

**MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon. through Wed.  
8-4:30

Thursday  
8-6

Friday  
8-3

After Hours Use Drop Box

Phone:  
802-483-6500



**IMPORTANT ITEMS FOR TOWN MEETING & GENERAL ELECTION WEEK**

Town Meeting is at the Lothrop School Gym on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Town Meeting & General Election is on March 6, 2018, with voting hours from 7 AM to 7 PM at the Municipal Offices, 426 Plains Rd., Pittsford, VT.

The Town of Proctor has accepted Pittsford Town Manager John Haverstock's Food Drive challenge for March 1-April 30. Over the past several years, Pittsford and Proctor have engaged in a friendly competition to see which Town can collect the most cash and non-perishable food items for contribution to the Pittsford Food Shelf, which serves residents of Pittsford, Florence, Proctor and Chittenden.

Let's challenge ourselves to contribute what we can. Please bring items to the Town Meeting on March 5th at the Lothrop School Gym or to the Pittsford Municipal Town Offices, on March 6th during voting hours, where there will be food donation boxes in the front lobby. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.



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**BRANDON LEICESTER SALISBURY GOSHEN INSECT CONTROL DISTRICT (BLSG) BLSG Full Membership Vote**

As you may know, Pittsford has had a relationship with the BLSG Mosquito District for several years under which Pittsford makes a fixed payment each year (now \$15,000) to have the District sample wetland areas in town for mosquito larvae and treat them when appropriate with a non-toxic larvacide. Given last summer's particularly bad mosquito season, there has been pressure from residents to consider having Pittsford join the BLSG Mosquito District as a full-member, with the application by truck-mounted sprayers (when indicated) of adulticide all across town, just as occurs within the other member towns (Brandon, Leicester, Salisbury and Goshen). Of course, each resident would be able to "opt out" of such treatments on their properties.

The BLSG Mosquito District has made a proposal to Pittsford to convert to full-member status. It includes an increased annual fee (approximately \$24,000), a "buy-in" payment of approximately \$69,250 (which can be paid over a four-year period, if desired) into the District's equity in assets (building, trucks, sprayers, etc.) and a one-time payment of approximately \$2,500 to account for Pittsford's share of adulticide already on hand.

This matter will be discussed and voted on at Town Meeting and representatives of the BLSG District leadership will be present to address any questions that may arise. Meanwhile, feel free to check out the BLSG's website for information about its operations: [www.blsgmosquito.wordpress.com](http://www.blsgmosquito.wordpress.com)

**3rd ANNUAL PITTSFORD TRAIL RUNS 5K & 1 MILE**

The Pittsford Trail Run is back Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 9:00 am for the 1 mile, 9:30 am for the 5k on the beautiful Pittsford Recreation Area Trails! Last year, we had close to 250 participants and some wonderful sponsors.

Printable registration form available through the Recreation Department website: <http://pittsfordvermont.com/departments/recreation-department/>. NEW this year, ONLINE registration: <https://runsignup.com/Race/VT/Pittsford/PittsfordTrailRuns5k1Mile> Pre-register by April 8, 2018 to be guaranteed a shirt. Entry fees: \$12 for pre-registered 5k and \$7 for pre-registered 1mile. Race day registration fees are: 5k--\$20; 1 mile--\$15. Please check out the event page on Facebook, search for Pittsford Trail Run. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event or be a sponsor, please contact Randy Adams, 802-483-6500 ext 17, [Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com) or Kelly Connaughton, 802-483-6351, [kfield16@yahoo.com](mailto:kfield16@yahoo.com).

Please indicate participant ages on registration form. Top 3 finisher prizes will be awarded in Adult and Youth (12 and under) categories. Door prizes and give aways! This is an untimed FUN RUN—ONLY the top 3 finishers in each race youth and adult will have recorded times. Water station at 1 mile intervals at the Preschool and the Church. Food will be available at the pavilion. Be sure to visit Business/info table and thank sponsors for the event.



