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## TOWN MEETING 2013 - RESULTS



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### Preliminary Results for Articles and Contested Races - Town

- 1. Selectman (3 years) **Michael Lamson 174**  
Glen Moyer 145
- 2. Auditors Report **284 YES** 37 NO
- 3. Town Budget **211 YES** 110 NO
- 4. Highway Budget **205 YES** 123 NO
- 5. Paving West Street **177 YES** 150 NO
- 6. Reserve Fund for Town Municipal Facilities  
**206 YES** 116 NO
- 7. \$50,000 for proposed Reserve Fund  
**183 YES** 143 NO
- 8. Money remaining from purchase of property into the pro-  
posed Reserve Fund **229 YES** 95 NO
- 9. Authorize the Select Board to acquire land by gift or pur-  
chase **201 YES** 118 NO
- 10. \$62,000 for Volunteer Fire Department  
**220 YES** 111 NO
- 11. \$25,000 for capital improvements to the existing firehouse  
159 YES **170 NO**
- 12. \$400 for NeighborWorks of Western Vermont  
**173 YES** 151 NO
- 13. \$1,500 for Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hos-  
pice **244 YES** 84 NO
- 14. \$867 for Rutland Mental Health  
**204 YES** 123 NO
- 15. \$200 for the support of RSVP and The Volunteer Center  
**179 YES** 145 NO
- 16. \$100 for Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter  
**215 YES** 110 NO

- 17. \$200 for BROC **209 YES** 116 NO
- 18. \$100 for Vermont Center for Independent Living  
**217 YES** 107 NO
- 19. \$500 for ARC – Rutland Area  
**194 YES** 129 NO
- 20. \$300 for Vermont Association of the Blind and Visually  
Impaired **212 YES** 110 NO
- 21. \$250 for American Red Cross of Vermont & the New  
Hampshire Upper Valley **216 YES** 107 NO
- 22. \$750 for Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging  
**211 YES** 113 NO
- 23. \$125 for Rutland County Humane Society  
**214 YES** 109 NO
- 24. \$372.50 for Rutland Regional Ambulance Service  
**259 YES** 66 NO
- 25. \$50 for Vermont Green-Up Day  
**235 YES** 90 NO
- 26. \$600 for Rutland County Parent Child Center  
160 YES **160 NO**
- 27. \$400 for Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conserva-  
tion District **176 YES** 147 NO
- 28. \$400 for Poultney Community League  
**184 YES** 138 NO
- 29. \$2,800 for Middletown Springs First Response  
**279 YES** 47 NO
- 30. \$4,300 for Poultney Rescue Squad  
**249 YES** 77 NO
- 31. \$100 for Northern Vermont Resource Conservation and  
Development Council (formerly George D. Aiken RC&D  
Council) **199 YES** 124 NO
- 32. \$200 for The Mentor Connector  
157 YES **165 NO**

### Preliminary Results for available Articles & Write-in - School

- Article #5 School Budget 161 YES **165 NO**
- School Director (write-in) Chris Smid

Final Numbers will be posted on the Town website as soon as they become available. [www.middletownsprings.vt.gov](http://www.middletownsprings.vt.gov)



**MSHS Maple Festival-Sunday 3/17 SEE PAGE 3**

## Town Meeting Recap - Who Ran for Town & School Offices

Moderator (1 year): *Blank*

Town Agent (1 year): *Blank*

First Constable (2 years): *Blank*

Tax Collector (1 year): *Laura Ann Castle*

Selectman (2 years): *Christopher Larson*

Selectman (3 years):

**Michael Lamson**

*Glen Moyer*

Listers (3 years): *Patricia Hemenway*

Auditor (3 years): *Blank*

Auditor (2 years): *Blank*

Auditor (1 year): *Blank*

Library Trustee (3 years): *Jenny Talke Munyak*

Town Grand Juror (1 year): *Blank*

Trustee Copeland Church Fund (1 year): *Nanette Gilmour*

Trustee Copeland Cemetery Fund (1 year): *Nanette Gilmour*

Trustee of Louis Fund & Other Public Monies (1 year):

*Shirley Moyer*

Planning Commission (3 years): *Thomas Hurcomb*

Planning Commission (4 years): *Blank*

Planning Commission (4 years): *Blank*

School Moderator (1 year): *Blank*

School Director (2 years): *Blank*

School Director (3 years): *Clarence K. Haynes*

School Treasurer (1 year): *Jenny Talke Munyak*

School District Clerk (1 year): *Blank*

All uncontested seats were filled with the person who ran. The contested seat winner is listed in bold. Write-in winners will be announced on the Town website as soon as they are available. [www.middletownsprings.vt.gov](http://www.middletownsprings.vt.gov)

## Swimming Lessons Important Update



### Schedule change for 2013 lessons:

Gail McGann, our instructor, has informed me that she needs to change the dates to the weeks of **July 1-5 & July 8-12**. The 4th will be safety day, so it can be optional. This is due to a scheduling conflict with her other job, National Gymnastic Judge.

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## News From the Town Treasurer:

Friday, March 15th is the last day to submit your 3rd Quarter property taxes in person, or to mail them with a March 15 postmark. The Treasurer will be available to collect your taxes on Friday, March 15th between 1 pm and 4 pm at the Town Office. But you don't have to wait until the last moment to submit taxes it's okay to drop them off or mail them in advance of the 15th. Tax checks should be paid to: The Town of Middletown Springs and mailed to PO Box 1022. Any questions, call Jenny at 235-3256. Thank You!



