

*Town of  
Shrewsbury, Vermont*



*2010  
Annual Report*

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## Town of Shrewsbury

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| <b>Town Clerk - 492-3511</b> Monday—Thursday: 9:00am - 3pm; Closed Friday  |  |
| <b>Town Treasurer - 492-3558</b><br>Wednesday 5pm - 7pm, and by Appt.  | <b>Historical Society</b><br>Open July - October;<br>Sundays 1pm - 3pm   |
| <b>Transfer Station</b><br>Sunday 8am - 4pm<br>Wednesday 1pm - 7pm   | <b>Shrewsbury Library - 492-3410</b><br>Mon, Fri, & Sat 10am-Noon<br>Wednesday 10am - 5pm<br>Tues, Wed, & Thurs 7- 9pm |
| <b>Cuttingsville Post Office - 492-3585</b><br>Mon - Fri: Counter 8am - 11am and 12:30pm - 4:30pm; Lobby 7am - 5pm.<br>Saturday: Counter 8am - 10:30am; Lobby 7:30am - 10:30am |  |

### Contact Information

|                                   |                         |                          |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Selectboard</b>                | <b>Bert Potter</b>      | 773-2272                 |
|                                   | <b>Mike Stewart</b>     | 775-9612                 |
| <b>Shrewsbury Mountain School</b> | <b>Main Office</b>      | 492-3435                 |
| <b>Mill River High School</b>     | <b>Main Office</b>      | 775-3451                 |
| <b>Shrewsbury School Board</b>    | <b>Adrienne Raymond</b> | 492-3578                 |
| <b>Animal Control Officer</b>     | <b>Matt Danaher</b>     | 492-3442                 |
| <b>Constables</b>                 | <b>Matt Danaher</b>     | 492-3442                 |
|                                   | <b>Peter Lajoie</b>     | 492-3671                 |
| <b>Fire Wardens</b>               | <b>Kevin Brown</b>      | 775-6194(h); 775-5518(w) |
| [Burning Permits]                 | <b>Al Ridlon, Jr.</b>   | 492-3722(h); 492-2055(w) |
| <b>Board of Listers</b>           | <b>Betsy Jesser</b>     | 492-2009                 |
| <b>Health Officer</b>             | <b>Irene Gordon</b>     | 492-8282                 |
| <b>Town Garage</b>                | <b>Jamie Carrara</b>    | 492-3656                 |
| <b>Zoning Administrator</b>       | <b>Adrienne Raymond</b> | 492-3578                 |
| <b>Town Hall reservations</b>     | <b>Paul Sgalia</b>      | 492-3649                 |

### Town Meetings

|                                  |        |   |
|----------------------------------|--------|---|
| <b>Board of Selectmen</b>        | 7pm    | 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - Town Office             |
| <b>Shrewsbury School Board</b>   | 6:30pm | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday - Shrewsbury Mountain School |
| <b>Mill River School Board</b>   | 7pm    | 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - Mill River High School  |
| <b>Volunteer Fire Department</b> | 7pm    | Every Thursday - Cuttingsville Station                                |
| <b>Planning Commission</b>       | 7:30pm | 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday - Town Office                |
| <b>Conservation Commission</b>   |        | See Times of Shrewsbury for schedule                                  |

**Town Website:** [www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org)

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Grace Brigham

Her presence is everywhere in Shrewsbury: her murals in the Meeting House and Cuttingsville fire station; stationery for the Community Church, Shrewsbury Library, and Historical Society; her railroad station painting at Over-Easy's restaurant; and on PTO phone book covers. She did the drawings for Dawn Hance's 1980 Shrewsbury history *Our Town as It Was*, a dozen Town Report covers between 1968 and 1982, and the masthead for the old Times of Shrewsbury.

So this Annual Report is dedicated to Grace Brigham for what she has given of her generous spirit, good cheer, and artistic talent to our community. The cover of this Report was drawn by Grace and used on the 1981 Report; other Town scenes by her appear in the pages that follow.

Grace came to Shrewsbury in a blizzard in 1947 with her parents George "Red" and Frances Brigham. George, first chief of the Fire Department, and Frances were active in the Church and other Town organizations and are fondly remembered. Like their parents, Grace and her brothers, Dick and George Jr. "Chester", have continued this family tradition of service to the Town.

Growing up with a love for animals and being outdoors, Grace helped tend the family's goats and rode her pony to the Cuttingsville School, now the Library. Her beefalo and beloved Jerseys - from Buttercup to Abby, Stella Luna, and Snowflake - have grazed contentedly along the Shunpike. The Yellow House where she lives has always been a welcoming gathering place of laughter and merriment, and if you're lucky, a piece of her apple pie or an oatmeal cookie and glass of milk.

Grace has always been involved in education, inside the classroom and out. She graduated from Goddard College, after studying art for a year at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. She then worked with the Bookmobile that visited Vermont towns without libraries and began her teaching career. In 1974, she was elected to the Shrewsbury Town School Board and was a member and clerk of the Board until 1978, when she joined the staff of the Mountain School. She taught art,

5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and the Challenge Program, retiring in 2006. She has a gift for engaging young people in learning, eliciting their interest and enthusiasm. She was the designer and organizer for school programs, pageants, and parades, including the Mountain School's participation in the Rutland Halloween parades and in the 1991 Bicentennial Parade from Tip Top Road to the Community Meeting House. Her imaginative costumes and magical creatures – the Trojan Horse, whale, and dragon – loomed large and live in memory as some of Shrewsbury's most fantastic visitors.

Grace has been a friend and inspiration for countless children growing up in Shrewsbury, guiding them on field trips, explorations, and woodland rambles. She has encouraged the talents and creativity of students at Kinhaven Music School in Weston and the Hayes Foundation's Summerweek camps in Wallingford. She convened the Hungry Poets Society at the Shrewsbury Library and organized the pioneer diorama by young Shrewsberries for the Historical Society's exhibit at the 2010 Tunbridge World's Fair.

Grace's work as an illustrator extends beyond her hometown. She portrayed the history of Vermont maple sugaring in 100 feet of murals at the New England Maple Museum in Pittsford; co-illustrated *In the Shadow of Cox Mountain: Tales of Early Vermont* by Grace Anderson; and joined again with Dawn Hance to illustrate *The History of Rutland, Vermont, 1761-1861*.

Having traveled to Afghanistan and Germany, Grace sees beyond Vermont and offers a helping hand to others. When people elsewhere in the world have suffered disasters by earthquake, hurricane, or tsunami, Grace's colorful posters have summoned us for fundraising events to provide assistance.

Grace's love of nature finds whimsical expression in her art, whether she is wearing a paper mache woodcock head, galloping a make-believe horse, or drawing Jessica and the moose on "Save Parker's Gore" postcards. The painted turtle cards and loon drawings that announce a meeting or adorn the minutes of the Shrewsbury Outing Club or the LOOC (Landowners and Others Concerned) - she has long been Secretary for both - reflect her affection for Spring Lake. She has likewise helped to celebrate Shrewsbury's farming heritage and scenic beauty at the Harvest Festival and on Green-Up Day as a member of the Shrewsbury Conservation Commission.

In her quiet way, she maintains connections to people young and old, far and wide, a circle of friendship that she is happy to enlarge and to share with others. Grace is a font of local memory and lore, and she always has a story or an anecdote to relate, invariably accompanied by a chuckle and a smile. With twinkling eyes, she will tell you about a special place to visit, a little-known wonder of nature, a bit of Vermont history. In so many ways Grace has been a thread that has brought our community together, at a cold winter night's caroling, a Mardi Gras party, or a potluck supper followed by a rousing contradance.

When she sees this dedication, Grace will exclaim, "Oh, psahw." But this is part of what we love and honor her for – her modesty, her selflessness, her gentle humor. We thank you, Grace, for your innumerable contributions to our Town, and in the words of the Kinhaven birthday song you gave us, "may you have a long, long life."

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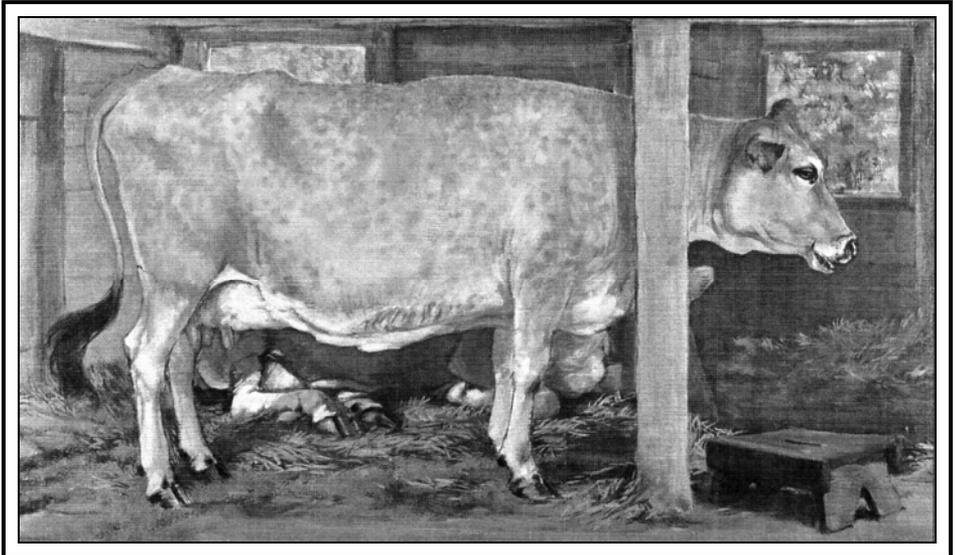
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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

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| Elected Office                | Term    | Elected officer(s)          | Term Expires |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| MODERATOR                     | 1 Year  | Eldred French               | 2011         |
| TOWN CLERK                    | 3 Years | Mark Goodwin                | 2012         |
| TOWN TREASURER                | 3 Years | Linda McGuire               | 2012         |
| SELECTBOARD                   | 3 Years | Michael Stewart             | 2011         |
|                               |         | Bert Potter                 | 2012         |
|                               |         | Steven Spatz <sup>(a)</sup> | 2013         |
| AUDITORS                      | 3 Years | Chryl Martin                | 2011         |
|                               |         | Jonathan Gibson             | 2012         |
|                               |         | Richard Biziak              | 2013         |
| LISTERS                       | 3 Years | Sharon Winnicki             | 2011         |
|                               |         | Steven Nicholson            | 2012         |
|                               |         | Betsy Jesser                | 2013         |
| MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DIRECTORS     | 3 Years | Edmund Hemmer               | 2011         |
|                               |         | Adrienne Raymond            | 2012         |
|                               |         | Sarah Bolster               | 2013         |
| MILL RIVER SCHOOL DIRECTORS   | 3 Years | Gregg Over <sup>(b)</sup>   | 2011         |
|                               |         | Andrew Richards-Peelle      | 2013         |
| TOWN GRAND JUROR              | 1 Year  | Barry Griffith              | 2011         |
| TOWN AGENT                    | 1 Year  | Rebecca Rice <sup>(b)</sup> | 2011         |
| 1 <sup>ST</sup> CONSTABLE     | 1 Year  | Matthew Danaher             | 2011         |
| 2 <sup>ND</sup> CONSTABLE     | 1 Year  | Peter Lajoie                | 2011         |
| COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES | 3 Years | Randy A. Page               | 2012         |
| CEMETERY COMMISSION           | 3 Years | Larry Carrara               | 2011         |
|                               |         | George Richards             | 2012         |
|                               |         | David Rice                  | 2013         |

<sup>(a)</sup> Resignation effective March 1, 2011 <sup>(b)</sup> Appointment valid until next election March 1, 2011

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**JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ELECTED AT GENERAL ELECTION**

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|   |                       |      |
|---|-----------------------|------|
| Justices of the Peace are elected for two year terms every other year. Current Justices were elected November 2, 2010 to serve from February 1, 2011 through January 31, 2013. The next General Election will occur November 6, 2012. | John Berryhill        | 2013 |
|   | Larry Carrara         | 2013 |
|   | Barry Griffith        | 2013 |
|   | Marilyn (Sally) Jones | 2013 |
|   | Hull Maynard          | 2013 |
|   | Trish Norton          | 2013 |
|   | Julanne Sharrow       | 2013 |

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTBOARD<sup>(1)</sup>**

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|   |         |                     |      |
|---|---------|---------------------|------|
| ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER  |         | Matthew Danaher     | 2011 |
| TRUSTEES of the SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY MEETING HOUSE <sup>(2)</sup> | 3 Years | Paul Sgalia         | 2011 |
|   |         | John Berryhill      | 2012 |
|   |         | Vacant              | 2013 |
| CONSERVATION COMMISSION   | 4 Years | Carol Calotta       | 2011 |
|   |         | Debra Weaver        | 2011 |
|   |         | Connie Youngstrom   | 2011 |
|   |         | Richard Biziak      | 2012 |
|   |         | Grace Brigham       | 2012 |
|   |         | Cynthia Mitchell    | 2013 |
|   |         | Vacant (1 position) | 2013 |
|   |         | Vacant (1 position) | 2014 |
|   |         | Vacant (1 position) | 2014 |

Town of Shrewsbury

**2010 OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTBOARD <sup>(1)</sup>**

|  |                        |                          |         |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD                     | 3 Years <sup>(4)</sup> | Mark Youngstrom          | 2012    |
|  |                        | Bruce Bullard            | 2012    |
|  |                        | Bert Stewart             | 2012    |
|  |                        | Alan Shelvey             | 2013    |
|  |                        | Steven Spatz (Alternate) | 2013    |
|  |                        | Vacant (2 Positions)     |         |
|  |                        | Vacant (Alternate)       |         |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR <sup>(3)</sup> |                        | Steve Spatz              |         |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR             |                        | Irene Gordon             | 2011    |
| ENERGY COORDINATOR                           |                        | Herb Carrara (Alternate) | 2011    |
| FENCE VIEWERS                                |                        | Steven Spatz             | 2013    |
|  |                        | Randy Page               | 2011    |
|  |                        | Bert Potter              | 2011    |
|  |                        | Mike Stewart             | 2011    |
| GREEN UP DAY COORDINATOR                     |                        | Cynthia Mitchell         | 5/08/11 |
| HEALTH OFFICER                               |                        | Irene Gordon             | 7/31/11 |
| INSPECTOR OF LUMBER, SHINGLES, & WOOD        |                        | Eldred French            | 2011    |
| LIBRARY BOARD                                |                        | Debbie Blecich           | 2011    |
| PLANNING COMMISSION                          | 3 Years <sup>(4)</sup> | George Brigham           | 2011    |
|  |                        | David Rice               | 2011    |
|  |                        | Francis Wyatt            | 2011    |
|  |                        | Marilyn Dalick           | 2012    |
|  |                        | Melissa Reichart         | 2012    |
|  |                        | Laura Black              | 2013    |
|  |                        | Mark Goodwin             | 2013    |
| REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL              |                        | Marina Potter            | 6/30/11 |
| REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE                   |                        | Gerry Martin             | 2013    |
| ROAD COMMISSIONER                            |                        | Jamie Carrara            | 2011    |
| RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION         |                        | Mark Goodwin             | 6/30/11 |
|  |                        | David Rice (Alternate)   | 6/30/11 |
| SERVICES OFFICER                             |                        | Mark Goodwin             | 4/14/11 |
| SOLID WASTE ALLIANCE COMMUNITIES             |                        | Bert Potter              | 4/14/11 |
| FOREST FIRE WARDEN                           |                        | Kevin Brown              | 6/30/13 |
|  |                        | Al Ridlon, Jr.           | 6/30/13 |
| TREE WARDEN                                  |                        | Eldred French            | 2011    |
| ZONING ADMINISTRATOR                         | 3 Years                | Adrienne Raymond         | 2012    |
| WEIGHER OF COAL                              |                        | George Richards          | 2011    |

<sup>(1)</sup> All appointments expire in March of the year shown unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>(2)</sup> Three of seven positions appointed by Selectboard.

<sup>(3)</sup> Function performed by Selectboard, through its Chair. <sup>(4)</sup> Term of office determined by Selectboard.

**OTHER TOWN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

|  |                              |      |
|--|------------------------------|------|
| TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT   | Richard Adams                |      |
| TOWN ROAD CREW<br>(Appointed by Road Commissioner)                     | Gilbert Pitts, Stephen Bruce |      |
| ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK<br>(Appointed by Town Clerk)                      | Linda McGuire, Betsy Jesser  | 2012 |
| ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER<br>(Appointed by Treasurer)                   | Kathy Beauchain              | 2012 |
| SELECTBOARD CLERK<br>(Chosen by Selectboard)                           | Mark Goodwin                 | 2011 |
| DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD CLERK<br>(Chosen by Development Review Board) | Adrienne Raymond             | 2011 |

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**WARNING FOR 230th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 1, 2011**

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The legal voters of the Town of Shrewsbury in the County of Rutland are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Shrewsbury Community Meeting House on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. to take action by Australian Ballot on the following matters:

1. To elect all town officers as required by law:

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| One Moderator             | 1-year term  |
| One Selectboard Member    | 3-year term  |
| One Selectboard Member    | 2-year term* |
| One Auditor               | 3-year term  |
| One Lister                | 3-year term  |
| One Grand Juror           | 1-year term  |
| One Town Agent            | 1-year term  |
| One-1st Constable         | 1-year term  |
| One-2nd Constable         | 1-year term  |
| One Cemetery Commissioner | 3-year term  |

\*Second & third year of a 3-year term

2. Shall the Town approve a budget of **\$797,706**, and appropriate and expend **\$500,218**, to be raised by taxes or other revenues, to defray the general expenses of the Town, including highways?
3. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,500** for the Town Office Reserve Fund?
4. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,500** for the Town Garage Reserve Fund?
5. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,000** for the Town Office Equipment Reserve Fund?
6. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$50,000** for the Town Road Equipment Fund?
7. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,000** for the Town Records Restoration Reserve Fund?
8. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$26,000** for the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund?
9. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$12,000** for the Shrewsbury Community Meeting House?

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**WARNING FOR 230th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 1, 2011**

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10. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$25,000** for the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department?
11. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$7,500** for the Shrewsbury Library?
12. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$2,000** for the Shrewsbury Historical Society?
13. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$4,432** for dues to the Rutland Regional Ambulance Service?
14. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$100** to help support the George D. Aiken Resource Conservation & Development Council?
15. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$250** to help support the Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District?
16. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend the sum of **\$2,526** to help support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice.
17. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$150** to help support the Green Up Vermont organization?
18. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$130** to help support the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)?
19. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$700** to help support the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?
20. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,192** to help support Rutland Mental Health Services?
21. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$150** to help support the Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter?
22. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$600** to help support BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont?
23. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$600** to help support the Rutland County Parent/Child Center?
24. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$500** to help support Vermont Adult Learning/Rutland County Basic Education?

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**WARNING FOR 230th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 1, 2011**

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25. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$500** to help support NeighborWorks of Western Vermont?
26. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$170** to help support the Vermont Center for Independent Living?
27. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$35** to help support the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council?
28. Shall the taxes be postmarked on or before, or in the hands of the Treasurer no later than 8:00 P.M., Friday, October 7, 2011?

Dated: January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Steven Spatz  
Shrewsbury Selectboard

Bert Potter

Michael Stewart

The informational meeting for the annual Town Meeting will be held at the **Shrewsbury Community Meeting House, 88 Lottery Road**. The meeting will take place following the Town School District informational meeting, which begins at **5:30 P.M., Monday, February 28, 2011**.

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**RESULTS of 229th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 2, 2010**

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The informational meeting for the Town was called at order on March 1, 2010 at 7:45 pm. by Moderator Eldred French. Present were Selectboard members Steven Spatz, Mike Stewart and Bert Potter. Also present were approximately 50 voters. State Representative Eldred French, after temporarily relinquishing the moderator position to Bert Potter, spoke about his initial time in the House and the challenges and opportunities confronting the Legislature in Montpelier. Representative French outlined the opportunities that are available to the State Legislature to bridge the large deficit confronting the State budget. Representative French also discussed the revenues and expenditures, and what the impact of cuts in Social Services as well as business development might have for the State. Mr. French also detailed legislation being worked in the Judiciary Committee. After his presentation, Mr. French resumed his responsibility as Moderator.

Steve thanked individuals for the public services they have rendered for the Town over the past year. He also summarized highlights for the Town during the past year such as the recertification of the Transfer Station, new Road Commissioner and Energy Grant. The Selectboard outlined their approach to setting the budget and capital budgeting. All warned articles were reviewed and discussed. The meeting recessed at 9:50 pm. for voting by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, beginning at 10 am.

1. To elect all town officers as required by law:

|                           |               |                |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| One Moderator             | 1-year term   | Eldred French  |
| One Selectboard Member    | 3-year term   | Steven Spatz   |
| One Auditor               | 3-year term   | Richard Biziak |
| One Auditor               | 1-year term * | Chryl Martin   |
| One Lister                | 3-year term   | Betsy Jesser   |
| One Grand Juror           | 1-year term   | Barry Griffith |
| One Town Agent            | 1-year term   | Barry Griffith |
| One-1st Constable         | 1-year term   | Matt Danaher   |
| One-2nd Constable         | 1-year term   | Peter Lajoie   |
| One Cemetery Commissioner | 3-year term   | David Rice     |

\*Third year of a 3 year term

2. Shall the Town approve a budget of **\$807,848**, and appropriate and expend **\$496,116**, to be raised by taxes or other revenues, to defray the general expenses of the Town, including highways? **YES - 234 NO – 52**
  
3. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,500** for the Town Office Reserve Fund? **YES - 206 NO – 80**

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**RESULTS of 229th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 2, 2010**

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4. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,500** for the Town Garage Reserve Fund? **YES - 214 NO – 73**
5. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,000** for the Town Office Equipment Reserve Fund? **YES - 199 NO – 86**
6. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$50,000** for the Town Road Equipment Fund? **YES - 222 NO – 64**
7. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,000** for the Town Records Restoration Reserve Fund? **YES - 192 NO – 92**
8. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$26,000** for the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund? **YES - 201 NO – 88**
9. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$12,000** for the Shrewsbury Community Meeting House? **YES - 201 NO – 86**
10. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$25,000** for the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department? **YES - 222 NO – 67**
11. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$7,500** for the Shrewsbury Library? **YES - 191 NO – 96**
12. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$2,000** for the Shrewsbury Historical Society? **YES - 185 NO – 100**
13. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,520** for the Vermont League of Cities and Towns? **YES - 168 NO – 117**
14. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$750** for dues to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission? **YES - 157 NO – 130**
15. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$4,432** for dues to the Rutland Regional Ambulance Service? **YES - 247 NO – 41**
16. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$100** to help support the George D. Aiken Resource Conservation & Development Council? **YES - 164 NO – 122**
17. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$250** to help support the Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District? **YES - 154 NO – 121**
18. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend the sum of **\$2,526** to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice. **YES - 237 NO – 42**

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**RESULTS of 229th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
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19. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$150** to help support the Green Up Vermont organization? **YES - 194 NO - 85**
20. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$130** to help support the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)? **YES - 216 NO - 64**
21. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$700** to help support the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging? **YES - 201 NO - 77**
22. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$1,192** to help support Rutland Mental Health Services? **YES - 191 NO - 87**
23. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$150** to help support the Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter? **YES - 221 NO - 57**
24. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$600** to help support BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont? **YES - 170 NO - 107**
25. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$600** to help support the Rutland County Parent/Child Center? **YES - 164 NO - 113**
26. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$500** to help support Vermont Adult Learning/Rutland County Basic Education? **YES - 166 NO - 111**
27. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$500** to help support NeighborWorks of Western Vermont? **YES - 133 NO - 140**
28. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$300** to help support the Housing Trust of Rutland County? **YES - 107 NO - 167**
29. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$170** to help support the Vermont Center for Independent Living? **YES - 173 NO - 104**
30. Shall the Town raise, appropriate and expend **\$30** to support the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council? **YES - 169 NO - 109**
31. Shall the taxes be postmarked on or before, or in the hands of the Treasurer no later than 8:00 P.M., Tuesday, October 5, 2010? **YES - 254 NO - 26**

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 BOARD OF AUDITORS REPORT**

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The Board of Auditors is charged by Vermont law with preparing an Annual Report on the Town's financial condition. We therefore examined the Town's finances from several perspectives. We undertook a parcel-by-parcel review of the property re-appraisal valuations in the Grand List. We also reviewed all Selectboard minutes and appointments and all Selectboard and Road Commissioner Orders. We work with the Selectboard to ensure best practices and thorough documentation for financial and administrative decisions, and we thank the Board members for their cooperation and good work. During 2011, we will continue to examine the Town's financial records on a quarterly basis and to work closely with the Selectboard and Treasurer.

We have reviewed the Town's financial statements, which appear in this Report, and we believe these statements reasonably reflect the financial status of the Town of Shrewsbury for the year ending December 31, 2010. We have also examined the financial statements of Town organizations that receive Town funding, and we believe their statements in this Report reasonably represent their financial status

The Town Treasurer is required by law to keep records using the modified accrual method. The Selectboard prepares its budget using the cash method. The use of these two different systems may, in some cases, present differing numbers. We have recommended that the Selectboard convert to the modified accrual system in order to have a single accounting system for the Town. The Vermont League of Cities and Towns recommends an independent audit once every 3-5 years. Since the Town's last professional audit was conducted in 2006, we recommend that an independent audit of the Town's financial records be performed in 2011. We further recommend that the Selectboard initiate the process to change to a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year for the Town of Shrewsbury to allow adequate time to prepare and review financial documents and budget for the Town. This will also put the Town and School District on the same fiscal year for recordkeeping and reporting.

Financial statements of the Shrewsbury Town School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 were audited by Angolano and Company, CPA, of Shelburne, VT. We agree with the conclusion of the professional auditors that the financial statements of the School District present fairly the financial position of the District

We appreciate the help of Linda McGuire, Mark Goodwin, and Chris Clark in preparing this Report as well as all the information submitted to us by Town officials and organizations. The dedication to Grace Brigham was written by Jonathan Gibson, with photograph by Gerry Martin. The drawings throughout this Report are her artwork.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard Biziak

Jonathan Gibson

Chryl Martin

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**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**2010 TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT**

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The Town Treasurer is elected for a three-year term and serves as the town school district treasurer pursuant to state statute. Taxes are due once a year in Shrewsbury, the voters set the date by Australian ballot. Payment must be received by October 7th; U. S. Postal Service postmark is accepted. If the payment is not received on time, a warrant is issued to the collector of delinquent taxes and an eight percent penalty is charged on the unpaid balance. Current tax payments are accepted at any time before the October 7<sup>th</sup> and may be mailed to Town of Shrewsbury, Treasurer's Office, 9823 Cold River Road, Shrewsbury, VT 05738.

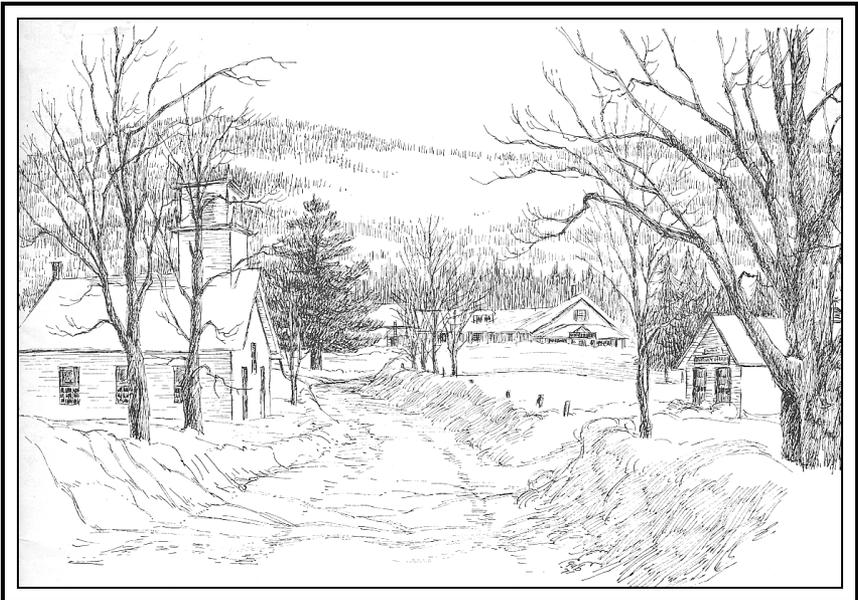
As required by the Government Accounting Standards Board our Town is using the modified accrual system for accounting procedures. The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the financial statements.

The Homestead Declaration is no longer required to be filed each year. The declaration filed in 2010 remains on record until the homestead is sold or there is a change in the use of the homestead. Please review the Vermont State Income Tax package for the new Property Tax Adjustment Claim and other forms that must be filed each year in order to receive an adjustment.

