

TOWN OF LUDLOW, VT
SELECT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024
6:00 PM
HEALD AUDITORIUM

AGENDA

[Select Board Meeting- January 8, 2024 Zoom Link](#)

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Call to Order:

1. **Consideration of any Changes, Additions or Removal to the Agenda:**
2. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s):**
 - a. December 4, 2023
3. **Comments from Citizens:**
4. **FEMA Financial/Recovery Update:**
5. **Town Re-Appraisal:**
6. **Emergency Watershed Program Project:**

7. FY 25 Budget Work:
8. Other Business:
9. Department Head Reports:
10. Municipal Manager Updates:
11. Set Date for Next Meeting: (February 5, 2024)
12. Possible Items for Next Meeting:
13. Sign Warrant Orders:
14. Possible Executive Session/Personnel/Contracts/Legal Issues:
15. Adjourn:

PRELIMINARY MINUTES

**TOWN OF LUDLOW
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

December 4, 2023

**HEALD AUDITORIUM
6:00 P.M.**

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brett Sanderson, Chairman
Scott Baitz

Bob Brandt
Justin Hyjek

George Tucker, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT:

Brendan McNamara
Zachary Paul

Ulla Cook
Jeff Warfle

Marissa Foote

OTHERS PRESENT:

Eric Alden
Lynn Baldwin
Julia Burton
Bruce Schmidt
Kathleen Valentine

Glenn Heitsmith
Karen Kraut
Expeditionary School
Noah Schmidt
Marlene Williams

George Tucker
Sherry Tucker
Nick Gilberti
Ryan Silvestri
Kevin Winter

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Brett Sanderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He then led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CONSIDERATION OF ANY CHANGES, ADDITIONS OR REMOVALS TO THE AGENDA

- A. Brendan McNamara said no changes would be needed.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- A. Justin Hyjek advised that the minutes to be approved are from the regular meeting of November 6, 2023.
- B. **MOTION by George Tucker, Jr. and seconded by Justin Hyjek to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2023 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

- A. Bathroom at Transfer Station
 - i. Eric Alden asked if there has been any progress made on the installation of a bathroom at the Transfer Station.
 - ii. Brendan McNamara said the project has gone out to bid. They will be putting the bathroom inside the building. They are looking for bidders and the project is on the top of the docket. They hope to have it completed within 3 to 4 months.
- B. Staffing Suggestions for Town of Ludlow
 - i. Ryan Silvestri said that with budget time approaching, has the board given any consideration to additional positions at Town Hall, specifically Planner, Economic/Financial Coordinator and Assistant Town Manager.
 - ii. Brendan McNamara said they will be starting budget meetings next week and the board is open to suggestions.

5. **LIQUOR LICENSE ACTION:**

- A. Yeah Wine Shop: Application for 1st and 3rd class liquor licenses. Location: LaMere Square
- B. **MOTION by George Tucker, Jr. and seconded by Scott Baitz to approve the liquor license for Yeah Wine hop. Motion passed unanimously.**

6. **REVIEW/APPROVE ANNUAL STEARN'S PIT WITH OKEMO:**

- A. Brendan McNamara said that the board has a copy of the draft with the lease being \$81,978.32 (based off a 5- year average CPI.) The contract is good to go – he has been working with Bruce Schmidt and John Neal. He said that the town has used the lot for debris from the flood. They are still trying to get the pit in suitable condition to park cars. They need to do grading. This is part of the FEMA process we are trying to bring the lot back to its former condition prior to the flood. They expect to be done by the end of the week, early next week,
- B. **MOTION by Bob Brandt and seconded by George Tucker, Jr. to approve the Stearn's Pit lease. Motion passed unanimously.**
- C. Justin Hyjek asked if anything was added or subtracted.
- D. Brendan McNamara said no.
- E. Glenn Heitsmith said that the contract says that Okemo is responsible for grading.
- F. Brett Sanderson said that the town used the lot for debris.
- G. Glenn Heitsmith said that the Recreation Department is looking for a new location for the dog park, and the pit would be a good place.

