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New Police Chief

Congratulations to William Dodge, the new Chief of the Barre Town Police Department as of July 1, 2017! Chief Dodge was hired as a full-time, permanent police officer with the Barre Town Police Department in 1997, exactly 20 years ago to the day that he was promoted to Chief. In 2002, then Officer Dodge was promoted to Corporal, and to Sergeant in 2004. Chief Dodge also previously served the town as an EMT for several years. He does not intend to make huge changes to the department, but has set goals to make the force more productive, more visible, and more proactive. "We are fortunate to have a dedicated group of employees who take the safety of our residents to heart," said the Chief. "In these trying times of hiring and training police officers, this should be a testament of what a great place this is to work." The town is also fortunate to have been able to promote a capable new Chief from within the department.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager



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Tax Rates and Utility Fees

The town's fiscal year (F.Y.) begins July 1. The tax rates and utility fees used to calculate property tax bills and water and sewer bills for the F.Y. were voted on by the Selectboard in June and early July.

The Budget Committee decides the amounts of the budgets and recommends billing rates for the Sewer Fund and Water Fund. The F.Y. 17-18 Sewer Fund budget increased 2.53% but revenues still exceeded expenses; a sewer rate increase was not recommended. On June 13 the Selectboard vote to keep the sewer rate at \$316 per unit (basic household) for the year.

The approved Water Fund budget decreased .39% or \$1,440. For F.Y. 16-17 the budgeted expenses were about \$6,000 more than revenues. For F.Y 17-18 revenues are budgeted approximately \$8,000 higher than expenses. To get there, it was recommended the quarterly base charge be increased from \$55 to \$56 and the water consumed charge be raised from \$6.55 per 100 cubic feet (about 748 gallons) to \$6.70. On June 13 the Selectboard voted to set the water rates based on the Budget Committee's recommendation.

The Selectboard held a special meeting on July 5 to set the property tax rates. Property tax rates are determined after receiving the homestead and non-residential education (school taxes) rates from the VT Department of Taxes. Three municipal rates (General Fund, Highway Fund and Local Agreement) are added on to the education tax rates. All of these rates are shown on the property tax bill.

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All Town Offices Will Be Closed On:

Monday - September 4th Friday - November 10th

Dates & Events

- August 28 School starts at BTMES
- September 9 Wilson Cemetery Ceremony
- September 16 Fall Bulk Trash
- September 16 Susan G. Komen 5K Run
- September 23 Fall Festival (Rec Area)
- September 23 Fallfire (Town Forest)
- October 31 Cemeteries Close
- October 31 Last day for Town Right-of-way
- November 1 Winter parking ban begins
- November 15 Property Taxes Due

School Bus Safety

With school starting at the elementary/middle school on



August 28, we wanted to take this opportunity to remind everyone to drive safely. With just shy of 900 students, many of whom ride our school busses, it is a familiar sight to see children walking along the road-side, or waiting at the bus stop both in the morning as well as after school.

Although deemed one of the safest vehicles on the road by the National Highway Traffic Safety Association, proper actions by the students not only while riding, but entering and exiting the bus is paramount. Please take this opportunity to discuss with your child a few safety tips while waiting for the bus, such as not playing in or around the road, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching, use the handrails when entering and exiting, and NEVER walk behind the bus.

It's just as important for motorists to pay special attention during bussing times. Watch for children walking or biking to school, and children congregating at bus stops. Motorists MUST, upon meeting or overtaking a school bus, immediately stop their vehicle and remain stationary while the red lights are flashing. A violation of this law could lead to a \$249.00 fine and 5 points attached to your operators license.

By William Dodge, Chief of Police

School Property Transfer

The Barre Town School District owns 88 acres of land. The Barre Town Middle and Elementary School (BTMES) and the town's recreation area are on this 88 acre parcel, which also includes many acres of woodlands behind the school. During the summer of 2016 when Act 46 consolidation and planning was under discussion it was pointed out the recreation area and facilities would become property of the single school board for Barre Town and Barre City. It was suggested the BT school board transfer the recreation property to the town.

A purchase-sale agreement was signed in the fall of 2016. The necessary subdivision was approved by the Development Review Board (DRB) on May 10, 2017. The state subdivision (water and wastewater) permit was accepted as complete on June 27. The state offices has 45 days to issue a decision, which is due before August 11. During this permit process it was learned the school property is subject to an Act 250 permit, requiring a permit amendment for the subdivision. That application, an administrative amendment, can be submitted after the state subdivision permit is approved.

