

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

2020 has certainly been a strange, unforgettable year. The COVID-19 pandemic invaded every aspect of our lives, work, school, economy and society. In an effort to keep employees and citizens safe, the Board of Selectmen followed recommendations of experts and the State of NH in modifying procedures at the Town Hall and Recycling Center. While many other facilities were closed or open by appointment only, we were able, with restrictions, to keep facilities open for the benefit of our residents. Grants were applied for and received for purchasing personal protective equipment for employees, first responders and election workers, which in-turn provided safety measures for our citizens. We would like to thank the Westmoreland Fire Department for their continued dedication to our townspeople and to thank all of you for your support and understanding during these troubled times.

With a 50/50 grant from the NH Preservation Alliance, a Historic Building Assessment was done by Scully Architects on the Town Hall. The study determined what the overall condition of the Town Hall is and will help in prioritizing items that need to be addressed. In 2021, work will begin by installing a new septic system. Other issues to consider in the future are the preservation of the windows and installing an elevator so the second floor can be used by the public. The Town Hall is a visual legacy for future generations and maintaining it is vitally important.

The Fire Department Advisory Committee has reached its goal of presenting plans for a new fire station to be voted on in March of 2021. Petrovick Architects took over the design work from Bensonwood and along with SVE Associates doing the engineering plans and owner's representative Steve Horton, a team was formed that has worked alongside the Committee to propose a fiscally responsible building that will benefit both the Fire Department and the people of Westmoreland.

As discussed at last year's Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen established a Recycling Center Advisory Committee to explore ways to reduce the overall tax impact of the Recycling Center by identifying and recommending improvements, efficiencies and other cost-saving measures. The Committee provided a report detailing suggestions that the Town take a new approach to how we recycle – being more efficient and working to reduce the burden to taxpayers for operating the facility. Implementation of most of their recommendations will have to wait until post-pandemic.

The following improvements have been made to the Town infrastructure:

- Broadband fiber is currently being installed in homes and businesses.
- A counting machine was purchased for elections to save time and improve accuracy.
- Installation of siding on the Town garage.
- The Highway Department has taken on the mowing of the small cemeteries, ensuring they receive the attention they deserve at no extra labor cost. Thanks to Dave, Jason & John!
- The Veteran's Memorial Fund continues to sell bricks and plans for initial work on the site will begin in the summer of 2021.

We mourn the loss of our neighbors and friends in 2020 including those who have held Town office or worked for the Town: Jim Ranson - Conservation Commission, Planning Board & Perambulation Agent
Bob Hamilton – Town Hall clock winder, Emergency Management Deputy Director
Dick Delano - Planning Board
Robert Andrews – Trustee of Trust Funds
Patricia Cooke – Library Assistant

Lastly, we would like to thank all of those who serve as town officers and members of boards, committees and commissions. Many of these people and committees work behind the scenes and spend numerous volunteer hours; all working to make Westmoreland a community to be proud of.

Selectmen Frank Reeder, Clayton Stalker and Russ Austin

Westmoreland Graduates

Westmoreland School 8th Grade Graduates – June 2021

Evan Ahnert
Robert Barnum
Carter Benoit
Violet Cassin
Brandon Cote
Finnegan Currier
Tatum DiLegge
Madison Fitzherbert
Brooke Hebert
Alexis Hills
Owen Kelly
Cadence Longley
Romello Melecio
Grace Ramsey
Makenna Smith

KHS 12th Grade Westmoreland Graduates – June 2021

Riley Chamberlin
Hunter Cooper
Derrick Cote
Kylee Dewey
Emilia Fitzherbert
Adelyne Hayward
Gabriel Howe
Gregory Jenisch
Kaitlyn Lemnah
Madelyn Miner
Reese Olmstead
Benjamin Sheffield
Gunnar Shonbeck
Taylor Spooner

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TOWN OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

Frank Reeder, Clayton R. Stalker, Jr., Russ Austin

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Jo Ann LaBarre

MODERATOR

Peter Hills

TREASURER

Theresa Russell

TOWN CLERK

Jodi Scanlan

TAX COLLECTOR

Melissa Bonito

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Melissa Bonito

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Jodi Scanlan

CUSTODIAN

Reg Goodnow

RECYCLING CENTER SUPERVISOR

Ron Fish

AUDITOR

Melanson, Manchester, NH

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Jayne Burnett

ROAD AGENT

David Poklemba

FIRE CHIEF

Harry Nelson

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Graham Gitchell

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Thomas Finnegan, Director William Chase, Deputy Director Richard Meyer, Deputy Director

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Bill Campbell

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Larry Muchmore

HEALTH OFFICER

Kelly Wright

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Elaine Moore

PERAMBULATION AGENT

Jim Ranson

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Ed Johnson

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Patricia Patmos, Rachel Bartlett, Dawn Lincoln

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Tim Thompson, Cecile Goff, William Franzen

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Robert Moore, Robert Davis, Jo Ann LaBarre

TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY

Louise Slayton, Kathy Cox, Jan Hurley, Stephen Breck, Susie Harris

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Susan Finnegan, *Richard Paul, Wesley Staples, Christine Abdelnour-McKenna,
Frank Reeder, Dean Priebe

PLANNING BOARD

Lauren Bressett, Bruce Smith, Jim Starkey, Tim Thompson, Larry Siegel
Alison Fissette, Russ Austin Clerk/Alternate – Elaine Moore

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Peter Remy, Brian Merry, Nancy Ranson, Ernie Perham, Barry Shonbeck,
Alternates – John Harris, Mark Terry Clerk – Jackie Cleary

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marshall Patmos, Richard Schmidt, Jim Ranson, Jean Rudolph,
Perry Sawyer, April Ferguson, Mary Bradley, Jeanette Hubert

RECREATION COMMISSION

Susan Harris, Jason Simino, David Bressett, Mark Hayward, Jr., Lisa Huckins

PARK HILL MEETING HOUSE & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Emelia Prior, JJ Prior, Jan Hurley, Jean Prior, John Harris, Walter Carroll, Jan Carpenter, Deb Stavseth

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Jo Ann LaBarre, David Poklemba, Kathy Cox

BRIGGS FUND COMMITTEE

Tim Thompson, William Franzen

WANTASKTIQUET REGION RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE

Westmoreland Member: Perry Sawyer

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMITTEE

Westmoreland Member: Robert Harcke

SOUTHWEST REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Westmoreland Commissioner: John Snowden

ADVISORY/SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

(Committees that are considered short-term and cease once their goal is met)

FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Harry Nelson, Graham Gitchell, Scott Talbot, Tom Finnegan,
Clyde Simino, Bob Bartlett, Wes Staples Clerk - Rachel Bartlett

BROADBAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

John Snowden, Chris Ballou, JJ Prior

RECYCLING CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Robert Ball, Rachel Bartlett, Jon Lounsbury

*Resigned

The Warrant is printed in Draft Form pending the 2nd virtual hearing on March 3, 2021

**TOWN WARRANT
WESTMORELAND, NH**

ALTERNATIVE BALLOT FOR TOWN MEETING

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Westmoreland, NH, in the County of Cheshire in said State qualified to vote in town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland School, 40 Glebe Road, on Wednesday, March 10, 2021. Drive-thru and in-person voting on warrant articles shall be conducted by ballot to be held in conjunction with town elections. Polls will be open from 11:00AM to 7:00PM.

Article 1 To see if the Town will vote to approve the optional meeting procedure as outlined in House Bill (HB) 1129.

Article 2 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

*Article 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,272,500) for the purpose of building a new fire station on Town owned land at 772 Route 63 (behind current fire station) including architectural and engineering design work, building construction, site work, permit fees and interior equipment; with Two Million Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,272,500) of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, gifts and donations, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this article. *3/5 ballot vote required*

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$1,428,359 for general town operations. The Selectmen recommend this Article. This Article does not include special or individual articles addressed separately. *Majority vote required.*

*Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$128,000 to purchase a new backhoe for the Highway Department; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$55,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose; with the balance of \$73,000 to be raised by taxation. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. *Majority vote required.*

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the 2002 John Deere backhoe used by the Highway Department. This article is contingent on the passing of Article 5 and any proceeds received from this sale will go into the Town's general fund. *Majority vote required.*

- *Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. *Majority vote required.*

- *Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. *Majority vote required.*

- *Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Municipal Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund to the Town Hall Septic Tank Capital Reserve Fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. *2/3 vote required.*

- Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to discontinue completely the Class V portion of Adams Road beginning at the intersection of Stonewall Circle and going past the current Brehm house located on Lot R5-6 (approximately 200'). *Majority vote required.*

- Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to allocate the 2020 income from the Jotham Lord Fund to the Westmoreland Library. This money (\$74) is included in the proposed operating budget. *Majority vote required.*

Given under our hand this 11th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of the voting within named and a like attested copy at the Town Hall, being a public place in said Town, on the 22nd day of February, 2021.

Selectmen of Westmoreland

Frank Reeder, Chairman

Clayton R. Stalker, Jr.

Russ Austin

**Special* Article per RSA 32:3,VI (d) &/or RSA 32:7VI

2021 BUDGET - EXPENSES

		Budget 2020	Actuals 2020	Selectmen Budget 2021	Budget Comm Budget 2021
01E · GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
4130	Executive	80,661	79,308	90,531	90,531
4140	Election & Registration	37,925	38,992	45,043	45,043
4150	Financial Administration	55,868	51,978	75,596	75,596
4153	Legal	5,000	8,668	10,000	10,000
4155	Personnel Administration	110,650	107,801	125,367	125,367
4191	Planning & Zoning	3,369	3,033	3,163	3,163
4194	General Gov't Building	16,465	16,944	24,986	24,986
4195	Cemeteries	13,000	12,363	13,000	13,000
4196	Insurance not Allocated	15,496	15,309	14,896	14,896
02E · PUBLIC SAFETY					
4210	Police	1	0	1	1
4215	Ambulance	62,463	62,463	69,104	69,104
4220	Fire & Rescue	41,698	41,517	41,927	41,927
4240	Building Inspection	2,500	1,819	2,500	2,500
4290	Emergency Management	2,700	2,605	2,300	2,300
4299	Mutual Aid	23,109	23,109	24,264	24,264
03E · HIGHWAYS AND STREETS					
4311	Highway Administration	157,000	140,182	161,023	161,023
4312	Highways & Streets	404,085	403,801	439,529	439,529
4316	Street Lighting	3,800	4,078	4,100	4,100
04E · SANITATION					
4324	Solid Waste & Recycling	102,810	98,639	102,449	102,449
06E · HEALTH					
4411	Health Officer	240	200	240	240
4414	Animal Control	200	230	200	200
4415	Agencies & Services	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
07E · WELFARE					
4441	Welfare Officer	200	200	240	240
4442	Direct Assistance	3,250	0	3,250	3,250
08E · CULTURE AND RECREATION					
4520	Parks & Recreation	2,400	2,325	2,950	2,950
4550	Library	39,244	36,424	36,925	36,925
4583	Patriotic Purposes	350	333	350	350
09E · CONSERVATION					
4611	Commission	450	255	450	450
12E · DEBT SERVICE					
4711	Principal - Grader	28,412	28,412	29,481	29,481
4711	Broadband	0	0	69,100	69,100
4721	Long-Term Interest	8,385	8,385	30,393	30,393
4723	Tan Interest	1	0	1	1
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$1,226,732	\$1,194,371	\$1,428,359	\$1,428,359

2021 Budget – Expenses, continued

	Budget 2020	Actuals 2020	Selectmen Budget 2021	Budget Comm Budget 2021
13E · CAPITAL OUTLAY				
4902 - MACHINERY, VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT				
Backhoe	0	0	128,000	128,000
4903 - BUILDINGS				
Fire Station	0	0	2,272,500	2,272,500
4909 - OTHER IMPROVEMENTS				
Election Ballot Counter	3,500	0	0	0
Fiber Optic Broadband Network	2,019,000	1,209,100	0	0
14E · INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT				
4915 · TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE				
Town Hall Repairs	35,000	35,000	0	0
Bridge Reconstruction	20,000	20,000	0	0
Fire Equipment	22,400	20,000	20,000	20,000
Highway Equipment	23,625	20,000	10,000	10,000
Fire Department Facility	20,000	20,000	0	0
TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES	\$2,143,525	\$1,324,100	\$2,430,500	\$2,430,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,370,257	\$2,518,471	\$3,858,859	\$3,858,859
LESS AMOUNT OF ESTIMATED REVENUE	\$2,804,494		\$3,109,014	\$3,109,014
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$565,763		\$749,845	\$749,845
(Exclusive of School & County Taxes)				

Tax Impact on \$200,000 home = \$91.00

Estimated Tax Impact for additions/deletions to the budget		
Local Assessed Valuation: \$166,133,847 (2020)		
<u>Addition/Deletion</u>	<u>ax Rate Impact</u>	<u>\$200,000 Home</u>
\$1,663	\$0.01	\$2
\$16,637	\$0.10	\$20
\$166,371	\$1.00	\$200

2021 BUDGET - REVENUE

		Anticipated Revenue 2020	Actual Revenue 2020	Selectmen's Estimated Revenue 2021	Budget Comm Estimated Revenue 2021
	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Tax	0	7,700	5,000	5,000
3185	Yield Taxes	15,000	12,142	15,000	15,000
3187	Excavation Tax	1,000	1,002	1,000	1,000
3190	Interest & Penalties-Taxes	22,500	24,965	24,500	24,500
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	725	730	725	725
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	393,300	382,612	383,800	383,800
3230	Building Permits	2,500	1,819	2,500	2,500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	45,680	46,674	106,670	106,670
	FROM STATE				
3351	Municipal Aid	16,051	16,051	0	0
3352	Rooms & Meals	88,454	88,454	88,000	88,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	83,598	83,949	84,000	84,000
3356	Forest Land Reimbursement	13	13	13	13
3359	Statewide Checklist Sales	275	275	0	0
3359	Forest Fire Reimbursement	2,000	2,227	1,000	1,000
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments	1,750	1,877	1,800	1,800
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3502	Interest	6,800	5,473	6,000	6,000
3503	Rent of Property	5,670	5,212	6,316	6,316
3504	Forest Fire Violation	398	399	0	0
3506	Dividends & Reimbursements	35,282	35,282	0	0
3508	Contributions-CCI Fiber Network	800,000	0	0	0
3509	History Sales & Misc. Copies	535	645	600	600
	INTERFUND TRANSFERS				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	0	0	55,000	55,000
3916	Trust Funds	4,438	4,439	4,590	4,590
3939	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
	Fiber Optic Network-CCI Bond Payments	1,219,000	1,209,100	0	0
	Fire Station Bond	0	0	2,272,500	2,272,500
	Amount Voted From Fund Balance	9,525	0	0	0
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	50,000	0	50,000	50,000
	TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	\$2,804,494	1,931,036.00	\$3,109,014	\$3,109,014

TOWN MEETING - MINUTES
TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10 & MARCH 11, 2020

The Annual Town Meeting (Elections) was called to order by Robert W. Moore, Jr. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 11:00am. Article 1 was read as well as both the town and school ballots. Article 2 was then read and it was stated that the ordinance changes would also be voted on. The remaining Articles to be considered Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Westmoreland School during the Annual Town Meeting. Polls were declared closed at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 by Moderator, Robert W. Moore, Jr.

Moderator Robert W. Moore, Jr. called the Annual Westmoreland Town Meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Westmoreland School on Wednesday, March 11, 2020. Moore requested Veterans to stand and be recognized after which he led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Moore began the meeting by introducing Selectman, and Peter Hills the newly elected Moderator. He then proceeded to declare the election results for Article 1 & 2

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

176 votes were cast of the registered 1285 = 14% The results of balloting were as follows:

Selectman - 3 Years - Russ Austin -165
Town Treasurer - 1 Year - Theresa Russell - 170
Town Clerk - 1 Year - Jodi Scanlan - 172
Cemetery Trustee - 3 Years - Jo Ann LaBarre - 172
Trustee of the Library 3 Years (2) - Katherine Cox - 163 & Susie Harris - 165
Overseer of Public Welfare- 1 Year (1) - Elaine Moore - 89 / Kelly Wright - 75
Moderator - Peter Hills - 162
Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 Years - Rachel Bartlett - 164
Budget Committee - 3 Years - Christine Abdelnour - 160
Trustee of the Trust Funds 3 Years - Cecile Goff - 164
Briggs Fund Committee - 3 Years (2) William (Bill) Franzen - 153 & Timothy F. Thompson - 162

School Ballot

Moderator - Peter Hills - 167
Member of the School Board (2) Madelyn Cassin - 162 & Kevin Powell - 152
District Treasurer - Deborah Hall - 166
District Clerk (write in) Deb Nelson - 10

Article 2 To see if the voters will approve Ordinance changes as proposed by the Planning Board.

Explanation: Matter added to the current ordinance appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current ordinance appears as a ~~strikethrough~~

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 104 TERMS

~~**Personal Services:** Includes barber, hairdresser, beauty parlor, shoe repair, shoe shine, laundry, laundromat, drycleaner, photographic studio, and business providing similar services of a personal nature.~~

~~**Retail Store or Services:** *A commercial operation that involves either the display, sale, and/or lease/rental of physical goods to the general public or businesses or provides direct personal or business services to customers.* Includes enclosed restaurant, café, shop or store for the sale of retail goods or personal services; and . **This** shall exclude any drive-up **through/drive-up** service, free-standing retail **roadside agricultural** stand, gasoline service and motor vehicle repair service, new and used car sales and service, trailer and mobile home sales and service.~~

Service Establishment: Retail, wholesale, and business services of a more intensive nature than “retail services” including repair of heavy equipment, machines with engines, and furniture involving the significant use of chemicals; rental of large or heavy equipment; and other miscellaneous activities with greater potential performance impacts, as reasonably determined by zoning administrator.

YES 130 NO 35

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 302 Zoning Administrator

The administrative and enforcement officer for this Ordinance shall be known as the Zoning Administrator who shall be hired or appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Zoning Administrator shall administer the Zoning Ordinance literally and shall not have the power to permit any use of land or buildings, which is not in conformance with this Ordinance.

