



**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 2/28/2022 & ELECTION 3/1/2022**

**TOWN MEETING PREPARATIONS**

It has been quite a year and the COVID-19 pandemic has forced us all to adapt to a “new normal” regarding how we live our lives, conduct our business and interact with our neighbors. Unfortunately, our tradition of Town Meeting has also been impacted, making it impossible for us to gather together indoors to discuss and vote from the floor on proposed Town budgets, as we normally do. Therefore, the Pittsford Select Board, acting with the authority granted to it by the State legislature, will conduct an **Informational Hearing, via Zoom or telephone dial-in, on Monday, February 28 at 6:30 pm**, with voting on all warned Articles (budgets and the election of officers) by Australian ballot on the next day—**Tuesday, March 1 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Fire Station.**

Election ballots will be mailed to all registered voters on the Clerk’s checklist in advance of the election. In the Town Meeting WARNING (contained in the Town Report that you will soon receive) you will find information on how to participate in the **Informational Hearing, via Zoom and telephone dial-in options.** Keep an eye on the Town’s website: [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com) for any updates as they may occur. Thanks, in advance, for your patience, cooperation and understanding as we attempt to get the important business of the Town done while keeping everyone safe and healthy.

**TOWN MEETING ELECTION TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022 AT THE PITTSFORD FIRE HOUSE**

The Town Meeting Election will take place at the **Pittsford Fire Station on March 1, 2022 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** As approved by Vermont Legislature and the Governor, ballots will be mailed out in advance to all registered voters as a Covid-19 safety measure to protect the voters and election workers.



Please be sure to return voted ballots prior to the polls closing at 7:00 p.m. on March 1, 2022. Ballots may be returned to the Town Office during business hours, deposited in our drop box at any time (located on the left-hand side of the front parking lot exit), returned to the Fire House during the election and entered into the vote tabulator, or dropped off and/or handed to an election official at the Fire House on March 1, 2022. **Please be sure to bring your mailed ballot with you for voting if you plan to vote at the Pittsford Fire House on election day. Masks are required inside the Pittsford Fire House during the election.** Please contact the Town Clerk’s office with any questions you may have. 483-6500 Ext. 10 or 11. Thank you and please stay well!

**WINTER CARNIVAL, SUNDAY, 2/20/22**

Event: **WINTER CARNIVAL sponsored by Maclure Library & Pittsford Recreation**

Date: **Sunday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>**

Time: **11:00am – 2:00pm**

Location: **Pittsford Recreation Area**

Cost: **Free**



Details: Get the family together, put your winter gear on and join us at the Pittsford Recreation Area for a day of fun in the snow! No snow? That’s okay because this event will be held with or without snow. **There’s going to be sliding, snow shoeing, cross-country skiing, an obstacle course, snow shelter building, marshmallows by the fire and much, much more! Sleds and skis will not be provided.**

- 1 *Town Information Meeting 2/28 Zoom Ballots to be Mailed Election 3/1 Voting at Fire Station 7am-7pm Winter Carnival 2/20 Pittsford Day 9/3*
- 2 *Budget Summary*
- 3 *Assessor’s Office VT Assistance Program Vacancies: OCCUD & Otter Creek Watershed Insect Control District Dog Ownership Rules Transfer Station Hazardous Waste Dates Fire Hydrants*
- 4 *Recreation Department Important “Save the Dates “*
- 5 *Recreation Dept.*
- 6 *Maclure Library*
- 7 *Zoning Updates Food Shelf Historical Society Pittsford Village Farm*
- 8 *Dates to Remember Dog Licenses Due 4/1/2022*

**SAVE THE DATE: PITTSFORD DAY, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2022  
MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN THE SPRING & SUMMER NEWSLETTERS.**