When all permits are in hand, hopefully in early September, the school board can publish and post a Notice of Proposed Conveyance; said Notice was approved and signed by the BT school board on May 3.

When the "sale" is completed the BTMES will retain 20 acres around the school building, parking lot, playground and wooded area directly behind the building.

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager

Free Radon Kits

The cancer program at Central Vermont Medical Center is partnering with the Town of Barre and the Vermont Department of Health to distribute free radon-in-air-test kits to Barre Town residents from October 16—November 17.

Radon is a naturally occurring gas that you cannot smell, taste or see. It forms when uranium and radium break down in rocks and soil. People are exposed to radon primarily by breathing radon that seeps through cracks and gaps in the foundations of buildings and homes. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. If you smoke and your home has high levels of radon, your lung cancer risk is especially high.

The cancer program has invited Barre Town to participate in this program because past testing showed that a significantly higher percentage of homes in Barre Town had elevated radon levels than other Vermont communities (25% for Barre Town compared to 13% for the State), according to the VT Department of Health.

Testing your home is the only way to find out if you have a radon problem, and the testing is easy to do. Simply place a test kit on a surface (at least 20 inches off the floor) and leave it there for 3-12 months, making sure to include a heating season.

The free test kit will be available at the Barre Town (Continued on page 3)

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Clerks/Treasurer's office from Monday, October 16 through Friday, November 17 from 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m. A second pick up location is the cancer center at CVMC campus. Kits will also be available at Barre Town Middle and Elementary School office, for parents of students only, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on days the school is open.

For more information about radon in Vermont, go to http://www.healthvermont.gov/radon. For information about this radon test kit project, contact Theresa Lever at the cancer center: 225-5449, theresa.lever@cvmc.org.

By Theresa Lever, CVMC

Deadline To Work In Road R.O.W.

All road right-of-way work requires a permit. This permit is issued by the Town Engineer in an effort to ensure, for example, that no long term damage is done to a road or that a ditch isn't altered. It is important to know that the right-of-way extends beyond the traveled portion of a road - as much as 13 feet. The deadline to complete any right-of-way road work is October 31st.

By Harry Hinrichsen, Town Engineer

Road Projects Remaining

As of August 8 there are three phases of road paving work to be completed. One phase should be finished by the time

this newsletter reaches mail-



The hot-mix asphalt paving contractor this year is J. Hutchins Inc. of Richmond, VT who won the contract after competitive bidding.

Hutchins' bid was \$60.50/ton for Phase 1 and \$63.50/ton for Phase 2. Phase 1 is scheduled from August 7-18. Hutchins started paving Phase 1 on August 14. Phase 2 is scheduled for the two weeks of August 28 - September 8. The streets to be paved during Phase 2 are: Beckley Hill Rd. (town line to end of pavement), Conti Cir., Country side Cir., Apple Blossom (from Cheney to Crab Apple) and Nuissl (from East Cobble Hill to Pierce Rd.).

The bonded wearing course (also called Nova Chip) contractor, All State Asphalt, say they'll start September 18. Their BWC paving is to be done by September 22. Streets in the contract (awarded after competitive bidding) are: Buena Vista Cir., Lemay Dr., Alnita Ln., Chris Path Way, Valley View Cir., Sunnyside Dr., Crab Apple Ln., Sterling Hill Rd. (Rt. 14 up to the end of pavement) and Apple Blossom (Crab Apple Ln. to cul-de-sac).

As of August 8, 2017 public works has one F.Y. 16-17 gravel road project to complete: LePage Rd. (Beckley Hill to Ladd farm). The F.Y. 17-18 gravel road projects are: Sunrise Acres, Phelps Rd. (House #292 to Osborne Rd.), Birchwwod Pk. (Miller Rd. to Miller Woods Rd.), Curtis Road, and Spruce Mtn. View Rd. Public works will work on these gravel projects as time permits.

For more details call the town manager's office at 479-9331. *By Carl Rogers, Town Manager*

Susanna Scott Gravestone

Behold my friend as you pass by. As you are living, so was I, As for me now, so you must be, Prepare for death and follow me...

