

**CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE  
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2015**

Fill out form, make and file copy with the Town Clerk, and mail ORIGINAL, before February 20, 2015 to:  
Vermont Agency of Transportation, Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development,  
One National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT 05633.

We, the members of the legislative body of **NORTHFIELD** in **WASHINGTON** County  
on an oath state that the mileage of highways, according to Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 19, Section 305,  
added 1985, is as follows:

**PART I - CHANGES TOTALS - Please fill in and calculate totals.**

| Town Highways           | Previous Mileage | Added Mileage | Subtracted Mileage | Total         | Scenic Highways |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Class 1                 | 0.909            | 1.279         |                    | 2.188         | 0.000           |
| Class 2                 | 4.810            |               |                    | 4.810         | 0.000           |
| Class 3                 | 57.68            | 9.87          |                    | 67.55         | 0.000           |
| State Highway           | 10.541           | 0.556         |                    | 11.097        | 0.000           |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>73.940</b>    | <b>11.705</b> |                    | <b>85.645</b> | <b>0.000</b>    |
| * Class 1 Lane          | 0.000            | 0.165         |                    | 0.165         |                 |
| * Class 4               | 8.15             | 0.05          |                    | 8.20          | 0.000           |
| * Legal Trail           | 0.69             |               |                    | 0.69          |                 |
| * Unidentified Corridor | 0.00             |               |                    | 0.00          |                 |

\* Mileage for Class 1 Lane, Class 4, Legal Trail, and Unidentified Corridor classifications are NOT included in total.

**PART II - INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES SHOWN ABOVE.**

- NEW HIGHWAYS:** Please attach Selectmen's "Certificate of Completion and Opening".
- DISCONTINUED:** Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting).
- RECLASSIFIED/REMEASURED:** Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting).  
Village of Northfield merge with town, Act M002 of 2013.  
CL1 +1.279 mi, CL3 +9.87 mi, State Hwy +0.556 mi, CL1 Lane +0.165 mi, CL4 +0.05 mi
- SCENIC HIGHWAYS:** Please attach a copy of order designating/discontinuing Scenic Highways.

IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES IN MILEAGE: Check box and sign below.

**PART III - SIGNATURES - PLEASE SIGN.**

Selectmen/ Aldermen/ Trustees Signatures:

*Brad Henry, Kenneth Hurland, [Signature], [Signature], [Signature], [Signature]*

T/C/V Clerk Signature:

*Kim Fedley*

Date Filed:

*11/27/15*

Please sign ORIGINAL and return it for Transportation signature.

**AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION APPROVAL:** Signed copy will be returned to T/C/V Clerk.

APPROVED:

*[Signature]*  
Representative, Agency of Transportation  
**Johnathan Croft**

DATE:

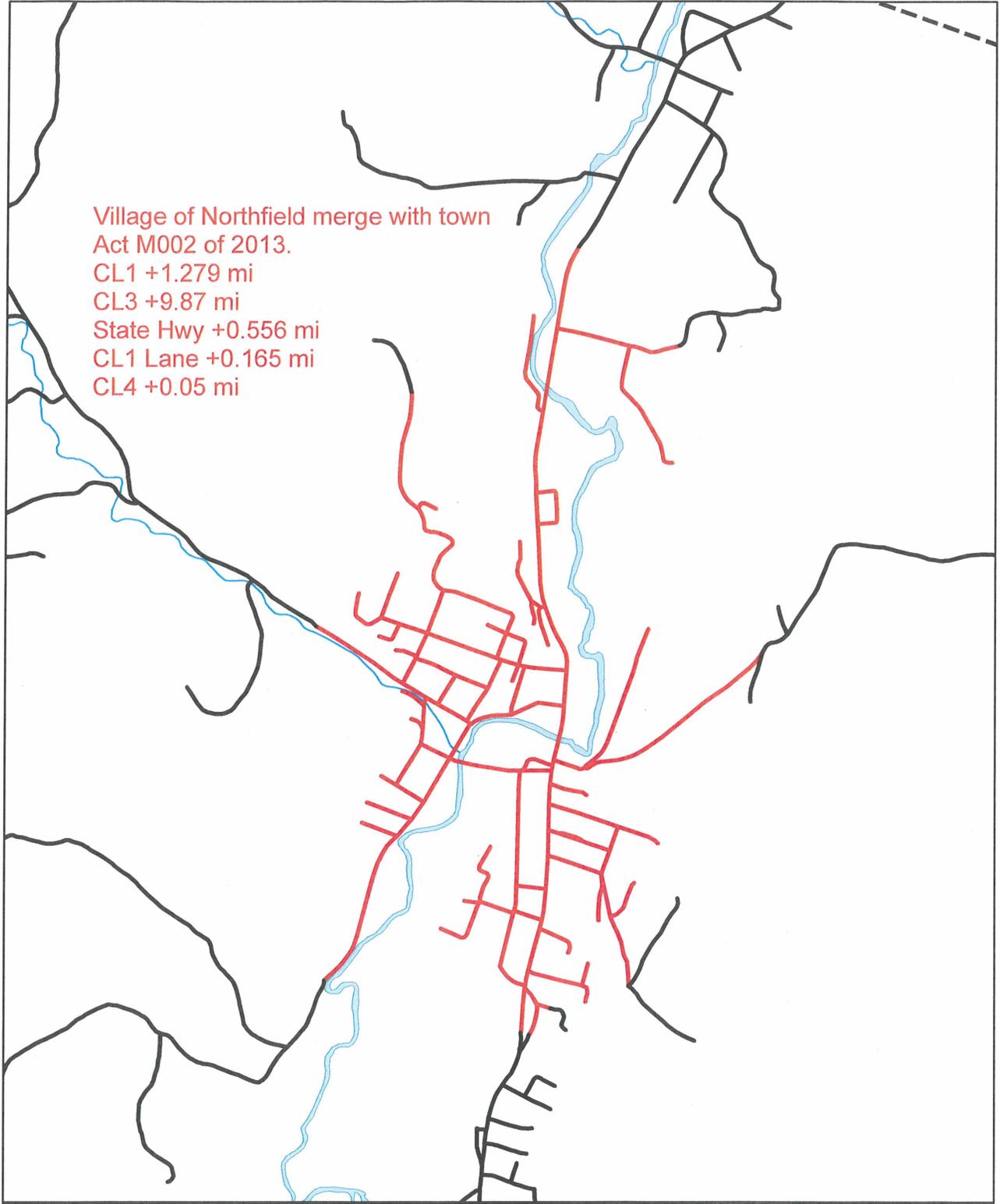
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**Policy, Planning & Intermodal  
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**Mileage Certificate Change 2015  
NORTHFIELD**

Mapping Section  
Division of Policy and Planning  
Vermont Agency of Transportation -- March 19, 2015



# Local & State

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Talk  
of the  
Town

NORTHFIELD

## Merger said to be moving smoothly

By ERIC BLAISDELL  
STAFF WRITER

NORTHFIELD — The town and village in Northfield are still working on the nuts and bolts of the merger set to take effect next year.

In March, town and village residents voted to merge the two municipalities after several decades' worth of attempts to do so. The Legislature approved the proposal in April, and Gov. Peter Shumlin signed off on the merger in May, making it official.

Now, town and village officials are working

out all the details to make sure the merger goes smoothly, which by all accounts it has.

"Northfield, from an operational standpoint, is already merged to a large degree," Select Board member Brad Denny said, adding the major hurdle left is shifting the village utilities into the town's responsibility.

Denny is working with board member John Quinn and village trustees Kevin Beal and Dennis Donahue on a subcommittee of the two governing bodies to work on policy issues such as how to deal with the utilities and what the town

manager's responsibilities will be.

"We have two different communities coming together here, and they are quite different in the way they operate. One (the town) is essentially a tax-based municipality providing public services. The other (the village) is basically a utility holding company," Denny said.

Beal said the process is going well because no one is bringing an agenda to the merger.

"We have a very good working relationship

See Merger, Page A7

### Mixed signals

BARRE — The "Big Dig" may be done, but city officials say experts are still working out the kinks when it comes to traffic signals that were installed as part of the reconstruction project.

The signals have been tweaked and re-tweaked in recent months, but

# Merger

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among the four members," he said. "We obviously do have some talking points that we need to work through. It's not like the trustees are representing one side and the Select Board are representing another side, but we do have some points that we need to clarify to make sure that we're set-

ting up a system that will long-term protect the enterprise funds and makes for an efficient, functioning government."

