

VITAL STATISTICS
 REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF LYNDON
 YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

MONTH	BIRTHS	DEATHS	CIVIL MARRIAGES
JANUARY	1	4	1
FEBRUARY	2	10	0
MARCH	6	5	1
APRIL	4	9	6
MAY	2	3	0
JUNE	3	4	1
JULY	2	3	2
AUGUST	2	4	6
SEPTEMBER	1	5	3
OCTOBER	2	3	5
NOVEMBER	3	5	0
DECEMBER	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTALS	30	63	26

Notes of Interest from the Town Clerk's Office

LAND RECORDS - There were 881 documents recorded totalling 2503 pages. This filled just over four land record volumes. Compared to 2017, recording was down slightly.

DOGS - 491 dogs were licensed on time (April 1, a decrease of 29 dogs from 2017). As a result of letters sent to all residents who had previously licensed their dog(s), an additional 309 dogs were licensed for a total of 800 licensed dogs. Once again, we had a decrease of 24 unlicensed dogs from 2017. Until we can do a dog census, (the last one was in 2013 resulting in 1129 dogs being licensed) these numbers will continue to drop. Licensing your dog is the law and a licensed dog stands a much better chance of being returned to its owner should the dog wander off.

DMV - The Town Clerk's Office is one of a number of Town Clerk offices that issues temporary registration stickers. For a \$3 fee and specific guidelines, you can obtain a temp. registration sticker. 2018 saw the Clerk's office issue 348 temporary stickers.

NEW VITAL RECORDS LAW (Act 46) - The VT Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records - namely birth & death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth & death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage & tracking of birth & death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a VT birth or death certificate. **The changes are effective July 1, 2019.** Most notable changes are who can obtain birth/death certificates, an application & ID is needed when applying for a copy of a birth/death certificate, anyone who refuses to fill out application or provide ID will NOT be eligible to obtain the certificate, birth/death certificates can be ordered from any VT town, certified copies will be issued on anti-fraud paper, informational copies has not changed much by the law, and marriage, civil union, divorce dissolution certificates & processes are not affected.