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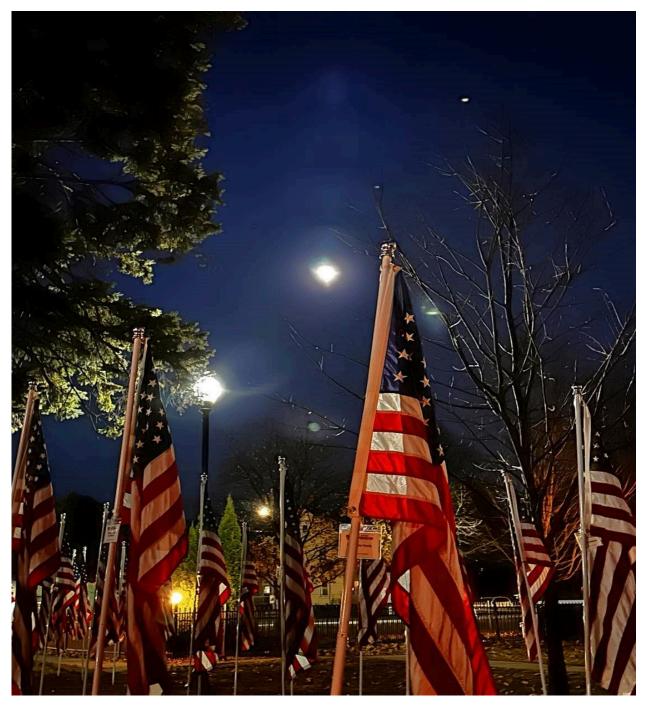
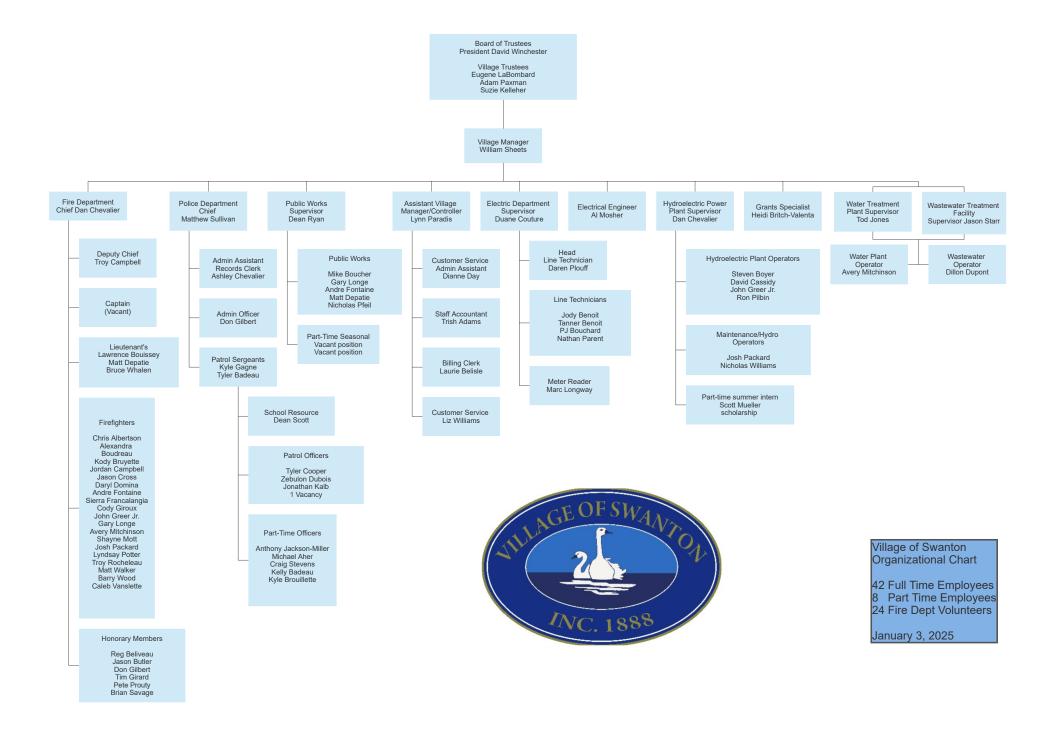


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VILLAGE OF SWANTON VERMONT

For The Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 2024

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VILLAGE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Term Expires March 2025

VILLAGE CLERK

Dianne Day

David Winchester

Term Expires March 2025

TRUSTEES

Eugene LaBombard Adam Paxman Suzie Kelleher Term Expires March 2025 Term Expires March 2026 Term Expires March 2027

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

Betty Cheney

Term Expires March 2025

APPOINTED BY TRUSTEES

William "Bill" Sheets Daniel Chevalier Matthew Sullivan Village Manager Fire Chief Police Chief

PAYROLL SUMMARY

In 2024, the total payroll for all departments amounted to \$3,673,616.96.

VILLAGE OF SWANTON ANNUAL WARNING

The legal voters of the Village of Swanton are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Swanton Village Complex, 120 First Street, Swanton, Vermont on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 7:00 a.m. to vote on the articles set forth. All articles are to be voted by Australian Ballot. The polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

To elect from the legal voters of said Village the following officers: President for a 1-year term Trustee for a 3-year term Clerk for a 1-year term Collector of Delinquent Taxes for a 1-year term
Shall the voters of the Village of Swanton appropriate \$197,139 for the operation and maintenance of the General Fund for 2025?
Shall the voters of the Village of Swanton appropriate \$763,395 for the operation and maintenance of the Highway Department for 2025?
Shall the voters of the Village of Swanton appropriate \$94,457 for the operation and maintenance of the Fire Department for 2025?
Shall the voters of the Village of Swanton appropriate \$1,005,026 for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department for 2025?
Shall bonds or notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the Village of Swanton in an amount not to exceed Eight Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,300,000), subject to reduction from alternate sources of funding, be issued for the purpose of constructing a new building for the Swanton Village Electric Department, the estimated cost of such improvements being Eight Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,300,000)?

The legal voters of the Village of Swanton are further notified that an Informational Meeting will be held on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM in person and via Teams for the purpose of explaining all the Budget items to the voters. Anyone desiring to participate & listen in on the meeting can do so by going to the Village's website at swantonvt.gov, click on Village, Village Trustees and find the meeting by date. Open the agenda and click on the meeting link.

Dated at Swanton, Vermont this 27th day of January 2025. David Winchester President Eugene LaBombard Trustee Adam Paxman Trustee

Received and filed this 27th day of January 2025

Dianne L. Day, Village Clerk

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS December 31, 2024

The Village of Swanton was audited by Kittell, Branagan & Sargent, an independent auditing firm, for the year ending December 31, 2024. To view this report in full stop by the Swanton Village Office, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or call 868-3397 to request a copy.

Thank You Village of Swanton Management

VILLAGE TRUSTEES & MANAGER'S REPORT

The Village of Swanton employs forty-two full-time professionals, eight part-time employees and twentyfour Fire Department volunteers. These employees work tirelessly to provide comprehensive and critically important services to the citizens we serve. As highlighted visually in our organizational chart these employees serve a variety of roles and responsibilities, to include working within our Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works, Administrative and Customer Support Services, Electric Department, Hydroelectric and Maintenance, Water Treatment, and Wastewater Treatment departments.

Project Updates

The Village of Swanton has several ongoing projects to keep all departments functioning properly. Each section of the organization requires continuous investment to remain viable and to meet State standards. Transportation infrastructure is essential to the health of a community and there are multiple projects ongoing to provide the necessary improvements and maintenance to ensure public safety in our busy corridor. Below is only a partial list of projects the Village is working on:

Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrades: Work is well underway on a sixteen-month critical need upgrade to our wastewater facility, which provides wastewater services to approximately 1,600 customers. Wastewater treatment facilities play a crucial role in protecting public health and the environment by minimizing the pollution of natural water bodies. The Village of Swanton collects wastewater from the community and treats it at the Swanton Wastewater Treatment Facility. Treatment is provided by two large facultative lagoons, solids contact clarifiers, and UV disinfection. The wastewater treatment facility has not undergone comprehensive modernization since its inception in 1989. The absence of technological upgrades has resulted in operational challenges when various components experience failures. The facility is critically dependent on this machinery for its core operations. It is noteworthy that the typical lifespan of wastewater treatment facility components is approximately 20 years, and our components had significantly exceeded this design lifespan. This project entails the replacement of internal components within the solids contact clarifiers, upgrades to the solids handling components, and the installation of new electrical control centers. Furthermore, the Village will use Nexium Blue Pro filters for phosphorus removal as an improved approach to meet recently updated phosphorus limits. These enhancements are aimed at mitigating the occurrence of algal blooms and mitigating obnoxious odors, which have been adversely affecting the quality of Lake Champlain. This essential project is funded with an ACCD Community Resilience and Revitalization Program (CRRP) grant for \$800,000 and Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for \$2,088,909.

6 South River Street: The former site of the Hotel Riviere is in the final stages of site remediation, using Brownfields funding and support from the Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC). We are collaborating with interested parties towards developing the land for suitable and much-needed housing. The intent is for the Village to sell this parcel to a private or non-profit entity to help meet this community need. NRPC Brownfields funding has supported remediation with \$51,621 to date and will continue to assist during the redevelopment process.

Missisquoi River Crossing: This project, to establish a main water line under the Missisquoi River, replaced the water line that is suspended off the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Bridge, was completed in 2024. This project connects water on the west side of the bridge, crosses the river near the Foundry Street Boat Launch, and then connects to our existing line on Canada Street. We also enjoyed the benefit of

incorporating the Foundry Street paving into this project, allowing us to complete the needed paving and improving accessibility to the boat launch. Grant funding for this project was provided by the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF).

DWSRF Lead Service Inventory: \$80,000 funded the State mandated public water systems inspection of all customer connections for lead materials. Thanks to the users for 100% compliance with this request and we are pleased to report that only a few homes still had lead materials on the customer side.

Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Bridge (Depot Street): The Village completed work on the expansion joints on both ends of the bridge which both were in extremely poor condition. These repairs will ensure public safety until a full replacement bridge is constructed in 2029 or beyond. This work was funded by the Agency of Transportation (AOT) Structures Grant for \$400,000.

Village Downtown Enhancements: The Village has embarked upon the process of improving the flow of traffic, pedestrian safety, and streetscapes in the downtown business area following a \$27,500 scoping study, funded with a TA Grant in 2020. This is a multilayered approach to addressing dangerous traffic conditions in the Central Business District as funding becomes available. The Village has two open AOT Transportation Alternatives (TA) Grant for this work.

TA Grant 2022 is for \$300,000 (\$75,000 match) and focuses on the Merchants Row traffic flow, access issues and parking configuration. We are collaborating with the selected vendor, VHB, with construction likely to be completed in 2025.

TA Grant 2024 for \$473,750 focuses on Church Street modifications to stormwater issues, traffic flow and bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements. VHB was also the selected vendor for this project and began this 3–5-year project in June of 2024.

TA Grant 2025-Canada Street - We applied for a third round of TA Grants in December and will know if we're awarded the \$600,000 in April. This work would focus on the dangerous intersection of Canada Street and Grand Avenue.

Other Transportation Projects:

AOT Highway Safety Improvement Grant: \$35,000 to improve signage, crosswalks, and intersection painting and work was completed in 2024.

AOT Bike and Pedestrian Program Grant: The Village received \$75,000 to rehabilitate a section of sidewalk on Grand Avenue from First Street to York Street and work will be completed in 2025.

AOT Class II Paving Grant: \$140,000 to repave Linda Avenue and part of Lake Street and work will be completed in 2025.

Land Purchase at 74 Merchant's Row (Village Parking Lot): The Village is moving forward with a full engineering study for this property. We will utilize the engineering study to apply for grant funding to significantly expand the actual parking area as close to Ferry Street as permissible, and as far back to the back property line as possible, to maximize parking for our downtown area. Improvements will include parking, line striping, and an ADA-compliant Handicap Accessible ramp onto Merchants Row. We have secured a grant in the amount of \$149,502 based upon our application for level 3 chargers (fast charge) for 74 Merchants Row. This grant requires a 5 percent match, or roughly \$7,868.55. In-kind match is acceptable, and we anticipate meeting this with work performed by the Electric Department and Public Works. This grant will provide two chargers, both with two charger ports and will require four dedicated

parking spaces. We look forward to our citizens and visitors being able to stop to shop and have lunch in our downtown business core and see this as another vital step in economic development and growth.

Development at 124 First Street: In 2023 we purchased 124 First Street, with the vision of using contiguous property to expand the Swanton Village Municipal Complex footprint at 120 First Street, to better meet the needs of the citizens that we serve for the next fifty years. This site has been enrolled in the Brownfields Reuse and Environmental Liability Limitation Act (Brella) program and we are utilizing Brownfields funding to mitigate any soil contamination issues identified.

In 2024 we proposed the construction of a new public safety facility on this location. This proposal was soundly defeated and based upon citizen feedback during this process we are requesting a bond to move the Swanton Village Electric Department, as well as all administrative functions, to be relocated to this location. This request will not result in a tax increase but in a to-be-determined rate increase for the approximately 3,800 electric customers that we serve.