As always, it is my pleasure to be your treasurer and I look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Linda McGuire*



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**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**For The Year Ended December 31, 2010**

|  | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Restricted and<br/>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Total<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</b> |
|--|-------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Assets</b>                              |                         |  |   |
| Cash                                       | 179,570                 | 110,391  | 289,961                                 |
| Prepaid Expenses                           | 6,187                   |  | 6,187                                   |
| Receivables <sup>(3)</sup>                 |                         |  |   |
| Delinquent Tax Receivable                  | 14,736                  |  | 14,736                                  |
| Other Receivables                          | 60                      |  | 60                                      |
| Capital Assets <sup>(6)</sup>              |                         |  |   |
| Land and Buildings                         | 983,267                 |  | 983,267                                 |
| Machinery and Equipment                    | 282,707                 |  | 282,707                                 |
| Infrastructure                             | 995,098                 |  | 995,098                                 |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                        | <b>2,461,626</b>        | <b>110,391</b>                                 | <b>2,572,016</b>                        |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>                 |                         |  |   |
| VMBB Garage Bond                           | 20,000                  |  | 20,000                                  |
| Accounts Payable <sup>(4)</sup>            | 16,778                  |  | 16,778                                  |
| Other Current Liabilities                  | 820                     |  | 820                                     |
| <b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>               |                         |  |   |
| VMBB Garage Bond                           | 320,000                 |  | 320,000                                 |
| <b>Equity</b>                              |                         |  |   |
| Restricted Funds                           |                         | 110,391  | 110,391                                 |
| Unrestricted Equity                        | 1,942,456               |  | 1,942,456                               |
| Excess Revenue                             | 161,572                 |  | 161,572                                 |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b> | <b>2,461,626</b>        | <b>110,391</b>                                 | <b>2,572,016</b>                        |

**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**  
**For The Year Ended December 31, 2010**

|                                | General<br>Fund    | Restricted and<br>Designated<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                  |                    |                                       |                                |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents        | \$179,570          | \$110,391                             | \$289,961                      |
| Prepaid Expenses               | \$6,187            |                                       | \$6,187                        |
| Receivables                    |                    |                                       |                                |
| Delinquent Tax Receivable      | 14,736             |                                       | 14,736                         |
| Other Receivables              | 60                 |                                       | 60                             |
| Capital Assets                 |                    |                                       |                                |
| Land and Buildings             | 983,267            |                                       | 983,267                        |
| Machinery and Equipment        | 282,707            |                                       | 282,707                        |
| Infrastructure                 | 995,098            |                                       | 995,098                        |
| <b>Total Assets</b>            | <b>\$2,461,626</b> | <b>\$110,391</b>                      | <b>\$2,572,016</b>             |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>     |                    |                                       |                                |
| VMBB Garage Bond               | 20,000             |                                       | 20,000                         |
| Accounts Payable               | 16,778             |                                       | 16,778                         |
| Other Current Liabilities      | 820                |                                       | 820                            |
|                                | <b>\$37,598</b>    |                                       | <b>\$37,598</b>                |
| <b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>   |                    |                                       |                                |
| VMBB Garage Bond               | 320,000            |                                       | 320,000                        |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>       | <b>\$357,598</b>   | <b>\$0</b>                            | <b>\$357,598</b>               |
| <b>Net Assets</b>              |                    |                                       |                                |
| Invested in Capital Assets     | 1,921,072          |                                       | 1,921,072                      |
| Capital Projects               |                    | 68,288                                | 68,288                         |
| Community Development Projects |                    | 0                                     | 0                              |
| Other Purposes                 |                    | 42,103                                | 42,103                         |
| Unrestricted                   | 182,956            |                                       | 182,956                        |
| <b>Total Net Assets</b>        | <b>\$2,461,626</b> | <b>\$110,391</b>                      | <b>\$2,572,016</b>             |

**STATEMENT OF CASH ON HAND**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010**

|  |           |                   |
|--|-----------|-------------------|
| General Fund                           | \$        | 179,570.35        |
| Town-wide Reappraisal Sinking Fund     |           | 6,747.69          |
| Cemetery Reserve Fund                  |           | 1,289.42          |
| Road Equipment Fund                    |           | 21,776.52         |
| SVFD Equipment Reserve Fund            |           | 28,157.50         |
| Garage Reserve Fund                    |           | 4,520.05          |
| Records Restoration Fund               |           | 1,821.11          |
| Smith Brook Culvert Fund               |           | 4,308.28          |
| Special Highway Needs Fund             |           | 30,241.67         |
| Town Office Equipment Reserve Fund     |           | 2,002.93          |
| Town Office Reserve Fund               |           | 9,525.38          |
| <b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>289,960.90</b> |

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**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2010**

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**RECEIPTS:**

**Property Tax Receipts**

|                                    |                  |                        |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Taxes: Education Current           | \$ 1,708,830.82  |                        |
| Taxes: Town Current                | 553,540.36       |                        |
| School Reconciliation 2009 Taxes   | 29,224.93        |                        |
| Delinquent Tax 2010                | <u>83,012.88</u> |                        |
| <b>Total Property Tax Receipts</b> |                  | <b>\$ 2,374,608.99</b> |

**Other Tax Receipts**

|                                 |               |                  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Land Use                        | 57,738.00     |                  |
| Leased Land                     | 30.00         |                  |
| State in Lieu of Tax            | 18,725.00     |                  |
| Federal in Lieu of Tax          | 5,349.00      |                  |
| Railroad Tax                    | <u>710.37</u> |                  |
| <b>Total Other Tax Receipts</b> |               | <b>82,552.37</b> |

**Road Commission Receipts**

|                                       |               |                   |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| State Aid                             | 127,627.45    |                   |
| Services Rendered                     | 5,930.21      |                   |
| Weight Permits                        | <u>123.00</u> |                   |
| <b>Total Road Commission Receipts</b> |               | <b>133,680.66</b> |

**Other Receipts**

|                             |               |                  |
|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Act 60 Funds                | 6,811.50      |                  |
| Computer Disposal           | 334.05        |                  |
| Dog Licenses                | 537.36        |                  |
| Fines Received              | 78.00         |                  |
| Grant Income                | 15,979.50     |                  |
| Interest                    | 596.92        |                  |
| Liquor License              | 50.00         |                  |
| Lister Education Grant      | 390.17        |                  |
| Marriage License Fee        | 0.00          |                  |
| Miscellaneous               | 125.00        |                  |
| Recycling                   | 2,689.82      |                  |
| Restoration Fees            | 881.00        |                  |
| Subdivision Permits         | 125.00        |                  |
| Zoning Permits              | <u>649.52</u> |                  |
| <b>Total Other Receipts</b> |               | <b>29,247.84</b> |

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**\$ 2,620,089.86**

**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2010**

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

|  |                 |                      |
|--|-----------------|----------------------|
| <b>School Account</b>  | \$ 1,741,368.97 |                      |
| <b>Selectboard's Orders (Net)</b>  | 236,856.80      |                      |
| <b>Road Commissioners Orders (Net)</b>   | 602,083.60      |                      |
| <b>Depreciation <sup>(7)</sup></b>   | 96,836.42       |                      |
| <b>Capitalized Improvements <sup>(6)</sup> &amp; Liability <sup>(12)</sup></b> | (278,927.81)    |                      |
| <b>Warned Items</b>  |                 |                      |
| Bennington Rutland Opportunity Council \$                                      | 600.00          |                      |
| Garage Reserve Fund  | 1,500.00        |                      |
| George D. Aiken Resource Conservation  | 100.00          |                      |
| Green Up   | 150.00          |                      |
| Retired and Senior Volunteer Program   | 130.00          |                      |
| Road Equipment Sinking Fund  | 50,000.00       |                      |
| Rutland Mental Health  | 1,192.00        |                      |
| Rutland Area Visiting Nurse & Hospice  | 2,526.00        |                      |
| Rutland County Women's Network   | 150.00          |                      |
| Rutland Natural Resources Conservation   | 250.00          |                      |
| Rutland Parent/Child Center  | 600.00          |                      |
| Rutland Regional Ambulance   | 4,432.00        |                      |
| Rutland Regional Planning Commission   | 750.00          |                      |
| Shrewsbury Community Meeting House   | 12,000.00       |                      |
| Shrewsbury Historical Society  | 2,000.00        |                      |
| Shrewsbury Town Library  | 7,500.00        |                      |
| Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department   | 25,000.00       |                      |
| SVFD-Equipment Reserve Sinking Fund  | 26,000.00       |                      |
| Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging  | 700.00          |                      |
| Town Office Sinking Fund   | 1,500.00        |                      |
| Town Office Equipment Reserve Fund   | 1,000.00        |                      |
| Town Records Restoration Reserve Fund  | 1,000.00        |                      |
| Vermont Adult Learning   | 500.00          |                      |
| Vermont Center for Independent Living  | 170.00          |                      |
| Vermont League of Cities & Towns   | 1,520.00        |                      |
| Vermont Trails & Greenways Council   | 30.00           |                      |
| <b>Total Warned Items</b>  | 141,300.00      |                      |
| <b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>   |                 | <b>2,539,517.98</b>  |
| <b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>  |                 | <b>\$ 80,571.88</b>  |
| Interfund Transfers  |                 | \$ 81,000.00         |
| <b>Excess Revenue</b>  |                 | <b>\$ 161,571.88</b> |

Respectfully submitted,  
*Linda McGuire*, Treasurer

**TOWN OF SHREWSBURY**  
**STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2010**

**GRAND LIST**

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Real Estate     | \$ 158,922,400    |
| Less Exemptions | <u>12,464,400</u> |

**TOTAL GRAND LIST**

**\$ 146,458,000**

**TAXES BILLED**

|                        |               |                   |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Municipal Grand List   | 1,464,580     |                   |
| Tax Rate               | <u>0.4353</u> |                   |
| Municipal Taxes Billed |               | <b>637,531.72</b> |

|                                     |               |                   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Education Grand List-Non-Resident   | 573,431       |                   |
| Tax Rate-Statewide Share            | <u>1.5018</u> |                   |
| Education Non-Resident Taxes Billed |               | <b>861,178.68</b> |

|                                 |               |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Education Grand List-Homestead  | 896,417       |                     |
| Tax Rate-Local Share            | <u>1.3448</u> |                     |
| Education Resident Taxes Billed |               | <b>1,205,501.67</b> |

|                              |               |                 |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Municipal Grand List         | \$ 1,464,580  |                 |
| Local Agreement Tax Share    | <u>0.0014</u> |                 |
| Local Agreement Taxes Billed |               | <b>2,050.54</b> |

|                |  |                      |
|----------------|--|----------------------|
| HS-122 Penalty |  | <u><b>142.54</b></u> |
|----------------|--|----------------------|

**TOTAL TAXES BILLED**

**2,706,405.15**

**TAXES ACCOUNTED FOR**

|                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Taxes Collected      | 2,630,968.71    |
| Delinquent Taxes     | 83,012.88       |
| Abatements           | 1,303.72        |
| Errors & Omissions   | 630.02          |
| Refunds/Overpayments | (10,715.95)     |
| HS-122 Adjustments   | <u>1,205.77</u> |

**TOTAL TAXES ACCOUNTED**

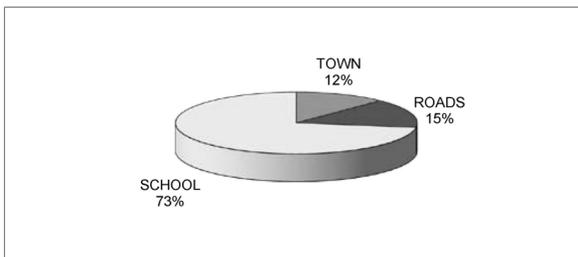
**2,706,405.15**

**TAX RATE PERCENTAGES**

The 2010 Tax Rate as follows:

|                         |        |                     |
|-------------------------|--------|---------------------|
| General Town            | 0.4353 | 637,531.72          |
| Local Agreement Rate    | 0.0014 | 2,050.54            |
| Schools Residential     | 1.3448 | 1,205,644.21        |
| Schools Non-Residential | 1.5018 | <u>861,178.68</u>   |
|                         |        | <b>2,706,405.15</b> |

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| Resident     | <b>1.7815</b> |
| Non-Resident | <b>1.9385</b> |



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**TAX COMPARISON**

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| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>GRAND LIST</u> |                 | <u>TAX RATE</u> | <u>TAXES BILLED</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2010        | 1,464,580.00      | Residential     | 1.78            | 2,706,405.15        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 1.94            |                     |
| 2009        | 1,059,698.96      | Residential     | 2.48            | 2,742,426.80        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 2.73            |                     |
| 2008        | 1,041,578.23      | Residential     | 2.28            | 2,484,895.12        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 2.53            |                     |
| 2007        | 1,012,820.13      | Residential     | 2.07            | 2,221,289.02        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 2.42            |                     |
| 2006        | 1,002,046.89      | Residential     | 2.17            | 2,241,258.16        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 2.36            |                     |
| 2005        | 989,599.37        | Residential     | 2.12            | 2,128,056.83        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 2.21            |                     |
| 2004        | 982,689.40        | Residential     | 1.87            | 1,882,335.27        |
|             |                   | Non-Residential | 1.99            |                     |
| 2003        | 848,249.00        |                 | 2.59            | 2,190,946.00        |
| 2002        | 849,073.00        |                 | 2.42            | 2,052,053.44        |
| 2001        | 830,680.36        |                 | 1.99            | 1,647,629.17        |

Reappraisal complete in 2010.

Town of Shrewsbury  
RESTRICTED OR DESIGNATED TOWN FUNDS

| Fund Name                          | Beginning<br>Balance | Transferred<br>from General | Disbursed      | Interest   | Ending<br>Balance |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|
| Townwide Reappraisal Sinking Fund  | \$21,319             | \$6,812                     | \$21,421       | \$38       | \$6,748           |
| Cemetery Reserve Fund              | 1,287                | 0                           | 0              | 2          | 1,289             |
| Road Equipment Reserve Fund        | 112,889              | 55,930                      | 146,771        | 28         | 22,077            |
| Garage Reserve Fund                | 3,014                | 1,500                       | 0              | 6          | 4,520             |
| Records Restoration Fund           | 1,135                | 1,880                       | 1,196          | 2          | 1,821             |
| SVFD Equipment Reserve Fund        | 28,136               | 26,000                      | 26,000         | 22         | 28,158            |
| Smith Brook Culvert Fund           | 4,300                | 0                           | 0              | 8          | 4,308             |
| Special Highway Needs Fund         | 30,187               | 0                           | 0              | 55         | 30,242            |
| Town Office Equipment Reserve Fund | 1,001                | 1,000                       | 0              | 2          | 2,003             |
| Town Office Reserve Fund           | 11,665               | 12,332                      | 14,489         | 17         | 9,525             |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                      | <b>214,933</b>       | <b>105,454</b>              | <b>209,876</b> | <b>180</b> | <b>110,691</b>    |

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**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**2010 PAYROLL FOR TOWN OFFICIALS, APPOINTED AND EMPLOYEES**

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| <u>Name</u>                                     | <u>Position</u>                 | <u>Amount</u>                   |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bert Potter                                     | Selectperson/Transfer Station   | \$850.00                        |
| Mike Stewart                                    | Selectperson                    | 600.00                          |
| Steve Spatz                                     | Selectperson                    | 600.00                          |
| Mark Goodwin                                    | Town Clerk**                    | 33,739.51                       |
| Linda McGuire                                   | Town & School Treasurer         | 20,578.06                       |
| Kathleen Beauchain                              | Assistant Town/School Treasurer | 881.25                          |
| Joyce Wilson                                    | Payroll Administration          | 258.75                          |
| Randy Page                                      | Delinquent Tax Collector***     | 8,699.70                        |
| Chryl Martin                                    | Auditor                         | 639.00                          |
| Richard Biziak                                  | Auditor                         | 738.00                          |
| Jonathan Gibson                                 | Auditor                         | 760.50                          |
| Richard C. Adams.                               | Dump Master                     | 6,360.00                        |
| Robert Perry                                    | Transfer Station Assistant      | 415.00                          |
| Adrienne Raymond                                | Zoning Administrator/DRB Clerk  | 1,525.00                        |
| Irene Gordon                                    | Health Officer                  | 742.00                          |
| Betsy Jesser                                    | Lister                          | 17,736.75                       |
| Sharon Rackliff Winnicki                        | Lister                          | 10,249.75                       |
| Steven Nicholson                                | Lister                          | 1,899.00                        |
| Matthew Walker                                  | Animal Control                  | 300.00                          |
| Willard Smith                                   | Building Maintenance*           | 1,950.00                        |
|   |                                 | <hr/>                           |
|   |                                 | 109,522.27                      |
| Social Security/Medicare Matching Town Funds    |                                 | <hr/>                           |
|   |                                 | \$8,378.45                      |
| <b>Total Town Payroll Expense/Calendar Year</b> |                                 | <hr/> <b>\$117,900.72</b> <hr/> |

\*Salary and associated expenses are reimbursed from the Meeting House Committee.

\*\* Salary and Fees

\*\*\*Based only on fees collected

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**1. Basis of Accounting.** In 1999 the Government Accounting Standards Board issued Statement 34, introducing revised financial reporting. The new reporting required for a clean audit could impact bonds and federal grants and will provide improved accountability and comparability across municipalities.

Our town is incorporating expenditures for capital assets in excess of the \$2,500 value limit and infrastructure, and has begun reporting using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. In addition land, buildings, machinery and equipment have been valued for the balance sheet, as well as depreciation.

**2. Cash** At year end the Town's the Bank balance was \$289,961, which is covered by federal depository insurance, or was collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's agent in the Town's name. No values were unsecured and uncollateralized.

**3. Accounts Receivable.** Amounts receivable at year end, as reported in the Statement of Net Assets, and Balance Sheet are as follows:

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Accounts Receivable       |              |
| Delinquent tax receivable | \$ 14,736.31 |
| Recycling Fees            | 42.90        |
| Current Taxes             | <u>17.45</u> |
| Total Receivables         | \$ 14,796.66 |

**4. Payable.** Amounts payable at year end as reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Balance Sheet:

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Accrued Payroll       | \$ 7,694.23     |
| Refunds               | 1,149.54        |
| Miscellaneous Vendors | <u>7,934.38</u> |
| Total Payables        | \$ 16,778.15    |

**5. Fixed Assets** Capital acquisitions are reflected in the related assets account group. All purchased fixed assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical costs where no historical records exist. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**6. Capital Assets** Capital asset activity for year ended December 31, 2010 was as follows:

|   | <b>Beginning<br/>Balance</b> | <b>Increases</b> | <b>Ending<br/>Balance</b> |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Capital Assets not being depreciated:   |                              |                  |                           |
| Land                                    | 271,223.00                   | 0.00             | 271,223.00                |
| Capital Assets not being depreciated:   | 271,223.00                   | 0.00             | 271,223.00                |
| Capital Assets being depreciated:       |                              |                  |                           |
| Buildings and Building Improvements     | 1,027,031.81                 | 30,201.83        | 1,057,233.64              |
| Vehicles and Equipment                  | 595,048.87                   | 65,434.79        | 660,483.66                |
| Roads, Bridges & Culverts               | 974,923.59                   | 163,438.69       | 1,138,362.28              |
| Totals                                  | 2,868,227.27                 | 259,075.31       | 3,127,302.58              |
| Less accumulated depreciation for:      |                              |                  |                           |
| Buildings and Building Improvements     | 316,019.10                   | 29,170.40        | 345,189.50                |
| Vehicles and Equipment                  | 332,476.27                   | 45,300.82        | 377,777.09                |
| Roads, Bridges and Culverts             | 120,899.04                   | 22,365.20        | 143,264.24                |
| Totals                                  | 769,394.41                   | 96,836.42        | 866,230.83                |
| Total Capital Assets being depreciated  | 2,098,832.86                 | 162,238.89       | 2,261,071.75              |
| Government Activity Capital Assets, Net | 2,370,055.86                 | 162,238.89       | 2,532,294.75              |

**7. Depreciation** Depreciation was charged as follows to the corresponding Capital Assets:

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Buildings                 | \$29,170.40  |
| Vehicles and Equipment    | 45,300.82    |
| Roads, Bridges & Culverts | 22,365.20    |
| Total Depreciation        | \$ 96,836.42 |

**8. Risk Management.** The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft, damage, destruction of assets, errors and omission, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The Town maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. The Selectboard believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses. The Shrewsbury Meeting House maintains insurance coverage through the church currently for casualty. The Shrewsbury Community Church has provided a written agreement of understanding regarding this coverage and any possible loss that may occur.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**9. Restricted/Designated Funds**

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Cemetery Reserve Fund</b>       | Funds designated for town cemetery maintenance.  |
| <b>Garage Reserve Fund</b>         | Funds designated for Town Garage   |
| <b>Records Restoration Funds</b>   | Fees collected (\$1 per page for recorded documents) at Town office for restoration of Town documents.                                     |
| <b>Road Equipment Reserve Fund</b> | Funds designed for replacement or purchase of road equipment.  |
| <b>SVFD Equipment Reserve Fund</b> | Funds designed for Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department fire trucks.   |
| <b>Smith Brook Culvert Funds</b>   | Funds designated for costs associated with a review of the Smith Brook culvert on Town Highway #4.   |
| <b>Special Highway Needs Fund</b>  | Funds for special highway needs.   |
| <b>Town Office Equipment Fund</b>  | Funds designated for replacement or purchase of town office equipment.   |
| <b>Town Office Reserve Fund</b>    | Funds designated for improvements/repairs to the town office   |
| <b>Town-wide Reappraisal Fund</b>  | Includes funds to be used for reappraisal costs and funds designated for the purpose of maintaining and updating our equalized grand list. |

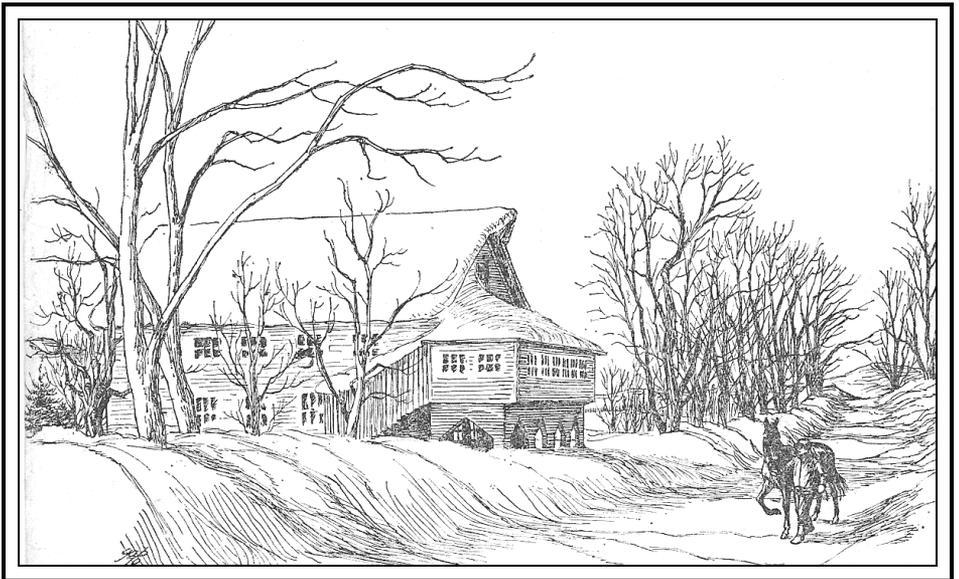
10. **Transfer Station Costs** As an additional cost of operating the transfer station, it is estimated that 200 hours of road crew wages were spent working at the transfer station, or approximately \$3,036 of additional expenses are directly attributed to the transfer station.

11. **Meeting House and Conservation Commission.** The meeting house and conservation commission funds are integral funds belonging to the town, but are reported in separate financial reports. The funds are considered as town assets.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

12. **Vermont Municipal Bond Bank:** The town applied for a bond of \$410,000 for the new garage and borrowed \$550,000 in a bond anticipation note. The anticipation note was invested and used to pay costs for the garage before the bond was issued for \$410,000. The following is the payment schedule for the 20-year bond, at net interest cost of 4.51 percent.

|      | <b>Principal</b> | <b>Interest</b> | <b>Total<br/>Debt<br/>Service</b> |
|------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2007 |                  | 6,213           | \$6,213                           |
| 2008 | 25,000           | 17,894          | 42,894                            |
| 2009 | 25,000           | 16,928          | 41,928                            |
| 2010 | 20,000           | 15,944          | 35,944                            |
| 2011 | 20,000           | 15,143          | 35,143                            |
| 2012 | 20,000           | 14,330          | 34,330                            |
| 2013 | 20,000           | 13,503          | 33,503                            |
| 2014 | 20,000           | 12,666          | 32,666                            |
| 2015 | 20,000           | 11,819          | 31,819                            |
| 2016 | 20,000           | 10,962          | 30,962                            |
| 2017 | 20,000           | 10,097          | 30,097                            |
| 2018 | 20,000           | 9,222           | 29,222                            |
| 2019 | 20,000           | 8,325           | 28,325                            |
| 2020 | 20,000           | 7,410           | 27,410                            |
| 2021 | 20,000           | 6,479           | 26,479                            |
| 2022 | 20,000           | 5,536           | 25,536                            |
| 2023 | 20,000           | 4,625           | 24,625                            |
| 2024 | 20,000           | 3,708           | 23,708                            |
| 2025 | 20,000           | 2,787           | 22,787                            |
| 2026 | 20,000           | 1,862           | 21,862                            |
| 2027 | 20,000           | 933             | 20,933                            |
|      | 410,000          | 196,386         | 606,386                           |



Old Cheese Factory, Cold River

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**for the Year Ending December 31, 2010**

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**Delinquent Taxes**

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| <b>Balance outstanding December 31, 2010</b>            | <b>\$16,133.38</b> |
| Warrant to Collect, October 23, 2010                    | 81,377.18          |
| Amended Warrant, October 27, 2010                       | 1,599.99           |
| Amended Warrant, December 1, 2010                       | 35.71              |
| <b>Total taxes delinquent</b>                           | <b>\$99,146.26</b> |
| <b>Delinquent taxes collected and deposited in 2010</b> | <b>(84,409.98)</b> |
| <b>Balance outstanding December 31, 2010</b>            | <b>\$14,736.28</b> |

Notes: Town Treasurer refunded Overpayment on two accounts for \$493.10. \$20.00 was collected for an insufficient fee.

8% fees paid in 2010 for collections - \$8,699.70 and \$57.46 for mailing expenses.

**Delinquent taxes outstanding (18 accounts):**

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| 2007 & 2010 Kenyon, James              | \$1,352.10 |
| 2009 & 2010 Cheney, Michele            | 278.48     |
| 2009 & 2010 Smith, Gregory             | 2,655.49   |
| 2010 Breznick, Joseph                  | 610.63     |
| 2010 Brown, Anne                       | 674.60     |
| 2010 Carruth, Conrad & Debra           | 911.10     |
| 2010 Chesley, Kate B.                  | 1,050.67   |
| 2010 Detko, Mark                       | 383.83     |
| 2010 Kapitan, Douglas                  | 1,566.67   |
| 2010 Lorentzon, Karen                  | 1,415.96   |
| 2010 McGinnis, Angela                  | 309.35     |
| 2010 Prazuch, Joseph                   | 441.98     |
| 2010 Pressley, George                  | 552.47     |
| 2010 Slade, Richard                    | 1,786.73   |
| 2009 Webster, Robert C. & McGinnis, A. | 746.32     |

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| <b>Total outstanding as of 12/31/2010</b> | <b>\$14,736.28</b> |
|---|--------------------|

Randy A. Page  
Collector of Delinquent Taxes

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 SELECTBOARD REPORT**

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The Selectboard had another full year in 2010, as we worked our way through the day-to-day operations of the town, and completed the process of our Town-wide reappraisal that began in 2009. The reappraisal process dominated the business of the Town this year, and overall it was met with welcome success. We would like to thank the Town as a whole for your patience and understanding throughout the year as we moved through the reappraisal process. The end result was an accurate accounting of property values throughout town that equalized the tax burden to all taxpayers.

I would also like to acknowledge the substantial effort put forth by the Listers, the members of the Board of Civil Authority, and the Town Clerk on the successful completion of the Board of Civil Authority grievance process. A tremendous amount of time and effort went into these hearings in the name of fairness to all taxpayers, and the commitment of the members involved should be commended.

I would also like to acknowledge the recent passing of Con Cyr, our former long-standing Road Commissioner. Con served the Town selflessly for many years, and our thoughts go out to his and the Carrara families.

As you read through this year's report and try to make sense of the financials, please be aware of the differences in Town budgeting and Town financial reporting as presented in this report. According to the Government Accounting Standards, the Town Treasurer is required to use modified accrual basis accounting procedures because Shrewsbury issued a bond for construction of the new Town Garage. The Selectboard, by contrast, has developed its budgets using the cash basis for many years. As a result, numbers in the Treasurer's Financial Reports and the Selectboard's Statements may not always agree, and direct comparison can be difficult. Please bear these differences in mind as you review the respective Financial Statements.

In the spring of 2009, the Town applied for and received a grant to perform a thorough energy retrofit and weatherization of the Town Office. The weatherization work that was performed at the Town Office in late 2009 has saved the Town 38% on the heating and electrical usage costs prior to 2009, as these numbers have been tracked since the work was completed.