YES 141 NO 30

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 413 Drive-~~in~~ **Through/Drive Up** Establishments

Plans for the erection or structural alteration of any drive-~~in~~ **through** facility or business shall be submitted to the Planning Board for **Site Plan** approval. The Board may require such changes or additions in relation to yards, driveways, driveway entrances and exits, and landscaping, and the location, height and exterior sketches of buildings and enclosures to insure safety, to minimize traffic or OTHER difficulties, and to safeguard adjacent properties, **including but not limited to noise and lights.**

YES 138 NO 30

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change to **Table 502 Commercial Industrial**
Allowed by Special Exception

#8 ~~Drive In Theater~~ **Drive Through/Drive Up Establishments**

#10 ~~Any business concerned primarily with the sale of new &/or used produce, products, goods and equipment.~~ **Service Establishment**

#20 ~~Freight or trucking terminal~~ (It is a duplicate of #15)

YES 128 NO 26

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 447 Mobile Home Park Permits

A. No person shall construct or operate a mobile home park without first obtaining site plan approval from the Planning Board and a permit from the Zoning Administrator. Before such a permit may be issued, there must be a favorable recommendation by a majority of the Planning Board. Before issuing a ~~mobile home park~~ **Zoning** permit, the Planning Board shall require a performance bond from the operator of the park to assure that the park is constructed and maintained in a satisfactory manner.

B. Application for a mobile home park site plan approval shall be made to the Planning Board. The application shall be accompanied with a site plan and drawings prepared by a **licensed surveyor or** professional engineer, showing the property lines and area of the park, a contour map showing the proposed grading of the park, a layout of the roads, walkways, mobile homes lots, parking areas, water lines, sanitary sewer and storm sewer drainage facilities, garbage collection stations and electrical distribution.

C. The Planning Board may accept the proposed plans, accept the proposed plans with recommended changes or reject the plans. The Board shall submit the application and the plans to the Zoning Administrator together with the Board's action regarding the ~~permit~~ **Site Plan Application**.

D. The Planning Board may require any other improvements and facilities before approving the mobile home park **Site Plan**, in the interest of public safety, health, and welfare.

SECTION 448.3 Area of Mobile Home Space

Each mobile home space shall be at least ~~7,500~~ **7,200** square feet in area, and at least sixty feet wide by at least one hundred and twenty feet in depth, and shall front on an access ~~driveway~~ **road**.

SECTION 448.4 Driveways and Walkways

A. Each mobile home shall have a driveway that meets current town driveway standards and provides at least one parking space.

B. All access driveways roads within a mobile home park must be at least ~~fifty~~ **twenty** feet in width **and meet town road standards** and ~~have a gravel surface at least twenty-four feet in width and twelve inches in depth of compacted gravel.~~

C. All-weather walkways shall be provided.

~~448.5 One parking space for each mobile home lot shall be provided, at least nine feet wide by twenty-two feet long.~~

SECTION 448.7.

Each mobile home lot shall have **be situated on** a 4" thick concrete slab on a compacted base at least 15' x 20' in size ~~so located as to be adjoining the entrance to the mobile home.~~

SECTION 448.12 Siting a Mobile Home

No mobile home **or any additions** shall be located on the mobile home lot closer than ten feet to any other lot line in the mobile home park **and each mobile home shall have a 20' front setback.**

YES 131 NO 38

Article 3 To hear the reports of Agents and Auditors and take any action relative hereto.

Article 3 motion moved by Russ Austin and seconded by Paul Berch
No Discussion
ARTICLE 3 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise \$2,019,000 for the purpose of installing a 1 gigabit, Fiber to the Premises, Fiber Optic Broadband Network throughout the Town of Westmoreland; with \$1,219,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended and \$800,000 of such sum as a donation from the broadband provider, Consolidated Communications, Inc.; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, gifts and donations, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this article. 2/3 ballot vote required

Article 4 motion moved by John Snowdon and seconded by Peter Hills

John Snowdon introduced himself and other Broadband Committee members Chris Ballou and JJ Prior. Thanked Selectmen, Jo Anne LaBarre, and Consolidated for their work. The Broadband Committee started over 2 years ago and has more than \$800 invested in work so far. Looked at every possible option before deciding this one was the best option.
No Discussion

7:14pm Moderator stated vote would be written ballot vote and polls would remain open one hour

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$1,226,732 for general town operations. The Selectmen recommend this Article. This Article does not include special or individual articles addressed separately. Majority vote required.

Article 5 motion moved by Frank Reeder and seconded by Russ Austin
No Discussion
ARTICLE 5 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 6 To see if the town will vote to establish a Town Hall Repair Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for town hall repairs, including a building assessment and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required. *Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required.

Article 6 motion moved by John Snowdon and seconded by Clayton Stalker

Rachel Bartlett - Supports article, but concerned about lack of fire alarm system. Recommends system installed before investing in repairs

Deb Hall - Is fire insurance adequate? If not we should consider a fire alarm system.

Robert Moore - Assessment of building should cover what is needed.

ARTICLE 6 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required.

Article 7 motion moved by Clayton Stalker and seconded by Peter Hills

No Discussion

ARTICLE 7 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,625 to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. \$3,625 to come from unassigned fund balance and the remainder to be raised from taxation. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required

Article 8 motion moved by Harry Nelson and seconded by Wes Staples

No Discussion

ARTICLE 8 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,400 to be placed in the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. \$2,400 to come from unassigned fund balance and the remainder to be raised from taxation. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required.

Article 9 motion moved by Harry Nelson and seconded by Alan Bell

No Discussion

ARTICLE 9 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Facility Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article. Majority vote required.

Article 10 motion moved by Harry Nelson and seconded by Bill Chase

No Discussion

ARTICLE 10 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,650 to purchase a top-loading container for the disposal of paper products at the Recycling Center. The Select Board recommends and the Budget Committee does not recommend this Article. Majority vote required.

Article 11 motion moved by Bruce Clement and seconded by Elen Clement

Robert Ball - Negative cash flow. Consider raising tag cost to put more cost on users?

Frank Reeder - Looking at soliciting volunteers to form an advisory committee to research options to bring cost down

Deb Hall - Is the town taking into account the future and considering the cost of running our own recycle center verses sending everything to Keene?

Frank Reeder - Advisory committee would be asked to look into all options.

Beth Franzen - Why did Selectmen recommend purchase of container and Budget Committee not recommend?

Richard Paul, Budget Committee Member - We did not recommend, because the recycling center is costing a lot of money, and we need to figure out what we are going to do in the future. Didn't feel it was the time to spend a lot of money before investigating further into making the recycling center more cost effective.

Robert Ball - Seems it would be prudent to hold off on the purchase of the container

Frank Reeder - Warrant Article put on by petition that a large number of residents signed

Ron Fish - Problem is we are getting too much paper other than newspaper, and it doesn't stack well so we have to have the container emptied more often at \$165 trucking each time. The new bin could save money on shipping. Instead of 2 months it would go 3 months between hauling. Before you make up your minds about closing the dump, the state of NH says you will never open it up again.

Dean Pribe, Budget Committee Member, - I spent hours talking to Ron about the recycling center. Recycling is a problem. Other towns are not recycling anymore, because of the cost. We need to be educated on what makes the recycling center work for the town. We need a plan so we don't spend good money after bad.

Robert Ball - The problem is human behavior verses waste management

Russ Austin - Originally we told Ron we didn't think the container was necessary, and it would only be put on the warrant if he got a petition together which he did. It was after that that a committee was discussed.

Robert Ball - Can a container be rented in the short term?

Russ Austion - No rentals were found

Danielle Beland Allard - How often is the \$165 paid for hauling? How many loads per year?

Ron Fish - Every 2 months

Danielle Beland Allard - Only saves 2 loads a year. \$330 a year. Seems like it makes more sense to wait and see what the committee can find before we make that kind of investment.

Dawn Lincoln - How much time would this save you, Ron?

Ron Fish - Would save us a lot of time so we could do other things. We have stuff to do, but no time.

Tim Thompson - One general commit. Ron Fish, you do a great job.

ARTICLE 11 WAS DEFEATED BY SHOW OF HANDS YES 52 NO 68

Article 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 to purchase an election ballot counter. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. Majority vote required.

Article 12 motion moved by Kelly Wright and seconded by John Snowdon

Robert Ball - Can anyone speak to the thought process behind this as far as the risk and the benefits?

Jodi Scanlan - This is only a counting machine. It is not a voting machine. It's the only machine authorized by the state of NH. It's been used for years by many of the municipalities in NH including

Keene, Walpole, and Charlestown. It only can count votes. When a voter comes out of the booth they place the paper ballot into the counting machine. The machine can detect errors on the ballot and alert voters, it tallies right away so end of day reports can happen as soon as polls close versus staying anywhere from 1 ½ hour to 3 hours to count and check totals. As far as risk goes, it is the only machine used and proven to be accurate in NH. It uses paper ballot verses touch screen so you still have paper ballots that can be hand counted if needed. Only way to tamper with the machine is by standing in front of it. It is not connected to the internet. There have been many many different types of machines over the years and this particular one seems to be proven to be the best.

Peter Hills - How many towns use the counting machine?

Jodi Scanlan - Just under 200. It's a wide variety of places that use them from the small towns to the larger cities like Nashua and Manchester.

Peter Hills - From my limited experiences of going through moderator training to being on the moderator forum a lot of moderators that come through the forum say they use these kinds of machines and they are incredibly reliable.

Kelly Wright - Speaking on behalf of Charlestown where I work for the town. They have the counting machines and they are extremely accurate. They have to have test ballots for everything going to vote, and about two weeks prior test ballots are received and if there is a problem reading ballots the company comes right in to take care of it. It has worked tremendously well in Charlestown.

ARTICLE 12 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 13 To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the income from the Jotham Lord Fund. This money (\$90) is included in the proposed operating budget. Majority vote required.

Article 13 motion moved by Bruce Clement to be given to the library and seconded by Elen Clement

ARTICLE 13 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 14 To see if the Town will vote to support the efforts of a fundraiser to offset the cost of renovating the Veteran's Memorial and walkway on the Town Common.

Article 14 motion moved by Madelyn Ulrich and seconded by Dean Priebe

Jo Ann LaBarre - A few years ago the selectmen appointed an advisory committee to study the veterans memorial on the common. The memorial is in need of repair. The hold up has been deciding what to do about plaques, and how far back to go with names put on them. That still hasn't been decided yet, but Jodi and I would like to start fundraising toward the repairs needed. Last year Ernie Perham talked about fundraising, but it never got underway. The selectmen did vote to establish a fundraising package for the memorial so our proposal is that we do a fundraiser with bricks to do the walkway which is also in very bad disrepair. We found a company in PA called Forever Bricks. The bricks are guaranteed for the life of the brick. They are pavers written on with a laser and are treated so the writing actually looks like glass. We need approximately 800 bricks to do the sidewalk which we can fill in with blank as well as bricks with writing. The cost of the bricks are 19.50 and would be sold for 100. The profit would be 80.50 per brick sold. If we sold 500 bricks we would make \$40,250. This money would get put towards the repair of the memorial and the replacement of the sidewalk making it safe and handicap accessible. We talked to Keith Perry and he gave the town a very reasonable estimate of less than \$14,000 to do the project. This does not include the cost of the bricks or plaques. It would pretty much be rebuilding what's there with maybe a granite base. The brick fundraiser would pay for Keith Perry to reconstruct the monument and install new sidewalks. Forever Bricks will design and provide us with order forms and a link to a website where orders can be placed.

Robert Ball - What kind of things would people write on the bricks?

Jo Ann LaBarre - People can purchase to honor a veteran or businesses could purchase them, anyone can purchase in honor of their family or a grandchild. Really could be anything.

Marshall Patmos - Is there currently a fund for the memorial?

Jo Ann LaBarre - It was established, but never got started. The money would be in the hands of the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

Madelynn Ullrich - Several of us were on the committee for a good couple of years. We talked with the Historical Society who felt the monument should maintain the same shape. We talked about the names and how they should be added since even the plaques we have now have names that were left off. There were not enough people to make the committee work and get things done. Why should there need to be a fundraiser to pay for a sidewalk that should come out of town money? Money should be appropriated to fix the memorial and the sidewalk.

Jo Ann LaBarre - The brick fundraiser is not just to replace a sidewalk, but to create community involvement

Deb Hall - We could save money by lining a cement walkway with the bricks to create a smooth ADA walkway and spend less money.

Jo Ann LaBarre - Keith has planned for wheelchair access in whatever layout we proceed with.

Bruce Clement - Would it make more sense to have a veterans walkway and have the individual names on bricks instead of plaques which would be less expensive?

Elaine Moore - Instead of wasting a lot of time giving ideas. If you want to have your ideas considered, be on the committee.

ARTICLE 14 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

8:27PM POLLS CLOSED

Robert Moore Jr. moved to other business as votes were counted

Robert Moore Jr. Introduced State Representative Paul Berch

Paul Berch - Want to fill you in on a few things that affect us. One is Maplewood. The expansion part is complete. The renovation of the older part is going on, and should take another 6-7 months before completion. The project is on time, on budget, and looks gorgeous. The old jail is gone, and once it is not being used as a staging area it will be all cleaned up. Another topic is the Hinsdale Brattleboro bridge which affects commerce and commuting in our neck of the woods. Replacement is going to happen. The project is going to be put out to bid towards the end of summer. Waiting for the last issues to be worked out on the state of Vermont's side. That bridge is so old it's the only bridge in the region with plans that are handwritten. The bridge is going to happen. On the other hand, the Eversource battery project for Westmoreland is on the backburner as the public utilities commission was not able to reach an agreement. Sharon and I have been going through a difficult time healthwise, and I want to thank you all for the prayers and thoughts you've sent in our direction. It makes a huge difference, and we appreciate the support. Thank you

Robert Moore Jr. Introduced Selectman, Russ Austin

Russ Austin read statement prepared by Selectmen

We continually get questions about what's happening with our former Town Clerk/Tax Collector. This is just the facts as they are. This is not open to any discussion or feedback. There are three sections.

First, this is being handled by Mike Hathaway, the Sullivan County Attorney because the County Attorney for Cheshire County, lives in Westmoreland. Due to the nature of that no further information is available to us.

Second, a possible civil action is currently being investigated against the former Town Clerk/Tax Collector by our town attorney which covers four areas. 1) Investigating the possibility to recover additional money as disclosed by the audit. 2) Possibility to cover the cost of the 2016 forensic audit \$15,000. 3) Possibility to recover additional money unaccounted for since the time she left office on the last day of August 2018. 4) Recover the cost of the 2018 audit necessitated by the resignation of the Tax

Collector. Anytime a Tax Collector resigns and a new one takes over an audit has to take place prior to the new Tax Collector taking over.

Finally, as a result of the 2016 forensic audit and because the Town Clerk and Tax Collector are bonded positions, the town has recently received a check for \$33,173.16 from our insurance company. That's all I can tell you now because that's all we know at this time.

ARTICLE 4 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY BALLOT VOTE YES 252 NO 6

Article 15 To see if the Town will vote to call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reduction in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety. We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to our town's State Legislatures, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to our town's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by our town's Select Board, within 30 days of this vote.

Article 15 motion moved by Bill Chase and seconded by Bruce Clement

Bill Chase - Passing this warrant article will send a message to our state and national legislators that we as a community are concerned about climate change. Currently there is a bill before congress looking at climate change. This Bill is known as Carbon Fee and Cash Back. This Bill would charge fossil fuel producers a fee on coal, oil, and natural gas as it's removed from the earth and sold. These fees would be collected by the federal government, but it would not go into the US treasuries. 100% of the fees minus admin. Cost would be paid back to US citizens on a monthly basis. 1 share for each adult and ½ share for each child. This is a market approach to dealing with our problem of planet change. It's been championed by a number of US economists and was reported in the Wall Street Journal a year ago. These economists feel that this is the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid deductions in harmful carbon emissions at a scale required for our safety. We know that if we increase the price of coal the cost of electricity is going to go up. If we increase the price of oil the cost of gasoline is going to go up and also heating oil. The same is true if we increase the price of natural gas. The cost of electricity is going to go up, but having this cash back as part of this bill as a monthly stipend from the federal government to each person will help to offset those costs. This basically is a market based approach to dealing with climate change. Putting a robust price on carbon fuel will stimulate new innovations that will cut our emissions. These innovations proposed by Economist Magazine September of last year are innovations we can't even imagine at this time. This spring other communities in NH and across the nation are considering this same warrant article. Expressing our concern of climate change in Westmoreland and with other communities in our state and across our nation will help our nation's government to address this issue. I feel that this is the most effective way to address this issue using a market based approach.

Tom Bates - Do you think the fossil fuel producers will increase their fees to the consumer to cover this additional fee? If so, what are we gaining?

Bill Chase - What this is going to do is provide an incentive to look for alternatives to produce electricity, also look for alternative ways to deal with carbon dioxide that's produced by burning these fuels.

ARTICLE 15 WAS VOTED AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

Article 16 To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Russ Austin - The Selectboard would like to thank Bob for all that he has done for the town of Westmoreland over the years. He is now getting done being moderator after 6 years, He served on the State Legislator, he was on the school board for about 18 years, he was selectman from 1964-1978 and then he was on again 1982-1999. We want to acknowledge the many years of service he has given to the town and the state. (Audience responded with standing ovation)

Robert Moore - Thank you for that. There are a few things I am proud of. There may be 2-3 people in town who have lived here longer than I have. There are people older, but not many who have lived here longer. I'll be 90 on my next birthday.