## Fountain of Youth

**March 27** is Ira and Middletown day at the Young At Heart Senior Center in Poultney. Meet there for lunch of Yankee Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Carrots and Bread Pudding. Homemade soup and coffee are served at 11:15 with dinner at 12 noon.

Seniors 60 years and older pay just \$3.25 for this delicious meal served family style. Call Mary Thomas at 287-9200 to make your reservation.



## Rabies Clinic - March 16

The 2013 Rabies Clinic is scheduled for **Saturday, March 16**, 2013 from 1-2pm at the Firehouse in Middletown Springs. The cost is \$8 per animal. All cats must be brought into the clinic in a pet carrier. The Town Clerk will be available to register your dog or wolf hybrid at the clinic as well. Clinic provided by Dr. Scott MacLachlan, Poultney Veterinary Services.

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## 25th Annual MSHS Maple Festival!

**Historical Society Maple Festival Blends Old and New** - The Middletown Springs Historical Society will be holding its 25th Annual Maple Festival on the Green and indoors on **Sunday, March 17 from 1-4 pm.**

The event will feature Fred Bradley's demonstration of early maple sugarmaking in a cast iron kettle over an open fire.



Bill Clark, Past President of the Vermont Maple Sugarmakers Association, one of the oldest Vermont maple organizations, dating back to 1893, will give a talk on the evolution of sugaring technique using examples from the Historical Society collection.

Delicious maple desserts created by Society members, maple products and crafts, and new 2013 syrup will be available for sale.

Old fashioned sugar on snow and maple cotton candy are always favorites.

Videos about Vermont maple sugaring will be shown continuously.

A silent auction will feature Maple Sap Buckets decorated by local school students, as well as hand work from local artists and craftspersons, merchant donations and services. Student artists from the Middletown



Springs Elementary School, West Rutland High School, Long Trail School and Green Mountain College have decorated antique buckets with images reflecting the maple sugar season.

A raffle with over 50 prizes including \$75.00 and \$50.00 in cash, maple gift baskets, maple syrup and maple products, craft items, and gift certificates from local businesses will go on continuously during the festival.

Acoustic music and kids' activities enliven the free afternoon event.

For more information about the Maple Festival call Robert Gould at 235-1811 or David Wright at 235-2376.

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## Library News

### Middletown Springs Reads Poetry - April 2013



As part of the Vermont Humanities Council's Statewide One-Book Community Reading Program, we have 25 copies of Poetry 180: a turning back to poetry, edited by former U.S. poet-laureate Billy Collins. This anthology of inviting, contemporary poems is the Vermont READS selection for 2013. We have a number of activities planned.

**Po-e-TREE** - We are growing a "tree" of words and color in the library. A communal art project inspired by Springtime & Poetry month ... stop in often to see it blossom and change.

**Poetry Book Discussion** - Wed., April 10, 7 pm  
Pick up a copy of Poetry 180 from the Library to read. Bring a favorite poem or two to the discussion.

#### Movie Nights

*The Lorax* - Fri., April 12, 6:30pm

*Dead Poets Society* - Fri. April 26, 7pm

Poetry Story Hour - Sat., April 27, 10am

Tea & Conversation - Sun., April 28, 2:30pm

Middletown Springs poets will share a selection of their own works before opening a dialogue with listeners. Enjoy tea, crumpets, and a conversation about poetry with local poets and neighbors.

All programs are free and open to the public. Schedule subject to change, but hopefully not.

#### Other Events in the Library

Movie Nights - Oscar Winners

Friday, March 15, 6:30pm *Brave* (PG)

Friday, March 22, 7 pm *Argo* (R) [if we can get it... release date Mar 18]

**Story Hour** - Saturday, March 23, 10am

Part 3 of Tales From Many Lands... follow Martha Heitkamp on a magically journey of story and place.

**Knitting Circle** - April 1, 7pm-9pm

Experienced to novice knitters welcomed.

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Saturday 10am-Noon



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## Select Board Regular Meeting January 24, 2013 Approved



**CALL TO ORDER:** C. Larson called the meeting to order at 7pm.

**BOARD PRESENT:** Jim Webber, Chris Larson, Shirley Moyer, Carl Haynes, Mike Lamson

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Jenny Talke Munyak, Bill Reed, John Arsenault, David Munyak, Patty Kenyon

**Approval of Minutes** of January 10, January 17

- C. Haynes moves to approve the 1/10 regular meeting and 1/17 special meeting minutes as amended. J. Webber 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

**Public Comments** - John Arsenault

### **Parker Property**

- Public informational meeting will be held at the school Feb. 2 from 2-4PM. Building committee is working hard on getting graphics together.

- Corrective Action Plan (CAP) meeting took place Monday with project

### **Safe Routes to School Project**

- Chris spoke with Meredith Morgan and Clarence Haynes – Schoolboard will have money to cover the costs. The money will be paid through the Selectboard as the board is the primary grant recipient

- Bill is concerned with a septic line running down Schoolhouse Lane which may causing heaving of any new pavement. If the road were upgraded to a Class II road there may be funding available. C. Larson inquires what would be involved to upgrade – hearings, notices etc. Exact procedure would have to be researched with DOT.

