

**WASHINGTON AND LAMOILLE COUNTY CLERKS AND TREASURERS MEETING**  
**February 6, 2014, The Steak House, Berlin**

**PRESENT**

Carol Dawes (Barre City); Bobbi Brimblecombe and Winnie Valenza (Marshfield); Ken Scott (Duxbury); Patti Lewis (Fayston); Terri Conti (E. Montpelier); Sarah Merriman (Middlesex); Diana Peduzzi (Woodbury)

**MINUTES**

The minutes of December 5, 2013 were approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bobbi reported no activity since the December 2013 meeting. She suggested the checkbook register be audited, and she will bring it to the next meeting for someone to review.

**PROGRAM**

We had a round table discussion about serving as clerk and/or treasurer, focusing on the following:

- What is your favorite memory of your work as a clerk and/or treasurer?
- What idea, tool or concept have you developed or adopted that's made your job easier/more effective?
- What's the biggest challenge you've had to overcome, and how did you to it?

There was general discussion about our work with the public, the highs and lows of the job, tales of handling specific or special circumstances. The general consensus was we all love our jobs, and that only in a small state like Vermont would we enjoy the kinds of relationships we have with our residents.

**DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Some of the ideas that were floated included:

- Holding meetings in each other's offices – both large & small towns.
- Conversation with Jim Palmisano (local attorney), who has worked with clerks in the past on improvements and changes re: land records storage & handling.

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

We will look to meet again in early April.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Carol said there will be no new clerk/treasurer training this year, as VMCTA will be partnering on the Town Officers' Education Conference (TOEC) trainings that are held in various locations throughout the state in April. More information will be forthcoming from VMCTA.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Dawes  
Chair