8:48pm Motion to adjourn meeting by Frank Reeder and seconded by Peter Hills

VOICE VOTE TO THE AFFIRMATIVE

Respectfully submitted,



Jodi Scanlan
Westmoreland Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK

January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

Candidacy Filing Fees	\$4.00
Dog License Fees	\$3,652.40
Marriage Licenses	\$200.00
Miscellaneous Postage	\$77.75
Motor Vehicle	\$383,247.00
Recycling Center Stickers	\$1,520.00
Return Check Fees	\$80.00
Statewide Checklist	\$275.00
UCC Filings	\$705.00
Vital Statistics	\$395.00
Totals January - December	<u>\$390,156.15</u>

FINANCIAL REPORT - BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 2020

Assets

Cash - General Fund		\$1,394,445.26
Cash - Broadband Fund		\$634,916.46
Petty Cash		\$200.00
Cash Conservation Fund		60,142.24
Cash Capital Reserve Funds		400,745.82
Unredeemed Taxes:	Levy of 2017	1,890.63
	Levy of 2018	16,083.61
	Levy of 2019	26,529.26
Uncollected Taxes:	Property Taxes - 2020	147,389.97
	Land Use Change Tax - 2020	1,030.00
Less Allowance for Refunds & Abatements		(13,782.82)
BOS Tax Adjustments (per audit)		26,592.61
Tax Deferral - Elderly/Disabled		3,351.00
Tax Deeded property - for resale		3,531.54
Amt needed to pay long-term debt		1,403,487.83

TOTAL ASSETS **\$4,106,553.41**

Liabilities & Fund Equity

Liabilities:

School Tax payable		1,282,125.00
Special Revenue Fund	Conservation Fund	60,657.24
Prepayment of Property Taxes		2,008.12
Long-term notes payable:	Highway Grader	194,387.83
	Broadband Network	1,209,100.00
Capital Reserve Funds:	Bridge Reconstruction (2002)	145,868.92
	Fire Equipment (1982)	107,040.24
	Highway Equipment (1982)	63,428.65
	Municipal Land Purchase (2006)	31,926.03
	Town Hall Clock (2009)	3,278.43
	Recreation (1975)	724.35
	Fire Department Facility (2019)	20,779.20
	Town Hall Repairs (2020)	27,700.00
	Total Capital Reserve Funds:	400,745.82

FUND EQUITY

Non-Spendable Fund Balance	Fiber Optic Broadband Network	604,550.00
Assigned Fund Balance	For Tax-Deeded Property	3,531.54
	Total Reserved Funds:	608,081.54

Unassigned Fund Balance: 2020		43,102.32
Unassigned Fund Balance: Prior		306,345.54
Total Fund Balance:		349,447.86

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITIES **\$4,106,553.41**

INVENTORY VALUATION

2020 MS-1:

Residential Land	2,952.62 Acres	\$44,246,700
Conservation Restriction	905.71 Acres	\$119,105
Current Use Land	17,817.59 Acres	1,581,949
Commercial Land	355.44 Acres	5,349,900
Residential Building		104,073,100
Commercial Buildings		8,502,400
Manufactured Buildings		432,300
Public Utilities		2,165,500
NET VALUE PRIOR TO EXEMPTIONS		166,470,954
Exemptions to Value		100,000
NET VALUATION FOR COMPUTATION ON TAX RATE		\$166,370,954

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Fire Department – Land and Buildings U7-16	\$619,500
Town Hall – Contents	250,000
Library - Land and Buildings U6-7	311,400
Library - Contents	142,000
Police Department Equipment	3,000
Fire Department – Contents	105,000
Highway Department – Land and Building R7-51	185,400
Highway Department – Contents	70,000
Town Common - U6-24	50,400
Park Hill Commons - U3-8, U3-29, U3-30	9,000
Woodward Field - U2-8	74,100
School – Land and Buildings	2,064,500
Historical Land and Buildings (Corner Schoolhouse) U7-2	145,400
Corner Schoolhouse - Contents	21,500
Recycling Center – Land and Buildings R14-22	111,400
Misc. Land and Buildings (6 properties) (R5-18, R12-36, R12-21, R12-66, R12-96, R15-19, R15-38, R16-2)	101,300
Cemeteries (9)	
TOTAL	\$4,263,900

APPROPRIATIONS, TAXES ASSESSED & TAX RATE

Executive	\$80,661
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	37,925
Financial Administration	55,868
Legal Expense	5,000
Personnel Administration	110,650
Planning & Zoning	3,369
General Government Building	16,465
Cemeteries	13,000
Insurance	15,496
Police	1
Ambulance	62,463
Fire & Rescue	41,698
Building Inspector	2,500
Emergency Management	2,700
Mutual Aid	23,109
Highways & Streets - Admin	157,000
Highways & Streets	404,085
Street Lighting	3,800
Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling	102,810
Health Officer	240
Animal Control	200
Health Agencies	5,000
Welfare Admin & Direct Assistance	3,450
Parks & Recreation	2,400
Library	39,244
Patriotic Purposes	350
Conservation Commission	450
Debt Service	36,798
Capital Outlay	2,022,500
Capital Reserve Funds	121,025
TOTAL APPROPRIATION - TOWN	\$3,370,257
Less Revenues	2,744,969
Less Fund Balance voted from surplus	9,525
Add-War Service Credits	15,800
Add -Overlay	<u>11,944</u>
NET TOWN APPROPRIATION	643,507
NET LOCAL EDUCATION TAX	2,578,297
STATE EDUCATION TAX	328,828
COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENT	<u>670,860</u>
TOTAL TOWN, SCHOOL, COUNTY	\$4,221,492
Less-War Service Credits	<u>15,800</u>
TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$4,205,692
NET LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET	\$3,788,232
Less-ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT	881,107
Less-STATE EDUCATION TAX	<u>328,828</u>
	\$2,578,297
2020 Tax Rate	
School - Local	\$15.50
School - State	\$2.00
County	\$4.03
Town	<u>\$3.87</u>
	\$25.40

TREASURER'S REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2020

TD Bank Checking Account Balance - January 1, 2020	\$1,514,052.02
Activity:	
plus receipts	\$5,098,757.97
less payments	\$5,218,364.73
Balance December 31, 2020:	\$1,394,445.26

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - 2020

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Other Revenue (Off-Budget):

CR - Town Hall Repairs	\$11,800.00	Covid19 - 1st Responder Grant	\$6,214.34
CR - Fire Dept Facility	41,178.57	Covid19 - GOFERR Grant	17,782.15
FD - Thermal Camera Grant	7,618.61	Covid 19 - Sec't of State Grant	4,637.91
NH Presevation Alliance Grant	4,500.00	Covid 19 - Donations	50.00
Total Other Revenue:		\$93,781.58	

TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS

\$5,098,757.97

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2020

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Executive Office:		Election, Registration & Vital Statistics:	
Town Administrator	\$65,326.98	Town Clerk	\$23,076.98
Selectmen	6,000.00	Deputy Town Clerk	1,500.00
Moderator	150.00	Supervisors Fees	900.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	200.00	Election Fees	1,030.00
Tax Maps	198.22	Town Clerk Telephone	1,379.59
Printing	700.00	Printing	594.50
Dues	1,474.00	Dues - Town Clerk	40.00
Notices	67.00	Notices - Town Clerk	351.75
Equipment Agreements	400.00	Notices - Other	67.00
Software Agreements	2,317.93	Election Day Dinners	950.59
Supplies	599.08	Election Counting Machine-Fees/Maint	1,791.00
Postage & PO Fees	234.40	Software Agreements - Town Clerk	3,039.80
Equipment	1,320.86	Supplies - Town Clerk	1,261.95
Jotham Lord Fund	92.18	Supplies - Supervisors	60.84
Other	<u>226.99</u>	Postage - Town Clerk	1,790.27
	\$79,307.64	Postage - Supervisors	20.35
Financial Administration:		Licenses- Dog/Marriage	
Tax Collector	\$10,750.02	Vital Statistics	<u>252.00</u>
Deputy Tax Collector	1,500.00		\$38,991.96
Treasurer	2,000.04	Legal Expenses:	
Audit	11,000.00	Attorney Fees	\$8,667.95
Property Assessing	18,000.00	Planning & Zoning:	
Bank Charges	2,229.54	PB Clerk Fees	\$675.00
Recording Fees	197.30	ZB Clerk Fees	150.00
Dues - Tax Collector	20.00	SWRPC Dues	1,769.00
Dues - Other	55.00	PB Notices	49.34
Software Agreements - Tax Collector	2,123.00	ZB Notices	274.50
Software Agreements - Treasurer	949.95	PB Supplies	35.00
Supplies - Tax Collector	591.61	ZB Supplies	<u>80.00</u>
Supplies - Treasurer	430.11		\$3,032.84
Postage - Tax Collector	1,455.95		
Postage - Treasurer	402.05		
Mileage - Treasurer	<u>273.52</u>		
	\$51,978.09		

Treasurer's Report, continued

Personnel Administration:		General Government Buildings:	
Health Insurance	\$54,044.28	Custodian	\$5,464.53
Dental Insurance	3,047.45	Telephone	1,624.78
Health/Dental - Cash Opt-Out	2071.81	Electricity	1,553.27
FICA	20,616.37	Heating Fuel	1,147.60
Medicare	4,821.57	Propane	77.99
Retirement	22,807.02	PO Broker Fee	1,500.00
Direct Deposit Fees	<u>392.00</u>	Repairs & Maintenance	3,700.70
	\$107,800.50	Supplies	259.83
Insurance Not Allocated:		Mowing	<u>1,615.00</u>
Worker's Compensation	\$7,900.00		\$16,943.70
Contingency Fund	813.00		
Property Insurance	3,098.00	Cemeteries:	\$12,362.50
Liability Insurance	<u>3,498.00</u>		
	\$15,309.00		
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES			\$334,394.18

<u>PUBLIC SAFETY:</u>		<u>HIGHWAYS & STREETS:</u>	
Ambulance Service:	\$62,462.80	Uniforms	\$1,500.00
Mutual Aid Service:	\$23,109.00	Telephone	1,004.63
		Drug/Alcohol Testing	174.00
Building Inspector:	\$1,818.72	Electricity	1,273.49
		Heating Fuel	1,406.75
Emergency Management:		Vehicle Insurance	7,010.00
Emg Mgt Director Salary	\$200.00	Dues & Membership	275.00
Communications	\$340.53	Hired Equipment	4,620.00
EOC Supplies	\$195.00	Notices	67.20
Forest Fire Control - Wages	1,224.92	Building Repair/Maintenance	5,245.69
Forest Fire Control - Misc.	<u>645.00</u>	Paving- Asphalt	122,191.86
	\$2,605.45	Paving- Shimming	439.49
Fire & Rescue Departments:		Salt & Chloride	53,003.03
Fire Chief Salary	\$2,000.00	Sand & Gravel	64,201.80
Firemen Salaries	11,995.15	Vehicle Fuel & Oil	23,650.60
Telephones/Internet	1,142.55	Tools & Supplies	35,010.67
Training	1,364.68	Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	56,331.97
Electricity	1,168.02	Cutting Edges	7,984.21
Heating Fuel	2,847.37	Tires	7,357.00
Generator - Propane/Repair	373.15	Culverts	3,764.80
Life Insurance	360.00	Equipment - Mowing	7,122.41
Vehicle Insurance	4,673.00	Other	<u>166.31</u>
Dues	562.00		\$403,800.91
Office Supplies	41.98		
Building Repair/Maintenance	140.00		
Radio Repair	28.00		

Treasurer's Report, continued

Fire & Rescue, continued

Flow Testing	1,950.00
Vehicle Fuel	800.69
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	5,987.13
Vehicle Inspection/Registration	300.00
Equipment - New	1,936.11
Equipm,ent - Gear	2,880.00
Equipment - Rescue	<u>967.59</u>
	\$41,517.42

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY: \$131,513.39

SANITATION:

Solid Waste Disposal:	
Employee Salaries	\$25,109.18
Telephone	467.26
Disposal Service - Trucking	17,985.00
Disposal Service - Tonage	49,698.67
Hazardous Waste Days	1,995.03
Testing Fees	1,250.00
Electricity	526.32
Dues/Fees	321.38
Mileage	165.60
Supplies	785.80
Repairs & Maintenance	<u>335.00</u>
TOTAL SANITATION:	\$98,639.24

Treasurer's Report, continued

CULTURE & RECREATION:

Park & Recreation:	
Mowing	\$1,425.00
Tennis Court Maintenance	900.00
Patriotic Flags	<u>332.95</u>
	\$2,657.95
Library:	
Library Salaries	\$25,468.84
Appropriation	<u>10,955.00</u>
	\$36,423.84
TOTAL CULTURE & REC:	\$39,081.79

TOTAL TOWN OPERATING EXPENSES:

Highway Administration:

Temporary Wages	\$135,232.11
Permanent Wages	<u>4,950.00</u>
	\$140,182.11
Street Lighting	\$4,078.12
TOTAL HIGHWAYS & STREETS:	\$548,061.14

HEALTH:

Health Officer Salary	\$200.00
Animal Control	230.00
Agencies & Services	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$5,430.00

WELFARE:

Welfare Officer Salary	\$200.00
Direct Assistance	<u>0.00</u>
	\$200.00

TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE: \$5,630.00

CONSERVATION:

Dues	\$250.00
Supplies	<u>4.95</u>
	\$254.95

DEBT SERVICE:

Highway Grader	\$28,411.67
Interest	<u>8,384.83</u>
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE:	\$36,796.50

TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE:

Bridge Reconstruction	20,000.00
Fire Equipment	20,000.00
Fire Department Facility	20,000.00
Highway Equipment	20,000.00
Town Hall Repairs	35,000.00
TOTAL TRANSFER TO CR:	\$115,000.00

\$1,309,371.19

Treasurer's Report, continued

OTHER EXPENSES:

County Taxes	\$670,860.00	Reserved from 2019:	
School District	\$3,093,800.00	Town Garage Siding	\$7,400.00
Taxes Bought By Town	\$47,455.49	Cultural Arts Funds - Tables	\$551.44
Voted from Surplus-CR Funds	\$9,525.00	Fire Dept Grant (from 2019)	\$8,000.00

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES: \$3,837,591.93

Other Expenses (Off-Budget):

Fire Dept Facility - CR	\$41,178.57	Covid19 - First Responders	\$6,214.34
Town Hall Repairs - CR	16,300.00	Covid19 - Emergency Management	211.50
Covid19 - Elections	2,464.69	Covid 19 - Highway Employees	1,550.10
Covid19 - Town Hall	156.14	Covid 19 - Recycling Center	29.94
Covid19 - Fire & Rescue	3,296.33		

Total Other Expenses: (Off-Budget) \$71,401.61

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES: \$3,908,993.54

GRAND TOTAL ALL PAYMENTS \$5,218,364.73

STATUS OF ACCOUNTS IN HANDS OF TREASURER

2020 Activity

Conservation Commission Account

Balance - January 1, 2020	\$52,738.51
Plus Deposits	\$7,185.00
Plus Interest Earned	\$218.73
Less Withdrawals	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$60,142.24

Broadband Account

Balance - January 1, 2020	\$0.00
Proceeds from Loan	\$1,209,100.00
Payments to Consolidated Comm.	\$604,550.00
Consolidated Payments to Town	\$30,000.00
Plus Interest Earned	<u>\$366.46</u>
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$634,916.46

LEASE/PURCHASE OUTSTANDING

Highway Grader - Savings Bank of Walpole	
Date of Loan:	9/9/2019
Maturity of Loan:	9/9/2027
Amount of Loan:	\$259,500
State of NH - UCC	\$96.00
Rate of Loan:	3.7%
Payment 2020	\$28,411.67
Amount owed on Loan (1/1/2021):	\$194,387.83

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

For the Municipality of WESTMORELAND

Year Ending 12/31/2020

DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year	Account	Levy For Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2019	2018	2017+
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	\$ 187,858.96	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax	#3187	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$ 107.40)			

Taxes Committed This Year Account		Levy For Year of this Report	2019
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 4,205,705.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 15,400.00	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 12,141.81	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax	#3187	\$ 1,001.66	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy For Year of this report			
			2019	2018	2017+
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 10,646.01			
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax	#3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	#3190	\$ 2,396.63	\$ 7,349.09	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Total Debits		\$ 4,247,183.71	\$ 195,208.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
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For the Municipality of WESTMORELAND

Year Ending 12/31/2020

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer	Levy For Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2019	2018	2017+
Property Taxes	\$ 4,070,485.76	\$ 140,565.26	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 14,370.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	\$ 12,141.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$ 2,316.63	\$ 6,646.59	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Penalties	\$ 80.00	\$ 702.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax	\$ 1,001.66	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Conversion To Lien (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 43,942.31	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Abatements Made	Levy For Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2019	2018	2017+
Property Taxes	\$ 178.00	\$ 3,351.39	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Current Levy Deeded	\$ 198.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Uncollected Taxes - End of Year #1080	Levy For Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2019	2018	2017+
Property Taxes	\$ 147,389.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 1,030.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$ 2,008.12)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total Credits	\$ 4,247,183.71	\$ 195,208.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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For the Municipality of WESTMORELAND

Year Ending 12/31/2020

SUMMARY OF DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	2019	PRIOR LEVIES 2018	2017+
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$ 0.00	\$ 36,221.83	\$ 31,904.71
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 0.00	\$ 47,455.49	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$ 0.00	\$ 395.92	\$ 5,054.75	\$ 9,768.18
Total Debits	\$ 0.00	\$ 47,851.41	\$ 41,276.58	\$ 41,672.89

SUMMARY OF CREDITS

	Last Year's Levy	2019	PRIOR LEVIES 2018	2017+
Redemptions	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,424.47	\$ 19,657.84	\$ 29,535.27
Interest & Costs Collected #3190 (After Lien Execution)	\$ 0.00	\$ 395.92	\$ 5,054.75	\$ 9,768.18
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$ 0.00	\$ 501.76	\$ 480.38	\$ 478.81
Unredeemed Liens End of Fiscal Year #1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 26,529.26	\$ 16,083.61	\$ 1,890.63
Total Credits	\$ 0.00	\$ 47,851.41	\$ 41,276.58	\$ 41,672.89

Summary of Elderly Liens	Last Year's Levy	2019	2018	2017+
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Interests & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total Elderly Lien	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Debits:				
Elderly Redemptions	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Interests & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total Elderly Lien Credits	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hello fellow Westmorelanders! 2020 has been a long road for all and we have kept up with our regular maintenance. We also have been putting out gravel on the dirt roads and will continue to do so in 2021. Eventually, we will gain some headway on those that really need it. We also have gotten some brush cut in several places that so desperately needed it and will continue that work. We also have been cleaning up a few of the older cemeteries in town by clearing brush that has grown in. We expect another New England winter and have supplies stocked up and trucks and equipment have been serviced to do battle once again. Please remember that if your road has not been plowed yet, we will get there as soon as possible. With three employees in the Department, we do our best to keep them open. Thank you for your patience! Once again, I would like to thank all of the wonderful people in this great town for all your kind words and thoughtfulness to us. And may all be healthy and safe in the new year.

David Poklemba, Road Agent

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

There were three cemetery lots sold in 2020 – all in the South Village Cemetery. There were five burials – 2 in the North Cemetery and 3 in the East Cemetery.

The Cemetery Trustees must be notified of all burials, including cremations, in a town cemetery. This is important so that the burial is done according to regulations and becomes a permanent record of the town. For the mutual protection, respect and benefit of all lot owners, there are restrictions on decorations, enclosures, plants and shrubbery. By-Laws are available from the Cemetery Trustees.

Cemetery Trustees: Robert Davis, Jo Ann LaBarre & Robert Moore

BUILDING INSPECTOR

A total of 26 permits were issued in 2020

Single family dwelling	1	Shed/Barn	3	Addition	3
Garage	2	Solar	10		
Remodel	6	Commercial Storage	1		

Larry Muchmore, Building Inspector

AUDIT REPORT

Melanson, Accountants and Auditors of Manchester, NH examined and audited the accounts of the Town of Westmoreland: Financial Records, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Town Clerk and Library for the year 2019. Management Letters and Financial Statement Reports are on file for viewing in the Selectmen's Office.