- M. Lamson will research procedure to upgrade to Class II.

**Water Issue at Firehouse Lane** - None

### **Solid Waste/Fort Dumpster**

- J. Webber spoke with Jim Dudley

- M. Lamson will contact Pam Clapp regarding gaylord removal with Tinmouth.

Road Commissioner Report

- Culverts have been freezing up

- Removed all tires from the back of the salt shed. Needs to determine how to dispose.

- Equipment maintenance is up to date.

- M. Lamson will contact Casellas to determine if the black plastic culverts are recyclable

- Sand pile is holding up however has about half left. Small storms eat up more of the sand pile than small storms

- Windmill assessed the grader for needed repairs. 1. Tandem



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case leak needs to be addressed \$5,500 2. Drawlift – \$3,800 3. Moldboard – not a big concern (would be \$20,000) 4. Throttle Cable - \$1,350

- Bill will tally total owed to Keith and Martha for stone

### **Financials/Board Orders**

- C. Haynes moves to approve the highway salary board orders as presented. J. Webber 2nd. [C. Larson – aye, S. Moyer – nay, M. Lamson – aye, J. Webber – aye, C. Haynes - aye - motion carried]

- J. Webber moves to approve the balance of the Selectboard orders as presented. C. Haynes 2nd. [C. Larson – aye, S. Moyer – aye, M. Lamson – aye, J. Webber – aye, C. Haynes - aye - motion carried]

### **Correspondence**

- ROW work application from Marie Louka on Norton Road. Bill will follow up.

- State of VT completion certificate for FEMA work on North Road. Project completion form needs to be completed. M. Lamson moves to authorize C. Larson to sign the FEMA form on behalf of the Selectboard. J. Webber 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

- J. Webber moves to sign the State of Vermont Agency of Transportation reimbursement form. S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

### **Budget**

- C. Haynes moves to set the fiscal year 2014 general town budget at \$240,205 with the amount to be raised by taxes at \$186,705. M. Lamson second. Discussion: [C. Haynes – aye, M. Lamson – aye, S. Moyer – aye, J. Webber – aye, C. Larson – aye, motion carried]

- J. Webber moves to set the fiscal year 2014 highway town budget at \$329,650 with the amount to be raised by taxes at \$265,150. C. Larson second. Discussion: [C. Haynes – aye, M. Lamson – aye, S. Moyer – aye, J. Webber – aye, C. Larson – aye, motion carried]

### **Warnings for Town Meeting**

- Social Service Organizations – J. Webber moves to approve the warnings as presented. C. Larson 2nd. Discussion of adding Poultney Little League as it is typically included however a request was not received. C. Haynes would like to see the Poultney Little League. [C. Haynes – nay, M. Lamson – aye, S. Moyer – nay, J. Webber – aye, C. Larson – aye, motion carried]

### **Town Report**

- S. Moyer moves to approve the plain cover for the town report. C. Larson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

### **Other Business**

- Gates at the transfer station have been observed not locked and are blowing around. M. Lamson will follow.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned 9:46 pm.

Mike Lamson, Clerk

## **Men's Community Prayer Breakfast**

**Saturday, March 30, at 8 am  
Middletown Springs School**

*Come join us if you are able  
for this informal monthly event*

## Select Board Special Meeting 4:00 p.m. Elementary School Gymnasium February 2, 2013 Approved

**CALL TO ORDER:** C. Larson called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**BOARD PRESENT:** Jim Webber, Chris Larson, Mike Lamson, Shirley Moyer

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Laura Castle

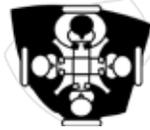
### FY 2013/2014 Budget

• C. Larson moves to approve the amended warning for town meeting. J. Webber 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

### Adjourn

Meeting adjourned 4:05 pm.

Mike Lamson, Clerk



## Select Board Regular Meeting February 14, 2013 Approved

**CALL TO ORDER:** C. Larson called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**BOARD PRESENT:** Jim Webber, Chris Larson, Shirley Moyer, Mike Lamson

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** David Munyak, Bill Reed, John Arsenault, Sally Achey

**Approval of Minutes** of January 10, January 17

### Public Comments

• Sally Achey – Form 4155.08 closes out grand list for the year. J. Webber moves to approve and sign the Certificate of No Appeal or Suit Pending. S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

### Parker Property

• John Arsenault – Joe Teer approached John and Vicky to discuss boundary line between the store and Teer's property. The septic tank and leechfield are on his property based on the survey completed for him. Mr. Teer wants the septic tank moved however there has been no agreement to date. John inquires if it may be possible to hook into any system designed for the Parker property/future town office. M. Lamson discusses the design of the septic being able to accommodate a very high number of employees. John spoke with the engineer who confirmed the designed system could handle the needs of the store and the town without issue. Chris Larson doesn't object to the idea. In principal, D. Munyak expresses that the Building Committee doesn't object to the idea. M. Lamson inquires if all costs to hook into the town system would be covered by John and Vicky which he confirms.

J. Webber thinks it is a reasonable request and doesn't object to the idea. Discussion of the fact that the voters have not yet had the opportunity to approve the project and there are many hurdles prior to installation of any system. John will check in after Town Meeting.