## FY 2018/2019 BUDGET SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND REVENUES	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18	Budget FY19
TAXATION	1,121,320	1,100,471	1,191,868	1,233,763
FEES/PERMITS & LICENSES	25,400	38,837	26,725	28,175
INTERGOVERNMENT REVENUE	79,200	89,760	85,900	97,650
FEE/CHARGE FOR SERVICES	400	328	400	400
SOLID WASTE	46,000	42,801	46,000	44,000
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	31,500	22,058	20,300	23,550
RECREATION	50,095	48,341	50,985	53,730
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT REV	6,100	5,194	6,100	5,200
POLICE DEPT	24,650	52,057	42,900	48,450
FIRE DEPARTMENT	0	359	0	0
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REV</b>	<b>1,384,665</b>	<b>1,400,206</b>	<b>1,471,178</b>	<b>1,534,918</b>
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	Budget FY17	Actual FY17	Budget FY18	Budget FY19
LEGISLATION EXPENSE	16,000	18,271	17,400	19,100
MANAGEMENT EXPENSE	184,600	203,195	187,900	198,980
ELECTIONS EXPENSE	9,050	5,005	5,100	5,600
FINANCE-CLERK/TREASURER EXPENSE	140,050	151,463	155,530	157,820
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	93,700	82,325	87,100	88,300
AGENCIES EXPENSE	5,440	6,039	5,850	6,335
ZONING EXPENSES	18,240	12,365	18,650	16,500
PLANNING COM EXPENSES	8,900	5,347	9,300	6,800
BCA EXPENSES	4,100	2,310	5,650	5,600
PLANT & EQUIPMENT	45,000	36,128	41,650	40,080
FIRE WARDEN EXPENSES	1,300	899	1,250	1,225
MISCELLANEOUS	3,100	10,589	4,500	5,750
LISTERS' EXPENSES	45,400	43,151	44,090	44,880
HEALTH OFFICER EXPENSES	10,600	16,059	16,150	16,150
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS	151,738	151,738	152,188	167,188
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	85,250	78,932	88,195	88,390
FIRE HYDRANT EXP	0	0	35,000	25,000
POLICE DEPARTMENT	164,650	213,511	184,015	205,350
FIRE DEPARTMENT	191,800	184,649	194,850	210,100
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	173,385	184,605	181,880	190,850
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT	7,462	4,951	6,930	6,920
DEBT SCHEDULE/FIXED CGS	24,900	28,034	28,000	28,000
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,384,665</b>	<b>1,439,566</b>	<b>1,471,178</b>	<b>1,534,918</b>

**LISTERS OFFICE**

**VETERANS EXEMPTION** Veterans who are residents of Pittsford with a disability of 50% or more are entitled to a \$40,000 exemption off the assessed value of their property for tax purposes. Those veterans should receive a letter and form from the Office of Veterans Affairs which should be signed and returned. If a veteran is qualified but has not received a letter, we suggest a call to the VA office at 802-828-3379. Application forms are also available at the Town Office or on the State website: [state.vt.us.gov](http://state.vt.us.gov).

**HOMESTEAD DECLARATION** All homeowners whose legal residence is Pittsford are required to file the Homestead Exemption (HS-122). Tax Forms can be obtained on-line at: [state.vt.us.gov/tax](http://state.vt.us.gov/tax) or call 802-828-2505. Late filing will be accepted through October 15, but a late filing **penalty will apply** after April 15th.

Any questions about the items above or any matter regarding valuation of property in Pittsford will be promptly answered by calling the Listers Office at 802-483-6500 ext 15.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RURAL COLLECTION 2018 SCHEDULE**

**Pittsford Transfer Station, Saturdays 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM on May 13, July 8 and October 28, 2018.** Gleason Road HHW Depot in Rutland will be open 7 AM to 3 PM on these Saturdays: April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, Sept. 3 & Oct. 7. These dates are in addition to their regular hours.

