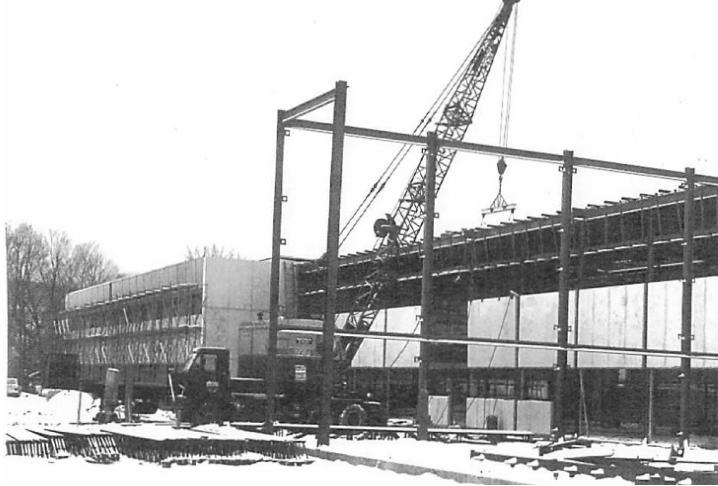




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50 Years of Educating Barre Town's Children

This fall marks a milestone for Barre Town School. It was just 50 years ago on September 6, 1966 that our town's 9 neighborhood schools officially consolidated into what has been the mainstay of our community—the Barre Town Middle and Elementary School. Built in 1966 to meet the rising needs of Barre Town's increasing population, the school has undergone one major addition and a few renovation projects, but remains largely as it was built fifty years ago. BTMES has seen multiple generations of students through their elementary and middle school education.

A committee made up of townspeople, former students and teachers, parents, and current employees of BTMES are planning a celebratory event for Thursday, October 6th from 4:30—7:30pm at the school. This event will include displays of history and student work, music, refreshments, a slide show, and a presentation with speakers at 6:30pm. There is also the possibility of tours of the old schools as part of the celebration.

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General Election News

On November 8, 2016 Barre Town registered voters will gather at the School gymnasium to cast their ballots for the many local, state, and federal offices. Special school and town meetings are being planned too. See article on page 3.

Are you a registered voter? The process is easy. Complete the one-page voter registration application and return it to the Town Clerk's office or visit the Vermont Secretary of State's website (<https://www.olvr.sec.state.vt.us>) to register online. The registration deadline is November 2, 2016, 5:00 p.m. Blank applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office (802) 479-9391 or send your request via email to dkelty@barretown.org.

There are many ways you can vote: 1) Make a request to the Clerk's office to have an *early ballot* mailed to you; 2) *Vote in the Clerk's office*; or 3) *go to the polling place* on Election Day. Polling hours are 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

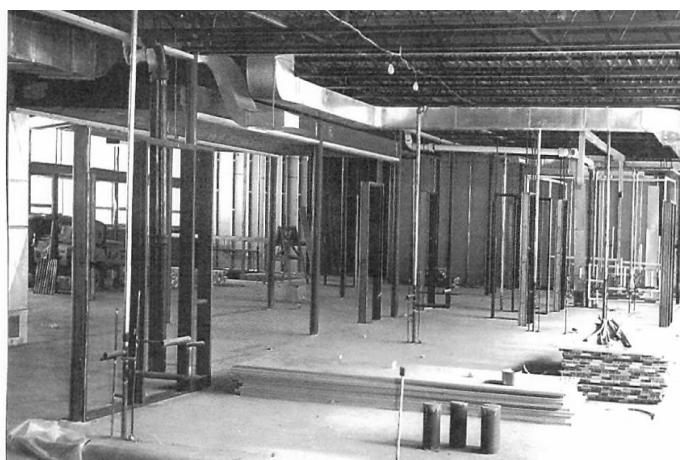


Being a Presidential election year turnout is expected to be high. During the past two General Election cycles the average number of voters was 4,205, with 1,148 voting early (formerly known as absentee voting). Early ballots will be available no later than September 23, 2016. Don't want to vote early? Sample ballots will be posted around town at the following locations: Hannaford Market, Trow Hill Grocery, Lawson's General Store, Graniteville General Store, Barre Town Municipal Building, and on the Barre Town website (www.barretown.org).

If you are interested in learning more about the election process or would like to work at the polling place on Election Day call the Town Clerk.