• David Munyak – Grant applications. Southern Windsor County is finalizing grant agreement. David presents form which they need signed and returned. M. Lamson moves to approve the Eligibility Application and allow C. Larson to sign on behalf of the Selectboard. S. Moyer 2nd. C. Larson inquires if it is a loan or grant. David confirms that it is a grant and not a loan. [all in favor, motion carried]

• CAP is ongoing. David estimates the CAP will be completed within the next week he hopes.

• 50-60 people attended the informational meeting at the school. C. Larson thanks the Building Committee for all of the work done and thought the event was a success. PEGTV filmed a part of the event which will be available at the library and on the town Web-site.

• Informational Meeting cost tracking. David Munyak and Patty McWilliams will be reimbursed for expenses

• David inquires about sending out an informational postcard prior to town meeting. Chris would like David to clear the postcard with Secretary of State. Estimated cost is \$75-\$100. C. Larson moves to approve the Building Committee to spend up to \$100 on a pre-town meeting informational postcard. J. Webber 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

• Would like to move informational meeting displays to Firehouse for pre-town meeting which has been approved.

• Nora Rubenstein is interested in joining the committee. C. Larson moves to appoint Nora Rubenstein to the Building Committee. M. Lamson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

### Water Issue at Firehouse Lane

• C. Larson will speak to Tony to determine.

### West Street Property

• Discussion of what to do with the property. Options are to sell it or complete the FEMA testing first. Will discuss further in upcoming meetings.

### Solid Waste/Fort Dumpster - None

### Road Commissioner Report

• Wade Masure from VT League of Cities and Towns met with Bill. Concerned about integrity of salt shed. Bill presented assessment by VT Local Roads to Wade about dead trees.

• Bill will be attending some classes including Flagging Certification and Road Drainage.

• Will be hosting a chainsaw operations class at the Firehouse

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through Vermont Local Roads.

• Mike Telfer quit his position with the Road Crew. Bill suggests discussing in Executive Session. J. Webber inquires why he quit. J. Webber moves to enter into executive session to discuss employee issues and invite Laura and Bill to attend. C. Larson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried] Move into Executive Session 8:05. Move out of Executive Session 8:16. No action taken.

• Presents Town Road and Bridge Standards to be signed. J. Webber moves to approve the 2013 Road and Bridge Standards. C. Larson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

**Highway Mileage Certification**

• S. Moyer moves to sign the Certificate of Highway Miles. C. Larson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

**Financials/Board Orders**

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**Correspondence**

• Agency of Transportation request to sign Road and Bridge Standards

• Letter from Bob Zorn

• Complete Streets Program request from S. Schriebman

**Other Business** - None

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned 8:47 pm.

Mike Lamson, Clerk



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**School Directors (Regular) Meeting  
February 7, 2013  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Present:** Clarence Haynes, Steven Letendre, Karen Mach, Meredith Morgan (Board Members), **Also Present:** Joan Paustian (Superintendent.), Rick Beal (Principal), Susan Rosso (Recording Secretary). Louis Milazzo (Business Mgr.) arrived at 6:07PM.

**Public Present:** None

**1. Call to Order (Action)**

Clarence Haynes called the meeting to order at 6:04PM.

**2. Presentation (if applicable):**

Mr. Beal presented writing samples from students in grades three and four; being led by Ms. Brzezinski, Mrs. Chamberlain, and Mrs. Austin. Mr. Beal is proud of the students' work. Board members and Dr. Paustian read the papers and found them interesting and well done.

**3. Consent Agenda: (Action)**

1. Approval of Minutes – Unofficial Minutes from:

a. January 10, 2013 (regular)

b. January 28, 2013 (special)

The Board reviewed the minutes from January 10 and January 28, 2013. Karen Mach moved to approve the minutes of the Jan. 10 and Jan. 28 meetings, Clarence Haynes seconded; motion carried.

b. Superintendent's Report (Written)

The Administrative Team met today and they are planning for the March in-service. Teachers will receive professional development instruction from Jean Ward (Science), Dr. Rajia (Math), and Dr. Collins (Writing). Supt. Paustian will review this year's NECAP results with the teachers. Supt. Paustian will be presenting at this year's Vt. Association of Elementary Office Professionals (VAEOP) Conference on building administration and secretarial responsibilities.

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c. Principal's Report (Written)

The next Science Professional Development activity will take place on Feb. 28th at Tinmouth School; MSES teachers will attend. Dr. Rajia will continue to work with the schools to align Math with the Common Core. We held training on diversity on Jan 19th with 18 MSES staff members in attendance. Great conversations and viewpoints were shared. We had the 2nd Farm to School Committee meeting. They are working on the grant in three groups and then intertwining their work. An employee from Countryside Alarm will be here soon to review our alarm systems. Lieutenant Chuck Cacciatore will be in to review our security procedures and to have lunch with the kids. Our new Cook started this week. So far, the food has been delicious and well-received. We have already seen an increase in children and adults taking lunch. Preparing fresh food definitely takes longer; but the results are impressive. The school is ready to move ahead with putting out bids for the roofing project. Discussion about the roof repairs ensued. Mr. Beal will work with Mr. Letendre on preparing the bid. The water project is moving along; invoices for reimbursement have been received. Mr. Beal provided a quick synopsis of how our students did on the NECAPs. We exceeded the state percentages in proficiency in Reading, Math, and Writing. Discussion ensued about using AIMSWeb data in addition to NECAP data to more accurately measure student progress.

d. Business Manager's Report

Mr. Milazzo handed out current financial statements. He has been working with Mr. Beal on ways to reduce the anticipated deficit for this year. Every effort will be made to end the year in a positive stance (not in a deficit). Updated copies of the '13-'14 budget were distributed. Mr. Milazzo also handed out copies of the audit report for last year. Positively, there were no findings for MSES.

i. Financial Statements

See Business Manager's Report above.