**DOG OWNERSHIP RULES**

The Town learned during its recent “dog census” that many dog-owners weren’t familiar with the laws regarding dog ownership in Town. For example, did you know that all dogs must be registered with the Town each year? Did you know that dog owners must provide evidence of rabies vaccinations for each dog, as well? Did you know that dog owners must keep their dogs on their own property or under physical or voice control at all times?

Some of these rules are simply good manners and designed to keep the peace in your neighborhood. Others are matters of public health and safety. All are spelled out in detail in the Town’s Animal Ordinance, a copy of which is posted online at [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com).

Thanks for playing by the rules!

**Dog Licenses are due April 1, 2018 & are now available at the Town Offices, 426 Plains Road--see back cover of this newsletter.**



**PITTSFORD DAY SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 18, 2018**

This year’s Pittsford Day will take place on Saturday, August 18th from 2:00 pm through the evening. The event will follow the contours of prior Pittsford Day events, with a pre-event road race/fun run in the morning and games, activities, music, silent auction, a BBQ and fireworks. Donations of goods and services for the silent auction should be directed to Barb or Tom Hooker. Volunteers for Friday night set-up and Sunday morning breakdown are needed.

**PITTSFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The PHS Museum, Eaton Hall, is closed for winter and will re-open in April. It can be visited by arrangement; please contact the Curator, Anne Pelkey (802-483-2040 or 802-483-6178) or Steve Belcher (802-483-2852) for an appointment. We will be setting up our schedule of presentations in the coming months. Other information is available on our website: [www.pittsfordhistorical.com](http://www.pittsfordhistorical.com).

**PITTSFORD FARMERS MARKET**

We would like to extend many thanks to all of our vendors, supporters, farmers, business owners, Congregational church, and Board members for a successful 2017 season. We would also like to thank our webmaster Kelly Connaughton for maintaining our website for us and the Lothrop School for allowing us to have our annual craft show there in December.

Our Executive Board is a small group and we are always looking for help to continue our success. We are presently looking for a secretary and assistance in other areas. If you are interested – please contact one of the Board members below.

Board/Directors

Kelley Lyon - Vice President and Founder      802-483-2218

Beth Richards - Treasurer & Secretary      802-773-2843

Keep watch for future newsletters and our website/Facebook for upcoming meetings and planned events for the 2018 season.

See our website <https://sties.google.com/site/pittsfordfarmersmarket/home> “like us” on our Facebook page. Got questions? Send inquiry to Pittsford Farmers Market, PO Box 28, Pittsford VT 05763.

**Visit our Town website  
[www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com)**

**Pittsford Pride Committee Forming....**

The Town of Pittsford is looking for volunteers willing to take the lead in celebrating Pittsford and enhancing its appearance through seasonal displays. Pittsford’s Select Board has recently agreed that the Town could use some beautification, centered around the changing seasons in town. For example, there could be a patriotic display of flags in summertime; a collection and display of pumpkins and scarecrows on public spaces in the fall, and/or holiday-themed decorations (tree, wreaths, etc.) in wintertime. The Select Board is prepared to appropriate funds for supplies to support such an effort.

If you are interested in serving on such a Committee, please contact the Town Manager:

John Haverstock (802) 483-6500 x20      [Manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Manager@pittsfordvermont.com)

Thank You !!!