- H. Eric Alden noted that Section 3 says that Okemo is responsible for West Hill Road maintenance. He said that that is a big road and Okemo should not be responsible for the entire road. He added that it also refers to Section 2(g). He said that Section 2(g) is not in the contract.
- I. Justin Hyjek said he has up to Section 2(e.)
- J. Brendan McNamara said that was what printed.
- K. Justin Hyjek asked if they should read the missing parts of the contract or shelve it for tonight and have a special meeting.
- L. Brendan McNamara said that can warn it as part of the budget meeting within the next week.
- M. Eric Alden asked for clarification of how much Okemo is responsible for West Hill Road.
- N. **MOTION by Justin Hyjek and seconded by Scott Baitz to table this discussion until the budget meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**

7. **FEMA FINANCIAL/RECOVERY UPDATE**

- A. Brendan McNamara said that at their last meeting, the board had approved the \$2,000,000.00 note to Mascoma Savings Bank. He said that the current cost total estimate for the town is \$2.5 million, including costs for infrastructure, major road repairs and salary cost distributions. Things are starting to slow in pace. He hopes to FEMA reimbursements starting within 30 to 60 days. He said that some of the road repairs are 100% complete. We are still working with the consultant recommended by Regional Planning Commission. Her costs are fully reimbursable.

8. **DISCUSSION REGARDING “LOCAL OPTIONS TAX”**

- A. Brendan McNamara said that he has been asked about this since April. He is bringing it to the board for preliminary discussion. He said that it should not be fully discussed at the Select Board level, but instead at a public forum. He said he thinks we need to look at the increasing costs of operating the town and look at the options tax. He said that for the FY2022, the town would have received nearly \$600,000. He said that looking at coming project, such as \$10,000,000 for the dams, paving, and 2 fire trucks, this would help take some of the burden off the taxpayers. He said that 26 towns have Local Options taxes in varying combinations (Sales, Alcohol, Meals, and Rooms.) He said we can institute it at town meeting and it does not need legislative approval. We can also repeal it. He said with \$2.5 million in flood damages, FEMA only reimburses 75%. We can discuss this at the Short-Term Rental meeting at the beginning of January and look at it at a public meeting. We need to look at both sides of the issue.
- B. **MOTION by George Tucker, Jr. and seconded by Scott Baitz to warn a public meeting for Local Options Tax.**
- C. Bruce Schmidt said that the board has been down this road before and he does not think there is enough time for this to be voted on at Town Meeting. He said there are 3 aspects: Lodging, food and general services. He said it is easier to sell Lodging and Meals, but harder to sell general services. This would be the 3rd time. He encourages the board not to rush, but possibly have a special election later in the spring. Don't rush, get it right. It has been a challenge in the past and hard for people to consider all 3 categories.
- D. Justin Hyjek said a couple of years ago it failed and circles back to sales tax for groceries and hardware at ski shops. He said that Killington does not have a local options tax. He said that out of the \$526,082, \$470,776 was from Sales tax.
- E. Lynn Baldwin suggested if the town did this, they could dedicate a fund for dam repairs. She said if the town did this, people would be more likely to pass it.

- F. Brett Sanderson said the board is starting to talk about establishing a Capital fund.
- G. **Motion passed unanimously**