Departmental Highlights:

Orman E. Croft Power Dam (Hydroelectric Generating Facility): The centerpiece of Swanton Electric's power generation is the Orman Croft Hydroelectric Plant and Dam located along the Missisquoi River in Highgate. The first dam was built in 1797 at Highgate Falls to generate dependable power for the evolving needs of northwest Vermont industries. In 1915, the Village of Swanton was authorized to further develop the Falls and construct the facility that has since held prominence in providing electricity to the citizens of Swanton and Highgate.

We are currently engaged in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing process. We continue to collaborate with our attorney to navigate this arduous process, as well as pursuing a Water Quality Certification through the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. We are continuing to conduct a number of environmental impact studies utilizing engineering experts in this area. These studies have been shared with the State of Vermont to support our licensing efforts.

Like all other departments, the Hydro Facility needs some repairs. We experienced numerous issues with various turbines and their components in 2024, resulting in lost revenue. The facility generated significantly less energy this year due to the unreliability of the aging system which forces the utility to purchase power to meet community needs. We are currently working on applications for funding to support necessary upgrades.

Swanton Electric Department: We are a proud member of VPPSA, the Vermont Public Power Supply Authority. In partnership with VPPSA, we are currently in the process of transitioning to Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) for all electric and water meters. This is a significant endeavor, as it involves our 3,800 electric customers and our 1,500 water customers. This enhancement will assist us in pinpointing outages/issues within our electric grid, as well as the ability to detect issues with our water customers. We are continually engaged in projects to promote grid resiliency, primarily by going underground on new projects, when applicable, as well as by moving existing lines to the roadside. Swanton Village Electric continues to enjoy the third lowest power rate in Vermont.

Swanton Public Works: We continue to update our prioritized list of needs for all water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure, as well as hydrants, insertion valves, paving, sidewalks, and other structures. During this past year, Public Works again participated in two free State of Vermont programs to assist us in evaluating our water system. We participated in a leak detection analysis collaborating with our professionals to find leaks in hydrants, water lines and valves. This allowed us to save time, energy, and

expenses by pinpointing where to concentrate our resources. We have purchased a valve exerciser to enhance our ability to exercise and assess our valve inventory.

In 2025 we will utilize our new Street Sweeper. While it is a smaller unit, it will serve our needs well. We have a responsibility to ensure that we remove as much sediment, runoff, and debris as possible from roadways before it enters our system and eventually impacts our streams, river, and Lake Champlain. The immediate benefits include drastically improving our ability to protect our environment by removing debris and contaminants from run-off, reducing the impact on our storm drains and decreasing the impact on our Vactor. We will reduce the amount of spraying for weed eradication due to frequent and proper street maintenance and reduce the amount of general street debris that impacts on our residents and businesses. We can maximize our personnel, working smarter and more efficiently and effectively.

Administration and Customer Service/Support: Our customer service professionals process all utility and property tax billing and collections. They bill approximately 3,800 electric and 1,500 water and sewer customers monthly as well as 996 property tax bills annually. They oversee the phones, social media, and Village website. The increase in customers adding net metering (solar panels) to their electric service has increased the time it takes to prepare the billings. The calculations for the net metering cannot be done within the billing software and are calculated in a spreadsheet and then added into the customer's account, which is time consuming.

The finance department has two professionals that manage all the accounting and human resources for the Village. They oversee budgets totaling over \$14 million, payroll and human resources for all Village employees and volunteers. In addition to the budgets, during 2024 there was \$4 million in Federal and State Grants they also processed. The combined years at the Village in this department is 73 years.

Water Treatment Plant: During this past year, the water plant has continued to ensure that our customers have safe and reliable drinking water. We continue to work towards maximum efficiency and effectiveness. We just purchased 12 new chemical pumps to replace failing pumps that were causing considerable problems with the system's operation. The State of Vermont has stringent testing that members will be required to attain, with annual training requirements.

Wastewater Treatment Plant: Land Application: We have received approval from the State of Vermont to land apply our dewatered sludge on our land off Woodshill Road. All work was completed with the assistance of Public Works. We applied approximately 250 tons on our own land with our own time and labor. This is yet another return on our land and process investment, saving significant costs compared to hiring a company to haul this away and dispose of it. The anticipated costs if we had to outsource this would range from \$50,000 to \$90,000 depending on a number of factors. We have land applied every few years on this land since approximately 1994, saving hundreds of thousands of dollars since that date.

Over the past year, the wastewater treatment personnel have worked tirelessly on updating and improving facilities. Ross Lavoie and the MVU building trades students built a new roof on the Foundry Street pump station. We purchased and installed new valves and pumps at the Foundry Street pump station and purchased and installed a new grinder at Bell's pump station. They spent countless hours maintaining the property around the lagoons and surrounding areas. Within the past year both operators have passed licensing requirements to be qualified to fully operate the wastewater and water plants.

Grants Management: The Village has found that the Grant Specialist/ Project Coordinator position has been extremely valuable in managing the long list of needs for our organization. The modest investment in this role has been offset by the large amount of funding being sought and managed. A total of

\$6,330,096.87 has been secured and another \$1,051,000 is in applications pending to assist with the significant needs of the Municipality.

We want to thank all residents of Swanton Village for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted, William "Bill" Sheets, Village Manager Eugene LaBombard, Trustee Adam Paxman, Trustee

David Winchester, Village President Suzie Kelleher, Trustee

SWANTON FIRE DEPARTMENT Established in 1889

The Swanton Village Fire Department had a busy year filled with motor vehicle accidents with the bulk of these accidents occurring on Interstate 89, the Woodshill Road and Route 207 Intersection, and West Swanton on Route 78. We responded to 301 calls in 2024. Our call breakdown is as follows: 104 vehicle accidents, 8 vehicle fires, 34 fire alarms, 7 structure fires, 9 trash/rubbish calls, 2 brush/grassfire calls, 7 gas leaks, 5 burn complaints, 26 road hazards, 13 C.O. incidents, 26 medical assists, 8 good intent, 28 mutual aid, 4 boat rescues, 17 smoke investigations, and 3 ice water rescues.

	2024	2023	2022
Vehicle Accident	104	109	96
Vehicle Fire	8	4	7
Fire Alarms	34	36	18
Structure Fire	7	7	13
Trash/Rub	9	3	4
Brush/Grass	2	2	11
Gas Leak	7	5	2
Burn Complaint	5	4	10
Road Hazard	26	7	23
C.O. Incident	13	12	7
Hazmat	0	0	1
Med Assist	26	33	42
Good Intent	8	11	7
Mutual Aid	28	13	22
Boat Rescue	4	8	4
Smoke Invest	17	7	12
Ice Water Rescue	3	3	0
	301	264	279

Our fully volunteer/paid on call membership has 24 active firefighters and of those 20 are fully state certified to Level 1 or 2 Firefighters. We continue to strive to strengthen our skills to meet the needs of this community with professional, dedicated, and unwavering steadfast emergency responses.

Due to the rising costs of equipment, fuel and insurances the proposed budget increase for 2025 is 7.3%. The department continues to look for more ways to lower or cut cost where possible.

In 2024, the fire department took time out of already busy weekdays and weekends to go out into the community and assist in various events and activities. From setting up and tearing down the Easter Egg Hunt to removing Graffiti, placing flags in the park and helping plant flowers. We also helped to clean up the wildlife refuge and went out on Green Up Day. In total, the members collectively put in 405 hours of community service and outreach to give back to the community we truly care about.

Fire Department goals for 2025 are continuing with the trainings necessary to ensure that the best qualified emergency responders are arriving to handle any situation, while at the same time reengaging within our community through events and supporting the public in other areas outside of the normal first response duties.

In 2024, the department applied for grants to better the fire station and also the surrounding community. We applied for \$64,000 from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant for an Exhaust Removal System. We should know in March of 2025 if we got the award. We also applied for an open Grant to VT Rural Protection Program for a Dry Hydrant for Johns Bridge Fish and Wildlife Fishing Access for \$10,000. Adding a dry hydrant to this location ensures a guaranteed water supply while adding a location for tankers to be loaded and return to traffic in a controlled environment.

The Fire department membership would like to thank its other team members, Swanton Town employees, Swanton Police Department, Swanton Village Electric and Swanton Village Public Works with helping whenever called upon to assist the Fire Department.

Swanton Fire Department Roster, Effective January 2025

Fire Chief Daniel R. Chevalier, Deputy Chief Troy Campbell, Lieutenant Lawrence Bouissey, Lieutenant Matt Depatie, Firefighters: Chris Albertson, Kody Bruyette, Jordan Campbell, Jason Cross, Daryl Domina, Andre Fontaine, Sierra Francalangia, Cody Giroux, John Greer Jr, Gary Longe, Avery Mitchinson, Shayne Mott, Josh Packard, Lyndsay Potter, Matt Walker, Bruce Whalen, Barry Woods, and Caleb Vanslette.

CADETS: Abby Wilcox, Uriah Neabour.

Sincerely, Daniel Chevalier Fire Chief

SWANTON VILLAGE POLICE REPORT

The Swanton Village Police Department continued to work hard toward ensuring public safety for the citizens of Swanton in 2024. We appreciate the support of the Swanton community, and have added a full-time Administrative Assistant / Records Clerk, but have been unable to fill our open full-time police position resulting in minimum staffing for the police department. We have just enough officers to cover every shift, however if an officer is sick or on vacation we struggle to fill the vacancy.

Our Police Department consists of 8 full-time officers (authorized 9) that include: The Chief, 2 Sergeants, 1 Administrative Officer, 3 Patrol Officers, and 1 Student Resource Officer (SRO) at MVU. Swanton Village Police Department has 5 part-time officers who assist in filling open shifts, special details associated with the Governor's Highway Safety Details, Operation Stonegarden, and Extra Duty jobs.

We engaged in a lot of community outreach participating in many Village Open House events during the beginning of 2024 to allow the community to learn about the Village and the 8 departments: Police, Fire, Electric, Department of Public Works, Front Office, Hydro, Wastewater, and Water. The police department continues to struggle to operate within a facility that is inadequate for the demands of modern policing but looks forward to a time when we will be able to expand, once the Electric Department and Village Administrative staff move to a new facility.

Swanton Village Police Department could be a model for regional policing. The vision involves multiple municipalities coming together to share the cost of community policing services. Spreading the cost of police services across multiple communities would realize efficiencies of scale and would reduce the cost for all participating communities.

Swanton Village Police managed a total call volume of 3,250 incidents in 2024, an increase of approximately 18% from 2,759 in 2023 and an increase of 38% from 2,352 in 2022. Officers have continued to be very busy addressing crime and disorder as well as drug activity in Swanton.

We responded to 1,752 incidents in the Village, a decrease of 5% from 1,839 in 2023, and 1223 incidents in the Town of Swanton, an increase of 33% from 920 in 2023. We had 389 traffic stops total, a decrease of 13% from 446 in 2023, stopping 171 vehicles in the Village issuing 145 warnings and 61 tickets, and stopping 174 vehicles in the Town issuing 146 warnings and 66 tickets. We wrote \$24,502 worth of traffic tickets in Swanton with \$12,275 worth of traffic tickets in the Village and \$12,227 in the Town. Swanton Village Police Officers made 26 arrests for Operation after Suspension or Revocation of License, commonly referred to as DLS. There were 11 arrests for DLS in the Village and 15 arrests for DLS in the Town. We also made 16 Driving Under the Influence arrests, commonly referred to as DUI. There were 9 arrests for DUI in the Town. Approximately 8% of traffic stops resulted in an arrest, given 389 traffic stops resulted in 30 arrests.

Officers continue to focus on drug enforcement. Swanton Village Officers continue to espouse a philosophy of assisting individuals with substance use disorders by linking them with treatment services. However, SVPD will not allow drug distribution and has aggressively addressed persistent problems through criminal enforcement. During 2024 most of the property crime and fraud in Swanton had a direct nexus to individuals suffering from substance use disorder.

The Swanton Village Police Department had 21 search warrant incidents in 2024 which led to criminal charges and the recovery of evidence related to drug trafficking, fraud, and property crime. Similar to 2023, the volume is indicative of the great investigative work by SVPD officers. The norm for SVPD over the past decade has been approximately 5 search warrants per year. Most of the search warrants in 2024 were associated with drug activity in the community. Some examples of the investigative work performed by SVPD officers are:

On January 1, 2024, officers executed a search warrant on a vehicle resulting in the seizure of .5 grams of crack cocaine, drug paraphernalia, 25 wax folds commonly used for distribution of heroin/fentanyl. The vehicle was initially seized pending application for the search warrant on December 28, 2023, when the investigating officer made observations of the occupants engaged in drug activity. Karen Rich, 28 years of age, was cited to appear in court for Possession of Cocaine.

On January 6, 2024, officers executed a search warrant at a residence in Swanton and located large quantities of drug paraphernalia as well as a container with 1 gram of a white powdery substance the suspect admitted was heroin/fentanyl. Casey Cassani, 35 years of age, was cited to appear in court for Possession of Heroin.

On January 14, 2024, officers executed a search warrant at a residence in St. Albans. Officers located drug paraphernalia, and many different electronics that appeared to be stolen. Officers arrested Trevor Lacross, 33 years of age, on an arrest warrant and cited him for possession of 2.4 grams of Cocaine. Officers also arrested Kaleb Lavallee, 26 years of age, on an arrest warrant and Lavallee was also cited for possession of 2.4 grams of Cocaine.

