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Town of Fairhaven **Annual Report** 2013

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Town Offices of

FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year 2013

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN



FAIRHAVEN LOCUS

041° 38' N. Latitude

070° 54' W. Longitude

Elevation 11 ft. M.S.L. at Town Hall

Settled 1653

Incorporated 1812

Population: 15,610

9th Congressional District

First Councilor District

Second Bristol & Plymouth District

Tenth Bristol Representative District

Election of Officers

First Monday in April

Fairhaven, Massachusetts

General Information About the Town

Located

On the Shore of Buzzards Bay

56 Miles from Boston – 1 Mile from New Bedford

Registered Voters 10,938

Tax Rate Fiscal Year 2014

Residential – \$11.50

Commercial - \$23.21

Area

7,497 Acres

Miles of Shore Property – 29.4

Miles of Streets and Roads – Approximately 100

Churches – 9

Public Schools – 5

**Private Schools – 10
(consisting of):**

Parochial – 1

Maritime Education – 2

EMT Training – 1

Preschools – 6

Banks – 8

Principal Industries

Ship Building

Fishing Industry

Winches and Fishing Machinery

Marine Repair & Construction

Customer Service

Hospitality

Retail

IN MEMORIAM

On behalf of the Town of Fairhaven, we offer our sincere appreciation to all these people that have taken the time to serve their community. We are forever thankful.

Myra Lopes – President of Millicent Library Trustees, Civic Leader

Jimmie Oliver – Housing Authority

Lance Cpl. Matthew Rodriguez – U.S. Marine Corps., Purple Heart recipient

Victor Oliveira – Historical Commission Sign Painter, volunteer

Michael Martins – Former Police Chief

Dorothy Saladino – Wife of a retired Town Clerk

Macy F. Joseph, Sr. – Retired Police Officer

DIRECTORY OF TOWN OFFICIALS

(Elective Officials Designated by Capital Letter)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CHARLES K. MURPHY, SR.	Term Expires 2014
ROBERT ESPINDOLA	Term Expires 2015
GEOFFREY A. HAWORTH, II	Term Expires 2016
Jeffrey W. Osuch	Executive Secretary
Anne O'Brien-Kakley	Administrative Assistant
Ashlee Lentini	Principal Clerk
*Ivey Winkler, Resigned	Principal Clerk
*Jane Bettencourt, Retired	Principal Clerk
Lori Pina	Senior Clerk

TOWN CLERK

EILEEN LOWNEY	Term Expires 2016
Carolyn Hurley	Assistant Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE/DIVISION OF TREASURY

Wendy Graves	Director of Finance/Treasurer
Lisa Rose	Assistant Treasurer
Suzanne Blais	Payroll Operator

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

William J. Roth, Jr.	Director
Marie Ripley	Administrative Assistant
Antoinette O'Leary	Intern

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTING

Anne Carreiro	Town Accountant
Joyce Shepard	Part-Time Accounting Clerk

DIVISION OF ASSESSING

Ronald Manzone, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2014
Pamela Davis, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2014
Ellis Withington, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2014
Delfino Garcia	Assistant Assessor
* Jane Bettencourt, Retired	Administrative Assessor
Melody Perry	Senior Clerk
Kelly Ferranti	Senior Clerk

DIVISION OF COLLECTION

Carol Brandolini	Town Collector
Brian Lacroix	Deputy Collector
Pamela Bettencourt	Assistant Collector
Vicki Paquette	Senior Clerk
Helen DaCunha	Senior Clerk

MODERATOR

MARK SYLVIA	Term Expires 2015
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BOARD OF HEALTH

JEANNINE LOPES	Term Expires 2014
BARBARA ACKSEN	Term Expires 2015
PETER DETERRA	Term Expires 2016
Patricia B. Fowle	Health Agent
Susan Griffin	Food Administrator
Terence Cripps	Animal Inspector
*Catherine Mindlin, resigned	Animal Inspector
Rebekah Tomlinson	Assistant Animal Inspector

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS

MARK DESNEVES	Term Expires 2014
GAIL ISAKSEN	Term Expires 2015
BARBARA ACKSEN	Term Expires 2016

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

BRIAN WOTTON	Term Expires 2014
KATHLEEN STURTEVANT	Term Expires 2014
ROBERT D. HOBSON	Term Expires 2015
G. STEVEN RILEY	Term Expires 2015
MICHAEL RISTUCCIA	Term Expires 2016
*GEOFFREY HAWORTH, resigned	Term Expires 2014
Vincent Furtado, Superintendent	Board of Public Works
John Charbonneau, Superintendent	Highway Division
Edward L. Fortin, Superintendent	Water Division
Linda L. Schick, Superintendent	Sewer Division
Kathy A. Tripp	Administrative Assistant
Kim Nogueira	Head Clerk
Joyce Wilson	Principal Clerk
Charlene Paulson	Principal Clerk
Rebecca Vento	Senior Clerk

HOUSING AUTHORITY

ANNE D. SILVEIRA	Term Expires 2014
ELAINE ROCHA	Term Expires 2015
JAY SIMMONS	Term Expires 2017
*JIMMIE OLIVER, deceased	Term Expires 2016
Jean Rousseau	State Appointee

PLANNING BOARD

JOHN FARRELL	Term Expires 2014
PETER NOPPER	Term Expires 2014
RENE FLEURENT	Term Expires 2015
WAYNE HAYWARD	Term Expires 2015
FRANCIS BUDRYK	Term Expires 2016
JEFFREY LUCAS	Term Expires 2016
KAISA HOLLOWAY CRIPPS	Term Expires 2017
GARY STAFFON	Term Expires 2017
William J. Roth, Jr.	Town Planner
Patricia Pacella	Recording Secretary

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

BRIAN D. MONROE	Term Expires 2014
PAMELA R. KUECHLER	Term Expires 2014
DAVID GONSALVES	Term Expires 2015
DONNA MCKENNA	Term Expires 2015
STASIA POWERS	Term Expires 2016
BERNARD RODERICK	Term Expires 2016

TREE WARDEN

ANTONE MEDEIROS	Term Expires 2015
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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Terence Cripps	Animal Control Officer
*Catherine Mindlin, resigned	Animal Control Officer
Rebekah Tomlinson	Assistant Animal Control Officer

BOARD OF APPEALS

Francis Cox	Term Expires 2018
Peg Cook	Term Expires 2017
Joseph Borelli	Term Expires 2016
Daryl Manchester	Term Expires 2015
Peter DeTerra	Term Expires 2014
Jamie DeSousa, Associate	Term Expires 2016

Rene Fleurent, Associate
Alberto Silva, Associate
Kenneth Kendall, Associate
Patricia Fowle

Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2014
Recording Secretary

ART CURATOR

Albert Benac

Term Expires 2014

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Wayne Oliveira
Vicki Paquette
Barbara Sawyer
Ethel Cataldo

Roderick Lopez
Beverly Rasmussen
Kathleen Thompson

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Rev. Dennis Barnett
Charles Cromwell
Angela Dawicki
Ian Dobson
Ethel Frates
Natalie Hemingway
Alex Kuechler
Diane Lopes
Myra Lopes
Beth Luey
John Medeiros

Linda Meredith
Anne Mozzone
Wayne Oliveira
Nancy Parent
Nancy Perry
John Rogers
Lawrence Roy
Gerald Stabell
Bethany Sykes
Ellsworth Sylvaria

BIKEWAY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Mark Badwey
Joyce Barrett
Lois Callahan-Moore
Matthew Coes
Robert Espindola

Rene J. Fleurent, Jr.
Joseph Mello
Kenneth Pottel
Geoffrey Sullivan
Susan Sullivan

BOAT RAMP AND WATERFRONT RECREATION PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Frank Coelho
David Hebert
Ronald Lacasse
Peter Nopper

Timothy Cox
Robert Hobson
Ted Lorentzen
Robert Newett

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Wayne Fostin	Building Commissioner
Andrew J. Bobola	Part-Time Building Commissioner
Lisa Moniz	Administrative Assistant
John Cottrill	Chief Wire Inspector
Roger Poitras, Jr.	Associate Wire Inspector
Kevin Vasconcellos	Associate Wire Inspector
Norman Lussier	Plumbing Inspector
Henry E. Daigle	Gas Inspector
William Alphonse, Jr.	Temporary Gas Inspector

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Barbara Acksen	Robert Espindola
Ronald Medina	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Simone Bourgeois	Term Expires 2017
Louise Barteau	Term Expires 2016
Geoffrey Haworth – Selectman	Term Expires 2016
John Dallen	Term Expires 2015
Janine Peccini	Term Expires 2015
Jay S. Simmons	Term Expires 2015
Steven J. Perreira	Term Expires 2014
Jeannine Van Orman – Associate	Term Expires 2014
Wayne Fostin	Conservation Agent

CONSTABLES (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Steven Borges	Matthew Botelho
Pamela Bourgault	Michael Bouvier
Richard Ferreira	Timothy Garcia
Robert Jones	Kevin Kobza
Eileen Lowney	Lawrence Machado
David Miller	Edward Riggs
John Serpa	Eugene Thomas
Harve W. Vandal, Jr.	Milan Whitaker

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

Paul Schroeder	Term Expires 2016
Trina Bigham	Term Expires 2015
Maria DeOliveira	Term Expires 2015
Waldemar DeOliveira	Term Expires 2015
Charles K. Murphy, Sr.	Term Expires 2015
Eugene Robert	Term Expires 2015
Ronald Medina	Term Expires 2014
Diane Rocha	Term Expires 2014
Joe Borelli	Advisor
Jeffrey Osuch	ADA Coordinator
Anne Sylvia	Treasurer

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Jeffrey T. Lucas	Term Expires 2016
Frank Rezendes	Term Expires 2016
William R. Markey	Term Expires 2015
Cynthia McNaughten	Term Expires 2015
Janine Peccini	Term Expires 2015
Jay Simmons	Term Expires 2015
Terrence Meredith	Term Expires 2014
Ann Richard	Term Expires 2014
James T. Souza	Term Expires 2014

COUNCIL ON AGING

Al Borges	Term Expires 2016
Lindsay Gordon	Term Expires 2015
Gerald Brecken	Term Expires 2014
Francis Cox	Term Expires 2014
Lee Cummings Allaire	Term Expires 2014
Geraldine Frates	Term Expires 2014
Joan A. Mello	Term Expires 2014
Joseph Borelli, Associate	Term Expires 2014
Jack Oliveira, Associate	Term Expires 2014
Elaine O'Neill, Associate	Term Expires 2014
Dorothy Reid, Associate	Term Expires 2014

DOG PARK COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Richard Ciccone	Sheila Dolan
Gail Evangelho	Diane Hahn
Stephanie Igo	Anne Jorgensen
John Jorgensen	Kathy Lopes
Melissa Tavares	Kevin Viveiros
Timothy Watterson	Donna Wunschel

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Marc Jodoin, Director

Term Expires 2014

FAIR HOUSING COORDINATOR

Charles K. Murphy, Sr.

Term Expires 2014

FAIRHAVEN CULTURAL COUNCIL

Michael Luey

Term Expires 2016

Sara Salem

Term Expires 2016

Julianne Kelly

Term Expires 2016

Sharon Dorian

Term Expires 2016

Don Wilkinson

Term Expires 2016

Margaret McQuilkin

Term Expires 2016

Maureen T. Sylvia

Term Expires 2016

Penny Brewer

Term Expires 2015

Kristine Daniels

Term Expires 2015

Willoughby Elliot

Term Expires 2014

Abigail Hevey

Term Expires 2014

Jacqueline Kenworthy

Term Expires 2014

FINANCE COMMITTEE

PRECINCT 1

Padraic Elliot

Term Expires 2015

PRECINCT 2

John Roderiques

Term Expires 2015

PRECINCT 3

Scott Fernandes

Term Expires 2014

PRECINCT 4

Kathleen Carter

Term Expires 2014

Robert Furtado

Term Expires 2015

PRECINCT 5

John Mota

Term Expires 2014

PRECINCT 6

Theresa M. Szala

Term Expires 2014

MEMBER AT LARGE

Lisa Plante

Term Expires 2015

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Timothy Francis
Donn Fletcher
Kristine Austin

Fire Chief
Deputy Fire Chief
Principal Clerk

FIRE APPARATUS STUDY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE IN 2014)

Frank Cruz
Timothy Francis
Bourne Knowles
Charles K. Murphy, Sr.
John Rogers

Donn Fletcher
David Gordon
Brian Messier
Richard Rocha

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE IN 2014)

Timothy Francis
David G. Hughes
Robert Lincoln
Curtis Lopes

Ronald Manzone
Frank Rezendes
John Rogers, Jr.

GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Randall Durrigan
David Darmofal

Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2015

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wayne Oliveira
Cynthia McNaughten
John Medeiros
David Despres, Chairman
Charles Cromwell, Vice Chairman
Debra Charpentier
Gail Isaksen
Dorothy Gammans
Vicki Paquette
Anne O'Brien-Kakley
Robert Espindola

Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2015
Term Expires 2015
Term Expires 2014
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Term Expires 2014
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Term Expires 2014

INSPECTOR OF PETROLEUM

Theodore Machado

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Antone Medeiros

Term Expires 2014

MILLICENT LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Myra Lopes, President
Dennis Duval
Christopher Bunnell
Robert Kenworthy
Carolyn Longworth
Bruce Bendiksen
Cheryl Moniz
Joanna Weeks
Lisa Wright

Jean Campbell
Kathleen Clement
Gail Isaksen
Susan Kennedy
Curtis Lopes
Kathy Lopes
Carol Rodrigues
Bryan Wood
Robert Espindola

NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Terms Expire 2015:

Timothy Cox

Shellfish Warden, Asst. Harbormaster,
Parking Control Officer

Edward Normand

Asst. Shellfish Warden

Richard Dube

Deputy Shellfish Warden, Asst. Harbormaster

Terms Expire 2014:

Todd Cox

Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

Don Gifford

Deputy Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

George Hubert

Deputy Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

Paul Sylvia

Deputy Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

Cliff Patenaude

Deputy Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

Erich Druskat

Deputy Shellfish Constable, Asst. Harbormaster

Antoinette O'Leary

Deputy Shellfish Warden

OIL SPILL COORDINATOR

Timothy Francis

Term Expires 2014

PARKING CLERK

Anne O'Brien-Kakley

Term Expires 2014

PERSONNEL BOARD

Charles K. Murphy, Sr.

Lindsay Gordon

Wendy Graves, Director

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Michael Myers

Police Chief

Juanna Adesso

Principal Clerk

PRECINCT CHAIRMEN AND CLERKS

PRECINCT 1

Rich Taber	Chairman
Myra Lopes	Clerk

PRECINCT 2

Ann Richard	Chairman
Matthew Coes	Clerk

PRECINCT 3

Sean Powers	Chairman
Lindsay Gordon	Clerk

PRECINCT 4

Ronald Lacasse	Chairman
Paul M. Foster	Clerk

PRECINCT 5

Nancy Greene	Chairman
Kathy Sturtevant	Clerk

PRECINCT 6

Dan DeNardis	Chairman
Ann Ponichtera DeNardis	Clerk

RECREATION CENTER

Warren Rensehausen	Director
Rachel Martin	Program Director

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Thomas L. Alden, Sr.	Term Expires 2014
Herbert Eddleston	Term Expires 2014
Lorraine Medeiros	Term Expires 2014
Eileen Lowney	Term Expires 2015

ROGERS/OXFORD STUDY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Barbara Acksen	Thomas Alden, Sr.
Albert Benac	Stephen Desroches
Lisa Elliot	Robert Espindola
Gail Isaksen	Nils Isaksen
Paul Kitchen	Pamela Kuechler
Susan Loo	Jeffrey Lucas
John Medeiros	Beverly Rasmussen
Gayla Reilly	Rona Trachenberg
Karen Villandry	

RETIREMENT BOARD

Anne M. Carreiro
Joyce Shepard
Alfred Robichaud

Earl Faunce
Mary Sturgeon, Administrator
Jeffrey W. Osuch

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Robert N. Baldwin, Ed. D.
Kathryn R. Levine
Paul B. Kitchen

Superintendent
Special Education Director
Business Administrator

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Theodore Machado

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

William J. Roth, Jr.
Rene Fleurent, Jr.
Robert Espindola
William J. Roth, Jr.
William J. Roth, Jr.

SRPEDD, Selectmen's Representative
SRPEDD, Planning Board Representative
JTPG Representative
JTPG Representative
SEMASS Commuter Rail Representative

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Kathleen Audette
Lois Callahan-Moore
Robert Espindola
Laurie Hellstrom
John McLoughlin
Marianne Murray
Susan B. Spooner

Nate Bekemeier
Lisa Elliot
Deirdre Healy
Vincent Marron
Patrick McLoughlin
Ann Richard

TOWN GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2014)

Phil Washko
Dick Douglass
Linda Meredith
G. Steven Riley, Alternate
*Daniel Freitas, resigned

Bernard Roderick
Andrew Jones
Patricia Pacella
Siobhan Henebury, Alternate

VETERAN'S BENEFITS AND SERVICE BURIAL AGENT

James Cochran
Jane Bettencourt
*Ivey Winkler, resigned

Veteran's Agent
Secretary
Secretary

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

REVENUE RECEIVED - JULY 1, 2012 - JUNE 30, 2013

TAX COLLECTIONS (NET)

REAL ESTATE	22,296,578
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	1,510,516
PERSONAL PROPERTY	687,135
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES REDEEMED	167,035
URBAN EXCISE	154,879
MUNICIPAL LIENS / IE LIENS	59,983
BOAT EXCISE/OTHER EXCISE	39,454
IN LIEU OF TAXES/PROFORMA TAX	24,741

INTEREST/PENALTIES

PROPERTY TAX	76,261
EXCISE TAX	102,757
TAX LIENS	86,340

TOTAL TAXES	25,205,679
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CHARGES FOR SERVICES

SEMASS ADMINISTRATION/RECYCLING	310,812
WHARFAGE	84,684
FEES	150,210
RENTALS	126,321
BETTERMENT RELEASE	100
OTHER DEPT REVENUE	21,948

TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES	694,075
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LICENSES AND PERMITS

ALCOHOLIC BEV. LICENSES	34,250
OTHER LIC & PERMITS	350,081

TOTAL LICENSES & PERMITS	384,331
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FINES & FORFEITS	13,890
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INVESTMENT INCOME	25,386
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MISCELLANEOUS

RECURRING	1,329
NONRECURRING	126,404
PRIOR YEAR	68,873

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	196,607
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REVENUE FROM FEDERAL/STATE

UNRESTRICTED GEN'L GOV AID	1,907,302
STATE OWNED LAND	106,090
LOTTERY	-
COLA	2,165
CHAPTER 90	213,891

ROOM TAX/MEAL TAX	477,574	
VETERAN BENEFITS	565,727	
ABATE VETS & BLIND/SURVIVING SPOUSE	92,906	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS	1,546,090	
MEDICARE PART D SUBSIDY	112,538	
TOTAL STATE REVENUE/FEDERAL		5,024,283
OTHER REVENUE		
WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT	80,623	
AMBULANCE FUND	824,575	
STORMWATER MAINT FEE	-	
SOCIAL DAY RECEIPTS-COA	169,778	
WETLAND PROTECTION	5,494	
INSURANCE RECOVERY	3,725	
GIFT ACCOUNTS	25,567	
HOPPY'S LANDING	5,475	
GOV ACCESS-GENERAL	196,359	
POLICE TECHNOLOGY RECEIPTS	10,794	
TITLE 5	10,915	
HAZMAT	6,309	
SUSTAINABILITY COMM	1,492	
FEMA	-	
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE		1,341,107
TOTAL NON-SCHOOL REVENUE		32,885,358
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		
TUITION	1,534,275	
EDUCATION CABLE	142,489	
SALE OF SCHOOL LUNCHES/INV EARN	461,094	
ATHLETIC REVOLVER	20,028	
MUSIC REVOLVER	1,158	
GIFTS	14,650	
LEASE-TRIPP SCH	32,000	
RENTAL SCHOOL PROPERTY	7,197	
PRESCHOOL TUITION	36,610	
FHS SUMMER ENRICH	6,000	
INSURANCE RECOVERY	14,350	
MISC	-	
TOTAL		2,269,850
SCHOOL REVENUE FROM FEDERAL/STATE		
CIRCUIT BREAKER	543,737	
SCHOOL AID - CHAPTER 70	7,292,285	
CONSTRUCTION SCHOOL PROJECT	1,011,361	
ADDITIONAL SCHOOL AID	-	
CHARTER TUITION	36,134	
SCHOOL LUNCH	279,716	
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	55,803	
TOTAL		9,219,037

SCHOOL GRANTS FEDERAL/STATE

TITLE I/SCHOOL SUPPORT	300,159
SPN IDEA/TITLE VI	491,475
EDUCATORS QUALITY & JOBS	87,946
FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN	56,260
RACE TO THE TOP	54,466
EARLY CHILDHOOD	13,028
SPN PROF DEVELOPMENT	20,320
ENHANCED SCHOOL HEALTH	4,700

TOTAL 1,028,354

TOTAL SCHOOL REVENUE 12,517,240

WATER DIVISION

WATER RATES	1,941,794
WATER LIENS/SERVICES	151,925
WATER DEMANDS	74,589
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES	20,693
WATER BETTERMENT ADDED TO TAXES	3,330
COMM. INTEREST PD IN ADVANCE	487
MISC	447
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	205
WATER BETTERMENT PD IN ADVANCE	-

TOTAL WATER REVENUE 2,193,469

SEWER DIVISION

SEWER USER CHARGE	2,317,184
SEWER BETTERMENT ADDED TO TAXES	258,692
MATT. USER CHARGE	218,117
SEWER LIENS/COMM INT	173,722
COMMITTED INTEREST	160,770
SEWER BETTERMENT PD IN ADVANCE	80,269
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES	42,650
SEWER APPLICATION FEE	41,011
USAGE W/O WATER	13,560
DEMANDS AND FEES	9,095
SEPTIC WASTE	7,844
MISC	7,003
DRAIN LAYER	2,845
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	2,038
USER CHARGE-OT	88
SEWER DEFERRED REVENUE	-

TOTAL SEWER REVENUE 3,334,888

RECREATION CENTER DIVISION

FEES	54,390
PROGRAMS FEES	90,946
MISC	355
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	98

TOTAL RECREATION CENTER REVENUE 145,789

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT		
SURCHARGES	310,961	
STATE MATCH REVENUE	82,304	
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	3,268	
LIENS	2,045	
INTEREST AND FEES	0	
TOTAL COMMUNITY PRESERVATION REVENUE		398,578
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUE		51,475,322

TRUST FUNDS - JULY 1, 2012 - JUNE 30, 2013

	NON-EXPD 7/1/12	EXPEND 7/1/12	NON-EXPD REV TRANS	EXPENDABLE TRUST INTEREST/ REV TRANS	WITHDRAW	FUND 81 NON-EXPD 6/30/13	FUND 82 EXPEND 6/30/13
HH ROGER ELEM	187,479.25	11,104.26	60,858.72	482.49		248,337.97	11,586.75
E ANTHONY JR	10,000.00	3,435.41		(120.98)	500.00	10,000.00	2,814.43
ABNER PEASE	5,000.00	1,646.09		42.38		5,000.00	1,688.47
HH ROGERS HS	1,736,047.06	222,553.93	101,955.33	69,836.32	25,492.52	1,838,002.39	266,897.73
J RICKETT	1,430.66	2,646.73		19.73		1,430.66	2,666.46
J STODDARD	147,083.13	16,578.48	52,182.00	911.73	14,400.00	199,265.13	3,090.21
ANDRUS SPRUIT	41,372.52	60.12		60.59		41,372.52	120.71
A TROWBRIDGE	6,000.00	534.87		45.23		6,000.00	580.10
S CLARK-ROGER	500.00	44.61		0.51		500.00	45.12
S. CLARK H.S.	500.00	5,236.71		5.37		500.00	5,242.08
LADY FAIRHAVEN	600.00	101.21		0.65		600.00	101.86
AMANDA SEARS	700.00	70.92		0.70		700.00	71.62

JULIA SEARS	1,000.00	19.72	0.95	1,000.00	20.67
FRANCES HOXIE	2,000.00	292.11	2.13	2,000.00	294.24
J KEEN	3,000.00	78.30	2.97	3,000.00	81.27
SWIFT SCHOLAR	50,000.00	3,687.55	374.45	50,000.00	2,562.00
M MILLER	15,552.04	2,225.87	128.51	15,552.04	1,854.38
P HILLER	6,075.00	270.84	41.62	6,075.00	312.46
A PILLSBURY	6,500.00	208.29	7.00	6,500.00	215.29
M DELANO	25,000.00	382.10	25.81	25,000.00	407.91
TRIPP	2,000.00	193.32	2.23	2,000.00	45.55
M KNIPE	6,000.00	1,693.12	7.42	6,000.00	1,700.54
MEMOR TROPHY	726.66	242.18	0.19	726.66	242.37
FHS DARLING LIB	1,096.89	399.05	1.39	1,096.89	400.44
HS SPEC AID	1,449.24	487.15	1.80	1,449.24	488.95
J COYNE	4,500.00	8.38	4.19	4,500.00	12.57
RADCLIFFE	8,000.00	741.42	8.29	8,000.00	449.71
				300.00	

ENTWISTLE	8,000.00	81.06	7.52	8,000.00	88.58
ANTHONY SCH	1,638.10	553.27	215.95	1,638.10	769.22
HUTTLESTONIAN	12,000.00	777.71	11.45	12,000.00	439.16
SILVEIRA	-	3,883.83	3.86	-	3,387.69
MACCORD	2,362.97	500.04	2.67	2,362.97	502.71
MEEKIN	-	165.67	535.47	-	-
S. GRABIEC	2,100.00	505.68	2.43	2,100.00	508.11
BANGS	2,300.00	118.90	2.26	2,300.00	121.16
KATHY ROCHA	10,620.00	812.07	11.39	10,620.00	323.46
F CAMPBELL	-	-	10,000.00	-	-
ACUSH FOUNDA	-	291.16	0.29	-	-
M CABRAL	900.00	197.33	1.03	900.00	198.36
A MARTIN	415.31	136.61	0.13	415.31	136.74
HELEN PORTER	4,140.00	600.32	4.42	4,140.00	604.74
RICH GAUTREAU	9,200.00	63.67	8.89	9,200.00	72.56

SUPT SCHOLARSHIP	0.66					0.66
RICH MACCORD ART	329.73		50.43			380.16
MATTY OLIVIERA	(2,626.51)		5,830.00	2,900.00		303.49
BRUNETTE	1,249.31		1.14			1,250.45
CLASS OF '43	60.72		0.06			60.78
CAROL KANER	43.52		0.03			43.55
JAY KRUGER	20,000.00				20,000.00	
RODRIGUES	7,300.00	300.00	18.93			326.73
FHVN HIGH SCHOLAR	1,058.15		356.31	300.00		1,114.46
DOUG STEVENS	2,525.00		6,045.00	2,000.00		6,570.00
CLAIMS TRUST/DENTAL	51.09		50.11			101.20
CLAIMS TR-BCBS DEPOSIT	(387,346.18)		7,473,385.76	6,647,123.14		438,916.44
OPEB TRUST	50,966.53		4,807.72			1,186,600.00
STABILIZATION	2,637,779.71		63,187.96		-	55,774.25
STAB-SWR BOULDER PK BTR	27,823.36		194.20			2,700,967.67
STAB-SWR SCONT NK BTR	1,752,845.42		103,439.14			28,017.56
STAB-SWR NANCY ST BTR	203,350.92		3,567.00			1,856,284.56
STAB-SWR WIBR	128,820.47		32,568.40			206,917.92
POST WAR PLAN	7,767.96		4.58		-	161,388.87
LAW ENFORCE-STATE	33,758.75		15,975.92	43,910.79		7,772.54
LAW ENFORCE-FED	30,080.59		39,858.75	22,989.19	-	5,823.88
TOTALS	2,350,588.83	4,772,477.06	215,296.05	6,774,115.64	2,565,884.88	46,950.15
						7,017,004.29