By Donna Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Continued — BTMES 50th Anniversary
(Inside construction of BTMES from fall of 1966)



Barre Town students have been involved, and will continue planning and working on the celebration festivities when school resumes this fall. Mr. Carpenter's middle school students have waded through archives, including old photos, architectural plans, articles and old yearbooks to try and put together a student-focused history of the school. They have also been interviewing former students and teachers who have been (or were) at BTMES for many of the 50 years of its history. Ms. Low's students worked on creating visual images of the school, and writing about them and what it means to be a student at BTMES. These will be on display at the celebration. In the fall, students will work on creating a model for the school, clarifying what part was added onto the original building. This too, will be on display at the event. Other ideas the students would like to see put into action are a panel discussion with former staff and students, displays of history and yearbooks, a slideshow of old photos, and a document or slide show depicting the school's history. There will also be opportunities to add your story to the mix via video, writing or a combination.



South Barre Schoolhouse

There will be a series of articles written for the Times Argus in a few weeks leading up to the event. These articles will contain some history and personal stories of the early days of education in Barre Town, from the neighborhood schools to the transition to the existing school.

The committee sees this as an opportune time to collect photos, stories and information from those who have been part of the school's history. If you have information, memories or stories you would be willing to share, please contact Karen Heath (kheatbce@u61.net), Annette Rossi (arossbte@u61.net), or Tina Lunt (tluntbte@u61.net). All can be reached at 476-6617.

We hope to see you on October 6th to celebrate Barre Town Middle and Elementary School's Golden Anniversary, marking 50 years of educating our town's children

By Karen Heath, BTMES, BCEMS Literacy Coordinator



ALL TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON:

Sept. 5th — Labor Day
Nov. 11th—Veterans Day

Upcoming Dates & Events to Remember:

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| Sept. 10 | 5K - Susan G. Komen |
| Sept. 17 | Fall Bulk Trash Collection |
| Oct. 22 | BTMES 5K and Recreation Board Fall Festival |
| Oct. 31 | Cemeteries Close |
| Oct. 31 | Last day to work in town highway rights-of-way |
| Nov. 1 | Winter On-Street parking ban begins |
| Nov. 2 | Voter registration deadline |
| Nov. 8 | General Election |
| Nov. 15 | Taxes Due |

Senior Center

The Barre Area Senior Center, located at 131 South Main Street, Barre City (Wall Street Complex), serves all Central Vermont residents age 50 and over. Last May Barre Town voters approved a \$7,500 contribution to the B.A.S.C. Learn more about the Center by calling 479-9512, emailing director@barreseniors.org or visiting www.barreseniors.org, or facebook.com/barreseniors. We would love to have more Barre Town residents participate in our activities or volunteer opportunities.

By Cathy Hartshorn, Executive Director

LOOK FOR THE NEXT ISSUEof the town newsletter in November, 2016

Recreation Project Updates

Trow Hill Playground Revitalization: Thanks to 33 volunteers who mixed cement, turned wrenches, and maneuvered playground equipment parts during the May 20-21 Community Build, Trow Hill Playground now has two new structures and several more pieces of equipment! Volunteers came from Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, American Legion, the Barre Town Recreation Board, the neighborhood and beyond. There are also two new asphalt games (hopscotch and 4-square), a refreshed parking area, a new basketball hoop, repaired monkey bars, and five granite benches which were salvaged foundation blocks from the old Trow Hill School. Several businesses have donated necessary materials and labor for the revitalization effort: Agway, Casella, Corbett Trucking, Hannaford, K.Bellavance Land Works and Hauling, Randy Pickel Tree Service, Pike Industries, and Trow Hill Grocery. The last step is to install a paved ADA path.

Upper Graniteville Playground Picnic Shelter: This playground at the end of Park Street, off of Graniteville Road, was the only one of the Town playgrounds without a picnic shelter. Now, thanks to neighbors, the Rec Board, and various businesses, Upper Graniteville will soon boast the newest picnic shelter of them all. A neighbor obtained a \$2,000 materials grant from Ronald McDonald House, and Carroll Concrete and Hutch Brothers Concrete have already donated the concrete and work, respectively, for the concrete pad.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

Photo Contest - Recreation

The Barre Town Recreation Board is accepting photographs for judging and selection for use in a 2017 calendar.