Steven Letendre moved to accept the reports of the Superintendent, Principal, and Business Manager, Karen Mach seconded; motion carried.

**Approve Warrants: (Action)**

e. Warrant #148 in the amount of \$4,351.19 dated 1/3/13

f. Warrant #149 in the amount of \$115,829.93 dated 1/16/13

Clarence Haynes moved to approve Warrant #148 in the amount of \$4,351.19 dated 1/3/13 and Warrant #149 in the amount of \$115,829.93 dated 1/16/13, Karen Mach seconded; motion carried.

**4. General Public Comments - None**

**5. Old Business: None**

**6. New Business:**

a. Prepare for Town Meeting

Mr. Milazzo presented slides for the school budget presentation which were reviewed and discussed. The Board then discussed elementary and secondary costs; including special education. It was decided by consensus to use the slides at Town Meeting.

**7. Policies (approval):**

a. C-6 Board Member Commitment to Non-Discrimination (revised)

Steven Letendre moved to approve Policy # C-6 "Board Member Commitment to Non-Discrimination" as revised, Karen Mach seconded; motion carried.

**8. Action on Personnel Contract - None**

**9. Set Next Board Meeting (Regular) & Agenda Building:**

(Regular meeting – anticipated March 14, 2013 (will also be the re-organization meeting) (Action). Please Note: there is also a pre-town meeting special meeting set for 2/27/13 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM at MSES.

Next Regular Board Meeting set for Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 6:00PM at MSES.

**10. Executive Session 1 VSA § 313 (1-9) (a) (b) if warranted (Discussion & Possible Action). - None**

**11. Other Lawful Business:**

Clarence Haynes reported that the "Fair Share" law passed the Senate 27-3 and will be up for vote in the House. The bill would cover all municipal employees, support staff members and teachers; requiring all employees covered by a negotiated contract to pay a percentage of union dues, whether or not they choose to join the union. The VEHI health insurance increases for '13-14 were announced as lower than expected. However, the announcement came too late for the figures to be adjusted in the budget. Mr. Haynes would like to express the Board's deep regret at losing Steven Letendre as a member. He has been a great resource and asset to the board. Mr. Haynes and the Board members are sad to see him go and very thankful for his years of service.

**12. Adjournment**

Steven Letendre moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:32PM, Karen Mach seconded; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosso, Recording Secy.



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## Building Committee Meeting December 20, 2012 - Approved



**Call to Order:** 7:22

**Members Present:** Fred Bradley, David Wright, Tom Hurcomb, Patty McWilliams, Patty Kenyon, David Muniyak, Michael Beattie

### I. Minutes:

A. Approval of minutes postponed until January

### II. Public Comments

A. None

**III. D. Muniyak** moved to modify the agenda and take up Budget planning for FY13 and recommendations to the Selectboard. Patty Kenyon seconded. Motion carried..

### IV. Budget planning for FY 13 -

A. D. Muniyak distributed a draft Memo with Recommendations to the Selectboard. The committee reviewed, discussed and modified the draft.

B. P. Kenyon moved that the Building Committee recommend that the Selectboard place three articles on the ballot for the March 2013 Town Meeting. One which will establish a Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities to be used for carrying funds allocated for the construction, improvement or relocation of town facilities. Another which will ask to have \$50,000 placed in the Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities. And a third which will direct the Selectboard to place any funds remaining from the \$20,000 approved in March 2012 for underground storage tank removal/site cleanup into the Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities. Michael seconded. All in favor. Motion carried

C. The committee worked on suggested language for the ballot articles and agreed on the following:

1. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Selectboard to establish a Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities to be used for construction, improvement, or relocation of town facilities?

2. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate \$50,000 to be placed in the Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities to be used to begin the new town office project?

3. Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs direct the Selectboard to place any money remaining from the \$20,000 appropriated in March 2012 for underground storage tank removal/site cleanup into the Reserve Fund for Municipal Facilities?

D. The Memo with Recommendations will be forwarded to the Selectboard.

### V. Building & Site Design:

A. Septic / well location - Michael provided an update on discussions with Engineer Frank Parent -

1. Got a contact for AOT  
2. Preliminary budget for engineering services will be forthcoming  
3. Re: the preliminary septic design: 3 test pits were dug. The state engineer was present. The perc. test was positive. A mound system is necessary because of a high water-table and dense soil. The system designed is a mound and could accommodate 24 full time employees and a 30 person meeting. The system as designed will allow for other uses to be included in the building.

4. Re: location of the leach field: The State insists that a leach field be installed on natural undisturbed earth so the north west corner is unacceptable. Moving it to the south east corner would require new test pits and the field needs to be 25' from the east and south property lines.