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

	BALANCE FORWARD	ANNUAL/ SPECIAL T.M.	TRANSFER	FINAL BUDGET	EXPENDI- TURES	ENCUM- BRANCES	BALANCE
TOWN MEETING							
PERSONAL SERVICES		1,067.00		1,067.00	999.70		67.30
PURCHASE OF SERVICES		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,510.37		489.63
SUPPLIES		1,400.00		1,400.00	1,058.00		342.00
MODERATOR							
PERSONAL SERVICES		800.00		800.00	800.00		-
SELECTMEN							
PERSONAL SERVICES		256,362.61		256,362.61	256,285.68		76.93
PURCHASE OF SERVICES		6,500.00		6,500.00	4,930.34	60.00	1,509.66
SUPPLIES		4,550.00		4,550.00	4,243.62	120.91	185.47
OTHER EXPENSES		4,300.00		4,300.00	4,174.25		125.75
CAPITAL OUTLAY				-			-
ENCUMBRANCE	1,151.84			1,151.84	1,096.67		55.17
FINANCE COMM							
PERSONAL SERVICES		1.00		1.00			1.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES		200.00		200.00	113.44		86.56
SUPPLIES		2,700.00		2,700.00	1,949.64		750.36
OTHER EXPENSES		275.00		275.00	231.00		44.00
RESERVE FUND TRANSFER		175,000.00	(163,833.54)	11,166.46	-		11,166.46
TOWN ACCOUNTANT							
PERSONAL SERVICES		94,087.00		94,087.00	93,184.38		902.62
PURCHASE OF SERVICES		280.00		280.00	264.52	15.48	0.00
SUPPLIES		200.00		200.00	131.17		68.83
OTHER EXPENSES		640.00		640.00	640.00		-
TOWN AUDIT		52,000.00		52,000.00	37,175.00	12,350.00	2,475.00
ENCUMBRANCE	150.00			150.00			150.00

CONTRIBUTORY RETIRE	2,341,914.00		2,341,914.00		-
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	175,000.00		175,000.00	246.02	76,281.89
EMPLOYER MEDICARE TAX	305,040.16		305,040.16		14,685.53
NON-CONTRI. RETIREMENT	10,834.00		10,834.00		0.04
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	4,425,000.00		4,425,000.00		292,696.39
TOWN INSUR/WORKER COMP	720,000.00	3,250.00	723,250.00	723,247.82	2.18
WORKERS COMP ASSESSMENT	17,288.27		17,288.27		-
T-HALL REPAIRS	3,998.59		11,498.59	4,652.00	6,846.59
TOWN ART RESTORATION	1,000.00		1,000.00	945.84	54.16
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	50,334.80	10,113,906.12	10,027,914.94	40,367.91	511,295.67
PUBLIC SAFETY					
POLICE DEPT					
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,571,960.72		2,570,616.81		1,343.91
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	138,357.00		148,357.00	2,775.00	325.40
UTILITIES	36,500.00	10,000.00	36,500.00		6,612.68
SUPPLIES	60,800.00		60,800.00	189.98	10,034.00
GAS	91,250.00		91,250.00		22,877.79
OTHER EXPENSES	2,766.00		2,766.00		306.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	67,650.00		67,650.00		21.89
ENCUMBRANCE	7,798.99		7,798.99		2,011.23
FIRE DEPT					
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,724,347.13		1,725,702.91		644.22
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	79,190.00	2,000.00	79,190.00	1,853.03	2,467.42
UTILITIES	5,800.00		5,800.00		1,569.71
SUPPLIES	48,184.00	5,000.00	53,184.00	269.97	389.25

GASOLINE	24,500.00	2,400.00	26,900.00	26,435.66		464.34
OTHER EXPENSES	6,000.00		6,000.00	4,392.00	1,450.00	158.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY			-			-
ENCUMBRANCE	1,643.93		1,643.93	1,357.94		285.99
RADIOS FEMA MATCH	9,232.00		9,232.00	9,231.96		0.04
AMBULANCE	220,000.00		220,000.00	219,661.99		338.01
FIRE RADIO BOX	500.00		500.00	500.00		-
FIRE ALARM BOX	5,119.00		5,119.00	5,119.00		-
FIRE ALARM						
PERSONAL SERVICES	12,088.00		12,088.00	10,063.62		2,024.38
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	4,190.00	3,464.39	7,654.39	7,165.01		489.38
SUPPLIES	1,000.00		1,000.00	601.07	288.32	110.61
GASOLINE	735.00		735.00	712.42		22.58
CAPITAL OUTLAY			-			-
ENCUMBRANCE	5.90		5.90	5.90		-
BUILDING DEPT						
PERSONAL SERVICES	126,770.42	14,000.00	140,770.42	132,580.85		8,189.57
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,050.00		2,050.00	1,799.28	25.00	225.72
SUPPLIES	1,750.00	98.00	1,848.00	1,809.83	30.00	8.17
GAS	1,610.00		1,610.00	1,425.49		184.51
OTHER EXPENSES	1,400.00		1,400.00	1,244.25		155.75
CAPITAL OUTLAY			-			-
ENCUMBRANCE	119.97		119.97	110.14		9.83
WEIGHTS & MEASURES						
PERSONAL SERVICES	6,246.00		6,246.00	6,246.00		-
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	125.00		125.00	-		125.00
SUPPLIES	75.00		75.00	-		75.00
OTHER EXPENSES	780.00		780.00	715.00		65.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	200.00		200.00			200.00
CIVIL DEFENSE						
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,641.00		1,641.00	1,617.95		23.05
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,400.00		2,400.00	2,030.07	135.00	234.93
UTILITIES	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,024.89	250.00	525.11
SUPPLIES	675.00		675.00	637.78	37.22	0.00
GASOLINE	950.00	150.00	1,100.00	991.70		108.30
ENCUMBRANCE	685.00		685.00	479.85		205.15

VISITING NURSES	17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00	-	-
OTHER CHGES & EXP	1,850.00	1,850.00	1,850.00	-	-
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
ENCUMBRANCE	616.33		616.33	542.97	73.36
LANDFILL INSPECTIONS	21,000.00		21,000.00	20,850.00	150.00
HAZARDOUS WASTE	11,000.00		11,000.00	9,219.55	1,780.45
SEMASS	173,155.00		173,155.00	147,145.23	26,009.77
CURBSIDE RECYCLING	166,170.00		166,170.00		-
TOTAL HEALTH	616.33	494,869.41	495,485.74	510.00	30,070.96
HIGHWAY					
HIGHWAY DIVISION					
PERSONAL SERVICES	861,099.83	28,000.00	889,099.83	878,081.73	11,018.10
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	93,424.00		93,424.00	93,147.85	144.66
UTILITIES	17,000.00		17,000.00	16,552.05	447.95
SUPPLIES	49,200.00		49,200.00	48,948.17	218.37
GASOLINE	63,000.00		63,000.00	58,798.52	4,201.48
CAPITAL OUTLAY	15,200.00		15,200.00	8,631.77	6,568.23
SNOW & ICE	21,300.00		37,400.00	37,351.78	48.22
HIGHWAY RUBBISH	467,300.00		467,300.00	466,794.96	505.04
ENCUMBRANCE	148,116.94		148,116.94	146,314.97	1,801.97
HGWY HARDSURFACING			60,000.00	60,000.00	-
SIDEWALK REPAIR			40,000.00	40,000.00	-
ENCUMBRANCE	7,891.85		7,891.85	7,891.85	-
HGWY DRAINAGE			12,000.00	12,000.00	-
ST RESURFACING			140,000.00	140,000.00	-
ENCUMBRANCE			-	-	-
SUB DIVISION MGT FEES			8,647.00	8,383.00	264.00
ENCUMBRANCE			-	-	-
ROADWORK			315,428.93	214,394.68	101,034.25
ENGINEERING/MIDDLE ST CH90	214,763.93		2,000.00	2,000.00	-
ENCUMBRANCE	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00	-
STREET LIGHTS			200,000.00	199,144.96	855.00
ENCUMBRANCE	24,555.71		24,555.71	24,069.96	0.04
BPW RADIOS	18,720.00		18,720.00	17,162.86	485.75
HIGHWAY LANDFILL	25,420.00		25,420.00	25,225.29	1,557.14
					194.71

ACADEMY BLDG	44.57	4,000.00	4,044.57	3,871.18	173.39
FIRE MUSEUM	95.92	1,000.00	1,095.92	736.43	359.49
FT PHOENIX	26.12	1,000.00	1,026.12	980.52	45.60
HISTORICAL COMM	2.89	500.00	502.89	492.00	10.89
OLD STONE SCHOOL	387.00	500.00	887.00	575.00	312.00
STABILIZATION		50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	-
PRIOR YR BILLS		57.25	57.25	57.25	-
BUZZARDS BAY COMM		760.00	760.00	760.00	-
POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS			-		-
RECREATION CTR GYM FLOOR	2,471.39		2,471.39		2,471.39
GOV STUDY COMM		5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
RAPE CRISIS PROGRAM		2,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00
MEMORIAL DAY		2,500.00	2,500.00	2,476.20	23.80
REC CTR/COA PARKING LOT		13,970.44	13,970.44	12,979.84	990.60
MUNICIPAL DEBT		2,362,100.00	2,362,100.00	2,307,758.79	54,341.21
HURRICANE BARRIER CERTIF	4,030.00		4,030.00	970.00	3,060.00
CULTURAL COUNCIL	1,205.00	1,000.00	2,205.00	1,000.00	1,205.00
ESTUARY STUDY	35,000.00		35,000.00	20,000.00	15,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T.	828,404.24	42,229,443.32	(2,513.59) 43,055,333.97	41,894,652.45	249,973.10 910,708.42

WATER DIVISION									
PERSONAL SERVICE	477,986.00		477,986.00	453,846.80				24,139.20	
PURCHASE OF SERVICE	248,299.00		248,300.00	216,510.81			25,099.00	6,690.19	
UTILITIES	47,000.00		54,000.00	53,232.03	7,000.00			767.97	
SUPPLIES	40,400.00		40,400.00	34,621.02			932.73	4,846.25	
GASOLINE	22,825.00		22,825.00	20,802.23				2,022.77	
OTHER EXPENSE	1,500.00		1,500.00	783.00				717.00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY									
ENCUMBRANCE	6,900.18		6,900.18	6,876.93					
RESERVE FUND TRANSFER	25,000.00		18,000.00	-	(7,000.00)			23.25	
REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT	994,899.00		994,899.00	994,899.00				18,000.00	
SCONTICUT NECK WTR TANK	25,431.26		25,431.26	-				25,431.26	
WATER MGT ACT	15,000.00		15,000.00	-				15,000.00	
HYDRANT & VALVE REPLACE									
WATER LINE REPLACE	1,606.14		1,606.14	-				1,606.14	
WTR DISTRIB SYSTEM REHAB	18,760.84		18,760.84	18,760.84				-	
CROSS CONN SURVEY	1,942.38		1,942.38	-				1,942.38	
TOTAL WATER DIVISION	54,640.80		1,927,550.80	1,800,332.66	-		26,031.73	101,186.41	
SEWER DIVISION									
PERSONAL SERVICES	868,762.08		868,762.08	861,231.66				7,530.42	
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	181,500.00		181,500.00	171,305.54			4,460.96	5,733.50	
UTILITIES	406,000.00		406,000.00	341,415.88				64,584.12	
SUPPLIES	139,050.00		139,050.00	107,575.92			3,528.98	27,945.10	
GASOLINE	270,950.00		27,950.00	26,580.50				1,369.50	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	28,000.00		28,000.00	26,191.84				1,808.16	
ENCUMBRANCE	51,490.46		51,490.46	43,810.14				7,680.32	
RESERVE FUND TRANSFER	25,000.00		25,000.00	-				25,000.00	
DEBT SERVICE	700,500.00		700,500.00	658,341.31				42,158.69	
SLUDGE REMOVAL	310,000.00		310,000.00	202,297.86				107,702.14	
ENCUMBRANCE									
WASTE WTR MGT PLAN	75,402.98		150,402.98	72,750.00				77,652.98	
WSTEWTR SOLAR PHOTO	350,000.00		154,000.00					154,000.00	
TABER AND SOUTH ST	5,326.00		5,326.00	3,395.40				1,930.60	
SWR COLL SYS PUMP STAT	757,000.00		757,000.00	40,105.57				716,894.43	

**TRANSFERS FROM THE RESERVE FUND FY13
AUTHORIZED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

VETERANS	48,400.00
SNOW AND ICE	44,100.00
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	15,770.00
BUILDING	14,098.00
POLICE	10,000.00
FIRE	9,400.00
LEGAL	6,200.00
FIRE ALARM	3,464.39
TOWN INSURANCE	3,250.00
TREE	3,200.00
RECREATION CENTER	2,513.59
TOWN CLERK	1,887.56
PARK	1,000.00
CONSERVATION COMM	400.00
EMA	150.00
TOTAL	163,833.54

ANIMAL CONTROL

Calls taken	2,024
Animal complaints	429
Animal bites	17
Animals taken in	59
Surrenders	18
Strays	41
Adoptions	51
Transfers to other rescues, shelters to wildlife rehabilitation	40
Euthanized (domestic & wildlife for injury/health concerns)	12
Dogs licensed	2,173
Citations issued	13
Road kill	110

FAIRHAVEN ANIMAL SHELTER

Volunteers	27
Number of hours volunteered	3,244

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Quarantine	16
Rabies test	2
Positive	0
Unsatisfactory	0
Negative	2
Barn inspections	32
Livestock inventory (private, not canine, feline or similar)	1,126
Horses	41
Chickens	361
Ducks	111
Pigeons	175
Cows	287
Rabbits	56
Goats	38
Donkeys/Mules	4
Game birds	21
Swine	3
Llamas	5
Miniature horses	2
Pot belly pigs	1
Turkeys	0
Sheep	21

2013 was another busy year for Animal Control and the Fairhaven Animal Shelter. The volume of activity was similar to 2012. We successfully utilized social media to alert the public to lost animals, captured animals, and to share safety tips and other information

with the general public. Other online tools were also utilized successfully to track down missing pets and reunite them with their owners. The computer system integrated into our operations in 2012 continued to assist with efficiency in our operations.

ACO Catherine Mindlin resigned on October 31, 2013 after a few years of dedication to Fairhaven's animals. She expresses her sincere appreciation and gratitude for the opportunity to serve as ACO. New ACO Terence W. Cripps was sworn in on December 4, 2013.

Throughout 2013, the generosity of the public and volunteers was evident with a stream of animal food, supplies, and volunteer hours to keep the Fairhaven Animal Shelter running. Without the support of the general public and volunteers, the shelter would be challenged to operate as efficiently and with as much compassion as it is now. Local school children inspired generosity in their peers and others with their consistent support of raising funds and gathering supplies for the shelter. Thanks to the generosity of the Fairhaven Animal Shelter Fund, a new vehicle was purchased to safely transport animals.

Barn inspections were held in December 2013 to complete a census of the inventory of livestock in private hands in Town.

After a brief closure during November and December 2013, the Animal Shelter was prepped for reopening in mid January 2014.

The Fairhaven Police Department, Selectmen's Office, Board of Public Works, Board of Health, and other Town agencies have been instrumental in their cooperation and support to continue to provide exemplary service and patrolling of animal safety in Fairhaven. Thank you to our Town employees as well for their support.

We send a special thank you to the ACOs of surrounding towns for their support and generosity. The network of cooperation was helpful throughout 2013 and during the transition and appointment of a new ACO in late 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Terence W. Cripps
Animal Control Officer and Animal Inspector

BOARD OF APPEALS

In 2013, the Board of Appeals heard 28 petitions for variances and special permits. Most were positively acted upon by the Board. The Board continues to meet once monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter DeTerra, Chairman
Francis Cox, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Daryl Manchester, Full Member
Joseph Borelli, Full Member
Peg Cook, Full Member
Rene' J. Fleurent, Jr., Associate Member
Alberto Silva, Associate Member
Kenneth Kendall, Associate Member
Jaime DeSousa, Jr., Associate Member
Wayne Fostin, Zoning Enforcement Agent
Patricia Fowle, Secretary

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Fairhaven Board of Assessors currently holds public posted meetings once a month. The Assessors Department has completed the building permits and determined the new growth and the new sales. The Assessing Department is continuing the cyclical inspections and anticipates completion by June 30, 2014.

The town's total valuation for FY2013 was \$1,920,946,889. The FY2013 Residential tax rate was set at \$10.77 and the Commercial, Industrial, Personal Property tax rate was set at \$21.58. The town's total valuation for FY2014 is \$1,849,070,614. The FY2014 Residential tax rate was certified at \$11.50 and the Commercial, Industrial, Personal Property tax rate was certified at \$23.21 by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

Jane Bettencourt, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Assessors, has moved on to a part-time position within our Veterans Services Department as the Administrative Assistant to the Town of Fairhaven Veteran Services assisting Veteran Agent Jim Cochran. We wish her well, and good health in her retirement and new position. While Jane served in this department, she excelled in all areas and became a true example of a "True First Quality Town Official." Her kindness and fairness placed her in a class of her own; she is and will be missed.

In the replacement of the vacant position, the Board of Selectman appointed Delfino R. Garcia to Assistant Assessor of the Board of Assessors. Mr. Garcia has a strong corporate background of over 34 years in insurance, finance and property as well holding a Commonwealth of Massachusetts License in Real Estate Salesperson; and has brought that experience into this department, and a "teamwork" environment. Mr. Garcia holds weekly team meetings with the staff to address the work flow and project deadlines. Mr. Garcia is in constant communication on a daily basis with the Finance/Director Wendy Graves, who supervises the Assessing Department. Mr. Garcia began in the Assessing Department on July 1, 2013. Mr. Garcia has completed MAAO Course 101 held by the Department of Revenue in "Assessment Administration: Law-Procedures-Valuation" at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA this past August 2013, and received the Certificate of Achievement; Mr. Garcia also attended the Classification Training Workshop conducted by the Division of Local Services. Mr. Garcia received the Certificate of Completion of the "Conflict of Interest Law" by the Attorney General pertaining to the "Open Meeting Law".

The Board of Assessors will continue to review valuations for the next re-certification scheduled for FY 2017, and look forward to meeting the needs and serving the citizens of the Town of Fairhaven.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Manzone, Chair
Pamela K. Davis, MAA
Ellis B. Withington
Del Garcia, Asst. Assessor

BIKEWAY COMMITTEE

The Fairhaven Bikeway Committee had a busy and successful year. We started off the year on Bike Week in April by having a regional bike ride which was well-attended. A number of us attended the regional bike summit held in April at the UMASS Law School. We worked with Steve Miller from Livable Streets and are going forward to implement some of his suggestions. During the summer, we sponsored weekly bike rides on the weekends. In the fall, we started a bike bus which resulted in a large number of parents and students riding each week to the Wood Elementary School. We anticipate having solid colors painted on the cross walks at the Sconticut Neck, Orchard Street, and the Pleasant Street Crossings. The Committee meets monthly at the Town Hall and all meetings are open to the public. We encourage any interested individuals to come and participate. We look forward to promoting bicycling throughout the Community for recreation and everyday use in 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Pottel, Chairman
Geoffrey Sullivan, Co-Vice Chairs
Susan Sullivan, Co-Vice Chairs
Matthew Coes, Clerk
Mark Badwey
Joyce Barrett
Lois Callahan-Moore
Robert Espindola
Rene J. Fleurent, Jr.
Joseph Mello, Jr.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Town of Fairhaven Building Department has experienced a lot of changes this year, Phase II of Southcoast Hospitals Group Inc, Ambulatory Care Center at 208 Mill Road is open and available for public use. The new state of the art Leroy L. Wood Elementary School at 60 Sconticut Neck Road opened this past September just in time for the new school year. 20 new businesses opened in existing buildings in town this year. The Town approved a new subdivision on Welcome Street creating several new single-family homes. Renovations and remodeling projects have been brisk keeping the entire department busy. The Building Department would like to congratulate associate wire inspector John Cottrill to our new Chief Wire Inspector and we would like to welcome our new Associate Wire Inspector Kevin Vasconcellos. The Town of Fairhaven Building Department has worked collaboratively with other Town departments and with GeoTMS through a SRPEDD grant towards implementing online e-permitting; the Building Department anticipates being online by the end of January 2014.

Building Permits includes the following categories:

Single Family Dwellings, Home Improvements; Pools;		
Sheet-metal/HVAC; Additions/Alterations & Sheds/Garages	696	8,096,405
Commercial Projects/Renovations	91	3,571,223
Total Values	787	11,667,628

Total Fees Collected	
Building Permits	\$153,089
Building Inspections	\$7,537
Wiring Permits	\$48,533
Plumbing Permits	\$19,073
Gas Permits	\$15,224
Occupancy Permits	\$5,496
Total Fees Collected	\$248,952

The Building Department would like to thank all of our inspectors for their dedication and support that help to keep this department running smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Fostin, Building Commissioner
Andrew Bobola, Assistant Building Commissioner
Lisa L. Moniz, Administrative Assistant
Norman Lussier, Plumbing Inspector
Henry E. Daigle, Gas Inspector
William Alphonse, Jr. Associate PI & Gas Inspector
John Cottrill, Chief Wire Inspector
Roger Poitras, Associate Wire Inspector
Kevin Vasconcellos, Associate Wire Inspector

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

The purpose of the Fairhaven Commission on Disability is to (1) research local problems of people with disabilities; (2) advise and assist Town officials and employees in ensuring compliance with state and federal laws and regulations that affect people with disabilities; (3) coordinate and carry out programs designed to meet the problems of people with disabilities in coordination with programs of the Massachusetts Office on Disability; (4) review and make recommendations about policies, procedures, services, activities, and facilities of departments, boards and agencies of the Town as they affect people with disabilities; (5) provide information, referrals, guidance and technical assistance to individuals, public agencies, businesses and organizations in all matters pertaining to disability; (6) coordinate activities of other local groups organized for similar purposes.

In May of FY13, the Commission on Disability held a Disability Awareness Fair at the Fairhaven Senior Center where agencies and organizations provided information about the services or products they provide to those with disabilities.

In July of FY13, Jeff Dougan from the Massachusetts Office on Disability presented an in-service at the Fairhaven Senior Center on Emergency Preparedness, distributing 48 backpacks filled with essential items needed in case of an emergency or evacuation situation. The Commission's upcoming goal, with the guidance of the Massachusetts Office of Disability, is to create a revolving account where fees collected as a result of handicap parking fines would be used to improve access for those with physical disabilities. Accessibility improvements could include curb cuts in sidewalks, and construction of ramps for easy access in public areas.

The dedicated members of the Commission on Disability will continue their efforts to ensure that the residents of the Town of Fairhaven with disabilities will be provided the necessities required in order to bring about full and equal participation in all aspects of life.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Murphy, Chairperson
Trina Bigham, Vice Chairperson
Diane Rocha, Secretary
Anne Silvia, Treasurer
Jeff Osuch, ADA Coordinator
Joseph Borelli, Advisor
Paul Schroeder
Brian Rego
Waldemar DeOliveira
Maria DeOliveira
Ronnie Medina
Eugene Robert

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is responsible for the administration of the Community Preservation Fund, the selection and recommendation to Town Meeting of projects for funding and the monitoring of the progress of funded community preservation projects. By statute, Community Preservation Act funds may be allocated to those projects which support the preservation and/or enhancement of open space, historic resources, community housing, and land for recreational use.

The CPC enjoyed great success in 2013, its eighth year of operation. As of June 30, 2013, the Town has collected \$317,026 from the local CPA surcharge for FY-2013 and in October 2013 received \$165,567 in State matching funds, which was a 52% match.

With Article #31 on the May 4, 2013, Annual Town Meeting Warrant, the Committee recommended the Buzzards Bay Coalition – Nasketucket Bay Conservation Project - \$200,000; Fairhaven Housing Authority – Anthony Haven Roof Replacement Project - \$40,000; Fairhaven High School - Northeast and Northwest Gutter Restoration Project – \$86,000; Fairhaven Historical Commission – Fort Phoenix Restoration Project Ph. II - \$16,000; Livesey Park – Tennis/Basketball Court and In-line Hockey Rink Restoration Project - \$32,000 and Bike Path Committee – Bikeways Enhancement and Safety Project - \$10,000. With Article #9 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant, the Committee recommended Fairhaven Town Hall Exterior Restoration Project Phase V – Main Door and Exterior Lighting Project - \$44,000; Fairhaven Historical Commission – Fire Protection Building Restoration Project - \$3,000 and Planning & Economic Development Department – North Fairhaven CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Plan - \$60,000.

In August, the Committee published its FY2014 Community Preservation Plan with guidelines and information for applicants seeking community preservation funds. In November, the Committee began deliberations on the submissions for funding. The CPC has reviewed all proposals and interviewed the respective proponents. The Committee's FY2015 recommendations are being presented to Town Meeting Members for action at the May 3, 2014, Town Meeting.

The Community Preservation Committee generally meets monthly between August and February and at other times as needed. Meetings are held at Fairhaven Town Hall. All CPC meetings are open to the public and the Committee welcomes public participation throughout the process. Citizens may email the Committee at cpc@fairhaven-ma.gov or contact the Town Planning office at (508) 979-4082, with questions, comments and feedback. For additional information citizens may visit the CPC web page on the Town website at www.fairhaven-ma.gov.

2013 CPC Members:

Jeffrey Lucas, Chairman	Planning Board representative
Frank J. Rezendes, Vice-Chairman	Board of Public Works representative
Janine Peccini, Clerk	Conservation Commission representative
William R. Markey	At-Large representative
Cynthia S. McNaughten	Historical Commission representative
Terrence P. Meredith	At-Large representative
Ann Richard	At-Large representative
Jay S. Simmons	Fairhaven Housing Authority representative
James T. Souza	At-Large representative

Staff Support:

William D. Roth, Jr.	Planning Director
Marie E. Ripley	Administrative Assistant to the Planning Director
Patricia A. Pacella	Secretary to the Committee

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission (FCC) consists of seven voting and two associate non-voting members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The FCC is supported by a part-time paid Conservation Agent and a part-time paid secretary.

The purpose of the FCC is to protect Fairhaven's wetland resource areas in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Ch. 131, section 40) and its Regulations (310 CMR 10.00) as well as the Fairhaven Wetland Bylaws. The protected resource areas include rivers, streams, ponds, brooks, wetland marshes (salt and fresh), banks, and floodplains, including the 29 miles of coastline in Fairhaven.

Protection extends 100 feet from the edge of the wetlands, 200 feet from rivers and most brooks and streams, and to the entire floodplain. Under the Town Bylaws, certain activities within the Nasketucket River Basin are also subject to FCC review.

