

2018 Lyndonville Trustees Report

To the residents of Lyndonville:

We started 2018 off by thanking and bidding farewell to Ron Aiken, who decided not to run for re-election. We wish him and his family all the best and are looking forward to his continued involvement in our community in other capacities. Karen York was appointed to fill the open position. We are lucky to have Karen's experience and she hit the ground running. We have enjoyed her voice on the board and look forward to her continued contributions in this capacity.

I remain optimistic about the work we were able to initiate and complete this year. We started planning for waterline and fire hydrant replacement, and storm water structure. We implemented two health awareness campaigns; *Energize 360*, to help with exercise and healthy eating awareness, and *Vermont Department of Health's 3-4-50*, 3 behaviors + 4 diseases = 50% of deaths in Vermont. I am also pleased to report that we made necessary safety changes for our coin drops set ups and implemented a "smoke-free parks" ordinance. Both of these changes reflect the boards continued commitment to ensure the safety of all of our residents.

The various village teams, continue to work to maintain and improve the downtown's appearance for our community and visitors who are passing through. Ongoing community events help shape the village into the welcoming place it has become. Our seasonal light displays in Band Stand Park and Depot Street light display, remain some of the most mentioned items from visitors and community members alike. These displays are the result of the dedication of many committed community members and allow these spaces to be stunning focal points within our community. I also want to extend thanks to the hardworking village crew works diligently to keep the downtown looking exceptional year round.

Finally, I am happy to report that our village budget has fared well despite many challenges that threaten smaller communities. We end the year with a surplus which has helped with establishing the 2019 budget that will be presented to you soon.

On behalf of the trustees, I would like to recognize all the village teams for their diligence and dedication to keeping your village operating smoothly. Additionally, we appreciate the opportunity and support you give us in helping to implement the mission of the village.

Respectfully,

Christopher Hunter

Chair, Board of Trustees

Heather Bollman, Doug Conly, Susan Mills and Karen York