**Pittsford Senior Group Luncheon Menu 2018**

**\*Per the request of the VT POLICE ACADEMY, Seniors arriving for luncheons should NOT arrive before 12:45 pm!!**

<u>Luncheon Date:</u>	<u>MENU:</u>	<u>MUST RSVP</u>
February 22	Ranch Baked Chicken, Wild Rice Pilaf & Cherry Pie	Feb. 13
March 22	Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Salad Bar & Carrot Cake	March 13
April 19	Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots & Apple Crisp	April 10
May 17	Mac & Cheese, Veg. Beef Soup & Pumpkin Citrus Bars	May 8
June 14	Baked Ham, Potato Salad, Corn & Choc. Cream Pie	June 5
July 19	BBQ (chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs), Baked Beans, Tapioca	July 10
Aug. 23	Shepard's Pie, Vegetable Pasta Salad, Pickled Beets & Cookies	Aug. 10
Sept. 20	Spaghetti w/Meatballs, French Bread, Green Beans & Apple Pie	Sept. 11
Oct. 25	Apple-Braised Pork , Pea Soup, Fried Rice & Macaroon Cupcakes	Oct. 16
Nov. 8	Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Squash & Pumpkin Pie	Oct. 30
Dec. 13	Roast Beef, Twice Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Christmas Cookies	Dec. 4

**A salad bar is included. All foods are homemade including the soup, bread and desserts.**

Suggested donation of \$5.00 for 60 and up. Must pay \$6.00 if under age 60.

Reservations are Necessary! All luncheons are on Thursdays, unless otherwise posted, at 1:00 PM at the Vermont Police Academy in Pittsford. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Randy Adams 802-483-6500 ext 17.

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**SAVE THE DATES: PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY RECREATION DEPT.**

**Saturday, April 7 & Sunday, April 8, 2018 Safe Sitter Babysitting Course** to be held at the Lothrop Elementary School Cafeteria from 9:00 AM-2:30PM for 11-13 year old students. The cost is \$60.00 for the course. Register early with Randy Adams 483-6500 x17—space limited.

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**Saturday, April 28 Start time 11:00 AM Bike Rodeo at the Pittsford Recreation Area**  
Bring your bicycles for bike registration—Pittsford Police Department Bike Helmet Giveaways & Free Lunch

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**Saturday, May 5, 2018 Green Up Day** Contact Randy Adams, Recreation Director, for road sign-up & clean-up bags

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**Saturday, June 2018 TBA Open House** at the Recreation Area. Free day of activities—details to come in the Spring Town Newsletter and on the Town website under Recreation Department.

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**Summer Day Camp 6-week programs will begin the end of June—starting date TBA in Spring Newsletter**

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**Swimming Lessons end of June—starting date TBA in Spring Newsletter**

**Accepting applications for Red Cross Lifeguards (Season runs approx. Memorial Day - Labor day)-due 5/10/18.**

More information will be in the Spring Newsletter or on the Town's website: [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com). Submit applications to Randy Adams, Recreation Director, at [Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com) or 483-6500 ext 17 or P O Box 10, Pittsford, VT.

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**Concession Stand Vendor Needed for the Recreation Area 2018.** The Pittsford Recreation Department is looking for a vendor to operate the concession stand at the Recreation Area. For more details, contact Rec. Director Randy Adams, 483-6500 x17.

**PITTSFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT EVENTS**

**FAMILY FUN NIGHTS**

The Pittsford Recreation Department and the Maclure Library are teaming up again to offer FAMILY FUN NIGHTS during the winter months. Each Fun Night is full of fun, which includes art and crafts, physical activities and entertainment. Don't miss out!

**DATE: Friday, February 2 "Frozen in Vermont"**

**Friday, March 16 "Under the Sea"**

**LOCATION: VT POLICE ACADEMY**

Activities are intended for children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or younger. Older siblings are invited to attend, but we will ask them to help with activities & crafts.

**TIME:** 6:30 – 8:00 pm **FEE:** Free

**PICKLEBALL**

Pickleball is a fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping pong. It is played both indoors and outdoors on a badminton size court and a slightly modified tennis net with a paddle and plastic ball. A small group from Pittsford began playing during the summer of 2015 on a tennis court in Rutland. Play continued through the 2016 winter in the Lothrop Gym and this past summer at the Pittsford Tennis Courts. Play will be continuing through the winter inside at the VT Police Academy. If you're interested in learning more about Pickleball, or if you are a seasoned player, join in.