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission holds public hearings, issues Orders of Conditions permitting work, inspects the work in progress, and upon completion, issues Certificates of Compliance. The FCC is updating and strengthening the Town Bylaws to keep pace with the changing times and climate, and is taking measures to keep track electronically of enforcement orders. The FCC routinely undertakes enforcement activities when unauthorized activities are identified and cannot be resolved through more amicable means.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Simmons – Chairman (2015)
Steven Pereira (2014)
Janine Peccini (2015)
Louise Barteau (2016)
Simone Bourgeois (2016)
Geoff Haworth (2016)
Jeanne Van Orman – Associate Member (2014)
John Rockwell – Advisor
Wayne Fostin – Conservation Agent
Patricia Pacella – Recording Secretary

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The following schedule summarizes the operations for:

INCOME

Balance on hand 01/01/13	41,766,249.72
Town appropriation	2,450,018.00
Housing Authority Appropriation	69,934.00
Contributions from Members	953,274.56
Transfers from Other Systems	86,341.91
Members Make-up payments	52,440.58
Workers' Compensation Settlements	~
Recovery of 91A Overearnings	~
Investment Income	6,264,542.99
Cola Received	51,986.22
Reimbursement from other systems	74,040.60
Federal Grant Reimbursements	30,211.99
Interest not refunded	253.64

51,799,294.21

DISBURSEMENTS

Pensions Paid	2,999,772.28
Annuities Paid	497,857.04
Refund to members	34,077.91
Reimbursement to other systems	148,531.84
Transfers to other systems	219,031.14
Administrative Expense	337,579.57
	4,236,849.78

47,562,444.43

BALANCES

Cash	189,081.31
Prit Fund	47,277,552.16
Accounts Rec.	95,810.96

47,562,444.43

COUNCIL ON AGING

MISSION

The mission of the Fairhaven Council on Aging is to advocate for quality of life for all seniors through education, supportive services and programs. Fairhaven seniors and their families are welcome to visit the Senior Center using it as a community resource where older adults can come together for services and explore numerous physical activities offered throughout the wellness program as well as activities offered for pure enjoyment.

The latest number of seniors in the Town of Fairhaven in 2013, 60 years and older, is estimated at 4,470. Of those included, 1,493 received services assisting in promoting and maintaining a secure, safe and healthy quality of life (1,084 being women and 409 being men).

STAFFING

The Senior Center is staffed with a director (40 hours), a senior clerk (35 hours), a custodian (35 hours), an outreach worker (30 hours), a volunteer coordinator (19 hours), a receptionist (19 hours), and two van drivers (sharing approximately 28 hours per week) all of whom are paid either through town funding, federal or state funding or private grants.

The Supportive Social Day staff include a program coordinator (35 hours), an assistant program director (35 hours), one activity aid (10 hours and two van drivers sharing 20 hours per week) all of whom are paid from monies generated through the program or private grants.

Approximately 100 dedicated volunteers provided 19,955 hours of unpaid time in 2013 totaling a savings of over \$159,000.00 to the town. Duties of the volunteers include assisting in the Supportive Social Day Program, SHINE, fuel assistance, tax preparation, office work, kitchen work (including Meals on Wheels), medical transportation, legal assistance, newsletter coordinating and delivery, assisting in events and activities and custodial help.

OUTREACH

The outreach worker is responsible for educating and informing seniors of resources available in the community to assist in keeping them safe in their own homes thus maintaining dignity and independence. SHINE (assistance with health insurance), Pace (fuel assistance), SNAP (food assistance), Senior Circuit Breaker Tax Credit, tax preparation, free cell phones, medical alert systems and referrals to local agencies and organization who provide assistance with help in the home are a few services provided by the outreach worker. Those in need of legal services are referred to community legal service agencies. Veterans are referred to the Town of Fairhaven's veteran's agent as well as the D.A.V. in New Bedford. The outreach worker and director are mandated reporters assisting those seniors in crisis and reporting to the appropriate agencies any suspected elder abuse, neglect or financial exploitation.

NUTRITION

Coastline Elderly Services, through Bateman Food Services, provides a hot meal in a congregate setting Monday through Friday at 11:30am for those seniors who enjoy getting out for lunch and socializing. A one day in advance request is required to reserve a meal and a \$2.00 donation is suggested by Coastline. Approximately 70 meals a day are delivered

to the community Monday through Friday through the Meals on Wheels Program. The kitchen staff is provided and paid by Coastline. Coastline also supports The Single Senior Supper Club which meets on the first and third Tuesday's of the month from 4:00pm-6:00pm and The South Coast LGBT (Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender) Senior's which meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 5:00pm-7:00pm, both considered congregate meals. In November of 2013, Coastline launched a breakfast program at the Fairhaven Senior Center where seniors can take a breakfast home with them for a suggested donation of \$1.00 which includes a bowl of oatmeal and a smoothie (both frozen), a muffin and a 8oz. carton of milk. A dietician is available by appointment for anyone who is in need of dietary support.

TRANSPORTATION

The Fairhaven Council on Aging has a fleet of four vans which include:

Van #2 2003 Dodge Ram Van	9 Passenger
Van #3 2011 Ford E350	10 Passenger
Van #4 2008 Ford Star Bus	14 Passenger (Social Day Van)
Van #5 2012 Ford Starcraft	14 Passenger

In 2013, the COA provided in town transportation (shopping, banking, etc.) to 1,648 unduplicated seniors and a total of 15,107 duplicated trips. A van is used to provide a mall trip every Wednesday as well as special outings in the surrounding communities. Occasionally, the vans are requested to be used for community events (road races, parades, fundraising events and special events in town). The vans are available in the event of the need of emergency evacuation of housing, nursing home or assisted living residents.

HEALTH SERVICES

The Fairhaven COA continues to strive to provide the seniors of this town, and surrounding towns, with wellness programming and activities to enhance their mental and physical wellbeing. Services available to seniors by appointment in 2013 include a foot care specialist, a public dental hygienist, a dietician and a registered nurse. Physical activities include chair yoga, Zumba Gold, Osteo Class, Tai Chi and walking groups. Informational support on health and wellbeing include Fit Quest Fairhaven, Care Givers Support Group, Bereavement Group, Diabetes Boot Camp, Senior Resource Association Presentations, AARP Drivers Training, flu clinics, Emergency Preparedness In-service and numerous in-services provided by local organizations and agencies regarding scams, fraud and overall safety issues. All programming is listed in the monthly newsletter which can be obtained at the senior center or several local establishments in town.

SUPPORTIVE SOCIAL DAY PROGRAM

The Supportive Social Day Program provides seniors who are in need of minimal supervision related to cognitive or physical impairment with a day of socialization, recreational activities, music and dancing, arts and crafts, light breakfast, hearty lunch and afternoon snack. The program operates Monday through Friday from 8:30am-3:00 pm. During 2013, the program serviced 91 unduplicated seniors and a total of 4,418 duplicated. Door to door transportation is provided. The program is self supporting, funded by those participants who pay privately and, for those who qualify, grants from Coastline and other local agencies. This program is a cost effective alternative to nursing home placement and a means of respite and peace of mind for caregivers.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Fairhaven Council on Aging and myself, this director wishes to express sincerest gratitude to the Friends of the Fairhaven Council on Aging, all of the dedicated staff and volunteers as well as all who have made generous donations throughout the year enabling the Fairhaven Council on Aging and Supportive Social Day Program with the ability to evolve and grow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Silvia, Director
and
Board of Directors FY2013
Joan Mello, Chairperson
Lindsay Gordon, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary
Gerri Frates, Treasurer
Gerald Brecken, Board Member
Lee Cummings Allaire, Board Member
Francis Cox, Board Member
Al Borges, Board Member
Jack Oliveira, Associate Board Member
Dorty Reid, Associate Board Member
Joseph Borelli, Associate Board Member
Elaine O'Neill, Associate Board Member

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The function of the Fairhaven Cultural Council is to award grant funding to local individuals and programs that provide cultural opportunities and support the growth of the arts and humanities in our community. Grant moneys are provided by the Massachusetts Cultural Council as well as the town of Fairhaven.

From January to December 2013, the council funded 14 Local Cultural Council grant projects totaling \$6522. For the 2013 grant cycle, the council received \$1000 from the Town of Fairhaven, the remainder of funds provided by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. By recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Office of Tourism, the funds allocated by the town are used to support projects or events which are tourism-promoting. A complete list of projects funded in 2013 can be found on line at the council's state-sponsored web page: <http://www.mass-culture.org/Fairhaven>

The council welcomed three new members this year; there were two member resignations.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Daniels, Chair
Sharon Dorian
Willoughby Elliott
Abigail Heavey
Julianne Kelly
Jacqueline Kenworthy, Treasurer
Michael Luey
Margaret McQuilkin, Secretary
Sara Salem
Maureen Sylvia, ex officio

DOG PARK COMMITTEE

Throughout the year of 2013 and most of 2012, there were no meetings posted and no agendas or minutes on record for the Dog Park Committee. On Monday November 4, 2013 the Board of Selectmen discussed whether to dissolve or revive the committee. At that meeting, the Board unanimously voted to revive the Dog Park Committee, per the request of interested Town resident Diane Hahn. They also appointed Ms. Hahn at that meeting to the Dog Park Committee.

By January 3, 2014, after attempting to contact the 11 previous appointees, Ms. Hahn was able to confirm that four of them wished to continue on the committee until at least the end of their appointment term on May 31, 2014. A public meeting was posted for January 27, 2014 at the Town Hall's Banquet Room. All appointees and interested citizens were invited to attend with the purpose of reorganizing the leadership of the committee and establishing a mission statement and goals for the committee.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Diane Hahn

On Behalf Of: Sheila Dolan, Kathy Lopes, Kevin Viveiros, Melissa Tavares

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

We started the New Year offering our support to the annual Polar Plunge at Fort Phoenix on New Year's Day. We supported the annual Father's Day Road Race again this year with help from Acushnet, New Bedford and Swansea EMAs. Our thanks go out to our fellow EMAs for their assistance with this major Town event every year. We want to thank the Father's Day Road Race Committee for their generous donation that helped us paint the used truck that they helped us acquire last year. We also assisted civic organizations again this year with numerous events throughout the year. Also assisting the "call firefighters" with their annual Firefighter's Muster.

We received a grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA). We used this grant to replace some old HAM radio equipment and purchased some much needed road barriers.

The biggest event of the year? The blizzard we got hit with in February. Our volunteers started on Friday afternoon and worked straight through to Sunday night. We responded to down trees and wires, and a house fire. We opened a shelter at the Hastings Middle School, where several residents were at the school during the course of the storm. We did not operate the "emergency operation center" (EOC) at the fire station, but kept in contact with all Town departments and with MEMA via radio or cell phone.

We continue to make small repairs to our location at 150 Sconticut Neck Road. We have made the building available to other departments and the Police Department is using it for training. We did take a hit in regards to garage space. We are no longer allowed to use the large garage on Bridge Street. We had been using this space for the past six years. This has created a problem for us, but as usual we will work around it.

Thanks to Town Meeting approval and some donations, we were able to purchase 77 cots. Thank you to all involved in that.

As always, we look forward to providing services to the town residents, Town departments and numerous civic groups in town, and providing assistance our neighboring emergency management agencies and MEMA.

We want to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee for their continued support. Thank the Police Department, Fire Department and the Board of Public Works for their assistance this past year.

Respectfully,

Marc Jodoin, Director

DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS AND HISTORICAL ARCHIVES

In my last report in 2012, I was unable to include the gift from Kenneth Tobertga of an 1895 Town map. The map was then framed with the reverse side available to read information about the map. Also included was the refurbishing of an Albert Cook Church signed photo with a plaque.

My 2013 Town Report consists of a very large painting by Captain Arthur Small, who was the Palmer's Island lighthouse keeper. The painting is of the "Schooner Edward B. Winslow in Vineyard Sound", dated 1934. The painting underwent a complete restoration and is on permanent display in the Lewin Room in the Millicent Library.

As your Art Curator, I have donated a historical painting of young William Tallman by Elizabeth T. Delano to the Millicent Library in memory of Kathleen Benac and family.

Respectfully yours,

Albert F. Benac, Art Curator



Jim Mahaney

FAIRHAVEN FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

In my 14 years as Fire Chief, this has been one of the busiest years we've seen in a long time. In 2013 year we had a full year of running a third ambulance and it has made a big difference in the amount of runs we have done. We still utilize our neighbors for mutual aid, but not as much as in the past. By the end of year, we were 252 runs over 2012. Included in those runs is an additional 246 billable ambulance transports. What makes this increase in runs more of a challenge is illnesses and injuries that have plagued our department over the past year, at one point in time going months with 4 firefighters out at the same time. The combination of the run increase and the manpower issue has cost us to spend our overtime funding faster than normal. However the third ambulance has also allowed us to generate more revenue. The addition of the new Southcoast Cancer Center and Urgent Care facilities are an asset to our community and keeps our ambulances on the move.

Our department is still very pro-active with our continual inspections of commercial and residential properties. Safety and quarterly inspections are ongoing daily as well as smoke detector inspections from home sales.

Unfortunately, our FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for a new ladder truck was turned down again. We have applied numerous times for funding for a new ladder truck and we have submitted another grant application in the fall to try once again. Anything we can do to avoid having the taxpayers bear this cost is worth the application time.

Our department along with many cities and towns in the State are doing research on a new and exciting program called Community Based Paramedics. Basically what this program means is at some point after you are released from a hospital and you are in need of follow up care or your doctor has required home treatments, Community Based Paramedics will be respond to your home to check on you and provide services. The intent of this program is to provide care at home and cut down on return trips back to the hospital. Our Training officer will have his hands full teaching these new protocols as well as keeping everyone updated on the latest regulations which are changing each month.

Fire Prevention has again been awarded a 2013 S.A.F.E. grant for \$4,686 for Student Awareness of Fire Education. We also were awarded a new Senior SAFE grant for \$3,018. These grant awards will keep our Fire Prevention Officer very busy in the schools and housing for the aged in 2014. He will be teaching our older population medical safety as well how to be safe from fire in their homes or apartments.

The October 2013 Open House was a great success, with a big turnout from residents and visitors alike. We were able to provide the children with the SAFE house again this year and had the opportunity to borrow a bounce house. Adding fun with fire safety teaching helps children not be so frightened.

Again I want to thank the other town departments and boards for working with us this past year and look forward to working with you in 2014.

Here is a list of Fairhaven Fire & EMS Department Activities in 2013:

SITUATION DESCRIPTION	TOTALS
Fire, other	3
Building fire	11
Cooking fire, confined to container	2
Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney or flue	3
Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire confined	2
Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other	1
Passenger vehicle fire	6
Water vehicle fire	1
Natural vegetation fire, other	4
Brush, or brush and grass mixture fire	2
Grass fire	1
Outside rubbish fire, other	1
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	1
Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire	1
Special outside fire, other	1
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat other	1
Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	2
Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS) call, other	16
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	14
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	1933
Vehicle accident with injuries	146
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	10
Lock-in	1
Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	4
Swimming/recreational water areas rescue	1
Surf rescue	1
Rescue or EMS standby	6
Hazardous condition - other	17
Flammable gas or liquid condition, other	4
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	17
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	37
Oil or other combustible liquid spill	19
Chemical spill or leak	2
Carbon monoxide incident	21
Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	9

Heat from short circuit (wiring), defective/worn	4
Overheated motor	2
Light ballast breakdown	1
Power Line Down	7
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	20
Accident, potential accident, other	3
Building or structure weakened or collapsed	2
Aircraft standby	1
Vehicle accident, general cleanup	27
Service call, other	11
Person in distress, other	2
Lock-out	14
Water problem, other	6
Water evacuation	7
Water or steam leak	11
Smoke or odor removal	17
Animal problem	2
Animal rescue	1
Public service assistance, other	5
Assist police or other governmental agency	6
Public service	6
Assist Invalid	3
Unauthorized burning	43
Cover assignment, standby, move up	6
Good intent call, other	39
Dispatched & cancelled en route	19
Wrong location	2
Authorized controlled burning	3
Vicinity alarm (incident in other location)	2
Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke	1
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	11
Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be smoke	1
Hazmat release investigation w/no hazmat	10
Biological hazard investigation, none found	1
False alarm or false call, other	32
Municipal alarm system, malicious false alarm	2
Local alarm system, malicious false alarm	1
Bomb scare – no bomb	2

System malfunction, other	21
Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	17
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	49
Heat detector activation due to malfunction	4
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	26
CO detector activation due to malfunction	13
Unintentional transmission of alarm	23
Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	3
Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	48
Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	21
Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional	17
Carbon monoxide detector activation no CO	23
Special type of incident, other	1
Citizen complaint	4
Total Runs	2904

The Fairhaven Fire Department also provided many non-emergency additional services as listed.

Smoke detector inspections	237
School building inspections	11
School drills	22
Public Education- SAFE Program	25
Car Seat Installation	31
Nursing home inspections	16
Public building inspections	314
Hurricane dike inspection	1
Oil burner inspections	26
L.P. gas tank inspections	27
Underground tank removal/installation	2
Tank Truck Inspection	12
Bonfire inspections	12
Total service runs for 2013	724
In-service training	2552 hrs
EMS training	4962 hrs

Fire Department Fees / Donations Collected

Type of Fee	Amount Collected
Above Ground Tank Removal	\$ 130.00
Ammunition Storage License	\$ 20.00
Annual Master Box Fee	\$ 14,175.00
Ansul System	\$ 30.00
Bonfire Permits	\$ 360.00
Copy of Fire Report	\$ 70.00
Copy of SARF (EMS) Report	\$ 400.00
Copy of Records (21E)	\$ 20.00
Fire Alarm Installation/Upgrade	\$ 100.00
Flammable Liquids, Solids & Gases	\$ 1130.00
Fuel Dispensing Permit	\$ 20.00
Fuel Oil Storage – consumptive	\$ 30.00
Initial Radio Box Tie In	\$ 125.00
Inn/ Hotel Inspections	\$ 1,500.00
Install / Alter Oil Burner Equipment	\$ 760.00
Install / Removal Underground Tanks	\$ 50.00
LP Gas Storage Permit	\$ 820.00
Maintain Underground Storage Tank Facility	\$ 180.00
Smoke Detector Inspections	\$ 6020.00
Sprinkler Permit	\$ 470.00
Tank Truck Inspection	\$ 290.00
Tire Storage Permit	\$ 70.00
Unvented Fireplace Permit	\$ 20.00
Waste Oil Permit	\$ 330.00
Welding / Cutting Storage Permit	\$ 640.00
Sub Total	\$ 27520.00
Gift Donation	\$ 2,000.00
Fire Boat Gift Donation	\$ 780.00
Hydraulic Stretcher – Gift Donation	\$ 1,300.00
Small Claims – Ambulance Bill Collections	\$ 11,234.59
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 42,834.59

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy P. Francis – Chief of Department
Donn M. Fletcher – Deputy Chief
Kristine Austin – Principal Clerk

FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

The Fire Alarm Department experienced a very busy year in 2013 by the way of adding new radio boxes to the town system. The plan for 2014 is to continue with any new radio box installs and remove more of the overhead wires in the spring and summer. Also we will continue the new inspection program of the newly installed radio box system, so that the wireless system stays up to current NFPA standards.

As the growth of the town continues, we can expect a further expansion of the town's network. Since the time of our last report to you we have added new radio boxes to our town wide system.

- Little People's College – Sconticut Neck Road
- Southcoast Ambulatory Care Center

In addition, the Fire Alarm Division was happy to assist various groups and organization in the town, by way of assistance in lighting, placement of decorations, flag pole details, etc.

In closing, Chief Tim Francis and I would like to thank all other departments who have cooperated throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt. Robert Lincoln
Asst. Fire Alarm Superintendant

GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Overview of the School

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School is a four-year vocational/technical high school for young men and women. The school provides career and technical education as well as academic instruction to students from New Bedford, Dartmouth and Fairhaven. With roots dating back to 1908, it opened as a regional vocational technical high school in 1977.

As of October 1, 2013, there were 2,151 students enrolled in grades 9-12. Of those, 1,682 lived in New Bedford, 253 lived in Dartmouth, and 216 lived in Fairhaven.

Many graduates become leaders in business and industry in the region. Many continue their education. In a typical class, more than 78% of the graduates chose to continue their education, either at colleges, universities or technical schools. Another 20% directly enter the workforce and approximately 2% entered the armed forces.

Highlights of the Year 2013

GNB Voc-Tech continues to be one of the area's top schools of choice. The year has been marked by some major news once again. Most notably the school has remained a Level 1 school in our district for a second year in a row. Our enrollment remains strong as eighth-graders continued to apply to our school in record numbers. The trend of females outnumbering males in the school still continues with females representing 53% and males representing 47% of the student body. The district continues to move forward with its building expansion in an effort to reduce overall overcrowding by adding additional classrooms and a planned cafeteria expansion. The school received final approval to move forward with its expansion project and officially broke ground on October 10th 2013 with many dignitaries representing all three sending districts. Student attendance continues to stay strong and the dropout rate continues to be one of the lowest in the state. We have continued to make gains on the MCAS exam. Our integrated summer reading program has entered its fourth year and continues to be going very well. We have completed our first year of instituting the New Teacher Evaluation System. Students in Legal and Protective Services once again participated in the Bristol County Sheriff's Office Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and 911 Emergency Response certification programs. We continue to be a leader amongst schools in introducing and training students in Green Energy fields. Our latest project is a new Green Trailer used to train students in the new initiatives of "Green Energy Technology. Our students have earned medals at district, state and national SkillsUSA competitions and at state and national Business Professionals of America (BPA) competitions. This year also marked our first ever international win with our engineering students competing with students from all over the world and placing third in their Remotely Operated Underwater Vehicle competition. Thirty eight students were inducted into the National Honor Society representing every career and technical department and from each sending district. Students and staff received many individual awards and accolades. Students continue to earn state and national certifications and our sports programs continue to meet with success this year again. The school continues to

promote awareness about the state's tough new anti-bullying law with staff and students by recognizing, reporting and helping to prevent bullying in the school. This will be the second year entering freshman students are required to read a book about bullying and its effect. We continue to build upon our professional association with the state's community colleges with new and revised articulation agreements. The school continues to implement Race To The Top initiatives including the new teacher evaluations, English Language Learner trainings and Aligning Curriculum to the new Common Core Standards. Our Annual Open House was the most successful to date with record numbers in attendance. GNB Voc-Tech debuts its first Fashion Design Show in over 20 years.

School Committee Leadership

In May of 2013, the School Committee held its annual organizational meeting.

John P. Montigny, of Dartmouth was elected chair and Frederick J. Toomey, of New Bedford was elected vice-chair.

Enrollment Still Remains Strong

As of October 1, 2013, there were 2,151 students enrolled in grades 9-12. That represents one of our largest enrollment in our history, just 19 shy of our largest enrollment last year. Of those, 1,682 lived in New Bedford, 253 lived in Dartmouth, and 216 lived in Fairhaven. The numbers break down like this: 574 students in the ninth grade, 568 in the tenth, 491 in the eleventh, and 518 in the twelfth. There were 1,131 females and 1,020 males. Most of the student body (1,170 students or 54.3%) are considered low-income.

October 1 is the date for official reporting of enrollment data to the state. It is clear that our efforts to continue to attract and keep students in school have been successful.

GNB Voc-Tech Moves Forward With School Expansion Plans

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School has been working closely with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) on an approved building project designed to relieve overcrowding at the school. In August of 2010, the MSBA Board of Directors authorized the school to work with MSBA in conducting a feasibility study on the proposed project estimated to cost \$15 million.

The new expansion will add a "Project Center" where Voc-Tech students can demonstrate and exhibit projects and take part in student competitions, add additional cafeteria space to alleviate overcrowding during lunch shifts and incorporate 12-15 new classrooms, not to increase student enrollment, but to relieve existing overcrowding in the current academic wing.

MSBA had given the school six months to complete a series of prerequisites, including providing information on projected local funding, a routine and capital maintenance plan, an operational budget statement, and enrollment data, among other things. After this preliminary work was done, the school was approved to conduct a Feasibility Study Agreement with MSBA that led to the procurement of project management and design professionals.

In order for the school to qualify for MSBA grant funding, it required MSBA approval during every step of the process. The school secured 80% state funding for the project.

The Owner’s Project Manager is Construction Monitoring Services, Inc. of Marlboro, MA. The architectural firm is Drummey, Rosane and Anderson of Connecticut which is the same company that did the J-block addition nearly a decade ago.

The project required approval from a host of local bodies including the Voc-Tech School Committee, Dartmouth Town Meeting, Fairhaven Town Meeting, and New Bedford City Council.

On October 3, 2012, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School received notice that the MSBA voted to approve the Proposed Project with a total facilities grant of \$12,736,352 which does not include any funds for potentially eligible owner’s or construction contingency expenditures. In the event that the MSBA determines that any owner’s and/or construction contingency expenditures are eligible for reimbursement, the maximum total facilities grant may increase to \$13,543,920. The final grant amount will be determined by the MSBA based on a review and audit of all project costs incurred by the District in accordance with the MSBA’s regulations, policies, and guidelines and the Project Funding Agreement. According to the proposed Work Schedule, it is anticipated that construction will be completed by December of 2014.

District Budget and Assessment

The District’s total budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was \$35,797,843. Of this amount, the City of New Bedford was responsible for 78.4%, the Town of Fairhaven was responsible for 9.8%, and the Town of Dartmouth was responsible for 11.8%.

For fiscal year 2014, the District’s total assessment to the three member communities was \$10,173,284. This figure represented 28.4% of the total District budget.

Each year, the school district works hard to keep its budget at the required net school spending level.

Enrollment in the Adult Education program

	Fall 2012	Winter 2013	Spring 2013
New Bedford	388	256	258
Dartmouth	140	99	109
Fairhaven	95	57	63
Non-District Residents	236	191	214
Totals	859	603	644

School Committee

John P. Montigny, Chair, New Bedford
Frederick J. Toomey, Vice-Chair, New Bedford
Dr. Thomas E. Kelly, Dartmouth
Joaquim “Jack” Nobrega, New Bedford
Rita M. Ribeiro, New Bedford
Patrick T. Walsh, New Bedford
David S. Darmofal, Fairhaven
Randall C. Durrigan, Fairhaven

School Administration

Linda Enos, Superintendent-Director
Paula A. Gendreau, School Business Administrator
Michael P. Gagliardi, Principal for Career and Technical Education
Michael J. Murphy, Academic Principal
Linda Enos, Superintendent-Director

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board patiently-to-anxiously waited for Town residents to cast the deciding votes in the annual Board of Health election which lasted through early September. The outcome provided 13 year incumbent member Peter DeTerra with another three years as a Board member. Jeannine L. Lopes, six year incumbent, became the new Board Chairman. The Board continues working collaboratively with Fairhaven Wind LLC, owner of the 1.5 MKW twin wind turbines, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (Mass DEP) and Board of Selectmen to implement an effective sound mitigation plan. Progress continues on that front with new data and operational changes occurring as required based on sound study data collected by the Mass DEP.

Routine and complaint based inspections for code compliance, which occupied the bulk of the inspectors' time, were performed for food establishments, rental housing, lead paint, general nuisances, septic systems, demolition, animal complaints, pools, marinas, wells and rodent complaints. During the summer, weekly bathing beach water samples were collected and water quality was generally very good with minimal beach closures due to rain events. Through the summer season we were involved with mosquito and tick borne diseases that are now routine to our southcoast region: West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and Lyme disease. For the first time ever the Board offered free of charge "mosquito dunks" to any Town resident in an effort to curb the mosquito population on privately owned land in wet areas such as wetlands and ponds in Town. Prevention through education and personal diligence around mosquitoes and ticks is fundamental. The spring animal rabies clinics were held at the two local veterinary hospitals and the well-attended clinics were supported in part by the Board of Health.

Seasonal flu clinics were conducted in October immunizing nearly 500 residents with the help of the Fairhaven Community Nurse Association, Fairhaven School Nurses and volunteers from the Fairhaven Emergency Management, Greater New Bedford Medical Reserve Corps and Council on Aging. Thanks to all who participated. Also, weekly blood pressure clinics were provided at the Town Hall, Council on Aging and Senior Housing Units.