9. **REVIEW ONSOLVE CODE RED ALERT SYSTEM CONTRACT RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. Brendan McNamara said that the program that he and Dave VanGuilder are recommending is OnSolve. He said that it is the program used by the federal government. It is a 3- year contract, not the lowest bid (by \$500.) It is the most adequate for the town and most encompassing. We will be able to send alarms for floods, water line breaks, and target specific areas, by GPS. We will be able to communicate to areas as needed. It will include all EMS services. If approved tonight, it could be up and running within 3 weeks.
- B. Justin Hyjek said he wants to see all of the bids in order to make a decision.
- C. Glenn Heitsmith asked who will curate this. He added that it includes a population of 10,000.
- D. Justin Hyjek asked if that is the lowest population number.
- E. Brendan McNamara said yes.
- F. George Tucker, Jr. said in the winter, the population can exceed 10,000 and people can subscribe to it.
- G. Brendan McNamara said it will be administered by the EMS services and the town manager.
- H. Bruce Schmidt said he agrees with Justin Hyjek that the board should see all of the bids, but he does urge the board to move forward tonight. He said that people need to get information as quickly as possible. He said if the board does not move forward tonight, it will be another month and probably not in place until after the 1st of the year.
- I. **MOTION by Bob Brandt and seconded by George Tucker, Jr. to approve the ONSOLVE CODE RED ALERT SYSTEM CONTRACT. Motion passed unanimously.**

10. **SHORT TERM RENTAL REGISTRY MEETING (DATE?)**

- A. Brendan suggested that the board set a date for a public meeting with joint Select Board and Village Trustees for either December 19th or December 27th.
- B. Justin Hyjek said he prefers December 19th.
- C. Brendan McNamara said he will set it up for December 19, 2023.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. **Stearn's Lease Discussion**
 - i. Bruce Schmidt said that he is concerned about the way the discussion played out. He said that it sounds like the board approved the lease and that there was nothing in that motion to table the discussion. He said they need a motion to rescind the original motion.
 - ii. The minutes pertaining to that motion were read.
 - iii. Bruce Schmidt suggested that the board needs to vote the first motion down.
 - iv. Eric Alden suggested that the board "Take the motion from the table."
 - v. Justin Hyjek said or rescind it.
 - vi. Eric Alden motioned to take the motion from the table.
 - vii. Scott Baitz asked why.
 - viii. Brett Sanderson said because the contract was missing paragraphs.

- ix. MOTION by George Tucker, Jr. and seconded by approve the motion on the table. Motion rejected unanimously.
- x. MOTION by George Tucker, Jr. and seconded by Justin Hyjek to revise the December 12th meeting to include review and approve Stearn's Pit Lease with Okemo. Motion passed unanimously.

12. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- A. Brett Sanderson noted that reports are in their packets.
- B. Justin Hyjek welcomed the new paramedics: Michael Heiden, Madeliene Young and Elizabeth Eberhardt.

13. MUNICIPAL MANAGER UPDATES

- A. First Budget Meeting
 - i. Brendan McNamara said the meeting will be December 12th at 6:00 p.m. We will include the Stearn's Pit Contract Review/Approval at that meeting.
- B. Holiday Party
 - i. Brendan McNamara reported that the Holiday Party will be on December 13th at DJ's.
- C. Repairs to Spillways
 - i. Brendan McNamara said that the RPF for the Spillway repairs for dams 3 and 5 has gone out. He said that the USDA is not moving as fast. The repairs are in excess of \$500,000 and the town share will be \$100,000. He said that he asked Bob Thompson (Conservation Engineer for the USDA) about level of concern. He said that Dam 3 is smaller and of less concern. Dam 5 has more substantial damage, but it is far enough downstream from the dam as to not jeopardize the integrity of the dam. He added that there is lots of information out there, some of which is not verified. This is on the top of the priority list for this board. He said that the engineering is taking place and the repairs to the spillways will be done as soon as possible.

14. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

- A. December 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Budget/Stearn's Pit Contract Review/Approval Discussion
- B. January 8, 2024 next regular meeting

15. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- A. FY25 Budget Dates

16. SIGN WARRANT ORDERS

- A. Brett Sanderson said that warrant orders have been signed.

17. **POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION/PERSONNEL/CONTRACTS/LEGAL**

- A. Brendan McNamara advised that an Executive Session is not needed.

18. **ADJOURN**

- A. **MOTION by Justin Hyjek and seconded by Scott Baitz to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.**
- B. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisha Klaiber

Brett Sanderson , Chairman

Justin Hyjek

Scott Baitz

George Tucker, Jr.