**FY 2022/2023 BUDGET SUMMARY**

<b>GENERAL FUND REVENUES</b>	<b>Budget FY21</b>	<b>Actual FY21</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>	<b>Budget FY23</b>
TAXATION	1,318,829	1,311,999	1,325,829	1,360,850
FEES/PERMITS & LICENSES	30,435	41,656	35,335	41,015
INTERGOVERNMENT REVENUE	97,500	123,147	114,700	125,700
FEE/CHARGE FOR SERVICES	250	635	400	650
SOLID WASTE	43,000	44,916	44,000	45,000
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	29,250	52,922	28,230	25,550
RECREATION	48,775	11,510	43,225	42,225
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT REV	5,000	4,025	5,000	5,000
POLICE DEPT	75,900	64,415	72,650	69,750
FIRE DEPARTMENT	0	864	0	0
FIRST RESPONSE	3000	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES</b>	<b>1,651,939</b>	<b>1,656,089</b>	<b>1,669,369</b>	<b>1,715,740</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</b>	<b>Budget FY21</b>	<b>Actual FY21</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>	<b>Budget FY23</b>
LEGISLATION EXPENSE	16,700	16,883	19,000	18,710
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	0	1,918	0	0
MANAGEMENT EXPENSE	199,806	202,154	205,180	191,140
ELECTIONS EXPENSE	6,100	16,489	5,600	6,700
FINANCE-CLERK/TREASURER EXPENSE	173,355	175,357	180,325	185,740
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	86,500	77,752	83,850	87,550
AGENCIES EXPENSE	6,400	6,274	6,400	6,300
ZONING EXPENSES	18,930	16,092	20,110	18,350
PLANNING COM EXPENSES	6,350	2,209	6,800	6,400
BCA EXPENSES	4,500	6,611	3,500	4,000
PLANT & EQUIPMENT	41,300	51,898	44,610	50,800
FIRE WARDEN EXPENSES	725	0	725	725
MISCELLANEOUS	12,900	17,643	12,050	14,250
ASSESSOR'S EXPENSES	49,075	52,107	56,710	63,620
HEALTH OFFICER EXPENSES	54,730	53,830	52,320	34,770
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS	146,588	146,592	146,588	146,588
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	90,810	83,459	96,360	94,307
UTILITY TRANSFERS	25,000	25,000	30,000	30,000
FIRST RESPONSE	29,175	25,687	29,690	27,090
POLICE DEPARTMENT	231,150	230,509	229,250	234,750
FIRE DEPARTMENT	225,650	219,603	226,751	253,060
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	192,785	108,033	177,330	204,135
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT	5,910	3,093	5,720	5,605
DEBT SCHEDULE/FIXED CGS	30,000	31,151	30,000	31,150
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,654,439</b>	<b>1,570,344</b>	<b>1,668,869</b>	<b>1,715,740</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND REVENUES</b>	<b>Budget FY21</b>	<b>Actual FY21</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>	<b>Budget FY23</b>
HIGHWAY ACCESS PERMIT	0	200	0	0
PROPERTY TAXES	1,015,200	1,015,296	1,015,200	1,045,650
MISC.	0	2,426	0	0
STATE AID - CL 2&3 ROADS	126,000	165,201	130,000	132,000
GRANT REVENUE	0	144,536	0	0
SALE OF SCRAP METAL	0	10,563	0	0
INTEREST INCOME	900	409	0	0
REVENUE FROM FUEL TO OTHER FUNDS	5,650	3,817	5,200	4,800
REVENUE FROM OTHER FUNDS	3,100	10,203	3,720	4,000
OVER WEIGHT PERMITS	630	630	650	650
SURPLUS CARRY FORWARD	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES</b>	<b>1,151,480</b>	<b>1,353,281</b>	<b>1,154,770</b>	<b>1,187,100</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND EXPENSES</b>	<b>Budget FY21</b>	<b>Actual FY21</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>
HWY GENERAL	1,003,785	989,248	1,075,770	1,108,100
HWY BLDG/VEHICLES	80,000	56,951	79,000	79,000
FIRE HILL BRIDGE	0	113,817	0	0
MISC.	0	9,721	0	0
<b>TOTAL HWY EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,083,785</b>	<b>1,169,737</b>	<b>1,154,770</b>	<b>1,187,100</b>