HEALTH OFFICER

All municipalities in New Hampshire are required to appoint and support a local health officer in order to protect public health. They have the responsibility to inspect schools, daycare, and foster homes, as well as, enforce actions regarding waste and housing. The range of health issues can be complex and challenging such as neighborhood disputes; junk, clutter and hoarding; rental housing standards; as well as, odors, waste and animal bites.

Additional Health Officer Duties include:

- Formulate and implement policies, plans, programs and projects to promote the health of the people in the local government unit concerned;
- Advise the Board of Selectmen on matters pertaining to health
- Enforce all laws, ordinances and regulations relating to public health and recommend the prosecution if the situation arises;
- Review and recommend ordinances relating to preservation of public health;
- Conduct health information campaigns and render health intelligence services;
- Coordinate with other government agencies and non-governmental organizations involved in the promotion and delivery of health services; and
- Be in the frontline of health services delivery, particularly during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities

2021 was a very unique year but it didn't slow down in the number of well checks and clutter and hoarding calls. There was a decline in new daycare or foster care inspections. The effect of Covid-19 in our community has been felt by all of us in some manner or another.

The Maplewood Nursing home renovation is quite impressive and required several inspections throughout the year as the project management team as transitioned from project to another. I was extremely impressed how well the company adapted their plans to accommodate the health and well-being of the residents, nursing home employees and their own employees.

One a weekly bases I attended Covid-19 zoom meetings presented by NH Department of Health and Human Services.

The Health Officer can be contacted through the Town Office **Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly N Wright
Health Officer

PUBLIC WELFARE

There was no activity in 2020.

Elaine Moore, Officer of Public Welfare

PLANNING BOARD

Westmoreland Planning Board members are appointed by the Selectmen. The board holds regular meetings which are open to the public at the Town Hall on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 PM. Due to the closing of town offices and suspension of board meetings because of Covid 19, the board did not meet for 5 months this year. If anyone has business to bring before the board, they should contact the board's secretary, Elaine Moore, to be put on the agenda. Anything requiring a hearing must be officially noticed which means that the secretary must receive the information 21 days prior to the meeting. Folks just wanting information do not need to be noted on the agenda and may just drop in at a meeting.

The purpose of the planning board is to guide the development of the town. Decisions are made considering the landowner's rights and desires and balancing this with the intent of the town as shown in the Master Plan and Zoning Ordinances through processes such as subdivision and site plan review. Information on the necessary steps for subdivision or site plan review as well as ordinances are available in the Selectmen's office and on the town's website. If residents have suggestions for changes for the Zoning Ordinances, we encourage you to submit them to the board for consideration. While the board drafts ordinances, it is the residents who vote to determine whether to adopt them during the March ballot vote.

If a resident is planning any changes or construction on any land in town, a call to the Zoning Administrator is the first place to start. This is the best way to find out if any necessary permits or processes are needed.

The board is seeking an alternate to the board. Anyone interested should contact the Selectmen's office.

In 2020 there were three informational meetings with people who wanted to know about processes for use of their land, feedback provided to the Selectmen regarding a business change form, and a home business site plan approved. We worked on ordinances and prepared proposed changes to definitions, accessory dwelling units, performance standards, on-site storage, and building ordinances, among others. These will be held for vote at the 2022 town meeting upon request of the Selectmen. The proposed changes are intended to clarify or modernize terms and ordinances, correct inaccuracies and remove duplications. We have marked other ordinances that we will review and possibly propose adjustments.

Westmoreland Planning Board Members

Lauren Bressett, Chair Bruce Smith, Vice Chair Russ Austin, Selectman
Elaine Moore, Secretary, Alternate
Alison Fissette, Larry Siegel, James Starkey, Tim Thompson

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment considers applications for property uses which may require a Special Exception or a Variance according to the Westmoreland Zoning Ordinances.

Zoning Board Chairman, Peter Remy; Vice-Chair, Barry Shonbeck.

Members: Brian Merry, Nancy Ranson, Ernie Perham Alternate members: John Harris, Mark Terry

The Zoning Board meets at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month when an application has been submitted. Notices of hearings are posted at the Town Hall and the Westmoreland Post Office and in The Keene Sentinel at least five days before the hearing. Abutters to the property seeking an adjustment are notified by Certified Mail.

July 15, 2020

The first application received was filed by Frank Riley asking for a Special Exception to hold outdoor weddings at the property where he lives at 1024 River Road (Map R-1, Lot 27) according to Article V Table 505.11 of the Ordinances of The Town of Westmoreland.

The Board voted unanimously (5 to 0) to grant the Special Exception under the following conditions:

1. Events will be held only during the months of May through October.
2. Off road parking will be provided for up to 100 vehicles on the property. Signs will be posted saying that parking is not allowed on the road.
3. Music will not be played after 10 pm.
4. There will be a maximum number of eight events per eligible month.

The Board also approved of Mr. Riley's plans to install downward lighting and other details which limit the impact on the neighborhood.

The 2nd application on July 15 was filed by CKB Properties represented by Katie Beam. CBK owns the property at 1659 Route 12 Westmoreland, Map 17, Lot 45 in the Comm/Ind Zone. Ms. Beam was seeking a Special Exception for a Change of Use from Commercial to Residential. There are 3 structures on the property; 2 of which are residential and 1 is Commercial. The Board voted against granting the Special Exception on the grounds that she needed to file for a Variance instead.

October Hearing

CKB Properties was back with a request for a Variance to change the designation of the third structure from Commercial to Residential. Attorney Michael Bentley, Esq spoke for Ms. Beam. Although abutter Johnny Matthews spoke in favor of granting the Variance, Chairman Remy expressed doubts about the capacity of the septic system to handle three residences and asked for a motion to consult with the Town Attorney before taking a vote on the Variance. All voted in favor of delaying the vote.

November Hearing

CKB Properties was again back, represented By Attorney Bentley. Chairman Remy said that the Town Clerk had found the original septic report but Mr. Remy again asked for a delay until he could ask a former Board Member, Russ Huntley to give his opinion on the functionality of the septic system. In addition, there were other concerns which needed to be addressed such as the size of the third structure, and the size of the lot and setbacks. A motion was made and passed to delay the vote.

December Hearing

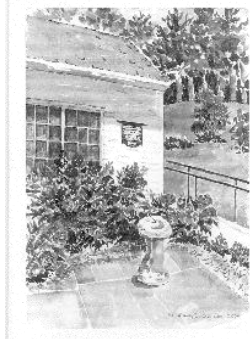
Due to poor weather and illness, not all voting members were in attendance. Ms. Beam was given the choice of taking a vote with only three eligible voters or postponing the vote until the January hearing. She chose the latter option.

Respectfully submitted by Jackie Cleary, Zoning Board Clerk

WESTMORELAND LIBRARY

The library began the new year with the first two months bringing visits from 522 patrons and we enjoyed the first of several scheduled get-togethers with kindergarten and first grade students---and then March came. News of the Covid-19 virus suddenly spread across the country and after much deliberation we made the difficult decision to close our doors until more became known about the virus and how it is spread. Most public libraries across the State arrived at the same decision.

It wasn't until the first week in July, when armed with more information we began offering curbside service. We popped up our little striped tent in the yard and scheduled appointments at 15-minute



intervals for patrons to pick up books there where they could be in an open space and assured of social distancing. When the weather signaled the beginning of cold weather, we moved the pick-up process to the front lobby and continue with this same process of scheduled appointments. The Library building remains closed. We miss providing the opportunity for our patrons to come in and scan the shelves at will, and we appreciate their patience as we strive to provide a safe environment for all during this difficult time.

- **Book Circulation**

1614 items were borrowed from our permanent collection in 2020, almost exactly half the number of the previous year. **Collection Management:** We added 185 new books to our collection this year; including many new mysteries in high demand. Another new acquisition to the Library this year is a weather station. We look forward to when the pandemic is over and students can once again visit us and explore this new tool with us.

- **Building Maintenance**

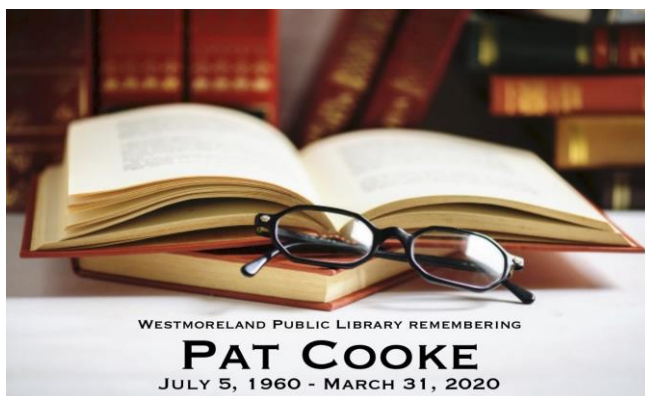
Property improvements for the year included repair of the front steps which were in need of stabilization. Additionally, flooring to replace the old carpeting in the small front foyer was replaced with volunteer labor.

- **Gifts**

The library was the beneficiary of several generous gifts, many in memory of good friends we lost this year. We thank our volunteers for their generous gifts of time and talent and the folks who annually support us with the resources to sponsor our cataloging system. A special thanks to our supportive Board of Directors: Louise Slayton, Chair, Steve Breck, Katherine Cox, Susie Harris and Janet Hurley.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Burnett



Westmoreland Public Library
Statement of Activities
12 Months Ending December 31, 2020

Town Appropriation	\$ 39,244.00
Expenses	
Payroll	\$ 25,468.84
Books & Periodicals	\$ 3,004.35
Supplies	\$ 554.66
PO Box Rental	\$ 120.00
Postage	\$ 55.00
Electricity	\$ 684.60
Heat	\$ 1,186.00
Phone & Internet	\$ 1,299.36
Dues & registration	\$ 30.00
Snow Removal	\$ 315.00
Furnace & Heating System	\$ 736.94
Building Improvement	\$ 645.41
Building maintenance	\$ 1,795.63
Miscellaneous	\$ 375.00
Total Appropriation Expense	\$ 36,270.79
Surplus	\$ 2,973.21

RECYCLING CENTER

Credits and charges as of December 31, 2020 are as follows:

1. Tipping fees for co-mingle recycling - \$152 per ton/trucking \$150
2. Tipping fees for the trash compactor & demo material - \$108 per ton/ trucking \$140
3. Fees for disposing of cardboard - \$20 per ton/trucking \$165
4. Income from mixed paper - \$10 per ton/trucking \$165
5. Income from light iron - \$65 per ton/trucking \$75
6. Income from aluminum cans - 15¢ per pound

2020	TONNAGE	TONNAGE COST	TRUCKING COST	TOTAL COST	INCOME
Compactor	331.96	\$34,118	\$5,600	\$39,718	
Co-Mingle Recycling	58.71	\$8,739	\$5,850	\$14,589	
Demolition Container	38.25	\$3,973	\$2,380	\$6,353	
Paper	32.13	\$1,022	\$1,650	\$2,672	
Cardboard	21.62	\$76	\$2,310	\$2,386	\$306
Aluminum Cans	1.52	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$421
Iron	20.86	\$0	\$525	\$525	\$1,220
Stickers					\$6,715
Chargeable Items					\$5,183
TOTALS	505.05	\$47,929	\$18,315	\$66,244	\$13,845

RECYCLING CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Group on Recycling refers the reader to the minutes of 1 December 2020 for an in-depth review of our work and recommendations beyond this report.

The Town produces a significant amount of material which heretofore has been placed at the Town Waste Transfer Station. That amount does not accurately affect the amount truly produced by our town's residents, businesses, and activities. It is possible the contracted waste removal and on-site disposal when combined with the waste of record, may be triple what the town waste management records evidence.

The regional situation is nearing capacity. The fact is there are only two in-ground waste burial facilities in the 5-state region accepting waste for burial. This is most certainly quite finite. We here in Westmoreland are no different from anyone or anywhere else. Our trash, garbage, recycling et cetera must be put somewhere. Recycling costs for sorting, bundling, delivery, and storage are all escalating and the markets for recyclable materials requires close market and material management.

All towns have to face this, some have done a lot for us to learn from and the Northeast Waste Management Cooperative is robustly supporting town and city initiatives to creatively and responsibly manage and recycle, re-use, re-purpose and dispose of the final waste.

The Westmoreland Select Board has asked for input and local reviews of our waste stream and its inherent management challenges. We have reached a critical juncture where the effort must be made to step up the response to creativity in our waste management and cost management.

We will make changes. They will be at our hand or through the eventual mandate of governments.

Interested parties are referred to our multiple sets of minutes and information collected by this advisory group. There is much to be done which we as a town can do, that will over time place us in the front of this collective American Challenge.

Respectfully Submitted,
Committee members Rachel Bartlett, Robb Ball, and Jon Lounsbury

Friendly Meals and Meals on Wheels

The Friendly Meals and Meals on Wheels program faced challenges this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but thanks to volunteers Meals on Wheels continued throughout the year. The Friendly Meals program, the monthly gathering of seniors for lunch at the Town Hall was put on hold. We hope to resume as soon as it is safe to come together in 2021.

Louise Slaton coordinated volunteers again this year for Meals on Wheels deliveries and her efforts are greatly appreciated. 933 Meals on Wheels were delivered in 2020. Meals on Wheels can be available for a short time while a person is recovering from a hospital stay, or to help an older person with chronic care needs to be safe and independent at home. For more information about Meals on Wheels, call Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services at 352-2253. A donation of \$3.00 is requested for the Meals on Wheels program.

Park Hill Meeting House and Historical Society

The purpose of the Society shall be to preserve and maintain the Park Hill Meeting House and Corner School House as significant historic landmarks and to promote the use of these buildings for community activities and as museums. The Society also seeks to preserve the history of Westmoreland through the acquisition of books, papers, maps, and artifacts; to establish a genealogy and history library; and to preserve Westmoreland's historic features through historic designation and grants. (From the Society by-laws)

The Executive Committee met in January to discuss programming, maintenance of the buildings, archival work and other business.

A General Membership meeting was held in the Town Hall dining room in March to prepare for summer events. Little did we know then that we would have to cancel all events for 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to repeat performances by the Westmoreland Town Band and Monadnock Music, we were planning to host a local bluegrass band and Celtic music group.

Our Annual membership meeting was postponed until early 2021, to be held via Zoom.

Park Hill Meeting House: Broken glass from one of the large 12 over 12 windows was replaced with old glass. Four window screens were made to replace old ones. Some pew cushions were in poor condition and replacements were ordered. Maintenance issues to be addressed in 2021 include shutter repair and an upgrade to the emergency lighting system. Thank you to Walter Carroll, property manager, for his work.

During this extremely difficult year, Deb Stavseth and Jan Carpenter, Archivists of the organization, were unable to continue their archival work at the Town Hall but have been working on items in our collection at their homes. Indexing, filing and many computer entries have all been accomplished as well as considerable research for distant genealogists. We are grateful to Jan and Deb for their hard work.

We continue to miss two long-time members, Thelma Messer and Jim Ranson. Both were so helpful with our many questions and deep dives into Westmoreland's fascinating history.

Another member of the Messer family has stepped up and taken over where Thelma left off. Barbara Messer collects and clips Westmoreland related articles in the Keene Sentinel for additions to our growing Obituary and Genealogy files and others.

We want to congratulate the Westmoreland PTA for publishing another interesting and useful calendar, their 61st year dedicated to Dick Delano, the long-time school bus driver. All students are pictured wearing the recommended face-masks. Nancy (Messer) Sandahl has taken on the task of identifying all the 8th grade groups and possibly locating some of the missing calendars. The Society can be contacted at 399-7075 if anyone has an old PTA calendar they wish to donate to our collection.

At least eight books have been sold this year; several Memorial donations received and research done for Britton, Chandler, Dorr, and Briggs family members. Additionally, we located old photos for a special edition planned for The Shopper News in February 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean H. Prior, Clerk

Executive Committee: JJ Prior, Emilia Whippie Prior, Jan Carpenter, Jan Hurley, Walter Carroll, John Harris, Steve Breck, Patti Seymour, Jean Prior

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

As required by State Law and under the direction of the NH Attorney General's Office, the Supervisors of the Checklist are charged with the following duties:

- to maintain and update the computer database and data files;
- to hold sessions to accept new registrations, change party affiliation and make corrections;
- to certify signers of nomination papers;
- to print and assemble checklists for elections;
- to fulfill requests for copies of checklists and;
- to attend each election and meeting where the checklist is used.

The Supervisors met 25 times during 2020, these meetings included: 3 mandatory meetings, working at the Primary and General Elections, Town Meeting and School Board meeting along keeping the Checklist updated and accurate.

We had numerous informative Zoom meetings regarding the upcoming 2020 election with many question and answer meetings. Also, some Webinars.

For the first time in our election history, Westmoreland had a counting machine at both the Primary and General Elections. Also a first, the General Election was held at the Westmoreland Elementary School. We thank Peter Hills (town moderator) for his configuration of this setup. Both additions made the election process run smoothly.

The results of the Primary and General Elections are as follows:

The Primary Election:

Total voters:	728
Democrats:	542
Republicans:	185

The General Election:

Walk In Voters:	710
Absentee ballots:	367
New Voters:	71

For a total of 728 voters for the Primary and 1148 voters for the General Election.

A special thank you to Jodi Scanlan and Peter Hills for their tireless work.

Supervisors of the Checklist: Rachel Bartlett, Pati Patmos and Dawn Lincoln

FIRE/RESCUE

The Department responded to a total of 178 fire and rescue calls in 2020. These calls consumed over 801 person hours. Three of those calls were for building fires in town.

The Westmoreland Fire/Rescue Department is conducting an Emergency Medical Responder Course. We currently have five members of our own department taking this course and two members of the Chesterfield Fire Department. This course is being taught by our own Deputy Chief Graham Gitchell.

We welcomed two new members to the fire department this past year, this brings our membership to 21.

We are asking all Westmoreland residents to put your house numbers visible from the roadway, this will assist us in getting to your emergency in a reasonable amount of time. If you put them on your mailbox be sure you put them on both sides.

Visitors are always welcome to stop by the fire station for a tour and view the apparatus. Any Westmoreland resident interested in becoming a member of the department may join us the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 pm at the station.

The members of the Westmoreland Fire/Rescue Department would like to thank the citizens of Westmoreland for their outstanding support this past year. Our goal is to keep the citizens of Westmoreland safe with professional service.