Now that the village and town are set to become one, the merger will take effect at midnight June 30. On July 1, the town will be governed by nine members, five from the Select Board and four trustees. That relationship will continue until town meeting in 2015, when the board will be reduced

to five members.

For the time being, the board and trustees are meeting jointly once a month to discuss the merger and iron out any kinks. So far, there don't seem to be any.

Trustee Steve Fitzhugh is acting as interim village manager since former manager Jay Marcotte left in June for a job out of state. Fitzhugh is working with Town Manager Rob Lewis on some of the more detailed points that

need attention. Fitzhugh said some of the things he and Lewis are working on include the creation of a joint budget and figuring out if vehicles owned by the village need to be reregistered in the town's name.

He acknowledged the process has been slow go-

ing but said there have not been any major "hiccups."

"The biggest challenge, of course, is to make sure we cover all the bases we need to cover. To make sure we don't drop any details going into the merger," Fitzhugh said.

Beal said both the board and the trustees have agreed to hold an open search for a new town manager later this fall, saying it is an opportunity for the new municipality to find a good match.

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## OPEN HOUSE - Sat. August 10 • 10 A.M TO 2 P.M.



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Good afternoon Karen,

I believe we can make the change to the map and have the highways from the village shown in an inset on the main Town Highway Map for Cabot, as there is space.

Regarding the village, has it been completely absorbed into the Town, or is the village still incorporated for other reasons than highways?

Thanks for any information that you can provide regarding this.

Johnathan Croft  
VTrans Mapping Section  
(802) 828-2600

-----Original Message-----

From: ZACabot [<mailto:ZACabot@fairpoint.net>]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 1:52 PM  
To: Croft, Johnathan  
Cc: Jack Daniels  
Subject: cabot town highway maps

Johnathan,

Would it be possible to add our village highway map to the Town map as Cabot no longer has a separate village it was dissolved into the Town so it is all included on one sheet. For your information we do have one town road in process and possibly a second that may be added prior to the July 1, 2015 deadline, I will forward information as it becomes available.

Thanks  
Karen Deasy

Zoning Administrator - Planner, Town of Cabot PO Box 36, 3084 Main Street Cabot, Vermont 05647 802-563-3139

NORTHFIELD AND NORTHFIELD VILLAGE MILEAGE MERGE

1-Dec-14

|                                 | <b>CL 1 Lane</b> | <b>Class 1</b> | <b>Class 2</b> | <b>Class 3</b> | <b>Class 4</b> | <b>Legal Trail</b> | <b>State Highway</b> |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Northfield</b>               | 0                | 0.909          | 4.81           | 57.68          | 8.15           | 0.69               | 10.541               |
| <b>Northfield Village</b>       | 0.165            | 1.279          | 0              | 9.87           | 0.05           | 0                  | 0.556                |
| <b>New Total for Northfield</b> | 0.165            | 2.188          | 4.81           | 67.55          | 8.2            | 0.69               | 11.097               |

# The Vermont Legislative Bill Tracking System

## Current Status of a Specific Bill or Resolution 2013 - 2014 Legislative Session

### General Status:

Bill: **H. 527** (ACT M002)

Title: **AN ACT RELATING TO APPROVAL OF THE ADOPTION AND THE CODIFICATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF **NORTHFIELD****

Sponsor(s): Donahue, Anne B.  
Lewis, Patti J.

Request: **13-1211**

Legal Staff: **Wrask**

### Bill Versions:

- [H-0527 As Introduced](#)
- [H-0527 As Passed by the House](#)
- [H-0527 As Passed by the House \(Unofficial\)](#)
- [H-0527 As Passed by Both House and Senate](#)
- [H-0527 As Passed by Both House and Senate \(Unofficial\)](#)

### Act Documents:

- [ACTM002 As Enacted](#)
- [ACTM002 Act Summary](#)

### Detailed Status:

| Status Header                          | Location           | Full Status (Red = House Status, Green = Senate Status)  |
|--|--------------------|--|
| <a href="#">3/25/2013 HJ 40 P. 541</a> | In Committee       | Read First Time and Referred to the Committee on <b>Government Operations</b>                    |
| <a href="#">4/9/2013 HJ 48 P. 715</a>  | On Action Calendar | Read Second Time   |
| <a href="#">4/5/2013 HJ 48 P. 715</a>  | On Action Calendar | Rep. Rep. <b>Townsend of Randolph</b> reported for the committee on <b>Government Operations</b> |