These words above are familiar to gravestone buffs; they appear in various forms on many individual monuments. This particular version came from the gravestone of Mrs. Susanna Scott, who passed away in 1793 in Wildersburgh, VT. Two things, her stone is reputedly the oldest recovered in Barre, and Barre is the modern name for the town of Wildersburgh. A member of the Booth family here in town recovered the stone, but could not locate the grave of Mrs. Scott in the open field. Now, the Barre Town Cemetery Commission has custody of the relic.

Susanna Scott joined the living in Grafton, MA back on November 21, 1770, the daughter of Asaph and Lucy Whitney Sherman. The Sherman family moved to Wildersburgh and became prominent in early town history. Susanna married Jacob Scott. According to an index card for vital records prepared at a later date, the couple became one on April 11, 1793 in Barre. Just one month later, Susanna passed away. Jacob came from Winchester, NH and later remarried after Susanna's passing. Jacob and wife, Sally, can be found in the Elmwood Cemetery in Barre City.

The Cemetery Commission looked for a way to properly honor the memory of Susanna and care for her gravestone. The town's Wilson Cemetery is the final resting place of Asaph and Lucy as well as many other of Susanna's family including siblings, aunts and uncles, and cousins. The commission voted to place the stone in her parents' lot, her memory will reside with them even though her body will not. Her grave has passed into history, no longer identifiable on a hillside in Barre Town.

With that in mind, the Barre Town Cemetery Commission will host a re-dedication ceremony to be held on September 9 at 1 p.m. at the Wilson Cemetery. The event will honor the memory of Susanna Sherman Scott and the new location of her marker. Some accomplishments of the Sherman family in the early Wildersburgh/Barre history, including the legend of changing the town name to "Barre" will be presented as part of an historical oration. The public is invited to attend this event and the commission would also like to hear from Sherman family descendants.

By Harry Harrington, Cemetery Commission



(Cont'd - Tax Rates and Utility Fees)

The education tax rates, with comparison to last F.Y. are shown here:

Classification	Last F.Y	Current F.Y.	% Difference
Homestead	\$1.4073	\$1.3824	- 1.76%
Non-residential	\$1.7178	\$1.7304	+ .73%

The General Fund tax rate includes the G.F. budget, the voter approved donations (\$109,450 or 1.75¢) and the anticipated delinquent taxes (based on an average of the latest 3 years). The Highway rate is based solely on the Highway Fund budget. The Local Agreement Rate compensates for the amount of state education taxes waived by the voters. Currently, the disabled military veterans exemption is the only factor and equals one-third of a cent on the tax rate. The Selectboard applied \$150,000 of cash balance to the GF rate, reducing the GF tax rate by about 2.33¢.

Last year's and current year's tax rates are shown below. For F.Y. 17-18 the total residential tax rate (education + municipal decreased 1.65¢ or .7%). The total non-residential tax rate increased 2.1¢ or .79%.

Classification	Last F.Y.	Current F.Y.	%Diff
General	\$.5142	\$.5021	- 2.35%
Highway	\$.4071	\$.4278	+ 5%
Local Agreement	\$.0035	\$.0033	- 5.71%

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager

Employee Changes

In the Department of Public Works Todd Newton has moved on to work for DuBois Construction. Luckily, especially considering this busy season, we've been able to welcome back Sidney Peck, who did good work for the town as a temporary employee in public works earlier this year. Sidney started as a full-time permanent employee on July 10th.

In the EMS department, full-time paramedic Jon Cullen has been accepted into the Norwich University Nursing Program. We wish him the best in his new endeavor and are pleased we still have his services on a per diem basis after his last full-time day of August 18.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

Drug Collection Box



In July of this year CVS pharmacies awarded the police department a grant for a medication collection box. This collection box, placed in the lobby of the police department provides a safe, no cost place for people to dispose of un-

wanted or unused medications. Acceptable items that can be dropped off are prescriptions, prescription patches, prescription ointments, over the counter medications, vitamins and pet medications. Please do not place syringes in this box. It is not necessary to remove pills from their original bottles, nor is it necessary to remove labels from the bottles. The lobby/office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm, however an officer is on duty at all times. To drop off medications at other times, please contact the on duty officer through our dispatch center (479-0509).