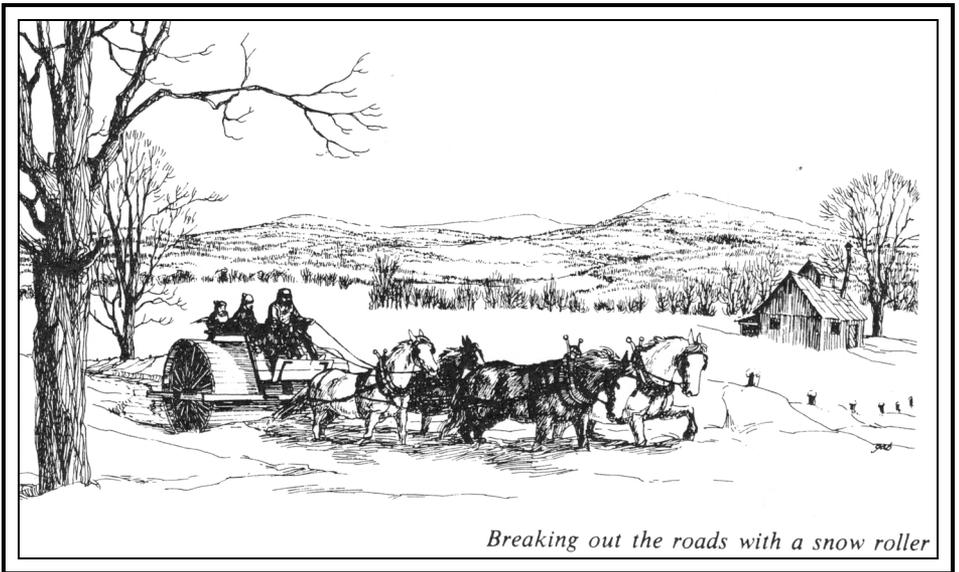
Financially the Town remains in good shape. Once again for 2011 we have budgeted conservatively and have allowed for carry-over cash balance to cover the costs of operating the Town throughout the year without borrowing. As you will notice on this year's warning, we have removed as line items to be voted on and included into our Town operating budget the Town's membership to the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and the Rutland Regional Planning Commission. Both of these membership organizations are vital to the successful operation of the Town throughout the year, so they will be included in our operating budget in the future.

This will be the last Selectboard report that I pen for the foreseeable future, as I am stepping down from the Selectboard as of Town Meeting Day on March 1<sup>st</sup>. It has been an honor to serve the Town for these past four years, and I hope to have the opportunity to do so again in the future. I have enjoyed working with my fellow Selectboard members and the other Town officials. I will miss working with all of you. I would also like to acknowledge all of the hard work and the diligence that the Auditors put forth in putting together the Town Report, and in their important role as the final check and balance of Town operations and finances.

I hope that the Town will support whoever steps forward to fill the vacant position on the Selectboard, as the work of the Town is vitally important to all of us, and a significant commitment for those involved. I look forward to seeing all of you around Town in the years to come.

Please keep in mind that the Selectboard meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month at the Town Office Building at 7:00 P.M., and we encourage your participation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steven Spatz, Chair



*Breaking out the roads with a snow roller*

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

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January thru March was fairly slow weather wise, resulting in less sand, salt, and overtime usage. The Road Crew stayed busy removing dead trees, cutting brush, and maintaining equipment between storms.

In April the Town took delivery of a new 2010 International Dump Truck. With a side dump sander (which sands under the rear tires) greatly improving safety and efficiency. This Truck replaces the 1996 Ford.

The rest of the summer and fall were spent on normal maintenance; Paving Roads, Cleaning Ditches, Grading and Graveling Roads, Replacing Culverts, Cutting Brush and Dead Trees, Stockpiling Sand, Mowing Roadsides, and Maintaining Equipment.

Ten New Culverts were installed while 7,077 Tons of Gravel was used on various roads and 5,317 Tons of Sand was stockpiled for winter use. The following Town Highways were leveled and paved with Hot Mix: TH # 2 (1.1 Miles) and TH # 4 (1.7 Miles).

James Carrara  
Road Commissioner

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**2010 Inventory of Town Equipment**  
**Estimated Value**

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|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| 2010 International 7600 with Plow and Sander | \$ 145,000        |
| 2009 International 7600 with Plow and Sander | \$ 140,000        |
| 2004 Ford F-350 4x4                          | \$ 12,000         |
| 2002 International 2574 With Plow and Sander | \$ 28,000         |
| 2000 928 G Caterpillar Loader                | \$ 48,000         |
| 1998 International 2554 with Plow and Sander | \$ 15,000         |
| 1996 L-8000 Ford with Plow and Sander        | \$ 8,000          |
| 1996 416 B Caterpillar Backhoe               | \$ 18,000         |
| 1995 Woodchuck Brush Chipper                 | \$ 8,500          |
| 1992 120-G Caterpillar Grader                | \$ 40,000         |
| 1991 L-9000 Ford with Plow and Sander        | \$ 6,000          |
| 1968 Tractor and Mower                       | \$ 1,500          |
| York Rake                                    | \$ 500            |
| 6 Two-Way Radios                             | \$ 1,000          |
| Miscellaneous Tools                          | \$ 5,000          |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$ 476,500</b> |

**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES - GENERAL AND ROADS**  
**BUDGETED AND ACTUAL (a)**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2010**

|  | ACTUAL<br>2009           | BUDGET<br>2010           | ACTUAL<br>2010           | BUDGET<br>2011           |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                              |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <b>TAXES:</b>                                |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Current Property Taxes                       | \$ 615,712               | \$ 496,116               | \$ 553,540               | \$ 500,218               |
| Delinquent Tax                               | 82,597                   | -                        | 83,013                   | -                        |
| Less: Warned Items (b)                       | <u>-150,907</u>          |                          | <u>-141,300</u>          |                          |
| Current Property Taxes for General and Roads | 547,401                  |                          | 495,253                  |                          |
| Federal in Lieu of Taxes                     | 5,229                    | 5,000                    | 5,349                    | 5,300                    |
| State In Lieu of Taxes                       | 18,755                   | 18,000                   | 18,725                   | 18,700                   |
| Land Use Taxes                               | 52,691                   | 50,000                   | 57,738                   | 55,000                   |
| Railroad Tax                                 | 568                      | 568                      | 710                      | 710                      |
| <b>ROADS:</b>                                |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Sale of Equipment                            | 4,000                    |                          | -                        |                          |
| State Aid To Roads                           | 123,105                  | 127,800                  | 127,627                  | 127,800                  |
| Services Rendered-Roads                      | 3,382                    | 6,000                    | 5,930                    | 5,800                    |
| Weight Permits                               | 135                      | 100                      | 123                      | 100                      |
| Act 60 Funds                                 | 6,802                    | 6,802                    | 6,812                    |                          |
| Computer Disposal                            | 290                      | 300                      | 334                      | 300                      |
| Dog Licenses                                 | 512                      | 500                      | 537                      | 500                      |
| Fines  | 296                      | -                        | 78                       | -                        |
| Climate Change Grant                         |                          | 10,832                   | 10,832                   | -                        |
| Historical Grant- Bell Tower                 |                          |                          | 5,148                    |                          |
| Interest Income                              | 2,725                    | 2,500                    | 597                      | 600                      |
| Leased Land                                  | 30                       | 30                       | 30                       | 30                       |
| Liquor Licenses                              | 200                      | -                        | 50                       | 50                       |
| Lister Education Funds                       | 390                      | -                        | 390                      | -                        |
| Marriage Licenses                            | 130                      |                          | -                        |                          |
| Other Income                                 | 363                      | -                        | 125                      | -                        |
| Recycling                                    | 1,576                    | 1,600                    | 2,690                    | 2,000                    |
| Restoration Fees                             | 1,117                    | 1,000                    | 881                      |                          |
| School Tax Reconciliation                    | 27,199                   |                          | 29,225                   | -                        |
| Subdivision Permits                          | 457                      | -                        | 125                      | -                        |
| Zoning Permits                               | 645                      | 700                      | 650                      | 600                      |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                         | <u><b>797,999</b></u>    | <u><b>727,848</b></u>    | <u><b>769,959</b></u>    | <u><b>717,708</b></u>    |
| <b>Cash Beginning Balance (c)</b>            | 53,701                   | 226,429                  | 226,429                  | 179,570                  |
| <b>Cash Available for Expenses (c)</b>       | <u><b>\$ 851,700</b></u> | <u><b>\$ 954,277</b></u> | <u><b>\$ 996,388</b></u> | <u><b>\$ 897,278</b></u> |

(a) The Selectboard financial statements are prepared on a cash basis for budgeting purposes.

(b) Taxes Raised for Warned Items are not part of the Revenues for General and Roads.

(c) Cash Beginning Balance and Cash Available for Expenses are corrected in the 2009 Actual and 2010 Budget columns. These corrections also apply to the same columns on page 27 of the 2009 Annual Report along with the following correction to the 2009 Budget column: Cash Beginning Balance: \$53,701 and Cash Available for Expenses \$816,477.

**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**GENERAL EXPENSES - BUDGETED AND ACTUAL (a)**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2010**

|  | ACTUAL<br>2009    | BUDGET<br>2010    | ACTUAL<br>2010    | BUDGET<br>2011    |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>TRANSFER STATION (d)</b>                |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Computer Recycling                         | 1,020             | 1,000             | 760               | 1,000             |
| Tipping Fees                               | 22,887            | 23,000            | 22,746            | 23,000            |
| Hauling                                    | 6,125             | 6,200             | 6,125             | 6,200             |
| Salary                                     | 8,180             | 9,500             | 6,993             | 8,500             |
| Maintenance                                | 1,541             | 1,500             | 333               | 1,500             |
| Solid Waste Dues                           | 2,316             | 2,314             | 2,209             | 2,320             |
| Equipment/Facilities (e)                   | 8,167             | 1,000             | 4,363             | 1,000             |
| Household Hazardous Waste Disp.            | 968               | 1,000             | 1,060             | 1,000             |
| Supplies                                   | 381               | 500               | 274               | 500               |
| Workers Compensation                       | 994               | 852               | 660               | 824               |
| Payroll Expenses                           | 626               | 725               | 505               | 650               |
| Electric                                   | 602               | 700               | 510               | 700               |
| <b>Total Transfer Station</b>              | <b>53,806</b>     | <b>48,291</b>     | <b>46,537</b>     | <b>47,194</b>     |
| <b>TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSE</b>               |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Planning Commission Expense                | 896               | 780               | -                 | 500               |
| Emergency Mgmt/FEMA Expense                | 1,419             | 1,000             | 160               | 500               |
| Payroll Expenses                           | 6,623             | 6,300             | 6,736             | 7,988             |
| Building/Property Insurance                | 2,077             | 1,961             | 1,961             | 1,212             |
| Public Officials Liability Insurance       | 1,216             | 2,036             | 2,036             | 2,836             |
| Emp. Practices Liability Insurance         | 408               | 544               | 544               | 597               |
| Workers Compensation                       | 1,597             | 246               | 469               | 305               |
| Office Heat/Electric                       | 3,593             | 3,000             | 2,930             | 3,500             |
| Training/Education                         | 165               | 400               | 1,315             | 900               |
| Postage                                    | 1,374             | 2,000             | 1,541             | 1,500             |
| Supplies & Equipment                       | 3,773             | 3,500             | 3,766             | 4,000             |
| Software                                   |                   | 400               | 410               | 400               |
| Salaries                                   | 54,194            | 56,922            | 56,061            | 58,775            |
| Office Expense and Mileage                 | 1,783             | 2,100             | 2,177             | 2,100             |
| Building Maintenance/Repair                | 1,687             | 1,500             | 1,413             | 1,500             |
| Warnings                                   | 1,277             | 1,600             | 302               | 1,000             |
| Town Report                                | 1,402             | 1,400             | 1,517             | 1,400             |
| <b>Total Town Officers Expense</b>         | <b>83,485</b>     | <b>85,688</b>     | <b>83,337</b>     | <b>89,013</b>     |
| <b>LISTERS</b>                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Listers Salaries/Supplies                  | 14,278            | 5,000             | 12,575            | 11,490            |
| Payroll Expense                            | 1,432             | 2,248             | 2,070             | 1,093             |
| Reappraisal Expenses/Salaries              |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Salaries                                   | 6,930             | 24,380            | 17,602            | 6,800             |
| Supplies/Printing                          | 121               | 1,700             | 989               | 350               |
| Training                                   | -                 | 743               | 1,116             | 850               |
| <b>Total Listers Expense</b>               | <b>22,760</b>     | <b>34,070</b>     | <b>34,353</b>     | <b>20,583</b>     |
| <b>OTHER DISBURSEMENTS</b>                 |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Animal Damage and Control                  | 101               | 125               | 258               | 250               |
| Bell Tower Grant (e)                       | -                 | -                 | 10,148            |                   |
| County Court Tax                           | 11,438            | 12,300            | 10,647            | 10,000            |
| Garage Bond Principal and Interest Payment | 41,939            | 35,944            | 35,944            | 35,143            |
| Law Enforcement                            | -                 | 1,000             | 148               | 1,000             |
| Legal Fees                                 | 2,959             | 1,000             | 525               | 3,000             |
| Miscellaneous                              | 20                | -                 | 284               |                   |
| Town Events                                | 1,442             | 1,500             | 187               | 1,500             |
| Tree Maintenance                           | -                 | 500               | -                 |                   |
| <b>Total Other Disbursements</b>           | <b>57,899</b>     | <b>52,369</b>     | <b>58,141</b>     | <b>51,393</b>     |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES</b>              | <b>\$ 217,950</b> | <b>\$ 220,418</b> | <b>\$ 222,368</b> | <b>\$ 208,183</b> |

**Town of Shrewsbury**  
**ROAD EXPENSES - BUDGETED AND ACTUAL (a)**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2010**

|   | ACTUAL<br>2009    | BUDGET<br>2010    | ACTUAL<br>2010    | BUDGET<br>2011    |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>ROADS</b>                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Gravel  | 34,719            | 35,000            | 34,353            | 35,000            |
| VLCT Unemployment                               | 776               | 776               | 1,236             | 1,560             |
| BC/BS Health Insurance                          | 50,220            | 43,415            | 44,684            | 50,000            |
| Salt  | 11,900            | 22,000            | 14,355            | 22,000            |
| Winter Sand                                     | 52,208            | 65,000            | 58,609            | 65,000            |
| Culverts & Bridges (e)                          | 5,842             | 7,000             | 6,438             | 3,500             |
| Chloride  |                   | 8,000             | 7,694             |                   |
| Other   | 170               | -                 | -                 |                   |
| VLCT Workmen's Compensation                     | 8,988             | 8,684             | 8,913             | 8,346             |
| Salaries  | 135,453           | 130,000           | 113,610           | 130,000           |
| Equipment Rental                                | 3,300             | 3,000             | -                 | 4,000             |
| Paving (e)                                      | 159,935           | 160,000           | 157,001           | 160,000           |
| Payroll Expenses                                | 10,292            | 11,475            | 8,726             | 11,475            |
| VT State Retirement                             | 5,169             | 6,000             | 4,229             | 6,000             |
| <b>Total Roads</b>                              | <b>478,971</b>    | <b>500,350</b>    | <b>459,847</b>    | <b>496,881</b>    |
| <b>TOWN EQUIPMENT</b>                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Parts & Repairs                                 | 32,401            | 26,000            | 17,246            | 22,000            |
| Tires & Repairs                                 | 4,008             | 5,000             | 4,145             | 5,000             |
| Fuels & Lubricants                              | 26,733            | 35,000            | 35,190            | 40,000            |
| New Equipment (e)                               | 216               | 2,000             | 1,893             | 1,000             |
| Misc. Supplies                                  | 1,035             | 1,000             | 894               | 1,000             |
| Signs   | 195               | 1,000             | 885               | 2,500             |
| <b>Total Town Equipment</b>                     | <b>64,589</b>     | <b>70,000</b>     | <b>60,254</b>     | <b>71,500</b>     |
| <b>TOWN GARAGES</b>                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Equipment                                       | 52                | 500               | -                 | 500               |
| Heating Fuel                                    | 2,316             |                   | 2,085             | 3,000             |
| Maintenance & Supplies                          | 1,640             | 500               | 1,565             | 1,000             |
| Utilities                                       | 1,934             | 5,000             | 3,434             | 4,000             |
| Buildings & Repair (e)                          | 515               | 1,000             | 1,186             | 1,000             |
| Property & Casualty Insurance                   | 10,172            | 10,081            | 10,079            | 11,642            |
| <b>Total Town Garages</b>                       | <b>16,629</b>     | <b>17,081</b>     | <b>18,348</b>     | <b>21,142</b>     |
| <b>TOTAL ROAD EXPENSES</b>                      | <b>560,189</b>    | <b>587,430</b>    | <b>538,449</b>    | <b>589,523</b>    |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES &amp; ROADS</b> | <b>\$ 778,139</b> | <b>\$ 807,848</b> | <b>\$ 760,817</b> | <b>\$ 797,706</b> |

(d) Refer to footnote 10 in Treasurer's Notes to the Financial Statements.

(e) Items include values that have been capitalized, thus increasing the value of Town Assets.

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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The Town Clerk is elected for a three-year term and is required by law to be the receiver and recorder of the Town's Land Records. Other statutory responsibilities include: voter registration and maintaining the voter checklist in conjunction with the Board of Civil Authority, as well as being the presiding officer for elections. The Town Clerk is the clerk of the Board of Civil Authority in matters related to appeals of Lister Grievances. The Town Clerk records Town Proceedings, including the minutes of various town commissions and Vermont Department of Health vital records: Births, Deaths and Civil Marriages. The Clerk issues Civil Marriage licenses and maintains a record of animal licenses for the Department of Public Safety. Often Town Clerks are asked to disseminate information from various State agencies to local constituencies as well as attest to the fact that statutory procedures are being adhered to. In Shrewsbury, the Clerk issues and maintains transfer station permits and has been updating and keeping current the Town website [www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org). The Selectboard has also been utilizing the Clerk for administrative functions as the Board's legislative and oversight responsibilities continue to have additional compliance and record keeping mandates.

This past year we had an Annual Town Election, a Primary Election, a recount of votes and a General Election. General Elections, because of Federal offices, have Federal mandates for the reporting of Overseas Military and Civilian Absentee Ballots and domestic Absentee ballots. This requires extensive record keeping and reporting mandates.

This year there were twenty-nine (29) Appeals of Lister grievances to the Board of Civil Authority, six (6) withdrawals and twenty-three (23) BCA hearings, property inspections, deliberative sessions and decisions to be processed. Of the twenty-three appeals, there were three (3) further appeals to Superior Court and five (5) to the State Appraiser.

Over the course of the past year I have continued the process of restoring records, utilizing the funds voted in 2010 as well as a portion of the recording fees collected. This past year; *Land Records Volume 14, 1907 to 1923* was restored.

This past year I have been re-certified as a Passport Acceptance Agent so that if you require a new or renewed Passport Book or Card you are able to obtain it at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Goodwin

Town of Shrewsbury  
**ANIMAL LICENSES 2010**

| QUANTITY        | TYPE                         | FEE*         | TOTAL COLLECTED   |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 83              | NEUTERED FEMALE              | \$8.00 EACH  | \$581.00          |
| 84              | NEUTERED MALE                | \$8.00 EACH  | \$588.00          |
| 5               | UN-NEUTERED FEMALE           | \$12.00 EACH | \$55.00           |
| 8               | UN-NEUTERED MALE             | \$12.00 EACH | \$88.00           |
| 0               | TOWN TO TOWN<br>COURTESY TAG | NO<br>CHARGE | \$0.00            |
| 3               | SPECIAL                      | \$33.00 EACH | \$99.00           |
| 0               | KENNEL                       | \$13.00 EACH | \$0.00            |
| 19              | LATE FEES                    | \$4.00 EACH  | \$38.00           |
| 183<br>LICENSES |                              |              |                   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    |                              |              | <b>\$1,449.00</b> |

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|--|-------------------|
| Fees submitted to Town of Shrewsbury                       | \$534.00          |
| Fees retained by Clerk                                     | \$366.00          |
| Fees submitted to the State of Vermont Rabies Control Fund | \$183.00          |
| Fees submitted to the State of Vermont Spay/neuter program | <u>\$366.00</u>   |
|  | <b>\$1,449.00</b> |

Anyone who owns or keeps a dog more than six months old shall annually on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> obtain a license and shall pay **\$8.00** for each neutered or spayed dog, **\$12.00** for each un-neutered or unsprayed dog. If the license fee is not paid by April 1, a **50%** penalty is added. The basic license fees are \$4.00 for neutered or spayed and \$8.00 for unneutered or unsprayed, plus \$1.00 on each license for rabies control programs and \$3.00 for dog, cat, wolf-hybrid spaying and neutering programs.

Before a person shall be entitled to obtain a neutered or spayed license for a dog, he shall exhibit to the Town Clerk a certificate signed by a duly licensed veterinarian, showing that the dog has been sterilized.

Before obtaining a license for a dog six months of age or older, a person shall deliver to the Town Clerk a certificate signed by a duly licensed veterinarian, stating that the dog has received a current pre-exposure to rabies vaccine, approved by the Agency of Agriculture. The Town Clerk shall keep the certificate or copies thereof on file.

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**ANIMAL LICENSES 2010**

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**For 2011, to avoid late charges please license your dog by APRIL 1!** To remove the name of a previously licensed animal please call 492-3511. If ordering by mail, please include your new rabies certificate (if needed). Make your check payable to the Town of Shrewsbury for **\$8.00** (neutered) or **\$12.00** (un-neutered) for each animal.

Thank you.

Mark Goodwin  
Town Clerk

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 VITAL STATISTICS**

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|                        | <b>2010</b> | <b>2009</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>2007</b> | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>2003</b> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>BIRTHS</b>          | 6           | 7           | 9           | 6           | 7           | 5           | 3           | 3           |
| <b>DEATHS</b>          | 2*          | 7           | 7           | 4           | 10          | 8           | 8           | 7           |
| <b>MARRIAGES</b>       | 0           | 8           | 4           | 9           | 3           | 4           | 9           | 8           |
| <b>CIVIL MARRIAGES</b> | 8           | 5           |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| <b>CIVIL UNIONS</b>    | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 1           | 1           |

\*The death of at least one Shrewsbury Resident occurred outside the jurisdiction of Vermont, and was not recorded through the Vermont Department of Health, the Town of Shrewsbury has no official record of the death.

Upon recommendation of the Vermont Department of Health, no names are published in this report. The Vital Records are available at the Town Office and are public records.

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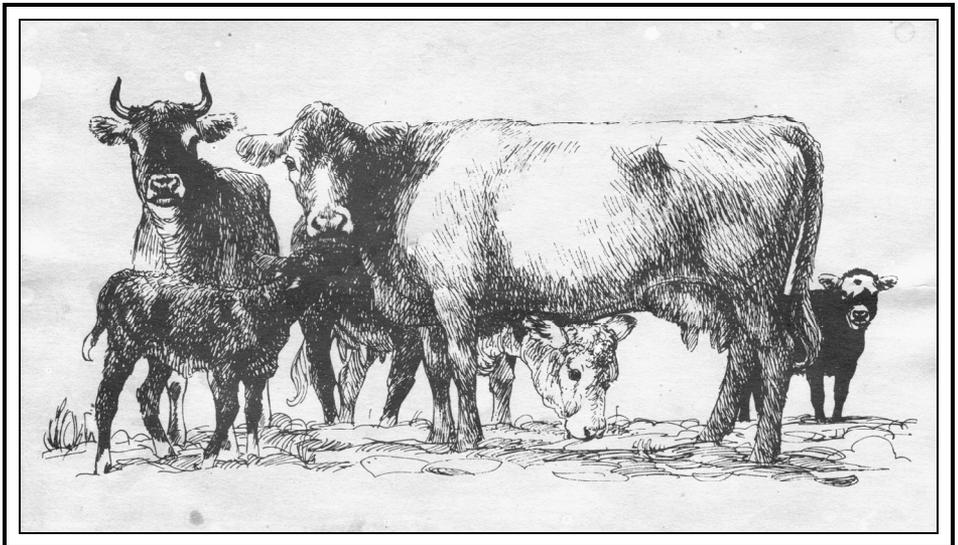
Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT**

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As Animal Control Officer (ACO) for the Town of Shrewsbury, I serve as the chief enforcement officer for animal complaints as defined by the Town animal ordinances. Most often this includes attempting to reunite lost pets with their owners and serving as initial investigator for complaints of animal abuse and neglect. During my service as the ACO I have handled nine animal related calls for the 2010 year.

The statistics include: four aggressive animal complaints, one call for animal abuse, one animal bite - which included a quarantine of fourteen days, one call for a missing cow, one lost pony and one skunk. The animal abuse case was investigated and the animals were taken to the humane society. We were able to find a home for one of the animals in Shrewsbury. The pony's owner was located and it was picked up.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew E. Danaher



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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 TRANSFER STATION REPORT**

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

Yes, my friends, you have done it again. The results of the year's work you have reduced our expenses and increased our income for another year. Here a couple of quick examples.

|                  | 2009     | 2010     | Difference   |
|------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Income Recycling | \$1,576  | \$2,690  | \$1,114 UP   |
| Total Expense    | \$53,806 | \$46,537 | \$7,269 DOWN |

Unfortunately this does not show what we are really trying to do at the Dump. That is to see how much we can save not only in money but also in our natural resources. This can not be shown in a cash position. This is called diversion. We divert it from the compacter and recycle it to create savings. Let me show you a couple examples.

The Reading Room returns to the community many items that are put to use here in Shrewsbury. While this figure is not penny perfect we believe that is in excess of \$30,000.00. Annually.

Another example is cardboard which we bale and recycle. A truckload weights about 3.50 tons. At a price of about \$45.00/ton it gives us an income of \$150.00. But we have also saved the cost of transportation and tipping fees of \$100.00/ton. That means it would cost \$350.00 to trash it through the compacter. Here we save \$200.00 per load. We ship on the average of ten loads a year that brings our total savings here to about \$2000.00 a year. These savings would not be possible without your hard work. I shall be going into this subject at the Dump.

To each and every one of you I say, "Thank You".

Here to help.  
Dick Adams  
Transfer Station Attendant

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## 2010 SOLID WASTE ALLIANCE COMMUNITIES (SWAC) REPORT

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Steve Sgorbati, Chair - Sudbury  
Stan Wilbur, Vice Chair - Tinnmouth  
Norma Phillips, Treasurer - Benson  
Bonnie Rosati, Secretary – Fair Haven

Pamela Clapp, Administrator  
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Telephone: (518) 854-9702  
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SWAC is composed of the towns of Benson, Chittenden, Fair Haven, Middletown Springs, Pawlet, Rutland Town, Shrewsbury, Sudbury, Tinnmouth, and West Haven and serves a population of approximately 14,000 people. These towns work cooperatively to resolve solid waste and hazardous waste issues in an environmentally responsible and cost effective manner. SWAC functions with one part-time Administrator. SWAC fulfills the statutory requirements of the state covering solid and hazardous waste. In 2010, SWAC:

- ❖ Oversaw implementation of the 10 town SWAC Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP). The SWIP is available for review at [www.rutlandcountyswac.org](http://www.rutlandcountyswac.org). Without being included in an approved SWIP, municipalities would not be allowed to dispose of their solid waste in Vermont. SWAC acts as a liaison to the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources representing the SWAC town's interests on issues such as legislation, rule changes, Solid Waste Implementation Plan requirements, and Product Stewardship.
- ❖ Continued its support of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council (VTPSC). ([www.vtpsc.org](http://www.vtpsc.org)) The VTPSC was formed to shift Vermont's product waste management system from government funded, taxpayer and ratepayer financed waste diversion to producer responsibility that encourages green product design and more local distribution networks with producers having the primary responsibility to establish, fund, and manage end of life systems. The Council was an integral part in the passage of electronics manufacturer take back legislation passed in 2010. The legislation becomes effective January 1, 2011. Visit <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/e-waste/> for more information on this new law. SWAC highly encourages individual municipalities as well as individuals to join the Council and add their support to these ongoing efforts.
- ❖ Sponsored eight Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection events in SWAC towns as required by the State as well as contracted for year-round HHW drop-off service for residents at the Rutland County Solid Waste Management District (RCSWMD) HW Depot on Gleason Road in Rutland. There is no charge to residents for these services. Proof of residency is required. REMINDER: IN ADDITION TO THE COLLECTION EVENTS, ANY SWAC RESIDENT CAN DROP OFF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AT THE DEPOT ON GLEASON ROAD DURING REGULARLY SCHEDULED HOURS. Please call John at 770-1333 for more information.

In 2010, 2,134 linear feet of fluorescent bulbs; 5 pounds of ballasts; 326.5

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## 2010 SOLID WASTE ALLIANCE COMMUNITIES (SWAC) REPORT

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gallons of motor oil; 60 gallons of antifreeze/glycols; 64 pounds and 11.25 gallons of pesticides; 74 pounds of batteries; 79.3 gallons of miscellaneous chemicals; 320 aerosols; 690.47 gallons of paint; 464.84 gallons of paint related materials; and 134.13 gallons of small paints were collected. This year paint and paint related products topped the list for the largest quantity of material collected. 202 households participated in collection events. 11 businesses took advantage of hazardous waste collection. In addition, over 24,000 pounds of clothing/textiles were collected. This is the equivalent of saving 168,735 lbs. of CO<sub>2</sub> from entering the environment or removing 19 vehicles from the highway.

Each member town (with the exception of West Haven) has an electronics/computer collection container. 12,700 pounds of electronics were collected from residents. 1,260 pounds of electronics were collected from businesses. SWAC and the RCSWD cosponsored a free-electronics collection event in October. The collection was paid for by Panasonic, Sharp, Sony, Toshiba, Visio, IBM, and LG, and handled by Good Point Recycling in Middlebury. Over 12 tons of electronics were collected at the event.