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|--|--------------------------|--|
| <a href="#">4/9/2013 HJ 48 P. 715</a>  | On Action Calendar       | Third Reading Ordered  |
| <a href="#">4/10/2013 HJ 49 P. 719</a> | Passed House, in Senate  | Read Third time and Passed   |
| <a href="#">4/12/2013 SJ 53 P. 604</a> | Senate floor action      | Read 1st time & referred to Committee on <b>Rules</b>  |
| <a href="#">4/12/2013 SJ 53 P. 604</a> | Senate floor action      | Committee on <b>Rules</b> relieved; bill committed to Committee on <b>Government Operations</b> on motion of Senator <b>Campbell</b> |
| <a href="#">4/18/2013 SC P. 975</a>    | Notice Calendar          | Entered on Notice Calendar   |
| <a href="#">4/18/2013 SC P. 975</a>    | Notice Calendar          | Favorable report by Committee on <b>Government Operations</b>  |
| <a href="#">4/19/2013 SC P. 1001</a>   | Action Calendar          | New Business/Second Reading  |
| <a href="#">4/19/2013 SC P. 1001</a>   | Action Calendar          | Favorable report by Committee on <b>Government Operations</b>  |
| <a href="#">4/23/2013 SC P. 1057</a>   | Action Calendar          | Unfinished Business/Second Reading   |
| <a href="#">4/23/2013 SC P. 1057</a>   | Notice Calendar          | Favorable report by Committee on <b>Government Operations</b>  |
| <a href="#">4/23/2013 SJ 58 P. 741</a> | Senate floor action      | Reported favorably by Senator <b>Pollina</b> for Committee on <b>Government Operations</b> , read 2nd time and 3rd reading ordered   |
| <a href="#">4/24/2013 SC P. 1092</a>   | Action Calendar          | New Business/Third Reading   |
| <a href="#">4/24/2013 SJ 59 P. 780</a> | Senate floor action      | Read 3rd time & passed in concurrence  |
| <a href="#">4/24/2013 SJ 59 P. 781</a> | Senate floor action      | Rules suspended & messaged to House forthwith, on motion of Senator <b>Campbell</b>  |
| <a href="#">4/24/2013 HJ 57 P. 860</a> | House of Representatives | Passed the House and Senate on <b>4/24/2013</b>  |
| <a href="#">5/1/2013 HJ 62 P. 0</a>    | Delivered to Governor    | Delivered to the Governor on <b>5/1/2013</b>   |
| <a href="#">5/7/2013 HJ 66 P. 0</a>    | Signed by Governor       | Signed by Governor on <b>5/7/2013</b>  |

**Act Information:**

Act No:

**M002**

Charter municipal government, municipality charter Charter Amendments merger Northfield Northfield,  
Town of

6010

**No. M-2. An act relating to approval of the adoption and the codification of the charter of the Town of Northfield.**

(H.527)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. CHARTER ADOPTION AND MERGER APPROVAL

The General Assembly approves the adoption of and codifies the charter of the Town of Northfield and the merger of the Village of Northfield and the Town of Northfield as set forth in this act. Proposals of charter adoption and a plan for merger were approved by Town and Village voters on March 5, 2013.

Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 129C is added to read:

CHAPTER 129C. TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Subchapter 1. General Provisions

§ 101. APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL LAW

(a) All provisions of the Constitution and the general law of the State of Vermont relating to towns and their officers shall apply to the Town of Northfield (the "Town").

(b) The Town shall have all the powers now or hereafter conferred upon towns by the Constitution and the general law of the State of Vermont.

(c) No grant of authority, power, or prerogative hereunder shall be construed as being in derogation of or a limitation on any authority, power, or prerogative conferred by the general law upon the Town.

§ 102. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this charter shall for any reason be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions which can be given effect

without the invalid provision. To this end, the provisions of this charter are severable.

Subchapter 2. Town Manager

§ 201. TOWN MANAGER SYSTEM

The Town shall be administered by a Town Manager as provided in 24 V.S.A. chapter 37 until such time as such form of administration is revoked by vote of the Town as set forth in 24 V.S.A. § 1242.

Subchapter 3. Town Officers

§ 301. TOWN OFFICERS GENERALLY

The Town shall have the officers as provided for towns by the general laws of this State except as provided by this charter.