By William Dodge, Chief of Police

Police - New Radar Sign

In June of this year the police department received grant

funds through the Vermont Governors' Highway Safety Program to purchase a pole mounted radar sign. This battery operated sign is moveable, and can be mounted to any street sign. In addition, the sign stores vehicle data such as total vehicle count, number of speeding vio-



lations, average vehicle speeds and peak speeding times. Using this data we can better direct our officers to areas when offenses are greatest. We have already received positive feedback on the use of the sign, and it is in high demand. If you see the sign flashing your speed, it means you are going too fast. Please be mindful of your driving habits, as we want everyone on our roads to have a safe trip. If you would like the sign placed in your neighborhood, please contact the police department (479-0509).

By William Dodge, Chief of Police

Recreation News

Fall Festival: The Recreation Board will host the second annual Fall Festival on Saturday, September 23, 10 a.m.—2 p.m. at the Rec Area Picnic Shelter. Face painting, hay maze, DIY marshmallow catapults, hot food, and more. Free family fun! For updates, stay tuned to the town website or follow the Barre Town Recreation Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/AreteVT.

Fall Fire: Rockfire fans are in luck - a smaller, more family – friendly version, Fallfire, is in the works for Saturday, September 23, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Millstone Hill Lodge. The two walking routes where music and art can be enjoyed will be different from those for Rockfire, and one will be wheelchair accessible. More details about Fallfire to come. The event is designed as a fundraiser for the Barre Scout Monument. The granite statue will be carved to honor Troop #1, the first Boy Scout Troop in America, founded in 1909 in Barre, VT. (Continued on page 5)

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More details about the planned monument here: www,scoutingmonument.com.

5K Runs/Walks on Bike Path: During September and October three 5K runs/walks will be held using the picnic shelter and Millstone Hill West bike path. All three events are benefits (the registration fee benefits a good cause and the 3.1 mile run and/or walk benefits the participants - and the running shoe and apparel companies). The bike path is not closed to other users during these events.

The three 5K's are:

*CVMC's benefit for the Susan G. Komen of VT/NH, a breast cancer foundation. Event is on Saturday, Sept. 16. Registration starts at 7:45am (at the shelter). Race time is 9:30. For more information see www.cvmc.org.

*Washington County Mental Health System's color run fund-raiser on Sunday, September 17. Registration at noon. Race time is 1:00pm. \$30 registration fee includes t-shirt and color pack. For more information see www.wcmhs.org.

*BTMES PTO's color run fund-raiser on Sunday, October 8. Event includes a 5K and a 1 mile course. Registration at noon; race at 1:00pm. For more information see www.btmes.org.

By Elaine Wang, Asst. Town Manager and Carl Rogers, Town Manager

Project Updates:

East Barre Sidewalk: The town is making progress with the remaining two landowner easements for this 580-foot sidewalk on Mill St. and part of Websterville Rd, and applied to the VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program on July 14 for sufficient funds to construct the project. The project is estimated to cost \$252,718, and we have \$137,364 remaining from the original grant, leaving a gap of \$115,355. The grants require 20% local match in town funds. Winners will be announced this fall.

South Barre Sidewalk: Construction of the town's 300-foot portion of this sidewalk on Bridge St., by Lamberti Excavating, Hutch Concrete, and Green Mountain Paving, is substantially complete. The developer of One Bridge St plans to construct the portion of sidewalk crossing their driveway this fall. VTrans will construct the remainder of the sidewalk to the Rt 14 intersection as part of their Rt. 14/Sterling Hill Rd./Bridge St. intersection improvement project in a later year. The whole sidewalk was originally estimated to cost \$164,400 – funded 80% by the state and 20% by the town – but should be under budget because of the contributions of the One Bridge St. development and the state project.

Rt. 14/Sterling Hill Rd./Bridge St.: The stormwater permit for this intersection improvement project, managed and paid for by VTrans, has been submitted to ANR. Approval is expected in the fall; this unusual long timeframe is due to stormwater rule changes on July 1 which meant more projects than usual rushed to submit around then, before new rules took effect.

Peloquin Rd Culvert: This 100-foot culvert on Peloquin

Road at Holden Road will be rehabilitated by the end of October. The town awarded the contract to slip-line (reinforce) the culvert to C.L.H. & Son of Auburn, Maine for \$214,665. Wing walls and headers will be added on the inlet side. A state grant will contribute up to \$175,000 and the balance will be paid for with budgeted Town funds.

Rt. 63 paving: This state project to repave Rt. 63 from I-89 to Rt 14 is scheduled to be complete by the time you read this.