- ❖ Maintained a website ([www.rutlandcountyswac.org](http://www.rutlandcountyswac.org)) providing information on topics such as transfer station information, household hazardous waste education and collection event schedules, recycling, and composting.

Thank you to all citizens who participate in our ongoing efforts to properly recycle and dispose of solid and hazardous waste. Remember the 4 Rs – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and REFUSE.

The Shrewsbury Representative to SWAC is appointed by the Selectboard. The position is currently rotated among the Selectboard members. Bert Potter was the SWAC representative in 2010.

**Hazardous Waste Collection Day in Shrewsbury is scheduled for June, 18, 2011 between 1:00 and 3:30 pm at the Shrewsbury Transfer Station.**

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 BOARD OF LISTERS REPORT**

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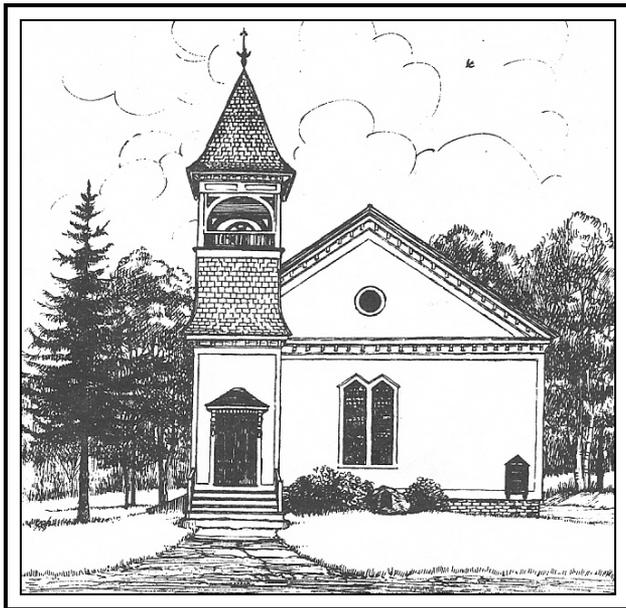
The Wright Appraisal Company of West Rutland finished the town wide reappraisal and we have gone through the grievance process and hearings in front of the Board of Civil Authority.

There are five property owners, (J. Calotta, VT Earth Resources, L. McGuire, D. Pitts and M. Uhler) that are going on to appeal to the state appraiser and three that are going to bypass the state appraiser and go directly to court, (D. Connolly, V. Duff and Fox Lots).

The Common Level of Reappraisal (CLA) was 65.21% before the reappraisal started and was 89.89% at the end of the hearings with the Board of Civil Authority (this CLA number is assigned by the State but is not our actual CLA). As of December 16, 2010 our actual CLA is 95.02%.

The Listers can be contacted at 492-2009.

We again thank everyone for their cooperation throughout the reappraisal.  
Betsy Jesser                      Steven Nicholson                      Sharon Winnicki



Shrewsbury Historical Society  
Formerly the Shrewsbury Community Church

**2010 SHREWSBURY PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

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The duties of the Planning Commission are varied and include the following:

Prepare a town plan and amendments to the town plan for consideration by the legislative body (Selectboard); Prepare and present land use regulations; Undertake capacity studies and make recommendations on matters of land development, historic and scenic preservation, etc.; Hold public meetings that relate to the work of the Planning Commission with other departments of the municipality; Participate in a regional planning program.

This past year, the SPC has been developing a draft of the unified Zoning-Subdivision Regulations, which will provide for an updating of the current Subdivision Regulations to coincide both with State regulations, and with our Zoning Regulations.

In June, we prepared and guided the re-adoption of the Interim Flood Hazard Area regulations while starting to review the new Vermont State models for Flood Hazard Area regulations. We met and consulted with the Environmental Analyst from the Department of Environmental Conservation in our study, then drafted and recently presented the proposed Flood Hazard Area regulations to the Select Board. At the time of this writing, we have just prepared for the PC public hearing, which will be held on Jan. 20, 2011. We have recently obtained large format prints of the new flood hazard area maps that are now available for viewing at the Town Office.

Other items of interest during this past year have included: our review and acceptance of Act 250 permit application language for the Catamount Trail; consideration of available planning grants and projects we would like to propose for funding; and we noted Smart Growth Vermont's highlight of our development of a "Wildlife Corridor" zoning overlay zone which is displayed on their website.

Many thanks to all members who have assumed the many tasks at hand this year including subcommittee reviews, drafts of documents, reports on regional activities and copying, mailing and posting legal notices.

The PC meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Offices on the first and third Mondays of every month. We welcome input and dialogue from everyone in our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Black, Chair

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 SHREWSBURY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD REPORT**

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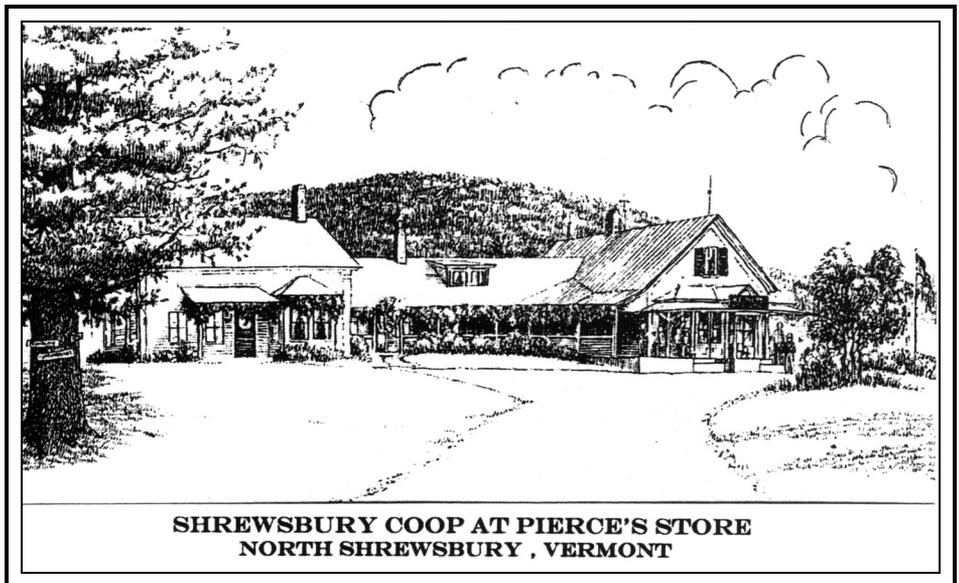
The Shrewsbury Development Review Board (DRB) reviews applications for subdivision of land, variances from the Town's zoning regulations, conditional uses, development in overlay zones and appeals from decisions of the Zoning Administrator.

The Board meets as required, based on the applications received. All hearings are publicly warned and open to the public. In addition, we notify all adjacent landowners of applications in accordance with State statute. All records of applications, hearings and decisions by the DRB are retained at the Town Office and are a public record.

Applications to the DRB may be obtained from the Zoning Administrator, who will inform the applicant about the information needed by the Board to conduct a hearing. The DRB's decisions are made in accordance with the Town's duly adopted zoning and subdivision ordinances.

During 2010, the Board held only three hearings, consisting of two applications for subdivision amendments and one telecommunications hearing.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark P. Youngstrom, Chair



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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

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The national building slow down was again felt in Shrewsbury. In 2010, we had 19 permits applied for and granted. Only one was a new home permit, but its construction was cancelled. The others were for a variety of additions, decks and storage structures. I received notification of three agricultural buildings being built.

I, again, submit the following paragraph in hopes that this year it is accomplished: The Selectboard, Planning Commission and I will be having discussions in the coming months over how enforcement of zoning violations should/will be handled in Town. As your Zoning Administrator, I have not made a practice of driving around looking for violations, but when they are brought to my attention or I notice them in my regular travels, a letter will follow. For the most part Townspeople are very good about fixing the issue-- usually submitting a permit for a structure that they were unaware needed one or forgot to apply for. Occasionally, my letters are ignored and then the issue is how much money will be required to go to court to demand compliance. My suggestion to both the Planning Commission and the Selectboard is that the Zoning Administrator be able to write tickets for simple infractions that will be answerable at the Judicial Bureau in White River. A number of Towns do this and it allows a quicker and more affordable solution to situations that need to be addressed, but are not worth spending significant sums to do so. I am interested in hearing your opinions on this, feel free to call me about this issue or any questions you have regarding our Town's Zoning or Subdivision Ordinances

As in the past, I thank you all for your politeness and consideration with the permit process which, I realize, does not always please, especially when it interferes with your plans.

Submitted by  
Adrienne Raymond

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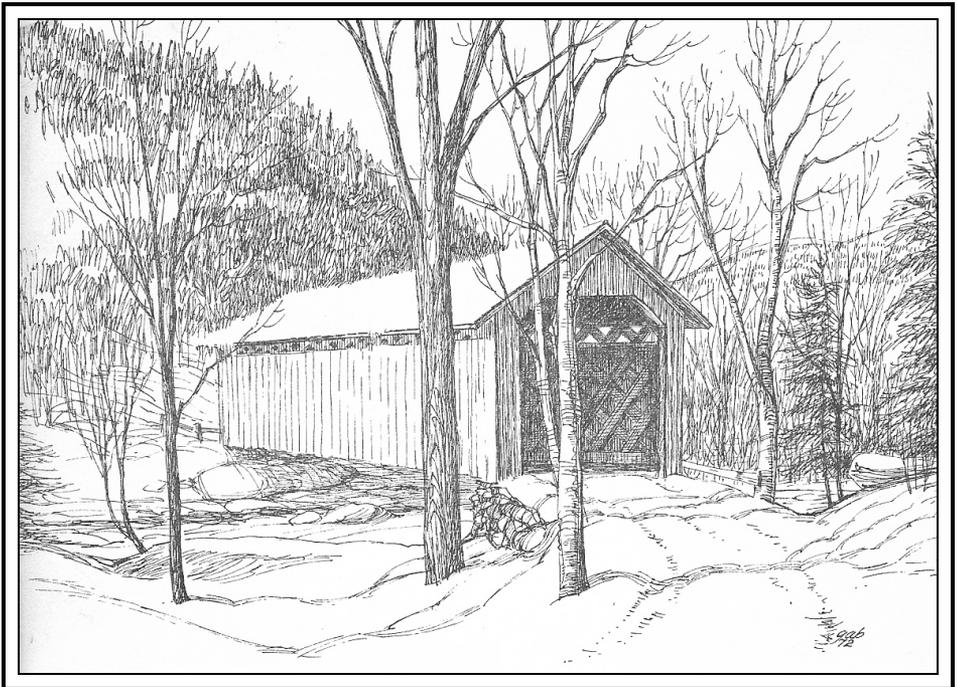
Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 TOWN CONSTABLES' REPORT**

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As Constables for the Town of Shrewsbury, we serve as the first and second enforcement officers for town ordinances and state laws. Activities included: eight suspicious vehicle calls, two calls for landowner border disputes, one call for illegal dumping which involved the state police in a burglary in Clarendon, one call for a possible abandoned car, two calls for despondent persons, and one call to dispatch a wounded deer illegally shot.

Many, many calls came in requesting more information regarding all the deer jacking in town involving a particular vehicle. Many thanks to Betsy Jesser with the Neighborhood Watch and all the citizens of Shrewsbury who called in with valuable information that allowed us to gather enough evidence for the game warden to catch and charge one of the culprits involved. This is proof that a community can look after itself with many watchful eyes and a lot of concerned citizens.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew E. Danaher, 1<sup>st</sup> Constable  
Peter LaJoie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Constable



Brown Bridge

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT**

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Shrewsbury has had several rental housing issues this year; some were landlord complaints about tenants, and an equal number were complaints by tenants regarding landlord problems. If you are a landlord or a renter, information about your rights and your obligations is available at the Town Office.

Statewide workshop training for Town Health Officers was in Montpelier this year. I was asked to be a presenter, and represented Shrewsbury in this way.

H1N1 flu is a reality in our community. While not as widespread as originally predicted, it remains a threat that should not be minimized. Good hygiene practices and immunization are our best defense.

I have investigated and reported on a number of animal bites this year. Most, but not all of these animals were up to date with their rabies inoculations. Some animals had to be quarantined at the owner's expense. **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU REGISTER YOUR PET AT THE TOWN OFFICE!** In doing so, you make the process of investigating these instances, quarantine, and follow-up less stressful for all. Thank you to Matt Danaher for stepping in with diligent animal control!

Public health hazards on private properties were reported and investigated. Piles of cardboard and trash left uncontained can pose a public health risk due to the rodents which live in these piles or dangerous materials which are part of the pile. Please take your trash to the dump. We must all work to keep Shrewsbury the beautiful place it is.

The Shrewsbury Mountain School was the focus of a good deal of monitoring, surveillance and cleanup this year. Because of issues with insulation work done during Thanksgiving break, some people reported illnesses that might have been related to toxic residue and air quality issues. The school board and the principal responded by closing the school for a few days to ensure that cleanup and sampling could be done. When all sampling results could not be reported rapidly enough to ensure that everyone could return to the building safely, the decision was made to close the building to students until after the Christmas break. Teachers brought supplies from their classrooms for each day, and taught their classes at Mill River. Kudos to the teachers and students for maintaining a great learning environment under most difficult conditions! In response to the results of the testing, ventilation issues were addressed, and the building has been reported safe to occupy.

I have placed pamphlets in the Town office regarding health issues that might be of concern to Town residents. Of course, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 492-8282.

Respectfully submitted,  
Irene Gordon,  
Town Health Officer

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

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During 2010 the Shrewsbury Office of Emergency Management continued its efforts to improve our Emergency Management Program. The staff updated the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP 2010) to meet the new format developed by the State of Vermont Emergency Management Program. The new format is useful, for it outlines the duties of each of the Departments in the Emergency Management Team, such as the Fire Department, the Road Crew, and the Constable. It also contains useful information for the operation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which is located in our Town Office. Our EOC functions not only as a Communications and Coordination Center, but also as a primary shelter approved by the Red Cross. It is powered by an automatic generator(funded through Federal and State EM grants) which activates when the CVSP power fails. Should you need water, warmth, or bathroom facilities during an extended power outage, or other emergency, you will find them here.

Shrewsbury remains an active member of the Rutland LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Commission), by attending monthly meetings and trainings, and reporting pertinent information to our Select Board.

In terms of major training, the LEPC and Shrewsbury were represented by Irene Gordon at the three day CATEX Statewide exercise in Stowe, VT. The scenario involved major flooding in the northern part of Vermont which activated EOC's, Fire Departments, police, hospitals, Red Cross responders and National Guard troops throughout the region. Communications and teamwork proved to be the keys to success.

Our current goal is to equip a second emergency shelter for the town, at the Shrewsbury Mountain School, with a generator. To achieve this, we are applying for a second Vermont Emergency Management (VEM) Grant from the State of Vermont, and will be looking to raise matching funds to purchase and install the generator.

Any townspeople interested in joining the emergency management team is encouraged to call. We welcome any and all input, and can be reached by leaving a message at the town office, or calling Irene at home – 492-8282.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Gordon

Shrewsbury Emergency Management Director

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 SHREWSBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT**

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Green Up 2010 was a success thanks to more than 82 volunteers. As usual we hauled in lots of garbage and a few odd items that had been marring our beautiful town. It is dirty and difficult work and the Conservation Commission truly appreciates those who participate.

We also planted four sugar maple trees, at the Town Hall. It is our hope that these beautiful, leafy trees will shade this part of town for years to come.

The Conservation Commission also called, or attempted to call, every household in Shrewsbury in an effort to get the word out about the home energy conservation opportunity available through Neighborworks of Western Vermont. It was our hope that homeowners be able to “button up” their houses as recommended by a low cost energy audit.

Finally, the Conservation Commission has provided recycling bins to the school and continues to assist with getting the recyclables to the dump each week.

We welcome new members and ideas!

Respectfully submitted by,

Cynthia Thornton

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 SHREWSBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Beginning Balance January 1, 2010 | \$2889.44        |
| Cash Receipts:                    | 0.00             |
| Disbursements                     | <u>(1099.44)</u> |
| Ending Balance December 31, 2010  | \$ 1790.00       |

Respectfully submitted by,  
Carol Calotta

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 COMMUNITY MEETING HOUSE TRUSTEES REPORT**

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The Shrewsbury Meeting House Committee, Inc, created in 1972, is responsible for the management and maintenance of our treasured and historic Town Hall, constructed in 1852. The Meeting House is continuously used by the community and church, as originally intended, for town meetings, voting, dances, hearings, church services, committee meetings, receptions and parties, concerts, weddings, funerals, food divides, quilting classes, exercise classes and other community functions.

The Meeting House Committee, Inc. is comprised of seven trustees, with three trustees appointed by the Selectboard, three appointed by the Shrewsbury Community Church and one member appointed by the Committee itself. The building is available for any Town or Church function, general community gathering or civic group, and can be rented for private functions by Town residents only. Use of the downstairs hall can be arranged by contacting the Committee and appropriate use of the sanctuary can be arranged through the Shrewsbury Committee Church and the Committee.

We are pleased to report that a 50% grant from the Vermont Department for Historic Preservation was used to rebuild the beams holding the bell in the steeple. The work was completed by Jeremiah Parker Restoration and now the bell can be used. In addition, access to the bell, inside the steeple was improved.

With some of the funds saved by receiving the State grant we will be restoring the Hall front entrance and coat room this year, finding suitable storage for chairs and tables elsewhere. In addition, some interior and exterior painting will be completed. Within the next 5-10 years, the main roof will need replacing and the entire building will need repainting, both significant cost items that we will begin preparing for.

A special thank you goes to the Shrewsbury Conservation Committee for planting four maple trees to replace some of the old trees near the Meeting House. We also wish to thank Jeff Smith who has faithfully served as the Meeting House custodian for over a decade. Jeff's son, Jason, will now be doing those important jobs of keeping the building accessible, clean, and ready for use.

Thank you to all who care for this building and leave it in good condition after use. Please contact the Meeting House Committee with any suggestions for improvements or if you are interested in helping us with preserving this wonderful building.

Submitted by,  
Mark Youngstrom for the Community Meeting House Trustees

Town of Shrewsbury  
**SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY MEETING HOUSE**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,2010**

**BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2010** **\$12,525.11**

**RECEIPTS**

|                             |             |                    |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Town of Shrewsbury          | \$12,000.00 |                    |
| Shrewsbury Community Church | \$8,700.00  |                    |
| Hall Rental                 | \$585.00    |                    |
| Interest                    | \$49.17     |                    |
| Donations                   | \$1,850.00  |                    |
| Other                       | \$37.91     |                    |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>       |             | <b>\$23,222.08</b> |

**EXPENDITURES**

|                            |             |                    |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Electricity                | \$901.66    |                    |
| Propane                    | \$4,142.99  |                    |
| Telephone                  | \$511.78    |                    |
| Custodial                  | \$2,099.18  |                    |
| Maintenance                | \$2,436.38  |                    |
| Insurance                  | \$3,372.31  |                    |
| Supplies                   | \$126.81    |                    |
| Improvements               | \$10,295.00 |                    |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b> |             | <b>\$23,886.11</b> |

**ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2010** **\$11,861.08**

Town of Shrewsbury  
**SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY MEETING HOUSE**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS**

|                                     | <u>2009</u>           | <u>2010</u>        | <u>2010</u>        | <u>2010</u>        |            |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
|                                     | <u>ACTUAL</u>         | <u>BUDGET</u>      | <u>ACTUAL</u>      | <u>BUDGET</u>      |            |
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>                     |                       |                    |                    |                    |            |
| Town of Shrewsbury                  | \$12,000.00           | \$12,000.00        | \$12,000.00        | \$12,000.00        |            |
| Town of Shrewsbury - Steeple Repair |                       | \$5,000.00         | \$0.00             | \$0.00             | see note 2 |
| Shrewsbury Community Church         | \$0.00 <sup>(1)</sup> | \$4,350.00         | \$8,700.00         | \$4,350.00         | see note 1 |
| Hall Rental                         | \$1,225.00            | \$800.00           | \$585.00           | \$800.00           |            |
| Interest                            | \$45.95               | \$50.00            | \$49.17            | \$50.00            |            |
| Donations                           | \$1,000.00            | \$1,000.00         | \$1,850.00         | \$1,000.00         |            |
| State Grant                         |                       | \$8,500.00         | \$0.00             | \$500.00           | see note 3 |
| Other                               | \$0.00                | \$0.00             | \$37.91            | \$0.00             |            |
| From checking account               |                       | \$3,000.00         |                    | \$2,500.00         |            |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>               | <b>\$14,270.95</b>    | <b>\$34,700.00</b> | <b>\$23,222.08</b> | <b>\$21,200.00</b> |            |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                 |                       |                    |                    |                    |            |
| Electricity                         | \$1,194.64            | \$1,200.00         | \$901.67           | \$1,000.00         |            |
| Propane                             | \$3,683.97            | \$4,000.00         | \$4,142.99         | \$4,000.00         |            |
| Telephone                           | \$486.68              | \$500.00           | \$511.78           | \$500.00           |            |
| Custodial                           | \$2,099.18            | \$2,400.00         | \$2,099.18         | \$2,100.00         |            |
| Maintenance                         | \$1,920.57            | \$2,000.00         | \$2,436.38         | \$2,000.00         |            |
| Insurance                           | \$3,422.47            | \$3,500.00         | \$3,372.31         | \$4,000.00         |            |
| Supplies                            | \$60.16               | \$100.00           | \$126.81           | \$100.00           |            |
| General Improvements                | \$307.37              | \$4,000.00         | \$0.00             | \$6,500.00         |            |
| Steeple Repair                      |                       | \$17,000.00        | \$10,295.00        | \$1,000.00         |            |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b>          | <b>\$13,175.04</b>    | <b>\$34,700.00</b> | <b>\$23,886.12</b> | <b>\$21,200.00</b> |            |

1. \$4,350 payment from Shrewsbury Community Church for 2009 received prior to 12-31-09 but deposited 1-8-10
2. Payment for Steeple Repair not received until after 12-31-10
3. Payment for Steeple Repair not received until after 12-31-10

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## 2010 SHREWSBURY LIBRARY REPORT

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The Library is requesting \$7500 in town tax support this year to help cover our basic operating expenses – heating fuel, electricity, insurance, telephone service and internet access, septic pumping, and maintenance (including plowing and mowing)--which last year came to \$7,874. As in the past, we will fund-raise to meet the remaining operating expenses, and to add new books, DVDs, and music CDs to our collection, as well as presenting programs in the public interest. We use our Capital Fund to maintain our historic building and to upgrade technological services.

In 2010, the Library celebrated 35 years as an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation dedicated to providing information, educational and cultural services to townspeople free of charge. Last year, we loaned 4,131 books, DVDs, videotapes, and music CDs to adults, young adults, and children; and recorded 3,344 visits by patrons. 392 people took advantage of our free high-speed internet connection and our second public computer. Patrons also brought their laptops and accessed the internet through our WiFi (wireless service). We met the Minimum Standards for Vermont Public Libraries for the 10th straight year.

Children's Librarian Gail Hartigan and Co-President of the Board Donna Swartz took courses toward certification as Vermont Librarians. The Library offered 27 children's programs - Junior Librarians, Teen Book Club, the Summer Reading Program; and Dino Rice's Summer & Winter Songs - which were attended by 379 children. A group of teens meets regularly to bar-code the children's collection, and Mill River seniors have staffed the Library as part of their Community Service requirement.

558 people attended 21 Library programs, including: "Sights & Sites" by Gerry and Chryl Martin; Stephen Chamberlain on Gardeners' Challenges; the Gardeners' Roundtable; Stan and Louise Duda on Habitat for Humanity in Cambodia; an art exhibit by Prudence See; Penelope Weiss reading from her new book, Storiana; Cailey Gibson on her work in Mali; Mettawee Theatre Company's annual outdoor production; the Annual Book & Bake Sale; and the Annual Holiday Cookie Swap & Silent Auction. The Famous Books Book Club met monthly, reading such books as The Odyssey and The Catcher in the Rye, as well as the Vermont Reads selection, The Day of the Pelican, (thanks to Chryl Martin).

Donna Swartz, Lisa Sharrow, Alicia Blecich, Alex Bullock, and Caitlyn Hartigan continue the time-consuming work of bar-coding our collections. Under our Five-Year Plan, we have created a reading corner; are replacing videotapes with DVDs, adding magazines; and will offer borrowers the opportunity to download audio books once automation is complete. John (Woody) Wood continues to insulate the old building; the new book drop will allow us to seal the front window.

We are very grateful for the Town's past support and its continuing generosity.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Aleshire & Donna Swartz, Co-Presidents

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**2010 SHREWSBURY LIBRARY REPORT**

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|                                    |          |           |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| BEGINNING BALANCE, January 1, 2010 |          | \$ 64,059 |
| RECEIPTS:                          |          |           |
| Operating                          | 17,251   |           |
| Capital Fund                       | -        |           |
| Restricted                         | 1,019    |           |
| Total Receipts                     | 18,270   | 18,270    |
| EXPENDITURES:                      |          |           |
| Operating                          | 12,700   |           |
| Capital Fund                       | 2,990    |           |
| Restricted                         | 1,815    |           |
| Total Expenditures                 | (17,505) | (17,505)  |
| ENDING BALANCE, December 31, 2010  |          | \$ 64,824 |

|  |  |           |
|--|--|-----------|
| Capital Fund - Beginning January 1, 2010 |  | \$ 30,000 |
| Receipts                                 |  | -         |
| Board designation of funds               |  | -         |
| Expenditures                             |  | (2,990)   |
| Capital Fund - Ending December 31, 2010  |  | \$ 27,010 |

Restricted and Grant Revenue and Expense:

|                            | Beginning<br>Balances | Receipts | Expended | Ending<br>Balances |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| Ben Perry Fund             | \$ 2,154              | \$ -     | \$ 1,405 | \$ 749             |
| E. Jeffords Permanent Fund | 3,500                 | -        | -        | 3,500              |
| Freeman Grant              | 40                    | -        | -        | 40                 |
| Children's Program         | -                     | 274      | 274      | -                  |
| Allan YA Book Fund         | 121                   | -        | 84       | 37                 |
| Gerty Current Fiction Fund | -                     | 595      | 52       | 543                |
| Large Print Books Fund     | -                     | 50       | -        | 50                 |
| Viola Parker Fund          | 357                   | -        | -        | 357                |
| Speakers Fund              | 595                   | -        | -        | 595                |
| Mitch Spencer Fund         | 29                    | 100      | -        | 129                |
|                            | \$ 6,796              | \$ 1,019 | \$ 1,815 | \$ 6,000           |

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## 2010 SHREWSBURY LIBRARY REPORT

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### COMPARATIVE OPERATING REPORT

|  | 2009             | 2010          |                 | 2011              |
|--|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
|  | Actual           | Budget        | Actual          | Budget            |
| <b>Operating Revenue:</b>                              |                  |               |                 |                   |
| Town   | \$ 7,500         | \$ 7,500      | \$ 7,500        | \$ 7,500          |
| Donations & Unrestricted Grants                        | 9,708            | 4,000         | 2,780           | 5,400             |
| Fundraising  | 5,549            | 4,335         | 5,872           | 4,675             |
| Interest Earned  | 441              | 800           | 479             | 300               |
| Other income   | 633              | 500           | 620             | 500               |
| <b>Total Operating Revenue</b>                         | <u>23,831</u>    | <u>17,135</u> | <u>17,251</u>   | <u>18,375</u>     |
| <b>Operating Expenses:</b>                             |                  |               |                 |                   |
| Advertising  | 220              | 220           | 220             | 220               |
| Materials: Adults                                      | 1,350            | 1,900         | 1,356           | 3,300             |
| Materials: Children & YA                               | 68               | 500           | 11              | 1,450             |
| Children's Program Expense                             | 280              | 1,200         | 854             | 1,250             |
| Equipment & Repairs                                    | -                | 250           | -               | 150               |
| Electricity  | 1,621            | 1,150         | 1,132           | 1,350             |
| Five year plan costs                                   | -                | -             | 54              | 1,400             |
| Fuel   | 1,851            | 2,560         | 1,839           | 2,025             |
| Fundraising & events expense                           | 1,159            | 1,500         | 1,511           | 900               |
| Insurance  | 1,874            | 1,900         | 1,939           | 1,915             |
| Librarian Expense                                      | 110              | 150           | 115             | 175               |
| Maintenance  | 925              | 2,000         | 1,464           | 1,625             |
| Miscellaneous  | 43               | 115           | 135             | 150               |
| Organizational Dues                                    | -                | 15            | -               | 15                |
| Septic Pumping   | 600              | 1,500         | 500             | 1,000             |
| Postage  | 64               | 140           | 2               | 120               |
| Postage-Interlibrary loan                              | 95               | 250           | 67              | 200               |
| Program Expense  | -                | 125           | -               | 800               |
| Supplies   | 599              | 650           | 501             | 700               |
| Telephone  | 1,077            | 1,010         | 1,000           | 1,030             |
| <b>Total Operating Expense</b>                         | <u>11,936</u>    | <u>17,135</u> | <u>12,700</u>   | <u>19,775</u>     |
| Excess of operating revenue<br>over operating expenses | <u>\$ 11,895</u> | <u>\$ -</u>   | <u>\$ 4,551</u> | <u>\$ (1,400)</u> |

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## 2010 SHREWSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

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The Shrewsbury Historical Society members worked hard in 2010 starting with a spring fund-raiser, the Plant & Bake Sale. Members and friends of the Society provided the home baked items and Shrewsbury gardens yielded many flowering plants and herbs. The Memories 2011 calendar fund-raiser was again a sellout.