On March 16, 2024, officers performed a motor vehicle stop after suspicion of the vehicle being involved in drug activity. The vehicle was operated by Christina Johnson, 46 years of age, and the front seat passenger, who refused to identify himself, was later identified as Davidson Altimo, 28 years of age. On March 21, 2024, officers executed a search warrant on the vehicle locating drug paraphernalia.

Also in March, the School Resource Officer obtained a search warrant related to vapes being distributed at MVU.

In April officers obtained and executed a search warrant related to a stolen kayak.

In September officers conducted an extensive investigation involving the sale of crack cocaine on Elm Street. A search warrant was obtained for a residence on Elm St. and was executed on October 1, 2024. Mary Hodgdon, 54 years of age, was cited to appear in court for the Sale of Cocaine. Also present at the time of the search warrant was a 30-year-old male from Springfield, MA who is believed to be the source of the cocaine. The investigating officer subsequently obtained multiple search warrants to further the investigation.

On October 27, 2024, officers stopped a vehicle for a stop sign violation after observing the occupants of the vehicle involved in suspicious behavior indicating possible drug activity. When interacting with the operator and passenger the officer observed drug paraphernalia in plain view in the vehicle. The vehicle was subsequently seized pursuant to application for a search warrant which was granted and executed on November 1, 2024. The search yielded 7 grams of methamphetamine, 2.2 ounces of cannabis, and an illegally modified .22 caliber pistol that had been turned into a short-barreled rifle. Steven Mashtare, 31 years of age, was cited to appear in court for driving with a Criminally Suspended License and possession of more than 2.5 grams of Methamphetamine. Kristin Reed, 38 years of age, was cited to appear in court for possession of more than 2.5 grams of Methamphetamine and possession of more than 2 ounces of Cannabis. The modified rifle is a federal crime, and this information was shared with the ATF.

The drug activity on Elm St. did not subside after the execution of the first search warrant on October 1, 2024. Officers continued to investigate the ongoing activity which resulted in the arrest of Davidson Altimo, 28 years of age from Springfield, MA on 11/22/2024 when he was observed leaving the residence at 22 Elm St. and subsequently fled from a traffic stop initiated on Robinhood Dr. resulting in him crashing his vehicle on Missisquoi St. and attempting to flee on foot. This vehicle was also occupied by a 23-year-old male from Springfield, MA. Search warrants were obtained for Altimo's vehicle and phone. Altimo was found in possession of 30 wax folds that tested presumptive positive for heroin/fentanyl and was in possession of a zip-lock style baggie containing powder with an approximate total weight of 5 grams also testing presumptive positive for the presence of heroin/fentanyl.

Altimo was subsequently charged with Trafficking Heroin. The statute provides that possessing an amount consisting of 3.5 grams or more with intent to sell or dispense shall be imprisoned for not more than 30 years or fined not more than \$1,000,000.00 or both. There shall be a permissive inference that a person who possesses heroin in an amount of 3.5 grams or more intends to sell or dispense heroin. Altimo was also charged with Possession of Regulated Drugs (Depressant, Stimulant, Narcotic), Gross Negligent Operation, Excessive Speed, Eluding a Police Officer, and Reckless Endangerment. Altimo is on probation in Massachusetts for armed robbery according to his probation officer.

On November 17, 2024, officers observed a U-Haul truck at several different locations known for drug activity in Swanton. Officers were advised this vehicle was reported as stolen to the Williston Police Department that evening. Officers located the vehicle in the McDonald's parking lot and observed drug paraphernalia in the cab of the truck. The truck was seized while officers applied for a search warrant and the operator, Emily Robtoy, 34 years of age, was cited to appear in court for Operation without Owners Consent, Impeding Public Officers, and Resisting Arrest. The passenger in the vehicle was a 30-year-old male from New York.

Upon obtaining a search warrant for the vehicle officers located approximately 70 wax folds containing heroin/fentanyl, .15 grams of crack cocaine, and 17 suboxone strips. Emily Robtoy

was subsequently charged with Conspiracy to distribute Fentanyl, Fentanyl Trafficking, Possession of Cocaine, and Possession of Narcotics.

The continuation of drug activity on Elm Street led to officers obtaining another search warrant for the residence in the month of December. This search warrant was not executed until January 2, 2025. Upon execution of the search warrant officers located approximately 19 grams of crack cocaine in an area occupied by Marques Jubrey, 23 years of age, from Springfield, MA. Jubrey was flash cited to appear in court for Sale of Cocaine and Possession of Cocaine. It is noteworthy that Jubrey was also arrested in March of 2023 upon SVPD officers executing a search warrant in Highgate where Jubrey was located in possession of 13.23 grams of crack cocaine and officers located an additional 2.4 grams of crack cocaine in the residence as well as 73 wax folds containing heroin/fentanyl.

In sum, most of the above investigative work is related to drug distribution in Swanton Village and Town. There are an extreme number of hours worked associated with these complex investigations by many officers.

Generally, the volume of crime and disorder has increased. Burglaries increased 133% (from 3 to 7 in 2024), Theft increased 6% (aggregating all types of theft from 50 to 53 in 2024), Vandalism increased 120% (from 10 to 22 in 2024), Family Disturbances increased 104% (from 24 to 49 in 2024), Motor Vehicle Complaints increased 15% (from 121 to 139 in 2024).

We provided SVPD officers with contemporary training in defensive tactics, firearms, and law. Training continues to be a challenge because of staffing but we strive to provide Swanton Village with excellent law enforcement service which requires well-trained officers.

Sergeant Gagne of the Swanton Village Police Department organized the 2024 National Night Out Event. The event was very successful again with a great turnout from the community and we thank all community members, sponsors, and volunteers for their participation and support.

The Swanton Village Police Department espouses a Community Oriented Policing Strategy. The Police Department is here to serve the community. We strongly believe crime control must be augmented with community-based strategies that help prevent neighborhood crime, reduce fear, and enhance the quality of life in Swanton. When community members work together in partnership with law enforcement, we can identify underlying causes and proactively solve local problems. We need to address crime and disorder before serious problems occur. Community policing requires community trust and engagement through clear communication built on a foundation of mutual respect. The Swanton Village Police Department embraces a philosophy of collaboration with community members to problem solve.

We can be found on the web at <u>www.swantonvt.gov</u> or check out our Facebook page.

As always, if you have any questions please call or stop by the Police Department, we are here to help you. We can be reached by phone 802-868-4100.

Respectfully Submitted, Matthew Sullivan, Chief of Police

RECAP OF POLICE ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2024 VILLAGE OF SWANTON

	Total		Total
Offense Code	Incidents	Offense Code	Incidents
Directed Patrol	632	Traffic Stop	389
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	302	Agency Assistance	161
Community Outreach	140	Motor Vehicle Complaint	139
Citizen Assistance	128	Welfare/Suicide Check	111
Juvenile Problem	85	Crash, Property Damage	80
Citizen Dispute	68	Alarm	66
Threatening	57	Theft	53
Trespassing	49	Family Fight/Domestic	49
VIN Number Inspection	44	Disorderly Conduct/Noise	41
Animal Problem	36	Found Property	34
Controlled Substance Problem	30	Noise Disturbance	27
Restraining Order	24	Mental Health	24
Information Report	23	Vandalism	22
Search Warrant	21	Unlawful Mischief	18
Parking Problem	17	Property Watch	17
Fraud	17	911 Hangup Call	16
Foot Patrol	15	Wanted Person	14
Driving License Suspended	14	Crash, Injury	14
Loitering	13	Service Abuse Prevention Order	13
Medical Emergency	13	Traffic Hazard	12
Custodial Dispute	12	Death Investigation	11
DUI Alcohol or Drugs	11	Missing Person	9
Phone Problem/Harassment	8	Intoxicated Person	8
Condition of Release Violation	8	ATV Accident/Incident	8
Lost Property	8	Lockout	7
Burglary	7	Theft of Automobile	6
Tobacco Problem	6	Simple Assault	6
Background Investigation	6	Fire	5
Child Abuse or Neglect	5	Fireworks	5
Overdose	4	Aggravated Assault	4
Abandoned Vehicle	4	Recovered Stolen Vehicle	4
Property Damage, Non-Vandalism	4	Evidence	3
Drugs	3	Robbery	2
Unsecure Premise	2	Alcohol Offense	2
Animal Noise	2	Unknown Emergency	2
Sexual Assault	2	Checkpoint Set Up	2
Shoplifting	2	Boating Accident/Incident	1
Weapon Offense	1	Lewd & Lascivious Conduct	1
Vagrancy	1	Sex Offender Registry	1
Runaway Juvenile	1	Ambulance Call	1
Fire – Structure	1	Safety Hazard	1
Attempted Suicide	1	Social Media/Internet	1
Attempt to Locate	1	Mutual Aid	1
Fire Hazard	1	Curfew Violation	1
Escort	1	Operations/Injured Persons	2



ABENAKI NATION OF MISSISQUOI

100 Grand Ave, Swanton, VT 05488

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Abenaki Food Panty

Our Tribal office has a tremendous flow of traffic daily from folks accessing our food pantry and other services we provide. Our food pantry is the heart of our organization. In 2024 we fed 8,003 clients, 2509 families. This is a record number of clients. Unfortunately, this is a number no one wants to see increase. You do not need to be Abenaki to access our pantry, all are welcome!

Our clients are from all over Franklin County, and many are experiencing homelessness. Our data shows folks accessing our pantry who had never accessed a pantry in their lives. Folks on fixed incomes and parents with young families who might need added help to get through the month. In our Abenaki culture we believe in taking care of our families and our community. We do the best we can to help anyone in need. It is not an easy task surviving only on grants and donations. Our pantry has no paid positions, and it is run by volunteers and Chief Gagne as our leader.

We thank you for your past support and if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us. Also, if you would like a tour of our pantry, please give us a call and we can arrange one for you.

Pantry hours are Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays from 9:00 am till 2:00 pm. Please call your order in at 802-868-6255.

Thank you for your consideration,

Chief Brenda Gagne



FRANKLIN COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

FCIDC Annual Report for 2024

The Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC) was established in 1971. FCIDC was created to grow the economy and create job opportunities as our region was experiencing double digit unemployment figures. In years past, our county experienced too many people who wanted to work yet too few jobs were being offered. Now we have too many jobs open with not enough willing individuals to fill those positions despite a growth in our population. We can all comment on why we think this is happening, but the bottom line is our county has worked way too hard to get to this point and if we can't change that trajectory then companies will move to other states/countries where they can find the employees to run their businesses.

In an effort to impact this situation FCIDC has taken the initiative to engage with our five county high schools and two technical and career centers to educate both teachers and students as to what employment opportunities exist once an individual graduates from high school. A college education is not the answer for many students. FCIDC has and will continue to do student visits to a variety of employment sites. Local companies have been very willing to host students and educate them about what jobs are available and what pay and benefits they offer. Many of the employers offer education reimbursement so that students can attend college while working and those individuals could end up with no college debt. The timeline to receive a degree may take a little longer but the debt will be limited.

FCIDC also organized a Tech Discovery Day for eighth graders where they were able to interact with local businesses doing hands on activities such as using virtual goggles and operating robots. This coming spring FCIDC along with the local schools will be organizing an apprenticeship day, in order to showcase the businesses that are looking for apprentices. When employed as an apprentice the individual is paid while learning a skill or trade. There is usually some classroom training that goes along with the on-the-job training.

In 2024 FCIDC saw the completion of a couple large projects. FCIDC completed Phase I of the Perley Block project in Enosburg and this past fall we started Phase II. The second phase consists of constructing four new apartments on the second floor of the "Annex" which is the former warehouse building that was connected to the original Perley Block. Once completed the building will have 12 apartments in downtown Enosburg along with retail and office space. In the St. Albans Town Industrial Park Purpose Energy bought three acres of land from FCIDC and it is adjacent to Ben & Jerry's. The project consists of a bioreactor which transforms food waste (i.e. Ben & Jerry's) to energy by creating a biogas which is used to create electricity to send to the electrical grid. Please check out our website at <u>www.fcidc.com</u> to learn more about FCIDC.

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NRPC PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

- Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting
- Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans
- Transportation planning and project management
- Bike and pedestrian planning and project management
- Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience
- Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects
- Water quality planning, grants and project management
- Regional plans for growth and development
- Geographic Information System
 maps and data
- Downtown and village revitalization and community development

ASSOCIATED PROJECTS MANAGED BY NRPC

- Northern Vermont Economic
 Development District
- Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Heidi Britch-Valenta & Neal Speer

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Heidi Britch-Valenta, Alt. William Sheets

NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION swanton village report - 2024

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a multi-purpose governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs tailored to local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners.