Everyone (age 13 and older) is invited to submit one or up to twelve photographs featuring a Barre Town recreation facility or people recreating at one of the town's facilities - town forest, bike paths, playgrounds, picnic areas, or recreation and athletic complex. Photographs could show scenery, wildlife, a facility, an activity, or people having fun.

Photographs can be submitted to the barretownrec@gmail.com address up to and including September 16. An appropriate photo for each month will be selected for the 2017 Barre Town Recreation calendar, which, based on the latest plan, would be available in late October.

With the email submitting the photograph(s) provide photographer's name (for credit on the calendar, if selected), phone number, address and location of photograph. If the photograph features children, please state the child/ren's parents' name and if the parent consents to use of the photograph.

Photographers whose photo(s) are selected will be given credit on the calendar and receive a free calendar.

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager



SAVE THE DATE: Barre Town Recreation Board Fall Festival!

When: Saturday, October 22nd

Time: 3:00 pm - dusk

Where: Barre Town
Recreation Area



5K Runs / Walks in Town

Two 5K (3.1 miles) run/walks will be held at the Millstone Hill West bike path and recreation area. Both 5Ks are on Saturday mornings and are benefit events. The bike path is not closed to the public during the runs/walks, but path users should take note a large number of people will be on the path a short time those mornings; plan accordingly.

Central Vermont Medical Center is sponsoring the first 5K on September 10. The event will benefit the Susan G. Komen VT/NH, a breast cancer foundation. Pre-registration fee prior to 8/27 is \$20 and includes a t-shirt. Registration after 8/27, will be \$25. On race day registration will begin at 7:45 at the picnic shelter. Runners will start at 9:30; walkers start at 9:40. There will be age group awards. Visit www.cvmc.org/cvmc-5k and click on Wellness Resources to access more information.

On October 22, as part of the Barre Town School's 50th Anniversary celebration, the PTO will hold a 5K color run/walk. Registration will be at the picnic shelter in the morning. The event is a fund-raiser for the PTO.

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager



Special Town Meeting

The Selectboard and Websterville Fire District (WFD) Prudential Committee are discussing the possibility of merging the town water system and the WFD. Voter approval would be needed to move the merger ahead. November 8 is the target date to hold a special town meeting (election). All town voters would decide if the town water system would be merged with WFD, but the merger affects only the roughly 475 town water system customers and the 120 WFD customers.

If a special town meeting is called there would be two questions. The first would ask if the Town and WFD shall be merged in accordance with an approved Plan of Merger. The second question would ask for approval of a special assessment district. The special assessment district would be the current WFD territory. The special assessment (fee) would be used to pay WFD's capital improvement loan payments.

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Police News

Swimming in the Quarries:

Rock of Ages does not allow swimming, diving or trespassing on its property. The property is posted against trespassing and company officials have asked for the police departments help in enforcing this. If found on Rock of Ages property, trespassers will

be told to leave. If found there again they may face charges of unlawful trespass. There is no parking on a section of Church Hill Road near the entrance to the "Grand Lookout". Any vehicles parked in this section are subject to be ticketed and/or towed.

Speed Enforcement:

Several years ago the Barre Town Police Department partnered with the Governors Highway Safety Program to help reduce crashes, and combat drunk and/or drugged driving. Through grants received from GHSP a radar trailer, as well as other pieces of equipment was purchased. The radar trailer is put out on a daily basis, weather permitting, throughout the town. If you would like the trailer put in your neighborhood please contact Sgt. Dodge or Sgt. Thayer at 479-0509.

K9:

K9 Huey and Sgt. Dodge continue to have a busy year. Huey has assisted the police department in several drug investigations which resulted in search warrants being issued. They have also participated in several public demonstrations for Boy Scout troops and local businesses. If your organization would like to have Huey come and show his skills, contact Sgt. Dodge at 479-0509.



School Bus Safety and Other Reminders:

Barre Town Middle and Elementary School and surrounding schools will be reopening their doors for another year of school. Most area schools start on August 29, 2016. With the start of a new school year we would like to remind you of the safety concerns and law about stopping for buses.

The first few weeks of a school year are hectic as everyone gets back into school mode. Residents should remember there will be an increase in morning and afternoon traffic as parents, teachers, and children are headed to or from school, so plan your time accordingly. Many crashes happen because people are in a rush and their primary focus is on getting where they're going instead of what is in front of them on the road.