The following permits were issued in the year 2013:

Food Establishments	124	Funeral Directors	6
Percolation Tests	8	Marinas	6
Septic Systems Installation	8	Demolition Rodent	12
Septic System Inspections	10	Frozen Desserts	5
Offal Haulers	11	Catering	4
Animal Permits	16	Suntan Salons	2
Mobile Food	8	Motels/Inns	4
Tobacco Sales	16	Semi-Public Pools	1
Septic Installers	6	Bakery	4
Private Swimming Pool	15		

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannine L. Lopes, Board Chairman
Peter DeTerra, Board Vice-Chairman
Dr. Barbara Acksen, Board Member
Patricia Fowle, Health Agent
Lisa Moniz, Administrative Assistant
Susan Griffin, Inspector

HIGHWAY DIVISION

During the year 2013, the Highway Department has been very busy reconstructing streets, laying drainage lines, cleaning drainage ditches, repairing manholes and catch basins, cold mix patching, grading dirt streets, repairing sidewalks, removing tree stumps, repairing and replacing street signs, grass and brush cutting, street sweeping, sanding and snow plowing, being the majority of our work.

The Street Reconstruction Program included the following streets:

Top Course Only:

Oxford Street – Main Street to West Street
West Street – Oxford Street to Lafayette Street
Lafayette Street – West Street to Main Street

Binder Course Only:

Cooke Street – Main Street to Cherry Street
Pleasant Street – South Street to Church Street
North Street – Adams Street to House # 65

The above streets had work done to sidewalks, curbing and drainage as needed.

Potholes remain a problem and are patched as needed. A total of 24 catch basins were rebuilt throughout the town. Crack sealing was performed on various streets throughout the Town. Street sign vandalism continues with over 83 signs being replaced or repaired. During our snow removal and sanding operations we used 857.4 tons of sand and 276.7 tons of salt. The Highway Department continues to operate the Recycle Center, Leaf and Brush Compost area.

I would like to thank the personnel of the Highway Department for their cooperation and a job well done.

Respectfully Submitted,

John M. Charbonneau
Highway Superintendent

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Fairhaven Historical Commission continued to fulfill its duties in the year 2013 by maintaining the Town's historical properties.

The Academy Building alarm system was updated with individual pass codes assigned to all organizations using the building. The arborvitaes outside the Academy Building were trimmed and new parking signs were installed to reflect the building's use as the Town's Visitors' Center. The Historical Commission applied for a CPC grant to replace the window shades throughout the Academy Building. These shades will help protect the interior of the building from the effects of UV rays.

The Washington Street Fire Protecting Society building was painted through a grant from the CPC. The Spring Street Firehouse had a new cobblestone apron and granite posts installed, thanks to the efforts of Town Planner Bill Roth and the Department of Public Works. The Spring Street structure also had upgrades to its fire alarm system with the installation of heat and smoke detectors. The Commission has applied for a CPC grant to continue with interior renovations to the second floor of the structure.

An agreement was signed with the architectural firm that is preparing documents related to Phase II of the parapet restoration at Fort Phoenix. Work is to include weatherproofing the powder magazine. The Commission again extends its thanks to the Department of Public Works and the Fairhaven Militia for their continued assistance in maintaining the Fort. The Commission also recognizes the outstanding effort by Gary Lavalette in removing graffiti and overgrown brush along the historic structure.

The House Plaque program continues through the efforts of Debra Charpentier and Cynthia McNaughten. Ms. McNaughten also represents the Commission on the Community Preservation Committee.

The Commission notes the passing of Victor Oliveira, Jr., who for many years was the creator of the historic signs and markers throughout the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

David Despres, Chairman
Debra Charpentier
Charles Cromwell, Vice Chairman
Gail Isaksen
Cynthia McNaughten
John Medeiros
Wayne Oliveira
Dorothy Gammans, Associate
Anne O'Brien-Kakley, Associate
Vicki Paquette, Associate
Robert Espindola, Selectman Ex Officio

HOUSING AUTHORITY

The current Board of Commissioners of the Fairhaven Housing Authority is:

Chairman – Jay S. Simmons, 14 Oxford Street – Term Expires 4/2017

Vice Chairman – Anne D. Silveira, 621 Dana Farms – Term Expires 4/2014

Treasurer – Elaine Rocha, 7 Holiday Drive – Term Expires 4/2015

State Appointee – Jean Rousseau, 42 Linden Ave. – Term Expires 10/2018

Commissioner – Seat Vacant pending appointment

The Fairhaven Housing Authority holds its regular meeting on the second Thursday of the month at 3:00 p.m. The Election of Officers is conducted at the Authority's annual meeting in May.

Presently, the Fairhaven Housing Authority is administering two-hundred- seventy eight (278) one bedroom units of elderly, disabled and handicap housing and six (6) units of family and handicap housing.

In April of 2013, the Fairhaven Housing Authority signed a fourth management contract with the Westport Housing Authority. The Executive Director will continue to serve in the capacity of director for both authorities. The administrative staff of the Fairhaven Housing Authority provides daily part time coverage in Westport and the Fairhaven maintenance staff is available to assist the part time maintenance man at the Westport Housing Authority when needed. A management fee is earned by the Fairhaven Housing Authority for the management services provided to the Westport Housing Authority. Each authority retains their respective Board of Commissioners.

The FHA Developments are:

667-1	Green Meadows 1-40 McGann Terrace	40 Units	Completed in 1966
667-2	Green Meadows 100 McGann Terrace	52 Units	Completed in 1971
667-3	Oxford Terrace 275 Main Street	107 Units	Completed in 1976
667-4	Dana Court 180 Adams Street	55 Units	Completed in 1982
667-5	Anthony Haven 227 Main Street	24 Units	Completed in 1989
705-1	Family Housing 32-42 Ash Street	6 Units	Completed in 1989

Eligibility requirements for our elderly, disabled and handicapped housing are a minimum age of 60, except for disabled or handicapped applicants. The size of the household

determines the income limits. The revised income limits issued in August of 2012 for a one (1) person household is \$36,050 and for a two (2) person household is \$41,200. There is no limit on assets, interest earned on an asset is considered income and included as such when considering the overall income limit.

Our Family Housing consists of three (3) duplexes, where there are five (5) three bedroom units and one (1) two bedroom wheel chair accessible handicap unit. The size of the household would determine the number of bedrooms and the income limits. The maximum income for a two (2) person household is \$41,200, for three (3) \$46,350, for four (4) \$51,500, for five (5) \$55,650 and six (6) \$59,750. The same asset guideline as stated above applies.

The Fairhaven Housing Authority is regulated and receives limited annual modernization funding through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. The Authority does not receive any funding through the budget of the Town of Fairhaven.

The Authority is hoping to develop the vacant land adjacent to Oxford Terrace purchased with CPC funds in 2010. Under consideration for development at that site is 20 units of family housing, eleven of them being two bedroom, seven 3 bedroom apartments and one fully accessible three bedroom unit. The Authority is waiting for increased availability of either Low Income Housing Tax Credit funds or another means to develop and subsidize the apartments so the development will be deemed affordable.

The Authority is working on number of modernization projects. The roofing and siding project at the family housing units on Ash St. has been completed. A new boiler was installed at Anthony Haven. Two minor paving projects were completed at Anthony Haven and Oxford Terrace. A trial installation of 6 new individual furnaces at Oxford Terrace was successfully completed. Based on the success of this venture, the project to install new Rinnai individual furnaces throughout Oxford Terrace is in design. This new system will replace the faulty, leak prone underground heating system and will insure the consistent delivery of heat for 107 apartments and common spaces. This major project will be funded by a bond issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which we will be responsible to repay over 15 to 20 years. The roof replacement project at Anthony Haven and Building #9 is underway. A major re-paving project is planned at McGann Terrace for the spring of 2014. We are continuing to modernize the kitchens and bathrooms at our oldest complex as units are vacated.

During the past year, we have had twenty seven (27) vacancies at our elderly, handicapped, disabled housing and two at our family housing.

The Authority's staff consists of eight employees. The Executive Director, Krisanne Sheedy, Bookkeeper/Secretary Jo-Ann Cunha, Administrative Assistant Jo-Ann Turgeon. The maintenance staff consists of three full time employees: Rick Borges, Tom Caron, and Jim Leavitt, and one part time employee, Nelson Monteiro. Deb Jenkins is the Resident Service Coordinator.

The Fairhaven Housing Authority would like to extend a very special thank you to the

Fairhaven Police and Fire Departments. The dedicated staff of both departments is wonderful to the tenants, visitors and staff of the Authority. They respond promptly and handle whatever the matter is quickly and professionally. We would also like to thank the DPW, the Water Department, the CPC, Town Planner Bill Roth, the Board of Health, the Council on Aging and Veteran's Agent James Cochran for everything they do to provide valuable support and assistance to the tenants and the Authority. We are very fortunate to regularly benefit in many different ways from the agencies listed above.

The Board and staff of the Housing Authority is appreciative of and grateful for the support of the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen. The Fairhaven Housing Authority is a true asset to the community. We provide affordable housing for Fairhaven elders and veterans, the disabled and low income families. We take pride in our ability to primarily employ and consistently purchase locally.

We would like to express our sadness with the untimely passing of Commissioner Jimmie Oliver. He joined the Board in 2011 and became very involved. He worked diligently to attain his Board Member Certification designation and was a strong but fair advocate for the tenants. He will be difficult to replace and will be sorely missed.

Respectfully submitted,

Krisanne Sheedy
Executive Director

THE MILLICENT LIBRARY

In 2013, we lost several people who have been very important to the Library for decades. Myra Lopes was on our board from 1992 to 2013 and was president for the last several years. Her humor, empathy, and common sense advice were so appreciated by the board and the staff.

In the fall, long-time volunteer, Phyllis McClain passed away. Phyllis first started volunteering on the bookmobile in 1986 and since then has done a regular schedule several days a week helping to catalog items. We miss them both very much. We also lost a valuable archives researcher, Diane Saunders.

In 2013, we continued providing 21st century service in 19th century splendor. The building however, received some ongoing makeovers. Community Preservation grants funded long-needed repair of water infiltration sites. A byproduct was a cleaning and repointing of the pupil-less portrait of John Milton and a chance to look at other sections of the building for future damage prevention. Our budget was cut again in accordance with our agreement with the Town. We have applied once again for a waiver of the Municipal Appropriation Requirement of the State Aid to Public Libraries.

People

The Library Director is Carolyn Longworth; the Assistant Librarian/Reference/Tech Services is Juanita Goulart. Debbie Charpentier is the Archivist and Facility Manager. Jane Murphy is the Youth Services Librarian. Juanita, Debbie and Jane all supervise groups of volunteers in their various departments. Doreen Skidmore is the Circulation Supervisor and orders the fiction and mystery materials, while Robert Gonsalves is the Interlibrary Loan Supervisor and also orders most of feature film DVDs and Blu-Rays. Kay Langevin develops the magazine and Science Fiction collections. Deborah Chormicle works at the desk mostly in the afternoons. Clifton Patenaude continued as our custodian, although he retired from the library at the very end of the year to sunnier climes after being here for ten years. Laurie Powers is our bookkeeper. Currently our pages are Samantha Correia and Adam DaCosta.

The Friends of the Library are still providing help and funding for programs and other library activities. Martha Berg is now President and Treasurer; Peg Rogers is the Vice-President and Diane Hassett is Secretary. The group is always looking for new members and particularly for people willing to serve on its board.

During 2013, Louis Badwey left the Board of Trustees after serving since 2006 and his slot on the board was filled by Kathy Lopes.

Thursday Morning Book Discussion group was led once again by Norma Markey. Norma gets her group together to select the books they will discuss and sometimes they have a special spring trip to a theater or other literary place. Suzanne Robertson provided the front desk with year-round floral arrangements, all spectacular and completely different.

Many other citizens helped out behind the scenes for projects, displays, advocacy and even some heavy lifting.

Our volunteers will be mentioned in the department reports below.

Youth Services (Jane Murphy)

The Youth Services Department at the Millicent Library continued to thrive under the direction of Jane Murphy. Storytime programming continued to grow, the Teen Advisory Group met regularly in the summertime, and programs for “Tweens” and Teens, after school and vacation programs and parties for school aged girls and boys were held. Ms. Jane maintained and updated the Millicent Library’s Facebook page all year. There were outreach programs for school and day care, the popular Crafternoon programs, and more. Both Teen and Adult volunteers have, as always, been a huge help to the Millicent Library! Once again, we thank them for their continuing help with craft preparation, shelving, summer reading activities, and program planning. The Youth collection of books and audiovisual materials grows and diversifies each year. Electronic databases and ebooks are well used.

During the 2013 Statewide Summer Reading program, Dig Into Reading, over 400 children and teens read over 4000 hours. Summer programs included Debbie O’Carroll’s Magic Show, Dr. Toby Dills’ ever popular Tie Dye, Bottle Rockets, and Tales from the Talespinner programs, Aoife Clancy’s Music programs, a visit from yo-yo expert, Ooch, and a wonderful clown program by local favorite, Daisy D. Dots. The 29th annual Teddy Bear parade was a big hit. We are also grateful to the Fairhaven Fire Department for their annual visit, combining education about fire safety with fun under the fire hose, especially appreciated during this very hot summer!

Ms. Jane visited Grades K-5 in the elementary schools (Wood, Rogers, and East Fairhaven, as well as St Joseph’s) to teach over 1200 students about the upcoming summer reading program. Two lucky readers won autographed Boston Bruins jerseys as part of the Statewide Summer Reading program. The Bruins have been wonderful sponsors over the years, and they are especially excited during the Championship seasons.

The 2014 Summer Reading Theme, the science oriented “Fizz, Boom, Read!” promises to be a great one! We welcome youngsters to join in the fun all year long.

Archives (Debra Charpentier)

Volunteers included Diane E. Saunders who unfortunately passed away January 29. Suzanne Kowal assumed many of Diane’s responsibilities (house research, filing & data entry) along with taking updated photos of gravestones in Nasketucket Cemetery. Judith Downing clipped and filed articles from the Standard Times. Beth Mello continued to input Riverside Cemetery Records. Brandon Chan, Fairhaven High School student, did 20 hours of community service in the archives. He organized a collection of early area land deeds.

Acquisitions included the aforementioned portrait of William Tallman; a Rogers School Collection (class photos, school trophies, and books); Rotary Club Records; a collection of Fairhaven High School Yearbooks; a beautiful Rogers School desk and bench and a collection of early land deeds.

Displays included a Mt. Washington Glass display from the New Bedford Glass Museum in children’s room, a collection of early planes (tools) created in Fairhaven; Presidential

signatures and memorabilia from Dennis Duval; and our annual Christmas antique toy display from Jeff Lucas.

There were many requests for information on locating graves in the three local cemeteries. House research continues to be a large part of the work in the archives. We continue to help local organizations such as Rotary Club and the Mother's Club maintain their records.

Technical Services (Juanita Goulart)

Buying the books, CDs, DVDs, and magazines is just part of getting them to our borrowers. They have to be processed, packaged, labeled and entered into the online catalog. The library relies on dedicated volunteers in the Technical Services department.

Juanita's son, Seth Walker, and his helper, Sarah Purdy, volunteer 25 hours a week, and have assumed many of the cataloging tasks once done by our long-time volunteer, Phyllis McClain. We are also pleased to have a volunteer, Phyllis Faunce, who processes and labels materials. And although Chad Dessert's busy schedule prevented him from volunteering during the last part of the year, we are always pleased to see him when he visits us.

Grants and Donations

The library was granted a waiver of the Municipal Appropriation Requirement and received a State Aid to Public Libraries grant. This is important not only from a financial point of view but also since a community's residents' ability to borrow from other libraries may be affected if certain requirements are not met.

Many people donated to the library on behalf of loved ones, either to honor them, or to memorialize them. Some of the ongoing donations included those to the Mildred O. Tunstall Fund; those from the Dorothy Campbell bequest; and those from the Fairhaven Mothers Club, as well as annual donations from the family of Cecile Cardoza.

The library received a grant from the Buckley Fund of the Community Foundation. The Fairhaven Improvement Association donated a beautiful sturdy bicycle rack, which is used every day, even in winter.

We are so lucky to have generous patrons who remember the library in their giving. Albert Benac presented the library with a portrait by Elizabeth Delano of William Tallman as a young boy and we had an unveiling ceremony.

Programs and Miscellaneous

The library, the Friends of the Library and the Fairhaven Cultural Council all sponsored various programs during the year. Ken Gloss, owner of the Brattle Bookshop and an expert on the Antiques Roadshow, gave a talk on rare books to a standing-room only crowd, despite several inches of snow falling outside. Perennial favorite, Richard Clark, gave a great performance, "Atticus," based on To Kill a Mockingbird. Ms. Longworth gave a talk and slide show about large bird species of Fairhaven. Author James McGuane spoke about his beautiful book, The Hunted Whale.

Many town committees as well as nonprofit groups, such as Scouts and Toastmasters, used the auditorium for programs and meetings throughout the year as well, since free meeting space is usually at a premium in most towns.

We welcomed groups of visitors to the library for tours. We are also always happy to speak to groups about the library and its services.

Statistics

As of June 30, 2013, the library owned 63,601 books, 186 print volumes of magazines, 9,045 audios, 7,508 videos, as well as subscriptions to 11 databases in addition to those provided by the state. We also provide 5,702 ebooks and 3,754 downloadable audiobooks. We circulated 131,942 items and loaned 29,238 items to other libraries. This is almost twice as many as we borrowed from other libraries attesting to the quality of our collections. We are a member of the SAILS library network and as we were certified in calendar year 2013 by the Board of Library Commissioners, our residents were able to borrow items from other libraries statewide directly or through Interlibrary Loan.

The Millicent Library Staff as of December 31, 2013

Carolyn Longworth, Director
Juanita Goulart, Assistant Director/Reference/Technical Services/Nonfiction
Debbie Charpentier, Archivist & Facility Manager
Jane Murphy, Youth Services
Doreen Skidmore, Circulation & ILL, Fiction Collection, Outreach
Robert Gonsalves, Circulation & ILL, Movie Collection
Laurie Powers, Bookkeeper
Clifton Patenaude, Custodian
Kay Langevin, Circulation Assistant/Science Fiction Collection, Magazines
Deborah Chormicle, Circulation Assistant
Samantha Correia, Page
Adam daCosta, Page

The Millicent Library Board of Trustees as of December 31, 2013

Bruce Bendiksen, Vice-President
Christopher Bunnell, Treasurer
Robert Kenworthy, Assistant Treasurer
Carolyn Longworth, Secretary
Kathleen Clement
Kaisa Cripps
Mary Cunha
Dennis Duval
Gail Isaksen
Maria Kilshaw
Curtis Lopes
Kathy Lopes
Cheryl Moniz
Jane Risch
Carol Rodrigues
Michael Silvia
Joanna Weeks
Lisa Wright
Robert Espindola, ex officio
Michael Coe, honorary

BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

This year marks the 54th anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and towns of Bristol County. The project was established in 1959 in response to numerous cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Over the years, our project has greatly reduced exposure to this arbovirus and to the newly-introduced West Nile Virus.

Much has changed in recent years. New technologies and products are now available to help monitor and suppress the presence of mosquito-borne diseases. Our project has embraced new innovations to help us serve the public with greater efficiency. For example, GPS guidance systems have been installed in our spray trucks. These devices enable our workers to effectively schedule and conduct early morning applications, document application routes, and tell us where “no spray zones” exist in any particular neighborhood. We have also adopted more environmentally-responsible products for our larvicide and adulticide applications. We did this in order to be a better steward of the environment and reduce any unwanted effect on non-target organisms. We still continue our practice of surveillance through trapping and sending specimens to the Massachusetts Department of Health for testing.

During the 2013 mosquito season, over 28,610 mosquitoes were tested. There were 29 isolations of EEE with 6 collections from human biting mosquitoes but no human cases for the County. We had 79 mosquito isolates of WNV in the County with no reported humans. There were no equine cases for EEE and 1 for WNV.

Our project continues its efforts year-round. In the Fall and Winter seasons, our goal is to reduce mosquito-breeding areas through water management and source reduction. We clean and maintain drainage ditches, culverts, and streams. Where feasible, we conduct open marsh management projects in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers. During the time period January 1, 2013– December 31, 2013 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 14,394.7 acres
- Treated 67.2 acres with B.T.I. and .08 acres with Altosid in 33 locations for mosquito larvae
- Received 1,152 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 3,540 feet of brush
- Cleaned 2,050 feet of ditches by machine
- Mowed 1.25 acres of brush by machine
- Treated 2,579 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases and simple ways people can protect themselves and help prevent breeding on their own property. We have many types of outreach programs which include speaking at public health events, visiting local schools and senior centers, and creating informational posters for distribution. Our project also has a website to better communicate with and relate important information to our cities and towns, located at www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com.

I would like to thank the town officials and residents of Fairhaven for their continued support and cooperation. Our project is extremely proud of the work we perform and look forward to serving our communities in the upcoming year. If there are any questions concerning the projects efforts or objectives, please feel free to contact our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer E. Dacey
Superintendent

Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:
Arthur F. Tobin, Chairman
Gregory D. Dorrance
Joseph Barile
Christine A. Fagan
Robert F. Davis

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

2013 was a successful year for the Fairhaven Natural Resource Department. The summer was an injury-free season. There were no major incidents to report.

As in past years, we have diligently patrolled our expansive coastline and waterways to assure the safety of all boaters and personal watercraft. The safety of our citizens and visitors to our town is of the utmost importance. The enforcement of safety regulations and safety checks to watercraft is crucial and done by the Natural Resource Officers on a daily basis.

The Natural Resource Department works closely with our Police and Fire departments as well as working with the Massachusetts Environmental Police and other municipalities that share our waterways.

The Shellfish Department expanded its Propagation quota by 200 bushels of quahogs, planting 1000 bushels in North Cove in 2013. North Cove will be ready to re-open in late May or June 2014.

Over the winter months, the Town's work boat underwent major renovations by the Shellfish Department in order to benefit the shellfish propagation.

The Natural Resource department was awarded a grant for enhancement of safety equipment from the Port Security Grant. We will be receiving monies for this grant sometime in 2014.

Under the Shellfish Wardens and Harbormaster's direction, the department continues to enforce rules and regulations regarding shellfish practices. Working with other enforcement departments in Town is crucial to assure our efforts to catch and prosecute violators. We look forward to the coming year and working together with other Town departments in making the Department of Natural Resources a success.

PERMITS

Resident - 442

Senior - 437

Non-Resident - 25

Commercial - 19

Dredge Boat - 1

Commercial Bay Scallop - 17

PARK DEPARTMENT

The Park Department has been very busy in 2013 with repairs and maintenance work done to our parks, beaches, recreation areas, and Town memorials. This department maintains six parks, two cemeteries, two bike paths, the Town owned portion of Fort Phoenix, the West Island Town Beach, and 25 other Town owned sites.

The Park Department also provides the lifeguards and gate attendants at the Town Beach. The Department has one full-time employee and two summer help employees. They are responsible for the upkeep of over 59 acres of grounds and beaches.

Park buildings have had roofs repaired as vandals continue to pull the shingles from them. The buildings have also been painted several times to cover up graffiti painted on them. All of the ball fields were weeded and graded to playable conditions.

I would like to thank the staff of the Park Department for their cooperation and a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Charbonneau
Superintendent

PLANNING BOARD AND DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Planning Board and the Department of Planning and Economic Development enjoyed another very successful year in 2013. During the annual elections in April, Gary Staffon and Kaisa G. Holloway Cripps were elected to the Planning Board for four year terms and John K. Farrell, Jr. was elected to a one year term, to fill the unexpired term of Albert Borges.

Rene J. Fleurent, Jr. was appointed by the Planning Board to serve as the Board's Commissioner on SRPEDD. Jeffrey T. Lucas was appointed as the Planning Board's representative to the Community Preservation Committee.

William Roth was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to represent the Town as the Selectmen's representative to the Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD) Commission; he was elected by the SRPEDD Commission to serve as its Vice-Chairman. He was also appointed to the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG), an advisory committee on transportation issues to SRPEDD and was elected as the JTPG Vice-Chairman. He was appointed to represent the Town on the Commuter Rail Growth Management Task Force. He also serves as Staff representative to the Community Preservation Committee and the Bikeway Committee.

The Department of Planning and Economic Development has continued to assist the Planning Board in preparing the Town for the future by developing the zoning changes and bylaw amendments, brought to Town Meeting. Development projects in 2013 consisted of six (6) Special Permit Applications, two (2) Subdivision Applications, one (1) Repetitive Petition Application and three (3) Form "A" Applications. There were three significant Zoning Bylaw amendments the Board worked on in 2013. Those were a totally revised Wind Energy Facilities Bylaw, a new Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities Bylaw and a Medical Marijuana Facilities Bylaw. The Wind Energy and Solar Energy bylaws were approved at the May Town Meeting. The Medical Marijuana Bylaw will be ready for the 2014 Town Meeting. The Board expects the 2014 rate of development to be similar to the last few years because of the current economic climate that the country is experiencing. This will allow the Board time to work on Long Range Planning.

The Long Range Planning items that the Board worked on in 2013 were, Wind Energy Facilities: Bylaw Rewrite, Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities Bylaw, Medical Marijuana Bylaw, State Zoning Reform and Master Plan Update discussions.

The Department of Planning and Economic Development applied for four grants and was awarded all four grants for a total of \$3,066,387. The following is a brief description of the grants and amounts that were awarded:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

\$894,657

The Town was a joint applicant with the Town of Middleborough for CDBG funds. CDBG funding is federal funding from HUD, which is designated to assist low to moderate-income individuals. Funding from this grant will allow the Town to reconstruct Elliot Lane and continue our housing rehabilitation program to assist in repairing up to four homes.

Buzzards Bay Municipal Mini-grant Program

\$21,730

Funding from this grant will allow the Town and Buzzard Bay Coalition to offset the survey and appraisal cost of the Nasketucket Bay Land Conservation Project, which will reduce the amount of CPC funds that will be expended.

Seaport Advisory Council:

\$2,000,000

Funding from this grant will allow the Town to construct Phase 1 of the Union Wharf rehabilitation project. Phase 1 consist of bulkhead replacement on the East, South and a portion of the West side(s) of Union Wharf.

Community Development Block Grant Disaster Relief Funds (CDBG-DR)

\$150,000

CDBG-DR funding is federal funding from HUD, provided to Communities that had damage from storms that received a federal disaster declaration. Funds from the CDBG-DR grant will be used to demolish the former Maclean Seafood Building located at Union Wharf.

The Planning Board and the Department of Planning and Economic Development once again thank Town Meeting Members for their continued support of our work, to update the Zoning Map and make the Town's Zoning Bylaw more responsive to the needs of the Town. We look forward to 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Hayward, Chairman

Gary J. Staffon, Vice-Chairman

Peter G. Nopper, Clerk

Francis J. Budryk

Kaisa G. Holloway Cripps

John K. Farrell, Jr.

Rene J. Fleurent, Jr.

Jeffrey Lucas

William D. Roth, Jr., Director of Planning and Economic Development

Marie E. Ripley, Administrative Assistant to the Planning Director

Patricia A. Pacella, Secretary to the Planning Board

Antoinette M. O'Leary, Intern

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Fairhaven Police Department responded to 15,748 calls for service in 2013.

The following is a partial list of the number and types of calls for service that we responded throughout the past year.

Abandoned Motor Vehicles	5
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Hit & Run	75
Accidents - Motor Vehicle vs. Pedestrian	6
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury	60
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Property Damage	328
Alarm - Burglar	590
Alarm - Holdup	19
Ambulance Requests	890
Animal Bites	12
Animal Complaints	310
Annoying Telephone Calls	19
Arrests	803
Assaults	35
Assist Motorist	155
Assist Other Agency	64
Assist Other Police Department	92
Boat In Distress	5
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Dwelling	27
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Commercial	7
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Auto	29
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Garage	6
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Vessel	2
Disabled Auto	133
Disturbances/Disorderly Conduct	537
Domestic Violence/Family Offenses	110
Fights	17
Fraud	41
Illegal Dumping	17
Intoxicated Person	42
Larcenies	130
Mental Health Emergencies/Section 12/Section 35	23
Missing Person	24
Motor Vehicle Thefts	10
Motor Vehicle Violations	1169
Motor Vehicle Complaints	248
Officer Wanted	90
Prisoner Transports	182

Protective Custody	22
Recovered Stolen Motor Vehicles	2
Reported Deaths	9
Restraining Order Violations	9
Robberies	1
Safety/Road Hazards	267
Search Warrant Executions	3
Restraining Order Services	86
Harassment Protection Order Services	12
Shoptliftings	113
Suicide Attempts	4
Summons Services	144
Suspicious Activity	639
Trespassing	10
Unwanted Person	64
Vandalism	100
Welfare Checks	165

The Fairhaven Police Department addressed a number of challenges and experienced several changes throughout the 2013 calendar year. One of our first challenges literally occurred on New Years Eve. 2013 was ushered in by three juveniles who decided to break into Fairhaven High School and steal assorted electronic equipment and cause expensive damage to the building. All three were quickly identified after one of the suspects was apprehended by Officer Scott Joseph after a brief foot chase.