**WHEN:** Sundays November 5, 2017 – April 29, 2018

(Blackout dates when the gym is **NOT** available are 12/24, 12/30, 1/7/18 & 4/29/18)

**TIME:** 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

**WHERE:** VT Police Academy gym **FEE:** Free

**PICK-UP VOLLEYBALL**

**When:** Monday Nights— 1/10/18 to 8/02/18

**Where:** OV North Campus Gym

**Time:** 7-9 PM **Cost:** Free (Co-sponsored by the Brandon Recreation Department, Otter Valley Union High School and Mae's Place) Please note: 1st time players must complete registration online at

[https://www.activityreg.com/selectactivity\\_t2.wcs](https://www.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t2.wcs)

**SKI/SNOWBOARD PROGRAM @ THE MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE SNOW BOWL!!!**

The Pittsford & Brandon Depts. are co-sponsoring a Ski/Snowboard Program. This program is being held at the Middlebury Snow Bowl on four Sunday mornings from March 4-25 and consists of four 1-hour lessons and half day tickets. Group lessons will include other students of similar skill. **DEADLINE** for returning completed registration forms and payment to the Pittsford Recreation Dept. is **FRIDAY, February 9, 2018.** Children must be in at least the 1st grade in order to participate (for safety reasons, children in grades 1-3 must be accompanied on the bus by an adult). The Rec. Depts. will provide a bus for transportation from Otter Valley Union High School each Sunday. All participants who sign up for this program will be required to commit to using the transportation. The bus fee is included in the price of the program and there are no refunds for missed weeks. A minimum of 20 participants will be needed & the maximum is 30 participants, on a first come/first served basis. Fee schedule & to register, contact Randy Adams, Pittsford Recreation Director, 483-6500 ext 17 or [Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com). Info on the Town website: [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com)



**YOUTH BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGISTRATION**

Registration for any boy or girl who is interested in playing T-Ball, Mighty Mites, Minors and Majors Little League or Girls Softball this spring can be done with the Recreation Director at the Pittsford Municipal Offices Monday – Friday beginning March 1st. Registration forms will be ready and sent home through Lothrop Elementary School by the end of February. **The last day to register is Friday, March 30, 2018.** After this date, kids will be placed on waiting lists.



**TEEN NIGHT EVENT (Grades 7-10)**

This teen night event is open to students in the Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union communities to come together in a fun and safe environment. The date is **Friday, March 16, 2018** to be held at the Vermont Police Academy from 7-10PM and the fee is \$3.00. This event is jointly sponsored by the Brandon and Pittsford Recreation Departments. See their websites for more information.

**BOSTON CELTICS TRIP, FRIDAY, 2/9/18**

Take a bus trip with the Brandon, Middlebury & Pittsford Recreation Departments to see 17-time World Champion **Boston Celtics** play against the Indiana Pacers at the TDF Garden in Boston! The date is Friday, February 9, 2018. The price is \$103 per person, which includes bus trip and ticket in the TD Garden Promenade Sections 2-7. Transportation will be provided by Premier Bus (handicap seating available). The bus will leave the Middlebury Recreation Center (Creek Rd) at 11:45am, Brandon's Estabrook Park (948 Grove St.) at 12:15pm and Pittsford's Town Offices (Plains Rd) at 12:30pm and arrives in Boston at 4:00pm with game time at 7:30pm. Depart Boston at 10:30pm and arrive at the Pittsford Town Offices at 1:40am, arrive at the Estabrook Park at 2:00am and arrive at Middlebury Recreation Center at 2:20am. Tickets are going fast.