2024 SWANTON VILLAGE PROJECTS

- Updated the locally adopted Emergency Management Plan for the Town and Village.
- Served as local liaison to town officials for the State Emergency Operation Center during the January severe wind and July severe weather events.
- Participated in Public Safety planning for the April 8th Total Solar Eclipse event with Town and Village public safety officials.
- Provided planning and zoning technical assistance and consultation relating to possible stormwater projects.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District, in which Swanton Village is a member.
- Participated in and assisted with Swanton Energy Committee projects including outreach events.
- Completed a consultation of the municipal planning program.
- Provided \$32,200 in Brownfields funding to complete assessments, clean up alternatives and historic preservation compliance at the 6 South River property in Swanton Village.
- Provided \$23,300 in Brownfields funding to complete a clean-up assessment at the 124 First Street property.
- Provided \$37,000 in Brownfields funding to complete assessment and cleanup planning at the Abenaki Nation of Missisquoi Headquarters owned by the Maquam Bay of Missisquoi, Inc. on Grand Ave.
- Assisted with applications for mini grant funds, energy assessments for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Village Municipal Complex, and construction funds through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program.
- Assisted with an application for Charge Vermont EV charging infrastructure.
- Supported the 2024 VTrans Bike/Ped Small Scale Grant application for village sidewalks – grant was awarded.
- Completed a sidewalk inventory.
- Consulted with local officials, identified projects and provided technical assistance for Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid construction projects.
- Provided support to expand the boundaries of the Village Center Designation and supported a Neighborhood Development Area application.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with maximizing local, state and federal infrastructure funds, water quality project implementation, Municipal Roads General Permit compliance, local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw modernization, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails, assist the Northwest Communications Union District in expanding broadband access in the region, update its Land Use Plan to support housing development and coordinate Housing For All, a three-year housing development campaign. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource - please call on us for assistance8with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.

SWANTON ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

(SEP) Calendar Year 2024

April 2013, a small group of Swanton residents gathered in Sandy and Ron Kilburn's living room to discuss a vision of how to ensure a vibrant future for the Swanton community – a place where people would love to live, learn, work, and recreate. The Swanton Enhancement Project was born. The mission statement that evolved encouraged multi-cultural events, pedestrian and bicycle friendly circulation patterns, creation of attractive shops and cafes, a healthy drug free environment and citizen involvement in community development.

After two more years of SEP organizing and planning, it hosted a Community Visit facilitated by the Vermont Council on Rural Development that took place on January 28, 2015. More than 200 residents of our community and 70 volunteers from across the state participated in the day-long event featuring workshops and a community dinner at MVU.

The results of the visit and the following priority setting meeting attended by75 community members led to the formation of five subcommittees of the SEP to focus on 1) expanding outdoor recreation opportunities; 2) creating an Arts Council; 3) building an economic development committee; 4)uniting the community to reduce substance misuse; and 5) improving traffic flow, walkability and parking in the downtown center.

This year the SEP marks 10 years of community development activity post the VCRD Community Visit. It is now a 501 (c)(3) organization. The continuing reason for its existence is to CONVENE, INFORM and ENGAGE Swanton's residents in the work of ensuring a vibrant future for our community.

Among its accomplishments during the last 10 years, the SEP:

- Supported improvements at Marble Mill Park
- Contributed funding for wayfinding signs in key locations to highlight outdoor recreational opportunities
- Started the Swanton Arts Council, that was formed as a result of the Community Visit. It is now a 501(c)(3) organization that stages events and workshops throughout the year.
- Created and launched the Community Yard Sale, that attracts hundreds of people to Swanton every spring and is now in its 5th year.
- SEP supported grants that have been applied for and awarded for Sidewalk construction, scoping study of pedestrian safety and access in the Merchant's row area, traffic demonstration at the North end of the Village Green, improve pedestrian and bicycle safety along Lake Street and Maquam Shore Road.
- Formed the Beautification Task Force in 2019
- Sponsored local events including Food Truck Sundays, Community Block Parties, Notch Summer Camp, Events for Kids hosted by the Recreation Commission.

In 2024, SEP hosted or supported the following:

 Four community meetings featuring guest speakers – Felicia Cota, Creative Heart Inc.; Melinda White, CRC Turning Point of Franklin County Recovery Coach Supervisor-NMC Emergency Dept. and Denise Smith, the new CEO of the Vermont Council on Rural Development. The meeting in March also featured a review of Town Meeting results.

Each gathering includes reports from our 12 community partner organizations – MVSD, Swanton Arts Council, Swanton Public Library, Swanton Recreation Department, Swanton Historical Society, Swanton Chamber of Commerce, Town of Swanton, Village of Swanton, Beautification Committee, Healthy Communities Committee and Communications Committee. During these reports, upcoming dates and events are highlighted by the various organizations. SEP assistance, partnership or sponsorship is often the result of this exchange.

- A new group, Promote Swanton, has been formed as a partnership with the Village, Town, business owners, Chamber and SEP representatives to give a boost to marketing of our existing, new and future downtown business owners.
- Work continues on ensuring the full economic and recreational benefit to Swanton from the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail is achieved.
- The Swanton Beautification Committee of SEP thanks the many volunteers, the Swanton Selectboard and Village trustees, and donors of time and money for supporting Swanton beautification. Downtown 2024 has never looked so robust and inviting.

In 2024, we accomplished the following:

- o Created a new garden at the Town Office Building
- Erected and planted window boxes at the Village office building
- Expanded plantings at Veterans Park
- Expanded the garden at the Swanton Library
- Doubled the number of hanging baskets on Grand Avenue to 12
- Created a small garden at Merchants Row laundromat
- Planted ten streetside trees on Canada Street

New activities in 2025 include:

- Landscaping near the new art board by the VFW building
- Plant numerous trees along our streets and in parks, pending approval of a grant proposal to the *Vermont Urban & Community Forestry Program*

An invitation – We welcome volunteers to join in our efforts to beautify our community, perhaps an hour or two per week. All are welcome at our community meetings. Please join us every other month as we CONVENE, INFORM AND ENGAGE to ensure a vital future for this special place we call home! For more information follow us on Facebook or the Town Website: https://www.swantonvt.gov.



Introduction

Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 3075, the Northwest Vermont Communications Union District (NWCUD) is pleased to present its annual report and budget for your review. The NWCUD was officially formed on August 3, 2020. The NWCUD is a municipal body consisting of representatives from Northwest Vermont municipalities for the purposes of building communication infrastructure. As of October 09, 2024, the NWCUD represents 22 Northwest municipalities: Alburgh, Bakersfield, Berkshire, Enosburgh, Fairfield, Franklin, Fairfax, Georgia, Grand Isle, Highgate, Isle Ia Motte, Milton, Montgomery, North Hero, Richford, Saint Albans Town, Sheldon, South Hero, Swanton, Village of Alburgh, Village of Enosburg Falls and Village of Swanton.

The mission of the NWCUD, as adopted by the Board of Representatives, is:

"Leverage partnerships and procure funding to connect Northwestern Vermont via Open Access Fiber to ensure opportunity for all homes and businesses in our region."

Activities of Northwest Vermont Communications Union District

ARPA Grant

This year, the NWCUD received a \$20.2 million grant that will support the construction of our fiber internet network.

Fiber Acquisition

We doubled our fiber optic cable supply by taking advantage of a unique opportunity from a neighboring CUD. This came at no cost to NWCUD and further prepared us for materials needed for Phase 1 of construction.

Model & Design Refinement

In preparation for Phase 1 of construction and being awarded a VCBB Construction Grant, joint efforts with GWI are underway to prepare us for our next steps. With High-Level Design complete and the Detailed Design on its way, we will be on track for breaking ground in 2025!

			F	Y2024 Pro-	
	FY	2024 Budget	je	cted Actuals	FY2025 Budget
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	17,980,700	\$	2,703,341	\$ 26,196,191
Total Cash Receipts	\$	17,980,700	\$	2,703,341	\$ 26,196,191
* Subtotal Capital	\$	17,546,000	\$	2,424,164	\$ 8,739,616
Subtotal Operational	\$	134,908	\$	80,548	\$ 202,319
Subtotal Staff	\$	390,892	\$	375,831	\$ 327,800
Subtotal Technology	\$	5,500	\$	1,849	\$ 8,000
Totals					
TOTAL CAPEX	\$	17,546,000	\$	2,424,164	\$ 8,739,616
TOTAL OPEX	\$	531,300	\$	458,229	\$ 538,119
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	18,077,300	\$	2,882,393	\$ 9,277,735
Deferred Revenues	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 16,918,456
Net Income	\$	(96,600)	\$	(179,052)	\$ -

*FY 2023 Financial Statements are available as part of the FY 2023 Audit

Drafted on: 10/09/2024

Approved for Distribution on: 10/17/2024

30 V.S.A. § 3075 - The district's fiscal year shall commence on January 1 and end on December 31.

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Friends of Northern Lake Champlain Annual Report 2024

www.friendsofnorthernlakechamplain.org

The Friends of Northern Lake Champlain (FNLC) is a non-profit organization that acts to clean the waters of northern Lake Champlain and its watershed by collaborating with citizens, businesses, farmers, and government in order to reduce land-use pollution. We thank you for your continued support of our work in your community!

Kiersten Bourgeois represents Swanton on the FNLC Board of Directors.

Water Quality Projects

Since the completion of the FNLC/LCBP Swanton Stormwater and Shoreline Erosion Assessment, a grant for 100% design and implementation for a bioengineered project at the Town Beach and along North Maquam Shore road has been granted by the Lake Champlain Basin Program. Construction will occur in the spring of 2025, which will include further community education and outreach about the project process and outcomes.

Additionally, as of this summer, FNLC has completed three years of water sampling along a small tributary on Maquam Shore Road known as Sucker Brook. Once the state has verified this data, FNLC will share the data and helping to facilitate the next steps to improve the health of this waterway.

Basin Water Quality Councils (BWQC)

FNLC has a seat on the Missisquoi BWQC, which serves Swanton. The BWQC's function is to prioritize and approve water quality improvement projects using State Clean Water Investment funds. As always, we invite more project suggestions from community members.

Community Engagement

At St. Albans Bay Park, FNLC brought watershed organizations together to bring Lake Lessons close to 200 fourth graders from Georgia, St. Albans Town and City, Swanton, and Highgate fourth graders, faculty, and parents. Presenters were from St. Albans Museum, the Agency of Agriculture Foods and Marketing, the Lake Champlain Basin Program, the Missisquoi River Basin Association, Franklin County Natural Resource Conservation District, USDA-NRCS, and Northwest Regional Planning Commission.

Collaborating with Agricultural Partners

In March, we hosted our annual producer meeting with UVM Extension and the Farmer's Watershed Alliance to bring new field techniques to local farms and to view best management practices on good conservation farms in the water basin.

Fundraising Events

Many thanks to the community for participating in and supporting our annual fundraiser Bike for the Lake as well as the return of our Annual Gathering at the Tyler Place. This year's annual gathering featured our state climatologist, Dr. Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux who talked about the intersection between water quality and climate resiliency.

Swanton Arts Council

Mission: to establish an artistic presence and develop the artistic community in Swanton

Thank you to all the wonderful artists, organizations, and local businesses who help bring art to Swanton, including but not limited to:

Swanton Public Library Swanton Recreation Swanton Public Art Network Bees on Broadway Divine Treasures Creative heART

Are you or your organization helping to bring art to Swanton? Contact us at swantonartscouncil@gmail.com so we can praise your creativity and commitment to our arts community.

In 2024 Swanton Arts Council funded over 25 art opportunities which were attended by over 1000 people:

- Numerous art, crafting, and cooking classes
- ☆ Community films, "Fowl Play" and "Breaking News"
- ☆ Open mic night
- ☆ Community mural painting
- ☆ Youth art show
- \Rightarrow Take-and-make kits at the library
- ☆ Contributed to free youth camps





Our meetings are free and open to the public. For more info, contact us at **swantonartscouncil@gmail.com**

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Swanton Public Art Network



SPAN captured the total solar eclipse in the creation of our themed eclipse art boards. These boards were received with enthusiasm and an inspiration to creatively paint more art boards.

It was suggested that we offer an auction so they would not be reset/ painted over. Four of the five boards were bought and reside in Swanton where they are appreciated and admired. You might even catch a glimpse of one.

For these artboards to be successful, we need more folks to come forward and paint your heart out. It is a great way to spend some quality time with a friend or just enjoy the solitude and therapeutic value of painting a big canvas. We may be able to offer a small stipend and continue to promote public art.

We are hoping to have an event that will provide advice and techniques to paint an art board, TBA. Also, we will help anyone who is interested to sign up. All ages welcome! Signing up with SPAN to paint an art board is a friendly process at span4art.org. Go to website, click programs, then click on user agreement, and you will be signed up for 2025.

Help keep Public Art alive in Swanton!

