on bills that have the possibility to get passed out for the full House to debate and send to the Senate before the so-called crossover deadline between the two chambers for this session. One bill that recently passed the House, H.753, would offer more flexibility and more financial and consulting service help for local and voluntary school district and supervisory union changes that could result in education cost reductions. Another bill H.464 creates a 3 year time when drilling for oil and gas wells in Vermont using the controversial hydraulic fracturing technique is not allowed. And another bill, H.559, takes Vermont another step in the health care reform process by aligning with the Federal requirements towards universal coverage and the ability for better affordability. Two bills concerning recreation and tourism named skiing and snowboarding Vermont's winter sports, and named the brook trout and the walleye pike as the state fish.

The reapportionment of House legislative districts appears to be complete in this area with Middletown Springs continuing in the same district for the next ten years with Wells, Pawlet, and Rupert and with the new addition of Tinnmouth.

Please contact me with your concerns and questions at JMalcolm@leg.state.vt.us , 325-3424(home), 800 322-5616(State House) and 1822 Rupert Mountain Road, Pawlet, VT 05761. Thank You!

Rep. John Malcolm

Tinnmouth Contra Dance
Friday, March 23 at 8:00
Tinnmouth Community Center



All dances are taught and you do not need a partner. Beginners are always welcome.

Please bring clean, non-marring shoes. Admission is \$9, \$7 for teens and free for children 12 and under. Refreshments will be available. Call 235-2718 for info or directions or www.Tinnmouthvt.org for directions.



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Calendar

March

Taxes Due	Thurs. 15	1 to 4 pm	Town Office
Rabies Clinic	Sat. 17	1 to 2 pm	Fire House
BINGO!	Mon. 19	7 pm	Fire House
First Day of Spring!!!	Tues. 20		Happy Spring!
Select Board Meeting	Thurs. 22	7 pm	Town Office
Tinmouth Contra	Fri. 23	8 pm	Tinmouth Center
BINGO!	Mon. 26	7 pm	Fire House
Fire Dept. Meeting	Tues. 27	7:30 pm	Fire House
Fountain of Youth	Wed. 28	11 am	Poultney Center
Spoon Mtn Singers	Fri. 30	7:30 pm	Tinmouth OFS
Mens Breakfast	Sat. 31	8 am	School
Deadline for Dog Registration	Sat. 31	9 am - Noon	Town Office

April

Magnet Deadline	Sun. 1		
BINGO!	Mon. 2	7 pm	Fire House
Planning Commission	Mon. 2	7 pm	Town Office
Library Trustees	Wed. 4	9 am	Library
Historical Society Meeting	Thurs. 5	7:30 pm	Hist. Soc. Building
Passover	Sat. 7		
Easter	Sun. 8		
BINGO!	Mon. 9	7 pm	Firehouse
School Board Meeting	Thurs. 12	6 pm	School
Select Board Meeting	Thurs. 12	7 pm	Town Office
BINGO!	Mon. 16	7 pm	Fire House
Household Hazardous Waste	Sat. 28	10:30 - Noon	Fort Dumpster



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