The subsequent investigation revealed that the defendants damaged a window while gaining access to the building. They also stole assorted electronic equipment along with a set of master keys to the entire facility. In addition to damaging the window and stealing school property, the defendants also vandalized several areas of the building. The vandalism consisted of graffiti and obscenities being scrawled on several desks and classroom boards, as well as chemicals being spilled in some of the science laboratories. The cost of the damage was in the tens of thousands. Locks had to be changed, chemicals had to be cleaned, and repairs had to be made to the Knipe Auditorium and the property damaged by the graffiti.

During the first week of February, the region was struck by Superstorm Nemo, which lasted from February 8th to 9th. The powerful Nor'easter dumped approximately 16 inches of snow in town and approximately 11 ½ inches on West Island. The highest recorded wind gust during that weather event was 67 miles per hour out of the northeast, and was recorded at the West Island Town Beach¹. According to reports from NSTAR Electric, approximately 10% of the town was without power. The power outage, which lasted for several days, resulted in the emergency relocation of some Town residents to emergency shelters.

The Fairhaven Police Department activated its storm plan during the 2013 blizzard and we were well-prepared for the storm strike. All members of the Department were placed on on-call status, and all shifts were staffed with additional personnel. This was another test of

1 Source: M.L. Baron of the West Island Weather Station

our level of readiness and our established storm emergency plan. We are confident that the plans and contingency plans we had in place were effective and will continue to serve as a good and effective foundation for plans for future storms. Clearly, we will continue to adjust and modify the hurricane/storm plan as needed to properly meet the needs and demands of our community. We will also tailor the plan to effectively deal with the type and duration of any future storms that strike our region.

The Fairhaven Police Department had three recruits graduate from the Plymouth Police Academy on February 1st. Officers Andrew Quintin, Wayne Mello Jr., and Alexander Kisla joined our ranks one week before Superstorm Nemo. They were immediately exposed to the duties and responsibilities of a police officer during a major weather event and local emergency. Since that time, they have all successfully completed their field training and have been assigned as permanent members of scheduled shifts.

We also have three additional police officer recruits currently attending the Plymouth Police Academy. Jason Tavares, Marcy Haaland, and Christopher Bettencourt began basic recruit training in September of 2013 and are scheduled to graduate on February 7, 2014. When they graduate from the police academy, these three new hires will bring the Fairhaven Police Department up to a full complement. All three recruits successfully completed a lengthy background check, drug testing, a medical examination, a psychological examination, and a physical abilities test. They have all been receiving top grades during their recruit training and we are looking forward to having them join our ranks.

The Fairhaven Police Department was recently updated its website with the assistance of Edward Pepin. Mr. Pepin continually updates the information on the website, which offers useful information, public service announcements, instructions on how to report information confidentially, and a host of photographs from various events in which the Department has been involved.

In addition to the updated website, the Fairhaven Police Department launched its own Facebook page. Our intentions are to keep current with social media technology that is readily available in order to provide the public with information and yet another medium with which to communicate with us.

Sergeant Michael Botelho, who headed the Detective Division returned to Uniform Patrol as the day shift supervisor and his brother, Matthew Botelho, took his place as Detective Sergeant. Sergeant Michael Botelho served as head of the Detective Division for seven years. His service was exemplary and in accordance with the finest traditions of the Fairhaven Police Department. During his tenure and under his leadership, the Detective Division diligently investigated six homicide cases. In each case suspects were identified and charged. Detectives also conducted one of the first wiretaps in Bristol County during a major drug investigation and had a 90% solvability rate for major crimes. Sergeant Michael Botelho was also in charge of the Detective Division when it was presented with the North Fairhaven Improvement Association Public Safety Officers of the Year Award.

Sergeant Matthew Botelho assumed leadership of the Detective Division on July 13, 2013 as the Detective Sergeant. In the short time that Sergeant Matthew Botelho has been in the role of Detective Sergeant, his unit has already investigated and either solved or are in the

process of solving several major crimes. On October 15th, retired Fairhaven Public School teacher Joyce Howland was found dead in her home, the victim of a brutal murder. Later that same night, a suspect was taken into custody on an unrelated matter. He was later charged with the murder as further information developed and evidence was processed.

Later in the year, Detectives working with Detectives from the East Providence Police Department identified a suspect who held up or attempted to hold up several local pharmacies by placing a phoned-in bomb threat. After identifying the suspect, both agencies worked together to complete an investigation that led to the arrest of a male party. In total, the defendant admitted to carrying out this act ten different times. He was successful one time in New Bedford, one time in East Providence and one time in Cranston, RI. East Providence detectives eventually managed to identify the defendant by filing subpoenas for phone records. After learning that similar crimes had been committed in Fairhaven, detectives from East Providence began working with Fairhaven detectives and eventually secured a search warrant for his house.

The search warrant was executed just before 10am on Friday, December 13th. During the search, investigators seized over 1,600 pills, most of which were opiate-based painkillers. Investigators also seized almost \$8,000 in cash. In addition to facing charges in New Bedford and East Providence, the suspect has been charged with numerous crimes in Fairhaven. Fairhaven Police are charging him with three counts of Possession With Intent to Distribute a Class E Controlled Substance, two counts of Possession of a Class E Controlled Substance, Possession of a Class B Controlled Substance, Trafficking Oxycodone, Threatening to Commit Bodily Harm, three counts of Making a Bomb Threat, Attempt to Commit Larceny of a Drug, and two counts to Commit Robbery of a Drug. He was held on \$100,000 bail.

Just before the Thanksgiving holiday, detectives obtained an arrest warrant for a male subject after he robbed one of the banks in town. He was eventually located in the area one morning. When Officer Frank Sniezek attempted to stop the vehicle he was operating to take him into custody, the suspect refused to stop and led several members of the Fairhaven Police Department on a vehicle pursuit that ended when he crashed on Route 140 in New Bedford. The suspect was taken into custody and is currently in jail awaiting trial for bank robbery.

Prior to the Christmas holiday, Officer Marc Darmofal arrested a male party after he encountered him walking down the road carrying a bag containing copper pies. The suspect entered a vacant house and proceeded to cut a great number of copper pipes with the intention of cashing them in for scrap.

A common underlying reason for many of these crimes is substance abuse. The vast majority of robberies, burglaries, and larcenies in Fairhaven are committed by persons seeking money to purchase or trade goods for drugs. All substance abuse is a major contributing factor to much of our violent crime including domestic violence, assaults, possession of illegal firearms, and kidnapping. In addition, acts of violence also occur during drug-dealing transactions.

Recent changes in legislation have also contributed to the many challenges faced by law

enforcement in combating drug issues. Among these changes are the decriminalization of possession of one ounce or less of marijuana, the acceptance of the use of marijuana for medical purposes and the reduction in the size of designated school zones. Previously, the charge of Possession With Intent to Distribute Narcotics could be filed against an individual if they were arrested for drug dealing within 1,000 feet of a school. That distance has since been reduced to 300 feet. Furthermore, the charge can only be filed if the suspect is arrested for drug dealing activity between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. within the reduced school zone size.

Breaking and entering into vehicles and homes unfortunately continues to be a problem in which thieves usually target those homes and vehicles that are left unlocked. Most thieves are looking for an easy hit, selling the stolen goods for drugs and cash. We remind everyone to lock your doors and to call the police to report any suspicious activity right away.

Identity fraud and internet scams are prevalent and has become more sophisticated and luring. Scammers will duplicate bank websites or promise deals and winning that are too good to be true. Some scammers call and pretend to be family members looking for cash transfers through Western Union. Never give out your social security numbers or other personal information over the phone or internet and check your accounts on a regular basis.

Detective Pamela Bourgault, our Elder Affairs Officer and Domestic Violence Investigations Coordinator, had a very busy year in 2013. Detective Bourgault managed and tracked 103 restraining orders and 12 cases involving offenses against the elderly. All told, the Fairhaven Police Department Domestic Violence Division handled 248 domestic violence cases. Some of these were carried over from the previous year. Others involved offenses not initially classified as domestic violence, but through closer investigation were determined to be domestic violence related.

The Fairhaven Police Department assisted with numerous events throughout the year with traffic control and by participating with its Honor Guard. The Fairhaven Police Department Honor Guard once again had the privilege of participating in the Memorial Day Parade and the Veterans' Day Parade. We also had the honor of assisting the family of a fallen U.S. Marine who made the ultimate sacrifice for our great country. Working with numerous public safety agencies, we paid our respects to one of Fairhaven's sons with our Honor Guard and by participating in a motorized escort to the National Cemetery in Bourne. Our thoughts and prayers are still and will continue to be with U.S. Marine Lance Corporal Matthew Rodriguez and his family.

In previous years the law enforcement community has suffered financial setbacks with the cutting or elimination of grants and funding. In 2009, both the Shannon Grant, which combats issues such as gang violence, and the Community Policing Grants were completely eliminated. This year was no different. In 2013, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts did not fund a grant that provides free bicycle safety helmets. This has been a program in which we have enjoyed participating in prior years. The Fairhaven Police Department hopes this grant will be made available once again.

There were 1,092 motor vehicle crashes in 2013 with 191 involving personal injury. Improving traffic safety and decreasing the amount and severity of motor vehicle crashes

continues to be a priority for this Department. We believe that proactive efforts such as increasing enforcement, accentuating traffic safety programs, especially those involving seat belt awareness, and looking for ways to lower speeds by evaluation of speed limits and other street signage is the best traffic safety strategy.

We again received a grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau to increase our traffic enforcement efforts particularly during holiday periods. We are also continuing our CRASHSTAT program which involves review of crash reports to determine locations and contributing factors to those crashes. Crash analysis documents are created using this information and enforcement efforts are geared toward those areas where the greatest number of crashes occurred. Information obtained is also used to recommend changes in signage and signaling.

Looking forward to 2014, the Fairhaven Police Department remains committed to our Community Policing Philosophy. We realize tough budget times continue to lie ahead but we are committed to providing the same level of services to our Town as we always have. We realize times are tough for everyone and that is why all of our members are doing more with less to see that the Town remains safe and a wonderful place to visit and live.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Myers
Chief of Police

With Contributions From
Sergeant Kevin W. Kobza

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works in Fairhaven is governed by a five member, unpaid, elected Board of Public Works Commissioners. The Board sets policies, establishes the rules, regulations, fees and procedures of the public works in the Town of Fairhaven. This also includes management and maintenance of the Town roadways, park, and utility infrastructure systems. These systems include roads, parks, cemeteries, beaches, bike paths, water, sewer, storm drainage, trash collection, vehicle maintenance and the recycling center.

The mission of the Fairhaven Public Works is to provide community services that exceed the public's expectations. This will be accomplished by:

- Rapid response to emergencies throughout all seasons
- Effective budgeting, management and cost-effective delivery
- Implementing best management practices
- Using technology to its fullest to enhance operations, environmental sustainability and communications with residents
- Providing exceptional customer service to our customers

Public Works is comprised of the following:

- Highway – which manages the Town's 105 miles of roadway. Duties include snow plowing, storm drainage, road reconstruction and maintenance, catch basins, street sweeping, the recycling center and the maintenance of more than 100 Town vehicles.
- Parks – which maintains and manages 17 parks, the West Island Town Beach, a portion of Fort Phoenix and many smaller Town owned parcels.
- Water – which manages over 100 miles of water mains ensuring that safe drinking water is delivered to 6,000+ properties which consume an average of 1.2 million gallons per day.
- Sewer – which manages the 5 million gallon per day facility at Arsene Street, the 100,000 gallon per day facility on West Island, approximately 75 miles of sewer pipes and 16 pump stations, with the continued goal of ensuring that wastewater is conveyed uninterruptedly to one of the Town's treatment facilities.
- Administration – which includes customer relations, personnel, financial management and long range planning.

Our goal is to maintain and improve living conditions in Fairhaven for our residents and provide value to our tax and rate payers.

Some of the Public Works projects that were either completed in 2013 or are still being worked on:

Boston Hill Water Tank Rehabilitation – The Boston Hill Water Tank is a critical component in Fairhaven's water distribution system that regulates water pressures, provides fire protection and serves as a reserve water supply when necessary. In 2013, the Town contracted the services needed to perform routine maintenance and rehabilitation of the water tank to maintain water quality, maintain structural integrity and prolong the tank's useful life. Public Works would like to thank all residents who complied with the water ban while this work was being conducted.

Bridge Super Structure Replacement – Route 195 over River Avenue – Completed in 2013, construction crews replaced the entire superstructure of the bridge carrying I-195 over River Avenue. Work included replacement of the existing superstructure with prefabricated bridge units, a new wearing surface, guardrail, and substructure crack repair.

CDBG Grants – In conjunction with the Town's Planning Department, Public Works has continued to sponsor Community Development Block Grant projects to conduct such efforts as replacing older water and sewer mains in the street, removing and replacing curbing, repaving, and improving streetscapes with new trees, lighting and furnishings.

Community Involvement – In August 2013, in conjunction with a \$5000 donation from the Fairhaven Tennis Association and a Community Preservation grant, Public Works sponsored the repair and resurfacing of tennis courts in Livesey Park. In addition, Public Works provided labor assistance for the North Fairhaven Improvement Association's Benoit Square Gazebo. Further, we have worked closely with the Fairhaven Bikeway Committee to assist them in obtaining grant money for bike path striping on Sconticut Neck Rd and for a traffic signal system for pedestrians and cyclists where the bikepath intersects David Drown Blvd.

Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan – Currently underway is a total (collection and treatment) wastewater system evaluation whereby present and future wastewater needs are assessed, wastewater management alternatives are developed which will meet these needs, and a final plan is chosen through careful comparison and review of the alternatives. The process focuses on ensuring that the planning effort results in the most cost effective, environmentally sound wastewater management plan in order to prepare financially to meet regulatory requirements in the most prudent fiscal way.

Digester – Construction of the Town's anaerobic digester was completed in 2013. The system is currently on-line and staff continues to "tweak" the system to meet effluent guidelines and to achieve optimal operation. Until recently, anaerobic digestion, the process through which sludge and other forms of waste are converted into energy, was practical for only large scale operations. Thanks to technical refinements and state and federal assistance, Fairhaven has constructed the first smaller-scale sludge-to-energy plant in Massachusetts. As we move forward, it is anticipated that the anaerobic digester will save the town money by reducing waste volumes while generating heat and electricity. The ultimate goal is to decrease waste disposal costs and receive credits for the power generated.

Fairhaven/New Bedford Bridge Preservation – Currently underway, with the premise of extending the lifespan of the Bridge, this project includes replacing joints, replacing bearings, cleaning and repairing steel, and repairing concrete and granite piers and abutments for both west and east bridges on Route 6 over the Acushnet River.

Inter-Municipal Agreement with Mattapoisett – Currently underway, the Town is renewing its agreement and partnership to continue to accept sewage from the Town of Mattapoisett into our Wastewater Treatment Facility. This agreement is a required document between two municipalities, where one local government consents to provide a service to another local government for an agreed-upon price.

Low Cost Safety Enhancements and Stop-Sign Controlled Intersections – Public Works, via a grant from Mass Highway, improved the following stop sign controlled intersections (Huttleston/Washington, Adams/Washington and Adams/Bridge) via better and increased signage and improved safety measures.

Marsh Island – The Board of Public Works granted stipulated permission to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, on behalf of the New Bedford Harbor Trustee Council, to perform work on Town-owned rights-of-way and easements associated with the Marsh Island Salt Marsh Restoration Project. This project will restore 12 acres of native salt marsh habitat on Marsh Island that was destroyed during harbor dredging projects in the 1930's. The project also includes the restoration of tidal creeks and the creation of a public walking trail around the perimeter of the island.

Massachusetts Coalition for Water Resources Stewardship Partnership – In 2013, Public Works continued their partnership with the aforementioned group, which is an organization of cities and towns and water professionals in Massachusetts that advocates for reasonableness and cost control while making environmental progress. Members are public officials who are environmental and fiscal stewards for their communities. The premise of joining such a group was to ensure that imposed regulations geared toward protecting the environment are scientifically derived using fiscally responsible approaches which is imperative with the looming nitrogen effluent discharge limitation that will soon be imposed on the Town's Sewer Treatment Facility.

Optical Speed Bars – Working in a partnership with the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District, based on traffic volume, crash data and speeds, KLS Engineering installed optical speed bars and roadway sensors on New Boston Rd., just north of Bridge St. Optical speed bars give the illusion of greater speeds in an attempt to slow traffic. Based on the data that was collected and analyzed, the Town will receive recommendations for improvement at this and other similarly contoured areas.

Park Avenue/Main Street Reconstruction – This Project, completed in 2013 on Park Avenue and the portion of Main Street from Huttleston Avenue to the intersection with Bridge Street, included replacement and installation of new sidewalks and granite curbing; replacement of 70 year old undersized water mains; replacement of an inadequate storm drainage system, and replacement of the 90 year old sewer system on Park Avenue.

Pump Station Improvements – Currently underway, Public Works has contracted to modify both the South Street and Taber Street pump stations. As time goes on, parts are increasingly difficult to obtain for these pump stations, constructed some forty years ago, which are continually in operation. As such, ventilation, pumping, generator and some structural work has been and will continue to be conducted to keep these critical infrastructure systems operational.

Signal and Intersection Improvements on Huttleston Avenue at four locations – Middle Street, Main Street, Green Street & Adams Street - Work crews completed the reconstruction of new traffic signal systems at four intersections along Huttleston Avenue (Middle Street, Main Street, Green Street and Adams Street). Work included resurfacing the road and constructing new sidewalks with ADA compliant wheelchair ramps.

Southcoast Ambulatory Care – Construction of the Southcoast Ambulatory Care Center at 206 Mill Road was completed in the summer of 2013. This new facility contains an urgent care center, approximately 20 Southcoast primary care physicians plus surgical and medical specialists with specialties in orthopedics, thoracic, urology, and endocrinology, gastroenterology, nephrology and pulmonary care. This facility also provides diagnostic testing, including radiology, laboratory and cardiac testing.

Stormwater Improvements – During the summer of 2013, Public Works retrofitted a number of existing catch basins to include tree box filters to treat stormwater pollutants and allow groundwater recharge, ultimately decreasing the overall nitrogen and pathogen load entering the New Bedford Inner Harbor. Tree box filters consist of a below-ground concrete structure filled with a sand-compost mix typically with a street tree planted and visible at the street level. When water enters, it filters through the roots and soil, which improves water quality. After passing through the soil, water will exit through under drains or recharge the surrounding groundwater. These structures naturally filter runoff, providing treatment for sediment, bacteria, and nutrients and allow the stormwater to soak into the ground. In addition, Public Works created three rain gardens – using native vegetative species -which allow rainwater runoff from impervious surfaces to soak into the ground. Rain gardens slow down the rush of water from hard surfaces, holds the water for a short period of time and allows it to naturally infiltrate into the ground. The purpose of a rain garden is to improve water quality in nearby bodies of water as they can reduce the amount of pollution reaching streams by up to 30%.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Basin Improvements – Public Works has contracted to structurally repair an existing aeration basin. An aeration basin is a critical component of a wastewater system where biological treatment (suspended solids removal) takes place. We would like to thank all of our employees for their dedication, hard-work and commitment to improving the quality of life in our Town.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Steven Riley, Chairman
Robert Hobson, Vice Chairman
Kathleen Sturtevant, Clerk
Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner
Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Vincent D. Furtado, Public Works Superintendent
Kathy A. Tripp, Administrative Assistant

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH AS OF JUNE 30,2013

Cash & Checks in office	\$25.00
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Eastern Bank	294,329.06	A
Bank of America	1,012,502.75	B
Century Bank	4,782,109.92	C
Unibank	416,324.96	D
Citizens Bank	1,989,701.86	E
Sovereign Bank	82,557.49	F
Webster Bank	2,118,591.44	G
Rockland Trust	2,790,871.47	H
Bristol County Savings Bank	60,866.13	I

TOTAL LIQUID INVESTMENTS	13,547,855.08
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TERM INVESTMENTS

Certificate of Deposit Bristol County Savings	2,500,000.00	J
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS	2,500,000.00
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TRUST FUNDS

Bristol County Savings Bank	502,288.89	K
Citibank - not in custody of Treasurer	1,838,002.39	L
Bank of America - (Stocks-Market Value)	310,620.44	M
Rockland Trust Company	3,426,887.44	N
Bartholomew & Company	4,607,858.62	O
Webster	625,365.36	P

TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$11,311,023.14
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TOTAL ALL CASH & INVESTMENTS	\$27,358,903.22
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I hereby certify that the foregoing schedule, setting forth the total cash in the custody of the Treasurer, is in agreement with the General Ledger controls of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy L. Graves, CMMC CMMT
Director of Finance/Treasurer

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Fairhaven Recreation Department ended 2013 by acknowledging our 12th anniversary of the Recreation Center. We once again held our annual "Anniversary Open House". Fairhaven Recreation youth basketball will have another good year with 186 Children playing in 3 different age groups ranging from 6 to 15. The games will be played at the Recreation Center and at the Hastings Middle School.

Our Track and Field program had 47 athletes participate in our annual program as they trained and practiced hard.

Our Kool Kids summer program did very well this past summer. Overall, we increased our average per week from 38 children per week, to 44 Children per week. We were up to 91 percent capacity overall with three weeks actually having a waiting list. The children enjoyed their time off from school by participating in our program and attending field trips, special events and having Friday pizza lunches.

Also this past summer, the Alyssa Niemiec Tennis Academies continued with 51 children learning the lifelong sport of Tennis throughout the summer.

2013 once again saw our participation in two national programs. With the MLB's Pitch, Hit and Run program, we were fortunate again to be asked to host the Sectional Competition right here in Fairhaven with two of our sectionals winners advancing to the Team Championship at Fenway Park in Boston, with one advancing to the National Championship, thanks to the support of Fairhaven Little League and Softball league. We also participated in the Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick Program again.

2013 also saw us bring an afterschool program back, this time at the Wood and the East schools. So far we are averaging 32 children per week.

In 2013 the Recreation Center saw 1,017 members, an increase of 56 members from 2012 (about 7 percent being non-resident). Also important to note is that a new category of Teen Wellness membership was added this year for members aged 16 to 18 year olds who, after training with staff, may use the wellness room. We have 12 members, which is 2 percent of our base membership. We look forward to 2014 as we enter our 13th year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Warren Rensehausen, APRP
Recreation Director

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Our district's mission states our shared beliefs regarding the purpose of the school, the role of the teacher, and the fundamental principles of and practices around teaching and learning. The ultimate intent of our plan for district improvement is so each and every student may become independent, productive, and successful. It is quite evident that the people and programs within the district provide to our students the opportunities they need to be independent, productive and successful.

Fairhaven High School Accreditation

High School Accreditation has been a point of mis-information and conversation in this town for over two decades. The Committee on Public Secondary Schools, at its April 7-8, 2013 meeting, reviewed the decennial evaluation report from the recent visit to Fairhaven High School and voted to award the school continued accreditation in the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The Committee was impressed with many of the programs and services and commended twenty-three different areas in its letter. Among those twenty-three were:

- The vision and leadership of the principal in providing the foundation and support for continued professional growth and school improvement.
- The teachers' initiatives and leadership
- The exceptionally respectful and safe environment within the school community.

It is clear and evident that while high school enrollments throughout our region are declining, Fairhaven High School's enrollment is increasing. Success is truly breeding success. The bar of academic expectations has been raised to another level. This past year a record total of 37 students were inducted into the National Honor Society. FHS has received national recognition from the College Board for increasing student participation to significant levels, while increasing achievement results in the prestigious Advanced Placement Program.

Because of behaviors and actions of our students and the superior professionalism and direction provided for by the adults at Fairhaven High School, the conversation about accreditation has never been clearer. Fairhaven High School serves as a beacon for educational excellence that shines brightly throughout the Southcoast region.

A core value within the mission of the Fairhaven Public Schools is to ensure high level learning for all children. Our teaching and learning system is our formal plan to ensure high-levels of learning for all children. The essential components necessary for the achievement of high level learning for all children is a highly effective teacher that delivers instruction within an optimal class size setting. There are three strands to the Teaching and Learning System, woven into one single braid. The essential components necessary for the achievement of high level learning for all children is a system that coordinates curriculum, instruction, and assessment (CIA). The essential core practices of our profession include all three. The NEASC Report stated the following about FHS:

Curriculum

- The Fairhaven High School curriculum offers courses that encourage students to achieve the school's stated 21st century learning expectations.

- The authentic opportunities in and out of school are both formally designed courses and individual lessons planned to meet the needs of students. Programs such as School to Career, School to Career on Campus, and Dual Enrollment provide opportunities for students to apply their skills and to extend their interests, skills and experience in a real world setting.
- At Fairhaven High School, there is clear alignment between the written and taught curriculum. Supervisors report implementation of the written curriculum based on classroom observations and by comparing the written curriculum with lesson plans that they collect and review. Teachers engage in frequent Professional Learning Community discussions about pacing, which ensure close alignment between daily lessons and the written curriculum.

Instruction

- Teachers at FHS, individually and collaboratively, improve their instructional practices in a variety of ways. During PLC time teachers meet departmentally to create common assessments, discuss instructional strategies, and review data from formative and summative assessments. Based on the information gathered during PLCs, teachers revise their instructional practices in order to improve student learning.
- Teachers, as adult learners and effective practitioners, maintain expertise in their content area and content-specific instructional practices. Formal time for review and discussion of best practices is provided through professional development and PLC time. Teachers attend conferences designed to improve their instructional practices and share with the entire faculty best teaching practices in rich discussions about teaching and learning in their PLCs.
- The willingness of teachers to be available before, during, and after school to provide extra help and support to students

Assessment

- Prior to each unit of study and using a variety of means, all teachers communicate to students the school's applicable 21st century learning expectations and related unit-specific learning goals to be assessed. The consistent communication of school-wide and unit-specific learning expectations and goals enables all students at Fairhaven High School to be apprised at all times of what they need to know and be able to do for each unit of study.
- Teachers at Fairhaven High School collaborate regularly in formal ways on the creation, analysis, and revision of summative assessments, including common assessments. The continued use of PLCs for the improvement of common assessments will help teachers to adjust instruction to improve student learning and to help students achieve the 21st century learning expectations.
- Teachers across the curriculum regularly provide specific, timely, and corrective feedback to ensure students revise and improve their work.

The New Leroy L. Wood Elementary School

During the May 7, 2011 Special Town Meeting information was presented regarding the educational program, enrollment and class size:

- All elementary school students should be provided with the same opportunities. The new model school preferred option would afford equitable educational

opportunities to all elementary school students in our district.

- Analysis of reliable data projecting as far as 2016 – 2017, showed that the proposed classrooms in the new model school preferred option do meet the district's class size goals and the MSBA class size guidelines.
- We will not have the enrollment to maintain the current configuration of our two elementary schools. The MSBA and the district must agree upon the most cost effective and educationally sound option. It is not educationally sound to have one classroom per grade and it is fiscally irresponsible to both build and maintain empty classrooms.