Municipal Utility Service Quality & Reliability Plan Reporting Form Report Period: January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024

Swanton Village

						Annual	
						Rolling	
	Performance area	4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	Average	Baseline
1	Call Answer Performance						
2a	Percent of bills not rendered within 7 days of monthly billing cycle						
	Bills not rendered within 7 days of scheduled billing cycle	-	-	-	-	0	
в	Total bills scheduled to be rendered	11,594	11,568	11,539	11,509	11,553	
С	(A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=1.0%
2b	Bills found inaccurate						
Α	Number of bills rendered inaccurate	3	2	3	4	3	
в	Total number of bills rendered	11,594	11,568	11,539	11,509	11,553	
С	(A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=1.0%
2c	Payment posting complaints						
Α	Number of customers complaining about payment posting	-	-	-	-	0	
	Total Number of Customers	11,594	11,568	11,539	11,509	11,553	
С	(A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=0.05%
3	Percent of actual meter readings per month						
Α	Number of meter readings not read	17	16	29	21	21	
в	Number of meter readings scheduled	12,415	12,350	12,323	12,294	12,346	
С	(A/B)	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	<=10.0%
4a	Percent of customer requested work not completed on or before promised delivery date						
	Number of jobs not completed on or before promised delivery date	-	-	-	-	0	
в	Total number of jobs promised complete in reporting month	282	376	252	226	284	
С	(A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=5.0%
	Average number of days after the missed delivery date						
	Total days of delay	-	-	-	-	0	
	Total number of delayed jobs in the reporting month	-	-	-	-	0	
С	(A/B)	-	-	-	-	-	<=5 days
5	Rates of complaints to DPS/Consumer Affairs as reported to Utility						
	Number of escalations to DPS/Consumer affairs	-	-	-	-	0	
	Total number of customers	11,594	11,568	11,539	11,509	11,552.50	<=.07%,
	(A/B)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	minimum 2
	Lost time incidents (report annually in January)						
Α	Total incidents that cause injury to an employee, occur while employee is working for utility and						
I	result in missed work beyond day of injury					0	<=3
	Lost time severity (reported annually in January)						
	Cumulative number of work days missed by utility employees in calendar year as a result of						
	injuries sustained while performing work for utility					0	<=24
	System average interruption frequency (reported annually in January)						
	SAIFI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms					0.30	2.40
	Customer average interruption duration (reported annually in January)						
A	CAIDI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms					2.20	2.50
L							
7c	Worst performing areas: Attach worst performing areas analysis (reported annually in January)						

Vermont Public Power Supply Authority Vermont Utility Rankings------ Based on Typical Monthly Residential Bills

Effective January 1, 2025	200 kWh	Utility	600 kWh	Utility	1,000 kWh
Ludlow	\$24.88	Ludlow	\$73.88	Ludlow	\$122.88
Jacksonville**	\$26.15	Orleans	\$77.10	Orleans	\$124.84
Northfield	\$28.07	Swanton	\$79.65	Swanton	\$128.18
Orleans	\$29.37	Northfield	\$82.89	Northfield	\$137.71
Swanton	\$31.12	Morrisville**	\$98.64	Morrisville**	\$163.24
Morrisville**	\$34.04	Jacksonville**	\$100.50	Jacksonville**	\$174.86
Enosburg Falls	\$38.20	Lyndon	\$109.79	Lyndon	\$180.17
Hardwick	\$38.75	Johnson**	\$111.26	Johnson**	\$180.80
Burlington Electric	\$39.23	Burlington Electric	\$111.34	Burlington Electric	\$183.44
Lyndon	\$39.41	Enosburg Falls	\$114.53	Enosburg Falls	\$190.86
Johnson**	\$41.71	Hardwick	\$115.76	Hardwick	\$192.77
Barton	\$43.17	Barton	\$129.13	Barton	\$215.10
Stowe	\$51.28	Stowe	\$134.16	Stowe	\$217.04
Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$56.40	Green Mountain Power	\$137.66	Green Mountain Power	\$217.61
Green Mountain Power	\$57.71	Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$147.60	Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$238.81
Washington Electric Cooperative	\$65.16	Washington Electric Cooperative	\$163.38	Washington Electric Cooperative	\$261.61

Swanton Village General Fund For The Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2024

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
Investments	\$36,735	\$39,096
Cash - Operating	48,806	6,486
Cash - C/D	156,027	160,457
Cash - Fire - Bond	10,356	20,282
Cash - Fire	164,775	220,676
Cash - General	411,110	422,785
Cash - Police	37,368	53,568
Cash - Health Reimbursement Account	920	6,892
Police Petty Cash	5	5
Cash - ARPA	206,224	130,309
Cash - Operating Checking	<u>0</u>	45,389
TOTAL CASH	\$1,072,325	\$1,105,944
OTHER ASSETS		
Taxes Receivable	\$21,577	\$32,623
A/R - Other	129,891	28,456
Grants Receivable	72,810	61,225
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$224,277	\$122,304
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$1,296,602</u>	<u>\$1,228,247</u>
LIAB & FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
A/P - Other	\$38,511	\$37,144
Due to Other Funds	449,865	172,355
Accrued Payroll	1,507	5,956
Salary Allotment W/H	2,889	0
Cafeteria Plan W/H	0	3
Eye Care Plan W/H	465	6
Health Insurance W/H	(747)	(4,965)
Retirement W/H Payable	145,401	172,185
Trustee Funds Payable	5,737	5,780
Prepaid Property Taxes	2,339	84
Prepaid Rent	127,273	125,757
Deferred Revenue	<u>191,920</u>	<u>45,957</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$965,159	\$560,262
FUND BALANCE		
Fund Balance	\$331,443	\$667,985
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$331,443	\$667,985
TOTAL LIAB & FUND BALANCE	\$1,296,602	\$1,228,247

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
—	DUDGET	ACTUAL	DUDGET
GENERAL DEPARTMENT			
PROPERTY TAXES			
Property Taxes	\$173,825	\$173,831	\$197,139
PILOT	2,660	2,823	3,880
Delinquent Tax Collector Fees	4,000	4,081	4,000
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$180,485	\$180,735	\$205,019
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Rent	\$113,700	\$114,851	\$137,746
Other Revenues	1,000	1,641	1,000
Interest & Dividend Income	10,000	31,963	15,000
Change in Investment	0	2,361	0
Grant Income	0	279,982	0
Transfer from Commercial Building	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL OTHER REVENUES	\$125,700	<u>\$431,901</u>	<u>\$154,746</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$306,185	\$612,636	\$359,765
OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES			
Uniforms	\$1,000	<u>\$683</u>	<u>\$800</u>
TOTAL OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES	\$1,000	\$683	\$800
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Administrative and General Salaries	\$48,115	\$74,625	\$53,000
Delinquent Tax Collector	4,000	4,081	4,000
Office Supplies	1,000	1,578	1,000
Telephone & Internet	1,065	1,473	1,065
Postage	450	886	450
Outside Services Employed	5,990	46,436	21,360
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125
Legal	0	4,749	0
Property Insurance	24,460	26,041	22,900
Workers Compensation	1,050	681	800
Employee's Retirement	7,430	9,973	8,215
Employee's Health and Insurance	30,200	27,611	19,530
Employee's Dental Insurance	1,415	1,077	1,470
Life and Disability Insurance	310	242	310
General Advertising Expenses	500	893	500
Miscellaneous General Expenses	500	2,783	500
Dues	245	250	245
Trustees Salary	1,800	1,800	1,800
Conventions, Meetings and Training	700	335	700

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
Annual Report	550	716	550
Christmas Lights	0	30	0
Transportation Expenses	1,800	200	1,800
Transportation Expenses - Labor	500	7,461	7,000
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$135,830	\$217,881	\$151,320
BUILDING & PARKS MAINTENANCE			
Heating Fuel	\$12,500	\$11,645	\$12,500
Electricity	15,200	13,860	15,200
Water	1,525	1,572	1,575
Sewer	2,400	2,470	2,475
Plant Maintenance	34,885	56,837	38,070
Plant Supplies and Expense	9,000	9,630	9,000
Maintenance of Building - Labor	12,000	14,904	11,985
Maintenance of Lawns & Parks	20,000	24,717	25,825
Maintenance of Lawns & Parks - Labor	45,985	32,585	40,260
Complex Retrofits - ARRA Grant	<u>0</u>	<u>68,883</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL BLDG & PARK MAINTENANCE	\$153,495	\$237,103	\$156,890
Property Taxes	\$5,000	\$5,556	\$5,000
Social Security Taxes	8,600	11,963	9,030
Unemployment Compensation	500	615	640
Child Care Contribution	245	257	520
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>34,050</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>34,050</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>304,670</u>	<u>476,057</u>	<u>358,250</u>
NET INCOME	\$1,515	\$136,579	\$1,515

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
PROPERTY TAXES			
Property Taxes	\$88,480	\$88,483	\$94,457
PILOT	2,205	2,411	2,605
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$90,685	\$90,894	\$97,062
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Other Revenues	\$0	(\$940)	\$0
Town Fire Assessment	296,216	296,216	316,225
Rev from Merch. Jobbing & Contract Work	0	6,619	0
Interest & Dividend Income	2,000	6,569	4,000
Non Cash Gift	0	23,000	0
Grant Income	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$298,216</u>	\$331,464	<u>\$320,225</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$388,901	\$422,359	\$417,287
OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES			
Fire Salaries	\$40,000	\$38,888	\$40,000
Tools Expense	1,000	0	1,000
Department Supplies	<u>1,500</u>	<u>3,179</u>	<u>1,500</u>
TOTAL OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES	\$42,500	\$42,068	\$42,500
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Office Supplies	\$550	\$658	\$550
Telephone & Internet	5,735	5,014	5,735
Postage	190	220	225
Outside Services Employed	2,935	3,065	3,140
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125
Dispatching	21,546	21,546	23,700
Property Insurance	8,995	8,636	10,910
Workers Compensation	3,920	3,915	3,950
General Advertising Expenses	0	312	0
Miscellaneous General Expenses	100	1,036	100
Dues	1,200	1,275	1,200
Conventions, Meetings and Training	1,500	1,267	2,000
Annual Report	550	716	550
Fire Prevention	500	604	1,000
Rent	26,095	26,095	34,670
Transportation Expenses	44,500	37,801	45,000
Transportation Expenses - Labor	500	540	500
Shop Tools	<u>0</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$122,566	\$116,733	\$137,355

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
Social Security Taxes	\$3,060	\$2,982	\$3,060
Child Care Contribution Truck Payment	90 118,385	79 118,382	176 116,896
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES Equipment	\$15,500	\$55,233	\$15,500
Equipment Replacement Fund Radio Equipment	70,000 1,800	70,000 858	\$15,500 85,000 1,800
Personal Protective Equipment TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>15,000</u> <u>\$102,300</u> \$388,901	<u>13,036</u> <u>\$139,127</u> \$419,371	<u>15,000</u> <u>\$117,300</u> \$417,287
NET INCOME	\$0	\$2,988	\$0

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
POLICE DEPARTMENT	DUDGEI	ACTUAL	BUDGET
PROPERTY TAXES			
Property Taxes	\$998,967	\$999,003	\$1,005,026
PILOT	<u>14,490</u>	<u>15,148</u>	<u>20,805</u>
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$1,013,457	\$1,014,151	\$1,025,831
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Rent	\$8,800	\$9,533	\$8,800
Miscellaneous Income	5,000	13,781	5,000
School Resource Officer	98,750	96,258	113,170
Town of Swanton Police Contract	405,489	405,489	478,117
Fines	200	158	200
Fingerprint Center	16,000	25,090	20,000
Interest & Dividend Income	3,400	2,287	2,600
Grant Income	12,000	282,041	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$549,639</u>	\$834,636	<u>\$627,887</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$1,563,096	\$1,848,787	\$1,653,718
OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES			
Police Salaries	\$844,685	\$866,664	\$898,470
Tools Expense	1,000	0	0
Uniforms	4,600	935	4,600
Electricity	715	832	715
Department Supplies	12,000	44,770	20,000
Police K-9 Expenses	<u>500</u>	<u>327</u>	<u>500</u>
TOTAL OPERATING MAINT EXPENSES	\$863,500	\$913,529	\$924,285
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Office Supplies	\$10,000	\$6,647	\$10,000
Telephone & Internet	15,000	18,672	18,000
Postage	240	220	240
Subscriptions	768	0	0
Travel & Meals	1,500	917	1,500
Outside Services Employed	11,860	13,619	15,155
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125
Dispatching	65,000	65,000	110,000
Property Insurance	31,520	38,122	42,260
Workers Compensation	35,500	37,516	63,855
Employee's Retirement	84,215	87,526	97,615
Employee's Health and Insurance	237,345	178,968	249,655
Employee's Dental Insurance	9,875	7,684	9,540
Life and Disability Insurance	2,425	2,201	2,550

_	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
General Advertising Expenses	500	404	500
Miscellaneous General Expenses	500	418	500
Dues	1,500	1,220	1,500
Conventions, Meetings and Training	20,000	4,399	15,000
Annual Report	550	716	550
Rent	9,860	9,858	13,105
Transportation Expenses	45,000	50,182	45,000
Transportation Expenses - Labor	0	83	0
Police Boat Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>7,141</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$586,908	\$535,470	\$700,650
Social Security Taxes	64,620	64,961	68,730
Unemployment Compensation	1,100	976	995
Child Care Contribution	1,860	1,628	3,950
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
Lease Expense	\$20,108	\$20,108	\$20,108
Equipment	10,000	185,139	10,000
Equipment Replacement Fund	15,000	15,000	15,000
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$45,108	\$220,247	\$45,108
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,563,096	\$1,736,811	\$1,743,718
NET INCOME	<u>\$0</u>	\$111,977	(\$90,000)