§ 302. SELECTBOARD MEMBERS

The Town shall have a five-member Selectboard elected for terms of two and three years.

§ 303. WATER AND WASTEWATER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A three-member board shall serve as the Water and Wastewater Board of Commissioners, of whom one shall be an appointed Selectboard member and two shall be residents served by the Town water or wastewater systems, or both, who are elected by the ratepayers of such systems. Terms of these members shall be for three years each.

§ 304. ELECTRIC UTILITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A three-member board shall serve as the Electric Utility Board of Commissioners, of whom one shall be an appointed Selectboard member and two members shall be elected by electric utility ratepayers. Terms of these members shall be for three years each.

Subchapter 4. Electric, Water, and Wastewater Departments

§ 401. ELECTRIC, WATER, AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS

GENERALLY

(a) Electric system. The revenues of the electric system shall be maintained separate from all other departments of the Town. All revenues therefrom not necessary for current expenditures thereof shall be placed in a special fund, no part of which may be used for any purpose other than the operation of the electric department as specified in section 402 of this charter.

(b) Water system. The revenues of the water system and any additions thereto shall be maintained separate from all other departments of the Town, and all revenues therefrom not necessary for current expenditures thereof shall be placed in a special fund, no part of which may be used for any purpose other than as specified in section 402 of this charter.

(c) Wastewater treatment system. The revenues of the wastewater treatment system (exclusive of the stormwater drainage system) and any additions thereto shall be maintained separate from all other departments of the Town, and all revenues therefrom not necessary for current expenditures

thereof shall be placed in a special fund, no part of which may be used for any purpose other than as specified in section 402 of this charter.

§ 402. ELECTRIC, WATER, AND WASTEWATER ADMINISTRATION

(a) Operating costs of the electric, water, and wastewater departments shall be paid by the ratepayers.

(b) The charges and rates for electric service shall be a lien upon real estate, wherever located, furnished with such service in the same manner and to the same effect as taxes are a lien upon real estate under 32 V.S.A. § 5061. The owner of such property furnished with electric service, wherever located, shall be liable for such charges and rates.

(c) All water and wastewater charges shall be set by the Selectboard at rates sufficient to pay the costs of operating and maintaining the systems, to pay debt service on all obligations issued to improve or support such systems, and to fund necessary capital reserves, all as provided by the general law.

§ 403. ELECTRIC, WATER, AND WASTEWATER SPECIAL FUNDS

The Town Treasurer and the Finance Director shall keep all revenues derived from the electric, water, and wastewater systems in accounts separate from any other special funds and from other town funds, and shall honor no warrant upon such account except for the purposes specified in section 402 of this charter.

Sec. 3. MERGER OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD AND THE TOWN  
OF NORTHFIELD; TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

(a) Effective date of merger. At midnight on June 30, 2014, the Village of Northfield and the Town of Northfield shall merge into the Town of Northfield and except as provided in this act, the Village of Northfield shall cease to exist as a political entity or body corporate.

(b) Properties transferred and liabilities assumed. Upon the effective date of the merger, all the lands, buildings, easements, funds, uncollected taxes, monies, and other tangible and intangible property of the Village of Northfield shall become vested in and become the property of the Town of Northfield. All liabilities, obligations, and indebtedness of the Village of Northfield shall be assumed by the Town of Northfield without any further act, deed, or instrument being necessary. Indebtedness of the Village of Northfield assumed by the Town of Northfield at the time of merger shall be secured by the full faith and credit of the Town of Northfield with respect to the properties comprising the body corporate of the Village of Northfield.

(c) Properties held in trust. Upon the effective date of the merger, any and all properties held in trust by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Northfield, or by any officer thereof, shall become vested in the Selectboard of the Town of Northfield and their successors, or in the respective officer of the Town and that person's successor, as the case may be, and shall continue to be

held in trust for the same users as before the merger, all without any further act, deed, or instrument being necessary.

(d) Settling the affairs of the Village. Prior to the effective date of the merger, the Village of Northfield shall settle so far as possible its financial affairs and, except as otherwise provided by this act, shall on the effective date of the merger turn over and deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Northfield all records, books, and documents of the Village of Northfield and to the proper officers of the Town all property of the Village of Northfield, including a final audit of the Village.