School buses can also slow your commute but be sure to obey the flashing signal light system. Yellow lights mean the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. Mo-

torists should slow down and prepare to stop. Red lights and the extended stop arm indicate that the bus has stopped and children are getting on or off the bus. Motorists must stop their vehicles and wait until the red flashing lights are turned off and the stop arm is withdrawn. This is the law and failure to follow the lighting system will result in a ticket. Parents should remind their children of the bus rules and to always follow the rules the schools set forth for school bus safety.



By Nicole Poulin, Police Dispatcher

Employee Changes

Heidi Bennett, Planning and Zoning Department Administrative Assistant, resigned this summer after 12 years of service. During her time at Barre Town she helped countless people through the permitting process and clerked dozens of Development Review Board and Planning Commission meetings. Heidi is pursuing her successful writing career full time and we wish her the best!

Barre Town accepted applications for the Planning and Zoning Department Administrative Assistant position through August 5, so look for an introduction to the new Administrative Assistant in the next newsletter.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

Continued - Special Town Meeting

If the questions are approved the merger would need VT legislature's approval in 2017 because the WFD's charter is an act of the legislature. The WFD will hold its own special election to vote on approving the merger.

WFD serves about 120 customers in the Upper Websterville village and a few homes along Websterville Road. It has a surface water supply, treatment plant and pump station. The district is finding it difficult to secure district resident's help needed to operate the district. WFD asked the town to consider the merger possibility.

The town manager's initial analysis of the town and WFD systems and respective budgets indicates the WFD customers could save money on water bills, depending on the expense of the districts upcoming infrastructure (pipes and some plant) improvements. The merger won't cost town water system customers any more and has the potential to save the town Water Fund budget money. It is possible the WFD system could supply water the town now has to buy from other sources.

During September decisions have to be made including joint approval of the Plan of Merger. The decision to call for a special meeting is due no later than September 20. Public information meetings and public hearings would be held in October and possibly November 1.

By Carl Rogers, Town Manager

Household Haz. Waste Collection – CVSWMD

The Town of Barre is a member of the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District,



which means Barre Town residents can use CVSWMD's sponsored collections in any town. CVSWMD is holding more special collections this year for Paint, Batteries, Fluorescent & Compact Fluorescent light bulbs (PBF) and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW):

Sep 1, 5pm-7pm, Chelsea transfer station: PBF. Pre-registration required for this event! Call 229-9383 to pre-register.

Sep 10, 9am-1pm, Bradford Town Garage: PBF

Sep 24, 9am-1pm, Bradford Town Garage: HHW

Oct 8, 9am-1pm, Montpelier, Vermont Department of Labor: HHW

Fees for CVSWMD district residents: PBF collections are free; HHW collections are \$20 per car.

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

Low Interest Home Improvement Loans

Do you own a home in Barre Town? Do you have home improvements you haven't been getting to because of the expense? Get in touch with Downstreet Housing and Community Development (formerly Central Vermont Community Land Trust)! Downstreet Housing offers special low-interest loans for qualified homeowners and administers these loans for Barre Town providing all the necessary review and oversight.

Qualifying projects include:

- Weatherization/energy efficiency retrofits
- Roof repair
- Heating system upgrades
- Access modification for the elderly or disabled
- ...and much more!

To be eligible a Barre Town resident must have a household income that does not exceed 80 percent of the Washington County median income, e.g. household income of ~\$59,000 or less for a family of four, or \$41,000 or less for a single person.

If you have questions or are interested, visit the webpage for the Downstreet low interest home improvement loan program at <http://downstreet.org/home-ownership-center/green-mountain-loan-fund/> or contact Patty Dupuis at Downstreet Housing, 477-1343 or pdupuis@cvclt.org.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

Project Updates

Mill Street Sidewalk in East Barre: The Town is still in the process of obtaining permanent and temporary easements from affected property owners. There is a possibility construction could begin in 2017, but more likely in 2018. The project (including feasibility study), estimated to cost \$258,000, is funded with federal (80%) and Town of Barre (20%) dollars, and is overseen by the Vermont Agency of Transportation. For

more information, contact Elaine Wang, at ewang@barretown.org or 477-1356.

Route 110 and Mill Street Intersection in East Barre: The state has begun reviewing preliminary plans for improving the intersection of Route 110, Mill Street, Old 302, and Bianchi Street in East Barre. Environmental review and the right-of-way process come next. Construction is still planned for 2019. No costs for this project will be borne by the town. For more information, contact Harry Hinrichsen, Town Engineer, at 479-2595.