The museum was filled this past summer with special exhibits. Of note was the History Expo exhibit the Society prepared with the theme "Back to the Land Again," featuring three families in Shrewsbury, the Arthur Kruegers, the Bob Landons and Gracie Brigham. Special dioramas were prepared by Shrewsbury youngsters, Manolo Zelkin, and Emmett and Cedelle Sirjane. Fran Patten and Gracie Brigham were overseers of the exhibit. Another notable exhibit was based on the 64 Civil War Letters to Home that were donated to the Society by Ed Cook, Jr., Fred Cook, George Cook and Edith Cook Penney, all great-grandchildren of the author of the letters, George Wellington Foster. Added to the exhibit of letters was the loan of a beautiful Civil War-era dress, hand sewn by Clara Krueger, and an 1862 Civil War sword, donated by Sally Jones. A special family reunion of the Cooks was held on October 10<sup>th</sup>, with 20 members eager to see the exhibit and listen to family history given by Ed Cook.

I want to express my thanks to all committee members for their commitment in keeping the outside of the museum plowed and mowed, and the inside clean and interesting.

Genealogy requests have been constant and the files and albums that are worked on all year round have been available to many people searching their roots.

The Historical Society's website continues to inform and entertain. We are proud of it and highly recommend it to all residents. [www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.com).

The year 2011 will celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the Society, with thanks to Arthur Patten, Margaret Adams, Nancy Spencer, Fred Gressler, Sadie Hamilton, Lloyd Stapleton, Emily Korngiebel, Ann Coffin, Karen Carrara, Jack and Dorothy Turnbeau, Mitch Spencer, Tom Mitchell, George Richards, Cornelia Biddle, Peggy Patten, Frances and George Brigham, and Jim McCullough. Among other names on record were Rosalie Stevens, Fred Elwert and Phyllis Wells.

The year 2011 will also celebrate the Town of Shrewsbury's 250<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. Royal Governor of New Hampshire, Benning Wentworth, signed a charter on September 4, 1761, granting 24,000 acres to Samuel Ashley and 63 associates, forming the Town of Shrewsbury. The Society plans to reproduce the 3-page Charter on parchment paper which will be suitably framed and on display at the museum.

The Shrewsbury Historical Society is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization and our annual request to the Town for \$2000 will greatly help us to continue with the maintenance costs and operating expenses of the historical museum building. This past year a rotted windowsill had to be replaced and four basement windows were installed.

We are all so very grateful for the support of the voters of the Town of Shrewsbury.

Respectfully submitted,  
President, Conrad Winkler

**SHREWSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
**Financial Report for the Year Ending December 31, 2010**

**SUMMARY**

**BEGINNING CASH BALANCE**

|                          |    |           |
|--------------------------|----|-----------|
| Checking Account Balance | \$ | 4,486.13  |
| Less Outstanding Checks  |    | (22.00)   |
| Money Market Acct        |    | 5,716.03  |
| Certificates of Deposit  |    | 23,298.56 |

**CASH BALANCE, January 1, 2010** 33,478.72

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total Receipts for 2010           | 11,785.20          |
| Total Operating Expenses for 2010 | <u>(11,098.10)</u> |

**ENDING CASH BALANCE**

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Checking Account Balance | 2,828.78  |
| Less Outstanding Checks  | (20.00)   |
| Money Market Acct        | 7,727.46  |
| Certificates of Deposit  | 23,609.58 |

**ENDING CASH BALANCE, December 31, 2010** \$34,165.82

**COMPARATIVE OPERATING STATEMENTS**

|  | Actual<br>2009              | Budget<br>2010     | Actual<br>2010          | Budget<br>2011     |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>RECEIPTS:</b>                         |                             |                    |                         |                    |
| Town of Shrewsbury                       | \$ 1,500.00                 | \$ 2,000.00        | \$ 2,000.00             | \$ 2,000.00        |
| Membership dues                          | 830.00                      | 850.00             | 595.00                  | 650.00             |
| Fund Raising                             | 2,757.41                    | 2,500.00           | 2,281.75                | 2,500.00           |
| Contributions                            | 1,812.50                    | 2,000.00           | 6,586.00                | 2,000.00           |
| Interest on CD's and MM                  | 771.11                      | 400.00             | 322.45                  | 250.00             |
| Other                                    | -                           | -                  | 0.00                    | 0.00               |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                    | <u>7,671.02</u>             | <u>7,750.00</u>    | <u>11,785.20</u>        | <u>7,400.00</u>    |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES:</b>           |                             |                    |                         |                    |
| Building Repairs & Maintenance           | 12,585.63                   | 2,300.00           | 1,566.39                | 2,000.00           |
| Insurance                                | 1,208.00                    | 1,250.00           | 1,238.00                | 1,240.00           |
| Electricity                              | 347.67                      | 400.00             | 331.29                  | 400.00             |
| Heating Fuel                             | 766.00                      | 1,500.00           | 1,181.59                | 1,500.00           |
| Archival Supplies                        | 287.59                      | 425.00             | 260.51                  | 400.00             |
| Supplies and misc                        | 1,378.72                    | 1,200.00           | 5,864.16                | 1,200.00           |
| Postage                                  | 219.52                      | 250.00             | 246.20                  | 250.00             |
| Telephone                                | 408.05                      | 425.00             | 409.96                  | 410.00             |
| <b>Total Operating Expenses</b>          | <u>17,201.18</u>            | <u>7,750.00</u>    | <u>11,098.10</u>        | <u>7,400.00</u>    |
| <b>Excess Receipts over Expenditures</b> | <u><u>\$ (9,530.16)</u></u> | <u><u>\$ -</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 687.10</u></u> | <u><u>\$ -</u></u> |

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## 2010 SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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The year 2010 was another busy one for your Fire Department. We responded to 38 calls of all sorts. We are happy to report that there were no major structure fires in Shrewsbury, although we provided mutual aid for several in Mt. Holly and Clarendon. We do more than fight fires. In 2010 your volunteers dramatically rescued a motorist trapped in her vehicle in a raging Mill River off Route 103. We train and prepare to try to be ready for any emergency. In 2010 our 21 members put in more than 1500 volunteer hours, so that we can respond effectively when needed.

At our October 2010 Annual Meeting, Kevin Brown passed the white Fire Chief helmet to Russell Carrara. We thank Kevin for giving the Department and community five years of exemplary service as our Fire Chief. We thank Russ for stepping up to assume command, after preparing and training as a line officer.

In 2010, SVFD determined it could wait no longer to replace its failing forty-year-old Northam Tanker. We found a way to do this in a creative and cost-effective manner. SVFD purchased a used (but much newer) tank from Clarendon, and had it mounted on a 2003 International diesel chassis. John Elwert helped us complete the transition by doing fabrication work. This needed replacement was accomplished utilizing the generous bequest made to the Fire Department by Minnie Shaw.

Northam Station was extensively upgraded in 2010 as well, with extensive use of member talents. The electrical service was extensively upgraded. The utility room was made fire code compliant. The heating system was expanded for better heat distribution. Ventilation was increased in the roof area to alleviate icing problems. Counter surfaces and a deep wash sink for cleaning equipment were added. A bunker gear drying area was installed. Thanks to all who helped for a job well done!

At the annual Vermont State Firefighters Convention, SVFD's 1992 Tanker received the Best Appearing Tanker Award -- in recognition of our efforts maintaining this vehicle -- for the eighteenth year in a row! At SVFD's 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Al Ridlon, Jr. received the Peter Cosgrove Award, while the Chief Snarski Award was given to Jamie Carrara. In 2010 we welcomed Mark Gilman and Elliott Stewart to the ranks of our dedicated volunteers. Congratulations to all!

Once again, SVFD's Trustees are pleased to present a "level funding" budget request to the Town. We have found a way to do this for 15+ years, in spite of our constantly increasing operating expenses and equipment costs. This has been made possible by the fundraising efforts of our members and Auxiliary, and the generous gifts and support received from our friends and neighbors. Your support is deeply appreciated.

Jack Perry  
President

Barry Griffith  
Secretary/Treasurer

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**SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
 Financial Report for the Year Ending December 31, 2010

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|                               | <b>Actual<br/>2009</b> | <b>Budget<br/>2010</b> | <b>Actual<br/>2010</b> | <b>Budget<br/>2011</b> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>               |                        |                        |                        |                        |
| Town of Shrewsbury            | \$25,000.00            | \$25,000.00            | \$25,000.00            | \$25,000.00            |
| Raised by SVFD                | 24,236.76              | 17,000.00              | 15,130.89              | 11,000.00              |
| <b>Total Operating Income</b> | <b>\$49,236.76</b>     | <b>\$42,000.00</b>     | <b>\$40,130.89</b>     | <b>\$36,000.00</b>     |

|                             |                    |                    |                    |                    |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>EXPENSES</b>             |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| New Equipment               | 3,173.00           | 4,500.00           | 5,111.27           | 6,600.00           |
| Operating                   | 2,739.46           | 4,500.00           | 3,298.69           | 3,500.00           |
| Maintenance                 | 13,012.55          | 8,000.00           | 5,296.16           | 4,800.00           |
| Stations                    | 2,985.07           | 8,000.00           | 10,403.79          | 4,000.00           |
| Insurance                   | 15,334.00          | 8,400.00           | 8,631.00           | 8,400.00           |
| Communications              | 2,118.60           | 2,400.00           | 2,160.59           | 2,500.00           |
| Heating                     | 2,379.00           | 2,500.00           | 3,302.05           | 3,500.00           |
| Electric                    | 1,335.80           | 1,500.00           | 1,208.61           | 1,200.00           |
| Dues/Training               | 904.36             | 1,500.00           | 983.00             | 1,000.00           |
| Fundraising                 | 616.35             | 500.00             | 307.00             | 300.00             |
| Miscellaneous               | 109.79             | 100.00             | 75.00              | 100.00             |
| Bank Charges                | 82.56              | 100.00             | 84.88              | 100.00             |
| Dedicated Transfer          | 4,500.00           |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>Total Operating Exp.</b> | <b>\$49,287.54</b> | <b>\$42,000.00</b> | <b>\$40,862.04</b> | <b>\$36,000.00</b> |

**GENERAL FUND Beginning Balance January 1, 2010** **\$35,011.21**

**Receipts:**

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Town of Shrewsbury        | \$25,000.00 |
| Race Pool Income          | 6,000.00    |
| Transfer for Station Work | 4,000.00    |
| Coin Drops                | 4,063.00    |
| Donations                 | 725.00      |
| Refunds/Other             | 266.00      |
| Interest Income           | 76.89       |

Total General Fund Receipts **\$40,130.89**

General Fund Expenditures **(40,862.04)**

**GENERAL FUND Ending Balance December 31, 2010** **\$34,280.06**

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**2010 SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
SPECIAL ACCOUNTS**

**Replacement Fund**

|   |                    |                    |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Opening Balance 1/1/10                  | \$24,329.41        |                    |
| To Operating for Station Work           | (4,000.00)         |                    |
| Carrara Donation for Firefighters       | 270.00             |                    |
| Gulick Donation for Fire Pond           | 7,700.00           |                    |
| Paid for Fire Pond on Bailey Road       | (7,630.15)         |                    |
| Donations to replace SCBAs (early '10)  | 2,990.00           |                    |
| Purchase two SCBA Units                 | (8,000.00)         |                    |
| Portable Pump Donations (late '10)      | 5,145.00           |                    |
| Purchase '82 Chassis and Tanker Body    | (3,500.00)         |                    |
| From Minnie Shaw Fund for Tanker        | 61,467.00          |                    |
| Paid for Replacement Tanker ('03 Int'l) | (61,546.00)        |                    |
| Interest Income                         | 55.81              |                    |
| <b>Ending Balance 12/31/10</b>          | <b>\$17,281.07</b> | <b>\$17,281.07</b> |

**Tim Stewart Memorial Fund \*** **\$3,087.78**

**Minnie Shaw Endowment Fund**

|                                    |                     |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Opening Balance 1/1/10             | \$286,584.96        |                     |
| To Replacement Fund for '03 Tanker | (61,467.00)         |                     |
| Toward 2010 Lease Purchase Payment | (16,308.00)         |                     |
| Sale of '71 Tanker and '82 Chassis | 3,680.26            |                     |
| Change in Investment Value         | 34,510.41           |                     |
| Paid Investment Advisor Fees       | (2,796.93)          |                     |
| <b>Ending Balance 12/31/10</b>     | <b>\$244,203.70</b> | <b>\$244,203.70</b> |

**Race Pool Account**

|                                |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Opening Balance 1/1/10         | \$2,561.05        |                   |
| Donations and Earnings         | 27,388.83         |                   |
| Prizes and Expenses            | (17,730.63)       |                   |
| Transfer to Operating          | (6,000.00)        |                   |
| <b>Ending Balance 12/31/10</b> | <b>\$6,219.25</b> | <b>\$6,219.25</b> |

**\$305,071.86**

**Engine 2 Lease Purchase Payment**

|                                    |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| From Town SVFD Truck Reserve Fund  | \$26,000.00   |
| From Minnie Shaw Endowment Fund    | \$16,308.00   |
| Paid Payment #5 of 7 in March 2010 | (\$42,308.00) |

Fire Truck Lease Payment Schedule, dated 3-15-06 (for Engine 2, Northam Station)

|                | Payment Due | Interest  | Principal  | Balance    | Purchase<br>Option |
|----------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------------|
| Purchase Price |             |           |            | 260,833.00 |                    |
| 1 3/15/2006    | 42,308.00   |           | 42,308.00  | 218,525.00 | 225,080.75         |
| 2 3/15/2007    | 42,308.00   | 9,738.84  | 32,569.16  | 185,955.84 | 191,534.52         |
| 3 3/15/2008    | 42,308.00   | 8,287.36  | 34,020.64  | 151,935.20 | 156,493.26         |
| 4 3/15/2009    | 42,308.00   | 6,771.18  | 35,536.82  | 116,398.38 | 119,890.33         |
| 5 3/15/2010    | 42,308.00   | 5,187.44  | 37,120.56  | 79,277.82  | 81,656.15          |
| 6 3/15/2011    | 42,308.00   | 3,533.12  | 38,774.88  | 40,502.94  | 41,718.03          |
| 7 3/15/2012    | 42,308.00   | 1,805.06  | 40,502.94  | -          | -                  |
|                | 296,156.00  | 35,323.00 | 260,833.00 |            |                    |

\* Funds maintained in Replacement Fund account; use of same tracked and reported separately.

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 FOREST FIRE WARDENS' REPORT**

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We are pleased to report that there were no forest fires during the past year. Again, we would like to remind you that if you are going to burn, burn only natural wood and call for a PERMIT from Al Ridlon Jr. or Kevin Brown.

Thank you and be FIRE safe!!

Kevin Brown  
775-6194 (H)  
775-5518 (W)  
345-8668 (C)

Al Ridlon, Jr.  
492-3722 (H)  
492-2055 (W)

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Town of Shrewsbury  
**2010 SHREWSBURY CEMETERY COMMISSION REPORT**

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During 2010 two small family cemeteries were added to the Shrewsbury Cemetery List. The first is the Haley Cemetery on the Nelson Haley farm on the Upper Cold River Road. The second is the Mitchell Cemetery on the Mitchell property on Mitchell Road. Both of these cemeteries are maintained by the current families. However, they are listed with the town cemeteries and may become the responsibility of the Shrewsbury Cemetery Commission if the properties pass to other families.

Records of the Shrewsbury Cemetery Commission are maintained at the Town Office. Currently the Commission is working on photographic records of each of the cemeteries. The Commission would like to express its appreciation to Bill Tabor and his family for their careful maintenance of the Colburn Cemetery in East Shrewsbury.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Carrara, David Rice, George Richards  
Shrewsbury Cemetery Commissioners



THE COMMISSION'S MISSION:  
*Cooperative planning in the Region*  
[www.rutlandrpc.org](http://www.rutlandrpc.org)

THE COMMISSION'S 2010 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- **Technical assistance** on community development and transportation issues - including the update and implementation of town plans, zoning & subdivision regulations.
- Regular **roundtables of local road commissioners** to share information and discuss common problems and solutions.
- Support of the Rutland Region **Local Emergency Planning Committee**.
- Used **GIS (Geographic Information Systems)** tools to work on transportation, watershed planning, town planning and zoning, and infrastructure mapping.
- Support of the **Rutland Region Transportation Council** which is planning for the future multi-modal transportation needs of the Region.
- The **Brownfields Reuse** program worked on seven sites, assessing potential contamination issues and assisting redevelopment efforts.
- Supported **Agricultural Viability** through assistance to the Rutland Area Farm and Food Link.
- **Education, training, and information programs** for municipal officials, reimbursement for program fees as well as a periodic Newsletter, and an updated web site.
- Initiated a **comprehensive energy program** providing technical energy and lighting audits for municipal buildings in each community, assistance to local energy coordinators and committees, updates of local and regional energy plans, and transportation related energy saving programs.
- Contracted with five towns to update Municipal Plans and other land use documents.

**In Shrewsbury the Regional Planning Commission:**

- Conducted traffic counts and drafted a traffic ordinance.
- Supported volunteers with Vermont Community Energy Mobilization Project.

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## 2010 REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE REPORT

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*R*EGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

275 Stratton Road  
Rutland, VT 05701

Business: 802-773-1746  
Emergency: 911  
FAX: 802-773-1717

To the Honorable Citizens of the Town of Shrewsbury:

We are pleased to present our 27th annual report to the Citizens we serve. Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service for twenty-seven years. From 1983 to the end of this fiscal year, Regional has responded to 143,237 ambulance calls. This past year, ending June 30, 2010, the service responded to a total of 7,708 ambulance calls in our 12 communities and an additional 406 "Medic One" paramedic intercept calls. Having reached our 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving the public.

We also congratulate Paramedic Peter Nardell for being honored as our "Stars of Life" at the American Ambulance Association's Stars of Life celebration in our nation's capital.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have been able to level fund or lower our assessment rate for the past 26 years. Since 1990 the Assessment rate has been decreased by 36%. Our current assessment rate is \$4 per capita and remains unchanged for the next fiscal year. The public support of our Membership program, direct donations, memorials and estate gifts have been vital to our continued success. Thank you for your support.

This past year one new ambulance was put into service to replace an older ambulance with more than 100,000 miles of service on it. We also updated all of our defibrillator monitors with state of the art Life Pak 15's. Regional Ambulance has seven advanced life support equipped ambulances.

Our motto "Serving People First with Pride, Proficiency and Professionalism" is demonstrated by our employees commitment to continuing EMS training. Each year our employees have specialized training in Critical Care Paramedicine, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Basic Life Support, Prehospital Advanced Trauma Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Neonatal Resuscitation, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Bloodborn Pathogens and a variety of continuing education programs. Our professional staff is extremely capable and dedicated.

Monthly C.P.R. classes are taught at Regional Ambulance. Last year, through the R.A.S. Training Center, 1,547 people were trained in C.P.R. Tours, lectures, demonstrations, and C.P.R. classes are available for the general public. Child Car Seat inspections are held Thursdays at Regional Ambulance building. In cooperation with the Rutland County Safety Coalition 202 inspections were completed.

The public is encouraged to visit and talk to the employees and Administrator at our Stratton Road facility. Please feel free to contact James Finger, Chief Executive Administrator, or your Representative, if you have any questions concerning the service.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. will continue working to provide the highest quality of emergency ambulance care at the lowest possible cost to all of the citizens we serve.

Sincerely; Paul Kulig, President  
R.A.S. Board of Directors

Gerry Martin  
R.A.S. Board of Directors  
Town of Shrewsbury Representative

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## 2010 RUTLAND CONSERVATION DISTRICT (RNRCD) REPORT

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### A sample of the 2010 programs/projects in which the District was involved:

**Conservation Field Day** - The District sponsors Field Days for Fifth Grade Students in Rutland County to visit educational stations staffed by natural resource specialists (volunteers) and learn about: forests, wildlife, soils, wetlands and water pollution. The Field Day is made possible by financial support from local businesses.

**Vermont Envirothon** - The District participates in promoting the Vermont Envirothon program through visits to area high school science departments to encourage student participation. Teams of high school students answer questions about conservation related issues and scores are calculated to determine the winning team. The District sponsored three teams from two high schools in the 2010 statewide competition.

**Real Estate Resource Information** - To further inform Realtors about soil conservation and related subjects, the District organizes a course that is designed for Brokers and Salespeople interested in obtaining credits toward the fulfillment of the educational requirements for renewal of their licenses.

**Newsletters** - The District publishes a newsletter each year. Over 500 residents/landowners receive information regarding District projects, as well as information about ways they can help to improve our natural environment. This publication is funded by paid advertisements by local businesses.

**Website** - The District hosts a website at [vacd.org/~rcd](http://vacd.org/~rcd) that contains information describing the many projects/programs that the District is involved in.

**Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)** - The District has been active in coordinating volunteers and providing trees, shrubs and planting supplies for many landowners in Rutland County who are participants in the CREP and Partners for Fish & Wildlife programs.

**Technical Assistance to Farmers** - Trained Agricultural Specialists assist farmers in following State mandated Accepted Agricultural Practices, Nutrient Management Planning and Land Treatment Planning.

**On-Farm Food Waste Composting** - In cooperation with and support from the Rutland County Solid Waste District (RCSWD) the District has recruited a farmer in Rutland County to operate and manage a food waste composting project.

### **Watershed Planning for the Otter Creek and its Tributaries:**

The District in cooperation with the Upper Otter Creek Watershed Council (UOCWC) has secured funding through grant sources to:

1. Complete Stream Assessments on various tributaries to the Otter Creek.
2. Continue working with business, institutional and private property owners in the Moon & Mussey Brook watershed regarding non-point source pollution from grounds care and promote adoption of low input grounds care practices.
3. Promote the use of portable skidder bridges. When properly installed and used as a temporary stream crossing structure, skidder bridges will reduce streambank and streambed disturbance which will minimize sedimentation. The District has four bridges for rent at a fee of \$100.00 per month.
4. Completed volunteer water quality monitoring programs during the summers of 2003 - 2010 with laboratory services provided by ANR, DEC LaRosa Laboratory in Waterbury. These programs have expanded each year to include additional streams and additional partners.
5. Awarded funding by a VT Watershed Grant to retrofit Strongs Avenue in the City of Rutland with green stormwater management infrastructure and Low Impact Development (LID) practices i.e., rain gardens/bioretentation, rain barrels and riparian plantings. We are working with businesses located on Strongs Avenue (which is adjacent to the Moon Brook) and determining the appropriate practice for each site. With the help from a coalition of volunteers and technical resource advisors, we will install practice(s) at participating business properties. Signs identifying the stormwater problem and the practices will be installed at each location for community education. A rain garden has already been installed at the Majestic Car Rental property.
6. Sponsor a workshop for horse owners where they learned about such things as: **What is Composting? Where can I Compost? and Why should I Compost?** As part of this grant the District was to provide instruction and materials to construct eight 2 bin compost units for installation at individual horse farms. These bins have been placed throughout Rutland County. Having these bins in place will significantly decrease mismanagement of manure and contamination of surface waters with E. coli and nitrogen.

For further information on these programs/projects or to be added to our mailing list please contact Nancy McGuire anytime at 775-8034 ext. 17 or stop by and see us at the USDA Service Center at 170 South Main Street in Rutland.



**TO THE OFFICERS AND CITIZENS OF SHREWSBURY:**

In 2010, Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) provided Rutland County residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From infants with hi-tech needs to our most senior population facing end-of-life care, we continued to bring medically necessary healthcare wherever it is needed, regardless of a client's ability to pay, location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

In the face of shrinking government and state reimbursements and rising healthcare costs, RAVNAH has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective health care services to some of Rutland County's most vulnerable individuals.

**Last year, RAVNAH's dedicated staff made more than 89,946 visits to 2,497 patients. In the town of Shrewsbury, we provided 561 visits to 28 individuals.**

In closing, we wish to thank you for your past support. With your vote of confidence, we will continue to meet our mission to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services.

*Ronald J. Cioffi, Executive Director*

*Win Thomas, President of the Board of Directors*

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**2010 GEORGE D. AIKEN RESOURCE CONSERVATION  
AND DEVELOPMENT (RC&D) COUNCIL REPORT**

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Over the past 46 years the George D. Aiken RC&D Council has helped many communities and organization on a variety of projects. The George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) helps towns, groups and organizations by bringing together the technical, financial and administrative resources to deal with natural resource conservation and rural and community development issues. Do you have a project or program that could use some assistance to "make it happen"? By bringing together help from our extensive network of resources, we can focus technical and financial resources on your specific needs. We get technical assistance and some staff through the U.S. Department of Agriculture but private and community sources make up most of our budget. In 2010 working with our partners, we secured and administered grants and other funding for natural resource conservation, public safety, and community development projects. Examples of some of our projects include helping to promoting local agriculture, develop parks, recreational trails and playgrounds, providing Electronic Benefits Transaction (EBT) card and debit card readers at farmers markets, business and job development, historic preservation and traditional conservation projects like streambank stabilization and water quality monitoring.

We work on a request basis, so the first step is up to you, giving us a call. For information and free consultation call Ken Hafner our RC&D Coordinator at (802) 728-9526 or email: [kenneth.hafner@vt.usda.gov](mailto:kenneth.hafner@vt.usda.gov).



P.O. Box 1191  
Montpelier, Vermont 05601-1191  
(802)229-4586, or 1-800-974-3259  
[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)  
[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

**Annual report information – Green Up Day, May 1, 2010**

Green Up Day celebrated 40 years in 2010! Many towns reported record turn-outs, and numerous volunteers reported less trash than in previous years.

Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization working to enhance our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising awareness about the importance of a litter free environment. The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue our unique annual Vermont tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up. Children are our future, and Green Up Vermont focuses on education for grades K-12 with activities such as a curriculum for K-4, activity booklets, a story and drawing booklet, and the annual poster and writing contests. Please visit [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org) to learn more.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 12 percent of our budget. Last year, appropriations from cities and towns covered 14 percent of our budget, so we rely on your help to keep Green Up Day going. These funds pay for supplies including over 46,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population, to keep Green Up growing for Vermont!

**Mark your calendars for the next Green Up Day, May 7, 2011, the first Saturday in May. Put on your boots, get together with your family, invite some friends and come join us in your community to make Vermont even more GREEN!**



RSVP and The Volunteer Center is an “Invitation to Serve” program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service. Needs are met in critical areas such as human services, elder care, health care, education, literacy, and the arts, just to name a few. RSVP/VC involves individuals in service that matches their personal interests and makes use of their varied life and professional experiences. Through such efforts, RSVP/VC is meeting the needs that strained local budgets cannot afford. RSVP/VC enables people to contribute to their communities while enjoying the personally satisfying and rewarding experience that community engagement offers. Additionally, over the past 10 years RSVP has implemented several “Signature Programs” aimed at addressing pressing community needs. These programs include *RSVP TeleCare*, a telephone reassurance and safety check in program offered **FREE** to Rutland County seniors, a children’s literacy and mentoring program called *RSVP Rutland County Reads*, and after school program called *RSVP After School Buddies*, an osteoporosis prevention program, *RSVP Bone Builders*, which provides **FREE** strength and balance exercise classes with RSVP/VC volunteer instructors to Rutland County residents, and *RSVP Operation Dolls & More*, in which RSVP/VC volunteers restore and refurbish donated dolls, toys books and games. Last year over 10,000 items were distributed to 2,000 children and over 50 organizations to share with clients.

Locally, **RSVP/VC is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services** serving the people of Rutland County with **903 volunteers**. From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, RSVP/VC volunteers provided **125,428 hours of community service**. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals **\$2,468,423**. Once again this year RSVP is not asking for additional monies from the Town of Shrewsbury. The monies we request are used to help defray the costs of providing services that impact the lives of citizens of all ages throughout Rutland County.

**Currently in Shrewsbury, volunteers donate their services to the following non-profit organizations:** Rutland Regional Medical Center, Headstart, Community Cupboard, Rutland County schools, area nursing homes, Godnick Adult Center, Northeast and Northwest Elementary School, Clarendon Elementary School, One-2-One, The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the *RSVP Rutland County Reads* program, *RSVP Bone Builders*, and *RSVP Operation Dolls & More*.

**The volunteer services they provide include:** Osher Lifelong Learning volunteer, knitting and sewing items for children and elders, teaching Sudoku to seniors, entertaining elders and youngsters through song, information desk clerk and couriating at the hospital, delivering and preparing meals, designing and implementing the Lifeline program at RRMCC, transporting seniors, tutoring and mentoring children, working with children through the *RSVP Rutland County Reads* program, volunteering services to *RSVP Operation Dolls & More*, and exercise trainers for *RSVP Bone Builders*.

On behalf of RSVP & The Volunteer Center, I would like to thank the residents of Shrewsbury for their support in the continuation of the RSVP/VC program. As financial constraints effect more and more non-profit organizations, the need for volunteers continues to increase. With your help, RSVP/VC will continue to respond to this need.