Rt. 14/Quarry Hill Rd intersection: Work on this state-led project, to reconstruct this intersection for better visibility, is done for the year. GMP is still acquiring a couple of easements before they are able to relocate their poles, so relocation may not happen until the end of next summer. The rest of the work is scheduled for construction in 2021 and includes signalizing the intersection at VT Route 14/Quarry Street, widening Quarry Street to add an additional westbound lane, reconstructing the railroad crossing, and adding a sidewalk to the north side of Quarry Street.

Rt. 110/Mill St./Bianchi St. Intersection: Preliminary plans have been completed for this intersection improvement project managed and paid for entirely by VTrans. Right-of-way plans are now under development. Meetings with adjacent property owners are being scheduled for September. The project is on schedule and construction is planned for 2019.

Websterville Fire District: This summer the Websterville Fire District #3 (WFD#3) received its Permit to Construct from the state Drinking Water and Ground Water Protection Division. The WFD#3 immediately released its bidding specifications for the contract to lay 3,150 feet of water pipe, install an emergency power generator at the pump station and upgrade the electrical panel. At the July 31 bid opening the WFD#3 received three bids.

The apparent low bidder was Haluch Water Contracting of Ludlow, MA, whose total project bid of \$645,210 was \$192,500 lower than the engineer's estimate. The fire district's engineer reviewed and checked the bid and bidder. The WFD#3 Prudential Committee awarded the contract to Haluch on August 8.

According to the engineer, Haluch is eager and ready to go on the contract. The engineer (Weston and Sampson's Ken Bisceglio) said after the award the contractor would go through the submittal (materials, insurance, bonds, permit conditions) review and approval phase. Upper Websterville residents and drivers might notice work about three weeks after the award. Completion is due 110 calendar days after the Notice to Proceed is issued.

Almost all of the pipe will be laid in Church Hill Road (from Violette St. to Littlejohn Rd.) and the entire length of Gregoire Street.

The fire district has a state revolving loan fund loan for the project. Completion of the project is another step toward merger of the Town (water system) and the fire district.

The district engineer talked to town officials about posting project information on the town's website. Project information submitted to the town will be available via a link in the announcements on the town's homepage.

By Elaine Wang, Asst. Town Manager and Carl Rogers, Town. Manager **LOOK FOR THE NEXT EDITION**....of the Barre Town's newsletter in November!

Development Review Board and Planning Commission Vacancies

Effective at adjournment of the August Development Review Board (DRB) meeting there is a vacancy on the board. Effective September 1 there will be a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Town residents interested in serving on the DRB or Planning Commission should submit a letter of interest to the Town Manager's Office by September 21. A sample letter of interest (LOI) is posted on the town website at www.barretown.org. The LOI could be emailed to offices@barretown.org or mailed to P.O. Box 116, Websterville, VT, 05678.

The Planning Commission's regular monthly meeting is held on the third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. The Commission can review and make recommendations for zoning by-law changes. It prepares the Town Plan and amendments thereto for Selectboard adoptions. Recently it has been working on the Town Energy Plan. (See related article on this page.)

The appointment would be for the remainder of the term, which expires May 31, 2018.

The DRB's regular monthly meeting is held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The DRB reviews and makes decisions about subdivisions, property boundry adjustments, and site plans. The DRB also acts in a quasijudicial manner to hear requests for approval of variances from zoning regulations, conditional use applications and appeals of the zoning administrator's decisions. The appointment would be for the remainder of the term that expires May 31, 2018.

For more information about the Commission and DRB see the website at www.barretown.org/boards and commissions/index.php.

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager

Zoning By-Law Amendments

On July 19, 2017, the Barre Town Planning Commission



voted to endorse and send eight Zoning Bylaw Amendments to the Selectboard. In the coming weeks, the Selectboard will hold a public hearing on the proposed changes and make the final decision whether to approve them or not. The proposed

amendments would eliminate a prohibition on shipping containers being used for storage (Article 3, sec 3.8), would allow accessory dwellings to be located in detached structures (Article 4, sec 4.2), defines accessory dwellings (Article 8), would not allow more than one primary residential structure on a parcel except in certain situations (Article 4, sec 4.22). In addition, several small changes were made to wording for conditional use criteria (Article 5, sec 5.5), slightly changed warning requirements for ma-

jor site plan review (Article 5, sec 5.6), added a couple of access management options as well as changing a couple of dimensional standards in the Planned Unit Development section (Article 6, sec 6.5), and finally rewrote the waiver sections (Article 7, sec 7.10). A full description of the proposed amendments can be viewed at www.barretown.org Planning and Zoning Department.