Bob Brandt

**Town of Ludlow
Department Head Reports**

DECEMBER 2023

1. Ambulance – Stephanie Grover
2. Building & Grounds – Kevin MacPherson
3. Fire Department – Chief Peter Kolenda
4. Highway – Ron Tarbell
5. Listers – Jeannie Stasz
6. Municipal Manager – N/A- will verbally update
7. Parks & Recreation – Nick Miele
8. Planning/Zoning – Rosemary Goings
9. Police – Chief Jeffrey Billings
10. Town Clerk/Treasurer – Ulla Cook
11. Transfer Station – Patti Potter



COMMUNITY AMBULANCE SERVICE, P.O. BOX 359, LUDLOW, VERMONT 0514-0359

(802) 228-2841 FAX (802) 228-2813

Ludlow Ambulance Service
December 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Total Calls

December 2023: 98 Calls

December 2022- 100 Calls

Ambulance Calls

December 2023

- Ludlow 65
- Cavendish 9
- Proctorsville 6
- Plymouth
- Mount Holly 17
- Chester
- Shrewsbury
- Andover 1
- Reading
- Weston
- Londonderry
- Springfield Hospital/ Springfield
- Rutland Hospital
- Mount Ascutney Hospital
- Mutual Aid received

Transports

- Springfield Hospital 46
- Dartmouth
- Landing Zone 1
- Mount Ascutney
- Rutland Hospital 14
- No Transports/Stand by Coverage 37
- Gill Home
- Cheshire Medical Center
- Home
- Valley Regional Hospital

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LAS Updates:

- December was another steady month with nearly 100 calls covered by LAS. We continue to grow and expand, and I would like to propose that we begin to look towards our future and a space to accommodate us. We have outgrown our current facility and I do not believe there is any room for expansion at this location. I would like to officially suggest that we move forward with ideas and propose to use some of the ARPA funds to cover this project. At our current location we do not have room for the third ambulance that we should have by 2024, and we have no room for our current employees or adding additional employees for peak coverage.
- In 2023 we responded to 857 incidents, compared to 777 in 2022. This is a 10% increase in calls, prior to taking on an additional contract.
- As we expand, we continue to grow our staff. In December we have hired Duane Piechocki and Logan Thompson. Both as part time EMTs. Duane is a part time ski patroller for Okemo in addition to working on an ambulance in Rhode Island. Logan was previously on Mount Holly Rescue as a volunteer and works full time at a summer camp in Maine for girls in the New England who are in foster care.
- Our subscription for 2023 was sent out in the tax bills this past summer. We saw a great response from changing to this practice and currently have 240 households in the program, compared to 147 who enrolled last year. If you have not signed up yet, I recommend doing so as the 2024 program started on January 1, 2024.
- In December we did a full day Stop the Bleed and First Aid training for the students of Okemo Mountain School. We did a certified first aid and stop the bleed course for Ludlow Police Department. And we also did a stop the bleed training for all employees at the Ludlow Town Office. We also provided tourniquets for the town office and the rec department. Our goal is for all town employees to be trained in CPR and Stop the Bleed.
- We had one in-person department training on ambulance driving, operations, and equipment overview.
- We had preventative maintenance on all of our Stryker equipment including both power loads and both stretchers. The two new stair chairs are due to arrive in February.
- We demoed a new infusion pump. An infusion pump allows our paramedics to deliver life saving medications safely in the field.