Sincerely,

Nan M. Hart, Director  
November 1, 2010



SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT  
COUNCIL ON AGING

*Report to the Citizens of Shrewsbury*

**This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging provided to elders in Shrewsbury over the past year:**

***Senior Meals:***

The Council helped provide 1,342 meals that were delivered to the homes of 11 elders in your community; this service is often called “Meals on Wheels”. We also supply “Blizzard Bags” containing shelf-stable meals to Meals on Wheels participants and other vulnerable elders in your community to use in emergency situations. 9 Shrewsbury elders came together at one or more of the luncheon sites in your area to enjoy the good company of others; 94 meals were provided to this group over the past year.

***Case Management Assistance:***

SVCOA Case Management staff worked with 12 elders in Shrewsbury, helping with problem solving, applications, and related programs for example; Fuel Assistance, SSI, Medicaid, Food Stamps, etc. They also helped elders connect with in-home assistance programs, such as the Choices for Care Medicaid Waiver, which is the State’s long term care service. This program was especially helpful to frail elders who wanted to stay at home rather than to go into a nursing home.

***Other:***

Council on Aging services also included: 1) Medicare D, health benefit counseling information and application assistance through the SHIP Program. This was especially helpful to elders who had to deal with an ever changing federal pharmaceutical assistance program; 2) Our “Senior HelpLine” staff (1-802-786-5991 or toll free 1-800-642-5119) provide telephone help to elders and others who needed information on available programs and support; 3) Legal assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project; 4) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by the Council’s contracted Registered Dietician; 5) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders; 6) Assistance to elders dealing with mental health issues through the Elder Care Clinician program provided by local community mental health organizations. 7) Funding assistance for a variety of transportation services; 8) Community Development assistance, and 9) Caregiver support and information, including Alzheimer/Dementia respite grants to family members and others who provide valuable support to elders in need of care

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**2010 RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES REPORT**

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Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc., PO Box 222, 78 South Main Street, Rutland, VT 05702  
Phone: 802-775-2381 Fax: 802-775-4020 website: rmhscn.org

**802-747-7696**

**Information and Referral  
Toll Free: 877-430-2273**

**TTY/TDD: 802-253-0191**

September 13, 2010

Town Clerk  
Town of Shrewsbury  
9823 Cold River Road  
Shrewsbury, VT 05738

Dear Sir or Madam,

Rutland Mental Health Services is requesting support from the Town of Shrewsbury for the coming fiscal year.

We appreciate the Town of Shrewsbury's generosity in the past and hope for a favorable decision this year on our total request of \$1,192.00.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Daniel J. Quinn  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.

In the year 2010, 25 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as the Town of Shrewsbury assures that quality services are available for their families, friends and neighbors. Town giving dollars support services which include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services

**During fiscal year 2010, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 1,473 hours of services to 35 Shrewsbury residents.** We value our partnership with the Town of Shrewsbury in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

**Dan Quinn**  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.



# HerStory

P.O. Box 313 • Rutland, VT 05702 • 802-775-6788

[www.rcwn.org](http://www.rcwn.org)



The Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter is a non-profit agency working within Rutland County to provide safety and support services to victims of domestic and sexual violence. We have been in Rutland County for 31 years serving families who live in danger.

Over the past year we have assisted over 3500 people in dangerous situations. We shelter families in immediate fear of harm, we offer counseling, support groups, help with relocation, and are available on a 24 hour crisis line. We respond to domestic violence and rape, assist with family court advocacy, and other services necessary to keep families safe.

The families, volunteers, and staff of the shelter thank the voters of **Shrewsbury** for their continued support of our program. Because of your consistent support, we are able to continue to provide a safe haven for those survivors of domestic violence from your town.

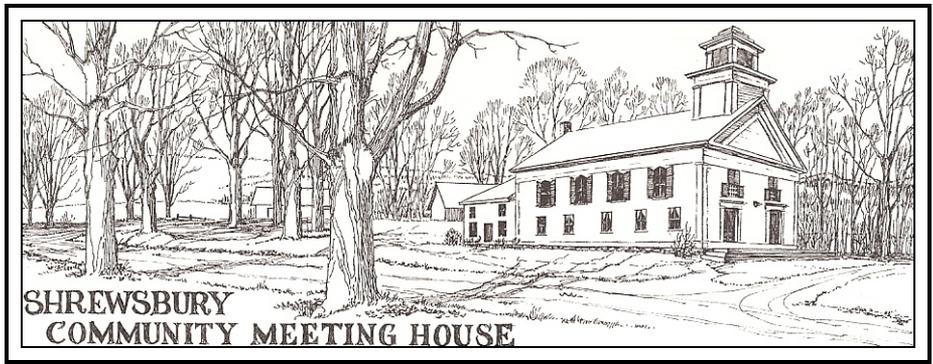
Sincerely,

Miche Chamberlain M.S.  
Executive Director RCWN&S

Board of Directors: Dreama Brower, Bob Schalit, Ann Warrell, Linda Bunker, Nicole Fabian

## REQUEST

The Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter is requesting the sum of \$150.00 which will be voted on in March, at the town meeting of 2011, for the assistance in supporting the shelter. We are very grateful for the help that the people of **Shrewsbury** have given us in the past. **We provided services for 35 residents of Shrewsbury this year.**



SHREWSBURY  
COMMUNITY MEETING HOUSE



**Rutland County Parent Child Center Inc.**  
**61 Pleasant Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701-5009**  
**802-775-9711 or 800-480-9711**  
**Fax 802-775-5473 caprice.hover@rcpcc.org**

### 2010-2011 Annual Report

The Rutland County Parent Child Center (RCPCC) is a private community based non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and meeting the needs of children and families throughout Rutland County. RCPCC's mission is "To Nurture Children and Families through Supportive, Positive, Educational Experiences that Enhance their Success in our Community."

RCPCC provides all services at no cost, with the exception of childcare, which is minimal for lower income families.

We provide early childhood education services at childcare centers in, Brandon and Rutland. Additionally, the RCPCC provides family centered services to families and children birth to five years, such as:

- \* Literacy based playgroups,
- \* Early intervention programs for children birth to three years old with developmental delays,
- \* A teen parent education program that enables young parents to complete their high school diplomas while learning parenting skills,
- \* Support for young families on public assistance,
- \* Parent education classes and referral services, and
- \* Clinician group and individual sessions and CUPS for children birth to age five.

Some of these programs serve families of all socio-economic levels, but as a priority, RCPCC seeks out those in need to bring these services into their homes and communities.

In addition to the above services, we have a collaboration agreement with Middletown Springs Elementary School, Fair Haven Union High School, and PIRC VT. The Parent Information and Resource Center of Vermont is a project that provides support, information, and training across Vermont to parents and educators. The purpose is to help children of all ages succeed in school. We do this by helping families from all walks of life to actively participate in their child's education and by supporting schools in their efforts to build strong partnerships with parents.

The Rutland County Parent Child Care Center is requesting funds in the amount of \$600.00 from Shrewsbury in order to continue the RCPCC's efforts to support families with young children in your community.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

**Caprice B Hover**  
**Executive Director**



January 5, 2011

To the Citizens of the Town of Shrewsbury and Members of the Selectboard,

BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Shrewsbury who have supported our agency through the balloting process over the years. BROC continues to experience a large number of low-income individuals and families coming through our doors each day.

**Last year, BROC helped meet the basic needs of 38 individuals in the Town of Shrewsbury, including one homeless family to secure housing.** In addition, BROC’s Micro Business Development Program (MBDP) worked with 3 Shrewsbury residents interested in starting or expanding a small business and weatherized 2 homes consisting of 7 individuals through our Energy Conservation & Weatherization program. BROC created several new partnerships and collaborations throughout the year with local organizations and businesses to help raise much needed funds so that the needs of our neighbors continue to be met.

With your help, BROC is able to help many families facing the difficult decisions on how to make their budgets work with the economic instability and continuing rise in fuel and food prices. Sometimes being able to access a few meals from BROC or having a dry, warm place to stay at night can make all the difference.

***Our appropriation request for the upcoming year is \$600.00.***

Sincerely,

Linda G. Rooker  
Executive Director

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Satellite Office: 332 Orchard Road, Bennington, VT 05201 (802) 447-7515 Fax: (802) 447-7516  
Linda G. Rooker, Executive Director [lrooker175@aol.com](mailto:lrooker175@aol.com)  
Toll Free Phone Number: 800-717-BROC Website: [www.broc.org](http://www.broc.org)



## VERMONT ADULT LEARNING

1 Scale Avenue / Suite 93 / Rutland / Vermont 05701

Phone: 802-775-0617 / Fax: 802-773-0323

Rutland County Vermont Adult Learning Annual Report  
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010

Vermont Adult Learning (VAL) is a not-for-profit statewide organization providing adults and students aged 16 and older with free and confidential adult education and literacy services. Career readiness is also an essential component in each of our programs. VAL also provides job coaching for clients in partnership with the Department of Economic Services' through the Reach Up Program. VAL also assists speakers of other languages with English in preparation for the American citizenship exam.

Some students come to us to just improve their essential skills in reading, writing, technology or math, or to further their education and employment goals. Depending on learning styles, experience and goal setting, some students work toward earning a GED certificate through the National GED Program or a high school diploma.

Students wanting a diploma can do so in two ways. In the High School Completion Program (HSCP) students achieve their diploma through an individual graduation education plan based on their individual skills, needs and goals. The HSCP provides for students, ages 16-21 and is a collaboration between VAL and their high school. Students older than eighteen may choose the Adult Diploma Program (ADP) which is project and portfolio based.

Post-Secondary classes and computer classes are also offered to students who need additional skill preparation for college readiness or for employment purposes.

Like most businesses in this financially stressed economy, VAL leadership had to make some difficult personnel decisions in 2010. Positions needed to be eliminated in order to control the budget. Statewide, eleven positions were eliminated through resignations, reassignment or reduction in force. This was a reduction of 471 hours per week. In Rutland, we lost one full time teacher and cut the hours of the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) teacher in half. Currently, Rutland VAL has a staff of twelve employees. With any personnel cut we work hard to continue to provide quality service to as many students as we have capacity for.

I have been the Rutland Regional Manager for approximately two and half months. Providing respectful quality education and support to Vermonters who have need for our service is my primary goal. Please call or stop in to meet me and find out more about the programs we offer.

Contact: Michelle C. Folger, Regional Manager

Email: [mfolger@vtadultlearning.org](mailto:mfolger@vtadultlearning.org)

or call 775-0617

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## 2010 THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING REPORT

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Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with significant disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

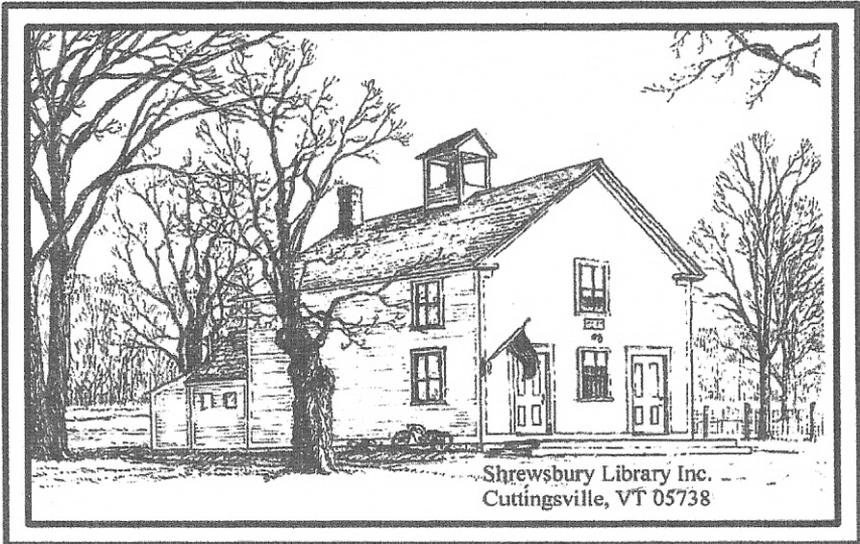
In FY '10 (10/1/09-9/30/10) VCIL responded to over **1,550** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **535** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and assisted **315** households with financial and/or technical assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. We provided **255** individuals with assistive technology and delivered meals to **485** individuals through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we now have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Orleans, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

**During FY '10, 4 residents of Shrewsbury received services from the following programs:**

- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)
- Information, Referral and Assistance (I,R &A)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at:  
**1-800-639-1522**, or, visit our web site at [www.vcnil.org](http://www.vcnil.org)





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TOWN ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of **NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont** is to transform lives by promoting safe and affordable housing for families in Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties. NWWVT strengthens our communities, one home at a time. Studies repeatedly show that families with permanent homes obtain higher education, higher income, improved self-esteem, and reduced family conflict. Also, homeownership results in stable neighborhoods where neighbors care about one another.

We form partnerships with residents, business, government, and volunteers to assist households which are 80% or more below the median income. We provide home rehabilitation services, low interest loans, homebuyer education, foreclosure intervention, financial fitness counseling, and emergency shelter services. Our loan committee and staff administer a six million dollar revolving loan fund which is largely capitalized by community block grants and customer repayment of loans. One important service is the rehab of existing homes, making sure HUD Section 8 codes are used to address the health and safety issues in the home. Our Newest program helps homeowners- regardless of income, make efficiency upgrades to their homes which save money on heating costs and make the home more comfortable.

**2010** has been quite a productive year for NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont.

- ❖ **104** families attended homebuyer education classes.
- ❖ **12** families purchased their first homes with help from the HomeOwnership Center and received loans totaling **\$1,844,203** toward their home purchase.
- ❖ **35** families repaired their homes with **\$358,892** in Revolving Loan Funds- one from Shrewsbury who was able to make repairs with the help of a \$12,000 loan from the Revolving Loan Fund.
- ❖ Counseled **110** people in danger of foreclosure.

*There is always a need and we hope we are always here to help.*

We welcome the involvement of residents on committees or volunteering time for special projects. Call us at 438-2303 extension 215, or stop by the office located at 110 Marble Street, West Rutland.

*TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD STRONG COMMUNITIES!*

Respectfully,  
Ludy Biddle, Executive Director

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## 2010 VERMONT TRAILS and GREENWAYS COUNCIL REPORT

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On behalf of the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council (VTGC), we hope this letter finds your community closing out a good 2010 and anticipating a bountiful 2011. We respectfully request your support by including a renewal application with this letter. With every Town in Vermont handling their budget process differently we hope this request arrives at an appropriate time. As an organization with state-wide responsibility, we are not able to petition each town, so we ask that this small amount be included in your budget.

For over a decade, the VTGC has been your voice for recreational trails and conservation issues throughout the state. Our membership is comprised of a wide variety of outdoor groups – organizations that work hard, both statewide and at the community level, to provide comprehensive public access to Vermont’s recreation resources. Because the Council embraces a broad spectrum of user groups, we are often able to speak with one voice in our efforts to expand and protect public access to trail lands, acquire State and Federal trail dollars and steward natural resources.

Your donation of support will provide a voice for trail interests throughout Vermont. The VTGC is working to shape the future of recreation in Vermont – for all users. Groups represented in the Council today include walkers and joggers, cross-country skiers, bicyclists, mountain bikers, hikers, equestrians, snowmobilers, mushers, Off Highway Vehicle users, paddlers, municipalities, community path organizations, local and regional planners, land trusts, conservation and recreation committees, guides and private individuals. Please join this group of trail advocates today.

The Vermont Trails and Greenways Council continues to work to benefit Vermont communities by:

- ❖ Hosting the Vermont Trails Symposium, an Annual Trails Event that provides educational workshops on a variety of trails related topics;
- ❖ Developing and distributing the Vermont Trails and Greenways Manual – a resource guide for creating and managing community trails projects;
- ❖ Providing community assistance - members of the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council have decades of collective trail experience and can assist you in planning, funding and creating your next trail project;
- ❖ Hosting quarterly meetings to keep you up-to-date on Vermont events, projects and policies and provide important networking opportunities to share and learn with people across the state;
- ❖ Advising the Vermont Department of Forests, Park and Recreation on revisions to the Vermont Trail System;
- ❖ Providing guidance with the Vermont Recreation Trails Fund, an important funding source for trails projects;
- ❖ Participating in the development of the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail;
- ❖ Advocating for trail users in the Vermont Legislature and with State and Federal Agencies to secure trail funding, ensure public access to trails, and protect trail lands, and
- ❖ Connecting members through our biannual newsletter. Keeping you informed with trail updates as well as feature articles on issues affecting trails in Vermont,

Please complete the attached form for membership and feel free to contact us with your ideas. By working together we can arrive at solutions which will continue to improve our communities. For more information on how the VTGC directly supports outreach, education and advocacy work, please contact me at (802) 477-5075 or any members of our Board of Director’s on the attached list.

We hope you will become involved and help us shape the future of recreation in Vermont.

Sincerely,

Danny Hale, Chair

(802) 477-5075 103 South Main Street, Building 9 South, Waterbury, VT 05671

**SHREWSBURY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL REPORT  
(For Fiscal Year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010)**

**I. PERSONNEL (School Year 2010-2011)**

**A. School Board**

|                               |      |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Adrienne Raymond, Chairperson | 2012 |
| Ed Hemmer                     | 2011 |
| Sara Bolster                  | 2013 |

**Mill River Board:**

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Andrew Richards-Peelle | 2013 |
| Gregg Over (appointed) | 2011 |

**B. Administration and RSSU Programs**

|                    |  |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Dana Cole-Levesque | Superintendent of Schools              |  |
| Deb Fishwick       | Principal - Shrewsbury Mountain School |  |
| Bernard Peatman    | Curriculum & Assessment Coordinator    |  |
| Virginia Grey      | Technology Coordinator                 |  |
| Mary Hissong       | School Psychologist                    |  |
| Carol Geery        | RSSU Director of Student Services      |  |
| Stan Pawlaczyk     | RSSU Business Manager                  |  |
| Amy Young          | Gifted/Talented Teacher                |  |

**C. Faculty and Staff**

**Please NOTE:**

**1.0 FTE = One Full Time Equivalent position [five full days/week]**

**0.5 FTE = Half-Time Equivalent [eg. five half days per week or 2.5 full days/week]**

**0.3 FTE = Three full days over a 10 day span, or 2¼ hours/day five days/week or some variation thereof**

| Staff Member:    | Assignment:                     | Employed by: | FTE:    |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| Amy Blongy       | Preschool Teacher               | SMS          | 0.5 FTE |
| Julia Bonafine   | MAP Teacher (Grades K-1)        | SMS          | 1.0 FTE |
| Pam Bullock      | Food Service                    | SMS          | 0.5 FTE |
| Jennifer Cohen   | Music Teacher                   | SMS          | 0.3 FTE |
| Marj Congdon     | Administrative Assistant        | SMS          | 1.0 FTE |
| Susan Duskiewicz | Special Education Para-educator | SMS          | 1.0 FTE |
| Debra Fishwick   | Teaching Principal              | SMS          | 0.3 FTE |
| Darlene Remy     | Speech & Language Pathologist   | RSSU         | 0.2 FTE |
| Amber Kaemmerlen | Art                             | SMS          | 0.2 FTE |
| Trevor Kelson    | Physical Education              | SMS          | 0.3 FTE |
| Charlene Lundeen | School Nurse                    | SMS          | 0.2 FTE |

| <b>Staff Member:</b> | <b>Assignment:</b>              | <b>Employed by:</b> | <b>FTE:</b> |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Sabrina              | Grade 4/5/6 Teacher             | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| William McGrath      | Bus Driver                      | SMS                 | 0.5 FTE     |
| Daniel Morrison      | Grade 4/5/6 Teacher             | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Julie Redington      | Para-Educator                   | SMS                 | 0.9 FTE     |
| Erin Rice            | Grade 2/3 Teacher               | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Willard Smith        | Custodian                       | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Christine Starinkas  | Elementary Teacher/Title I      | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Henry Stone          | Bus Driver                      | SMS                 | 0.5 FTE     |
| Mary Jane            | Special Education Teacher       | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Michelle Suker       | Reading/Math                    | SMS                 | 0.3 FTE     |
| Jessica Taylor       | Guidance                        | SMS                 | 0.2 FTE     |
| Cynthia Thornton     | Special Education Para-educator | SMS                 | 0.6 FTE     |
| Shirley Uhler        | Special Education Assistant     | SMS                 | 1.0 FTE     |
| Ann Marie Witt       | Library/Media Teacher           | SMS                 | 0.2 FTE     |

### **ENROLLMENT:**

The 2010-2011 enrollment at the Shrewsbury Mountain School is 64 students as of our January count. This is similar to our 2009-2010 enrollment. Presently there are 62 Shrewsbury students attending Mill River Union High School.

| <b><u>Grade</u></b>     | <b><u>Actual</u><br/><u>2008-2009</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u><br/><u>2009-2010</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u><br/><u>2010-2011</u></b> | <b><u>Estimated</u><br/><u>2011-2012</u></b> |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Preschool               | 5   | 11  | 19  | 12   |
| K                       | 5   | 6   | 4   | 19   |
| 1                       | 8   | 7   | 9   | 4  |
| 2                       | 6   | 8   | 7   | 9  |
| 3                       | 7   | 5   | 8   | 7  |
| 4                       | 10  | 4   | 4   | 8  |
| 5                       | 9   | 12  | 3   | 4  |
| 6                       | 14  | 10  | 10  | 3  |
| <b>Total Elementary</b> | <b>64</b>                                 | <b>63</b>                                 | <b>64</b>                                 | <b>66</b>                                    |
| 7                       | 12  | 15  | 10  | 10   |
| 8                       | 11  | 11  | 15  | 10   |
| 9                       | 11  | 11  | 8   | 15   |
| 10                      | 10  | 13  | 9   | 8  |
| 11                      | 12  | 10  | 11  | 9  |
| 12                      | 12  | 10  | 9   | 11   |
| <b>Total Mill River</b> | <b>68</b>                                 | <b>70</b>                                 | <b>62</b>                                 | <b>63</b>                                    |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>132</b>                                | <b>133</b>                                | <b>126</b>                                | <b>129</b>                                   |

## **Federal Programs**

Rutland South Supervisory Union receives a limited amount of federal funds which support educational programs in all of our schools. Title I supports remedial reading instruction; Title II supports improvements in language arts, mathematics and science instruction; Title IV (Safe and Drug Free Schools) provides drug and alcohol abuse education for students. Parents or others wishing to have additional information or to comment on these programs are encouraged to contact Dana Cole-Levesque, Superintendent of Schools (775-3264).

## **Special Education**

Rutland South Supervisory Union offers comprehensive special education services to ensure that eligible students with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. In an effort to respond to the unique learning characteristics which result from disabilities, special education is offered in various ways and includes: consulting teacher programs, resource rooms, speech and language services, EEE (Essential Early Education), consulting services and special placements. Anyone with knowledge of children in need of services (including preschool) is encouraged to contact Carol Geery, Director of Special Services (775-3264). All special education costs and state revenues are included in the financial reports.

## **School Board Meetings**

The Shrewsbury School Board meets every second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the library of the Mountain School. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings. Also, the board holds special meetings to transact other business such as contract negotiations.

## **Financial Audits**

Rutland South Supervisory Union's financial records are audited on an annual basis by professional auditors. Clarendon, Shrewsbury, and Wallingford have their records audited by professional auditors once every year. This past year the firm of Angolano & Company, Certified Public Accountants from Shelburne, Vermont, performed these audits. Copies of these audits are available through the Rutland South Supervisory Union Central Office.

## **Non-discrimination Policy**

The Shrewsbury School Board offers employment and educational opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin or handicap. Inquiries regarding this policy may be directed to: Dana Cole-Levesque, Superintendent of Schools. Telephone (802) 775- 3264.

## SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

It is always a challenge to try and cover an entire year in this one short report. Each time that I am responsible for it, I regret not keeping a running list of what we have accomplished, applied for, and generally been concerned with over the last 12 months, but once again I will think back of our twice-monthly meetings and try to pick up the highlights. We have supported the ongoing training of our staff (most are continuing to further their education and enhance their skills with post-graduate work), supported the availability and use of technology in classroom learning, enhanced the energy efficiency of the school with the almost completed insulation project, supported the successful breakfast, lunch and snack programs (more and more of our children are eligible for free or reduced cost meals), worked on grant applications, prioritized building and bus repairs, reviewed each and every pay order, listened to administrator reports on test results and discussed curriculum delivery, wrestled with staffing levels and classroom configurations, reviewed and adopted school policies, joined outside committees to consolidate our transportation system and discuss other possible improvements to our school and district, reviewed our school choice program and whether to expand it, served on the Supervisory Board and others at a State level, and all the other items that are sent to our attention during the course of a year. I know that was an amazingly long sentence, but the list for a school board member is that and more. We cannot forget that the three elementary boards are, again, negotiating a contract with the Teachers' Associations. If we weren't also treated to reports from students and enthusiastic staff now and then, we might not think it was worth it. But the fact is, we are treated to the success stories and we do get to read our students' writings in the Rutland Herald and we do have the satisfaction of knowing that we are helping (at least in a small way) these successes to happen.

In terms of budgeting, this has been a challenging year to be on any local school board and Shrewsbury's is no exception. Revenues and spending have become overriding concerns, even as we work to keep our school an enriching and healthful environment for our students. We have worked hard with our administrators to pare down our budget in response to both our taxpayers' concerns and the State's Challenges for Change. The Governor's Challenge to our Board was to reduce our education spending (a bigger impact than reducing our overall budget) by \$15,600 for the upcoming year. We have met that target, submitting to you a budget of \$942,687. The 2011/2012 budget is \$53,623 less than last year's, a reduction of over 5%. We plan to have one less full FTE para-educator position on staff in the coming year and have reduced spending in many other line items to a minimum. Unfortunately, the State DOE (Department of Education) has reduced our equalized pupil count (and our corresponding revenue) by over 17% in the last two years even though the Legislature designed the funding system to restrict changes to +/- 3.5% in any given year to allow schools to respond to fluctuations in enrollment in a reasonable way. This results in our unadjusted, expected tax rate rising by close to 2.4% (even with our significant budget decrease). Fortunately, the CLA adjustment is in our favor this year (as our Listers had assured us) and the adjusted rate should show a reduction of 3.1% for the elementary portion of the tax rate. Our total

(including Mill River) expected tax rate, after CLA adjustment, is expected to be \$1.3239.

In anticipation of providing bussing on a supervisory union level, we are not requesting an addition to the Bus Sinking Fund this year, but we have increased our request for the building Sinking Fund to \$13,000, an overall reduction of \$2,000 in Sinking Fund requests. There are several small projects that need to be done for the building as well as expected roof work in the near future. Spending in this current year has been affected by significant extra expenses to the cost of our insulation project and higher than budgeted heating and bus repair costs. We are hoping to recover some of the insulation project's extra costs from insurance, and our administration and staff are watching all expenditures very closely.

Our overall student numbers have been relatively stable over the last few years, but the distribution at the moment is leaning towards the younger grades - we have 19 pre-schoolers enrolled this year and quite a few of them have younger brothers and sisters. This is welcome news for our school community, and it seems more and more houses are being sold or turned over to young families. We have been and will be very conscience of staffing ratios and overall staff numbers as we work to provide a well-rounded and thoughtful education to Shrewsbury's children.

In closing, I hope that everyone will come to the Informational Meeting on February 28 – the school portion starts at 5:30 – and that everyone will vote on March 1st and support the budget for the children of Shrewsbury.

Submitted by Adrienne Raymond, Board Chair

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

I am pleased to present my first report to the Shrewsbury Mountain School community. I have had the chance to get to know many of the staff members in your school and to learn how they focus on success for all of your students. Students in Shrewsbury Mountain School continue to do very well according to local, state, and national assessment measures as a result of the support they receive from you. It is an honor to be associated with the dedicated professionals on your staff and I look forward to working with them in the coming years.

Principal Debra Fishwick does an outstanding job as principal of your school. All of her leadership skills have been on display and thoroughly tested this year. She had to deal with the insulation project and resulting move out of school to Mill River UHS for two weeks just before the Holidays; the installation of the new water supply system; and the state's Challenges for Change legislation that passed last spring, along with everything else a principal of a small school faces on a daily basis. I can tell you Debra has met and passed all of these tests with flying colors. She is a credit to your school and your community.

**FY12 BUDGET:** The budget that has been approved by the Shrewsbury Board and that is being submitted to voters on Town Meeting Day meets the state's recommended reductions in education spending for FY12. Overall spending from the current year's approved budget is down by \$53,623 to \$942,687 proposed for next fiscal year. This represents a reduction of 5.4% from the approved spending plan for FY11. The board achieved these reductions in a number of areas after a thorough review including: the elimination of two part-time paraprofessional positions; cuts in supplies, equipment, purchased services, and books; and the elimination of transportation billbacks pursuant to RSSU's Busing Consolidation Plan that was approved by all of the boards in RSSU in the fall of 2010 to take effect in FY12.

While the budgeting process is always difficult, declining student populations state-wide, and in RSSU, have forced school boards everywhere to look at staff to student ratios. Shrewsbury's staffing levels have remained relatively constant over the last 10 years, while student enrollments have varied significantly from a high of 98 students, PK-6 in 2002-03, to the current 64 students PK-6 as of January, 2011. The board will review its staff needs next year with the projected increase in the Kindergarten class due to the large current pre-K population.