Spot is only secured with full payment! Register with your recreation department today! [Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Recreation@pittsfordvermont.com)



### MACLURE LIBRARY



Every resident has access to the services your community library offers. Besides the expected, like a free library card, books, movies, computers, audio and eBooks, we also have 24-hour free internet access available from the library parking lots. No password needed! You only need to accept the internet policy and you're in!

PS... download large files at the library – our fiber is super-fast.

Looking for homework help –Reference Page on our website.

Research paper for high school or college – Check out Vermont Online Library; Need to fix the brakes on your car – Search Chilton Library in Vermont Online Library; Traveling or vacation time – Download an audio or eBook from Listenup Vermont; Looking for a job – Career Transitions in Vermont Online Library; Starting a home business – Small Business Resource in Vermont Online Library; Medical questions – Health and Wellness Resource in Vermont Online Library; Learn a new language – Check out Listenup Vermont & Vermont Online Library

All you need is your free library card and internet access to access trusted sources you can download, listen to, or print. Our information resources will help you learn something new!

Speaking of learning something new, you should try out *Universal Class*, an educational service providing high quality online courses to any Vermonter. Did we mention it's free? Choose from over 500 self-paced courses from your own home – for free.

You will find this and more on the Maclure Library homepage, [maclurelibrary.org](http://maclurelibrary.org).

**Just a few databases to be found at Vermont Online Library (VOL):**

[Career Transitions](#) A career guidance center that walks users through the job-search process from beginning to end.

[ChiltonLibrary.com](#) The most authoritative automotive repair information available to car owners.

[LegalTrac](#) Included are articles on Federal and State Cases, Laws and Regulations, and Taxation.

[Powerspeak Languages](#) Learn a language for travel, business, or personal enrichment.

[Small Business Resource Center](#) Learn how to start, finance or manage your small business.

Go to [maclurelibrary.org](http://maclurelibrary.org), scroll down the home page and click on *Vermont Online Library*. You will need a password, call 483-2972 for passwords or any questions you might have. Hope to see you soon.

**PLANNING COMMISSION (PC) UPDATES: The Planning Commission NEEDS a new MEMBER!** Basic requirements are Common Sense and a Commitment to learn & assist in planning the future for the Town approximately three to five hours a month. Regular meetings are from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month. There is a small stipend, and the Town supports training & education. Please relay your interest to John Haverstock, Town Manager at 483-6500 X20, or email [Manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Manager@pittsfordvermont.com)

After serving for 2 ½ years, Dave Soulia has resigned his post as PC Chairman; and as Town Representative to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC). **Sincere Thanks** to Dave for his many extra hours serving in these assignments. Fortunately, he is staying on as a regular PC member. Dave Mills (vice-chair) has agreed to serve as Acting Chair until Spring when PC elections will be scheduled. Also, Christine Hobbs has stepped down as a member and the PC expresses its appreciation for her service.

Despite the best efforts by the PC and Select Board to adopt an updated Town Plan before the December 19, 2017 deadline, the legal process delayed formal approval and the current Plan has expired. **The Select Board has scheduled its fourth and final Public Hearing on the (draft) Town Plan for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, February 7, 2018.**

#### Fire Hydrants Save Lives...

...They also save homeowners money. One added benefit of the water upgrade project is the increased number of fire hydrants with sufficient flows to tackle fires. Be sure to keep fire hydrants free from snow by reminding snow removal contractors not to block the hydrants when they are plowing. Also, please do not plow snow into the road.



#### CHALLENGES KEEPING TOWN ROADS CLEAR

Winter is upon us! As many residents already know, the Town's Highway Department has provided excellent service in years past, particularly when it comes to keeping Town roads free of snow and ice. A timely reminder to all: We live in Vermont at least in part to enjoy the beauty of the seasons. In wintertime, it snows, rains and ices. Snow and ice on Town roads is inevitable. While the Town's crew will continue to do its best to address the weather events to come, we would appreciate the patience and understanding of Town residents. Reasonable expectations and a recognition of the power of mother nature will help us all get through the winter in good spirits. Be safe out there!