**PITTSFORD TOWN MEETINGS at MUNICIPAL OFFICE & by ZOOM—  
See agendas online for participating remotely.**

Pittsford Select Board : 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 6:30pm  
Pittsford Recreation Committee: 2nd Tuesday at 6:00pm  
Pittsford Water & Sewer Commission: 3rd Tuesday at 6:30pm  
Pittsford Planning Commission: 4th Thursday at 7:00pm  
Pittsford Zoning Board: At the call of the Chair  
Select Board Zoom meetings are recorded and sent to PEG TV, Channel 21, for viewing at [www.pegtv.com](http://www.pegtv.com).

**VERMONT HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The State of Vermont has established a homeowner’s assistance program through which homeowners suffering financial hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic may seek monetary help to pay mortgages, property taxes, water and sewer bills, etc. Learn more by visiting [vermonthap@vhfa.org](mailto:vermonthap@vhfa.org) or through the Program’s hotline: (833) 221-4208.

**OTTER CREEK COMMUNICATIONS UNION DISTRICT**

Interested in bringing high-speed broadband service to the Rutland region (including Pittsford)? If so, you may wish to volunteer to serve the Town of Pittsford as its Alternate Representative on the Otter Creek Communications Union District (OCCUD) Board. Meetings are held monthly in the evening (often remotely). Please contact the Town Manager at (802) 483-6500 x20 or at [manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:manager@pittsfordvermont.com).

**OTTER CREEK WATERSHED INSECT CONTROL DISTRICT**

Pittsford is a member of the recently re-named Otter Creek Watershed Insect Control District. Each of the District’s member towns are entitled to two representatives and one alternate representative on the Board, which oversees the District’s activities and finances. The Town of Pittsford wishes to find a resident willing to serve as its alternate representative. Board meetings usually take place in Brandon (and remotely) monthly, with more possible during the mosquito season and fewer in the off-season.

**DOG OWNERSHIP RULES**

Many dog-owners aren’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, 2022 and are now available at the Town Offices, 426 Plains Road-- see back cover of this newsletter. .**



**Fire Hydrants Save Lives...**

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.



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. To keep the roads clear, please DO NOT plow or snowblow snow into the roads—it is a Vermont State Law. 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!

**CHALLENGES KEEPING TOWN ROADS CLEAR**

**ASSESSOR’S 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. This determination is made by the Office of Veteran Affairs and eligible 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. We recommend filing by the deadline of April 15<sup>th</sup> to avoid late filer fees.

**SITE INSPECTIONS:** The Assessor will be conducting site visits for properties that have building permits or have made other changes to their property in the past year. If you have made other changes, such as removal or loss of improvements, please contact this office so we can inspect the property. We will be sending letters and/or making calls to schedule these inspections.

Additional information is available in the Assessor section of the Town website at [pittsfordvermont.com](http://pittsfordvermont.com). Any questions about the items above or any matter regarding valuation of property in Pittsford will be answered by calling the Assessor’s Office at 802-483-6500 ext 15.

**PITTSFORD TRANSFER STATION**

If you are having difficulty getting to the Town Offices during normal business hours [M-W 8:00 am to 4:30 pm; Th. 8:00 am to 6:00 pm; Fri. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm] to purchase punch cards and you may not remember to bring a check with which to purchase punch cards at the Transfer Station, you have several options, each of which require a bit of forethought on your part:

- Call the Town Clerk’s Office during normal business hours (802) 483-6500 x 10, 11 or 12 and purchase punch cards over the phone with your credit or debit card. The Clerk’s office will then mail the punch card(s) to you. Your bank may charge you a fee associated with this form of payment. Our system charges \$1.50 up to \$50.00 and 2.49% over \$50.00.
- Mail a check for the punch card(s)--\$20 for each 10-punch card, to the Town Clerk, Town of Pittsford, P.O. Box 10, Pittsford, VT 05763 and it/they will be mailed to you.
- Drop off a check at the Town Office’s drop box for the punch card(s) --\$20 for each 10-punch card and it/they will be mailed to you.