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
Cash - C/D	\$143,027	<u>\$171,310</u>
TOTAL CASH	\$143,027	\$171,310
OTHER ASSETS		
Taxes Receivable	\$14,454	\$20,663
A/R - Other	106	0
Grants Receivable	<u>0</u>	35,000
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$14,560	\$55,663
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$157,587</u>	<u>\$226,973</u>
LIABILITY & FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
A/P - Other	\$11,338	\$2,173
Due to Other Funds	(177,966)	(97,145)
Accrued Payroll	<u>283</u>	2,088
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(\$166,345)	(\$92,884)
FUND BALANCE		
Fund Balance	\$323,932	\$319,857
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u>\$323,932</u>	<u>\$319,857</u>
TOTAL LIAB. & FUND BALANCE	<u>\$157,587</u>	<u>\$226,973</u>

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
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PROPERTY TAXES			
Property Taxes	\$691,290	\$691,315	\$763,395
PILOT	<u>9,250</u>	<u>9,592</u>	<u>13,815</u>
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$700,540	\$700,907	\$777,210
OTHER REVENUES			
State Aid	\$50,000	\$53,135	\$50,000
Other Revenues	600	588	600
Revenue from Contract Work	0	(41)	0
Interest & Dividend Income	3,000	5,056	3,000
Grant Income	200,000	442,377	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER REVENUES	<u>\$253,600</u>	<u>\$501,115</u>	<u>\$53,600</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$954,140	\$1,202,022	\$830,810
DISTRIBUTION OPERATION EXP			
Tools Expense	\$1,545	\$0	\$1,545
Uniforms	4,500	4,987	4,500
Streetlighting	18,650	18,743	18,650
Department Supplies	5,000	6,234	5,000
TOTAL DISTRIB OPERATION EXPENSE	\$29,695	\$29,964	\$29,695
DISTRIBUTION MAINT EXPENSES			
Maintenance of Summer Streets	\$8,970	\$16,899	\$14,020
Maintenance of Summer Streets - Labor	106,000	133,034	130,000
Maintenance of Winter Streets	30,000	29,690	30,000
Maintenance of Winter Streets - Labor	137,140	146,846	142,340
Maintenance of Sidewalks	15,000	14,874	15,000
Maintenance of Sidewalks - Labor	10,000	19,498	21,345
Maintenance of Bridge	200,000	416,724	0
Maintenance of Bridge - Labor	<u>0</u>	20,886	<u>0</u>
TOTAL DISTRIB MAINT EXPENSES	\$507,110	<u>\$798,451</u>	<u>\$352,705</u>
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES	\$536,805	\$828,416	\$382,400
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Administrative and General Salaries	\$48,115	\$48,296	\$53,000
Office Supplies	1,500	2,044	1,500
Telephone & Internet	2,350	2,070	2,350
Postage	210	220	210
Travel & Meals	150	0	150
Outside Services Employed	4,935	3,065	3,140
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125

_	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
Engineering	6,000	0	13,280
Property Insurance	12,210	11,805	13,400
Workers Compensation	14,085	12,907	21,005
Employee's Retirement	22,890	31,219	31,445
Employee's Health and Insurance	122,250	107,357	103,250
Employee's Dental Insurance	5,160	4,500	5,525
Life and Disability Insurance	1,105	1,041	1,150
Permit Fees	640	0	640
General Advertising Expenses	250	618	250
Miscellaneous General Expenses	200	1,438	200
Dues	600	161	600
Trustees Salary	1,800	1,800	1,800
Conventions, Meetings and Training	1,500	1,846	1,500
Annual Report	550	716	720
Rent	12,525	12,525	16,650
Transportation Expenses	30,000	47,151	40,000
Transportation Expenses - Labor	19,000	10,266	19,000
Shop Tools	3,020	473	1,050
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSE	\$314,795	\$305,476	\$335,940
Social Security Taxes	24,635	28,816	28,110
Unemployment Compensation	395	362	675
Child Care Contribution	710	759	1,615
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
Equipment	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$45,400
Equipment Replacement Fund	24,000	24,000	24,000
Paving	50,000	39,467	30,000
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$76,800	\$66,267	\$99,400
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ <u>954,140</u>	\$1,230,096	<u>\$848,140</u>
NET INCOME	<u>\$0</u>	(\$28,074)	(\$17,330)

Swanton Village Summary of Property Taxes

Actual 2024 Taxes

\$1,675,648

Department	Tax Amount	Tax Rate
General Fire Police Highway	\$173,831 88,483 999,003 <u>691,315</u>	\$0.1037 \$0.0528 \$0.5962 <u>\$0.4126</u>
Total	<u>\$1,952,632</u>	<u>\$1.1653</u>

Proposed 2025 Taxes

GRAND LIST	\$1,675,648		
<u>Department</u>		Proposed <u>Amount</u>	Tax Rate Estimated
General Fire Police Highway		\$197,139 94,457 1,005,026 <u>763,395</u>	\$0.1176 \$0.0564 \$0.5998 <u>\$0.4556</u>
Total		<u>\$2,060,017</u>	<u>\$1.2294</u>

ELECTRIC ENERGY DATA YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

	2022 KWH	2023 KWH	2024 KWH
Generation	46,884,268	48,425,268	43,496,543
Minimum Flow Unit	1,533,541	1,835,522	2,190,556
Less Station Service	(427,576)	(479,870)	(520,149)
Net Generation	47,990,233	49,780,920	45,166,950
Purchases	<u>5,425,051</u>	3,629,901	<u>9,155,723</u>
Total Available for Distrib.	53,415,284	53,410,821	54,322,673
Billed to Customers	52,383,492	52,243,147	52,925,010
Sub-Station Use	<u>11,132</u>	<u>9,169</u>	9,425
Total Accounted For	52,394,624	52,252,316	52,934,435
Line Loss	1,020,660	1,158,505	1,388,238
Percent of Line Loss	1.90%	2.15%	2.53%

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT SALES OF KWH AND REVENUE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	KWH	REVENUE	CUSTOMERS
Residential (A)	26,622,436	3,522,005	3,337
Rural (C)	1,787,701	207,094	50
Commercial (B)	3,749,002	551,076	342
Industrial (D)	19,493,562	2,702,287	78
Interdepartmental	1,077,554	122,512	11
Street Lighting	126,856	27,218	3
Security Lighting	67,899	15,904	
Total Sales to			
Ultimate Consumers	52,925,010	<u>7,148,096</u>	<u>3,821</u>
Solar Credits to Customers	2,186,709	(347,736)	
Sales for Resale		42,894	
Transmission		356	
Sales of			
Electricity	<u>50,738,301</u>	<u>6,843,610</u>	

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
UTILITY PLANT		
Hydraulic Production Plant		
Land & Land Rights	\$719,924	\$719,924
Structures & Improvements	4,594,710	4,647,248
Reservoirs, Dams & Waterways	9,980,118	9,980,118
Waterwheels, Turbine & Generators	9,521,329	9,521,329
Accessory Electric Equipment	1,943,017	1,943,017
Accessory Electric Equipment - ARRA Grant	81,973	81,973
Misc. Power Plant Equipment	225,292	225,292
Roads, Railroad & Bridges	164,625	<u>164,625</u>
HYDRAULIC PRODUCTION PLANT	\$27,230,988	\$27,283,526
Transmission Plant		
Land & Land Rights (HI)	\$13,945	\$13,945
Land & Land Rights (SW)	39,671	39,671
Structures & Improvements (HI)	47,247	47,247
Structures & Improvements (SW)	23,454	23,454
Station Equipment (HI)	198,441	205,422
Station Equipment (SW)	174,805	195,748
Poles & Fixtures (HI)	117,453	117,453
Poles & Fixtures (SW)	107,595	107,595
Overhead Conductors (HI)	67,254	67,254
Overhead Conductors (SW)	18,843	18,843
Underground Conduit	730	730
Transmission Removal	8,000	8,000
Roads	<u>11,813</u>	<u>11,813</u>
TRANSMISSION PLANT	\$829,250	\$857,174
Distribution Plant		
Land & Land Rights (HI)	\$2,732	\$2,732
Land & Land Rights (SW)	5,864	5,864
Structures & Improvements (HI)	38,484	38,484
Structures & Improvements (SW)	93,876	93,876
Station Equipment (HI)	158,464	158,464
Station Equipment (SW)	318,932	318,932
Station Equipment - ARRA	468,477	468,477
Poles & Fixtures (HI)	508,649	543,183
Poles & Fixtures (SW)	653,925	688,288
Poles & Fixtures (ST. A)	6,614	6,614
Overhead Conductors (HI)	1,072,926	1,074,161
Overhead Conductors (SW)	1,215,748	1,215,625

	Year End 2023	2024
Overhead Conductors (ST. A)	2,001	2,001
Underground Conduit (HI)	42,452	42,452
Underground Conduit (SW)	48,779	48,779
Underground Conductors & Devices (HI)	44,821	44,821
Underground Conductors & Devices (SW)	116,093	120,338
Line Transformers (HI)	461,514	502,939
Line Transformers (SW)	958,803	989,388
Line Transformers (ST. A)	5,660	5,660
Services (HI)	164,796	168,562
Services (SW)	346,515	354,085
Services (ST. A)	3,455	3,455
Meters (HI)	62,232	63,281
Meters (SW)	186,425	186,938
Meters (ST. A)	745	745
Streetlighting & Signals (SW)	128,999	137,628
LED ARRA Streetlighting (SW)	<u>61,386</u>	<u>61,386</u>
DISTRIBUTION PLANT	\$7,179,368	\$7,347,157
General Plant		
Structures & Improvements (HI)	\$25,664	\$25,664
Structures & Improvements (SW)	22,217	22,217
Office Furniture & Equipment (HI)	21,367	21,367
Office Furniture & Equipment (SW)	504,106	506,433
Transportation Equipment (SW)	1,096,954	1,174,316
Stores Equipment	2,258	2,258
Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment (HI)	12,055	101,702
Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment (SW)	125,616	155,928
Lab Equipment	1,540	1,540
Power Operated Equipment	627,265	627,265
Communications Equipment (HI)	236,460	236,460
Communications Equipment (SW)	69,079	69,079
Communications Equipment - ARRA Grant	171,154	171,154
Misc. Equipment (SW)	88,620	88,620
Other Tangible Property	<u>33,062</u>	<u>33,062</u>
GENERAL PLANT	\$3,037,418	\$3,237,065
CWIP	<u>\$503,822</u>	<u>\$654,345</u>
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT	\$38,780,846	\$39,379,267
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(25,411,778)</u>	<u>(26,555,346)</u>
NET UTILITY PLANT	\$13,369,067	\$12,823,921

	Year End 2023	2024
OTHER PROPERTY & INVESTMENTS		
Investment in VELCO	\$843,432	\$843,432
Investment in VT Transco	375,250	375,250
Investment in Others	3,691,623	4,119,456
Bond R/C Fund (93)	674,164	706,432
Bond D/R Fund (93)	752,193	815,824
Bond Principal S1997	8,085	0
Bond Interest S1997	<u>18,291</u>	<u>0</u>
OTHER PROPERTY & INVESTMENTS	\$6,363,038	\$6,860,394
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash - Operating	\$544,758	\$1,091,371
Cash - Bond & Equipment	314,504	146,614
A/R - Customers	611,094	603,786
Unbilled Revenue	230,394	237,322
A/R - Other	104,946	216,430
Grant Receivable	2,836	0
Allowance For Uncollectible	(29,812)	(43,172)
Due from Other Funds	271,895	0
Inventory	368,628	405,704
Prepaid Expenses	656	424
Prepaid Purchase Power	4,428	2,115
Accrued Interest Receivable	25,977	30,922
Deferred Outflows - VMERS Pension	411,107	<u>370,170</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$2,861,411	\$3,061,684
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$22,593,516</u>	<u>\$22,745,999</u>
LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNINGS		
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Retained Earnings	18,179,292	18,524,867
TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS	\$18,179,292	\$18,524,867
LONG TERM DEBT		
Bonds Payable	\$2,672,021	<u>\$2,494,532</u>
TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT	\$2,672,021	\$2,494,532
OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued Time	\$139,633	\$146,114
Other Long Term Debt	290,771	223,498
Net Pension Liability	<u>1,041,883</u>	1,082,819
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	\$1,472,287	\$1,452,432

	Year End 2023	2024
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
A/P - Other	\$66,505	\$51,891
Customer Deposits	32,768	32,098
Sales Tax Payable	9,863	9,802
EEC Tax Payable	47,658	47,944
St. Albans Town Sales Tax Payable	61	80
Accrued Bond Interest Payable	27,295	24,687
Accrued Payroll	760	12,322
Unapplied Payments	42,522	52,991
Unused Solar Credits	<u>3,996</u>	<u>4,913</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$231,428	\$236,728
DEFERRED CREDITS		
Customer Estimate Payable	\$5,226	\$615
Deferred Inflows - VMERS Pension	29,766	33,331
Deferred Revenue	<u>3,494</u>	<u>3,494</u>
TOTAL DEFERRED CREDITS	\$38,487	<u>\$37,440</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,414,224	\$4,221,132
TOTAL LIAB & RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$22,593,516</u>	<u>\$22,745,999</u>