Shrewsbury's spending per equalized pupil is estimated to be \$11,888, less than the Department of Education's penalty threshold of \$14,733. The budget for FY12 also does not propose spending in excess of the Maximum Inflation Amount, therefore, the penalty and two-vote provisions of Act 82 do not apply to next year's expenditures.

**FY12 SHREWSBURY TAX RATES:** The following are estimates only and assume that no changes are made to the FY12 budget at town meeting. They are based on the information available at the time this report goes to print and are shown to explain how assessments are calculated:

**SHREWSBURY:** 41.39% of the equalized pupils attend Shrewsbury Mountain School and 58.61% of the equalized pupils attend Mill River Union School. The elementary tax rate is estimated to be \$1.2105 and the MR rate is estimated at \$1.2914.

Shrewsbury Elementary School component is 41.39% of \$1.2105 = \$0.5010

Mill River Union #40 School component is 58.61% of \$1.2914 = \$0.7569

Town of Shrewsbury (average) Homestead Tax rate (before CLA) is \$1.2579

The average rate is then adjusted by the CLA which in Shrewsbury is 95.02% for 2010, producing an Estimated Homestead Tax rate of **\$1.3239**.

We are again expecting to use a base education support amount of \$8,544 the same as it has been for the previous two years.

Shrewsbury is fortunate to have three exceptionally dedicated and hard-working board members: Sarah Bolster, Ed Hemmer, and board chair, Adrienne Raymond. They all contribute many hours, attend countless meetings, and demonstrate a dedication to students and this community which is truly outstanding. Kathy Beauchain deserves thanks and recognition, too, for her work as the recording secretary for the board.

The residents of Shrewsbury are to be congratulated for your continued support of your school. I look forward to getting to know more community members and invite all of you to stop in at the Central Office and visit when you get the chance.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dana J. Cole-Levesque, Superintendent

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

The 2009-2010 school year ended with 64 students in preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The 2010-2011 school year began with 61 students and we have added 3 additional students bringing our total back up to 64 students. This includes several students who have come to our school through the School Choice Program. We are hopeful that our school community will continue to grow; our preschool class currently has 19 students enrolled in the program.

The New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) is used throughout the State and the New England Region to assess how well our students are meeting the State standards and Grade Level Expectations. The assessment is given to students each October and consists of both multiple choice questions as well as constructed response questions in which students must write their answers explaining their thinking. While October may seem to be an unusual time for testing, students are tested on the previous year's Standards and Expectations. Our students in grades 3 – 6 as well as the students in grade 7 participated in this assessment. Students' scores fall in one of four categories; *Proficient with Distinction (4)*; *Proficient (3)*; *Partially Proficient (2)*; and *Substantially below Proficient (1)*. Approximately 75 % of our students scored in the Proficient or Proficient with Distinction range in reading and in mathematics. Revisions were made to the writing assessment and the 2009-2010 year was a pilot year and therefore the school did not receive any results in that assessment. Please remember our testing population is small and includes all students. One or two students' scores could change our percentage by 10 % or more. The NECAP Science Assessment is administered to our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students each spring. Seventy-five percent of our students scored in the Proficient range. These scores are for students in the 2009-2010 school year. The NECAP standardized assessments along with other local assessments are used to help us monitor student progress and assess the effectiveness of our curricula and programs.

The State will be moving toward adopting the Common Core Standards. Thirty-one states have worked together to develop these academic standards and assessments.

The hope is that with the new standards and assessment models that the results will better reflect the progress and strengths of students, teachers and schools. This process will take time to implement, but should be in place within the next several years.

The Shrewsbury School community continues to change over time. Our school which once was structured with individual grade classroom is now structured with all multi-grade or combined classrooms. Multi-grade classroom differ in philosophy from multi-age classroom. A multi-grade classroom combines students from 2 or more different grade levels and provides individual grade level instruction in reading and mathematics. Providing instruction at two separate grade levels is one of the greatest challenges. Teachers, staff and I have worked creatively to provide instruction to all students by using a team approach in teaching writing, creating a rotation of science and social studies units, and using certified teaching staff to provide instruction in reading and mathematics.

The Shrewsbury Mountain School has begun using an RTI (Response to Instruction) model. RTI monitors progress of all students throughout the years and provides small group instruction for those students who may need additional academic support. The instruction usually provided in a small group for approximately 30 minutes a day for 3-4 weeks. We continue to use the *Houghton-Mifflin Reading Program*, the *Everyday Math Program*, the *Prentice Hall Reading Program*, and the *Math Thematics Program*. All of these programs support the Rutland South Supervisory Union's curriculum allowing all students the same foundation. Teachers at the Shrewsbury Mountain School continue to incorporate differentiated instructional practices within these programs, which allow students to work in a way that is most conducive to their individual learning styles.

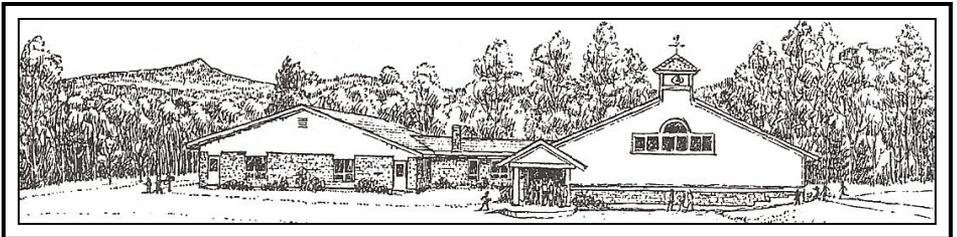
The students of the Shrewsbury Mountain School continue to be philanthropists. Student participated in the Stuff-A-Bus program, collecting nearly 350 food items. Students also raised close to \$200.00 through a hat day and a bake sale for victims of the earthquake in Haiti. Our students decided to donate this money to help provide clean drinking water.

We again thank the community for its continued support of the Okemo ski program. We have been able to include all students in grades K – 6<sup>th</sup>. We had a wonderful experience cross-country skiing, snow-shoeing, skiing and snowboarding. It was very exciting to watch students develop and apply the skills that they need to be successful. This program would not be possible without the continued financial support from many generous donations. We also would not be able to offer this program without the dedication of many community volunteers.

In January of 2009 we installed a new water system. The system upgrade was a requirement of the Water Supply Division. The new system includes two ultraviolet units. The initial units that were installed did not function as expected. Working with the State, and engineers, the initial units that were installed in 2009 were replaced in September of 2010. These new units are operating as they are expected to.

I appreciate the continued support of the Shrewsbury community. It is only possible with the help of the dedicated staff, volunteers, and community support that we are able to continue to provide a wonderful small-school learning environment to the students of our community. I would also like to extend our appreciation to the many community volunteers and our local PTO; with their support, we are able to continue to offer the 4 Winds Program (formally ELF), other extra curricula activities, soccer and basketball programs and special assembly programs. We could not be a community school without all of your support. Thank you!

Respectfully,  
Debra L. Fishwick, Principal



Shrewsbury Mountain School

**Shrewsbury Town School District  
Combined Balance Sheet as of June 30th, 2010  
Table III**

|  | General       | Lunch        | Fixed Assets  | Long Term Debt | Total          |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                              |               |              |               |                |                |
| Cash                                       | 43,089        | 2,503        |               |                | 45,592         |
| Accounts Receivable                        | 19,652        | 783          |               |                | 20,435         |
| Due from Other Funds                       | 2,328         |              |               |                | 2,328          |
| Fixed Assets (Depreciated)                 |               |              | 40,068        |                | 40,068         |
| Retire Long Term Debt                      |               |              |               |                | 0              |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                        | <b>65,069</b> | <b>3,286</b> | <b>40,068</b> | <b>0</b>       | <b>108,423</b> |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                         |               |              |               |                |                |
| Accounts Payable                           | 1             |              |               |                | 1              |
| Accrued Expenses                           | 60,060        |              |               |                | 60,060         |
| Due to Other Funds                         |               | 3,658        |               |                | 3,658          |
| Bonds Payable                              |               |              |               |                | 0              |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                   | <b>60,061</b> | <b>3,658</b> | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>       | <b>63,719</b>  |
| <b>Fund Equity</b>                         |               |              |               |                |                |
| Fund Balance                               | 5,008         | (372)        |               |                | 4,636          |
| Capital Assets                             |               |              | 40,068        |                | 40,068         |
| <b>Total Fund Equity</b>                   | <b>5,008</b>  | <b>(372)</b> | <b>40,068</b> | <b>0</b>       | <b>44,704</b>  |
| <b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b> | <b>65,069</b> | <b>3,286</b> | <b>40,068</b> | <b>0</b>       | <b>108,423</b> |

Note: Excluded from Long Term Debt above is \$24,497 EPA Loan (Water Project) subject to loan forgiveness. March 4th, 2008 school district meeting Article 7 was voter approved authorizing borrowing up to \$25,000 for upgrade of the water system as required by the State of Vermont Water Supply Rule.

**Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses  
& Changes in Fund Balances  
Table IV**

|                                      | General      | Lunch        | Total        |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance July 2009          | (65,124)     | 5,309        | (59,815)     |
| Expenditures                         | (1,042,695)  | (39,288)     | (1,081,983)  |
| Revenues                             | 1,136,827    | 25,607       | 1,162,434    |
| Transfers In (Out)                   | (24,000)     | 8,000        | (16,000)     |
| Prior Period Adjustments             | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| <b>Ending Fund Balance June 2010</b> | <b>5,008</b> | <b>(372)</b> | <b>4,636</b> |

**Sinking Funds  
Table V**

|                                      | Bus Fund      | Building Fund | Preschool Fund | Total Sinking Funds |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Beginning Balance July 2009          | 38,649        | 48,901        | 6,527          | 94,077              |
| Expenditures-Transfers out           | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0                   |
| Revenues-Approved Transfers in       | 8,000         | 8,000         | 0              | 16,000              |
| Revenue-Interest                     | 394           | 533           | 71             | 998                 |
| Prior Period Adjustments             | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0                   |
| <b>Ending Fund Balance June 2010</b> | <b>47,043</b> | <b>57,434</b> | <b>6,598</b>   | <b>111,075</b>      |

**Shrewsbury Town School District  
Operational Fund FY2012**

| Description                   | Budget Approved 2009-2010 | Audited Actuals 2009-2010 | Budget Approved 2010-2011 | Estimated 2010-2011 | Budget Proposed 2011-2012 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Total Revenue                 | 1,079,953                 | 1,135,342                 | 1,006,178                 | 1,033,386           | 944,483                   |
| Total Expenditures            | 1,008,802                 | 1,065,210                 | 996,310                   | 1,040,190           | 942,687                   |
| Excess (Rebate) of Revenue    | 71,150                    | 70,132                    | 9,868                     | (6,804)             | 1,796                     |
| Beginning Bal July 1          | (71,150)                  | (65,124)                  | (9,868)                   | 5,008               | (1,796)                   |
| Audit Adjustments - Transfers | 0                         | 0                         | 0                         | 0                   | 0                         |
| Ending Bal June 30            | 0                         | 5,008                     | 0                         | (1,796)             | 0                         |

**Revenue  
Table 1**

| Code                               | Account                           | Budget Approved 2009-2010 | Audited Actuals 2009-2010 | Budget Approved 2010-2011 | Estimated 2010-2011 | Proposed Budget 2011-2012 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Local Revenue</b>               |                                   |                           |                           |                           |                     |                           |
| 1312                               | Tuition                           | 1,440                     | 0                         | 0                         | 0                   | 0                         |
| 1314                               | Tuition school choice             | 17,088                    | 21,360                    | 17,088                    | 7,200               | 0                         |
| 1422                               | Transport                         | 29,341                    | 35,873                    | 27,000                    | 32,161              | 0                         |
| 1500                               | Investments                       | 5,000                     | 1,314                     | 3,000                     | 1,700               | 6,000                     |
| 1940                               | Excess Cost Reimb.-Transfer Prog. | 3,109                     | 3,109                     | 5,000                     | 2,000               | 0                         |
| 1990                               | Other Local                       | 0                         | 2,195                     | 0                         | 100                 | 0                         |
| 5300                               | Compensation for Loss             | 0                         | 0                         | 0                         | 550                 | 0                         |
| <b>Total Local Revenue</b>         |                                   | <b>55,978</b>             | <b>63,851</b>             | <b>52,088</b>             | <b>43,711</b>       | <b>6,000</b>              |
| <b>2000 Sub Grants</b>             |                                   | <b>19,000</b>             | <b>20,100</b>             | <b>16,797</b>             | <b>33,000</b>       | <b>31,000</b>             |
| <b>State Revenue</b>               |                                   |                           |                           |                           |                     |                           |
| 3110                               | ACT68 Res/Non Res EEGL Support    | 837,623                   | 824,529                   | 752,802                   | 741,602             | 737,360                   |
| 3145                               | ACT 60 Small School Aid           | 76,644                    | 77,601                    | 77,303                    | 77,303              | 76,384                    |
| 3150                               | ACT 60 Transport Aid              | 15,746                    | 15,231                    | 10,910                    | 10,858              | 12,145                    |
| 3201                               | Spec Ed Block Grant               | 24,808                    | 24,808                    | 22,160                    | 22,160              | 19,322                    |
| 3202                               | Spec Ed Expenditures Reim         | 42,225                    | 47,409                    | 52,907                    | 50,910              | 41,105                    |
| 3204                               | Spec Ed EEE                       | 7,929                     | 7,870                     | 6,300                     | 6,300               | 6,256                     |
| 3205                               | Spec Ed State Placed              | 0                         | 22,897                    | 14,911                    | 14,911              | 14,911                    |
| 3790                               | State EPA / Equipment Grant       | 0                         | 0                         | 0                         | 4,773               | 0                         |
| <b>Total State Revenue</b>         |                                   | <b>1,004,975</b>          | <b>1,020,345</b>          | <b>937,293</b>            | <b>928,817</b>      | <b>907,483</b>            |
| <b>Federal Revenue</b>             |                                   |                           |                           |                           |                     |                           |
| 4110                               | ARRA Education Spending Grant     | 0                         | 29,094                    | 0                         | 26,200              | 0                         |
| <b>Total Federal Revenue</b>       |                                   | <b>0</b>                  | <b>29,094</b>             | <b>0</b>                  | <b>26,200</b>       | <b>0</b>                  |
| <b>Other Revenue</b>               |                                   |                           |                           |                           |                     |                           |
| 5400                               | Prior year adj                    | 0                         | 1,839                     | 0                         | 1,658               | 0                         |
| 5840                               | Sub Reimbursement                 | 0                         | 113                       | 0                         | 0                   | 0                         |
| <b>Total Other Revenue</b>         |                                   | <b>0</b>                  | <b>1,952</b>              | <b>0</b>                  | <b>1,658</b>        | <b>0</b>                  |
| <b>Total Revenue - All Sources</b> |                                   | <b>1,079,953</b>          | <b>1,135,342</b>          | <b>1,006,178</b>          | <b>1,033,386</b>    | <b>944,483</b>            |
| 5000                               | Transfers - Pending Approval      | 16,000                    | inc in # 3110             | 15,000                    | inc in # 3110       | 13,000                    |

**Shrewsbury Town School District  
Expenses**

**Table II**

| <b>Code</b> | <b>Account</b>                    | <b>2009-2010<br/>Approved<br/>Budget</b> | <b>2009-2010<br/>Audited<br/>Actuals</b> | <b>2010-2011<br/>Approved<br/>Budget</b> | <b>2010-2011<br/>Anticipated</b> | <b>2011-2012<br/>Proposed<br/>Budget</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>1100</b> | <b>General Instruction</b>        |  |  |  |                                  |  |
|             | Salaries                          | 300,241                                  | 310,073                                  | 253,891                                  | 272,031                          | 274,425                                  |
|             | Benefits                          | 92,606                                   | 98,507                                   | 111,379                                  | 91,577                           | 93,776                                   |
|             | Tuition Reimbursement             | 5,000                                    | 7,690                                    | 5,000                                    | 7,010                            | 6,200                                    |
|             | Purchased Services                | 13,725                                   | 2,995                                    | 5,075                                    | 4,106                            | 5,075                                    |
|             | Tuition - School Choice           | 12,816                                   | 21,360                                   | 12,816                                   | 11,500                           | 8,618                                    |
|             | Supplies/Snacks/Travel            | 10,850                                   | 7,789                                    | 8,850                                    | 8,828                            | 7,650                                    |
|             | Books / Periodicals               | 5,000                                    | 2,081                                    | 4,000                                    | 3,825                            | 3,000                                    |
|             | Equipment                         | 500                                      | 101                                      | 500                                      | 500                              | 500                                      |
|             | Licensing Fees/MAP Testing        | 1,150                                    | 850                                      | 1,150                                    | 1,150                            | 1,150                                    |
| <b>1100</b> | <b>Total Instruction</b>          | <b>441,888</b>                           | <b>451,446</b>                           | <b>402,661</b>                           | <b>400,527</b>                   | <b>400,394</b>                           |
| <b>1150</b> | <b>Preschool</b>                  |  |  |  |                                  |  |
|             | Salaries                          | 25,407                                   | 25,083                                   | 25,908                                   | 25,647                           | 25,647                                   |
|             | Benefits                          | 3,898                                    | 5,949                                    | 6,725                                    | 5,521                            | 5,596                                    |
|             | Insurance                         | 84                                       | 0  | 0  | 0                                | 0  |
|             | Supplies & Snacks                 | 1,250                                    | 1,315                                    | 1,400                                    | 1,400                            | 1,400                                    |
|             | Dues/Fees                         | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0                                | 275                                      |
| <b>1150</b> | <b>Total Preschool</b>            | <b>30,639</b>                            | <b>32,347</b>                            | <b>34,033</b>                            | <b>32,568</b>                    | <b>32,918</b>                            |
| <b>1400</b> | <b>Activities</b>                 | <b>1,468</b>                             | <b>2,536</b>                             | <b>1,468</b>                             | <b>2,504</b>                     | <b>1,464</b>                             |
| <b>1500</b> | <b>Title I</b>                    | <b>19,135</b>                            | <b>20,100</b>                            | <b>16,797</b>                            | <b>34,195</b>                    | <b>34,449</b>                            |
| <b>2120</b> | <b>Guidance</b>                   | <b>10,341</b>                            | <b>6,786</b>                             | <b>10,550</b>                            | <b>9,927</b>                     | <b>9,735</b>                             |
| <b>2130</b> | <b>Health Services</b>            | <b>9,258</b>                             | <b>8,375</b>                             | <b>10,457</b>                            | <b>12,643</b>                    | <b>11,591</b>                            |
| <b>2210</b> | <b>Improvement of Instruction</b> | <b>11,909</b>                            | <b>10,232</b>                            | <b>10,166</b>                            | <b>10,166</b>                    | <b>10,535</b>                            |
| <b>2220</b> | <b>Library / Media</b>            |  |  |  |                                  |  |
|             | Salaries & Benefits               | 7,830                                    | 7,768                                    | 7,999                                    | 8,375                            | 8,394                                    |
|             | Supplies & Repairs                | 500                                      | 45                                       | 500                                      | 500                              | 250                                      |
|             | Books / Periodicals               | 2,000                                    | 1,929                                    | 2,060                                    | 2,060                            | 2,060                                    |
|             | Equipment/Dues/Fees               | 100                                      | 41                                       | 100                                      | 122                              | 100                                      |
| <b>2220</b> | <b>Total Library / Media</b>      | <b>10,430</b>                            | <b>9,783</b>                             | <b>10,659</b>                            | <b>11,057</b>                    | <b>10,804</b>                            |
| <b>2230</b> | <b>Technology</b>                 | <b>9,500</b>                             | <b>8,477</b>                             | <b>9,500</b>                             | <b>11,160</b>                    | <b>8,800</b>                             |
| <b>2310</b> | <b>Board of Education</b>         | <b>6,653</b>                             | <b>12,365</b>                            | <b>6,714</b>                             | <b>6,714</b>                     | <b>6,714</b>                             |
| <b>2320</b> | <b>Administration-RSSU</b>        | <b>21,898</b>                            | <b>21,898</b>                            | <b>17,498</b>                            | <b>17,498</b>                    | <b>17,826</b>                            |
| <b>2400</b> | <b>Administration</b>             |  |  |  |                                  |  |
|             | Salaries & Benefits               | 93,998                                   | 93,152                                   | 93,938                                   | 95,662                           | 96,032                                   |
|             | Contracted Services               | 1,600                                    | 625                                      | 1,000                                    | 1,304                            | 920                                      |
|             | Telephone / Postage               | 3,000                                    | 2,720                                    | 3,000                                    | 3,000                            | 3,000                                    |
|             | Travel/Supplies/Books             | 950                                      | 217                                      | 969                                      | 969                              | 450                                      |
|             | Equipment & Software              | 1,350                                    | 143                                      | 1,400                                    | 1,400                            | 1,450                                    |
|             | Dues / Fees                       | 700                                      | 539                                      | 500                                      | 500                              | 500                                      |
| <b>2400</b> | <b>Total Administration</b>       | <b>101,598</b>                           | <b>97,396</b>                            | <b>100,807</b>                           | <b>102,835</b>                   | <b>102,352</b>                           |

| Code        | Account                      | 2009-2010<br>Approved<br>Budget | 2009-2010<br>Audited<br>Actuals | 2010-2011<br>Approved<br>Budget | 2010-2011<br>Anticipated | 2011-2012<br>Proposed<br>Budget |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>2520</b> | <b>Fiscal Services</b>       |                                 |                                 |                                 |                          |                                 |
|             | Salary & Benefits            | 1,077                           | 1,077                           | 1,077                           | 1,077                    | 1,077                           |
|             | S.U. Assessment              | 20,158                          | 20,158                          | 16,130                          | 16,130                   | 15,940                          |
|             | Audit/Fees/Supplies          | 2,500                           | 2,750                           | 2,700                           | 2,800                    | 2,800                           |
|             | Interest/ note anticipation  | 6,682                           | 2,810                           | 6,682                           | 1,763                    | 5,625                           |
| <b>2520</b> | <b>Total Fiscal Services</b> | <b>30,417</b>                   | <b>26,795</b>                   | <b>26,589</b>                   | <b>21,770</b>            | <b>25,442</b>                   |

|             |                                  |                |               |                |                |               |
|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>2600</b> | <b>Buildings / Grounds</b>       |                |               |                |                |               |
|             | Salaries & Benefits              | 48,682         | 44,025        | 49,368         | 47,631         | 45,675        |
|             | Repair / Maintenance             | 4,000          | 14,193        | 10,000         | 23,041         | 10,000        |
|             | Equipment Rental - Copier        | 5,000          | 5,453         | 5,200          | 5,200          | 5,200         |
|             | Insurance                        | 8,470          | 5,776         | 7,430          | 6,308          | 6,625         |
|             | Supplies                         | 4,000          | 4,334         | 4,300          | 4,300          | 4,300         |
|             | Electricity                      | 9,207          | 8,432         | 8,300          | 8,300          | 8,950         |
|             | Fuel Oil                         | 19,500         | 14,679        | 18,000         | 20,000         | 14,500        |
|             | Equipment / Furniture            | 3,500          | 953           | 2,500          | 2,167          | 2,500         |
| <b>2600</b> | <b>Total Buildings / Grounds</b> | <b>102,359</b> | <b>97,845</b> | <b>105,098</b> | <b>116,947</b> | <b>97,750</b> |

|             |                             |               |               |               |               |               |
|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>2711</b> | <b>Transportation</b>       |               |               |               |               |               |
|             | Salaries & Benefits         | 17,840        | 17,619        | 16,987        | 31,779        | 0             |
|             | S.U. Assessment             | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             | 24,829        |
|             | Repairs/Maint. & Services   | 8,450         | 11,158        | 9,556         | 16,350        | 0             |
|             | Contracted Transportation   | 10,877        | 7,726         | 9,150         | 0             | 0             |
|             | Insurance - Buses           | 1,278         | 906           | 1,100         | 915           | 0             |
|             | Diesel Fuel - Buses         | 12,869        | 8,931         | 10,650        | 9,975         | 0             |
| <b>2711</b> | <b>Total Transportation</b> | <b>51,314</b> | <b>46,340</b> | <b>47,443</b> | <b>59,019</b> | <b>24,829</b> |

|             |                                   |            |              |            |            |          |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|
| <b>2720</b> | <b>Transportation -Activities</b> | <b>700</b> | <b>1,190</b> | <b>700</b> | <b>700</b> | <b>0</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|

|             |                                    |              |            |              |              |          |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>2790</b> | <b>Transportation -Field Trips</b> | <b>1,292</b> | <b>459</b> | <b>1,292</b> | <b>1,292</b> | <b>0</b> |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------|

|             |                              |          |               |          |            |          |
|-------------|------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------|------------|----------|
| <b>5200</b> | <b>Prior Yr. Adjustments</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>21,275</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>0</b> |
|-------------|------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------|------------|----------|

|             |                                    |              |              |              |              |              |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>5300</b> | <b>Food Svc. Subsidy/Transfers</b> | <b>8,000</b> | <b>8,000</b> | <b>8,000</b> | <b>8,000</b> | <b>8,000</b> |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|

|   |  |                |                |                |                |                |
|---|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Total Operating Expenses-General</b> |  | <b>868,799</b> | <b>883,645</b> | <b>820,432</b> | <b>859,643</b> | <b>803,603</b> |
|---|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|

|             |                                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>1200</b> | <b>Special Education</b>       |                |                |                |                |                |
|             | Salaries & Benefits            | 98,878         | 128,994        | 136,917        | 124,586        | 99,877         |
|             | Purchased Educ. Svc.           | 1,000          | 180            | 1,000          | 1,000          | 1,000          |
|             | RSSU - EEE Assessment          | 7,520          | 7,520          | 7,440          | 7,440          | 7,883          |
|             | RSSU - Trans Assessment        | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 1,149          |
|             | Travel/Supplies/Equipment      | 1,500          | 837            | 1,550          | 1,550          | 1,550          |
|             | OT Services & Assessment       | 3,799          | 3,299          | 3,438          | 3,438          | 3,258          |
|             | Psych Services & Assessment    | 9,158          | 6,658          | 8,231          | 8,231          | 8,316          |
|             | Speech Services & Assessment   | 1,564          | 1,268          | 3,217          | 3,217          | 2,821          |
|             | Improvement of Instruction     | 0              | 225            | 0              | 0              | 0              |
|             | Spec Ed. Admin. Assessment     | 16,584         | 16,584         | 14,085         | 14,085         | 13,230         |
| <b>1200</b> | <b>Total Special Education</b> | <b>140,003</b> | <b>165,565</b> | <b>175,878</b> | <b>165,547</b> | <b>139,084</b> |

|   |  |                  |                  |                |                  |                |
|---|--|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Total General &amp; Special Ed. Expenses</b> |  | <b>1,008,802</b> | <b>1,049,210</b> | <b>996,310</b> | <b>1,025,190</b> | <b>942,687</b> |
|---|--|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|

Pending Approval

|             |                                   |               |               |               |               |               |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>5350</b> | <b>Transfers-to Sinking Funds</b> | <b>16,000</b> | <b>16,000</b> | <b>15,000</b> | <b>15,000</b> | <b>13,000</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|

|                              |  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                |
|------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Grand Total -Expenses</b> |  | <b>1,024,802</b> | <b>1,065,210</b> | <b>1,011,310</b> | <b>1,040,190</b> | <b>955,687</b> |
|------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|

**Comparative Data for Cost Effectiveness**  
**16 V.S.A. 165 (a) (2) (K)**

The Comparative Data for Cost Effectiveness Chart is provided by the Department of Education.

Section 1 – “FY2010 School Level Data” represents enrollment, teacher, and administrator data from fall 2009 (FY2010). Teachers included are all secondary teachers and Special Educators. Administrators included are principals, assistant principals, Title I coordinators and Special Education Directors. Enrollment data are a headcount at a school regardless of district of residence.

Section 2 – “FY2009 School District Data” represents current expenditures per FTE (full time equivalent teacher) less special education costs. Supervisory Union assessments are included. Data are at the school district level.

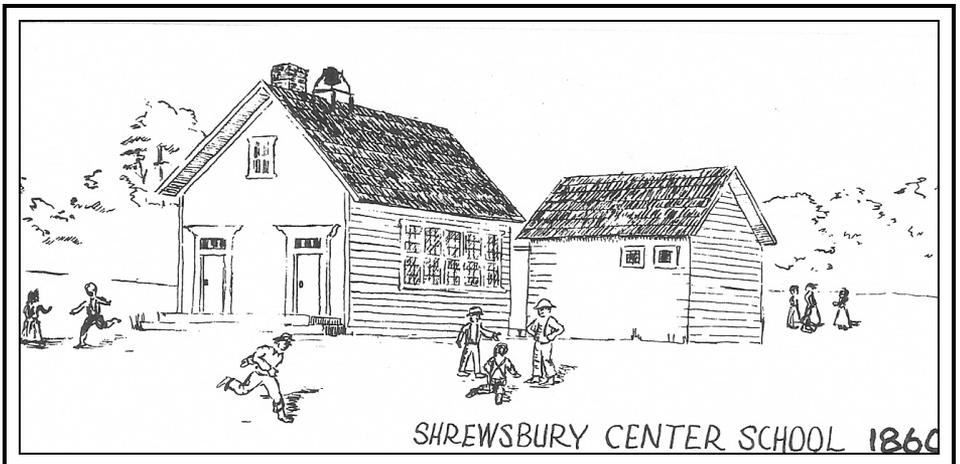
Section 3 – “FY1011 School District Data” represents education spending per equalized pupil. Data are at the school district level.