The following is the actual distribution of class sizes based upon January 2014 enrollment data. The adjustment made to our Attendance Areas (Policy JC) and the range in the distribution of students between the two schools allows our elementary population to be either within or slightly above our adopted class size goals.

	East Fairhaven School	Leroy Wood School
K	21,22,22	18,19,19,19
Grade 1	20,20,21	19,20,20,20
Grade 2	20,21,21	20,20,21,21
Grade 3	21,21,22	19,19,20,20,20
Grade 4	24,24,24	25,25,26
Grade 5	22,23,23	24,25,25

During the May 7, 2011 Special Town Meeting information was presented regarding the fiscally responsible solution:

- The preferred option is the most cost effective option, which meets the educational needs of ALL our children. That absolutely matters.
- The least expensive alternative that provides every child with the same opportunities is the most fiscally responsible project to the taxpayer and most educationally sound alternative for our children.

Prior to the debt exclusion vote the following was presented to the taxpayer in order to make an informed decision. The life span of the new model school at the Wood School site is a minimum of 50 years. Expending \$9,662,736.00 is a long-term solution for the town that addresses the educational program for all students in the most fiscally responsible manner.

In October 2013, our town went out to bond for \$9,064,000 at an interest rate of 3.08% on this project.

If we are lucky in our lives we can be a part of some cause that truly makes a difference in the lives of others. Beginning in 2006, this vision was communicated to our town.

On July 9, 2012, a groundbreaking ceremony took place to begin construction of the new Wood School. In August 2013, it was with great pride and deep appreciation that our town was informed of two dates that our community could tour the new Leroy Wood Elementary School. The dates and times for the Wood School Tours were Friday, August 30, 2013 from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm and Saturday August 31, 2013 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Words cannot describe what I experienced during the Wood School Tours. What I observed was literally a ton of people. I know a ton is 2,000 and I can confidently estimate that was the minimum number of people who entered the doors of our new school.

In a word, it was overwhelming. I witnessed current students with their extended families. I witnessed former students. I witnessed future students from four months to four years old. I met individuals with no affiliation with the schools whatsoever. I met people who did not even live in town, but were curious. I met individuals who summered in Fairhaven. I met taxpayers making sure that their tax dollar was well spent. What was overwhelming was the consensus from all who attended. They exuded pride, a sense of accomplishment, and left with the satisfaction that what they had spent their tax dollar on was well worth it.

I have witnessed first hand town department heads, town employees, elected officials, school personnel, and groups of caring and dedicated individuals work together for the greater good. The relationships exhibited throughout this building project are clear examples of groups of people working together to achieve what could not have been accomplished alone. Along every step in the process a community of caring and dedicated champions worked together to transform the most educationally sound and fiscally responsible solution for our children into the reality of a new school. Their actions serve as a model to present and future generations their responsibility to provide opportunities for our children and their future.

A special thank you to the amazing efforts of Chris Bunnell, the chairman of the School Building Project. This chairmanship was not his first rodeo. However, it was officially announced at the groundbreaking ceremony that this was his last. He successfully chaired the two elementary school building projects. We will forever be grateful for his efforts.

The decisions a community makes in how they apportion their money is a value statement on the priorities of that community. The approval by the voters in the Town of Fairhaven was a commitment to our greatest assets – our children. Our town has always done what is right for its children and their education. This time in particular, they have looked beyond themselves to leave a legacy that will provide opportunities for generations. I am both grateful and proud to live and serve in a community that valued what is in the best interest of their town, its greater good, and its future.

Educating the Whole Child

To reiterate, the ultimate goal of our district's mission is that each and every student may become independent, productive, and successful. A core values that supports this goal is to continually promote and increase student membership in co-curricular activities.

The high school band has grown from 18 students in 2003 to 57 students in 2013. At the high school level, there were 57 students who wanted to be scheduled in band, 50 and 54 for the choral groups. In 1993, the Fairhaven Public Schools had 8 string students enrolled in its string program. The string program was re-established in 2002 with lessons starting in the 4th grade. Today there are 180 string students in the Fairhaven Public Schools; 50 enrolled for the orchestra at FHS. Roughly one quarter of the student population at Fairhaven High School is involved in the performing groups. The average school district in Massachusetts has less than 10% of their high school students involved in music.

For the past 8 years, the high school band, orchestra, concert choir and jazz band have competed at the national level. This year the Fairhaven High School concert band, concert choir, and orchestra received silver medals for their performances while Jazz Band received a bronze medal at the Heritage Music Festival in Philadelphia, PA. Last year, the Jazz Band received an invitation to perform at New York City's Carnegie Hall Festival of Gold after receiving a gold medal at the Heritage Music Festival in Annapolis, MD. This year, our elementary music specialists took the spring concerts to a new level by using the creativity of every student. Students composed musical themes, created dances and a storyline about going on a search for their new school. The Hastings Middle School musicians were again invited to play for the Providence Bruins game. It took 3 buses to get them there.

The Drama program also continues to grow. This year Fairhaven High School Drama club put on its first fall play, Rumors. There were 63 students involved with the play and the musical "South Pacific" ranging from actors to students behind the scenes. Plans are already in the work for next year. The fall play was "Arsenic and Old Lace and the musical in the spring will be the "The Wizard of Oz

In the past two years there are 200 more student athletes participating in sports at FHS. This past year 367 student athletes (52%) participated in high school athletics. During the past three years (21) banners have been added to the gymnasium walls. Specifically, Volleyball Division II South Sectional Champions ('10/'11,'12), State Finalists 2010; Cheerleading Division IV State Champions 2011, South Regional Champions ('10/'11); Girls Basketball SCC Champions ('11/'12), South Sectional Champions 2012; Softball Back-to-Back SCC Championships ('11/'12), South Sectional Finalists ('12); and Boys Lacrosse SCC Champs 2012.

Over and above having a student athlete named Female Athlete of the Year in the Standard Times, this fall saw small school Fairhaven have student athletes named Players of the Year in the sports of Cross Country, Girls Soccer, Girls Volleyball, and Football. Once the year had concluded Fairhaven had a total of 8 Standard Times Players of the Year.

Eleven out of fifteen teams qualified for the MIAA state tournament. Ice Hockey, which had 6 athletes were SCC Champions, Cheerleading added another Division IV South Championship. Boys Lacrosse was Southcoast Conference Champions two years in a row. Last but not least, girl's volleyball won another Division III South Sectional Championship, an Eastern Mass Championship and were state runner up.

An Investment with Significant Returns

The result of high academic achievement, and increased student participation and success has developed a palpable culture that is becoming contagious. On life support just a few years ago, FHS now offers two sections of Advanced Placement (AP) Comp, one section of AP Literature, two sections of AP US History, one section of AP Biology, one section of AP Chemistry, full sections of AP Spanish, and 50 students are enrolled in Rosetta Stone. We also offer Computer Aided Design, where Fairhaven now is an authorized testing site through Certipoint. This will allow us to provide our students with the opportunity to take and pass the certification exams for Autodesk Inventor (our CAD program) as well as the Adobe Certified Associate and the Microsoft Certification exams if we so choose. A new section of Organic Chemistry has been offered where thus far students applying to pharmacy schools have been accepted.

Because of this level of excellence many more students are choosing Fairhaven High School as their high school more than ever before. Maybe it is the aforementioned academic achievement. Maybe middle schooler's experienced the six (6) filled fan busses that traveled to support the Girls Basketball team at the TD Bank Garden. Maybe it is the 20,180 hits on You Tube for the Fairhaven Lip Dub Firework that included all students at FHS coming together during spirit week. Maybe it was the Thanksgiving Day miracle victory that occurred over Dartmouth in 2011. Maybe it is the twenty-one (21) championship banners that have been added to the gymnasium wall over the last three years. Most recently, the South Sectional and Eastern Massachusetts Champions and state runner ups in Volleyball. Maybe it is our increased drama and performing arts opportunities. Maybe it is witnessing the caring and kindness displayed by our students and staff during the past two Junior Days. Maybe it is that foreign language is a graduation requirement for all students and that all juniors now take the PSAT; providing the opportunity for all students to attend institutions of higher learning.

Whatever the reason, the mission of graduating independent, productive and successful young people is happening. Our graduates are graduating from colleges and universities cum laude, summa cum laude, and as valedictorians. They are turning down undergraduate and graduate opportunities at prestigious Ivy League schools for better opportunities at other prestigious institutions.

When we invest in our children the returns are immeasurable. Sometimes, however, they can be measured. Because of the opportunities that our students were provided and because of the amazing talents of our adults in getting the most out of those talents, the Class of 2013 collectively received over \$2,598,580.00 in scholarship money this year. To the students and their families who had the cost of higher education defrayed, their Fairhaven education was an investment with significant returns.

Entering the FY 2006 budget process the town projected the Acushnet Tuition at 500,000. It has been our adage that if we produced the quality educational system that our children deserve that staff, parents, and students would choose Fairhaven. In December of 2013, the town of Fairhaven received its first payment for Acushnet Tuition for \$642,399.04. There will be two more payments made in March and June. The current enrollment of Acushnet students attending Fairhaven High School is 191.

In conclusion, it is with great pride that I present the Annual Report for the Fairhaven Public Schools for 2013 with knowledge that our district continues to move forward in providing our students the opportunities they need to be independent, productive and successful in life.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert Baldwin, Superintendent

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The New Year began with the realization that the economic slowdown that began in 2008 still continues with little sign of improvement in job creation. Millions of citizens remain unemployed (or under-employed) with the unemployment rate ranging from 7 to 7.4 percent during the year. The worldwide financial crisis continues to have a server impact on State Revenues and ultimately on Cities and Towns in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. President Barrack Obama was re-elected for four more years. Unfortunately, President Obama and the U.S. House and Senate continue to be at odds on how to close the National Debt and how to implement the new National Health Care Law for all United States citizens (nicknamed "Obamacare").

The State of Massachusetts economy continues to show little improvement, which results in minimum increases in State Aid to cities and towns. With limited new revenue and rising fixed costs such as health insurance, general insurance, retirement, utilities, etc., Town departments have had to absorb additional operating budgets. Even with the continuing financial constraints, the Board of Selectmen and their staff continue to work to minimize costs while still undertaking capital projects. The Board of Selectmen have committed to improving the Town's financial stability.

Some of the highlights during 2013 included the successful completion of the Bicentennial Year. The Town of Fairhaven was incorporated on February 22, 1812 after splitting from New Bedford. The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the hardworking volunteers of the Bicentennial Committee who successfully completed many memorable events throughout the past year. Some of the events included fireworks in Cushman Park, the arrival of the Vietnam Moving Wall, and the Bicentennial Parade on July 8, 2012, watched by more than 100,000 spectators who lined the parade route through the streets of Fairhaven. These Town birthday celebrations were well-received by the residents of Fairhaven.

Another highlight was the opening of the new Wood School in September. This 475-student school combined the Rogers and old Wood School communities into a state-of-the-art elementary school. The Wood School was modeled after the East Fairhaven School that was opened five years ago. The School was built in fourteen months, which was a very aggressive schedule. The Town was successful in building the School for \$22 million with a 63.5 percent reimbursement of the eligible costs from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). The Town was also successful in borrowing \$9.2 million (the Town's share of the costs) at a 3.08 percent interest rate for 20 years.

Also during 2013, the Town welcomed the new SouthCoast Hospital Urgent Care and Doctor Medical Facility. This new building is located on Mill Road, abutting the Cancer Facility that the SouthCoast Hospital Group opened a few years ago. This new facility is a great benefit to the Town residents and especially the Town's senior population. The year began cold with numerous snow events, including a blizzard on February 8, 2013. The rest of the year had above-normal temperatures with a dry summer and a wet fall. The year ended with cold and snow in December.

The Annual April Town Election witnessed a spirited Selectman's race between incumbent Brian Bowcock and BPW commissioner Geoffrey Haworth. Mr. Haworth defeated Dr.

Bowcock in the polls on April 1, 2013. The Board of Selectmen would like to thank Dr. Bowcock for 12 years of services as Selectman and his more than 25 years of dedication to different Boards and Committees in the Town.

The April Election also resulted in the Board of Health race ending with challenger John Wethington being declared the winner and then incumbent Peter DeTerra being the winner by first two votes, and then one vote after a recount. The election was challenged in court and the judge required a new election for the Board of Health race only. At the Special Election in September, Peter DeTerra defeated John Wethington by more than 300 votes. The May Annual Town Meeting moved quickly with most departmental budgets being funded at the requested amounts. Funds were appropriated during the Special and Annual Meetings for many Public Works projects; \$287,000 to repair the Taber Street Pumping Station; \$445,000 for Sewer Collection System; \$175,000 for a Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan; \$80,000 for a Water Pollution Control Facility; \$200,000 for Fire Hydrant replacement, and \$308,000 for Road Reconstruction projects. Additional appropriations included \$30,000 for fire escape repairs at the Fairhaven High School; \$30,000 for Town Hall computers and telephone replacements; \$22,710 for a new Police/Fire telephone system; \$17,500 for Shellfish Propagation and a series of smaller appropriations for capital improvements.

The Community Preservation Program provided more than \$500,000 for a number of projects, including \$200,000 to purchase conservation land in the Nasketucket Bay area; \$86,000 for gutter repairs at Fairhaven High School; \$105,000 for fire escape repairs at the High School; \$40,000 for the Anthony Haven replacement project; \$32,000 for Livesey Park Tennis and Basketball court resurfacing and other smaller projects.

Town Meeting also voted to change the Wind Turbine bylaw and to form a Town Government Study Committee to review the Department of Revenue (DOR) recommendations to change Town Government. The DOR recommendations included creating a Town Administrator/Town Manager position, combining the Town Collector and Treasurer positions, eliminating the elected Board of Public Works, eliminating the Personnel Board, and reducing the Finance Committee from 13 members to seven members. There were also operational changes to consider and review.

During the spring, the Bridge Street Landfill Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facility was tied into the NSTAR grid and began solar energy production, which is being purchased by the Town. This 2,025-panel solar array was built by Blue Sky Power and is operated by Revolution Energy. The Town is purchasing energy for 11.75 cents per KWH and the electricity being generated is being credited to the Hastings Middle School, the Town Hall, and the Street Light bills. Also during 2013, the Town continued its Street Light Conversion Program with an additional 466 high-pressure sodium street lights being converted to LED lights, which use significantly less electricity. The total street lights converted since the program began is 1,240 with an approximate 160 to be completed in Fiscal Year 2015.

During December, the Town buried two of its best residents. On November 30, 2013, Myra A. (Powers) Lopes, a teacher, Town historian and civic leader who had authored 23 Town history and children's books, passed away at the age of 82. Ms. Lopes (and her husband Curtis) were Chairmen of the Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair for thirteen years.

She also served on many Town boards, both public and private, and had been recognized for her many civic activities and dedicated promotion of the Town of Fairhaven.

On December 11, 2013, in the Helmand province of Afghanistan, 19-year-old Lance Cpl. Matthew Rodriguez lost his life while conducting combat operations. Lance Cpl. Rodriguez was a true hero who served his country, including the residents of his hometown of Fairhaven.

In December, the Town also received notice of a \$2 million grant to repair a portion of the bulkhead on the east and south sides of Union Wharf.

The Board of Selectmen would like to welcome the following new businesses to Fairhaven and wish them success:

Tropical Smoothie Café, Mud Pies and Butterflies, John Lally Accounting, Bold Moves Real Estate, Howe Allen Real Estate, Tumble Time Laundry, The Hollywood Scoop, Fierce Dance Academy, Phoenix Restaurant, Fatima's Bridal Shop, Pretty Paws Bakery, All Hung Up – Consignment Clothing Store, Cottrill Brothers Construction, A.C.C. Kiosk – Ambulance Care Center, Hands and Feet Salon, The Fish House, Kool Moose Café, Fairhaven Marine Service, Joe Botelho Real Estate, Eco Kids Learning Center.

The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the more than 100 Town Officials both elected and appointed, who have assisted and continue to assist and guide Fairhaven. Each Board and Official plays a vital part in improving Fairhaven and their contribution is greatly appreciated. The Board of Selectmen would also like to thank Town employees and numerous volunteers and residents who, through their efforts, have improved the quality of life for all Fairhaven residents.

During the past few years, much has been accomplished. To continue to make additional improvements, the Board of Selectmen continues to need the assistance of the Town residents to make a difference. Please take the time to become involved in the decision-making process in your community. Serve on a committee or board that interests you. Become a Town meeting member to help make the decisions to guide the Town. Your input is valuable for continuing the progress that has been made. The next year will have its financial challenges as revenues are limited. If we all work together, we can chart the right course for the future of Fairhaven. Please get involved.

Respectfully,

Charles K. Murphy, Sr. – Chairman
Robert Espindola
Geoffrey A. Haworth, II

SEWER DEPARTMENT

2013 was another challenging year for the Sewer Department. We are learning a lot about the digestion process, and working towards making the system efficient and cost-saving. We are also in the process of upgrading our aeration tanks and the South and Taber Street pump stations. Our entire infrastructure and treatment facility is aging and in need of attention. We are working to keep everything running well with the resources that we have available to us, but the department will need to do some major capital improvements in the next five years.

Our 5 million gallon per day facility on Arsene Street performed well within its permit limits with BOD5 and TSS levels of 10.8 mg/l and 9.9 mg/l respectively (state and federal permit levels are 30 mg/l). The treatment process yielded 461 dry tons of bio-solids, which were hauled offsite in liquid form by Synagro Northeast. There was a total of 273,000 gallons of septic waste from the towns of Fairhaven and Mattapoisett accepted in 2013. The Town of Mattapoisett contributed 153,827,128 gallons, while New Bedford's flows accounted for 1,140,700 gallons of the total 1,050,042 billion gallons (2.9 million gallons per day average) received at the plant. The West Island treatment facility treated 5,561,510 gallons of wastewater. Our permit levels for BOD5 (30 mg/l), TSS (30 mg/l), and Total Nitrogen (10 mg/l) were met with the annual averages being BOD5 (3.8 mg/l), TSS (4.9 mg/l), and Total Nitrogen (4.8 mg/l).

On the green side of our operation, our solar panel installations collectively offset 463,807 pounds of CO2 emissions, and produced power equivalent to running the average American household for 11,241 days (or nearly 31 years!).

The collection system staff inspected a total of 12 new individual sewer installations, one of which was commercial. We continue to move forward with some in-flow and infiltration projects and are in the process of purchasing a camera van to do our own video inspections. This purchase will save the Town considerable monies in the future because we will be able to do most I/I inspections in house. We will also be requesting funds in 2014 to continue rehabilitation the Taber Street Pumping station. Bids for phase I of the Taber/South pump station rehabilitation project were awarded to NuWater Industries, which is well into both projects. They are projected to be complete in early 2014. We are also continuing working on the Comprehensive Wastewater Management plan, which will be completed in 2014. We are in the process of adding a GIS system which can be accessed in the field by employees through the use of tablets. This will provide a permanent and readily accessible asset management system for the department as a whole.

Each year brings us new challenges and 2014 will be no different. We will continue to optimize the digestion process to produce the maximum amount of electricity, while reducing our costs for sludge disposal. I would like to thank my entire staff for doing a great job. Each of our employees does a vital job and is very much appreciated for their service to the Town. We look forward to new challenges and learning opportunities in 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L Schick
Sewer Superintendent

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The Town of Fairhaven is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment, municipal partnerships, and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2013, the Town of Fairhaven paid \$2563.97 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission: William D. Roth, Jr. and Rene Fleurent, Jr.

Joint Transportation Planning Group: William D. Roth, Jr.

Bill Roth also serves as Vice Chair to the Commission; Vice Chair to the JTPG Committee; and as a member of the Executive Committee.

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2013 were:

- SRPEDD's Municipal Partnership program launched new efforts to help improve operating efficiencies of member cities and towns. The regional purchasing program combined the purchasing requirements of twenty five communities for a group purchase of office supplies, for a combined saving of \$700,000. We also conducted a group purchase for EMS supplies resulting in lower cost for participating fire and ambulance departments up to 60%. Grants were obtained to fund the implementation of electronic permitting for area building and health departments.
- The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds, was completed and approved for FY2013-2016. The TIP targets apply to highway projects, and transit funds for GATRA and SRTA.
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts, a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.
- The Taunton River was designated by the US National Park Service as a Wild and Scenic River in 2009. The Taunton River Stewardship Council made up of locally appointed representatives from the ten municipalities abutting the Taunton River, along with supporting agencies, continues to meet regularly at SRPEDD to address protection of the river and its outstanding natural resources.
- South Coast Rail remained a major priority in 2013. SRPEDD assisted the SCR Corridor municipalities with a Five-Year Update of the Community Priority Areas and identified Priority Areas of Regional Significance. SRPEDD also

continued to support the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force, which includes representation from SRPEDD municipalities and regional organizations.

- SRPEDD also provided technical assistance to fourteen communities through thirteen projects that implement the South Coast Rail Economic Development and Land Use Corridor Plan. Projects included zoning bylaw amendments, assistance with developing planning documents and renderings of possible future development under project proposals.
- SRPEDD continued as the designated sub-fiduciary agent to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) for the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council serving 96 communities and the Wampanoag Nation in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than \$25.4 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 35 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 100 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD worked with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to evaluate the impact of proposed slot parlors in Plainville and Raynham.
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized “data layers” are added to the system
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- In cooperation with UMass Dartmouth, the Southeastern Massachusetts Council on Sustainability sponsored several workshops throughout the year.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including: route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 365 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.
- In addition, technical assistance was provided to the Town of Fairhaven in the following areas:
 - Conducted a group bid for Emergency Medical Supplies for use by municipal ambulances. (DLTA)

- Provided GIS mapping services for several fire departments (Fairhaven represented) showing locations of fire stations, staging areas and emergency Life-Flight helicopter landing zones. (DLTAJ)
- Obtained a grant to fund the expansion of the online Fire Department electronic permitting into additional municipal departments (DLTA)
- Completed a Trash/Recycling map for the town. (Contract)
- Completed a map to assist with a Medical Marijuana bylaw. (Contract)
- Provided additional review for Route 240/Bridge Street traffic signal timings and vehicle queues. (MassDOT)
- Provided assistance to the Bike Path committee on improvement options for the Phoenix Trail crossing at Sconticut Neck Road and on-road bike connections to the Phoenix Trail. (MassDOT)
- Assisted South Coast Bikeway Alliance (Fairhaven represented) with mapping, website maintenance, funding guidance, route planning, and sign design. (MassDOT)
- Assisted the Fairhaven Bicycle committee with registration, advertising and other support for a Bay State Bike Week ride. (MassDOT)
- Assisted Town Planner with assessment of changes to street network near town hall; changing two way streets to one way for better traffic flow and bike/pedestrian safety. (MassDOT)
- Supplied town with crash data and traffic counts in 2013. (MassDOT)
- Fairhaven was one of three communities (Dartmouth and Rochester) that participated in a test of optical speed bars to passively reduce vehicle speeds along rural roads. New Boston Road was the test site in Fairhaven. (MassDOT)
- Provided assistance to the Bike Path committee on improvement options for the Phoenix trail crossing at Sconticut Neck Road and on-road bike connections to the Phoenix Trail. (MassDOT)

SRPEDD was created to serve the cities and towns of southeastern Massachusetts. We are governed by elected and appointed officials from all the cities and towns. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bumbaugh,
SRPEDD

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

This committee is made up of a dozen residents of the Town who work to advance the mission of the committee: namely “to study, recommend, and facilitate actions and systems that will educate and engage the community and lead to the responsible consumption of resources and the implementation of life sustaining practices in order to create a healthy environment and future for our community”. Some projects have been developed over a number of years; others are of shorter duration and address a particular and often short-term need.

The committee, for example, is responsible for the Farmers’ Market which attracts a growing following among local farmers who gather every Sunday on the grounds of Fairhaven High School to provide Town residents and visitors with access to fresh, locally grown produce throughout the summer months. In 2013, this market celebrated its sixth season. This also provides an opportunity for other vendors to offer their crafts and other wares to the general public as well as an occasion for informal instruction and sharing of information.

A less visible program is found in a number of schools in the Town served by the Community Garden Committee. This committee works to provide working gardens at schools that are able to host allotments on their grounds, which are then shared both by students at the schools and by their neighbors in the local area.

The Committee connects its local work with other communities and projects along the South Coast. The Better Future Project organized a four day Energy Exodus March from Fall River to Hyannis at the end of August, which included a stop in Fairhaven to present a Certificate of Recognition to the Town for its work in developing renewable energy projects for the community.

Recycling and conservation continue to be areas where collaboration with other communities is invaluable. In late summer, members of the committee worked with the Acushnet Conservation agent on a successful program to market rain barrels to local residents of both communities. At year’s end, the committee began exploring the Pay Per Throw program which is in use in close to half of the communities in Massachusetts.

The Committee continues to be active in other areas, some of which include projects that are shared with other communities, others which are focused on Fairhaven and its residents at this time. Examples include action to mitigate the impact of reduction in local and regional public transportation services, research and exploration of ways to increase Aging In Place, expansion of local bike paths, development of trail networks, and further research into Pay Per Throw programs statewide.

Fairhaven residents and others interested in joining the committee or volunteering to work on specific projects should contact Vincent Marron at 508-997-5860.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Marron
Acting Chairperson

OFFICE OF TOURISM

The calendar year of 2013 was the 16th full year of the Office of Tourism.

VISITORS CENTER

The move of the Visitors Center from rented space at 43 Center Street into the town-owned Academy Building was completed by the beginning of November, 2012. The Office of Tourism occupies the old “office” of the Academy, with the Visitors Center set up in a small, 160 square foot area (8 feet by 20 feet) in the entrance hall. A limited amount of storage space is used elsewhere in the building. More than three-quarters of the building is used, free of charge, by the Fairhaven Historical Society, Inc.

During the summer of 2013, from June through the end of September, three volunteers served at the Visitors Center during times when the Tourism Director was out of the building guiding tours. Elizabeth Monk and Joanne Zych returned, having volunteered previous years, and Cathy Delano volunteered for the first time.

Being at the Academy Building allowed the Visitors Center to be used by the public on 19 Sunday afternoons during the Farmers Market—increasing the Center’s “open hours” by 57 hours over previous summers when the office had been closed on Sundays.

In the fall, a sign was installed on stone posts on the Main Street side of the building, using a recycled Bicentennial sign board temporarily, until a new sign can be made.

At its new location, the Office of Tourism hosted two new events, a winter camp put on by the Fairhaven Village Militia on February 2, 2013, and the October 14 Harvest Fun Day, which is described elsewhere in this report.

EVENTS

In 2013 the Office of Tourism sponsored its 17th annual Fourth of July Ceremony at Fort Phoenix, with participation by the Fairhaven Village Militia and the Showstoppers. The Office of Tourism also hosted its 16th annual Town Hall Shops as part of the Old-Time Holiday Weekend in December. Twenty-six different non-profit groups took part in the Town Hall auditorium.

On Saturday, October 14, 2013, the first Harvest Fun Day was held on the lawn of the Academy Building. This new event was created by the Office of Tourism. It involved participation by 30 non-profit and business vendors with booths offering children’s activities, food, art and crafts and more. Attendance was very good throughout the day. DJ Ken Souza provided music of the ’50s and ’60s to add life to the very successful, family friendly event. Plans are underway for a second Harvest Fun Day in 2014.

With the Fairhaven Village Militia, the Office of Tourism also co-sponsored a fall historical encampment at Fort Phoenix and a winter camp on the Academy lawn in February. The spring encampment at the fort was rained out.

ADVERTISING and PUBLIC RELATIONS

Regular promotion of Fairhaven continued with paid print advertising placed in the South

Coast INSIDER, the Fall River Herald News, O Jornal, Along Rte. 28, Cape Cod and Islands Pride Pages, Fairhaven Neighborhood News and The Traveler. Additionally, ads were placed in regional hotel in-room guest directories. The annual Old-Time Holiday in December was promoted with larger ads appearing in the Fairhaven Neighborhood News and The Wanderer and a color ad in the South Coast INSIDER.