5. Re: well location: In order to evaluate other well locations, Mr. Parent needs more information on well and leach field locations for properties surrounding the green. Michael will ask about using the cemetery.

B. Visits to other towns' offices .

1. Mendon - Michael, Maureen and Patty K. visited on 12/10 and talked to town clerk and project manager about their newly constructed building.

2. Pittsfield - Michael, Maureen and Patty K. went on to Pittsfield after Mendon and talked to the clerk. A former school building with town office on the first floor and library on the second floor. Has a two story vault. Lacks separate offices or meeting room. Project required two votes because public relations weren't done well.

3. Chittenden - Fred, Maureen and David M. visited on 12/13. An existing church was renovated into a town office by using the existing footprint and making interior changes. Includes a separate lister office, another office space that could be used for future treasurer, a small office for private meetings, a very large vault w/ video monitoring, space for Selectboard meetings and voting, and a large town clerk's space. Lavatory accessed off the air lock at the entrance. Prior land sales in the 1950's and 1990's funded the project.

4. Michael suggests having illustrations of six or eight offices with photos, floor plans, fact list, etc for the informational meeting.

### VI. Funding Opportunities:

A. Brownfield funding

1. ACCD grant application - approved and signed by Selectboard on 12/13. Need to compile the attachments and forward to ACCD.

B. Building Funding

1. Legislators briefing: On 12/10 Senators Carris, Mullin,

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Flory and Representative Malcolm visited. Also present were Ed Bove from RRPC, Jon-Michael Muise from USDA, committee members Kenyon, Hurcomb, Bradley, McCormack and Munyak, and Selectman Webber. Chairman Munyak did a verbal presentation and the guests were given the Keefe report and building committee history documents. All were friendly and interested in details of the project. Though the office was crowded Laura gave a tour and explained the need for a vault. The group walked over and viewed the property and were surprised at how large it is. John Malcolm has forwarded some information on vaults.

2. Legislators briefing - part 2: On 12/14, Pat Menduni of Congressman Welch's office met committee members Kenyon, Beattie, Bradley, Wright and Munyak in the town office where they squeezed in around the table. Ms. Menduni is from Rutland, is familiar with Middletown Springs and is a good contact. She forwarded a list of funding possibilities. Patty K. suggests finding her equal in the other congressional offices.

**VII. Community Support:**

A. New Sign - Selectboard approved the "Middletown Springs - Revitalizing our Village Center" sign design and the sign is currently being made.

B. Old sign / lightpost- Patty McW listed it on Craigslist and will post it on Front Porch Forum. No response from Craigslist so far.

**Adjourn: 9:22**

David Munyak,  
Acting Secretary



Next meeting Wednesday, January 2, 2013

**Building Committee Meeting  
January 17, 2013 - Approved**

**Members Present:** Dave Munyak, Patty Kenyon, Maureen McCormack, Fred Bradley, Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, David Wright, Tom Hurcomb and Patty McWilliams

**Call to Order:** 7:10 PM

**I. Minutes:** Approve minutes of 12/5/12 meeting; 12/12/12 Workshop #1; 12/20/12 meeting; 1/2/13 meeting; and 1/8/13 Workshop #2. Tom moved to accept all minutes and Fred gave a second. Motion Passed.

**II. Public Comments:** None

**III. Building and Site Design:** No Report.

**IV. Property Acquisition:** No Report.

**V. Project Scheduling:** The CAP meeting is scheduled for 9 AM, Monday, January 21 at the Town Office. Deidre Ritzer, and John Diego, from LBG, Inc. plus Frank Parent, engineer from Long

Trail Engineering, will be present. This meeting is centered on the issues to be met for cleaning up the site including removing contaminated soils. This meeting will identify the various Federal and State agencies that must be involved and the possible funding available for making the site ready for construction. Septic and well issues to be discussed as well.

**VI. Funding Opportunities:** Fiscal 2014 Issues. Dave reviewed the results of the last SB meeting on the BC proposed articles. Dave felt the SB should not put off voting on the articles to the meeting on the 24th. Dave and Patty left the committee to do some other work while they attended the vote. The vote was 4-1 in favor of posting the articles for the March vote. Dave reminded the BC members that January 24th is the last date for petitions to go forth for the March vote. He urged as many as possible to be present at the SB meeting that night.

**VII. Community Support:** Information Meeting: Much time was spent reviewing what progress has been made and remains to be done on preparing for the up-and-coming Information Meeting. It was decided to hold another workshop planning meeting this coming Wednesday, January 23, at 7PM at the town office.

**VIII. Other Business:** None.

**Adjourn:** 9:20

Respectfully submitted,  
Maureen McCormack, Clerk

**Building Committee Meeting  
February 6, 2013 - Approved**

**Members Present:** David Wright, David Munyak, Fred Bradley, Patty McWilliams, Patty Kenyon, Tom Hurcomb, Robin Chestnut-Tangerman and Maureen McCormack.

The meeting convened at 7PM at the home of David Munyak, Chair. After a hearty meal all gathered round to discuss the next steps.