Data cannot be compared. The data are from three different years, are reported at three different levels, and represent different things.

**Medicaid Reimbursement Funds**  
**2009-10**

During the 2009-10 school year, the Shrewsbury Mountain School spent \$1,480 in Medicaid reimbursement funds. These funds are from grant sources and are not represented in the budget.

Funds were expended on a Homework Support/Tutoring Program (grades K-6).



## Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness 16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Shrewsbury Mountain School  
S.U.: Rutland South S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":  
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ>

### FY2010 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment < 100  
(47 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)  
28 out of 47

#### School level data

| School                             | Grades Offered | Enrollment   | Total Teachers | Total Administrators | Stu./Tchr Ratio | Stu./Admin Ratio | Tchr / Admin Ratio |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Jamaica Village School             | PK - 6         | 61           | 6.00           | 1.00                 | 10.17           | 61.00            | 6.00               |
| Leicester Central School           | PK - 6         | 61           | 6.18           | 0.90                 | 8.87            | 67.78            | 6.87               |
| Bridgeville Village School         | K - 6          | 62           | 7.30           | 0.50                 | 8.49            | 124.00           | 14.60              |
| <b>Shrewsbury Mountain School</b>  | <b>PK - 6</b>  | <b>64</b>    | <b>9.00</b>    | <b>0.70</b>          | <b>7.11</b>     | <b>91.43</b>     | <b>12.86</b>       |
| Stockton Central School            | PK - 6         | 65           | 6.17           | 1.00                 | 10.53           | 65.00            | 6.17               |
| Weybridge Elementary School        | K - 6          | 67           | 7.90           | 1.00                 | 8.48            | 67.00            | 7.90               |
| Westshire Elementary               | K - 5          | 68           | 10.06          | 0.70                 | 6.76            | 97.14            | 14.37              |
| <b>Averaged SCHOOL cohort data</b> |                | <b>61.91</b> | <b>6.46</b>    | <b>0.76</b>          | <b>9.58</b>     | <b>81.51</b>     | <b>8.51</b>        |

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. This year's figures include district assessments to SUs. Doing so makes districts more comparable to each other. The consequence is that THESE FIGURES ARE ONLY COMPARABLE TO FIGURES USED IN THE SIMILAR FILES FOR FY10 and FY11.

### FY2009 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2009 FTE < 100  
(50 school districts in cohort)

Cohort Rank by FTE  
(1 is largest)  
28 out of 50

Grades offered in School District  
Student FTE enrolled in school district  
Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

Middletown Springs  
 North Hero  
 Leicester  
**Shrewsbury**  
 Jamaica  
 West Windsor  
 Holland

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**\$13,210**

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**Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data**

**FY2011 School District Data**

| LEA ID | School District  | Grades offered in School District | SD               |  | School district tax rate |                           | Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates |                                  |
|--------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
|        |                  |                                   | Equalized Pupils | Education Spending per Equalized Pupil | Equalized Ed tax rate    | MUN Homestead Ed tax rate | MUN Common Level of Appraisal Ed tax rate                                    | MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate |
| T239   | Weybridge        | K-6                               | 66.23            | 15,280.56                              | 1.5391                   | 1.5188                    | 0.8683   | 1.7491                           |
| T103   | Ile La Motte     | K-6                               | 66.93            | 12,984.51                              | 1.3070                   | 1.3070                    | 0.9214   | 1.4185                           |
| T097   | Holland          | PK-6                              | 67.42            | 9,248.58                               | 0.9309                   | 1.0520                    | 0.8745   | 1.2029                           |
| T190   | Shrewsbury       | PK-6                              | 68.43            | 11,220.25                              | 1.1294                   | 1.2068                    | 0.8989   | 1.3448                           |
| T157   | Pomfret          | K-6                               | 69.25            | 13,920.29                              | 1.4012                   | 1.4413                    | 0.9686   | 1.4880                           |
| T022   | Bolton           | PK-4                              | 70.85            | 15,297.50                              | 1.5396                   | 1.3596                    | 0.9077   | 1.4758                           |
| U043   | Lakewood USD #43 | K-6                               | 73.29            | 13,074.94                              | 1.3161                   |                           |  |                                  |

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Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by DOE

District: **Shrewsbury**  
 County: Rutland

T190  
 Rutland South

Enter base education amount. See note at bottom of page. **8,544**

Enter estimated homestead base rate for FY2012. See note at bottom of page. **0.87**

|  | FY2009      | FY2010      | FY2011      | FY2012    |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| <b>Expenditures</b>  |             |             |             |           |
| 1. Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures) | \$1,011,161 | \$1,024,802 | \$1,011,310 | \$942,687 |
| 2. <i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting  | -           | -           | -           | \$13,000  |
| 3. <i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending   | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 4. Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget   | \$1,011,161 | \$1,024,802 | \$1,011,310 | \$955,687 |
| 5. <i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any  | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 6. <i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if not included in expenditure budget                                      | -           | -           | \$1,796     | \$1,796   |
| 7. <b>Gross Act 68 Budget</b>  | \$1,011,161 | \$1,024,802 | \$1,011,310 | \$957,483 |
| 8. S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data   | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 9. Prior year deficit reduction (if included in expenditure budget) - informational data                               | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| <b>Revenues</b>  |             |             |             |           |
| 10. Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuition, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)       | \$225,618   | \$171,179   | \$243,508   | \$207,123 |
| 11. <i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 80   | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 12. <i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)        | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 13. <i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues  | -           | -           | -           | -         |
| 14. <b>Total local revenues</b>  | \$225,618   | \$171,179   | \$243,508   | \$207,123 |
| 15. <b>Education Spending</b>  | \$785,543   | \$853,623   | \$767,802   | \$750,360 |
| 16. Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)   | 74.97       | 75.61       | 68.43       | 63.12     |

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FY2011 Estimates  
Preliminary Budgets

Act 130 Equalized Homestead Tax Rate Calculation, FY2011

ESTIMATES ONLY  
Official rates from Tax Dept.  
Base rate is not official

District: **Shrewsbury**  
County: **Rutland South**

LEA: **T190**  
S.U.: **Rutland**

|  |  |  |  |  |           |     |
|--|--|--|--|--|-----------|-----|
| 1.   | Local budgeted expenditures including any separate articles            |  |  |  | 955,687   | 1.  |
| 2.   | Act 144 expenditures   |  |  |  | -         | 2.  |
| 3.   | Obligation to a regional technical center school district if any       |  |  |  | -         | 3.  |
| 4.   | Obligation to repay a deficit per 24 V.S.A. § 1523(b)                  |  |  |  | 1,796     | 4.  |
| 5.   | Obligation to repay difference between allowable and announced tuition |  |  |  | -         | 5.  |
| 6.   | Total Expenditures net of Act 144 dollars                              |  |  |  | 957,483   | 6.  |
| (lines 1 + 3 + 4 + 5) - line 2                                 |  |  |  |  |           |     |
| 7.   | Total local revenues   |  |  |  | 207,123   | 7.  |
| 8.   | Act 144 dedicated revenues   |  |  |  | -         | 8.  |
| 9.   | Act 144 expenditures to raise locally                                  |  |  |  | -         | 9.  |
| 10.  | Local revenues less Act 144 revenues                                   |  |  |  | 207,123   | 10. |
| line 2 - line 7<br>line 7 - (lines 8 + 9)                      |  |  |  |  |           |     |
| 11.  | Initial Education Spending   |  |  |  | 750,360   | 11. |
| 12.  | Capital debt hold-harmless aid   |  |  |  | -         | 12. |
| 13.  | Education Spending   |  |  |  | 750,360   | 13. |
| line 6 - line 10<br>line 16, "CDAid" page<br>line 11 - line 12 |  |  |  |  |           |     |
| 14.  | Equalized pupils   |  |  |  | 63.12     | 14. |
| 15.  | Education spending per equalized pupil                                 |  |  |  | 11,887.83 | 15. |
| line 13 / line 14  |  |  |  |  |           |     |

Excess Spending Calculation

|  |   |  |  |  |           |     |
|--|---|--|--|--|-----------|-----|
| 15.                                    | NET Eligible FY2011 construction costs, including P&I   |  |  |  | -         | 15. |
| 16.                                    | 20 or fewer equip, excess due to NEW SpEd spending  |  |  |  | -         | 16. |
| 17.                                    | New student tuition costs to a PUBLIC school that cause a deficit, if incurred after budget is passed (i. e., grades not offered by district) |  |  |  | -         | 17. |
| 18.                                    | SpEd costs two years prior in excess of \$50,000 per pupil  |  |  |  | -         | 18. |
| 19.                                    | Cost of planning the merger of a small school (average grade size ≤ 20 students)  |  |  |  | -         | 19. |
| 20.                                    | Total eligible exclusions   |  |  |  | -         | 20. |
| 21.                                    | Eligible FY2011 exclusions per pupil, including P&I   |  |  |  | -         | 21. |
| 22.                                    | Per pupil figure to use for Excess Spending   |  |  |  | 11,887.83 | 22. |
| line 20 / line 14<br>line 15 - line 21 |   |  |  |  |           |     |
| 23.                                    | Excess spending threshold   |  |  |  | 14,733    | 23. |
| 24.                                    | Per pupil spending above the threshold  |  |  |  | NA        | 24. |
| Final<br>line 22 - line 23             |   |  |  |  |           |     |

|     |  |  |           |     |
|-----|--|--|-----------|-----|
| 25. | Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment                        | line 15 + line 24                        | 11,887.63 | 25. |
| 26. | District spending adjustment   | max of 100% of (line 25 / 8,544)         | 139,137%  | 26. |
| 27. | Equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated                                      | line 26 x \$0.87                         | 1,2105    | 27. |
| 28. | Percent of Shrewsbury equalized pupils not in a union school district            |  | 41.39%    | 28. |
| 29. | Portion of equalized homestead tax rate to be assessed by town                   | line 27 x line 28                        | 0.5010    | 29. |
| 30. | Common level of appraisal  |  | 95.02%    | 30. |
| 31. | <b>Estimated actual homestead tax rate of district to be assessed</b>            | line 29 / line 30                        | 0.5273    | 31. |
| 32. | Equalized homestead rate from Mill River UHSD #40                                | MANUAL                                   | 1.2914    | 32. |
| 33. | Percent of Shrewsbury equalized pupils at Mill River UHSD #40                    |  | 58.61%    | 33. |
| 34. | Prorated equalized rate from Mill River UHSD #40                                 |  | 0.7569    | 34. |
| 35. | <b>Estimated actual rate from Mill River UHSD #40 to be assessed</b>             | line 34 / line 30                        | 0.7966    | 35. |
| 36. |  | MANUAL                                   |           | 36. |
| 37. |  |  |           | 37. |
| 38. |  |  |           | 38. |
| 39. |  |  |           | 39. |
| 40. | Total equalized homestead rate for Shrewsbury                                    | line 29 + 34 + 38                        | 1.2579    | 40. |
| 41. | Total estimated actual homestead rate for Shrewsbury                             | lines 31 + 35 + 39                       | 1,3239    | 41. |
| 42. | Equalized non-residential tax rate   |  | 1.360     | 42. |
| 43. | <b>Estimated actual non-residential tax rate</b>                                 | line 42 / line 30                        | 1.4313    | 43. |
| 44. | Education spending   | line 13                                  | 750,360   | 44. |
| 45. | Tech FTE's   |  |           | 45. |
| 46. | Base education amount for tech FTE's, paid on behalf of district                 | line 45 x \$,544 x 87%                   |           | 46. |
| 47. | Adjusted education spending due the district from Ed Fund                        | line 44 - line 46                        | 750,360   | 47. |
| 48. | <b>Amount to raise locally for Act 144</b>                                       | line 9                                   |           | 48. |
| 49. | Prorated income cap percentage for Shrewsbury education property tax if eligible | 1.80% x 41.39% x 189.14% (lines 26 & 28) | 1.04%     | 49. |
| 50. | Spending adjustment from Mill River UHSD #40                                     |  | 148.43%   | 50. |
| 51. | Prorated income cap percentage from Mill River UHSD #40                          | 1.80% x 58.61% x 148.43%                 | 1.57%     | 51. |
| 52. |  |  |           | 52. |
| 53. |  |  |           | 53. |
| 54. | <b>Estimated income cap percentage for Shrewsbury education property tax</b>     |  | 2.61%     | 54. |

**Rutland South Supervisory Union  
FY 2011-2012 Budget  
Operating Fund Revenue**

|  | Budget<br>Approved<br>2009-2010 | Actual<br>2009-2010 | Budget<br>Approved<br>2010-2011 | Estimated<br>2010-2011 | Budget<br>Proposed<br>2011-2012 |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Assessments to Schools</b>            |                                 |                     |                                 |                        |                                 |
| <b>1931 - Regular Education</b>          |                                 |                     |                                 |                        |                                 |
| Clarendon                                | 178,334                         | 178,334             | 135,282                         | 135,282                | 209,164                         |
| Shrewsbury                               | 50,965                          | 50,965              | 41,544                          | 41,544                 | 66,880                          |
| Wallingford                              | 98,446                          | 98,446              | 78,797                          | 78,797                 | 123,035                         |
| Mill River UHS                           | 472,582                         | 472,582             | 405,346                         | 405,346                | 631,532                         |
| <b>Total Assessments</b>                 | <b>800,327</b>                  | <b>800,327</b>      | <b>660,969</b>                  | <b>660,969</b>         | <b>1,030,611</b>                |
| 1412 - Transportation                    | 0                               | 0                   | 0                               | 0                      | 6,800                           |
| 1500 - Interest                          | 10,000                          | 1,186               | 2,500                           | 2,200                  | 2,500                           |
| 1941 - Service to Other LEA's            | 0                               | 3,947               | 0                               | 0                      | 0                               |
| 1990 - Other                             | 0                               | 22,737              | 0                               | 23,510                 | 0                               |
| 1940 - Summer Camp Income                | 0                               | 21,614              | 0                               | 14,546                 | 0                               |
| <b>Total Revenue-Regular Education</b>   | <b>810,327</b>                  | <b>849,811</b>      | <b>663,469</b>                  | <b>701,225</b>         | <b>1,039,911</b>                |
| <b>Assessments to Schools</b>            |                                 |                     |                                 |                        |                                 |
| <b>1932 - Special Education Services</b> |                                 |                     |                                 |                        |                                 |
| Clarendon                                | 150,529                         | 150,529             | 119,163                         | 119,163                | 118,711                         |
| Shrewsbury                               | 35,275                          | 35,275              | 33,061                          | 33,061                 | 33,307                          |
| Wallingford                              | 62,473                          | 62,473              | 51,569                          | 51,569                 | 52,345                          |
| Mill River UHS                           | 205,888                         | 205,889             | 197,358                         | 197,358                | 198,696                         |
| <b>Total Assessments-Special Educ.</b>   | <b>454,165</b>                  | <b>454,166</b>      | <b>401,151</b>                  | <b>401,151</b>         | <b>403,059</b>                  |
| 3205 - State Placed Reimbursement        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                               | 0                      | 0                               |
| 5400 - Prior Yr Spec. Educ. Adj.         | 0                               | 129                 | 0                               | 6,888                  | 0                               |
| <b>Total Revenue-Special Education</b>   | <b>454,165</b>                  | <b>454,295</b>      | <b>401,151</b>                  | <b>408,039</b>         | <b>403,059</b>                  |
| <b>Total All Revenues</b>                | <b>1,264,492</b>                | <b>1,304,106</b>    | <b>1,064,620</b>                | <b>1,109,264</b>       | <b>1,442,970</b>                |
| Regular Education Expenses               | 813,646                         | 805,552             | 786,964                         | 834,545                | 1,164,357                       |
| Special Education Expenses               | 454,167                         | 445,074             | 477,656                         | 459,840                | 478,613                         |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                    | <b>1,267,813</b>                | <b>1,250,626</b>    | <b>1,264,620</b>                | <b>1,294,385</b>       | <b>1,642,970</b>                |

**Summary of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes to Fund Balance**

|                         | Budget<br>Approved<br>2009-2010 | Actual<br>2009-2010 | Budget<br>Approved<br>2010-2011 | Estimated<br>2010-2011 | Budget<br>Proposed<br>2011-2012 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Total Revenue           | 1,264,492                       | 1,304,106           | 1,064,620                       | 1,109,264              | 1,442,970                       |
| Total Expenditures      | 1,267,813                       | 1,250,626           | 1,264,620                       | 1,294,385              | 1,642,970                       |
| Excess Of Revenue       | -3,321                          | 53,480              | -200,000                        | -185,121               | -200,000                        |
| Beg Bal July 1          | 3,321                           | 674,822             | 712,753                         | 728,302                | 543,181                         |
| Prior Period Adjustment | 0                               | 0                   | 0                               | 0                      | 0                               |
| Ending Bal June 30      | 0                               | 728,302             | 512,753                         | 543,181                | 343,181                         |

Rutland South Supervisory Union  
FY 2012 Assessments

| District    | Improv of Instr-Internet/VPN |        | Allocation | To Be Assessed |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------|------------|----------------|
|             | Internet                     | VPN    |            |                |
| Clarendon   | 350                          | 2,300  | 4,025      | 3,380          |
| Shrewsbury  | 0                            | 2,300  | 3,275      | 2,750          |
| Wallingford | 0                            | 2,300  | 3,275      | 2,750          |
| Mill River  | 0                            | 2,300  | 7,675      | 6,445          |
| RSSU        | 6,400                        | 2,300  | 0          |                |
|             | 6,750                        | 11,500 | 18,250     | 15,325         |
|             | Total Expense:               |        |            | 18,250         |
|             | Less Carry Over Applied      |        |            | (2,995)        |
|             | Amount to be Assessed        |        |            | 15,255         |

| General Fund               | Budget 2011-2012 | Carry Over Applied | To Be Assessed   |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Improvement of Instr       | 30,593           | 5,002              | 25,591           |
| Treasurer                  | 646              | 101                | 545              |
| Central Office             | 232,992          | 38,151             | 194,841          |
| Fiscal Service             | 306,937          | 50,261             | 256,676          |
| Bldg/Grounds               | 26,303           | 4,313              | 21,990           |
| Transportation             | 382,302          | 0                  | 382,302          |
| Contingencies              | 0                |                    |                  |
| Sub Total                  | 979,773          |                    |                  |
| Improv of Instr-Internet   | 18,250           | 2,995              | 15,255           |
| Technology                 | 159,534          | 26,123             | 133,411          |
| Transportation             | 0                | 0                  |                  |
| <b>C.O. Admin Subtotal</b> | <b>1,157,557</b> | <b>126,946</b>     | <b>1,030,611</b> |

| Special Ed Fund               | Budget 2011-2012 | Carry Over Applied | To Be Assessed   |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Special Ed                    | 79,511           | 13,021             | 66,490           |
| EEE                           | 43,937           | 7,189              | 36,748           |
| Health Services               | 45,623           | 7,472              | 38,151           |
| Psych Services                | 112,008          | 18,347             | 93,661           |
| Speech Services               | 40,885           | 6,703              | 34,182           |
| Transportation                | 17,331           | 0                  | 17,331           |
| Special Ed Admin              | 139,318          | 22,822             | 116,496          |
| <b>Special Ed. Subtotal</b>   | <b>478,613</b>   | <b>75,554</b>      | <b>403,059</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total Budget</b>     | <b>1,636,170</b> | <b>202,500</b>     | <b>1,433,670</b> |
| Carryover/<br>Revenue Applied | 202,500          |                    |                  |
| <b>Total To Be Assessed</b>   | <b>1,433,670</b> |                    |                  |

**Rutland South Supervisory Union  
FY2012 Assessments**

|   | Clarendon      | Shrewsbury     | Wallingford    | Mill River     | Total            |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>"A" ADM (20 day FY11 Total)</b>                | 217.30         | 60.00          | 109.00         | 580.00         | 966.30           |
| Percent FY 2011                                   | 20.59%         | 6.12%          | 11.90%         | 61.39%         | 100%             |
| <b>Percent FY 2012</b>                            | <b>22.49%</b>  | <b>6.21%</b>   | <b>11.28%</b>  | <b>60.02%</b>  | 100%             |
| <b>"B" ADM (20 day FY11 In District)</b>          | 208.70         | 58.00          | 122.76         | 413.30         | 802.76           |
| Percent FY 2011                                   | 24.66%         | 7.55%          | 14.70%         | 53.09%         | 100%             |
| <b>Percent FY 2012</b>                            | <b>26.00%</b>  | <b>7.23%</b>   | <b>15.29%</b>  | <b>51.48%</b>  | 100%             |
| <b>"C" ADM (20 day Elem in District)</b>          |                |                |                |                |                  |
| EEE ADM - Elementary Only                         | 208.70         | 58.00          | 122.76         | 0.00           | 389.46           |
| EEE % By District                                 | 53.59%         | 14.89%         | 31.52%         | 0.00%          | 100%             |
| Position Costs (SMS, CES only)                    | 78.25%         | 21.75%         |                |                | 100.00%          |
| <b>RSSU Assessments</b>                           |                |                |                |                |                  |
| Central Office Administration - General ("A" ADM) |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 112,370        | 31,028         | 56,360         | 299,885        | 499,643          |
| FY 2011   | 106,071        | 31,528         | 61,304         | 316,255        | 515,158          |
| Central Office - Internet Access / VPN            |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 3,363          | 2,738          | 2,738          | 6,416          | 15,255           |
| FY 2011   | 2,578          | 2,100          | 2,100          | 9,683          | 16,461           |
| <b>Central Office Admin - Total FY2012</b>        | <b>115,733</b> | <b>33,766</b>  | <b>59,098</b>  | <b>306,301</b> | <b>514,898</b>   |
| Central Office Admin - Total FY2011               | 108,649        | 33,628         | 63,404         | 325,938        | 531,619          |
| Computer Services - ("A" ADM)                     |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 30,004         | 8,285          | 15,049         | 80,073         | 133,411          |
| FY 2011   | 26,633         | 7,916          | 15,393         | 79,408         | 129,350          |
| Transportation - (Budgets)                        |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 63,427         | 24,829         | 48,888         | 245,158        | 382,302          |
| FY 2011   | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                |
| Special Education Assessments                     |                |                |                |                |                  |
| Speech Services - ("B" ADM)                       |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 8,887          | 2,471          | 5,226          | 17,598         | 34,182           |
| FY 2011   | 9,364          | 2,867          | 5,582          | 20,159         | 37,972           |
| EEE - ("C" ADM)                                   |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 27,512         | 7,647          | 0              | 0              | 35,159           |
|   | 852            | 236            | 501            | 0              | 1,589            |
| FY 2011   | 34,914         | 7,440          | 1,698          | 0              | 44,052           |
| Special Ed Admin - ("B" ADM)                      |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 47,576         | 13,230         | 27,979         | 94,201         | 182,986          |
| FY 2011   | 46,006         | 14,085         | 27,424         | 99,046         | 186,561          |
| Psych Services - ("A" ADM)                        |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 21,064         | 5,816          | 10,565         | 56,216         | 93,661           |
| FY 2011   | 19,282         | 5,731          | 11,144         | 57,490         | 93,647           |
| Transportation - (Budgets)                        |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 2,901          | 1,149          | 2,241          | 11,040         | 17,331           |
| FY 2011   | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                |
| Health Services - ("B" ADM)                       |                |                |                |                |                  |
| FY 2012   | 9,919          | 2,758          | 5,833          | 19,641         | 38,151           |
| FY 2011   | 9,597          | 2,938          | 5,721          | 20,663         | 38,919           |
| <b>Total FY 2012</b>                              | <b>327,875</b> | <b>100,187</b> | <b>175,380</b> | <b>830,228</b> | <b>1,433,670</b> |
| Total FY 2011                                     | 254,445        | 74,605         | 130,366        | 602,704        | 1,062,120        |

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Shrewsbury Town School District  
**RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**  
**March 2, 2010**

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Moderator Eldred French called the informational meeting for the Town School District to order on March 1, 2010 at 5:35 pm. Present were School Board members Adrienne Raymond, Sarah Bolster, and Ed Hemmer. Also present were Principal Debra Fishwick, RSSU Superintendent Walter Goetz, and approximately 35 voters. All warned articles were discussed.

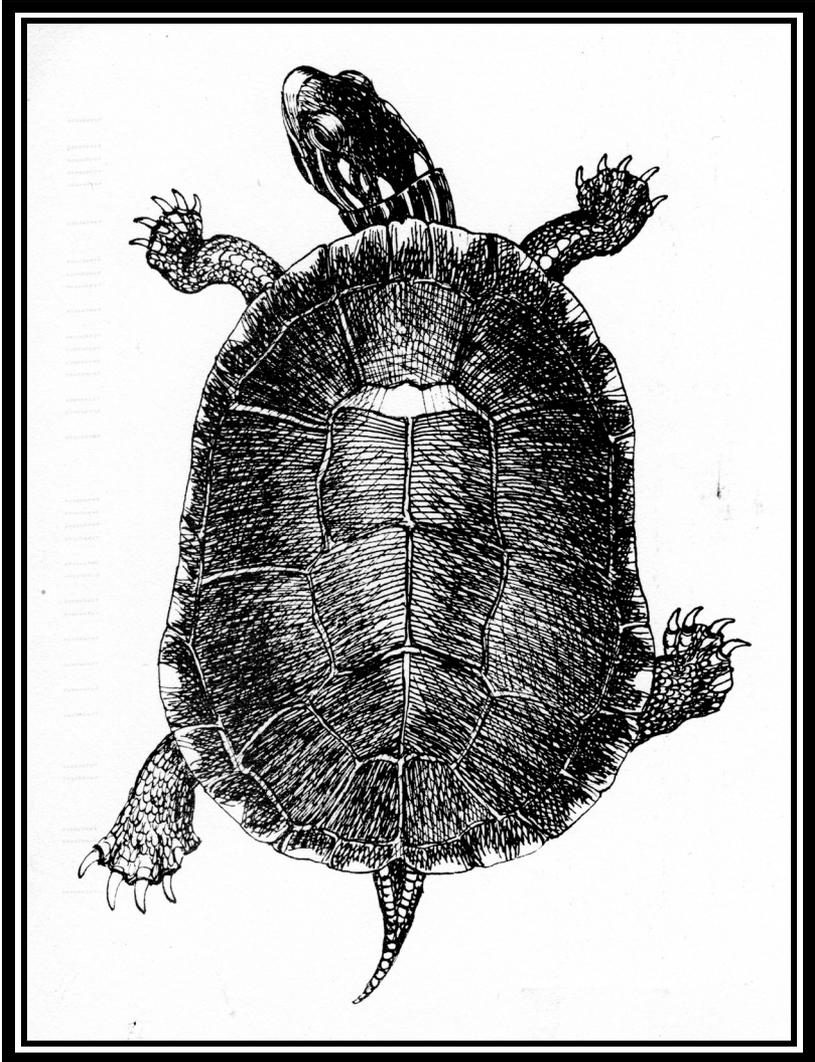
Article 6 was discussed in detail, particularly expenditures for insurance, Supervisory Union assessments, and special education instruction. Ed Hemmer discussed a handout which was prepared to illustrate per pupil spending as a percentage of what the VT State average is and how that variable influences tax rates. This meeting recessed at 7:10 pm. for voting by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, beginning at 10 am.

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| <b>Article 1</b> | To elect a town school district moderator for a term of one year.  | <b>Eldred French</b>          |
| <b>Article 2</b> | To elect a town school director for a term of 3 years.   | <b>Sara Bolster</b>           |
| <b>Article 3</b> | To elect a director to the Mill River Union School District #40 Board for a term of three years.   | <b>Andrew Richards-Peelle</b> |
| <b>Article 4</b> | Shall the town school district raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the bus replacement reserve fund?  | <b>Yes-201 No-84</b>          |
| <b>Article 5</b> | Shall the town school district raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the building maintenance reserve fund?  | <b>Yes-191 No-94</b>          |
| <b>Article 6</b> | Shall the voters of the Shrewsbury School District raise, appropriate and expend the amount of \$996,310 for the operational expenditures of said school district, which includes the elementary school? | <b>Yes-193 No-94</b>          |
| <b>Article 7</b> | Shall the town school district vote to authorize the board of school directors to borrow money temporarily from time to time as may be required to pay orders?   | <b>Yes-197 No-88</b>          |

**Results of Mill River Union School District #40 Annual Meeting Ballot**  
**March 2, 2010**

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| <b>Article 7</b> | Shall the voters of the Mill River Union School District adopt an expenditure budget of \$9,968,877 for school year 2010-2011? (By Australian Ballot)   | <b>Yes-593 No-490</b> |
| <b>Article 8</b> | Shall the voters of the Mill River Union School District authorize the School Board to purchase the so-called Austin house, located at 2243 Middle Road, for an amount not to exceed \$10,000? (By Australian Ballot) | <b>Yes-595 No-476</b> |





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Shrewsbury, VT 05738*

Information Meetings

Monday, February 28, 2011

Shrewsbury Community Meeting House

Meetings begin at 5:30 PM

School District Followed by Town

Australian Ballot

Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Shrewsbury Community Meeting House

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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