Bridge Street Sidewalk in South Barre: According to the plans of VTrans, the Town, and a private developer, there should be a continuous sidewalk from the bike path on Bridge St. to the Rt 14 intersection by the end of 2018, if not earlier. The Town section of the sidewalk will be from the bridge to One Bridge St driveway. Preliminary plans for this section have been approved by VTrans, which is overseeing the project. The costs are split between federal (80%) and Town of Barre (20%) sources. The new cost estimate, which will be lower than the initial estimate thanks to sections being taken over by VTrans and the private developer, is not yet available. For more information, contact Elaine Wang, at ewang@barretown.org or 477-1356.

Peloquin Road Culvert: The Town will be upgrading the culvert on Peloquin Road at Holden Road from a 7 foot diameter corrugated metal culvert to a 9 foot by 14 foot reinforced concrete box culvert with wing walls and headers. This will allow the culvert to carry a much greater volume of water without backing up or clogging with debris during storm surges. This project is planned for October of this year. A state grant will contribute up to \$175,000 and the balance will be paid for with Town funds; bids for the structure are currently being sought. For more information, contact Harry Hinrichsen, Town Engineer, at 479-2595.

Rt. 14/Bridge Street Intersection: This VTrans project to improve the intersection is in the process of obtaining a storm-water discharge permit and finalizing property negotiations for Rights of Way. The project's manager at VTrans estimates these steps will be complete this fall. Construction is planned for summer 2017, but delays could result in a spring 2018 start time.

Road Work: The final phase of 2016 paving is due in September. Roads to be paved with hot-mix asphalt are: Miller Road Ext., Allen Street (#212 to city line), Pierce Road, King's Row, Morin Road, and Plainfield Brook Road (Rt. 14 to Camire Hill Road).

Gravel road projects that might be started this fall are on: LePage Road (Beckley Hill Road to Ladd farm), Jensen Road, Cedar Cliff, and Nuissl Road from the end of pavement to Pierce Road.

Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

Digging in a town or road right-of-way is not allowed after November 1. Contact the town engineer (479-2595) for more information.

Solar Projects and Town Plan Amendments

Last year was a busy year with regard to solar development in Barre Town; and the winter was filled with towns, including Barre Town, trying to catch up with lack of local regulatory control over solar siting.



Barre Town participated in discussions in front of the Public Service Department and the Legislature. The Planning Commission considered new Town Plan language so that we might have better

standing in front of the Public Service Board. In the end, the Town Plan hasn't been amended; and the Legislature passed a new law attempting to provide towns with more input, but it is still unclear whether it does that.

The Planning Commission drafted an amendment to the energy section of the Town Plan hoping to give the plan more weight when applications for solar development are being reviewed by the Public Service Board (PSB). Town Plans are the only guidance from a Town used by the PSB when deciding whether to allow a solar project to be sited in a certain location. Exactly what needs to be in the Town Plan is a bit ambiguous, but the hope was that the amendments would help. While the Planning Commission held a public hearing in April on proposed amendments, public input at the hearing and pending changes to the solar siting law led the Planning Commission to hold off (for now) making specific changes to the energy section of the plan until new guidance comes out.

Barre Town saw a big influx of solar projects applications filed with the Public Service Board in 2015. We haven't seen that happen this year yet. The private projects filed last year, the Malone project in the Wilson Industrial Park is completed and is online. The Morrison Road project is currently being built and should be operational soon. Ground is to be broken in August for the Osborne Road project with completion expected sometime late fall. Work on the Pine Hill solar farm started recently. The Beckley Hill solar farm has been reduced and installation will start next year. The project planned for Cummings Road has been withdrawn and won't be moving forward at this time.

By Chris Violette, Planning & Zoning Director

Funding Business Loans

The Town is pleased to let its residents to know that the Barre Loan Fund is operational and has capital to loan to existing and prospective businesses. The money available for lending originate from a loan that was made to SB Electronics with grant funds and the repayments of it are deposited to a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) managed by the Vermont Community Loan Fund and marketed by Barre Area Development (BADC).

The purpose of the RLF is to loan money for capital

expenditures that support the creation and retention of jobs. These business investments can include new construction, building additions, renovations and machinery and equipment. The interest rate is .75% above the Wall Street published prime rate, currently at 3.50% resulting in a fixed rate of 4.25%. Loan terms are flexible and can vary between 3 years and 10 years depending on the purpose and amount of the loan. The minimum loan is \$25,000 and can be up to the amount of the funds available which is now \$233,000.