If you have ANY QUESTIONS feel free to contact us at 399-9993 or wvfd1@myfairpoint.net

Respectfully Submitted
 Harry E. Nelson
 Fire Chief

Month	# Calls	Total # Of Calls
Jan-20	21	21
Feb-20	20	41
Mar-20	17	58
Apr-20	9	67
May-20	18	85
Jun-20	13	98
Jul-20	17	115
Aug-20	16	131
Sep-20	9	140
Oct-20	14	154
Nov-20	12	166
Dec-20	12	178

Type	#of Calls	Total Personnel Hours
AFA Business	2	2:15
AFA Maplewood Nursing Home	19	24:32
AFA Private Residence	1	1:10
Brush Fire	3	61:38
Gas/Oil Leak	1	7:00
CO Detector	1	1:09
Chimney Fire	2	7:25
Downed Wires/Transformer	18	102:21
Good Intent/Smoke Investigation	3	9:28
ME Maplewood Assisted Living	2	2:45
ME Maplewood Nursing Home	5	8:12
ME Private Residence	50	98:20
ME Other	4	9:22
Motor Vehicle Accident	23	186:00
Mutual Aid Received	3	87:52
Mutual Aid Given	18	139:09
Public Assist	6	11:45
Structure Fire	1	3:51
Other	16	37:41
Total	178	801:55

FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Last year's Town Meeting presented the Westmoreland Fire Department Advisory Committee (FDAC) with the approval of \$20k to move forward with design plans for building our new fire station.

The committee was charged with presenting the most efficient and practical fire station for the Town of Westmoreland. The FDAC has identified issues of site development, safety factors for the firefighters, space allocation for departmental needs, traffic safety, possibly incorporating solar, and working to make our design as economical as possible, to name a few.

Over the course of 14 committee meetings, several meetings with the Board of Selectmen, and an open meeting for public information, we are excited to announce that the plan is moving forward. Despite the hurdles of the coronavirus restrictions, we have accomplished our main objectives for 2020, by defining architectural design and civil engineer plans. Michael Petrovick Architects and SVE Associates have collaborated with the FDAC to develop a conceptual design for our new fire station. This design was presented to the Board of Selectmen and given their approval to be presented for a warrant article, at the 2021 Town Meeting.

The efforts of Michael Petrovick (architectural engineer), Rob Hitchcock (civil engineer), and Steve Horton (owner's representative) have been greatly appreciated in this goal. A comment has been made that we "have a great plan and budget, and this is not stated lightly". With their assistance, and guidance, the committee would like to take the opportunity of presenting a concept design plan to the townspeople at the 2021 Town Meeting. Finalizing the architectural design and commencing construction would be our next step, and we are excited to present this to you. It is the sincere hope of this committee that the Westmoreland townspeople will wholeheartedly support and approve the committee's request for funding the construction of this fire station.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Finnegan, Chairman FDAC

Committee Members: Bob Bartlett, Graham Gitchell, Harry Nelson, Clyde Simino, Wes Staples, Scott Talbot, Rachel Bartlett as Recording Secretary

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee met in January 2020 to discuss two issues we deemed important. The first issue was repairing the tennis court and possibly turning that space into a dual tennis/pickle ball court. Due to the Covid-19, we no longer met in person, only via e-mail or phone. Lisa Huckins set up a GoFund Me page asking for help with this project. The fund raised enough money to have the pickle ball court painted and the court repair will happen in 2021. The second issue was to repair the walking trail behind the school. It was once a beautiful trail, that has now become overgrown and almost impossible to make your way through it. We will hopefully be able to get a few volunteers to help with that project next spring. This would be a great opportunity for the older school children to earn some community volunteer hours. Please contact any of the committee members if you or your child would be interested in helping with this.

Committee members: Susie Harris, Dave Bressett, Mark Hayward, Lisa Huckins and Jason Simino

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NH RSA 36-A, provides a Conservation Commission with the basic purpose to identify, protect and conserve the land and water resources of their community. Charged by RSA 482-A, and RSA 483-B the Commission reviews local wetland applications and, in conjunction with the NH Wetlands Bureau, is involved in the NH Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act. In addition, we have a responsibility in the review process of sand and gravel permitting under RSA 155-E. Information and applications for the activities described are available at the town office, at the town website (www.westmorelandnh.com) or at the NH Department of Environmental Services website (www.des.nh.gov).

In addition to reviewing formal applications, responding to conservation and wetland issues as requested, the Commission has also worked on a variety of issues with town and County officials, and a number of NH and regional groups and agencies including UNH Cooperative Extension, Cheshire County Conservation District, NH Department of Agriculture, Cheshire County Commissioners, SW Region Planning Commission, Monadnock Conservancy. We are working with the Connecticut River Conservancy on issues involving the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the impact of and licensing renewal concerns of the hydro dams impacting land along the river. We have also been involved with a conservation easement issue with the NH Office of Strategic Initiatives, NH Department of Justice and others. We have supported and are also working with the Cheshire Rail Trail Collaborative Restoration Committee and more specifically the Cheshire Rail North Advisory Group.

Land conservation efforts continue in accordance with residents expressed interest in retaining the rural character and natural resource components of Westmoreland. Supporting and conserving viable agriculture activities is of utmost importance to the Commission as it continues its conservation work. We have reviewed town ordinances and found that they are still appropriate in keeping the town agriculture friendly. We continue our efforts in the interest of permanent conservation of some of our agriculture entities and land resources.

The Commission lost a valued member this year due to the passing of Jim Ranson. We will certainly miss his valued expertise and enthusiasm.

Our members are active on a number of town and regional committees and attend or otherwise participate in a variety of local and state natural resource training and seminars throughout the year.

The Commission meets the first Thursday of the month at the Town Hall normally at 8:30AM. Anyone interested in becoming involved can contact the Chairman, any member or the Selectmen. We are authorized for seven full time members and an allowance for any number of alternate members.

Respectively submitted, Marshall Patmos, Chairman

Members: Marshall Patmos, April Ferguson, Dick Schmidt, Jeanette Hubert, Perry Sawyer, Jean Rudolph

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

2020 has been a challenge for all of us, to say the least. Due to Covid-19 and the restrictions that it brought, the Office of Emergency Management has not been able to pursue the training schedule that we had hoped for. Luckily, the pandemic has not required any emergency operations for the department. We will continue to monitor the situation in conjunction with the county and state emergency management personnel.

It is with total sadness and remorse for me to say, that we have lost Deputy Emergency Management Director Bob Hamilton to complications of the Coronavirus. Bob was totally dedicated to his position and always available to help. His smile, sense of humor and knowledge will be sorely missed. He was a great friend and integral part of our team. Rest in peace Bob.

Realizing that we had a vacancy, resident Richard Meyer volunteered to help. The Select Board approved his nomination as Deputy Emergency Management Director, and we certainly appreciate his assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Finnegan, Emergency Management Director
Bill Chase, Deputy Emergency Management
Richard Meyer, Deputy Emergency Management

BROADBAND UPDATE

After the record turnout at Town Meeting last year to pass the town's broadband initiative, the Westmoreland Broadband Advisory Committee was "decommissioned" and Chris Ballou was named by the Board of Selectmen as the town's project manager and to serves as the town's liaison with CCI during the roll-out. We all appreciate Chris' bi-monthly updates and look forward to having all of our residences and businesses connected via fiber.

Our bond sale was held on July 14th and was fully funded at an interest rate of 2.05%. The town received the funds in August with the first 1/3 payment to CCI made that same day. As called for in the contract, CCI started repaying the town in September.

As of the end of January, the network is completely in place and final testing is almost completed. During a Zoom meeting hosted by the Monadnock Broadband Coalition and the Southwest Regional Planning Commission on January 25th, CCI stated everyone who registered on the website stating they want service will be online by the end of May. CCI also stated they intend to upgrade the network from 1 gigabit to 10 gigabit within the next 12 months.

With the one exception of a delay in the delivery of a piece of equipment (due to the pandemic) CCI has completely lived up to our agreement and, so far, is proving to be the partner we anticipated.

Submitted by: John Snowdon, Westmoreland Commissioner, SWRPC

BRIGGS FUND

The Briggs Committee met once during 2020 and decided that income from the Briggs, Bleeker, and Ruth White Trust Funds would be made available to the Westmoreland School children. The purpose of these three funds is to provide a happy Christmas to the children of Westmoreland through gift giving. In that spirit the committee wrote to Principal Mark Hayward, encouraging him to utilize some of the income to enhance the youngsters' holiday. Unfortunately, the pandemic prompted school officials to end in-person learning after Thanksgiving. However, Mr. Hayward is considering an alternative celebration when students do return to school.

Bill Franzen Tim Thompson

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Like much of daily life in 2020, the pandemic affected the routine of the Trustees who were able to meet only four times during the year. Still, the Trustees managed to administer the town and school district's Capital Reserves and Trust Funds. The Minutes from these meetings are available on the town's website and in the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall.

Westmoreland's Capital Reserves represent the bulk of the money managed by the Trustees for the town of Westmoreland and the Westmoreland School District. These funds are public tax dollars raised for the benefit of the public. Thus, they are invested in local banks backed by the FDIC or in the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool. Due to low interest rates in 2020, these investments earned 1.1%.

In the past year Trustees recorded \$183,000 in deposits in Capital Reserves. Citizens can view the breakdown of these contributions in the MS 9&10 Reports on the following pages of this booklet. The lion's share of these funds resulted from Warrant Articles approved by voters at the 2020 Town and School District Meetings. In addition, the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance contributed \$4,500 that was deposited into the Town Hall Repair fund. In 2020 expenditures of a bit more than \$60,000 came from the Fire Department Facility and Town Hall Repair Funds.

The Trustees' other fiduciary responsibility is the management of the Trust Funds for the town and school district. Unlike Capital Reserves, Trust Funds represent private donations, not public taxes. Also, while all Capital Reserve Funds are destined to be spent at some point, this is generally not true of Trust Funds. The principal of nearly all Trust Funds held for the town and school are non-expendable: the principal can never be spent. Only the income can be spent. Thus, Trust Funds are better suited for a broader variety of investments.

Currently the greater portion of the Trust Funds is invested in a variety of Exchange Traded Funds traded on the equity and bond markets. These investments generate income, and their capital gains augment the value of the non-expendable Trust Fund principals. To balance the portfolio and provide liquidity for spending needs, trustees also hold money market accounts, U.S. treasury obligations, and certificates of deposit. Needless to say, the past year was characterized by significant volatility. By 2020's end, the Trust Funds had returned 2%.

This past year saw the creation two new Trust Funds: the Pickle Ball Courts Fund and the Westmoreland Veterans Memorial Walkway Fund. The Cultural Arts Committee contributed \$1,000 to the Pickle Ball Fund, and various individuals and organizations donated \$9,175 to the Veterans Memorial Fund. Contributions to these two funds are still being encouraged and accepted.

Bill Franzen, Ceil Goff, Tim Thompson

Town of Westmoreland - Trust Funds and Capital Reserves

CAPITAL RESERVES		PRINCIPAL					INCOME					GRAND TOTAL	
2020	MS-9	12/31/2019	Capital	Deposits	Withdrawn	12/31/2020	12/31/2019	Income	Transfer	Expended	12/31/2020	12/31/2019	12/31/2020
	Date	Balance	Gain/Loss			Balance	Balance				Balance	Balance	Balance
COMMON TRUST FUNDS													
Cemetery		\$ 159,890.94	\$ 79.30	\$ 900.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 160,470.25	\$ 13,169.36	\$ 3,352.92	\$ -	\$ 4,346.75	\$ 12,175.53	\$ 173,060.31	\$ 172,645.78
Library		108,111.98	53.62	-	-	108,165.60	3,641.38	2,267.11	-	2,528.33	3,380.16	111,753.36	111,545.76
Other		<u>98,987.70</u>	<u>49.10</u>	<u>10,239.62</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>	<u>107,676.42</u>	<u>8,322.02</u>	<u>2,075.77</u>	<u>14.62</u>	<u>2,314.64</u>	<u>8,068.53</u>	<u>107,309.72</u>	<u>115,744.95</u>
Total Common Trust Funds		\$ 366,990.62	\$ 182.02	\$ 11,139.62	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 376,312.27	\$ 25,132.77	\$ 7,695.80	\$ 14.62	\$ 9,189.72	\$ 23,624.22	\$ 392,123.39	\$ 399,936.49
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
Fire Equipment	1968	\$ 80,000.00	\$ -	\$ 22,400.00	\$ -	\$ 102,400.00	\$ 3,556.06	\$ 1,084.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,640.24	\$ 83,556.06	\$ 107,040.24
Highway Equipment	1968	37,500.00	-	23,625.00	-	61,125.00	1,793.80	509.85	-	-	2,303.65	39,293.80	63,428.65
SPED/HS Tuition	1996	199,883.00	-	-	-	199,883.00	28,098.99	2,958.16	-	-	31,057.15	227,981.99	230,940.15
Recreation Fund	2001	223.81	-	-	-	223.81	491.26	9.28	-	-	500.54	715.07	724.35
School Legal Services	2014	4,993.50	-	-	-	4,993.50	130.96	66.49	-	-	197.45	5,124.46	5,190.95
School Renovation	2002	46,960.60	-	50,000.00	-	96,960.60	6,456.58	693.11	-	-	7,149.69	53,417.18	104,110.29
Bridge Rebuilding	2002	120,000.00	-	20,000.00	-	140,000.00	4,256.64	1,612.28	-	-	5,868.92	124,256.64	145,868.92
Land Purchase	2006	21,945.23	-	-	-	21,945.23	9,571.85	408.95	-	-	9,980.80	31,517.08	31,926.03
Town Clock	2009	3,000.00	-	-	-	3,000.00	236.44	41.99	-	-	278.43	3,236.44	3,278.43
Fire Department Facility	2019	41,060.00	-	27,500.00	48,313.57	20,246.43	-	532.77	-	-	532.77	41,060.00	20,779.20
Town Hall Repair	2020	-	-	39,500.00	11,800.00	27,700.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,700.00
Total Capital Reserve Funds		\$ 555,566.14	\$ -	\$ 183,025.00	\$ 60,113.57	\$ 678,477.57	\$ 54,592.58	\$ 7,917.06	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,509.64	\$ 610,158.72	\$ 740,987.21
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$ 922,556.76	\$ 182.02	\$ 194,164.62	\$ 62,113.57	\$ 1,054,789.84	\$ 79,725.35	\$ 15,612.86	\$ 14.62	\$ 9,189.72	\$ 86,133.86	\$ 1,002,282.11	\$ 1,140,923.70

COMMON TRUST FUNDS (MS-10)	2019	2020	CAPITAL RESERVES (MS-9)	2020	2020	2019	2020
	Assets	Assets		Income	Interest Rate		Assets
Investment Portfolio - Cost Basis	\$ 328,239.76	\$ 376,391.20	NBT Moneymarket	\$ 41.00	0.43%	\$ 13,280.03	\$ 9,508.13
Money Market Account	63,683.63	23,545.29	NBT Municipal Bonds	4,636.06	1.95%	233,530.98	238,167.04
Correction from Capital Reserve account	200.00	-	Mascoma, checking	29.78	0.03%	16,277.37	114,306.48
Common Trust Funds - Cost Basis	\$ 392,123.39	\$ 399,936.49	Mascoma Municipal Bonds	1,657.72	1.27%	104,031.48	130,689.20
			PDIP Account	1,552.50	0.63%	243,238.86	248,316.36
EJ Account Value (with unrealized gains)	\$ 396,997.88	\$ 423,758.21	Total Interest Income	\$ 7,917.06		Total Capital Reserve funds	\$ 610,358.72
			less expenses	-		Correction to Trust account	(200.00)
			Amended Total Interest Income	\$ 7,917.06	1.08%	Adjusted Total Capital Reserve f	\$ 610,158.72
						Total Trust Funds	392,123.39
						Total Capital Reserve & Trust Fu	\$ 1,002,282.11
							\$ 1,140,923.70