Just a friendly reminder: Please properly secure your garbage/recycling when visiting the Town’s Transfer Station. Unsecured loads can result in litter blowing off of pick-up trucks and landing along Town roads. Thanks for your cooperation!

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RURAL COLLECTION  
2022 SCHEDULE**

**Pittsford Transfer Station, Saturdays 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on April 23, May 28 and Sept. 24, 2022.** Gleason Road HHW Depot in Rutland is open 7 am to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday. Questions call: 802-775-7209 or 802-770-1333. (Appointment required 24 hrs in advance at the Gleason Road facility) [www.rcswd.com/hhw](http://www.rcswd.com/hhw) for more info.

**PITTSFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT EVENTS**

**Event:** **Bike to Work/School Day sponsored by Lothrop Elementary and Pittsford Rec Dept**  
**Date:** **Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Details:** Dust off your bike, keep your car parked and bike into work! Children are encouraged to bike to school for the day too! More information to come.

**Event:** **Town-Wide Yard Sales**  
**Date:** **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Time:** **9:00am – 3:00pm**  
**Location:** **Towns of Pittsford & Florence**  
**Cost:** **\$10.00**



**Event:** **Pittsford Recreation Open House**  
**Date:** **Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Time:** **11:00am – 4:00pm (minors baseball and softball round robin will begin at 9am)**

**Sports:**

**Sport:** **Rock Climbing**  
**Date:** **January through August**  
**Location:** **Green Mountain Rock Climbing Center, Route 4 East, Rutland, VT**  
**Cost:** **\$175.00 + tax – membership includes access to gym during regular business hours, rentals and more! (membership is for climber only, belayers are free)**  
**Details:** **Each school needs a team and each team needs at least 5 players, a coach and a parent/guardian belayer for every 1-2 climbers.**



**Sport:** **T-Ball, Baseball & Softball**  
**Date:** **May through June**  
**Cost:** **\$35 per player**



**Sport:** **Log rolling – look for more information to come!**  
**Sport:** **Disc Golf League – coming in the spring!**

**Save the dates for the following events:**

**Fishing Derby - TBA; Track and Field Day - TBA; Summer Camp – June 27<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Photo Contest – September 19<sup>th</sup> through October 3; Disc Golf Tourn.- September 18<sup>th</sup>; Pumpkin Party – October 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**VT State Doubles Disc Golf Championship – October 29<sup>th</sup>; Trunk-or-Treat – Oct. 30th ; Snow Gear Giveaway – Sun., Nov. 20th**  
**Local Business Giveaway – November 28<sup>th</sup> through December 11<sup>th</sup>**

Like and follow the Pittsford Rec Facebook page, Instagram and Twitter to stay updated on sports and events through the Rec! Send your email to: [recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:recreation@pittsfordvermont.com) to receive up-to-date newsletters with Pittsford Recreation sports and events.

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**2022 CALENDARS : It's not too late to purchase a 2022 calendar with spectacular photos of Pittsford, taken by local photographers! Calendars are sold at the Pittsford Town Office, 426 Plains Road, Pittsford.**

**PITTSFORD SUMMER DAY CAMP DIRECTOR NEEDED**

The Pittsford Recreation Department is looking for a **Summer Day Camp Director** for summer camp **June 27<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup>**. The position requires preplanning of all weekly themes. Applicants must be available to work Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5:00pm. Candidates will work with children entering kindergarten through entering 6th grade and be willing to work outdoors. Position requires CPR and Standard First Aid certifications.

Applications & Job Descriptions are on the Town of Pittsford's website: [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com)  
Applications need to be submitted by **Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> by 3:00pm** to Jen Popp, Recreation Director, [recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:recreation@pittsfordvermont.com).

## PITTSFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT EVENTS

**Event:** **Trading Card Night**

**Date:** **Sunday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** **2:00-4:00pm** (Note - time change due to Super Bowl)

**Location:** **Lothrop Cafeteria**

**Cost:** **Free**

**Details:** Bring your sports cards, Pokémon and Magic cards to sell, buy, swap or play! All ages are welcome and **masks are required**.



**Event:** **Trading Card Night**

**Date:** **Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** **4:00-6:00pm**

**Location:** **Lothrop Cafeteria**

**Cost:** **Free**

**Details:** Bring your sports cards, Pokémon and Magic cards to sell, buy, swap or play! All ages are welcome and **masks are required**.



**Event:** **Pittsford 5K Trail Run**

**Date:** **Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> (tentative)**

**Time:** **TBA**

**Location:** **Pittsford Rec Trails**

**Cost:** **TBA**

**Details:** Join us on the Pittsford trails at the recreation area for a 5K run/walk to benefit the Pittsford Recreation Department. This event will be held rain or shine! More info to come!



**Event:** **Sports Gear Swap**

**Date:** **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** **10:00am - 2:00pm**

**Location:** **Pittsford Town Office**

**Cost:** **Free**

**Details:** Looking to donate sports equipment that you or your child has grown out of or never used? Donate it to the Pittsford Recreation Department! We are accepting new or gently used donations of all sports and sizes (Youth and Adult). Need the next size up for the season? Stop by the Pittsford Town Office during the swap to pick up what you need. Don't have an item to donate? *We'll be accepting cash donations of ANY amount to support the Pittsford Youth Sports Programs.*



**Event:** **Green Up Day**

**Date:** **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** **9:00am-1:00pm**

**Location:** **Pittsford Town Office, Contact Jen Popp, Rec. Director for Road sign-up & clean-up bags. Contact Jen Popp, Recreation Director, for road sign-up & clean-up bags.**



**Event:** **Pittsford Recreation Department's first ever Auction!**

**Date:** **Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** **9:00am viewing, 10:00pm start**

**Location:** **Pittsford Recreation Area, under the pavilion**

**Details:** Save the date (and your treasures) for the first ever auction at the Pittsford Rec Area! Auctioneer will be Mike Stark from Stark Brothers' Auctions. We'll be looking for new or gently-used antiques, collectibles, furniture, toys and more! Donations will be accepted starting April 16<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to make a donation, contact the Rec Director at: [recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:recreation@pittsfordvermont.com) or call, 802-483-6500 x17. *All proceeds will go towards a new dock for the Pittsford Recreation swim area!*



**MACLURE LIBRARY****Maclure Library**

Maclure Library is open for in person service. Masks are required. We currently recommend Contact Free pick-up & home delivery.

**Call (802)483 2972 for Print/Copy/Scan/Notary Services**

**Temporary Hours:**

Monday 10-2; Tuesday 10-2; Wednesday 10-2; Thursday 10-2

Friday closed except Knitting Group 12-2pm; Saturday 10-2; Sunday-closed

Please call (802)483-2972 or email [contact@maclurelibrary.org](mailto:contact@maclurelibrary.org). Check our Facebook page for any immediate updates.

**Contact Free Book Pick Up:**

To request books please call, email, go to our website, or find us on Facebook. Feel free to request any library materials (books, movies, audios, passes, snowshoes, wood moisture meter)! We will pack them up, put them in our front vestibule & let you know when they are ready for pickup.

**Maclure Front Door:**

A FREE delivery service is available for our Pittsford & Florence residents!

Materials from the library can now be delivered to your door! Call us (802)483-2972 or email to schedule a delivery.

**Kanopy - [maclurelibrary.kanopy.com](https://maclurelibrary.kanopy.com)**

Movie Streaming Service; 7 FREE movies per month with your library card; Call or email if you need your library card number.