**UTILITY PAYMENTS DUE**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018**

PAYMENTS MUST BE **RECEIVED** AT THE TOWN OFFICES BY THURSDAY, **February 2, 2018** TO AVOID PENALTY AND INTEREST CHARGES.

**POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

A 24/7 DROP BOX IS LOCATED AT THE FRONT PARKING LOT EXIT ON THE LEFT SIDE. THE BOX IS CHECKED EVERY BUSINESS DAY AT 8:00AM. PLEASE MARK ACCOUNT NUMBER/UTILITY BILL ON CHECKS. If you wish a receipt mailed to you, please state so.

Just a reminder, the Town Clerk’s office accepts debit and credit cards with the customer responsible for any fees. Thank you.



**PITTSFORD FOOD SHELF**

Reminder - Commodities is the first Wednesday of each month. Pick up is at St Alphonsus Hall. Pick up time is 9:30 - 10:30 AM. If you miss your pick up, you can come to the food shelf on days that it is open and get your commodities there. Food Shelf hours are Mondays 9-11 AM and Thursdays 4-6 PM. If the weather is real bad, call 483-2967 to see if the shelf is open. Good rule of thumb is.....if the schools are closed so is the food shelf.

The annual fund campaign will begin March 1 and end April 30th. Letters will go out to each household in Pittsford, Proctor, Florence & Chittenden asking for a donation. These funds will buy the food and items needed for the food shelf for the year. Remember this is the only time we will ask for your donations unless we don’t meet our goal. Every little bit helps our neighbors in need. Something to think about.....At one time or another we will all have a need and we at the Pittsford Food Shelf are here to help. We don’t care what kind of vehicle you drive, the house you live in or the clothes you wear. All we are concerned about is - Are you a resident of Pittsford, Proctor, Florence or Chittenden? Proof of residency is required with an utility bill.

We can always use microwave pop corn, puddings and jellos, snacks of all types, paper products, canned fruits and veggies.and eggs If we are not open at the food shelf, please do not leave things attached to the outside door - they might freeze or an animal might take off with them. Instead come into Keiths Store, take an immediate left and go to the squish doors to the food shelf. Please no perishable donations can be left there, unless you have called Robin and made prior arrangements.

If you or your group would like a tour of the Food Shelf, please give Robin a call at 558-5768 and she will be happy to arrange something for you. If you need a guest speaker for your group to talk about the Food Shelf, Robin will also be happy to do that.

Thank you all for the support you have given us in the past and we look forward to working with you in the future. A big thank you to all the producing chickens out there. You have made a difference. Keep those eggs a coming.

Any questions, comments or concerns call Robin at 483-2967 or on her cell at 558-5768.

**PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCIES**

Do you love Pittsford? Do you wish to pitch in to help it plan for the future? The Town has a **vancany** to fill on the Planning Commission, which the Select Board would like to fill. A modest annual stipend of \$500. is paid to Planning Commission members

If you are interested in being considered for this position, please so state in a letter addressed to the Select Board, in care of Town Manager, John Haverstock, P.O. Box 10, Pittsford, VT 05763. In your letter, please state the reasons for your interest, describe your ties to the community and outline any relevant work experience you may have. (A resume and/or list of references would be welcome but are not required).

Thank you. John Haverstock, Town Manager

[Manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Manager@pittsfordvermont.com) (802) 483.6500 x20

**Vacancy on the Rutland County Solid Waste District**

Are you interested in learning how Rutland County disposes of its garbage and recyclables? Are you interested in helping a large, complex organization work for the benefit of local communities? Are you thinking globally but willing to act locally to keep Pittsford and this and region clean and green?

If you answered “YES” to any of these questions, please contact Pittsford Town Manager John Haverstock to express your interest in volunteering to serve as Pittsford’s representative to the Rutland County Solid Waste District. There are about 10 meetings held each year and take place in Rutland on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. Snacks are provided!