A discussion followed on possible procedures to follow for keeping the residents up-to-date as the work of the committee continues. It was decided that residents should provide information so that the residents can access the public access channel and see the video composed on our first public information meeting. It was decided that Tom would contact the station personnel and obtain the most direct way to get access. This information will then

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be published using the Magnet and Front Porch Forum. It was agreed that we should strive to reach all the residents with our news each month when there is news. Patty Kenyon suggested a colored flyer could be included within the Magnet for an additional \$50 fee. All were in favor. It was further decided to have an article in the next Magnet giving a summary review of what took place at the first information meeting and also telling where residents, if they missed the meeting, can see the meeting online. Robin offered to prepare the article. Fred asked if the BC could post information on the walls of the firehouse before the town meeting? Dave had already inquired and Chris Larson is checking on this. A discussion followed on ways to get residents to vote including absentees. All felt we must get the message out prior to the vote of what is at stake in voting on these articles. Front Porch Forum is one means. Getting access to the video is instrumental. We can have folks stand up at the town meeting and speak to what is at stake, also. Tom suggested we remind the voters we had a 2-1 vote to buy the property, and how important this present vote is to continue the progress. "Look at what we have done with your vote! Now with your support we can take the next step. We will always come back to you before we take the next step." It was agreed that in the information coming forward we need to spell out just what the \$50,000 will pay for. Michael was asked to prepare a detailed report on the next services needed to support the work of the architects. All thanked Tom for arranging the video.

What did we learn at the first meeting? Patty reported on the various vehicles, survey, suggestion box, and white board, used to gather feedback. See the attachment for the actual replies. Fred will obtain a voter checklist so we can see how the vote may fall and how we can support a good turn out. More will be discussed on this at the next meeting.

Tom reminded the BC that Ron Dufour offered to pick up all the metal at the site. It was agreed that we give him a date and get some volunteers to help. Perhaps the next weekend if access to the property is possible based on snowfall. All agreed.

Adjourn 9: 34.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maureen McCormack, Clerk



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Charlie & Betty                      Brian & family  
Dave & Marci & family        Norm & Lin & family

## Library Friends Get 501(c)3

The Friends of the MS Public Library has received word of their official acceptance by the Federal government. They have been awarded a 501(c) 3 status. As such the "Friends organization is a charitable organization and all financial contribution, donations or endowments to the Friends are now tax deductible. Further, all contributions to the "Friends" are to be used for the sole benefit of the town library.



*A plethora of tasty treats were available at the Town Meeting Day Food Sale. Photo by David Munyak.*

## The Building Committee Thanks You!

By now, I'm sure most of you have heard the election results: Articles 6, 7 & 8 relating to the town office project passed.

To those who voted yes, Thank You on behalf of the Building Committee, Selectboard, and the town. Each of your votes was important and the results will allow the Building Committee to move forward with this much needed project. We hope you will be pleased with the progress and we look forward to your continued support.

Thank You also to two additional groups of people; those who donated food for the Town Meeting Day Food Sale and those who came and purchased food at the sale.

Your support made the sale a success, raising \$573.75 for the project. Most of that total was from sales, but between 7% -10% came from the donation jar. We had very little food left at the end and what we did have helped to keep the ballot counters alert while they tallied the votes after the election, so nothing went to waste.

Most importantly, many people at the food sale took the time to look at the information stations, which was half the point.

Thanks again! Together, we can make this project happen!

The Building Committee meets on the first Wednesday and third Thursday of each month. Meetings are open to the public.



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This directory continues to be put together by Leslie Silver, Maria Riley, and Kimberly Mathewson. It is our intention that it deepens the sense of community and supports the town economy. We appreciate your support in making it as accurate and complete as possible.

Thank you,

Leslie, Maria, Kimberly

**Editors Note:** MANY THANKS to these three fine ladies for continuing to update this invaluable resource. Well done!



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## School News



In February, the students enjoyed an excellent week with an artist-in-residency from Circus Smirkus. The students learned various circus skills such as juggling, plate spinning and balancing.

The most important thing the students took away from the week was not to give up when learning something new, but to keep trying. With the snow storm that came on the last day of the residency, both school and the evening performance were canceled. The good news is that Nettie Lane of Circus Smirkus is willing to come back for another day with the students and an evening performance. Nettie will be returning to MSES on Wednesday, March 27th. The FFE will be sponsoring a fundraiser dinner from 5:30-6:30PM with the student performance starting at 7:00PM in the school multipurpose room. I invite everyone to attend.

The school has received the results from last fall's New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) tests. This is the assessment that is used by the state to determine if each school is making adequate yearly progress (AYP) for student achievement. At this time, I don't know if we met AYP for our school. However, I feel that our students did very well on the assessments; with the percentage of our students achieving or exceeding the standards being higher than the state average in reading, math and writing. I commend our students for the effort they displayed while taking the NECAP exams.

The school had a wonderful visit from Lt. Chuck Cacciatore of the Vermont State Police in February. He visited all of the classrooms and had lunch with the students. Most importantly, he and I did a walk-through of the school to review security. He gave us some very good input on how we can improve security at our school with the most important recommendation being the installation of a "buzz-in" front door lock with a camera. Lt. Cacciatore and I will be having further conversations about school security.

Rick Beal, Principal



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Here are the Bingo details -

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## School Board News

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- The Tax Rate is predicted to go down
- Data shows that more time spent in school equals an increase in student success
- We share many resources, including several staff members, within the Supervisory Union

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## GMP Energy Innovation Center



The Rutland Architectural Review Board approved the design of Green Mountain Power's planned Energy Innovation Center, an art deco motif that honors the building's past even as it symbolizes a new chapter in downtown Rutland.