By Chris Violette, Planning & Zoning Director

Enhanced Energy Plan

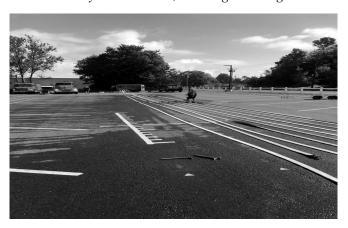
The Planning Commission has also been working with the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) to create a new Energy Plan that will hopefully

offer Barre Town substantial deference (significant and meaningful weight) during Public Utility Commission (formerly the Public Service Board) proceedings on renewable energy projects in Town. The CVRPC chose Barre Town as one of three towns in the region to assist with this rather



complicated enhanced energy planning. A draft of the plan was presented to the Planning Commission on July 19th by the CVRPC and is available to view at www.barre town.org Planning Commission. The Planning Commission will now work over the next several months to fine tune the plan and see if final adoption is desired, public hearings are likely.

By Chris Violette, Planning & Zoning Director



Fail Safe Fire Hose Testing Company recently tested (as required by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)) all of the Barre Town Fire Department's 17,000 feet of fire hose. In the end, only about 700 feet failed. Thanks to Wilkins Harley Davidson for allowing us the use of their large parking lot to accommodate the testing. In addition, 12 ladders also were tested and recertified.

NEXT TAX PAYMENT WILL BE DUENovember 15th

Bulk Trash Collection September 16, 2017

Twice a year, the second Saturday of May and third Saturday of September, the town offers residents a bulk trash collection service. This year September's third Saturday is on the 16th. The service always is offered at the public works department's truck garage, 129 Websterville Road. Service hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fees are charged; see below.

The service is ideal for cleaning up after a DIY home improvement project. At every collection much building demolition material is brought in. VT Act 148 prohibits clean lumber from going into the waste stream destined for a landfill. Lumber is two by fours, two by six's, one by two's, etc. Pressure treated and other lumber that has been painted or has adhesives, tar paper, plastic or hardware attached is not clean lumber. Clean lumber will be accepted, but must be separated from other debris. Put small pieces of wood in buckets or boxes. Bundle mid size lengths for easy handling. The intent is to set clean lumber aside for salvaging.

The bulk trash collections are a great opportunity to clear out the basement, garage, storage shed or clean up outside. Use the service to dispose of large things such as and similar to: furniture, mattresses, carpets, large plastic toys, pool covers and liners. Bricks, concrete blocks, pieces of concrete and asphalt also may be dropped off. Keep these items separate because they do not go into the waste roll-offs. The town will recycle these items.

Small pieces of sheetrock, plaster, roofing shingles and other building demolition material must be in containers. Siding and lumber must be cut to easily handled lengths. Loads of loose (not in containers) roofing shingles will be parked to the side and unloaded when no one else is waiting to be off-loaded. Plan your load for efficient off-loading and be sure it is properly secured.

This fall the Barre Town Cemetery Commission will offer volunteer help. Donations to the Commission's efforts to restore and upgrade the Town's historic cemeteries will be appreciated.

Fees

Car	\$5.00
Pickup truck	\$8.00
Unloaded car/truck w/loaded trailer	. \$8.00
Loaded car/truck & loaded trailer	. \$13.00
Truck larger then pickup (1 ton or 10' rented van 1	nax
	. \$13.00
Loaded large truck & loaded trailer	. \$20.00
Loads of roofing shingles charged double	2

Items Not Accepted:

Household trash, recycling

Electronics Tires Take To:
Wilson Depot or
licensed collectors
CVSWMD ARCC
Wilson Depot, or
CVSWMD ARCC

Items Not Accepted:

Large Metal/appliances Hazardous Materials Lawn Waste Take To:
Wilson Depot
CVSWMD collection
Holden Road site

More volunteers at the bulk trash collection always are needed even for part of the day. Volunteers are not charged for disposal of their large items. For more information about volunteering call the town manager's office at 479-9331 or email offices@barretown.org. Salvaging is permitted during the event. Look for items placed outside the gate.

Leaf Disposal

When fall physical fitness training begins the leaves that are raked or otherwise collected can be dropped off at the Holden Road lawn waste site. Composting the leaves at the lawn waste site is preferred to burning

and dumping in a drainageway.