Town of Westmoreland - Trust Funds MS-10 Report

COMMON TRUST FUNDS				PRINCIPAL						INCOME					GRAND TOTAL	
2020		MS-10		12/31/2019				12/31/2020		12/31/2019		12/31/2020		12/31/2019	12/31/2020	
Name of Fund	Purpose	#	Group Share	Total Share	Balance	Capital Gain/loss	New funds	Withdrawn	Balance	Balance	Income	Transfer	Expended	Balance	Balance	
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS																
Canoe Meadow Cemetery	Cemetery	1	0.3%	0.1%	\$ 407.75	\$ 0.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 407.95	\$ 17.82	\$ 8.55	\$ -	\$ 11.08	\$ 15.28	\$ 425.56	\$ 423.23
Chaffee Cemetery	Cemetery	2	0.1%	0.0%	127.99	0.06	-	-	128.06	112.35	2.68	-	3.48	111.55	240.34	239.61
E.Cemetery Perp. Care.	Cemetery	3	7.3%	3.2%	11,687.06	5.80	200.00	-	11,892.86	555.09	245.08	-	317.72	482.45	12,242.16	12,375.31
Gline Cemetery	Cemetery	5	3.9%	1.7%	6,204.51	3.08	-	-	6,207.59	2,416.05	130.11	-	168.67	2,377.49	8,620.57	8,585.08
North Cemetery, Gen. Upkeep	Cemetery	12	9.4%	4.1%	14,996.04	7.44	-	-	15,003.48	650.72	314.47	-	407.68	557.51	15,646.76	15,560.99
North Cemetery, Perpetual Care	Cemetery	6	15.1%	6.6%	24,133.51	11.97	-	-	24,145.48	1,154.07	506.08	-	656.09	995.07	25,278.58	25,140.55
Outlying Cemeteries, (Cole)	Cemetery	7	0.4%	0.2%	640.59	0.32	-	-	640.91	567.83	13.43	-	17.41	563.84	1,208.42	1,204.75
Pratt Cemetery	Cemetery	8	0.2%	0.1%	349.55	0.17	-	-	349.73	15.84	7.33	-	9.50	13.67	365.40	363.40
S. Village Cemetery, M. & I.	Cemetery	13	6.3%	2.8%	10,125.33	5.02	-	-	10,130.35	500.03	212.33	-	275.26	437.10	10,625.36	10,567.45
S. Village Cemetery, Perp. Care.	Cemetery	9	16.3%	7.1%	26,035.95	12.91	250.00	-	26,298.86	1,208.51	545.97	-	707.81	1,046.68	27,244.46	27,345.54
D. Blood "1997 ETF"	Cemetery	11	24.9%	10.9%	39,877.92	19.78	-	-	39,897.70	4,945.18	836.24	-	1,084.11	4,697.31	44,823.10	44,595.01
Cemetery Maintenance fund	Cemetery	10	15.1%	6.6%	24,073.72	11.94	450.00	400.00	24,135.66	751.49	504.83	-	654.46	601.85	24,825.21	24,737.52
Burial Support fund	Cemetery		0.7%	0.3%	1,172.83	0.58	-	-	1,173.41	281.42	24.59	-	31.88	274.13	1,454.25	1,447.54
Edson Perpetual Care	Cemetery	4	0.0%	0.0%	58.18	0.03	-	-	58.21	1.96	1.22	-	1.58	1.60	60.14	59.81
Total Cemetery			100.0%	43.6%	\$ 159,890.94	\$ 79.30	\$ 900.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 160,470.25	\$ 13,169.36	\$ 3,352.92	\$ -	\$ 4,346.75	\$ 12,175.53	\$ 173,060.31	\$ 172,645.78
LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS																
		<u>Date</u>														
Bennett, E. G.	Library	1978	5.2%	1.5%	\$ 5,656.68	\$ 2.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,659.49	\$ 329.78	\$ 118.62	\$ -	\$ 132.29	\$ 316.11	\$ 5,986.46	\$ 5,975.60
Briggs, O.L.	Library	1918	2.2%	0.7%	2,396.41	1.19	-	-	2,397.60	139.69	50.25	-	56.04	133.90	2,536.11	2,531.50
Burt, M.W.	Library	1903	0.6%	0.2%	598.93	0.30	-	-	599.23	34.91	12.56	-	14.01	33.46	633.84	632.69
Capron, H.F.	Library	1967	1.1%	0.3%	1,198.19	0.59	-	-	1,198.78	69.85	25.13	-	28.02	66.96	1,268.04	1,265.74
Cousens H.G.	Library	1978	1.8%	0.9%	1,959.05	0.97	-	-	1,960.02	114.20	41.08	-	45.81	109.46	2,073.25	2,069.49
Goodrum, A.M.	Library	1968	0.2%	0.1%	239.63	0.12	-	-	239.75	13.97	5.03	-	5.60	13.40	253.61	253.15
Greene, Dorothy P.	Library	2000	5.5%	1.6%	5,962.10	2.96	-	-	5,965.06	347.47	125.03	-	139.43	333.07	6,300.58	6,298.13
Johnson, Lewis P.	Library	1985	1.1%	0.3%	1,200.42	0.60	-	-	1,201.01	103.67	25.17	-	28.07	100.77	1,304.09	1,301.78
Neff, Emery	Library	1983	1.1%	0.3%	1,198.16	0.59	-	-	1,198.75	69.85	25.13	-	28.02	66.96	1,268.01	1,265.71
Remembering Betty Ann	Library	2012	73.7%	21.7%	79,665.64	39.51	-	-	79,705.15	1,949.46	1,670.59	-	1,863.08	1,756.97	81,615.10	81,462.12
Neff, Frances	Library	1989	1.1%	0.3%	1,212.78	0.60	-	-	1,213.38	70.73	25.43	-	28.36	67.80	1,283.51	1,281.19
Starkey, M.	Library	1998	1.1%	0.3%	1,192.43	0.59	-	-	1,193.02	69.50	25.01	-	27.89	66.62	1,261.93	1,259.64
Thompson & Overman	Library	1978	3.0%	0.9%	3,235.11	1.60	-	-	3,236.72	188.60	67.84	-	75.66	180.78	3,423.71	3,417.50
Warner, K.T.	Library	1978	2.2%	0.7%	2,396.43	1.19	-	-	2,397.62	139.69	50.25	-	56.04	133.90	2,536.13	2,531.53
Total Library Trust Funds			100.0%	29.5%	\$ 108,111.98	\$ 53.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,165.60	\$ 3,641.38	\$ 2,267.11	\$ -	\$ 2,528.33	\$ 3,380.16	\$ 111,753.36	\$ 111,545.76
OTHER TRUST FUNDS																
Acerno Scholarship Fund ^{1,2}	School	1994	2.3%	0.6%	\$ 2,244.50	\$ 1.11	\$ 4.71	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 650.32	\$ 34.46	\$ 47.07	\$ 4.71	\$ -	\$ 76.82	\$ 2,278.97	\$ 727.15
Bleeker	Town	1985	0.6%	0.2%	599.57	0.30	-	-	599.86	260.70	12.57	-	-	273.27	860.27	873.14
Pearl Bragg	School	1997	10.8%	2.9%	10,733.12	5.32	-	-	10,738.45	520.50	225.07	-	500.00	245.58	11,253.63	10,984.02
Briggs Christmas	Town	1918	1.3%	0.4%	1,298.17	0.64	-	-	1,298.82	479.78	27.22	-	-	507.00	1,777.96	1,805.82
Cutter Grammar	School	1990	0.6%	0.2%	622.51	0.31	-	-	622.82	183.77	13.05	-	30.00	166.83	806.28	789.65
Esty	School	1889	1.1%	0.3%	1,055.68	0.52	-	-	1,056.20	229.03	22.14	-	-	251.17	1,284.71	1,307.37
Hall, Sarah, M.K. > Esty	School	1947	0.3%	0.1%	302.03	0.15	-	-	302.18	56.28	6.33	-	-	62.62	358.31	364.79
Hall, Victor	school	1946	0.6%	0.2%	586.88	0.29	-	-	587.17	135.15	12.31	-	-	147.45	722.03	734.63
Fox	School	1817	1.2%	0.3%	1,212.89	0.60	-	-	1,213.49	658.04	25.43	-	-	683.47	1,870.93	1,896.96
Lois Leach	School	1976	3.0%	0.8%	2,947.88	1.46	-	-	2,949.34	82.57	61.82	-	-	144.39	3,030.45	3,093.73
Jeff Starkey ¹	School	2005	5.5%	1.5%	5,468.78	2.71	-	-	5,471.49	1,157.60	114.68	-	150.00	1,122.28	6,626.38	6,593.77
Jotham Lord	Town	1816	3.5%	1.0%	3,510.30	1.74	-	-	3,512.05	92.18	73.61	-	92.18	73.61	3,602.49	3,585.66
Men's Club (Historical Society) ²	Men	1982	4.8%	1.3%	4,727.67	2.34	9.91	-	4,739.93	668.24	99.14	9.91	-	757.47	5,395.91	5,497.40
Pickle Ball Courts Fund	Town	2020	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	1,050.00	-	1,050.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,050.00
Smith Soccer Fund	School	2018	1.3%	0.3%	1,265.00	0.63	-	-	1,265.63	34.48	26.53	-	-	61.00	1,299.48	1,326.63
Starkey Cobb	Aged	1935	26.6%	7.2%	26,356.07	13.07	-	-	26,369.14	681.46	552.69	-	681.46	552.69	27,037.53	26,921.83
Town Literary	School	1829	2.1%	0.6%	2,076.91	1.03	-	-	2,077.94	445.39	43.55	-	-	488.94	2,522.30	2,566.88
Westmoreland Lions Club ¹	School	2019	20.2%	5.4%	20,000.00	9.92	-	-	20,009.92	416.65	419.40	-	861.00	(24.95)	20,416.65	19,984.97
Westmoreland Veteran's Memorial	Town	2020	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	9,175.00	-	9,175.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,175.00
Ruth White - Christmas	Town	1991	3.7%	1.0%	3,640.19	1.81	-	-	3,641.99	1,582.82	76.33	-	-	1,659.15	5,223.01	5,301.15
Thomas White - Soccer	School	1985	8.9%	2.4%	8,790.37	4.36	-	-	8,794.73	246.22	184.33	-	-	430.56	9,036.59	9,225.29
Woodward Memorial	School	1988	1.6%	0.4%	1,549.18	0.77	-	-	1,549.95	356.68	32.49	-	-	389.16	1,905.86	1,939.12
Total Other Trust Funds			100.0%	27.0%	\$ 98,987.70	\$ 49.10	\$ 10,239.62	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 107,676.42	\$ 8,322.02	\$ 2,075.77	\$ 14.62	\$ 2,314.64	\$ 8,068.53	\$ 107,309.72	\$ 115,744.95
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS				100.00%	\$ 366,990.62	\$ 182.02	\$ 11,139.62	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 376,312.27	\$ 25,132.77	\$ 7,695.80	\$ 14.62	\$ 9,189.72	\$ 23,624.22	\$ 392,123.39	\$ 399,936.49

Town of Westmoreland - Trust Funds

Investment Portfolio	Cost Basis	12/31/20 Values ³	Realized Capital Gains & Losses	Income	Edward Jones Financial Statement	2019	2020
Wells Fargo CD, 2.60%, 3/1/21	80,000.00	80,334.40	2020 Capital Gain	EJ Income	Investment Portfolio - Cost Basis	\$ 328,239.76	\$ 376,391.20
Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF	79,976.43	76,980.64	Edward Jones Statement	Expenses	Money Market Account	63,683.63	23,545.29
Invesco Water Resources ETF	15,017.21	17,762.23	Reconciliation Adj.	Total Income	Correction from Capital Reserve account	200.00	-
Ishares Core S&P Small Cap ETF	9,605.03	10,890.28	Revised Capital Gain	1.96%	MS-10 Total	\$ 392,123.39	\$ 399,936.49
Ishares Core S&P Total Stock ETF	53,412.02	63,954.06					
Ishares MSCI Total Intl Stock ETF	14,579.64	16,650.21					
Ishares Core 1-5 Year Bond ETF	23,922.03	24,382.56					
Vanguard Extended Market ETF	26,346.33	34,356.74					
Vanguard Int-Term Bond ETF	23,994.00	25,363.29					
Federated U.S. Treasury Obligations	44,196.00	44,196.00					
Dividends Reinvested	5,342.51	5,342.51					
Total	\$ 376,391.20	\$ 400,212.92			EJ Account Value (with unrealized gains)	\$ 396,997.88	\$ 423,758.21
Edward Jones Money Market Value	23,545.29	23,545.29					
Totals	\$ 399,936.49	\$ 423,758.21					
Edward Jones Statement 12/31/2020	\$ 399,936.49	\$ 423,758.21					

Footnotes

- Expendable trusts
- Transfer 10% of income to principal:
Men's Club = \$ 9.91
Acerno = \$ 4.71
- Values include *unrealized* capital gains or losses

**WESTMORELAND RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020**

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Perry, Cody Nicholas	01/19/2020	Lebanon, NH	Perry, Keith	Carper, Lindsay
Ferreira, Robert Cullen	02/01/2020	Keene, NH	Ferreira, Jacob	Ferreira, Tanis
Matthews, Leah Florence	03/14/2020	Peterborough, NH	Mathews III, John	Gray-Matthews, Catherine
Kacik, Dalia Marie	06/28/2020	Lebanon, NH	Kacik, Drew	Kacik, Christina
Clark, Natalie Ann	09/15/2020	Keene, NH	Clark, Eric	Clark, Chelsea
Allen, Julia Irene	10/17/2020	Keene, NH	Allen, Zachary	Allen, Emily
Smith, Isaac James	12/30/2020	Peterborough, NH	Smith, Ian	Smith, Jessica

**WESTMORELAND NH RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020**

Groom's Name	Bride's Name	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
Lindquist, Eric A	Yazzie, Brianne L	Westmoreland	07/05/2020
Parenteau, Christopher P	McGahie, Rachel A	Westmoreland	07/17/2020
McKenna, Daniel P	Abdelnour, Christine N	Westmoreland	08/01/2020
Waters, Robert A	Boufford, Beth A	Troy	10/10/2020

**WESTMORELAND RESIDENT DEATH REPORT
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020**

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Harris, Margaret Anne	01/20/2020	Westmoreland	Roberts, William	Maynard, Lucretia
Cooke, Patricia	03/31/2020	Lebanon	Bayly, George	Simms, Eunice
Hamilton Jr, Robert Standish	04/03/2020	Keene	Hamilton Sr, Robert	Bell, Doris
Lynch, Margaret Ann	05/18/2020	Lebanon	Mallat Sr, Robert	Sweeney, Margaret
Ball, Debra Louise	05/21/2020	Westmoreland	Bruno, Joseph	Barnard, Priscilla
Fahey, Lorraine	06/24/2020	Westmoreland	Boufford, Donri	Spring, Leona
Kalbaugh, Marylyn Edith	06/24/2020	Westmoreland	Meathrel, Walter	Huntley, Mary
Messer, Thelma Mae	07/15/2020	Westmoreland	Legros, Henry	Berry, Anna
Ranson Jr, James Arnett	07/29/2020	Westmoreland	Ranson Sr, James	Lynch, Dorothy
Frazier, Terry Lee	08/21/2020	Westmoreland	Frazier, Richard	Manning, Pearl
Fitzgerald Jr, James Sydney	09/12/2020	Westmoreland	Fitzgerald, James	Ashley, Lillian
Geiss, Arthur	10/10/2020	Westmoreland	Geiss, Arthur	Winkelmes, Martha
Delano, Richard	10/23/2020	Warner	Delano, Richard	Derosier, Evelyn
Andrews, Robert Emerson	11/11/2020	Westmoreland	Andrews, George	Byron, Laura
Hatt, James	11/29/2020	Keene	Hatt, Paul	Dalzall, Ruth

**MAPLEWOOD RESIDENT DEATH REPORT
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020**

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Higgins, Carol	01/20/2020	Westmoreland	Richards, Edwards	Finn, Margaret
Donnelly, Mary Theresa Gunn	01/21/2020	Westmoreland	Poulin, Philip	Hanlon, Beulah
Hudson, Norma P	02/12/2020	Keene	Perham, Ernest	Barrett, Ethel
Russell, Edith Mary	02/16/2020	Westmoreland	Emery, Joseph	Ames, Harriet
Perry, Seth Haynes	03/07/2020	Westmoreland	Perry, Errol	Benson, Priscilla
Hall, Raymond Allen	06/12/2020	Lebanon	Hall, Warren	Pickard, Margaret
Filiault, Reba Esther	06/28/2020	Westmoreland	Blumenthal, Boris	Wade, Jean
Trombley, Harold E	07/02/2020	Westmoreland	Trombley, Fred	Tenney, Vernie
Junkala, Caroline Elizabeth	07/15/2020	Westmoreland	Paige, Harvey	Draper, Vera
Kendel, Roy	07/28/2020	Westmoreland	Kendel, Kenneth	Peterson, Alma
Jett, Bruce Maxton	08/04/2020	Westmoreland	Jett, Robert	Mosher, Elizabeth
Astl, Georgina Margaret	10/10/2020	Westmoreland	Booros, Daniel	Kruppa, Margaret
Sawyer, Helen F	10/27/2020	Westmoreland	Grant, Clarence	Dickenson, Elsie
Hubbard, Beverly J	11/3/2020	Westmoreland	Miller, Linwood	Besseck, Priscilla
Benson Jr, Maurice Haynes	11/10/2020	Westmoreland	Benson Sr, Maurice	Creighton, Daisy
Madden Harris, Mary Elizabeth	11/17/2020	Westmoreland	Madden, Clarence	Barry, Ruth
Meador, Madeleine Elaine	11/26/2020	Westmoreland	LaPage, Joseph	LaForce, Laura

**WESTMORELAND BURIALS
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020**

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Burial Date	Cemetery
Adams, Sarah Houghton	04/13/2020	Springfield, VT	07/18/2020	North
French Sr, Eric Wayne	07/03/2020	Branford, CT	07/11/2020	South Village
Kendel, Roy	07/28/2020	Westmoreland, NH	08/28/2020	South Village
Aldrich, James Duncan	05/17/2020	Walpole, NH	09/26/2020	North
Hatt, James D	11/29/2020	Keene, NH	12/03/2020	South Village

SCHOOL BOARD

Stuart R. Adams – Madelyn Cassin – Stephanie Kelly – Kevin Powell - Dean R. Priebe

MODERATOR

Peter Hills

CLERK

Debbie Nelson

TREASURER

Debbie Hatt

AUDITOR

Plodzick & Sanderson

N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

Robert H. Malay, Superintendent of Schools

Brian Campbell, Assistant Superintendent

Dorothy Frazier, Assistant Superintendent

Timothy L. Ruehr, Chief Financial Officer

Scott Lazzaro, Business Manager

Nancy Deutsch, Director of Human Resources

Dr. Rick Matte, Director of Student Services

Robert Milliken, Manager of Technology

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The Westmoreland School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or age, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Nancy Deutsch, Title IX Coordinator for School Administrative Unit 29, and Director of Human Resources, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire 03431, telephone number (603) 357-9002 ext. 213.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to Dr. Rick Matte, Director of Student Services, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire 03431, telephone number (603) 357-9001 ext. 230.

For further information on notice of non-discrimination, visit <http://wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/CFAPPS/OCR/contactus.cfm> for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481.

Robert H. Malay
Superintendent of Schools

[Source: Notice of Non-Discrimination, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights (August 2010); Title IX Resource Guide, U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, at 6-7 (April 2015).]

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland School in said District on the 10th day of March, 2021, at 11:00 am in the forenoon to act upon the following article. Polls will open at 11:00 am, and will close no later than the time of closing the polls for the election of town officials at 7:00 pm.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:
One School Board Member for three-year term
One School Board Member for one-year term
A Moderator for one-year term
A Clerk for one-year term
A Treasurer for one-year term beginning on July 1, 2021

Given under our hands at said Westmoreland, this 8th day of February, 2021.

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL BOARD

Dean R. Priebe, Chair, Stuart R. Adams, Madelynn Cassin, Stephanie Kelly, Kevin Powell

The Warrant is printed in Draft Form pending the 2nd virtual hearing on March 4, 2021

Westmoreland Local School

The inhabitants of the School District of Westmoreland Local School in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs are hereby notified that the Annual School District Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: March 10, 2021 Time: 11:00 am until 7:00 pm

Location: Westmoreland School, 40 Glebe Road, Westmoreland NH 03467

Details: Drive-Thru Voting

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| Article 01 | Reports
To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto. |
| Article 02 | Operating Budget
To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$3,841,164 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required) |
| Article 03 | Expendable Trust Fund
To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the school board to transfer up to \$25,000 of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of fiscal year, June 30, 2021, to the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.) |
| Article 04 | Parking Lot Repaving
To see if the school district will vote to appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of repaving the school parking lot and basketball courts. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Board Recommends this Article. (Majority vote required.) |

Minutes of the Westmoreland School District Annual Meeting-March 13, 2020

Moderator Hills called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Westmoreland School. Mr. Hills introduced himself and thanked everyone for coming with all the COVID-19 unknowns.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moderator Hills introduced the SAU 29 personnel in attendance this evening. Mr. Robert Malay, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brian Campbell, Assistant Superintendent and Mr. Scott Lazzaro, Business Manager. Introductions of all School Board Members, Clerk and Supervisors of the Checklist.