**Online with your Library Card:**

Overdrive - Ebooks & audios: [overdrive.com](https://overdrive.com)

Learning Express - Online Academic & Career Related Resources: <https://www.learningexpresshub.com/>

Universal Class - Online Learning Platform with over 500 courses: <https://vermontstate.universalclass.com/>

**Book Discussion Group (by Zoom until further notice)**

February Book Discussion ,Tuesday, February 22nd @6pm, *Small Wonder* by Barbara Kingsolver

March Book Discussion, Tuesday, March 29th @6pm, *Four Spirits* by Sena Jeter Naslund

April Book Discussion , Tuesday, April 26th @6pm, *The Winter Soldier* by Daniel Mason

May Book Discussion, Tuesday, May 31st @6pm, *A Gentleman in Moscow*, by Amor Towles

**Movie Discussion**

Wednesday, March 16th @6pm , Captain Fantastic

Watch Captain Fantastic on Kanopy with your library card <https://maclurelibrary.kanopy.com>

or borrow the DVD from the library and join us for refreshments and a lively discussion.

\*Note: we are not watching the movie at the library

**Knitting Group:** Friday 12-2pm, call 483-2972 to join

**Yoga with Paula:** Every Wednesday starting February 2nd @5pm - 6pm. For details and to join email [pali36@aol.com](mailto:pali36@aol.com)

**Available to borrow:** Wood Moisture Meter; Snowshoes, all sizes; Projector; Movie Screen

**Maclure Library Staff**

Shelly Williams, Director Elizabeth Soulia, Librarian

Loryn Hamilton, Circulation Librarian Joan Rost, Volunteer Librarian

[contact@maclurelibrary.org](mailto:contact@maclurelibrary.org) (802)483-2972

### ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

### PITTSFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 423, Pittsford VT 05763

802-483-2040

[www.pittsfordhistorical.com](http://www.pittsfordhistorical.com)

Our Museum at Eaton Hall (3399 US Rte.7) remains closed and will re-open in late March-early April. Anyone interested in viewing the collection or in conducting research in our archives is welcome to arrange a visit; contact Curator Anne Pelkey (483-6178) or Steve Belcher (483-2852/[spbelcher4@myfairpoint.net](mailto:spbelcher4@myfairpoint.net)).

We have not yet planned a schedule of events for the year; we welcome suggestions for topics to be covered. Volunteers are now coming to the Museum on Tuesdays for conservation and cataloguing activities, and anyone interested would be welcome.

### PITTSFORD VILLAGE FARM

After an exciting and productive 2021, the Board of Directors and dedicated volunteers are excited about all that is coming up in the New Year.

Don't miss snowy fun for folks of all ages - outdoor activities including sledding, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and more while conditions permit.

Spring and Summer will bring family fun events so watch for "save the dates" for Tuesday Concerts, the return of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra, Touch-A-Truck, and lots more on the horizon. Our events committee is in the planning stages and always welcomes volunteers and ideas for activities at the PVF. To learn more, contact Louis Gaudreau ([lggaudreau@gml.com](mailto:lggaudreau@gml.com)).

We welcome all, and we are delighted and optimistic as more and more local residents and visitors become aware of all Pittsford Village Farm, our community hub, has to offer. Please follow us on Facebook and check the website for upcoming events.

**PITTSFORD HIKING TRAILS** - Pittsford has over 16 miles of trails to enjoy hiking, running or walking. The Cadwell and Split Rock Trails continue to be great for hiking or biking. When out enjoying the trails, please be considerate and follow the Leave No Trace principles. For the comfort of everyone on the trails, we ask that dogs be leashed at all times.

Thank you to all of the landowners for allowing use of your land and Trail Volunteers for maintaining the Trails throughout the year. Anyone interested in joining the Trail Committee, please contact the Rec Director at:

[recreation@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:recreation@pittsfordvermont.com)



Visit our Town website [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com)  
Like and follow the Town of Pittsford on Facebook at [facebook.com/pittsfordvt](https://facebook.com/pittsfordvt) to receive information and news about the Town.