	2024	2024	2025
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
-			
OPERATING REVENUES			
SALES OF ELECTRICITY			
Residential Sales	\$3,638,140	\$3,704,712	\$3,701,570
Residential Solar Credits	(11,260)	(10,850)	(11,390)
Small Commercial Sales	544,125	549,195	550,370
Large Commercial Sales	2,741,370	2,702,287	2,705,660
Small Commercial Solar Credits	0	(431)	(585)
Large Commercial Solar Credits	(307,650)	(310,188)	(311,000)
Security Lighting	16,125	15,904	15,700
Public Street and Highway Lighting	27,070	27,218	27,220
Sales for Resale (GB)	42,335	42,894	42,900
Interdepartmental Sales	117,000	122,513	120,225
Transmission Revenue	<u>75</u>	<u>356</u>	<u>75</u>
TOTAL SALES OF ELECTRICITY	\$6,807,330	\$6,843,610	\$6,840,745
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Miscellaneous Service Revenues	\$10,500	\$13,685	\$8,500
Rent from Electric Property	14,400	14,553	14,400
Other Revenues	<u>0</u>	<u>39,054</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$24,900</u>	<u>\$67,292</u>	<u>\$22,900</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$6,832,230	\$6,910,902	\$6,863,645
OPERATING EXPENSES			
HYDRO POWER GENERATION			
HYDRO OPERATION EXPENSES			
Operation Supervision and Engineering Labor	\$307,610	\$264,439	\$313,810
Operation Supplies and Expenses	12,000	27,576	12,000
Uniforms	15,500	18,780	15,500
Telephone	3,800	3,612	3,850
Office Supplies	3,700	147	5,350
Heat	<u>2,000</u>	<u>183</u>	<u>2,000</u>
TOTAL HYDRO OPERATION EXPENSES	\$344,610	\$314,737	\$352,510
HYDRO MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	ψυττ,010	ψυ17,101	$\psi 552,510$
Maintenance of Hydraulic Production Plant	\$77,000	\$292,840	\$191,600
Maintenance of Hydraulic Production Plant - Labor	<u>126,350</u>	<u>145,035</u>	<u>134,720</u>
TOTAL HYDRO MAINT EXPENSES	\$203,350	\$437,875	\$326,320
OTHER POWER SUPPLY EXPENSES	φ203,330	ψτυ,010	ψ520,520
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	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Purchased Power	<u>\$2,329,410</u>	<u>\$1,545,501</u>	<u>\$2,240,100</u>
TOTAL POWER PRODUCTION EXP	\$2,877,370	\$2,298,113	\$2,918,930
TRANSMISSION EXPENSES			
TRANSMISSION OPERATING EXPENSES			
Operation Supplies and Expenses	<u>\$720</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$720</u>
TOTAL TRANS OPERATING EXP	\$720	\$0	\$720
TRANSMISSION MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
Maintenance of Transmission Plant	\$1,000	\$64	\$1,000
Maintenance of Rights of Way	10,000	0	10,000
Maintenance of Transmission Plant - Labor	<u>560</u>	<u>1,248</u>	<u>560</u>
TOTAL TRANS MAINT EXPENSES	<u>\$11,560</u>	<u>\$1,313</u>	<u>\$11,560</u>
TOTAL TRANSMISSION EXPENSES	\$12,280	\$1,313	\$12,280
DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES			
DISTRIBUTION OPERATING EXP			
Operation Supervision & Engineering - Labor	\$172,850	\$176,440	\$189,530
Line and Station Expenses	4,800	2,935	4,800
Tools Expense	5,000	920	5,000
Uniforms	15,000	18,942	15,000
Electricity	925	729	925
Street Lighting and Signal System Expenses - Labor	500	0	500
Meter Expenses	675	0	675
Miscellaneous Distribution Expenses	<u>6,500</u>	23,872	<u>6,500</u>
TOTAL DISTRIB OPERATING EXPENSES	\$206,250	\$223,838	\$222,930
DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE EXP			
Maintenance of Structures and Equipment	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500
Maintenance of Lines	50,000	48,825	50,000
Maintenance of Lines - Labor	485,380	611,222	611,645
Maintenance of Rights of Way	100,000	151,200	150,000
Maintenance of Rights of Way - Labor	50,000	6,759	50,000
Maintenance of Line Transformers	4,000	7,859	4,000
Maintenance of Line Transformers - Labor	130	0	130
Maintenance of Streetlighting and Signal Systems	4,200	610	1,000
Maint of Streetlighting & Signal Systems - Labor	3,500	748	2,500
Maintenance of Meters	600	148	600

	2024	2024	2025
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Maintononoo of Motors Labor	2 000	1 224	2 000
Maintenance of Meters - Labor Maintenance of Miscellaneous Distribution Plant	3,000	1,334	3,000
	<u>1,150</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,150</u>
TOTAL DISTRIB MAINT EXPENSES TOTAL DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES	<u>\$704,460</u>	<u>\$828,705</u>	<u>\$876,525</u>
	\$910,710	\$1,052,542	\$1,099,455
CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSES	¢O	¢O	¢A
Meter Reading Expenses	\$0 27 755	\$0 42 248	\$0 40 7(5
Meter Reading Expenses - Labor	37,755	42,248	40,765
Uniforms	1,400	1,953	1,400
Meter Transportation	2,500	4,911	2,500
Customer Records and Collection Expenses - Labor	120,830	124,455	136,460
Customer Records and Collection Expenses	1,400	0	1,400
Postage	12,500	12,073	12,500
Supplies & Expenses	6,700	4,048	6,700
Collection Costs	4,000	923	4,000
Uncollectible Accounts	<u>5,000</u>	<u>12,995</u>	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXP	\$192,085	\$203,605	\$210,725
CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPENSE			
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Administrative and General Salaries	\$268,100	\$280,951	\$278,895
Office Supplies	28,000	30,362	35,900
Telephone & Internet	7,800	6,516	7,800
Postage	8,000	7,223	8,000
Bank Charges	40,000	39,931	30,000
Subscriptions	190	0	190
Travel & Meals	16,100	9,446	16,000
Outside Services Employed	57,600	52,037	69,720
Accounting	15,000	15,830	16,500
Legal	8,000	1,487	8,000
Engineering	10,000	0	40,000
VPPSA	269,490	268,019	292,370
Renewable Energy Credits	305,690	306,752	313,490
VPPSA Net Metering Software Project	8,406	8,205	0
VPPSA AMI Project	43,000	0	43,000
VPPSA GIS Mapping	33,200	33,078	38,080
Property Insurance	100,670	97,548	109,050
Workers Compensation	47,900	52,342	100,965
Employee's Retirement	127,945	223,540	150,090

	2024	2024	2025
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Employee's Health and Insurance	321,355	303,897	323,535
Employee's Dental Insurance	15,085	15,755	16,940
Life and Disability Insurance	4,455	4,135	4,670
Regulatory Commission Expenses	16,000	14,804	16,000
General Advertising Expenses	800	540	800
Miscellaneous General Expenses	6,200	11,085	6,200
Dues	7,800	8,735	9,500
Trustees Salary	10,800	10,800	10,800
Conventions, Meetings and Training	18,520	12,288	18,735
Annual Report	315	457	475
Rent	34,810	35,231	46,275
Transportation Expenses	45,000	52,242	45,000
Transportation Expenses - Labor	1,000	90	1,000
Shop Tools	<u>1,900</u>	<u>8,322</u>	<u>1,900</u>
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$1,879,131	\$1,911,647	\$2,059,880
Depreciation Expense	\$1,054,100	\$1,173,246	\$1,059,920
Fuel Tax	36,200	34,004	36,200
Gross Revenue Tax	36,200	35,502	36,200
Property Taxes	675,000	781,647	781,650
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	17,624	21,520	34,010
Social Security Taxes	121,895	129,315	135,735
Unemployment Compensation	1,500	1,302	1,030
Child Care Contribution Tax	<u>3,505</u>	<u>3,221</u>	<u>7,805</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$7,817,600</u>	<u>\$7,646,976</u>	<u>\$8,393,820</u>
NET OPERATING INCOME	(\$985,370)	(\$736,074)	(\$1,530,175)
OTHER INCOME			
Rev. from Merchandising, Jobbing & Contract Work	\$70,000	\$303,411	\$70,000
Costs & Exp of Merch, Jobbing & Contract Work	(10,000)	(12,491)	(10,000)
Non Operating Rental Income	1,680	1,680	1,680
Interest & Dividend Income	400,000	465,176	400,000
Misc. Non Operating Revenue	427,880	427,833	427,880
Grant Income	<u>0</u>	<u>467</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$889,560	\$1,186,077	\$889,560
MISC. NON OPERATING EXP.			

	2024	2024	2025
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
INTEREST CHARGES			
Interest on Long-Term Debt	\$97,415	\$96,574	\$91,800
Other Interest Expense	<u>6,520</u>	<u>7,855</u>	<u>5,185</u>
TOTAL INTEREST CHARGES	<u>\$103,935</u>	\$104,428	<u>\$96,985</u>
NET INCOME	(\$199,745)	\$345,574	(\$737,600)

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash - Operating	\$1,128,137	\$965,714
Cash - C/D	82,941	85,297
Cash - Bond & Equipment	288,983	72,668
Cash - Swanton/Highgate Water Assoc Line	9,199	9,461
A/R - Customers	58,329	60,191
Unbilled Revenue	47,356	48,411
A/R - Other	545	725
Grants Receivable	30	4,263
Allowance For Uncollectible	(3,048)	(3,124)
Inventory	31,455	36,025
Prepaid Expenses	656	423
Deferred Outflows - VMERS Pension	72,328	<u>54,834</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$1,716,910	\$1,334,888
FIXED ASSETS		
Land & Land Rights	\$12,872	\$12,872
Structures & Improvements	5,072,646	5,072,646
Lines	3,707,586	5,963,267
Meters	250,368	250,368
Office Furniture & Equipment	69,841	76,357
Transportation Equipment	113,712	184,533
Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment	47,497	62,001
Const. Work in Progress	155,750	83,597
Accumulated Depreciation	(4,311,405)	(4,650,277)
NET FIXED ASSETS	\$5,118,867	\$7,055,365
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$6,835,777</u>	\$8,390,253
LIABILITIES AND RETAINED EARNINGS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Bond Anticipation Note - Water Project	\$0	\$302,052
A/P - Other	26,047	12,568
Accrued Bond Interest Payable	0	2,455
Accrued Payroll	116	1,506
Deferred Inflows - VMERS Pension	<u>5,259</u>	<u>4,947</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$31,422	\$323,528
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued Time	\$20,059	\$22,651
Net Pension Liability	181,028	176,635

	Year End 2023	2024
Bonds Payable	<u>4,255,990</u>	<u>5,634,337</u>
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	\$4,457,077	\$5,833,623
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Retained Earnings	2,347,278	2,233,102
TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS	\$2,347,278	\$2,233,102
TOTAL LIAB & RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$6,835,777</u>	<u>\$8,390,253</u>

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
OPERATING REVENUES Water Sales	<u>\$927,690</u>	\$012 751	\$927,690
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$927,090</u>	<u>\$912,751</u>	<u>\$927,090</u>
Miscellaneous Service Revenues	0	813	0
Other Revenues	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$0</u>	\$813	<u>\$0</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$927,690	\$913,563	\$927,690
OPERATING EXPENSES			
PLANT OPERATION			
Plant Operators Labor	\$120,050	\$122,210	\$147,710
Operation Supplies and Expenses	2,400	10,891	2,400
Uniforms	2,200	2,928	2,800
Telephone	2,500	2,539	2,500
Office Supplies	2,680	0	2,680
Heat	16,000	13,441	16,000
Electricity	25,500	28,644	<u>25,500</u>
PLANT OPERATING EXPENSES	\$171,330	\$180,652	\$199,590
PLANT MAINTENANCE			
Maintenance of Water Plant	\$22,100	\$20,514	\$22,100
Maintenance of Water Plant - Labor	<u>16,535</u>	<u>15,139</u>	<u>11,985</u>
PLANT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$38,635	\$35,653	\$34,085
RESERVOIR MAINTENANCE			
Maintenance of Reservoir	\$6,500	\$252	\$6,500
Maintenance of Reservoir - Labor	4,500	<u>248</u>	4,500
TOTAL RESERVOIR MAINTENANCE	\$11,000	\$500	\$11,000
DISTRIBUTION OPERATING EXPENSES			
Meter Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Department Supplies	<u>400</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>400</u>
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION OPERATING			
EXPENSES	\$400	\$0	\$400
DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
Chemicals	\$34,700	\$29,037	\$28,000