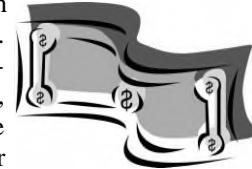
Eligible borrowers are any business, or proposed business, located in Barre Town or Barre City. To date, one loan of \$34,000 was made to the buyer of Bob's Camera and Video which helped support the continuation of 3 jobs.

For more information about the Barre Loan Fund and to obtain an application, contact Joel Schwartz of Barre Area Development at jschwartz@badc.com or call 476-0660.

By Joel Schwartz, Barre Area Development

Saving money with Websterville Solar Farm

In August 2013, this newsletter described the prospect of constructing a 500 kW solar farm in Websterville on town-owned land. The array of 1,980 panels was installed in 2014 by Novus Energy, which by service agreement is also the operator and maintainer of the solar farm for at least 20 years. The site seemed ideal because of its invisibility from any nearby homes or roads; proximity to three-phase power that would take up the generated power; and exposure to sun.



The site has proved to be as productive as initially speculated. Energy produced by the solar farm offsets essentially all of the electricity used by Barre Town municipal operations, excepting streetlights (which are tariffed and cannot be offset by statute). Barre Town should receive \$4,823.33 in credits for the farm's solar energy production in 2015. And since the farm produces more than the Town needs, by agreement it also offsets part of Barre Town Elementary and Middle School's electricity bill (\$9,149.79 total in 2015). To that can be added the payments made by Novus to the Town to lease the land on which the solar farm sits (\$7,000/yr for years 1-10).

Finally on the debit side, the Town paid a fee for solar services of \$3,492/mo. in 2015. So the net benefit of the solar farm to Town taxpayers was \$17,481.12 in 2015. Barre Town's money-saving solar farm can be admired from the end of MTA's Grand Lookout Trail and seen in Google Maps satellite view, just northeast of 225 Websterville Road.

By Elaine Wang, Assistant Town Manager

REMINDER: All Town Board and Committee Agendas are posted on the town website and at Hannaford's, Graniteville General Store and Trow Hill Grocery.

Fall Bulk Trash Collection September 17, 2016

That town dump day is coming up. You know, the collection of big stuff at the town garage, where the school buses are parked; it is Saturday, September 17. If you've been busy making home improvements or if you have unneeded items lying around the basement, garage or tool shed, do some summer's end cleaning up. The bulk trash collection is a great, less expensive way to dispose of old furniture, mattresses, carpet, large plastic toys, building material, pool covers and liners, and other large items.

VT Act 148 prohibits clean lumber from going to a landfill. Lumber is dimension wood such as 2" x 4", 2" x 6" and 1" x 2", etc. Clean lumber means it is not pressure treated or painted and it doesn't have adhesives, tar paper, plastic or hardware attached. Clean lumber will be accepted and set aside for salvaging.

The service is offered from 8 a.m.—2 p.m. on Saturday, September 17 at 129 Websterville Road. Service is for town resident's home use only. Bring a tax or utility bill to verify residency. Fees are charged (See below).

Small pieces of sheetrock, plaster, roofing shingles, and any other material or item 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 at the side and unloaded when no one is in line to be off-loaded. Plan your load for efficient off-loading and be sure it is properly secured.

<u>Fees</u>	
Car.....	\$5.00
Pickup truck.....	\$8.00
Unloaded car or truck w/loaded trailer.....	\$8.00
Loaded car or truck & loaded trailer	\$13.00
Truck larger than pickup (1-ton or 10' rented van max.....)	\$13.00
Loaded large truck & loaded trailer.....	\$20.00

Loads of roofing shingles charged double

Items Not Accepted

Household trash, recycling
Electronics
Tires
Large Metal/appliances
Hazardous Materials
Lawn Waste

Take To

Wilson Depot or other licensed Collectors
CVSWMD ARCC
Wilson Depot, CVSWMD ARCC
Wilson Depot
CVSWMD collection (see page 5)
Holden Road site

Salvaging is permitted during the event. Volunteers get free disposal. To volunteer call 479-9331 or email offices@barretown.org.

Leaf Disposal

This fall, when it is time to clean up the lawn, there is an alternative to burning leaves, raking them into ditches and drainageways or sending them to the landfill—which now is banned by VT Act 148.