Stephanie Grover
EMS Chief
Ludlow Ambulance Service


LUDLOW BUILDING & GROUNDS

Monthly Report December, 2023

The following work was performed during the Month of December:

- General maintenance and cleaning of the Town Hall, Dorsey Park, Public Safety Building, Community Center.
- Performed monthly fire extinguisher checks and yearly inspections
- Working on cemetery damage from flood again, having road ripped up and new drainage replaced
- Misc. at high school and checks
- Having furnaces gone through and fully serviced
- Setting up for events at community center and town hall
- Plowed salted and shoveled
- Dailey cemetery checks and cleaning spillway
- Working on budget
- Had another round of flood issues and drainage clean ups
- Getting community center put back in order and fixed up
- Met with fire alarm inspector and had yearly inspections
- Inventory all emergency lights and replacing
- Started cleaning up and painting at Dorsey and other areas
- Helped garden club with their tree

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin MacPherson
Building & Grounds Foreman



Ludlow Fire Department

P.O. Box 355, Ludlow, Vermont 05149

E-mail: ludlowfire@comcast.net

January 1, 2024

To: The Board of Selectmen

From: Peter Kolenda, Fire Chief

Re: Monthly report for December

The department responded to thirty three calls this past month with a breakdown as follows:

12-1 CO alarm	Skinner Heights	12-1 CO alarm	Chamonix Rd.
12-2 Fire alarm	Smokerise Rd.	12-3 Fire alarm	Town Farm Rd.
12-3 Fire alarm	Bridge St.	12-4 Fire alarm	North Ridge Rd.
12-4 Fire alarm	Ellison Lake Rd.	12-5 Auto accident	Pond St.
12-7 Fuel spill	Pleasant St.	12-8 Ambulance assist	Trailside
12-8 Cover truck	Chester	12-9 Fire alarm	Pond St.
12-12 Fire alarm	Kettlebrook	12-13 Fuel leak	Pleasant St.
12-15 Auto accident	South Hill Rd.	12-18 Fire alarm	Ellison Lake Rd.
12-20 Fire alarm	Pleasant St.	12-23 Auto accident	Main St.
12-24 Dog rescue	Lake Shore Drive	12-24 CO alarm	Cottage Mills Ln.
12-24 Auto accident	Rt. 103 South	12-25 Fire alarm	Trailside
12-26 Boiler malfunction	Black Diamond Ln.	12-26 Odor Investigation	Snow Track
12-27 Propane leak	Main Street	12-27 Fire alarm	Fishing Access Rd.
12-27 Propane leak	North Village Rd.	12-28 Propane leak	North Ridge Rd.
12-29 Fire alarm	South Hill Rd.	12-29 CO investigation	West Hill Rd.
12-30 Fire alarm	Upper Crossroad	12-30 Possible Fire	Solitude
12-31 Ambulance assist	Gill Terrace		

Training for the month was initial hoseline placement.

The fire and ice fundraiser held at Jackson Gore was a success with the department raising just over 14,000.-



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FALSE ALARMS FOR DECEMBER 2023

DATE:	TYPE:	LOCATION:	RESPONSE:
11-28	Fire	Okemo -2 Pleasant St.	2 men – engine 3
12-1	CO	97 Chamonix Rd.	5 men – engine 3
12-1	CO	60 Skinner Hts.	3 men – engine 3
12-2	Fire	Alan Harinton – 151 Smokerise Rd.	7 men – engine 3
12-3	Fire	1219 Town Farm Rd.	3 men – engine 3
12-4	Fire	335 Ellison Lake Rd.	2 men – no trucks
12-4	Fire	137 North Ridge Rd.	1 man – no trucks
12-9	Fire	Darkside Snowboard Shop – 57 Pond St.	4 men – no trucks
12-12	Fire	Kettlebrook – Unit J2	6 men – engine 3
12-18	Fire	335 Ellison Lake Rd.	7 men – engine 3
12-20	Fire	13 Pleasant St.	6 men – engine 3
12-24	CO	135 Cottage Mills Lane	4 men – engine 3
12-25	Fire	Trailside – Unit18C	5 men – engine 3
12-27	Fire	109 Fishing Access Rd.	6 men – engine 3
12-29	Fire	Ryan Sullivan – 511 South Hill Rd.	5 men – no trucks
12-30	Fire	75 Upper Crossroad	3 men – no trucks