	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
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Testing	4,000	6,975	4,000
Maintenance of Lines	17,800	14,923	17,800
Maintenance of Lines - Labor	67,010	31,853	62,670
Maintenance of Services	3,800	3,936	3,800
Maintenance of Services - Labor	7,000	19,907	7,000
Maintenance of Meters	1,000	179	1,000
Maintenance of Meters - Labor	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>500</u>
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	\$135,810	\$106,809	\$124,770
CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE			
Meter Reading Expenses	\$0	\$543	\$0
Meter Reading Expenses - Labor	18,200	19,836	19,870
Uniforms	385	0	385
Meter Transportation	500	0	500
Customer Records and Collection Expenses	550	0	550
Postage	5,645	5,536	5,645
Supplies & Expenses	1,300	1,219	1,300
Collection Costs	150	34	150
Uncollectible Accounts	900	<u>76</u>	900
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE	\$27,630	\$27,244	\$29,300
CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPENSES			
ADMIN & GENERAL EXP OPERATION			
Administrative and General Salaries	\$68,435	\$61,094	\$74,375
Office Supplies	5,600	2,759	1,500
Telephone & Internet	1,385	737	1,385
Postage	200	157	200
Travel & Meals	175	0	175
Outside Services Employed	19,845	3,761	18,590
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125
Legal	1,000	1,798	1,000
Property Insurance	23,145	23,327	25,290
Workers Compensation	6,750	3,853	12,195
Employee's Retirement	24,970	33,178	27,045
Employee's Health and Insurance	127,850	99,975	84,340
Employee's Dental Insurance	5,690	4,521	5,135
Life and Disability Insurance	1,165	1,073	1,075
	1,105	1,075	1,075

	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
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Water Supply Operating Fees	7,600	6,076	7,600
General Advertising Expenses	150	30	150
Miscellaneous General Expenses	300	994	300
Dues	1,000	669	1,000
Trustees Salary	1,800	1,800	1,800
Conventions, Meetings and Training	800	1,295	2,000
Annual Report	315	457	475
Rent	6,785	6,959	9,020
Transportation Expenses	12,000	11,213	12,000
Transportation Expenses - Labor	0	337	0
Shop Tools	<u>3,775</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>3,020</u>
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$324,485	\$270,669	\$293,795
Depreciation Expense	\$327,350	\$342,932	\$377,650
Property Taxes	2,270	0	0
Social Security Taxes	23,260	18,970	25,275
Unemployment Compensation	90	72	70
Child Care Contribution	<u>670</u>	505	<u>1,455</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$1,062,930	\$984,007	\$1,097,390
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	(\$135,240)	(\$70,444)	(\$169,700)
OTHER INCOME			
Revenues from Merch. Jobbing & Contract Work	\$2,000	\$6,158	\$2,000
Costs and Exp. of Merch. Jobbing & Contract Work	(2,000)	(3,443)	(2,000)
Interest & Dividend Income	15,000	31,489	15,000
New Service Connection Fees	0	2,250	3,000
Grant Income	0	5,401	0
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$15,000	\$41,856	\$18,00 0
INTEREST CHARGES	\$15,000	\$1 ,050	\$10,000
Interest on Long-Term Debt	\$74,365	<u>\$85,588</u>	<u>\$68,560</u>
TOTAL INTEREST CHARGES	\$74,365 \$74,365	<u>\$85,588</u> \$85,588	<u>\$68,560</u>
TOTAL INTEREST CHARGES	\$74,305	\$65,566	\$08,500
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
NET INCOME	<u>(\$194,605)</u>	<u>(\$114,176)</u>	<u>(\$220,260)</u>

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash - Operating	\$1,409,484	\$60,000
Cash - C/D	373,331	169,366
Cash - Bond & Equipment	199,230	150,970
Cash - Operating Checking	0	1,243,537
A/R - Customers	51,810	53,972
Unbilled Revenue	52,253	52,574
A/R - Other	0	463
Lease Receivable	69,776	62,502
Grants Receivable	61	149,253
Allowance For Uncollectibles	(1,061)	(922)
Due to Other Funds	0	69,474
Prepaid Expenses	656	423
Deferred Outflows - VMERS Pension	<u>68,955</u>	<u>55,291</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$2,224,495	\$2,066,902
FIXED ASSETS		
Land & Land Rights	\$42,191	\$42,191
Structures & Improvements	9,229,960	9,274,503
Lines	1,139,708	1,139,708
Underground Conduit (SW)	1,862,237	1,862,237
Structures & Improvements	160,298	186,374
Office Furniture & Equipment	51,856	52,647
Transportation Equipment	506,814	736,831
Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment	115,692	131,229
Lab Equipment	2,878	2,878
CWIP	436,371	1,785,732
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(12,292,984)</u>	<u>(12,431,756)</u>
NET FIXED ASSETS	<u>\$1,255,021</u>	\$2,782,574
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$3,479,516</u>	<u>\$4,849,475</u>
LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNINGS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
A/P - Other	\$65,423	\$305,675
Accrued Bond Interest Payable	1,357	9,289
Accrued Payroll	116	2,715
Deferred Inflows - VMERS Pension	5,037	5,024
Deferred Inflows - Lease	<u>69,776</u>	<u>62,502</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$141,709	\$385,205

	Year End 2023	2024
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued Time	\$19,891	\$18,428
Net Pension Liability	193,604	193,331
Bonds Payable	324,419	499,216
Vactor Lease Payable	17,580	0
Bond Anticipation Note - Sewer Project	<u>0</u>	756,094
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	\$555,493	\$1,467,070
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Retained Earnings	2,782,313	2,997,201
TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS	\$2,782,313	<u>\$2,997,201</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$3,479,515</u>	<u>\$4,849,475</u>

	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
OPERATING REVENUES			
Sewer Sales	<u>\$920,635</u>	<u>\$906,503</u>	<u>\$920,635</u>
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	<u>+> = 0,0000</u>	<u> </u>	<u>+> = 0,000</u>
Miscellaneous Service Revenues	\$0	\$15	\$0
Rent	9,600	9,600	9,600
Other Revenues	<u>0</u>	386	<u>0</u>
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	\$9,600	\$10,001	\$9,600
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$930,235	\$916,504	\$930,235
OPERATING EXPENSES			
PLANT OPERATION			
Plant Operators Labor	\$129,475	\$137,554	\$155,915
Operation Supplies and Expenses	7,200	10,449	7,200
Uniforms	2,500	2,898	2,500
Telephone	975	904	975
Office Supplies	115	0	115
Heat	10,000	8,347	10,000
Electricity	<u>61,000</u>	<u>64,068</u>	<u>61,000</u>
PLANT OPERATION EXPENSE	\$211,265	\$224,220	\$237,705
PLANT MAINTENANCE			
Maintenance of Sewer Plant	\$36,500	\$45,733	\$108,230
Maintenance of Sewer Plant - Labor	30,540	19,619	25,985
Equipment Lease Expense	<u>147</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>147</u>
PLANT MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	\$67,187	\$65,499	\$134,362
DISTRIBUTION OPERATING			
Department Supplies	<u>\$800</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$700</u>
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION OPERATING EXP	\$800	\$0	\$700
DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE			
Maintenance of Structures and Equipment	\$0	\$2,217	\$0
Maintenance of Structures and Equipment - Labor	0	140	0
Chemicals	98,500	60,082	98,500
Testing	15,550	10,202	14,500
Maintenance of Lines	6,000	7,544	10,000
Maintenance of Lines - Labor	34,195	21,171	19,470

	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Maintenance of Storm Drain	6,000	4,071	34,000
Maintenance of Storm Drain- Labor	5,000	4,071 5,580	20,000
Maintenance of Services	500	330	20,000 500
Maintenance of Services - Labor	<u>2,500</u>	<u>6,129</u>	5,000
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	\$168,245	<u>0,129</u> \$117,464	<u>3,000</u> \$201,970
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	\$108,243	\$117,404	\$201,970
CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSES			
Meter Reading Expenses	\$0	\$543	\$0
Meter Reading Expenses - Labor	18,200	19,794	19,870
Uniforms	315	0	315
Meter Transportation	500	0	500
Customer Records and Collection Expenses	500	0	500
Postage	4,800	5,536	4,800
Supplies & Expenses	1,400	1,079	1,400
Collection Costs	400	34	400
Uncollectible Accounts	<u>360</u>	<u>(139)</u>	<u>360</u>
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXP	\$26,475	\$26,848	\$28,145
CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPENSES			
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
Administrative and General Salaries	\$68,435	\$61,716	\$74,375
Office Supplies	7,400	3,354	574,373 7,400
Telephone & Internet	2,420	1,403	2,420
Postage	2,420	1,403	2,420
Bank Charges	200	10	200
Travel & Meals	300	175	300
Outside Services Employed	6,710	4,761	5,455
Accounting	3,750	3,958	4,125
Legal	500	0	4 ,125
Property Insurance	20,940	20,371	20,395
Workers Compensation	6,800	4,230	10,485
Employee's Retirement	23,135	33,692	26,450
Employee's Health and Insurance	103,625	104,354	102,500
Employee's Dental Insurance	4,070	4,215	4,295
Life and Disability Insurance	1,040	4,213	4,295 985
State of VT Fees	5,250	3,400	5,250
General Advertising Expenses	500	325	5,230
Ceneral Auvertising Expenses	500	323	500

	2024	2024	2025
_	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Miscellaneous General Expenses	300	1,433	300
Dues	800	369	800
Trustees Salary	1,800	1,800	1,800
Conventions, Meetings and Training	8,480	1,396	10,000
Annual Report	315	457	475
Rent	6,785	6,785	9,020
Transportation Expenses	9,300	20,131	18,600
Transportation Expenses - Labor	2,200	2,091	2,200
Shop Tools	6,665	1,203	7,800
TOTAL ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES	\$291,720	\$282,811	\$316,630
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Depreciation Expense	\$127,195	\$142,832	\$134,440
Property Taxes	1,500	1,573	1,500
Social Security Taxes	22,365	19,087	24,830
Unemployment Compensation	190	289	145
Child Care Contribution	<u>640</u>	<u>512</u>	<u>1,430</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$917,582</u>	<u>\$881,136</u>	<u>\$1,081,857</u>
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	\$12,653	\$35,368	(\$151,622)
OTHER INCOME			
Revenues from Merch. Jobbing & Contract Work	\$500	\$2,603	\$500
Interest & Dividend Income	20,000	41,040	20,000
Grant Income	<u>0</u>	<u>149,983</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$20,500	\$193,626	\$20,500
INTEREST CHARGES			
Interest on Long-Term Debt	<u>\$5,740</u>	<u>\$14,106</u>	\$3,765
TOTAL INTEREST CHARGES	\$5,740	\$14,106	\$3,765
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
NET INCOME	\$27,413	\$214,887	(\$134,887)

Swanton Village Commercial Building Fund For The Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2024

	Year End 2023	2024
ASSETS		
Cash - Operating	\$200,250	\$194,152
Cash - C/D	117,676	121,019
Cash - Restricted	98,126	101,285
TOTAL CASH	\$416,053	\$416,456
N/R	\$220,000	\$224,584
N/R - Blake Commons	290,000	290,000
N/R - Swanton Village Water	10,000	5,000
Allowance For Uncollectibles	(510,000)	(510,000)
Due from Other Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>5,732</u>
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$10,000	\$15,316
FIXED ASSETS		
Fixed Assets		
Buildings	\$131,010	\$131,010
Land & Land Rights	5,746	5,746
Equipment	951	951
CWIP	213,600	236,066
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(131,961)</u>	<u>(131,961)</u>
_	\$219,346	\$241,812
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$645,399</u>	<u>\$673,584</u>
LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNING		
LIABILITIES		
A/P - Other	<u>\$1,002</u>	<u>\$1,104</u>
	\$1,002	\$1,104
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Retained Earnings	644,397	672,480
	<u>\$644,397</u>	<u>\$672,480</u>
TOTAL LIAB & RETAINED EARNING	\$645,399	\$673,583

Swanton Village Commercial Building Fund For The Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2024

	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL	2025 BUDGET
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Miscellaneous Service Revenues	\$0	\$382	\$0
Other Revenues	<u>0</u>	50	<u>0</u>
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	\$ 0	\$432	\$ 0
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES			
OPERATION			
Legal	\$0	\$750	\$0
Property Insurance	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
ADMIN & GENERAL EXP OPERATION	\$0	\$750	\$0
MAINTENANCE			
Property Taxes	\$2,675	\$0	\$0
Transfer to General Fund	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>1,375</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$3,675</u>	<u>\$1,854</u>	<u>\$1,375</u>
NET OPERATING INCOME	(\$3,675)	(\$1,422)	(\$1,375)
OTHER INCOME			
Interest & Dividend Income	\$3,000	\$8,663	\$7,000
Grant Income	<u>0</u>	<u>21,963</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$3,000	\$30,626	\$7,000
OTHER EXPENSES			
State of Vermont Recapture	<u>\$1,000</u>	\$1,122	<u>\$1,375</u>
NET INCOME	<u>(\$1,675)</u>	<u>\$28,083</u>	<u>\$4,250</u>

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EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER -- 911

Missisquoi Valley Rescue	911
Fire	911
Police	911
Village Police Business Office	802-868-4100

PUBLIC UTILITIES – AFTER NORMAL OFFICE HOURS CALL HIGHGATE POWER PLANT – 802-868-4200

NOTES

Eugene LaBombard Swanton Village Trustee from 1986 – 1997 & from 2010 – 2025



The Swanton Village Board of Trustees, management and employees would like to recognize and thank Gene for his 25 Years of Service to the Village of Swanton as Village Trustee. Thank you, Gene, we appreciate your many years of service to the Village of Swanton. Village of Swanton 120 First Street Swanton, Vermont 05488

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