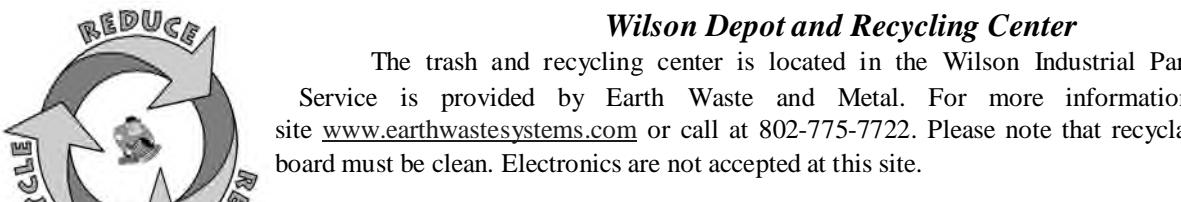
The lawn waste site on Holden Road is open: Wednesdays 3 p.m.— 6 p.m.; Thursdays, 9 a.m.— to noon, and Saturdays, 8 a.m.— noon. On the weekends of October 8-9, 15-16 and 22-23 the site will be open Saturdays from 8 a.m.— 4 p.m. and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m.

To haul more leaves, chop them once with the lawnmower. Laying a tarp or sheet of plastic in the truck bed will reduce off-loading time. Please don't leave plastic or any bags at the site. The site will probably close after Saturday, November 5th.



Wilson Depot and Recycling Center

The trash and recycling center is located in the Wilson Industrial Park on Pitman Road. Service is provided by Earth Waste and Metal. For more information visit their website www.earthwastesystems.com or call at 802-775-7722. Please note that recyclables including cardboard must be clean. Electronics are not accepted at this site.



The weekly hours are: Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

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Development Review Board – By Chris Violette, Planning & Zoning Admin. (M. Nicholson, M. Reaves, C. Sanborn, C. Thygesen, S. Driscoll, G. Richards, J. Valsangiacomo, J. Fecteau, J. Hameline)

April 2016: Denied C.&B. Thygesen and B. Sanborn/P. Hislop for boundary line adj.; approved Windy Wood Housing, LLC for revised final approval of planned unit development; approved One Bridge Street for major site plan review of 6000 s.f.

May 2016: Denied C.&B. Thygesen and P.&K. Grange for boundary line adj.; approved Booth Living Trust and M. Systo for boundary line adj.; approved Booth Living Trust and HP Hood for boundary line adj.; approved HP Hood for minor site plan approval to install 2 new vertical silos; approved Old Route Two Spirits, Inc. for conditional use approval to allow operation of distillery; approved HP Hood for 50' variance of r.o.w. setback for 2 silos; approved L. Blaisdell for 12' variance of r.o.w. setback.

June 2016: Approved New England Excess Exchange for major site plan approval for 3000 s.f. addition; approved C. Thygesen for variance of setback.

July 2016: Approved C.&D. LePage for final approval of 3-lot subdivision; denied M.&T. Reaves for 6' variance from side yard setback; approved R. Picken for 10' variance from road r.o.w.

Planning Commission – By Chris Violette, Planning & Zoning Admin. (C. Sanborn, C. Thygesen, C. Violette, D. Pierce, C. Duke, J. Hameline, G. Clain)

April 2016: Hearing on Town Plan amendments.

May 2016: Approved D. Cambio for allowed use determination to add additional curb-cut; approved C.&D. LePage for allowed use determination for proposed development of 2 single-family dwellings off Farwell St.

June 2016: Denied B. Demas for allowed use approval for operation of dog daycare/kennel at 42 Baptist St.

July 2016: Continued work on Town Plan amendments.

Traffic Safety Advisory Committee - By Harry Hinrichsen, Town Eng. (C. Liese, D. Newall, J. Blow, W. Kirby, V. Vallerand)

April 2016 : Requested a CVRPC traffic study for the lower section of Osborne Rd. & Upper Hill St.; discussed traffic safety issues for Windy Wood Rd. & E. Cobble Hill and Morrison Rds.; discussed the speed limit between Allen St. and House # 179 and requested a CVRPC traffic study.

May 2016: No meeting held.

June 2016: Recommended changing type & location of a symbol sign for the steep hill on Cassie St; recommended six delineators on the curve either side of House # 307 (Pyott) reviewed and tabled traffic safety items for Windy Wood Rd. & E. Cobble Hill Rd.

July 2016: No meeting held.