Thank you! John Haverstock, Town Manager

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**PITTSFORD PRESERVATION CORP.**

Happy 2018! The last few years our group has focused on plants and trees and helping out at individual homes in Pittsford. We are going to be adding to the mix again this year – by concentrating on bugs! Watch the notices at Maclure Library for the dates for wonderful free talks this year. Also we are offering special low shipping costs for anyone wanting to get in on seed ordering for their gardens – we have partnered with a special seed company to make purchases of some heritage varieties for reduced prices and group shipping – some going back to the early 1800s that are basically unchanged ! If you would like to join in with the ordering and growing of these special **veggies and flowers** – just contact me and I’ll share our Garden Dream Day – where we will place our orders. Call or email Trish by the end of January to take advantage: 802-247-6797 or [solfire@phoenix-farm.com](mailto:solfire@phoenix-farm.com).

**THE PITTSFORD SELECT BOARD**

Meetings are on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Town Office Building, 426 Plains Road.

**THE WATER & SEWER COMMISSION**

Meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Town Office Building, 426 Plains Road.

**THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Meetings are on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Office Building, 426 Plains Road. Changes to these meetings will be posted on the Town website and posted at the Town Office, Pittsford Post Office and Keith’s Country Store.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

Water & Sewer Bills were mailed on December 29, 2017. Payments are due **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018**. Postmarks are not accepted. There is a payment drop box available 24/7 on the left side at the exit from the front parking lot at the Town Offices at 426 Plains Road.

Town Municipal Offices closed Monday, 2/19/18, Presidents' Day

Pittsford Annual Town Reports will be mailed to registered voter families. Extra copies will be available at the Town Offices and will be available to view on the Town's website.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—Monday, MARCH 5, 2018 AT LOTHROP SCHOOL GYM 6:30PM.

GENERAL ELECTION—Tuesday, MARCH 6, 2018  
POLLS OPEN 7AM—7PM MUNICIPAL OFFICES,  
426 PLAINS RD., PITTSFORD, VT.

FOOD DRIVE Challenge with Town of Proctor for the PITTSFORD FOOD SHELF— will be held March 1-April 30, 2018. DONATION BOXES WILL BE LOCATED AT THE TOWN MEETING MARCH 5 & MARCH 6—PLEASE BRING MONEY (CHECKS PAYABLE TO PITTSFORD FOOD SHELF) CANNED GOODS & NON PERISHABLES. THANK YOU.

**DEADLINE FOR SPRING TOWN NEWSLETTER**  
is 4/15/18. Send articles to Linda Drummond at [asst2manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:asst2manager@pittsfordvermont.com)

## DOG LICENSES DUE APRIL 1, 2018

Please note that dog licenses are now available at the Pittsford Town Clerk's Office. All dogs must be registered by **April 1<sup>st</sup>**. In order to register your dog, you must give the Town Clerk a copy of the most recent rabies vaccination certificate. Your veterinarian always gives you two copies, one for your files and one for our files. If you are unsure whether your dog's rabies certificate is up to date, please call your veterinarian or us at (802) 483-6500 Ext. 10, 11, or 12. The fees to register your dog(s) are as follows:



	Fee by April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Additional Fee After April 1 <sup>st</sup>
Female Spayed	\$9	\$2
Male Neutered	\$9	\$2
Female Not Spayed	\$13	\$4
Male Not Neutered	\$13	\$4

Any person who sells or exchanges or who offers to sell or exchange cats, dogs, or wolf-hybrids, or any combination thereof, from three or more litters of cats, dogs, or wolf-hybrids in any 12-month period will need a Pet Dealer License. The fee is \$25.00  
Kennel permits are now obsolete.

Please stop by the Town Clerk's Office **BEFORE APRIL 1, 2018 TO REGISTER YOUR DOG(S)**. Thank you.