Election Results were read: A total of 284 ballots cast during the March 10, 2020 voting process....

Moderator: Peter Hills (224), School Board Members: Madelynn Cassin (162) and Kevin Powell (152), Treasurer: Deborah Hatt (166). With various write in votes throughout the ballot.

Article I: Moderator Hills read: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto. Moved by Mrs. Tiffanie Hills, seconded By Mr. Marshall Patmos, a voice vote, the motion passed.

Article II: Moderator Hills read: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$4,033,925 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required) Moved by Mr. Graham Gitchell, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, Moderator Hills asked for discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Article III: Moderator Hills read: To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Westmoreland School District and the Westmoreland Teachers Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level: Fiscal year 2021 \$48,359, 2022 \$24,351, 2023 \$21,808, and 2024 \$26,868 and further to raise and appropriate \$48,359 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (The Board Recommends this Article) (Majority vote required). Moved by Mrs. Tiffanie Hills, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, Moderator Hills asked for discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Article IV: N/A due to the passing of Article III.

Article V: Moderator Hills read: To see if the school district will vote to appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established by voters on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer July 1. No amount to be raised by taxation. The Board Recommends this Article. (Majority vote required). Moved by Mr. Robert Hamilton, seconded by Mrs. Virginia Gitchell. Moderator Hills asked for discussion. Mr. Graham Gitchell asked the Board what projects are coming up in the near future. Mr. Stuart Adams noted that the next large expense would be the resurfacing of the parking lot and sidewalk. Hearing no further discussion Moderator Hills asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Article VI: Moderator Hills read: To transact any other business that may come before the meeting. Moved by Mrs. Lauren Bressett, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton. Mrs. Madelynn Cassin read the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION
Adopted March 13, 2020**

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno has carried on a family legacy of serving his community and School District of Westmoreland as a school board member; he has served for twenty-six years, seven of those years with distinction as chairperson and one of those years as vice chair; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno served on the New Hampshire School Administrative Unit 29 School Board; the New Hampshire Administrative Unit 29 Board's Advisory Committee; the A.R.E.A. Board; the Policy Committee; the Finance Committee; the Facilities and Safety Committee; Westmoreland School Board Negotiations Committee; Westmoreland School Board Scholarship Committee; and the Health and Wellness Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno served as the Westmoreland representative on the Education Committee of the Keene School Board; the SAU 29 Technology Committee; and served as the Liaison to the Westmoreland Selectmen and Budget Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno's commitment to students has been evidenced by his support and guidance while coaching the Bulldogs and the Blackbirds to achieve extraordinary soccer seasons; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno has always conducted his duties diligently and promptly, and has given his time and expertise in a manner truly reflecting his genuine interest in the Town of Westmoreland, its children and the future; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno has been a loyal advocate for the students, teachers and staff of Westmoreland School proven by his willingness to listen to the needs and wants of the community with a positive attitude towards all members of the school community; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno has held high expectations for himself and other board members relative to the decision making, budget and policy development processes; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Acerno is experienced, knowledgeable and dedicated; he will be missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the School District of Westmoreland, in grateful acknowledgement of Michael Acerno's numerous contributions and twenty-six years of service, honor itself by causing a copy of this resolution to be entered into the records of the District as a permanent tribute to Mr. Acerno, and that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Acerno.

THE WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Acerno received a resounding round of applause for all his years of service. Moderator Hills asked for any further discussion, hearing none, Moderator Hills asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Hills adjourned the meeting at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Debra J. Nelson
Westmoreland School District Clerk

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Cash on hand July 1, 2019 (Treasurer's bank balance) \$ 22,014.59

RECEIPTS

Current Tax Appropriation	3,093,800.00
Revenue from State Sources	889,001.84
Revenue from Federal Sources	6,563.77
Received from all other sources	52,015.80

Total Receipts	4,041,381.41
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TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance + Receipts) \$ 4,063,396.00

EXPENSES

SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID \$3,902,286.19

Balance on hand June 30, 2020 (Treasurer's Bank Balance) \$ 161,109.81

DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Town	Tax Appropriation	3,093,800.00
Bank	Interest	4,259.41
Parents	Lunch Program	19,420.40
Parents	After School Tuition	15,990.00
Parents	Transportation	912.40
Parents	Tuition	1,300.00
Other	Refund Bank Card & Credit Card	119.94
Other	Hydroelectric Refund	452.35
Other	Workshop Refund	1,906.00
Other	Gym Rental	150.00
Other	Keene Tuition Refund	5,828.94
Other	Misc Food Reimbursement	42.45
Other	Teacher(Blake) Over Payment	800.00
Other	Marlow Mileage Reimbursement	519.93
Other	Health Trust Refund	313.98
State of NH	Medicaid	659.39
State of NH	Medicare Plan D	3,942.41
State of NH	Title I	24,442.20
State of NH	Title IIA	7,464.75
State of NH	Title IVA	7,345.60
State of NH	Idea	51,973.32
State of NH	Kindergarten Aid	4,054.00
State of NH	Equitable/Adequate Aid	773,136.85
State of NH	Charter School	331.17
State of NH	USDA Meals	15,652.15
Federal Government	Reap	6,563.77
TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING YEAR		4,041,381.41

Deborah Hatt, District Treasurer

DISTRICT REPORT

General Overview

This has been an extraordinary year for our nation and our school community on a number of levels, and it has certainly been unlike any year that most of us have ever experienced. Through it all, we have continued to look for ways to learn from the experiences we have gone through, and to use that knowledge to work together to make our world a better place. One thing that has been consistent throughout a time of unprecedented change and uncertainty is that our students, staff, and families have demonstrated incredible attitudes and a brave spirit in dealing with things that none of us have had to deal with before. I am continually thankful and appreciative of the support from our town and school community and for the amazing students and adults I get to work with every day; both in person, and as has happened often this past year, on a screen.

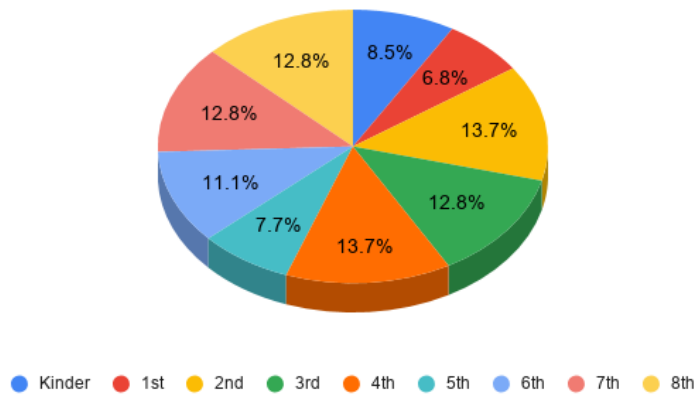
Mission Statement of the Westmoreland School

At Westmoreland School, we believe that quality education is a fundamental right of all children. The education and social development of each child is the shared responsibility of the community, school, parents, and the child. We strive to provide each child with the skills they will need to face the challenges of a changing world. As a community of lifelong learners, we will treat each other as worthwhile individuals.

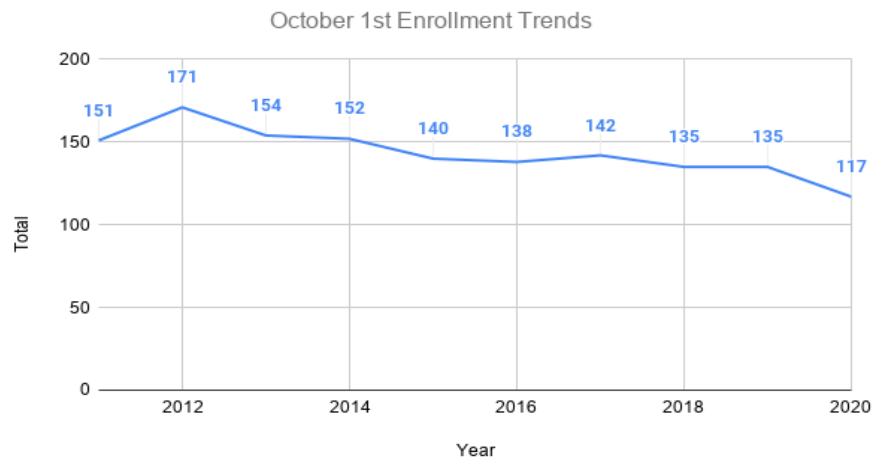
Enrollment

Here's a look at the percentage breakdown by grade using the October 1, 2020 enrollment:

Current Enrollment by Grade



Finally, a look at the October 1st enrollment trend from 2011-2020:



New Staff

Middle School Science Teacher: **Julian Murphy**
Kitchen Assistant: **Alyson Lemnah**

Retiring Staff:

Speech Language Pathologist **Marcia Zurick**

Facility Update

One major initiative this year was obviously to thoroughly clean and prepare the school for students returning to in-person learning during the Covid-19 pandemic. Over the summer we were able to have Servpro do an extensive cleaning of all our ductwork in our HVAC system. We purchased large amounts of cleaning and sanitizing supplies and PPE and we ordered more technology to assist with remote learning. Thankfully we were able to pay for the vast majority of this with CARES Act grants designed to support schools in the time of COVID-19. Another major part of preparation was creating spaces to support outdoor learning, and that was largely enhanced for our school due to the efforts of some individuals who we will be forever thankful for. So thank you again to **Brian Clark and Elizabeth Cleary-Clark** as they donated the great umbrellas for the round picnic tables that Mr. Clark had been able to have donated for us. Mr. Clark also worked on several different days in the hot summer sun bringing them here and setting each of the tables up. Thanks again also to WVFD Chief Harry Nelson for helping with the delivery of these heavy tables. Thank you also to **Sean King Rentals** for donating a tent which was set up behind the elementary school wing for the fall and for providing another one at the middle school end for an extremely minimal cost. We were excited to keep outdoor learning going as long as possible and are very thankful for their support and generosity. Thank you also to **Bob Bartlett** for the donation of a new stop sign which now provides a bright and clear direction in our parking lot.

Community Support/Service/Volunteers

The Westmoreland PTA (led by Kara Barnum, Heather Lounsbury, Jeffrey Saunders, Virginia Jordan and Amanda Cray) has continued to be a strong supporter of Westmoreland School this year and has always run some great programs for our school community. They organize the back-to-school Meet and Greet in August, Teacher Appreciation Week, Screen Free Week, the Scholastic Book Fair, Town Calendar, Holiday Wreath sales and the Bulldog 4 Fun Run. Some of these were not able to happen this year but others were still successful and safely done thanks to their efforts. Although they were unable to hold the PTA Bulldog 4 Fun Run last spring, this has been a great community event and we are hopeful that it will be a success again in the future. Like most of these programs it can only continue to be successful as long as more people come forward to help lead the effort. We would love to increase the number of participants (of all ages and abilities) that we have had in recent years. Please come and walk, run, or just volunteer along the course and cheer on our participants.

And you can also always help the PTA and Westmoreland School with your shopping choices. The PTA Amazon Smiles program, where you can simply go to this site: <http://smile.amazon.com/>, search for Westmoreland PTA, and then it's just regular shopping on Amazon with PTA getting the proceeds.

Community Service

Despite the difficulties involved in performing community service in a pandemic year, the middle school students at Westmoreland performed an impressive 479 hours of community service in 2019-20. Most of these hours were completed before the pandemic hit in early 2020, and after that they were done for their families or in ways that maintained proper social distancing and safety. Beneficiaries of this community service labor were family members and neighbors: organizations like Westmoreland School: Leaps & Bounds Physical Therapy Program: Little Bruins Hockey: Keene Community Kitchen: Dusty Dog, Chickering, and Partridge Meadow Farms: the Ox-Breeding Society: Cheshire County Historical Society: PATH Substance Abuse Prevention: Surry Old Home Day: 4-H: Bentley Commons: springtime salamander crossing: Fast Friends: Friends of Pisgah: Paddle on the Reservoir: Keene Parks and Rec: Genesis Westwood: "Routed" Bicycle Race: Maplewood: KHS track: MoCo Arts, and others. Students

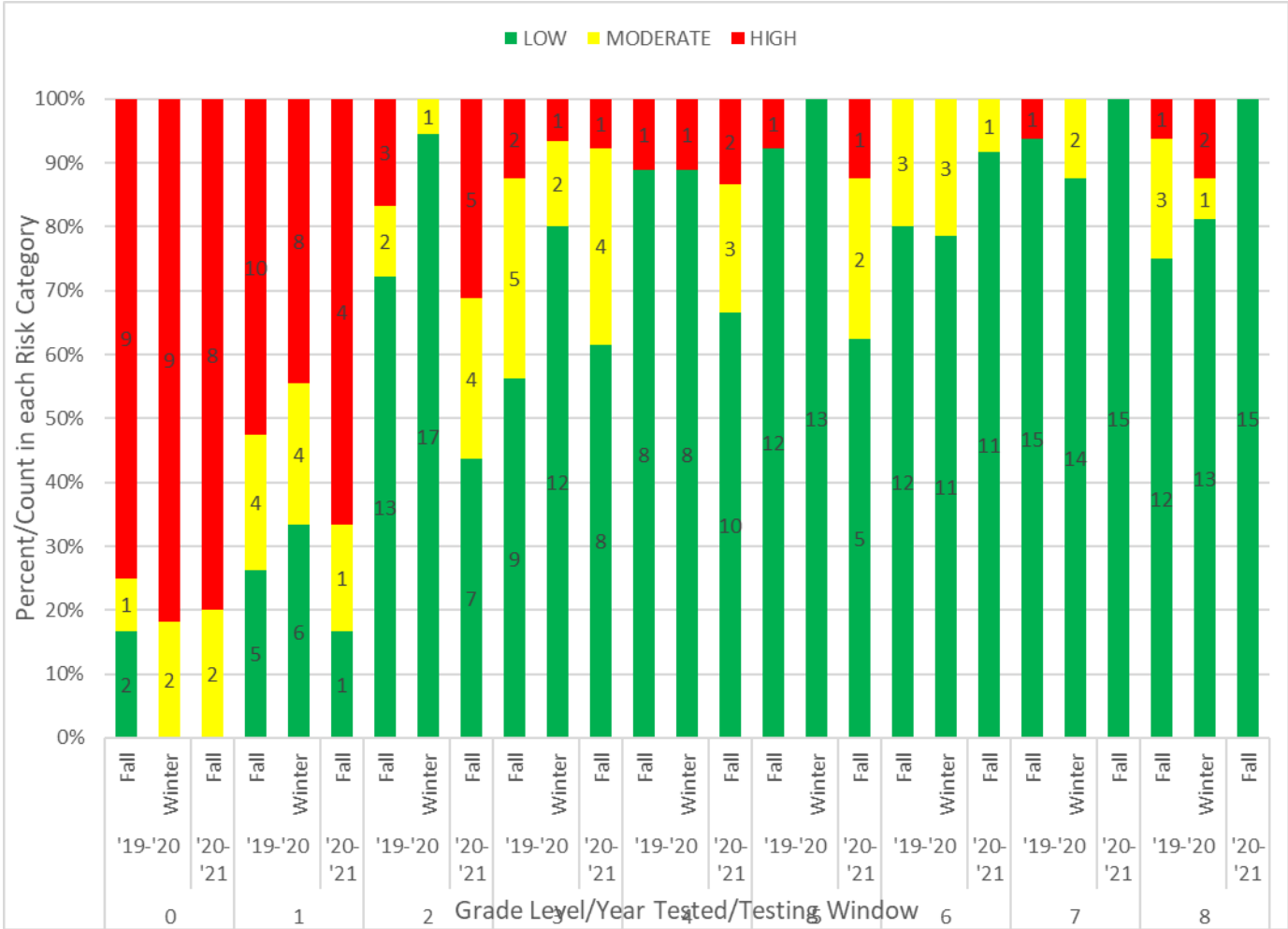
made greeting cards and did piano performances for nursing home residents, and performed road, trail and wetlands cleanups. Congratulations and a thank you to all the middle school students who worked so hard for their community!!

Volunteers

The Westmoreland Public Library has always been a great partner presenting outstanding programs for our young readers who look forward to their visits to the library. Although we have not been able to visit the library this year, we have begun an exciting partnership with them and their new weather station which will provide great options for future learning and collaboration.

AIMS WEB TESTING

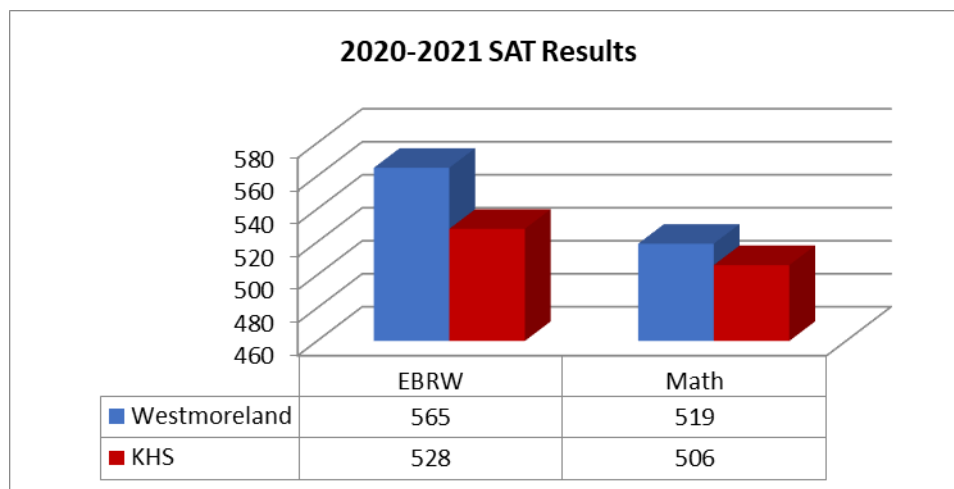
Results for all students who were at the school at the end of the assessment administration



Source: AIMS Web

SAT Results

Below is a look at how Westmoreland students at Keene High School performed in comparison to all students at Keene High School that took the SAT.