LUDLOW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report – December 2023

- Winter Highway Maintenance
- High water repairs from 12/20/2023
- Transfer Station
 - Crushed & Load Dumpsters
 - Demo
 - Cardboard
 - Load Refrigerators
 - Turning compost
- Equipment Maintenance
 - Police Cruiser Maintenance
 - Ambulance Maintenance
 - Maintenance on highway trucks/ equipment
- Trees & Brush
 - Ongoing Clean-up from Storm Damage
- Other/Miscellaneous
 - FEMA documentation
 - Trackless is back in use
 - Open Culverts/Ditches
 - Apply Sur-Pac(Smoothing up Gravel Roads)

Respectively submitted,

Ronald Tarbell
Highway Foreman

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LISTERS AND ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
DECEMBER 2023 MONTHLY REPORT

Ryan will begin collecting data in January on all the open permits. To date, we currently have 163 open permits, compared to 105 permit last year at this time, many are due to the July flood. We anticipate a healthy Grand List growth. There are 511 Homestead declarations that have been filed and 52 Current Use, all complete.

Jeannie continues to help out with the filing in the Municipal Office.

Respectfully,

Ludlow Listers & Assessor's Office

Directors Report

December 29, 2023

Youth Basketball: The youth basketball practices have been underway since the beginning of December and each of our older teams have practiced as well as had one game. December basketball continues to be crazy with the holidays, concerts, and weather, but we make it work every year which is a testament to everyone involved. The athletes and coaches have already started playing in a few games early in December to shake some of the dust off before we get in to the main part of the schedule in January.

Community Center: The community center use continues to be high during December as many community members are taking advantage of the facility. There definitely is a huge influx of participants utilizing the fitness room, playing pickle ball, or even participating during the open gym period. We were able to retape the pickleball courts to allow for the gym to be used by basketball and pickleball at the same time. Black River Good Neighbors continues to provide a free community meal on the first and third Thursday of each month in the Community Center Cafeteria. During the meal we set up our sound system to provide some music for enhance the meal. This has been a massive success because they have been serving anywhere between 80 to 100 free meals each month and it brings new people to the community center.

Holiday Lights: The holiday lighting display increased when compared to last year. We were able to add more lights on the tank as well as on the walkway arches, and adding six new songs including *The Avengers*, *I want a Hippopotamus for Christmas* and *Blinding lights*. The display certainly took some time to set up, but we were thankful that the weather was warm. Even after the holidays our display continues to generate some smiles and developed a lot of positive comments. After talking with a people that enjoyed the display did not realize the lights were synchronized for a fifty-minute light show which intrigued everyone to come back.

Thanks,

Nick Miele, Director of Parks and Recreation



Monthly Report for December 2023 from the Planning/Zoning Department

Zoning Applications - 6
Bianchi - 2
Subdivision - 2
DRB – 7 Applications
Certificate of Occupancy - 4
Site inspections - 7
New 911 Addresses - 9

- Zoning applications consisted of 3 general improvement and 3 General Flood repairs.
- Bianchi's requested for a single family home and new condo unit at Southface Village.
- Subdivision application was to split the lot of the Plumly Inn to build a single family home behind the Inn, and the division of a lot at 15 Gill Terrace into three lots for future development.
- DRB Applications were mostly Flood Hazard Review for Okemo Marketplace, Black River Mobile Home Court, Shaw's Supermarket, plus general hearings for Divided Sky installation of fire suppression reservoir, South Face Village Sales Office request to maintain status of permit throughout completion of PUD, and the Gill Terrace Subdivision Application.
- Site visits included Certificate of Occupancy inspections, including a deck at 5 South Hill Street, verification of new single family home constructions completed as applied on building permits. Several site visits occurred for the newest SouthFace Village residence consisting of 12 units.
- New 911 addresses were reviewed with the VT GIS Specialist to confirm changes, adds, and removals due to the flood in July 2023.