*"The Right Information; at the Right Time is 9/10ths of Any Battle" ...Getting your To-Do list together for Spring Season? Include contacting your Zoning Administrator about permits!* Permits are often required for a Change in Use of a property (such as a new or different business activity) or Installing or Constructing "an assembly of materials" over 150 sq. ft. in area.

The #1 reason for Property Owners to get in trouble with VT and Town regulations is that their contractor or sales person will state, "you don't need a permit for that". The #2 reason for a violation is, "My neighbors said my project is O.K. with them". The #3 cause is "The tenant did it without my permission." The reality is that none of these parties have the authority to change or override regulations. The property owner is ultimately responsible for their property's Compliance to the rules.

Then there are some Property Owners that subscribe to the philosophy, "It is better to beg for forgiveness, rather than ask for permission". A Zoning violation can be enforced any-time, for up to 15 years. Why risk fines, legal fees, and impact your property's legal title when the ZA is available to assist with the permit process? **Jeff Biasuzzi, (802)483-6500 x18 [Zoning@PittsfordVermont.com](mailto:Zoning@PittsfordVermont.com)** Office hours are usually on Wed. afternoons, Fridays and by appointment.

### PITTSFORD FOOD SHELF


Serving residents of Pittsford, Proctor, Florence and Chittenden

With considerable help from our community, we were able to serve lots of homes this holiday season with "holiday baskets," on top of the regular monthly supplies that we provide. These baskets included turkeys and all the things needed for a full holiday meal.



Additionally, with help from RSVP and our crafting friends at St. Alphonsus in Pittsford, we were able to provide gifts for children in the households that we serve.

Heading into the winter months we are seeing a marked increase in the need for the services we provide with new people taking advantage of our services every week. The only requirement to use the Food Shelf is proof of residency in Pittsford, Proctor, Florence and Chittenden with a current utility bill.

 As we make our way through this stage of the pandemic, we are evaluating how best to serve our community. We will continue to do curbside delivery for those who need or prefer it, but we are hoping to open the food shelf to in person shopping soon. Stay tuned for those developments.

We are going to be doing our annual fundraiser in March. Please keep your eyes open for information on how to contribute and support us in our ongoing effort.

And, finally, we are hoping to take some steps this winter and spring to update our organization and to invest in the sort of equipment and professional resources that will help us to provide high quality services to an increasing number of customers for a long time to come. Joel Tate, Pittsford Food Shelf Director

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## POSTAL CUSTOMER

### DATES TO REMEMBER 2022

**Town Municipal Offices closed:**  
**Monday, 2/21/22 for Presidents' Day**  
**Monday, 5/30/22 for Memorial Day**  
**Monday, 7/4/22 for 4th of July**

**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.**

**Monday, FEBRUARY 28, 2022, TOWN MEETING INFORMATIONAL HEARING** via ZOOM at 6:30PM. See front page for info.

**Tuesday, MARCH 1, 2022 TOWN MEETING ELECTION POLLS OPEN 7AM—7PM Pittsford Fire Station, Pleasant St., PITTSFORD, VT. Ballots to be mailed. (See front page for info)**

**DEADLINE FOR SPRING TOWN NEWSLETTER is 4/15/22. Send articles to [Asst2manager@pittsfordvermont.com](mailto:Asst2manager@pittsfordvermont.com)**

### DOG LICENSES DUE APRIL 1, 2022

Please note that dog licenses are now available at the Pittsford Town Clerk's Office. All dogs more than 6 months old 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, or 11. The fees to register your dog(s) 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. **A person who fails to license a dog or wolf-hybrid in the required manner shall be fined up to \$500.00.** Please stop by the Town Clerk's Office **BEFORE APRIL 1, 2022 TO REGISTER YOUR DOG(S).**