(e) Finances. The general fund of the Village of Northfield shall be added to the general fund of the Town of Northfield on the effective date of the merger. Highway department funds of the Village of Northfield shall be transferred to highway department funds of the Town of Northfield. Electric department funds, water department funds, wastewater department funds, and other special funds of the Village of Northfield shall be transferred to the corresponding electric department funds, water department funds, wastewater department funds, and other special funds of the Town of Northfield.

(f) Existing laws, rules, and policies.

(1) Until lawfully amended or repealed, all rules, ordinances, regulations, and bylaws of the Village of Northfield in effect on the effective date of the merger shall become and continue in full force and effect as rules, ordinances, regulations, and bylaws of the Town of Northfield for the

respective area presently involved, unless in conflict with rules, ordinances, regulations, and bylaws of the town of Northfield already existing.

(2) Whenever power is granted by any such rule, ordinance, regulation, or bylaw to an officer of the Village of Northfield, such power shall be conferred upon the appropriate officer of the Town of Northfield upon the effective date of the merger.

(g) Consolidated Selectboard. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sec. 2 of this act, in 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 129C, § 302 (selectboard members), upon the effective date of the merger, the Town of Northfield shall be governed by a consolidated Selectboard as set forth in this section until the first annual town meeting following the effective date of merger, when it shall revert to the five-member Selectboard set forth in Sec. 2 of this act in 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 129C, § 302.

(1) Members of the Town Selectboard in office on the effective date of the merger shall continue in office until the end of their respective terms.

(2) Village Trustees whose terms extend beyond the effective date of the merger shall serve on the consolidated Selectboard until the first annual town meeting after the effective date of merger.

(h) Village utility rates. All electric, water, and wastewater rates applicable to ratepayers in the Village of Northfield in effect on the effective date of the merger shall continue in effect upon those ratepayers until changed by the Public Service Board or the Selectboard of the Town of Northfield.

(i) Severability. If any provision of this section shall for any reason be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions which can be given effect without the invalid provision. To this end, the provisions of this section are severable.

Sec. 4. REPEAL

24 App. V.S.A. chapter 257 (charter of the Village of Northfield) is repealed.

Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Sec. 3 of this act (merger of the Village of Northfield and the Town of Northfield; transitional provisions) shall take effect on passage.

(b) All other sections of this act shall take effect on June 30, 2014.

Date the Governor signed the bill: May 7, 2013

## VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The governing body of the Village of Northfield is the Board of Trustees, whose members are directly elected to three-year terms by voters living in Northfield Village.

The Village Trustees' primary responsibility is to oversee the operations of the Village-owned utility companies, which provide electricity, water, and sewer services to all residents of Northfield Village and to some (but not all) Northfield Town residents. The Village Trustees also oversee the operation of the Village Highway Department and all Village-owned property, especially the Village Common and the Village Forest.

The current members of the Northfield Board of Village Trustees are:

Dennis Donahue, Chair  
Kevin T. Beal

K. David Maxwell  
James R. Wilson

In 2014, the Village Trustees will hold regular meetings twice each month in the Community Room located in the Brown Public Library (93 South Main Street). From January 2014 through June 2014, the first Village Trustee meeting of the month will be held on the 2nd Tuesday (*exception: the 3rd Tuesday in April 2014*) and the second will be a Joint Board Meeting with the Town Selectmen and held either the 4th Monday or the 4th Tuesday of the month. The Town and Village will formally merge on July 1, 2014 and the consolidated Northfield Select Board then will hold its meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month (*Exception: due to the Veterans Day holiday, the Northfield Select Board will meet on Monday, November 10, 2014*). Please click [here](#) for the full 2014 regular meeting schedule.

To view agendas for upcoming Village Trustees regular and special meetings, please click [here](#) for the "Current Notices" webpage. Minutes for past meetings (2012, 2013, and 2014) also can be accessed from this webpage. Minutes for earlier meetings are available at the Town Clerk's Office.

Please contact the Village Manager's Office at 485-6121 by 4:00 p.m. the Thursday prior to the next regular meeting if you or your group would like to be scheduled under "Public Participation." Please click [here](#) to see the "Procedures for Public Participation" adopted by the Boards of Town Selectmen and Village Trustees in July 2005.

To contact the Village Trustees with any questions, comments, feedback, etc., please email [Trustees@northfield.vt.us](mailto:Trustees@northfield.vt.us)