Source: College Board

Academic Programs

We would like to congratulate Hannah Stetson as the Valedictorian and Sam Bergeron as the Salutatorian of the Westmoreland School graduating class of 2020. We had 18 students participate in the commencement ceremonies and most students moved on to Keene High School where they have been doing well in the next phase of their education. Overall, both last spring and this fall, all of our students have done a commendable job with the transitions and changes of how we have had to do school throughout the pandemic.

Co-Curricular

This year so far we have not been able to have the New Hampshire Dance Institute (NHDI) program each week for grades 4-8. However, for our younger students we again had an excellent NHDI residency program here led by Lisa Cook for grades K-3. This was mostly done outside on the blacktop or in the gym a few times with proper distancing and mask wearing.

Mrs. Priebe's Art Club: Just before we went back to remote learning this fall, Mrs. Priebe started a weekly remote art club for our students. This club has been a nice enrichment program for students who wish to advance their abilities in the arts.

On the middle school sports front, it was a soccer season without our annual tournament for the first time in memory but the students were able to have practice and play together following the proper guidelines. Congratulations to our student athletes who worked so well together this past fall under adverse conditions as they practiced with masks and socially distanced in order to have a safe season.

Westmoreland Youth Sports, Inc. (WYSI)

The Westmoreland Youth Sports group (Led by board members: Christy Dewey, Amy Ballou, Jennifer Putzel, and Suzy Goodnow) is a huge asset to our sports programs at the school and around the town, putting together numerous opportunities for participation, helping to maintain athletic facilities, and fundraising to support our programs. Although we were not able to have the soccer tournament this year for the first time in decades, we look forward to bringing this important tradition back next fall.

Special Recognition

Dedication: We are dedicating two benches, one in memory of our former Speech Language Pathologist and Westmorelander **Robert Hamilton**, and one to honor our former Middle School Science teacher, **Cheryl Patty**.

COVID-19/Remote Learning Update

Last March, the world seemingly came to a grinding halt as the COVID-19 pandemic became an unwelcome part of our lives. The global health crisis impacted travel, work, everyday activities, and most certainly, education. With little advance notice, the education system needed to shift from a traditional instructional model to a remote learning model. No small feat! I am exceptionally proud of our students, our families, our educators and staff for rising to the challenge and persevering. It hasn't been easy, but we continue to get through this time together. We have faced (and overcome) challenges and obstacles and through it all we have learned lessons that ultimately will make us stronger.

The Westmoreland School District began the 2020-2021 school year with most students returning to a blended hybrid model on September 10, 2020 (grades 1 and 5 began the school year fully onsite four days a week due to small class sizes). The remaining grades returned to onsite learning four days a week by a gradual phasing in by grade level from the end of September through mid-October. Due to an increase in COVID-19 cases statewide, all SAU 29 schools transitioned to a remote learning model following the Thanksgiving break (beginning November 30, 2020). Remote learning was extended to January 19, 2021 in all SAU 29 schools as a precautionary measure to allow a grace period following potential holiday travel/gatherings that may have impacted families and staff members.

Our educators, support staff and administration have done a phenomenal job implementing our comprehensive opening plan as they adjust to this new way of educating our students. Our students have been wonderfully adaptive, as children so often are. The support of our families, school board members and the community at large has been instrumental to our ability to continue on during these unprecedented times.

Blizzard Bags

One silver lining from the pandemic has been the lessons we learned from the quick pivot to remote learning in the spring. As a result, SAU 29 schools have established procedures for "Blizzard Bag Days" which can be implemented on inclement weather days, eliminating the need to make up that day at the end of the school year. As a result of a modification to NH Ed Rules through Executive Orders throughout the pandemic, we have the ability and approval to implement this immediately. On days that we do cancel in person school, it will be announced and communicated through our messaging system that schools will be using their "Blizzard Bag" procedures. "Blizzard Bags" may be in paper form or activities in Google Classroom. Our intention is to maintain the safety of our students and staff, while also benefiting from the opportunities that offsite instruction has taught us. As in the past, the schools will be open as essential staff continue to report on inclement weather days, which will also ensure that teaching staff can access technology and materials if necessary. It is important that all students participate in learning activities on "Blizzard Bag Days" in order to fulfill the requirements necessary to count such days as instructional days in terms of student attendance.

Mark P. Hayward, Jr.
Principal

Dean Priebe
School Board Chair

Robert H. Malay
Superintendent of Schools

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	Budget Committee's & School Board's PROPOSED	%	%
	2019-20	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	CHANGE	TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,904,219	\$2,156,556	\$2,124,990	\$2,188,363	2.98%	56.97%
ELEMENTARY DEBT SERVICE	\$84,920	\$90,241	\$84,920	\$0	-100.00%	0.00%
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION	\$327,277	\$343,558	\$323,944	\$304,810	-5.91%	7.94%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST	\$2,316,417	\$2,590,355	\$2,533,854	\$2,493,173	-1.61%	64.91%
HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS (Regular Education students)	\$884,365	\$906,309	\$831,117	\$841,638	1.27%	21.91%
HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT.(Reg)	\$55,476	\$56,572	\$56,572	\$56,912	0.60%	1.48%
HIGH SCHOOL SPEC. INSTRUC.	\$343,847	\$350,004	\$434,280	\$269,595	-37.92%	7.02%
HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT.(Sp)	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,392	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COST	\$1,283,688	\$1,313,885	\$1,324,361	\$1,168,145	-11.80%	30.41%
SAU #29	\$177,325	\$177,325	\$175,710	\$179,846	2.35%	4.68%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,777,429	\$4,081,565	\$4,033,925	\$3,841,164	-4.78%	100.00%
DEFICIT APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL	\$3,777,429	\$4,081,565	\$4,033,925	\$3,841,164	-4.78%	100.00%

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

	ACTUAL 2019-20	BUDGET 2019-20	BUDGET 2020-21	Budget Committee's & School Board's PROPOSED 2021-22	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION (GRADES K-8 - 135 Students Projected)						
REGULAR INSTRUCTION						
Salaries	\$715,065	\$720,029	\$708,093	\$734,124		
Benefits	\$329,352	\$361,495	\$358,708	\$341,045		
Purchased Instructional Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Repair Equipment	\$462	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000		
Supplies/Workbooks/Textbooks	\$18,481	\$26,200	\$26,758	\$24,562		
Equipment	\$0	\$4,900	\$4,500	\$4,500		
Furniture	\$0	\$1,400	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,063,360	\$1,115,024	\$1,099,059	\$1,105,231	0.56%	28.77%
	\$1,947,725.65					
CO-CURRICULAR						
Salaries & Benefits	\$9,787	\$19,522	\$26,867	\$25,459		
Assemblies/Officials	\$6,765	\$4,800	\$0	\$3,900		
Supplies/Awards/Misc.	\$417	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$2,800		
Dues and Fees	\$2,318	\$3,055	\$2,570	\$2,170		
TOTAL EXTRACURRICULAR	\$19,287	\$30,177	\$32,237	\$34,329	6.49%	0.89%
SCHOOL SERVICES						
Guidance	\$69,549	\$71,960	\$71,197	\$81,420		
Health	\$46,147	\$40,574	\$40,578	\$47,516		
TOTAL SCHOOL SERVICES	\$115,696	\$112,534	\$111,775	\$128,936	15.35%	3.36%
STAFF DEVELOPMENT						
Continuum Salaries/Benefits	\$2,428	\$1,859	\$1,888	\$1,936		
Course Reimbursement	\$5,490	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000		
Management Development	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000		
Staff Development	\$1,828	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000		
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Professional Books/Periodicals	\$0	\$200	\$799	\$949		
TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$9,746	\$17,059	\$17,687	\$17,885	1.12%	0.47%
EDUCATIONAL MEDIA						
Salary & Benefits	\$88,466	\$88,683	\$88,950	\$95,901		
Library Books & Supplies	\$2,088	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000		
Equipment/Software	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$600		
TOTAL EDUCATIONAL MEDIA	\$90,554	\$92,283	\$92,550	\$99,501	7.51%	2.59%

				Budget Committee's & School Board's		
	ACTUAL 2019-20	BUDGET 2019-20	BUDGET 2020-21	PROPOSED 2021-22	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
SCHOOL BOARD/DISTRICT OFFICERS						
Salaries & Benefits	\$2,533	\$2,998	\$3,539	\$4,684		
Legal/Audit Services	\$8,900	\$7,300	\$7,300	\$9,200		
Other School District Expenses	\$280	\$1,505	\$1,505	\$280		
Scholarships	\$3,500	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		
TOTAL SCH. BD./DIST. OFFICERS	\$15,213	\$16,803	\$17,344	\$19,164	10.49%	0.50%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION						
Principal's Salary	\$87,988	\$87,988	\$90,188	\$93,688		
Secretary's Salary	\$36,132	\$34,460	\$35,315	\$36,727		
Benefits	\$67,645	\$68,003	\$70,273	\$73,454		
Copier / Maintenance	\$2,398	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700		
Telephone	\$7,810	\$8,837	\$8,837	\$8,837		
Postage/Printing	\$0	\$700	\$700	\$700		
Supplies/Mileage	\$648	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$2,100		
Software	\$696	\$2,414	\$11,018	\$11,630		
Equipment/Furniture	\$0	\$900	\$900	\$200		
Professional Dues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$203,316	\$208,402	\$222,331	\$231,036	3.92%	6.01%
BUILDING SERVICES						
Salaries	\$53,754	\$51,817	\$43,285	\$57,549		
Benefits	\$24,656	\$25,940	\$26,075	\$29,776		
Rubbish Removal	\$3,012	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500		
Maintenance Services	\$10,342	\$17,600	\$17,600	\$17,600		
Repairs to Building	\$2,886	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000		
Special Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Property/Liability Insurance	\$5,261	\$6,234	\$5,885	\$6,250		
Supplies/Materials	\$6,907	\$10,300	\$10,300	\$10,300		
Electricity	\$19,765	\$22,000	\$23,980	\$23,980		
Oil/ Propane	\$14,915	\$19,830	\$15,138	\$15,138		
Equipment	\$850	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL BUILDING SERVICES	\$142,349	\$177,221	\$165,763	\$184,093	11.06%	4.79%
ELEMENTARY TRANSPORTATION						
Regular Elementary	\$149,989	\$152,953	\$157,144	\$158,088		
Athletic	\$2,249	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600		
Field Trips	\$2,090	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$4,500		
TOTAL ELEMENTARY TRANSPORT.	\$154,328	\$160,053	\$164,244	\$166,188	1.18%	4.33%
STAFF SERVICES						
Student Loan Repay	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000		
Criminal Record Check/ Staff						
Physicals	\$522	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000		
TOTAL STAFF SERVICES	\$522	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%	0.05%

				Budget Committee's & School Board's		
	ACTUAL 2019-20	BUDGET 2019-20	BUDGET 2020-21	PROPOSED 2021-22	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
FUND TRANSFERS						
Transfer to Food Services	\$64,848	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000		
Transfer to Federal Projects	\$0	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000		
Transfer to Capital Reserve	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0		
Transfer to Expendable Trust	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS	\$89,848	\$225,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	0.00%	5.21%
SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUC.)	\$1,904,219	\$2,156,556	\$2,124,990	\$2,188,363	2.98%	56.97%
DEBT SERVICE						
Principle	\$80,000	\$82,000	\$80,000	\$0		
Bond Interest	\$4,920	\$8,241	\$4,920	\$0		
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$84,920	\$90,241	\$84,920	\$0	-100.00%	0.00%
SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUCTION PLUS DEBT SERVICE)	\$1,989,139	\$2,246,797	\$2,209,910	\$2,188,363	-0.98%	56.97%
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION						
Salaries	\$137,734	\$122,237	\$136,014	\$144,411		
Benefits	\$28,973	\$85,470	\$44,185	\$29,323		
Vision/Audiology/Purchased Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Supplies/Books/Equipment/Mileage Elementary/MS Out-of-District	\$1,749	\$1,800	\$2,400	\$2,400		
Tuition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Pre-School Tuition	\$2,816	\$10,814	\$7,368	\$6,000		
ELL	\$18,757	\$14,783	\$23,203	\$23,023		
Psychology	\$9,104	\$10,645	\$11,378	\$12,808		
Speech	\$95,641	\$60,392	\$61,979	\$49,363		
OT/ PT	\$29,161	\$34,900	\$34,900	\$34,900		
In-house Summer Program Elementary Special	\$1,951	\$2,517	\$2,517	\$2,582		
Transportation	\$1,392	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL ELEM. SPEC. INSTRUCT.	\$327,277	\$343,558	\$323,944	\$304,810	-5.91%	7.94%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST	\$2,316,417	\$2,590,355	\$2,533,854	\$2,493,173	-1.61%	64.91%
HIGH SCHOOL						
REGULAR INSTRUCTION TUITIONS						
Keene High School	\$884,365	\$906,309	\$831,117	\$841,638		
TOTAL REG HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS	\$884,365	\$906,309	\$831,117	\$841,638	1.27%	21.91%

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	Budget Committee's & School Board's PROPOSED	%	%
	2019-20	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	CHANGE	TOTAL BUDGET
TRANSPORTATION						
Regular - Keene High School	\$55,476	\$56,572	\$56,572	\$56,912		
TOTAL REG. HS TRANSPORT.	\$55,476	\$56,572	\$56,572	\$56,912	0.60%	1.48%
SUBTOTAL (REG. HIGH SCHOOL)	\$884,365	\$906,309	\$831,117	\$841,638	1.27%	23.39%
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION						
Keene High School Tuition	\$343,847	\$350,004	\$434,280	\$269,595	-37.92%	7.02%
High School Out-of-District	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Special Instr. Transportation	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,392	\$0		
TOTAL H.S. SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$343,847	\$351,004	\$436,672	\$269,595	-38.26%	7.02%
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COSTS	\$1,283,688	\$1,313,885	\$1,324,361	\$1,168,145	-11.80%	30.41%
ADMINISTRATION						
SAU #29 - Westmoreland Share	\$177,325	\$177,325	\$175,710	\$179,846	2.35%	4.68%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,777,429	\$4,081,565	\$4,033,925	\$3,841,164	-4.78%	100.00%
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,777,429	\$4,081,565	\$4,033,925	\$3,841,164	-4.78%	100.00%

**WESTMORELAND
2021-2022 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET
ESTIMATED REVENUES**

REVENUE ACCOUNTS	2020-21 BUDGET	2021-22 PROPOSED	%	\$
			INCREASE	INCREASE
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$150,000	100.00%	\$150,000
Local Property Taxes	\$2,646,177	\$2,513,163	-5.03%	-\$133,014
Tuition	\$1,200	\$1,200	0.00%	\$0
Transport. Fees	\$900	\$900	0.00%	\$0
Interest	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%	\$0
Lunch Local	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.00%	\$0
E-Rate Reimbursement/Other	\$6,668	\$8,000	19.98%	\$1,332
N.H. Property Tax	\$328,828	\$337,126	2.52%	\$8,298
N.H Adequacy Aid	\$894,652	\$675,275	-24.52%	-\$219,377
N.H. Building Aid	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
N.H. Kindergarten Aid	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
N.H. Catastrophic Aid	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
N.H. Child Nutrition	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%	\$0
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$1,500	\$1,500	0.00%	\$0
Federal Funds	\$90,000	\$90,000	0.00%	\$0
Lunch - Federal	\$26,000	\$26,000	0.00%	\$0
Transfer to Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Sale of Bond	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Transfer from Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Prior Year Transfer	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
TOTALS	\$4,033,925	\$3,841,164	-4.78%	-\$192,761

PROPERTY TAX DECREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET
(Local and State School Tax) -4.19% - \$124,716

TAX RATE DECREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET -\$0.7490

TAX IMPACT ON HOUSE ASSESSED FOR \$100,000 -\$74.90

WARRANT ARTICLE PROJECTED TAX IMPACT	Total Amount	Total Tax	TAX IMPACT
Warrant Article #2 (School Budget)	\$3,841,164	\$2,850,289	(\$0.75)
Warrant Article #3 Parking Lot Paving	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$0.75
Warrant Article #5 Tuition Trust	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0.15
TOTAL	\$3,991,164	\$3,000,289	\$0.15
TOTAL BUDGET WITH ALL WARRANT ARTICLES		\$3,991,164	
BUDGET DECREASE WITH ALL ARTICLES		(\$42,761)	-1.1%
PROPERTY TAX INCREASE WITH ALL WARRANT ARTICLES		0.85%	
TAX RATE INCREASE FROM BUDGET & WARRANT ARTICLES		\$0.1529	
TAX IMPACT ON HOUSE ASSESSED FOR \$100,000		\$15.29	

Historical School Tax Chart	Year	Rate	Total School Tax Dollars	State Ed. Aid	% Tax Change from Previous Year
	2008-09	\$10.13	\$2,054,100	\$631,502	
	2009-10	\$10.49	\$2,138,441	\$648,046	4.11%
	2010-11	\$10.92	\$2,234,211	\$614,399	4.48%
	2011-12	\$13.75	\$2,394,596	\$614,400	7.18%
	2012-13	\$13.76	\$2,393,454	\$614,400	-0.05%
	2013-14	\$14.96	\$2,593,715	\$663,552	8.37%
	2014-15	\$14.53	\$2,531,253	\$676,873	-2.41%
	2015-16	\$14.50	\$2,531,444	\$731,023	0.01%
	2016-17	\$17.42	\$2,841,305	\$694,351	12.24%
	2017-18	\$17.39	\$2,864,796	\$740,138	0.83%
	2018-19	\$17.45	\$2,882,138	\$703,874	0.61%
	2019-20	\$18.65	\$2,975,005	\$894,652	3.22%
	2020-21	\$17.50	\$2,907,125	\$881,107	-2.28%
budget article only	2021-22	\$16.75	\$2,850,289	\$675,275	-1.96%
with warrant articles	2021-22	\$17.65	\$3,000,289	\$675,275	3.20%

**DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES
AS A RESULT OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED PER RSA 32:11-a

	2018-19 ACTUAL	2019-20 ACTUAL
REVENUE		
State Adequacy Aid for Special Ed.	\$54,912	\$54,912
IDEA Entitlement Grant	\$25,408	\$53,640
Medicaid Reim.	\$7,428	\$590
Catastrophic Aid	\$20,713	\$0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$108,461	\$109,141
EXPENSE		
Instruction and Services	\$501,177	\$561,976
Transportation / Legal / Admin	\$96,791	\$156,223
IDEA Entitlement Grant	\$25,408	\$53,640
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$623,377	\$771,839
NET COST	\$514,916	\$662,697