In addition to paid advertising, press releases and photos about Fairhaven and special events were distributed to the press.

In late June a producer and cameraman from Channel 5's popular Chronicle program were in town to videotape. Fairhaven was prominently featured in the program that first aired on July 1, 2013 and was later available for viewing online. The Chronicle show highlighted Fairhaven's history, attractions and a few specific businesses.

Also in June, Malerie Yolen-Cohen, a travel writer for the Huffington Post and the Getaway Mavens blog, took a tour around town with Tourism Director Chris Richard. This resulted in a nice review of the town in a June 26 article published on Getaway Mavens, and additional mentions in other articles.

A story on Fairhaven's beaches appeared in the August issue of AAA Travel's Horizons publication.

Mr. Richard provided some assistance to a Japanese television production company that was creating a documentary on Manjiro Nakahama's time in America. The program was broadcast nationwide in Japan on November 7, 2013.

Again in 2013 a pressrun of 5,000 copies of a full color 24-page Fairhaven Visitors Guide was published. The cover bore a photo of the entrance to the new Visitors Center. The books have been distributed throughout the area since May. A .pdf file of the guidebook is posted on Town of Fairhaven and the Office of Tourism websites.

INTERNET

In the fall, Fairhaven resident Jeffrey Wotton of Spectrum Marketing Group volunteered to create a brand new website for the Office of Tourism. The entire site is being created from scratch and will include many enhancements over our previous web pages, including expanded content, slide shows, a more user-friendly calendar of events and easier navigation of the site. By the time this report is published, the website will be online at <http://fairhaventours.org>.

Updates were made regularly to the "Fairhaven, MA, Visitors Center" page on Facebook which promotes special events and announces other news related to the Office of Tourism. The page also "shares" announcements made by other Fairhaven groups and businesses. This has been found to be quite effective in spreading information about things going on in Fairhaven. Facebook was used extensively in the planning and promotion of the new Harvest Fun Day and contributed greatly to its success.

As always, monthly lists of town events were posted and updated on the Fairhaven Events web pages, based on information submitted in advance to the Office of Tourism.

TOURS

During 2013 the Office of Tourism scheduled 31 public Henry H. Rogers Walking Tours, which were guided by Christopher Richard. There were also 15 regularly scheduled Fort Phoenix Minuteman Tours by Chris Richard and 5 "Goodwife Spooner" tours at Fort Phoenix by volunteer Lori Richard. Two Riverside Cemetery Walking Tours were guided by Mr. Richard as well.

In addition to the above mentioned, regularly scheduled public tours, a number of custom tours and school fieldtrips were presented for groups. Some of the groups who were given tours were Daughters of the American Revolution, the Historic Resources Committee of the Boston Society of Architects, New Bedford Whaling Museum docents, Greater New Bedford Camera Club, Howe Allen Real Estate agents, the Black and White Club, Old Hammondtown School, Lincoln School, Old Rochester Regional Junior High, and many Fairhaven public school classes. In addition four tours in the fall were given as part of a course offered by The Second Half group affiliated with the Fall River campus of UMass Dartmouth.

The Office of Tourism helped with the preparations for a Walk'n Mass Volkssport walk which was held in town on Saturday, June 1. The Visitors Center was open as a rest stop and a checkpoint during the walk which went from Fort Phoenix to Poverty Point and back. A presentation was given to cub scouts at the Academy and a presentation was given to Christine Neville's Digital Photography class from FHS. The photography students then created a slide show of images of Fairhaven's historical buildings, which has been posted on YouTube and is linked to from the Office of Tourism website.

OLD STONE SCHOOLHOUSE

In June 2013 the fourth season of opening the Old Stone Schoolhouse on Saturday afternoons began. The building was open Saturdays 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. through the end of August. Many Japanese visitors stop at the Old Stone Schoolhouse as part of the Manjiro Trail or are brought there by the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society. It is hoped that as time goes on the schoolhouse can be further developed as an attraction for visitors.

BUDGET

In May 2013, Town Meeting approved an FY14 budget for the Office of Tourism of \$74,472.00 which was \$4,450.00 lower than the FY13 budget. The lower amount was a result of eliminating the payment of rent, heat and light due to the move to the Academy. (FY13 included half a year's rent and utilities. The full savings created by the move is \$7,300.00 annually). Due to these savings and other cuts over the last several years, the current budget of the Office of Tourism is about \$16,000.00 less than it was in FY07.

Respectfully,

Christopher J. Richard,
Director of Tourism

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

As of January 1, 2014 total residents in Fairhaven are 15,610 and the total registered voters are 10,938. Births, marriages and deaths in the year 2013 were:

- Births: 101
- Marriages: 91
- Deaths: 254

Elections and Town Meetings in 2013 were as follows:

- April 1, 2013 – Annual Town Election
- April 30, 2013 – Special State Primary
- May 4, 2013 – Special Town Meeting
- May 4, 2013 – Annual Town Election
- June 25, 2013 – Special State Election
- September 9, 2013 – Board of Health Re-Election

Total cash turned over to the Treasurer was \$63,752.93. The Town Clerk's Office collected the following violations:

- Parking violations - \$5,200.00
- By-Law violations - \$1,000.00
- Dog violations - \$1,025.00
- Boat Ramp violations - \$75.00

Dog Licenses - 2,175 dog licenses for a total of \$15,971.

Dog Licensing late fees – 378 for a total of \$5,670.00

Business Certificates – 108 for a total of \$3,240.00

The administration of elections is another function of the Town Clerk's Office. It involves the preparation and printing of the ballots, the supervision of election officials, reporting of returns and the certification of the officials elected.

The services of a Notary are available in the Town Clerk's Office at no charge.

Once again, I would like to thank my assistant, fellow workers, registrars, poll workers, police department and school custodians for their cooperation and support during the past year.

Eileen M. Lowney, CMMC
Registrar/Notary

TOWN COLLECTOR

REAL ESTATE TAX	\$ 22,898,615
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX	\$ 741,396
CPA TAX	\$ 311,424
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	\$ 1,509,287
WATERWAY USER FEES	\$ 54,462
BOAT EXCISE	\$ 56,884
INTEREST AND FEES	\$ 102,924
WATER RATES	\$ 1,924,611
WATER BETTERMENTS	\$ 3,300
WATER BETTERMENT INTEREST	\$ 488
WATER LIENS	\$ 104,808
WATER AND SEWER LIEN INTEREST & FEES	\$ 83,686
SEWER LIENS	\$ 158,094
SEWER USAGE	\$ 2,324,247
SEWER USAGE FEE	\$ 13,560
SEWER BETTERMENTS	\$ 347,014
SEWER BETTERMENT INTEREST	\$ 163,633
MATTAPOISETT SEWER CHARGES	\$ 218,117
BETTERMENT RELEASE CERTIFICATES	\$ 100
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERTIFICATES	\$ 34,500
SCHOOL TUITION	\$ 1,534,275
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ 23,717
IE LIENS	\$ 25,483

TOTAL COLLECTIONS IN FY13

\$32,634,655

Thank you to my office staff: Assistant Collector Pamela Bettencourt, and Senior Clerks Vicki Paquette and Helen DaCunha. Your dedication and team work in assisting our taxpayers is greatly appreciated.

On August 1, 2013, I completed my 25th year as the first appointed Collector in Fairhaven. 2014 will be the year of my retirement.

Thank you for the privilege and honor to have served as your Town Collector.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Brandolini
Town Collector

TREE DEPARTMENT

In February of 2013, the Town of Fairhaven was hit with a bad blizzard, which required the removal of 12 trees, the employment of men and equipment, and many hours of clean-up with work still going on.

In October of 2013, 28 trees were planted around the Town of Fairhaven.

The tree trimming program is in full force. The road project on Fort Street is now completed and all the trees that were removed have now been replaced.

In the spring of 2014, the trees that were planted along our roadways should be green and flowering.

Respectfully submitted,

Antone Medeiros, Jr.
Tree Warden

VETERANS SERVICES

The Office of Veterans' Services granted financial aid and medical assistance through M.G.L. Chapter 115 to 161 veterans, their families, spouses or widows during the year 2013. The cases were divided as follows:

WWII 48 Korea 31 Vietnam 48 Peacetime 11 Persian Gulf 23

The above caseload consists of 71 veterans, 23 spouses, three children and 64 widows.

According to the latest update from the Veterans Administration, VA benefits paid to veterans with Fairhaven residency totaled \$2,646,492.00 for the last 12 month period monitored. These benefits were paid for pensions and disability compensation and included 233 resident veterans beneficiaries. A number of these claims were processed through this office.

Unemployed veterans are being referred to the Division of Employment for aid in finding employment or training for future employment. Some veterans have been referred to the Veterans' Administration clinic on Elm Street, New Bedford for assistance in receiving Veterans' Administration aid through their hospital and clinics. A number of resident veterans have taken advantage of the VA prescription medication program. Several veterans have been referred to the Veterans Transition House in New Bedford and the Veterans' Hospital in Brockton for various treatment programs and several have, through this office, applied for and received disability benefits from the Veterans' Administration and Social Security.

In addition to financial and medical assistance, the department has been active in reaching out to veterans in other regards. Many veterans have contacted this office for miscellaneous information such as: transportation problems to veteran hospitals, applications for burial in national cemeteries, burial plaques, award certificates for tax abatements and applications for military medals, ribbons and other military records.

The department has completed the building of a database of all Fairhaven veterans that have served throughout the history of the town, reaching back to the Old Oxford Village during the Revolutionary War through the current action in the Persian Gulf. It is important to honor all veterans, both living and deceased. The data base will be a great asset in granting the appropriate honors to our veterans and will be continuously updated.

The Office has also recently updated to a new Management Information System that helps expedite cases and reimbursements from The Department of Veterans' Services, Boston. The VA has also streamlined the pension and compensation application process which helps in filing and receiving faster responses for each case.

The department welcomes Ms. Jane Bettencourt as the new Administrative Assistant. Ms. Bettencourt is very experienced in the town computer systems and has shown to be an asset to this office.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Cochran, Director/Agent

WATER DEPARTMENT

The following figures compare Water Department statistics for calendar years 2012 and 2013:

Calendar Years:	2012	2013
Gallons of finished water pumped	462,820,000	471,560,000
Most gallons of finished water pumped in one day	2,079,000	1,993,000
Most gallons of finished water pumped in one week	13,778,000	11,880,000
House service leaks	28	30
Water main leaks	17	4
Lead services replaced	3	5
New water services added	15	5
Fire hydrants replaced	7	6
New fire hydrants added	5	4
Water meters installed	97	63

A complete rehabilitation of The Boston Hill Water Tower was done which included cleaning and painting both the interior and exterior surfaces.

I would like to thank my staff and all Town Departments for their continued support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward L. Fortin
Water Superintendent

MATTAPOISETT RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

History and Purpose of MRVWSPAC

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee (MRVWSPAC) was established in 1980 by the towns of Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester with the assistance of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD). The organization grew out of a concern for the aquifer underlying the Mattapoisett River Watershed, from which all four towns draw water supplies. Special legislation was enacted in 1983 (Chapter 407) formalizing the Committee. The communities took action by entering into a memorandum of understanding that spelled out their common interest in protecting the Mattapoisett River and its watershed. By-laws were adopted governing the Committee's activities, powers and duties. An amendment to this legislation was filed in 1988 to add Acushnet to the Committee.

Mattapoisett River Valley Aquifer

The Mattapoisett River and its aquifer provide fresh water for water supply, recreation, and agriculture to portions of the entirety of five communities in Bristol and Plymouth Counties in Massachusetts. Ground water has traditionally been the source of municipal water supply in the Mattapoisett River Valley. In 2013, our aquifer supplied approximately 2.2 million gallons per day for domestic and commercial users in the towns of Mattapoisett, Fairhaven, Marion, and Rochester. In addition, Rochester and parts of Acushnet depend on the aquifer for private water supply.

The Mattapoisett River is a run for river herring from the ocean to their spawning area in Snipatuit Pond. Cranberry growers, a major part of the local economy, use the river as a source of water for bog irrigation and flooding during harvest. Because of the importance of water consumption and water dependent uses on the Mattapoisett River, there is a real need for the water resource planning and public education that the MRVWSPAC provides.

The Committee is made up of three (3) representatives from each town for a total of 12 members. Committee members are appointed, and in many cases are town officials, ranging from Selectmen to Water Department Supervisors. A legal vote of the Committee can only be taken when at least one representative from each community is present. The MRVWSPAC holds public meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 3:30 p.m. at the Fairhaven Board of Public Works.

Investing in our Future

One of the greatest challenges facing the Committee and its member towns is the task of ensuring a safe and abundant supply of drinking water for generations to come. Over the years, the MRVWSPAC has dedicated time to upgrading our water supply systems, exploring potential new sources, reviewing and upgrading water supply protection measures, purchasing and supervising land vital to water quality, and establishing and maintaining a database of critical water level data. A safe and abundant water supply is essential to maintaining both our quality of life and potential economic viability.

As little as one penny per one hundred gallons pumped from the Mattapoisett River Valley funds the Water Supply Protection Fund, which can only be used to protect the

Mattapoissett River aquifer with activities such as land purchases, engineering studies, and water conservation programs.

Summary of 2013 MRVWSPAC Accomplishments

Reviewed projects within the aquifer and advised the planning boards of member towns relative to development within the Mattapoissett River Valley watershed

Funded the installation of additional monitoring wells, piezometers, and river gauging stations at strategic locations along the Mattapoissett River to monitor hydro-geologic conditions in the Mattapoissett River Valley.

Performed Mattapoissett River data collection, maintained a database of critical water level data, and funded the preparation of the report entitled “2012 Mattapoissett River Hydrologic Monitoring Annual Report prepared for the Mattapoissett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee” by Tata & Howard Water and Wastewater Consultants

Allocated \$30,000 towards permanent protection of 19.58-acres of land in the Mattapoissett River Valley Zone II aquifer designated as Map 21, Lots 72 & 73 in Mattapoissett.

Created a new MRVWSPAC logo and brochure to educate the public about the Mattapoissett River Valley aquifer and the committee’s work in managing water resources for our future.

The MRVWSPAC wishes to recognize the members of its consulting team for their excellent work and contributions in 2013:

Tata & Howard	Lead water and environmental consultant
Elizabeth Leidhold	Mattapoissett River Valley monitoring and data collection
Meagan McCarthy	Data reduction and graphing
Design Principles	Logo and Brochure Design
Michel Cullum Associates	Logo and Brochure Design
Stantec Consulting	Hydrogeological consultant

Respectfully submitted,

Fairhaven Committee Members

Vinnie Furtado
Jeffrey Osuch, Chairman
Alfred Raphael

Marion Committee Members

Rob Zora
David Pierce, Treasurer
Paul Dawson

Mattapoissett Committee Members

Barry J. Denham
Daniel W. Chase
William T. Nicholson

Rochester Committee Members

Laurell J. Farinon, Clerk
Sandra Keese
Naida Parker

MATTAPOISETT RIVER VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water District (District) was formed in 2004 to contract and operate the six million gallon per day (mgd) Mattapoisett River Valley Water Treatment Facility (MRVWTF). The District is comprised of the Towns of Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester. The treatment facility, located in Mattapoisett, started operations in 2008.

The MRVWTF treats raw water from eight municipal water supply wells owned and operated by the District Towns. The sources include three Mattapoisett wells, one Marion well, and four Fairhaven wells, which are located in Mattapoisett and Rochester. Treatment at the facility includes oxidation with ozone, followed by membrane ultrafiltration with Koch membrane filters for the removal of iron and manganese. The finished water is treated to adjust the pH for corrosion control.

2013 represented the sixth year of operation of the MRVWTF. The plant processed 723.6 million gallons of water during the year. The FY14 operating budget for the plant is \$1,826,854 which represents an increase of approximately 3.5 percent over FY13. The major expenses include electricity, chemicals and labor. Maintenance costs are increasing slightly due to operational wear on mechanical systems.

The MRVWTF operated well throughout the year, meeting all State and Federal water quality standards. The ozone system requires factory service twice per year in order to maintain operational reliability. The air compressors are requiring above-average maintenance and alternatives are being evaluated to improve the reliability of the air system. One variable frequency drive failed and required replacement but it did not impact plant operations. Routine maintenance was performed on the membrane filters and they continue to achieve efficient removal of iron and manganese. The MRVWTF experienced a three-day power outage due to the Blizzard of 2013, but continuous work by the plant operators and the plant emergency generator prevented interruption in supply to the communities.

The District provided a modified operations program to supply water and maintain system pressures to the Town of Fairhaven during maintenance of the Boston Hill Standpipe. In addition, the District continues to supply the Town of Marion additional water on as as-needed basis while their East and West Wells are out of service due to groundwater contamination.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Osuch, Chairman
Laurel Farinon, Vice Chairman, Secretary
Paul Silva, Treasurer
Alfred Raphael
Vincent Furtado
David Pierce
Rob Zora
Frederick Underhill
Barry Denham
William Nicholson

DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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| 1. Do you keep a permanent record on file of all individual inspections and reweighing? | YES |
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Inspections and Tests: State Number of Each

- | | |
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| 2. Peddler's Licenses | NONE |
| 3. Transient Vendors | NONE |
| 4. Fuel Oil Delivery Certificates | 0 |
| 5. Marking of | |
| a. Bread | 0 |
| b. Food Packages | 0 |
| c. Coal, Coke, and Charcoal in paper bags | - |
| 6. Clinical Thermometers | NONE |
| 7. Scales | 2 |
| 8. Other Inspections | - |
| 9. Measure Containers | - |
| 10. Retest of gasoline devices after sealing | 0 |
| 11. Number of retail outlets required to: | |
| a. Have scanning system tested | 30 |
| b. Post unit pricing | 0 |
| c. Post consumer notice | 0 |
| 12. Number of Scanning Inspections | 0 |
| 13. Number of Unit Pricing Inspections | 0 |
| 14. Number of Unit Pricing Prosecutions and Hearings | 0 |
| 15. Miscellaneous Inspections and Tests | 0 |
| 16. Reweighing and Re-measurements Made for Municipality | 0 |

The foregoing comprises my annual report for the period ending December 31, 2013 and is herewith submitted as required by law.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Machado
 Sealer of Weights and Measures

TOWN ELECTION

APRIL 1, 2013

Town Clerk	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	TOTAL
Vote for One							
Eileen M. Lowney	356	337	226	324	460	356	2059
Write-Ins	3	0	0	0	3	1	7
Blanks	66	63	39	69	107	93	437
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503
Selectman - 3 years							
Vote for One							
Brian K. Bowcock	178	171	152	171	236	185	1093
Geoffrey Haworth	234	217	102	216	323	253	1345
Write-Ins	0	0	4	2	2	3	11
Blanks	13	12	7	4	9	9	54
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503
School Committee - 3 years							
Vote for Two							
Stasia A. Powers	253	270	178	233	327	277	1538
Bernard F. Roderick	209	232	149	209	295	266	1360
Diane E. Hahn	170	137	84	147	218	147	903
Write-Ins	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Blanks	218	160	119	197	299	210	1203
TOTAL	850	800	530	786	1140	900	5006
Board of Health - 3 years							
Vote for One							
Peter DeTerra	210	188	166	187	265	213	1229
John Wethington	208	202	93	201	293	231	1228
Write-Ins	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Blanks	7	10	5	5	11	6	44
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503
Board of Public Works - 3 years							
Vote for One							
Michael Ristuccia	262	272	178	247	358	291	1608
Write-Ins	2	2	1	5	4	3	17
Blanks	161	126	86	141	208	156	878
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503
Comm of Trust Funds - 3 years							
Vote for One							
Barbara A. Acksen	249	248	148	226	332	272	1475
Write-Ins	3	2	3	6	7	3	24
Blanks	173	150	114	161	231	175	1004
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503
Planning Board - 4 years							
Vote for Two							
Gary J. Staffon	221	225	165	217	327	238	1393
Kaisa G. Holloway Cripps	218	202	131	190	238	222	1201
Write-Ins	1	1	2	1	2	0	7
Blanks	410	372	232	378	573	440	2405
TOTAL	850	800	530	786	1140	900	5006
Planning Board - 1 yr unexp term							
Vote for One							
John K. Farrell	164	167	125	170	242	181	1049
Cathy Melanson	178	175	100	166	222	194	1035
Write-Ins	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Blanks	82	57	40	57	106	75	417
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503

Housing Authority - 5 years Vote for One	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	TOTAL
Jimmie D. Oliver	0	8	3	1	16	2	30
Jean Rousseau	1	5	0	0	0	2	8
Nicholas Gautreau	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Anne Silveira	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
James Dutra	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Carl Bissonnette	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Andrew Tillett	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
John Farrell	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Rick Borges	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Edgar Martin	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Robert Roderiques	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Charles Murphy	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
John E. Dallen	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
James Martin	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Alan Waddington	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Jaime DeSousa, Jr.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Jeffrey Claflin	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Thomas Daigle	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Matthew Gamache	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
David Markey	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Thomas Meredith	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
John Rousseau	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Tom Silvia	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Richard Ramos	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mark Badwey	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ken Pottel	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Manuel Botelho	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
David Crowley, Sr.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Albert Henderson	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Write-Ins	26	12	6	9	16	6	75
Blanks	398	367	248	380	525	436	2354
TOTAL	425	400	265	393	570	450	2503

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

APRIL 1, 2013

PRECINCT ONE

<i>24 for 3 years</i>	<i>vote</i>
David Berger	155
Doris Berger	154
Kathleen A. Brennan	151
Michael A. Brennan	143
Francis J. Budryk	116
Gregory S. Burns	121
Kevin A. Costa	126
Terence Cripps	141
Dan DeJesus	149
Judith Downing	135
David G. Hughes	119
Curtis Lopes	241
Myra A. Lopes	236
Theodore Lorentzen	119
Nancy Machado	128
Peter Machado	127
John P. Ryan	121
Nelson P. Westgate	121
Leonard E. Benoit	122
Gail Irving Desroches	129
Stephen R. Desroches	133
Alexander K. Kuechler	151
Monisha Porter	95
Ellen Unsworth	123
Tom Unsworth	112

PRECINCT TWO

<i>24 for 3 years</i>	<i>vote</i>
Kevin Beaulieu	200
Matthew Coes	173
Edmund T. Folger	184
David D. Gammans	185
Lynwood P. Harriman	197
Jean J. Rousseau	193
Deborah B. Davis	198
WRITE-INS	
Melissa A. Duarte	3
Richard A. Griffith	2
Ivey W. Winkler	2
Nicholas L. Gautreau	1
Francis Cox, Jr.	1
Michael Powers, Jr.	1
Nancy A. Mulcare	1
Amie L. Bourgeois	1
David M. Faunce	1
John Wethington	1
Lisa Wethington	1
Alan J. Bolger	1
Justyn R. Stack	1
Thomas E. Linzee	1

PRECINCT THREE

<i>23 for 3 years - 3 for 1 year</i>	<i>vote</i>
Sharon M. Dufresne	155
Charles K. Murphy, Sr.	161
Erin Murphy	139
WRITE-INS	
Theresa DeSousa	3
David Dias	3
Michelle Dias	3
Kathleen Doyle-Botelho	2
Kelly S. Botelho	2
Edgar L. Martin	2
Rachel G. Martin	2
Jamie L. Levesque	2
Ari Jason Kaplan	2
Tanya E. Kaplan	2
Rita S. Gubler	2
Heather L. Fleming	2
Matthew J. Cardoza	2
Melanie L. Cardoza	2
Lori A. Richard	2
Earl S. Mosby	1
Anne M. Mosby	1
Debra Ribeiro	1
Kevin Ribeiro	1
Elizabeth Correia	1
Scott M. Cook	1
Karl Pedersen	1
Ryan Desmarais	1
Stacey A. Desmarais	1
Kara Caron	1
Michael Caron	1
Jen Yin	1
Andy Yin	1
Michelle Sauve	1
William Sauve	1
John Sinko	1
Mark S. Perry	1
Melody A. Perry	1
Alan S. Waddington	1
Rena L. Jacobson	1
Charles F. Foley	1
Margaret Foley	1
Rachel McCarthy	1
Donald Fredette	1
Linda Fredette	1
Elizabeth Monk	1
John E. Dallen	1
Brandon Garde	1
Joseph Gubler	1
Caroline Murphy	1

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

APRIL 1, 2013

PRECINCT FOUR

25 for 3 years - 1 for 2 years

Kathleen Carter	167
Brian Dawicki	205
Laura Dawicki	193
Wayne Fostin	170
Scott Francis	189
Robert Gauvin	164
Pamela Greene	160
Allan R. Lawyer	143
Carolyn A. Hurley	174
WRITE-INS	
Stephen J. Furtado	2
Patricia A. Pacella	2
Elizabeth Daigle	1
Daniel C. Freitas	1
Naomi M. Brown	1
Andrew Tillett	1

PRECINCT FIVE

23 for 3 yrs - 2 for 2 yrs - 1 for 1 yr

Jeffrey R. Davis	167
Jennifer Dumoulin	170
William Farrell	157
Kim Hyland	198
Ethan Kakley	147
Allen B. Lentini	153
Sidney E. Martin	166
Anne O'Brien-Kakley	158
Karl J. Pedersen, Jr.	175
Theresa B. Pereira	188
Joshuah Powers	198
Susan B. Spooner	158
Joseph Taylor	187
Susan Taylor	186
Elaine O'Neill	183
WRITE-INS	
Karen Isherwood	25
Lisa Plante	25
Katherine Starr	25
Michael Thomas	24
David Massee	23
Chelsea Isherwood	22
Leah F. Isherwood	22
Wayne Vieira	21
Katrina L. Massee	20
Rachel G. Thomas	20
Jose M. Rosa	18
Louis Rodrigues	8
Christopher Baldo	5
Harry Cardinal	3
Janice O'Connell	3
Bryan Wood	3
Murray Gintis	3
Mary Jane Baldo	2
Susan Amaral	2
Michael P. McNamara	2
Gary Furtado	2
Eleanor Corr	2
Donna M. Kirk	1
Thomas W. Kirk	1
Keith Amaral	1
Bernice Dechaves	1
Jennifer L. Moura	1
Earl B. Jorgensen	1
Jacqueline Hobson	1
Scott Coelho	1
Louise E. Merrick	1
Linda Ferreira	1
David N. Cardin	1
Thomas A. Potter	1
Michelle Potter	1
Laura Hellstrom	1
Robert Hellstrom	1
Marjorie G. Joseph	1
Shirley A. Hunter	1
Andrew Greene	1
Charles Brillon	1
Cesar D. Sousa	1

PRECINCT SIX

24 for 3 yrs - 1 for 2 yrs - 1 for 1 yr

James Aguiar	143
Sheryl A. Aguiar	143
Joseph A. Borelli	123
Mary Theresa Cunha	116
Stephanie DeNardis	127
Gabrielle Marie Ferreira	142
Melissa A. Fox	106
Debra A. Frias	121
Joan E. Fye	101
Rosalie Hutchinson	99
Cleveland Matheson	139
John Methia	133
Joseph Morgida	98
Gail F. Rock	123
Richard E. Rock	121
Marlene C. Serpa	103
Peter Szala	114
Therese Szala	112
Heidi Winnett	179
Scott C. Winnett	166
Edward "Ted" Silva	183
WRITE-INS	
Antone P. Lopes	15
Diane A. Lopes	15
Julia DeNardis	3
Grace M. Gwozdz	1
Robert Roderiques	1
Kenneth Kendall	1
Alberto Silva	1
Andrew Beaumont	1
Dennis Girard	1
Michelle Girard	1
Viriato Bala	1
Kevin A. Pestana	1
Kerry Alves	1
Francis Lima	1

SPECIAL STATE PRIMARY ELECTION APRIL 30, 2013

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	PRE 1	PRE 2	PRE 3	PRE 4	PRE 5	PRE 6	TOTAL
Democrat							
Stephen F. Lynch	75	70	62	68	74	72	421
Edward J. Markey	106	114	59	79	110	85	553
Write-Ins	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	181	185	121	148	184	157	976

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	PRE 1	PRE 2	PRE 3	PRE 4	PRE 5	PRE 6	TOTAL
Republican							
Gabriel E. Gomez	34	36	16	32	50	40	208
Michael J. Sullivan	24	26	23	31	30	27	161
Daniel B. Winslow	2	9	2	4	10	7	34
Write-Ins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	60	71	41	67	90	74	403

SPECIAL STATE ELECTION JUNE 25, 2013

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	PRE 1	PRE 2	PRE 3	PRE 4	PRE 5	PRE 6	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
Gabriel E. Gomez	232	218	129	215	247	219	1260	1261
Hand-counts	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Edward J. Markey	232	238	163	196	220	191	1240	1241
Hand-counts	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Richard A. Heos	5	1	1	3	2	3	15	15
Hand-counts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	3
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	470	457	293	416	471	413	2520	2520

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013

WALTER SILVEIRA AUDITORIUM - ELIZ. HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL
TOWN MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT 252 - QUORUM REQUIRED 100

Meeting called to order by Moderator at 9:00 A.M.