One complete day was spent assembling packets for the DRB hearing in December, writing and sending (USPS) notifications to abutters and the newspaper of record.

...all in addition to all other general Planning and Zoning duties brought forth by the public's general inquiries and assistance.

Written by: Jarrod Jowdy

Jeffrey P. Billings
Chief of Police
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Ludlow, Vermont

A Better Place To Live, Work & Play

TO: Board of Selectmen
From: Chief Billings

ACTIVITY LOG

DECEMBER 2023

INVESTIGATIONS:

Dead Body	0
Drug Overdose	0
Untimely	1
Sexual Assault	0
Fatal Accidents	0
Fights	1
Child Abuse	0
Burglaries	0
Larcenies	1
Vandalism	0
Domestics	2
Accidents	13
Animal Complaints	1
Disorderly Conduct	2
Harassment	0
Drunkenness	1
Possession Stolen Property	0
Attempted Larceny	0
Juvenile Complaints	0
Trespassing	0
Illegal Dumping	0
Found Missing Person	1
Threats	0
Stolen Vehicle	0
ARRESTS/CITATIONS:	
DWI	2
Voyeurism	0
Domestic Abuse	1
Unlawful Mischief	0
Disorderly Conduct	0
Simple Assault	0
Simple Assault Police Officer	0
Violation Release Conditions	0
Resisting Arrest	0
Larceny	0
DLS	0

Any Season Is The Right Season to Visit Ludlow
Proud Sponsor Of The Dare Program

MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS:

TICKETS ISSUED FOR:

Stop Sign	0
Speeding	5
No Registration	0
General Operation	0
Driving License Suspended	2
VNI	0
No Insurance	0
Seat Belts	0
Defective Equipment	0
Village Ordinance	0
Parking Violations	4
Alcohol	0
Cell phone	0
Marijuana	0

VERBAL WARNINGS FOR:


Stop Sign	4
Speeding	19
No Registration	0
General Operation	2
Driving License Suspended	0
VNI	0
No Insurance	0
Seat Belts	0
Defective Equipment	13
DWI	0
Parking Violations	0
Cell Phone	1

MISC. COMPLAINTS:

Noise	2
Suspicious Circumstance	13
False Alarms	14
Assist VSP	1
Assist Courts	0
Assist DMV	1
Assist Ludlow Agency	9
Assist Other Agency	1
Business/House Checks	74
Motorist Assist	3
MV Disturbances	0
Civil Matters	0
General Services	12
Trash Violation	0

The Ludlow Police Department provided 3390 miles of routine patrol.
Foot patrol accounted for 0 hours.

Respectfully Submitted;


Jeffrey P. Billings
Chief of Police

To: Select Board Members

From: Ulla P. Cook, Clerk/Treasurer

Subject: December

Date: January 4, 2024

The following is a breakdown of the activity in the Town Clerk and Treasurers office for the month of December:

Bank Statements for both Town and Village.

Recording in book 467. We now have 395 books or 237,000 pages scanned and linked. This means we now have over 40 years in the computer. We are encouraging the title searchers to use the computer versus the card file. We also now have all the land record books available on line from the home page for Town of Ludlow. Pam is still scanning our property transfer tax returns and has from 1971 to present in the computer.

Sent letters to property owners who have not paid either the first quarter or the second.

Received 82 documents for recording during December which includes warranty deeds, quit claim deeds, mortgages, mortgage discharges, bianchi, certificate of occupancy, liens and miscellaneous permits. Also included in the documents for recording are 20 property transfers totaling \$4,135,000.

Let's hope 2024 is a better year than 2023. No more flooding!