The lawn waste site is located near the top of Holden Road. Holden Road intersects with Graniteville Road near Rock of Ages' driveway and with Rt. 14 in South Barre. The usual lawn waste site hours are: *Mondays 3-6*

p.m.; Wednesdays 3-6 p.m., Thursdays 9a.m.-noon and Saturdays 8 a.m.—noon.

On the weekends of October 7 and 8, 14 and 15, and 21 and 22 the lawn waste site will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays. The site will remain open for usual hours into early November.

There is no charge for using the lawn waste site. To haul more leaves in one trip chop them once with a lawn mower. Laying a tarp or sheet of plastic in the truck bed will reduce off-loading time. Please don't leave plastic or bags of any type. Users cooperation is appreciated.

Household Hazardous Waste Collections

The Town of Barre is a member of the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District, which means Barre Town residents can use CVSWMD sponsored collections in any town. CVSWMD is holding a few more special collections this year for Paint, Batteries, Fluorescent & Compact Fluorescent light bulbs (PBF) and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW):

- Aug. 26, 9a-1p, Bradford Town Garage: PBF
- Sept. 7, 5pm-7pm, Chelsea Transfer Station: PBF. *Preregistration required for this event!* Call 229-9383 x105 to pre-register.
- Sept. 9, 9am-1pm, Bradford Town Garage: HHW
- Sept. 30, 9am-1pm, Montpelier, Vermont Department of Labor: HHW

Fees for CVSWMD district residents: PBF collections are free; HHW collections are \$20 per car. Businesses must call 229-9383 x105 to pre-register and for business pricing.

For more information visit the CVSWMD website at www.cvsmd.org.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

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<u>Development Review Board</u> – By Emily Marineau, Planning & Zoning Admin. Asst. (M. Nicholson, M. Reaves, C. Sanborn, C. Thygesen, S. Driscoll, G. Richards, J. Valsangiacomo, J. Fecteau, C. Neddo)

April, 2017 - approved conditional use permit for 15 Bolster Rd..

May, 2017 - Approved 2-lot subdivision at 70 Websterville Rd.; approved variance for 22 Middle Rd.; approved conditional use permit for 31 duplexes on Beckley Hill Rd.; denied request for 2 apartments, but approved one apartment at 29 Littlejohn Rd.

June, 2017 - Approved 2 lot subdivision on 186 West Cobble Hill Rd.; denied variance on 33 Clark Rd.

July, 2017 - Continued multiple requests to the August meeting for various reasons.

<u>Planning Commission</u> – By Emily Marineau, Planning & Zoning Admin. Asst. (C. Sanborn, C. Thygesen, C. Violette, D. Pierce, C. Duke, J. Hameline, G. Clain)

April, 2017 - Worked on Zoning By-Law amendments; discussed with CVRPC Town Plan and new energy planning standards.

May, 2017 - Worked on Zoning By-Law amendments; approved allowed use determination for a campground on Littlejohn Rd.

June, 2017 - Approved allowed use determination for a clothing business on 22 Wilson St.; Worked on Zoning By-Law amendments; reviewed CVRPC analysis of Town Plan and energy planning standards; 2 year follow-up for allowed use determination for a winery on 77 Neddo Rd.

July, 2017 - Approved allowed use determination to add apartment above new garage at 12 Benoit Dr.; public hearing for Zoning By-Law amendments; receive/review draft by CVRPC of new energy plan.

<u>Traffic Safety Advisory Committee</u> - By Harry Hinrichsen, Town Engineer (C. Liese, S. Corbett, J. Blow, W. Kirby, V. Vallerand)

April, 2017 - No meeting.

May, 2017 - Reviewed Upper Prospect Street for speed limit change; reviewed Airport Rd. and Miller Rd. intersection for safety issues; discussed Washington County Sheriff's speed cart near Rolland's; discussed missing directional signs on Graniteville/Church Hill Rd.; discussed safety issue regarding drainage problem on corner of Church Hill/Graniteville Rds.

June, 2017 - No meeting.

July, 2017 - Review Upper Prospect St. for speed limit change, no action taken; discussed pedestrian symbol signage for Mill St. at Websterville Rd intersection.; discussed changing sign on Websterville Rd. to Rt. 110; discussed conforming flashing speed signs to the National Trans Safety Bd./NCHRP standards.