"The EIC will be a working example of energy innovation," GMP President and CEO Mary Powell said. "Through a mix of recycled and new materials and features, we'll blend the two structures that made up the Eastman Building into a customer-focused space where Vermonters can learn about generation, efficiency, environmental effects of energy decisions, new technologies and new customer programs."

The EIC will be the focal point of GMP renewable energy development, including efforts to make Rutland the solar capital of New England, with the highest reliance on solar per capita of any city in the region.

The smaller building, a wood-framed structure, combined with a circa 1925 retail store that has sat empty and has become increasingly dilapidated for a decade, will house GMP employees and staff from Efficiency Vermont and Neighborworks of Western Vermont, classroom/conference space, and public exhibits focused on energy and the environment. While a significant improvement to the largest empty space in downtown Rutland, the project is also a key component of GMP plans to achieve millions of dollars of customer savings by reducing the company's overall square footage.

The project, scheduled for completion in October, includes triple-glazed fiberglass windows, a white, reflective membrane roof with a walkway for public view of a 14-kilowatt solar array, LED and extensive natural lighting, an energy-efficient revolving door, R60 ceiling and R30 wall insulation, and an open work environment with exposed mechanical and electrical systems.

The building, designed by Ralph Nimtz of NBF Architects, is expected to receive Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. "The project has received a lot of LEED points for rehabbing a deteriorated structure, recycling building materials and use of high-efficiency systems, which will make it cheaper and cleaner to operate," Nimtz said.

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 Thurs. 3/21/13 Rutland - Maple Village 10am  
 Wed. 3/27/13 Rutland - Godnick Center 12:30pm  
 Thurs. 3/28/13 Clarendon Community Ctr. 12:30pm

### PROPERTY TAXES DUE

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Friday, March 15, 2013

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What is a Contra Dance? A contra dance uses square dance moves, but is done in long lines to live music. All dances are taught and you do not need a partner. Beginners are always welcome. Dances become more challenging as the night progresses, so early arrival is recommended for beginning dancers.

The dance takes place in the Tinmouth Community Center, Rte 140 in the center of Tinmouth, Vermont 5 miles west of Wallingford. Dancing takes place on the fourth Friday of the month. 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.Tinmouthvt.org](http://www.Tinmouthvt.org) for directions.

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## Calendar

### March

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|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------|
| School Board               | Thurs. 14 | 6 pm          | School             |
| Select Board               | Thurs. 14 | 7 pm          | Town Office        |
| <b>Property Taxes Due</b>  | Fri. 15   | 1 - 4 pm      | Town Office        |
| Movie Night - <i>Brave</i> | Fri. 15   | 6:30 pm       | Library            |
| Rabies Clinic              | Sat. 16   | 1 - 2 pm      | Fire House         |
| Maple Festival             | Sun. 17   | 1 - 4 pm      | Historical Society |
| BINGO                      | Mon. 18   | 7 pm          | Firehouse          |
| Fire Dept. Training        | Tues. 19  | 6:30pm        | Firehouse          |
| Building Committee         | Thurs. 21 | 7 pm          | Town Office        |
| Movie Night - <i>Argo</i>  | Fri. 22   | 7 pm          | Library            |
| Story Hour                 | Sat. 23   | 10 am         | Library            |
| Pancake Breakfast          | Sun. 24   | 7:30-11:30 am | School             |
| BINGO!                     | Mon. 25   | 7 pm          | Fire House         |
| Fire Dept. Meeting         | Tues. 26  | 7:30 pm       | Fire House         |
| Fountain of Youth          | Wed. 27   | Noon          | Poultney Center    |
| Select Board Meeting       | Thurs. 28 | 7 pm          | Town Office        |
| Men's Breakfast            | Sat. 30   | 8 am          | School             |
| Women's Breakfast          | Sat. 30   | 8 am          | Comm. Church       |
| Directory Deadline         | Sun. 31   |               |                    |

### April

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|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| Magnet Deadline                | Mon. 1    |          |                  |
| Dog License Deadline           | Mon. 1    |          |                  |
| BINGO                          | Mon. 1    | 7 pm     | Firehouse        |
| Knitting Group                 | Mon. 1    | 7 pm     | Library          |
| Library Trustee Meeting        | Wed. 3    | 12:30 pm | Library          |
| Building Committee Meeting     | Wed. 3    | 7 pm     | Town Office      |
| First Response                 | Thurs. 4  | 6:30 pm  | Fire House       |
| Historical Soc. Trustees       | Thurs. 4  | 7:30 pm  | Hist. Soc. Bldg. |
| BINGO!                         | Mon. 8    | 7 pm     | Fire House       |
| Friends of the Library Meeting | Tues. 9   | 7:15 pm  | Library          |
| Conservation Commission        | Tues. 9   | 7 pm     | TBA              |
| School Board                   | Thurs. 11 | 6 pm     | Firehouse        |
| Select Board                   | Thurs. 11 | 7 pm     | Town Office      |
| Movie Night - <i>The Lorax</i> | Fri. 12   | 6:30 pm  | Library          |

*Calendar Events – subject to change.*

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