Town of Ludlow General Ledger
Current Yr Pd: 6 - Budget Status Report
General Fund

Account	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
GENERAL	29,062,955.23	28,528,520.98	98.16%
ADMINISTRATION	183,340.00	99,586.45	54.32%
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	16,700.00	4,256.00	25.49%
CEMETERY	40,925.00	11,391.00	27.83%
TOWN CLERK	95,870.00	28,223.00	29.44%
TOWN TREASURER	114,000.00	102,155.69	89.61%
INTEREST/DIVIDEND	42,691.00	59,302.12	138.91%
FIRE	3,000.00	1,000.00	33.33%
COMMUNITY CENTER	2,500.00	1,083.00	43.32%
MUNICIPAL TRANSIT	0.00	0.00	0.00%
High School Building	7,500.00	3,000.00	40.00%
HIGHWAY	146,250.00	111,778.32	76.43%
INSURANCE	10,939.00	2,651.85	24.24%
LISTERS	3,500.00	0.00	0.00%
PLANNING	26,800.00	24,092.51	89.90%
POLICE	56,899.00	9,980.56	17.54%
RECREATION	15,600.00	17,295.75	110.87%
FLOOD	0.00	1,999,500.00	100.00%
SOLID WASTE	187,750.00	86,716.88	46.19%
CAPITAL	469,100.00	47,982.56	10.23%
Total Revenues	30,486,319.23	31,138,516.67	102.14%
ADMINISTRATION	304,434.00	178,886.33	58.76%
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	207,570.00	142,518.09	68.66%
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER	247,505.00	119,857.21	48.43%
COMMUNITY CENTER OP	93,625.00	62,772.68	67.05%
PLANNING SERVICES	188,077.00	105,102.26	55.88%
LISTERS	78,435.00	34,052.48	43.41%
POLICE DEPARTMENT	1,228,280.00	605,698.20	49.31%
FIRE DEPARTMENT	167,970.00	52,469.29	31.24%
MUN. TRANSIT SYS	0.00	0.00	0.00%
HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING	95,161.00	45,366.77	47.67%
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	1,128,910.00	473,593.60	41.95%
SOLID WASTE	270,800.00	176,141.84	65.04%
DISPOSAL	168,350.00	124,815.08	74.14%
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT	125,697.00	95,113.03	75.67%
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	194,300.00	125,357.52	64.52%
FLOOD	0.00	2,881,565.01	100.00%
INTER GOVERNMENTAL	163,000.00	103,737.63	63.64%
APPROPRIATIONS	173,587.00	70,254.52	40.47%
INSURANCE	202,769.00	99,611.00	49.13%
VOTED ARTICLES	491,835.00	231,042.50	46.98%
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	23,607,866.87	11,196,653.00	47.43%
DEBT MANAGEMENT	354,609.00	221,159.10	62.37%
CAPITAL	439,600.00	198,972.40	45.26%
Total Expenditures	29,932,380.87	17,344,739.54	57.95%
Total General Fund	553,938.36	13,793,777.13	

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Account	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
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Total All Funds	553,938.36	13,793,777.13	
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**LUDLOW TRANSFER STATION
December 2023 REPORT**

The following containers were hauled out this month:

# Containers	Container Size	Content
4	40-yard	MSW
4	40-yard	C & D
0	30-yard	Glass
1	30-yard	Metal
2	40-yard	Z Sort Recyclables
1	30-yard	Cardboard Bales
1660 lbs.	lbs.	Compost
1	30-yard	Tires
Covered Pallets = 0; Covered Gaylords = 0; Non-Covered Pallet = 0; Non-Covered Gaylords = 0 Broken Covered Gaylord = 0/Non-Covered Gaylord		E-Waste – FEMA (Non-Covered Pallets- 2 and Non-Covered Gaylords-2)
0 Boxes		Lightbulbs
32 units		Freon
0 units/0 Extinguishers		Propane Tanks/Fire Extinguishers
0 Buckets		Ballasts
9 Boxes		Batteries (Alkaline & Haz)
7 gallons/15 gallons		Cooking Oil & Waste Oil

We continue to thank the Highway Dept. for crushing and packing off our containers and always being available to assist us.

The Winter-Spring is upon us, which is making things a little slushy this month.

Until next month,



Pattie Potter
Transfer Station Manager