The National Anthem was played.

Invocation by Pastor Wheeler, Trinity Lutheran Church

A moment of silence was held for the deceased.

The Moderator introduced those seated on stage.

The Moderator stated that the warrant had been properly served and that there was a quorum.

Instructions were given to the Town Meeting Members.

Voted that the reading of the warrant and the return of service be omitted. Seconded.

Voted that the Moderator be allowed to refer to the articles by number and title only. Seconded.

Voted that all the appropriations voted at this town meeting be placed on the tax levy for the fiscal year from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 unless otherwise specified. Seconded.

Town Meeting Members Present:	Precinct 1 – 39
	Precinct 2 – 39
	Precinct 3 – 33
	Precinct 4 – 44
	Precinct 5 – 51
	<u>Precinct 6 – 46</u>
	TOTAL 252

ARTICLE 1 - MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Voted unanimously to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Measurer of Wood and Bark.

ARTICLE 2 - TOWN REPORT

Voted unanimously to receive the Annual Report of Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3 - SETTING SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of the Town's elected officers and that said compensation be effective July 1, 2013:

A. Board of Selectmen (3 members)	\$15,600.00
B. Town Clerk	\$51,679.00
C. Moderator	\$800.00
D. Tree Warden	\$6,565.00
E. Board of Health (3 members)	\$4,000.00

ARTICLE 4 - TOWN CHARGES

1. Moderator	
a. Salary	\$ 800.00
2. Selectmen	
a. Salary - Board	\$ 15,600.00
b. Salary - Other	\$ 244,220.00
c. Purchase of Services	\$ 9,200.00
d. Supplies	\$ 4,150.00
e. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 4,300.00
f. Capital Outlay	\$ -
3. Town Accountant	
a. Salary	\$ 95,611.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 305.00
c. Supplies	\$ 200.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 938.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -
4. Audit Expenses	\$ 40,000.00
5. Data Processing	
a. Purchase of Services	\$ 101,613.00
b. Supplies	\$ 8,000.00
c. Capital Outlay	\$ 5,000.00
6. Treasurer	
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 170,879.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 7,975.00
c. Supplies	\$ 1,600.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 2,370.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -
7. Tax Title	\$ 29,400.00
8. Town Clerk	
a. Salary - Town Clerk	\$ 51,679.00
b. Salary - Other	\$ 37,518.00
c. Purchase of Services	\$ 5,337.00
d. Supplies	\$ 3,491.00
e. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 1,070.00
f. Capital Outlay	\$ -
9. Election & Registration	
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 13,414.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 13,994.00
c. Supplies	\$ 2,160.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ -
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -
10. Town Collector	
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 169,581.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 28,450.00
c. Supplies	\$ 6,300.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 2,672.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -

11. Assessors		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	145,503.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	24,800.00
c. Supplies	\$	3,000.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	2,870.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
12. Town Hall		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	43,123.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	11,275.00
1. Utilities	\$	32,450.00
c. Supplies	\$	3,200.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	100.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
13. Council on Aging		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	134,926.00
		<i>\$35,000.00 from Soc Day Care Ctr Recpts Res for App \$99,926.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$	9,339.00
1. Utilities	\$	12,900.00
c. Supplies	\$	2,775.00
1. Gasoline	\$	7,200.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	300.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
14. Town Meeting		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1,067.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	3,000.00
c. Supplies	\$	1,400.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	-
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
15. Finance Committee		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	200.00
c. Supplies	\$	2,700.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	275.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
16. Planning Board		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1,900.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	1,800.00
c. Supplies	\$	1,450.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	710.00
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-
17. Dept of Plan & Eco Dev		
a. Salary & Wages	\$	99,699.00
b. Purchase of Services	\$	10,000.00
c. Supplies	\$	1,025.00
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	1,500.00

e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
18. Board of Appeals			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1,600.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	3,400.00	
c. Supplies	\$	170.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	-	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
19. Personnel Board			
a. Purchase of Services	\$	-	
b. Supplies	\$	50.00	
c. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	250.00	
d. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
20. Legal Expenses	\$	130,000.00	
21. Engineering	\$	2,000.00	
22. Conservation Commission			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	11,583.00	\$4,500.00 from ConCom Wetlands Acct \$7,083.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
b. Purchase of Services	\$	2,355.00	from ConCom Wetlands Acct Res for Appro
c. Supplies	\$	1,000.00	from ConCom Wetlands Acct Res for Appro
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	300.00	from ConCom Wetlands Acct Res for Appro
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
23. Office of Tourism			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	52,072.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	21,500.00	
1. Utilities	\$	-	
c. Supplies	\$	800.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	100.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
24. Commission on Disability			
a. Purchase of Services	\$	700.00	
b. Supplies	\$	200.00	
c. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	400.00	
d. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
25. Police Department			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	2,614,156.00	\$28,500.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$2,585,656.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
b. Purchase of Services	\$	114,818.00	
1. Utilities	\$	36,500.00	
c. Supplies	\$	62,625.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	88,550.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	2,766.00	

e. Capital Outlay	\$	74,386.00	
26. Fire Department			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1,739,963.00	\$453,115.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$1,286,848.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
b. Purchase of Services	\$	79,590.00	\$28,836.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$50,754.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
1. Utilities	\$	5,200.00	\$500.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$4,700.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
c. Supplies	\$	51,684.00	\$36,175.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$15,509.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
1. Gasoline	\$	25,450.00	\$10,900.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$14,550.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	6,200.00	\$3,800.00 from Amb Fund Recpts Res for App \$2,400.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
27. Fire Alarm Maintenance			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	12,211.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	4,190.00	
c. Supplies	\$	1,000.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	700.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	-	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
28. Building Department			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	128,024.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	2,050.00	
c. Supplies	\$	1,750.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	1,610.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	1,400.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
29. Tree Warden Department			
a. Salary - Tree Warden	\$	6,565.00	
b. Salary - Other	\$	31,081.00	
c. Purchase of Services	\$	11,500.00	
1. Utilities	\$	200.00	
d. Supplies	\$	250.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	5,070.00	

e. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	1,000.00	
f. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
30. Shellfish Inspection			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	85,928.00	<i>\$45,000.00 from the Waterways Fund \$40,928.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$	7,875.00	
c. Supplies	\$	6,550.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	6,950.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	350.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
31. Care Dogs & Other Animals			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	41,910.00	<i>\$3,000.00 from the Animal Gift account \$38,910.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$	13,365.00	
1. Utilities	\$	4,500.00	
c. Supplies	\$	2,500.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	1,030.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	50.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
32. Emergency Mgt Agency			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	1,641.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	2,375.00	
1. Utilities	\$	1,900.00	
c. Supplies	\$	675.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	850.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	-	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
33. Sealer of Weights & Meas			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	6,309.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	125.00	
c. Supplies	\$	75.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	780.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
34 Street Lighting	\$	200,000.00	
35. Board of Health			
a. Salary - Board	\$	4,000.00	
b. Salary - Other	\$	89,345.00	
c. Purchase of Services	\$	10,465.00	
d. Supplies	\$	3,600.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	450.00	
e. Intergovernmental	\$	17,000.00	
f. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	1,900.00	

g. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
h. SEMASS	\$	241,853.00	
i. Recycling	\$	173,308.00	
j. Hazardous Waste	\$	1,000.00	
k. Landfill Inspection	\$	21,000.00	
36. Enforcement Agent			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	21,200.00	
37. Board of Public Works			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	153,381.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	1,626.00	
c. Supplies	\$	1,400.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	290.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
38 Highway Division			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	890,967.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$	97,154.00	
1. Utilities	\$	24,000.00	
c. Supplies	\$	49,200.00	
1. Gasoline	\$	63,000.00	
2. Sand & Salt	\$	21,300.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	700.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	-	
1. Landfill -Transfer Station	\$	25,420.00	
2. Rubbish Collection	\$	481,300.00	
3. Equipment Purchase	\$	127,550.00	
f. Street resurfacing	\$	150,000.00	
g. Sidewalk/Curbing (New)	\$	-	
h. Sidewalk Repair	\$	43,000.00	
i. Curb/Hard/Surf	\$	70,000.00	
j. Drainage	\$	12,000.00	
k. Sub Division MGT Fees	\$	8,647.00	<i>from Sub-Division Management Fees</i>
39. Sewer Division			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	885,324.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$	206,800.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
1. Utilities	\$	375,000.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
c. Supplies	\$	147,050.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
1. Gasoline	\$	26,500.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$	-	
e. Capital Outlay	\$	91,000.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
f. Sludge Disposal	\$	250,000.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
40. Water Division			
a. Salary & Wages	\$	478,328.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$	248,301.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>

1. Utilities	\$ 46,000.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
c. Supplies	\$ 40,400.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
1. Gasoline	\$ 22,500.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
e. Capital Outlay	\$ 18,300.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
f. Water District	\$ 1,027,833.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
41. Veterans Services		
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 40,870.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 345,650.00	
c. Supplies	\$ 1,800.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 480,900.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -	
42. Elementary/High School	\$ 17,978,499.00	
43. G.N.B.R.V.T.H.S.	\$ 2,129,811.00	
44. Bristol County Agri H.S.	\$ 18,000.00	
45. Millicent Library	\$ 582,672.00	
46. Recreation Center		
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 146,719.00	<i>\$85,000.00 from Rec Center Retained Earnings \$61,719.00 from the Tax Levy</i>
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 9,925.00	
1. Utilities	\$ 24,000.00	
c. Supplies	\$ 3,100.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ 700.00	
e. Capital Outlay	\$ 9,500.00	
f. Rec Center Program Accts	\$ 90,000.00	<i>from Recreation Center Revenue</i>
47. Park Division		
a. Salary & Wages	\$ 87,363.00	
b. Purchase of Services	\$ 10,660.00	
1. Utilities	\$ 2,200.00	
c. Supplies	\$ 3,100.00	
1. Gasoline	\$ 6,400.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	\$ -	
e. Capital Outlay	\$ -	
48. Contributory Retirement	\$ 2,450,018.00	
49. Group Insurance	\$ 4,475,000.00	
50. Memorial Day	\$ 2,500.00	
51. MA Employment Security	\$ 125,000.00	
52. Non-Contributory Retirement	\$ 11,159.00	
53 Reserve Fund		
a. General	\$ 175,000.00	
b. Water	\$ 25,000.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
c. Sewer	\$ 25,000.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>

54. Town Insurance	\$	792,000.00	
55. Town Report	\$	3,500.00	
56. F.I.C.A.	\$	312,000.00	
57 Buzzards Bay Action Comm	\$	760.00	
58. Rape Crisis Project	\$	2,000.00	
59. Fine Arts	\$	1,000.00	
60. Stabilization Fund	\$	50,000.00	
61. General Fund			
a. Debt	\$	1,833,715.00	<i>\$50,585.00.00 from Overlay Surplus \$10,872.00 from Title 5 Recpts Res for Appro \$1,772,258.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy</i>
b. Interest of Debt	\$	654,000.00	<i>\$12,800.00 from Title 5 Recpts Res for Appro \$624,037.00 to be raised on the Tax Levy \$17,163.00 from premiums on BANS</i>
c. Interest on Temp Loan	\$	60,000.00	
63. Water Fund			
a. Debt	\$	-	
b. Interest of Debt	\$	4,280.00	<i>from Water Revenue</i>
c. Interest on Temp Loan	\$	-	
64. Sewer Fund			
a. Debt	\$	500,000.00	<i>\$165,000.00 from Stabilization Fund Sconticut Neck \$20,000.00 from Stabilization Fund Nancy Street \$11,000.00 from Stabilization Fund West Island \$5,000.00 from Stabilization Fund Boulder Park \$299,000.00 from Sewer Revenue</i>

b. Interest of Debt	\$	231,604.00	<i>from Sewer Revenue</i>
c. Interest on Temp Loan	\$	-	

NOTE: That \$404,000.00 of Water Enterprise costs appropriated in the General Fund for health insurance, pensions, other employee benefits and shared employees will be funded by appropriating \$202,000.00 from Water Revenue and \$202,000.00 from Water Retained Earnings.

NOTE: That \$548,000.00 of Sewer Enterprise costs appropriated in the General Fund for health insurance, pensions, other employee benefits and shared employees will be funded from Sewer Revenue.

NOTE: That \$97,174.00 of ambulance costs appropriated in the General Fund for health insurance pensions, other employee benefits and shared employees will be funded from Ambulance Fund Receipts Reserved for Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5 - TOWN DEPARTMENT COMPUTER AND TELEPHONE UPGRADES

A) Voted unanimously the sum of \$20,000.00 be appropriated to implement a recommended Department of Revenue four-year plan to upgrade hardware and software used by departments located at Town Hall, Board of Public Works Building, Council on Aging, Recreation Center, Animal Control Building and Tourism Office.

B) Voted unanimously the sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated to upgrade the telephone system at the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 6 - WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

Voted unanimously the sum of \$80,000.00 by transferring \$80,000.00 from Sewer Retained Earnings to design high priority items identified from the Existing Conditions Report to include architectural, structural, mechanical process, HVAC/P and electrical instrumentation items.

ARTICLE 7 - TOWN HALL REPAIRS

Voted unanimously the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated for Town Hall repairs, including the auditorium.

ARTICLE 8 - ROAD WORK

Voted unanimously the following sums of money be appropriated to do the following roadwork:

- A) Summit Drive - MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT
- B) Billy's Way - MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.
- C) Dogwood Street - MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT
- D) North Street - \$230,471.00 to reconstruct & hard-surface North Street from Adams Street to Main Street.
- E) Cooke Street - \$77,604.00 to reconstruct & hard-surface Cooke Street from Main Street to Cherry Street
- F) Beachwood Street - MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT
- G) Cove Street - MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT

ARTICLE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS LIABILITY TRUST FUND - GASB 45

Voted unanimously the sum of \$25,000.00 be appropriated to fund future financial obligations of the Town for health insurance benefits of retirees.

ARTICLE 10 - HIGH SCHOOL FIRE ESCAPES

Voted unanimously the sum of \$30,000.00 be appropriated for the construction & replacement of the West and East Fire Escapes located at the Fairhaven High School.

ARTICLE 11 - HOPPY'S LANDING REVOLVING ACCOUNT

Voted unanimously for the Town to authorize a "Hoppy's Landing Revolving Account" under the provisions of Mass General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 under the following terms:

- 1) The revolving account may be expended for the maintenance and improvement of "Hoppy's Landing" including, but not limited to the maintenance of the floating dock, boat ramp, buildings, property matching funds for grants and hiring of part time personnel.
- 2) All fees charged to users to "Hoppy's Landing" shall be credited to the revolving fund.
- 3) The Board of Selectmen is authorized to expend from the fund.
- 4) The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars.

ARTICLE 12 - RESTAURANT/ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE

Voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for the passage of legislation authorizing the issuance of a Restaurant/All Alcohol License to Turan Irge, 214 Huttleston Avenue in the Town of Fairhaven, notwithstanding any limitations on the number of licenses issued under the provisions of Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended. This license is non-transferable to another location, but the licensing authority may grant the license to a new applicant at the same location.

ARTICLE 13 - FEMA GRANT FOR LADDER 1

MOVED TO PASS OVER

ARTICLE 14 - FIRE DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

Voted unanimously to adopt the following Fire Department fee schedule as of July 1, 2013:

Item	Current	New – July 1, 2013
Ammunition Storage License	\$20.00	\$30.00
Annual Radio Box Fee	\$175.00	\$200.00
Ansul System	\$20.00	\$30.00

Blasting Permits	\$20.00	\$30.00
Bonfire Permits	\$20.00	\$30.00
Copy of Fire Report	\$10.00	\$20.00
Copy of Records (2IE) (depends on amt copied)	\$5.00/\$10.00	\$5.00/\$10.00
Copy of SARF Report	\$20.00	\$20.00
Flammable Liquids, Solids and Gases Permit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Fuel Oil Storage/Waste Oil Storage	\$20.00	\$30.00
Initial Master Box/Radio Box Connection	\$125.00	\$150.00
Inn/Hotel Inspections (quarterly)	\$50.00	\$50.00
Install/Alter Oil Burner Equipment	\$20.00	\$30.00
Install/Removal of Underground Tanks	\$50.00	\$50.00
LP Gas Storage Permit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Vent Free Fireplace	\$20.00	\$30.00
Research Fee	\$10.00	\$20.00
Smoke Detector Permits/Inspections	\$20.00	\$30.00
Smokeless/Black Powder Permits	\$20.00	\$30.00
Sprinkler Permit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Supervised Fireworks Permit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Tank Truck Inspection	\$20.00	\$30.00
Welding/Cutting Storage Permit	\$20.00	\$30.00

ARTICLE 15 - SOCIAL DAY CARE CENTER

Voted unanimously to authorize the Fairhaven Council on Aging to expend in the FY 2014 a sum of money not to cumulatively exceed \$25,000.00 from the Grant Account known as "Receipts Reserved for Appropriation for Social Day Program" for the purpose of providing a Social Day Program for senior citizens.

ARTICLE 16 - WORKER'S COMPENSATION ASSESSMENT

Voted unanimously the sum of \$17,288.27 be appropriated to pay a MEGA 2011 Worker's Compensation Assessment due July 1, 2013 for the period of 2003 - 2006.

ARTICLE 17 - FIRE AND POLICE SHARED TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Voted unanimously the sum of \$22,710.00 be appropriated to purchase and install a new shared telephone system for the Police and Fire Departments.

ARTICLE 18 - SUSTAINABILITY REVOLVING ACCOUNT

Voted unanimously for the Town to authorize a "Fairhaven Sustainability Committee Revolving Account" under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 under the following terms:

1. The revolving account may be expended for all Fairhaven Sustainability Committee related costs.
2. All fees charged to users shall be credited to the revolving fund.
3. The Fairhaven Sustainability Committee is authorized to expend from the fund.

4. The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars.

ARTICLE 19 - WIND TURBINE BYLAW

Voted by 2/3 that the Town enact the following amendments to the Zoning Bylaw Chapter 198 Section 16, Use Regulations Schedule, Chapter 198 Section 29.5, Wind Energy Facilities and Chapter 198 Section 33, Definitions and word use:

SEE WARRANT FOR WORDING

ARTICLE 20 - CULTURAL COUNCIL FUNDING

Voted unanimously the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated for the Fairhaven Cultural Council.

ARTICLE 21 - FAIRHAVEN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY - COTS

Voted unanimously the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated to purchase one hundred (100) cots for the Emergency Shelter.

ARTICLE 22 - NON-MANDATED STUDENT ACTIVITIES REVOLVING ACCOUNT

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize a "Non-Mandated Student Activities Revolving Account" under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 under the following terms:

1. The revolving account may be expended for all school related costs for the non-mandated school activities.
2. All fees charged to users for "School Activities" shall be credited to the revolving account.
3. The School Committee is authorized to expend from the fund.
4. The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed two hundred thousand (\$200,000.00) dollars

ARTICLE 23 - SPECIAL NEEDS EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM REVOLVING ACCOUNT

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize a "Special Needs Early Childhood Program Revolving Account" under provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 under the following terms:

1. The Special Needs Early Childhood Program Revolving Account may be used to collect and disburse funds for the nurturing, care and education of young children enrolled in such program.
2. The Special Needs Early Childhood Revolving Account may be expended for all school related costs for the public school's Special Needs Early Childhood Programs including, but not limited to, transportation, the purchase of equipment and supplies and the hiring of full-time and/or part-time personnel.

3. All tuition, receipts and enrollment fees charged for the participation in the Special Needs Early Childhood Program shall be credited to the Special Needs Early Childhood Revolving Account.
4. The School Committee is authorized to expend from the fund.
5. The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars

ARTICLE 24 - SEWER SYSTEM COLLECTION REHABILITATION - I&I

Voted unanimously the sum of \$445,000.00 by transferring \$445,000.00 Sewer Retained Earnings to rehabilitate the sewer collection system by investigation and repairs to areas of the sewer collection system contributing high volumes of inflow and infiltration.

ARTICLE 25 - PROPAGATION OF SHELLFISH

Voted unanimously the sum of \$17,500.00 be appropriated for the propagation of shellfish.

ARTICLE 26 - BPW FUEL ISLAND ROOF

Voted unanimously the sum of \$2,834.00 be appropriated to replace the rubber roof system at the fuel island at the Board of Public Works building.

ARTICLE 27 - WATER HYDRANT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Voted unanimously the sum of \$200,000.00 by transferring \$200,000.00 from Sewer Retained Earnings to prepare engineered plans and contract documents and award construction contract for the replacement of obsolete and antiquated hydrants throughout Town.

ARTICLE 28 - COMPREHENSIVE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Voted unanimously the sum of \$175,000.00 by transferring \$175,000.00 from Sewer Retained Earnings for a Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan.

**ARTICLE 29 - ELDRED HEADSTONES AT RIVERSIDE
MOVED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT**

ARTICLE 30 - HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Voted unanimously the following sums of money be appropriated:

- A) \$500.00 for the Historical Commission to defray expenses incurred pursuant of its duties to promote, protect and preserve the heritage of Fairhaven;
- B) \$5,000.00 for the continued repairs, maintenance, improvements and utilities of the Academy Building;
- C) \$1,000.00 for the continued repairs, maintenance, improvements and utilities of the Fire Museum.
- D) \$1,000.00 for the continued repairs, maintenance, improvements and utilities at Fort Phoenix.
- E) \$500.00 for the continued repairs, maintenance and improvements of the Old Stone School House.

**ARTICLE 31 - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS**

Voted unanimously to appropriate or to reserve for later appropriation, and to authorize the Community Preservation Committee to expend or reserve, from the Community Preservation Fund available funds and FY14 Estimated Receipts as set forth herein, the following amounts for community preservation purposes, with such expenditures to be subject to conditions to be specified in applications and award letters from the Community Preservation Committee, with each item considered a separate appropriation:

- A) \$200,000.00 - Buzzard's Bay Coalition - Nasketucket Bay Conservation Project
 - \$151,642 from FY 14 Estimated Receipts
 - \$48,358.00 from Open Space Existing Balance
- B) \$40,000.00 - Fairhaven Housing Authority - Anthony Haven Replacement Project
- C) \$86,000.00 - Fairhaven High School - Northeast and Northwest Gutter Restoration Project
- D) \$16,000.00 - Fairhaven Historical Commission - Fort Phoenix Project Phase II
- E) \$10,000.00 - Bike Path Committee - Bikeways Enhancement and Safety Project
- F) \$32,000.00 - Livesey Park - Tennis/Basketball Court and In-Line Hockey Rink Restoration Project.
- G) \$12,000.00 for administrative services and operating expenses provided in support of the Community Preservation Committee

ARTICLE 32 - MATTAPOISETT RIVER VALLEY WATER PROTECTION

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Chapter 384 of the Acts of 2010, to authorize the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Committee to modify the fee it currently charges to the Town, in the amount of \$.01 per 100 gallons, according to the following schedule:

Term	Fee (per 100 gallons)
July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014	0.012
July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015	0.014
July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016	0.016
July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017	0.018
On and after July 1, 2017	0.02

And provided further that this authorization shall be void, and of no effect, unless the same modification schedule is approved by vote of the Town Meeting of each of the Towns of Fairhaven, Marion and Mattapoisett, no later than June 30, 2013 or take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION FAILED - 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED TO PASS.

ARTICLE 33 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to establish a special stabilization fund under the authority of MGL Ch 40 Section 5B to fund capital improvements. Capital improvements will be

defined as any purpose for which the town may borrow under Massachusetts General Laws (two-thirds vote required)

MOVED TO PASS OVER.

ARTICLE 34 - STATE AID TO HIGHWAYS

A. Voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Public Works to accept and enter into contract for the expenditure of any funds allotted or to be allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the construction, reconstruction and improvements of Town roads.

B. Voted unanimously the sum of \$776,422.00 be appropriated for capital improvements on local pursuant to Chapter 90, Section 34 of the MGLS and Transportation Departments Chapter 90 Guidelines.

ARTICLE 35 - SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM PUMP STATION REHABILITATION - TABER ST

Voted unanimously the sum of \$287,000.00 be appropriated to rehabilitate the Taber Street Sewer Pump Station - Phase 2a.

ARTICLE 36 - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REVOLVING FUND

Voted unanimously to re-authorize a "Hazardous Materials Revolving Account" under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 under the following terms:

1. The revolving account may be expended for the establishment of Hazardous Materials Clean-Up Account including, but not limited to, the purchase of equipment and supplies and the hiring of full-time and/or part-time personnel.
2. All fees charged to users of the Hazardous Materials Clean-up Account shall be credited to the revolving fund.
3. The Fire Chief is authorized to expend from the fund.
4. The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars.

ARTICLE 37 - MACOMBER PIMENTAL FIELD

Voted unanimously the sum of \$6,003.00 be appropriated to finish the installation of fencing at Macomber-Pimental Field.

ARTICLE 38 - FIRE DEPARTMENT SECURITY SYSTEM

Voted unanimously the sum of \$8,500.00 be appropriated to purchase and install a security system for the Fire Department headquarters.

ARTICLE 39 - TRANSFER FROM SURPLUS REVENUE

Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$1,906,139.00 from Surplus Revenue for the reduction of the tax levy.

ARTICLE 40 - REPORT OF COMMITTEES

None.

ARTICLE 41 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

Motion to adjourn sine die at 4:05 PM on
Saturday, May 4, 2013 - Seconded

Eileen M. Lowney - Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013

WALTER SILVEIRA AUDITORIUM – ELIZ. I. HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL
TOWN MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT 252 – QUORUM REQUIRED 100

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 9:00 AM.

The Moderator stated that the warrant had been properly served and that there was a quorum.

Voted that the Moderator be relieved from reading each article in its entirety and that he be allowed to refer to the article by number and title only. Seconded.

Town Meeting Members present:	Precinct 1 – 39
	Precinct 2 – 39
	Precinct 3 – 33
	Precinct 4 – 44
	Precinct 5 – 51
	<u>Precinct 6 – 46</u>
	TOTAL - 252

ARTICLE 1 – TOWN CHARGES

Voted unanimously the following sums of money to fund additional salaries and operating expenses for the following departments. Said sum to be added to previously voted appropriations for FY13:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Veterans Services

- b. Purchase of Services - \$45,000.00 by transferring \$45,000.00 from Surplus Revenue
- d. Other Charges & Expenses - \$64,000.00 by transferring \$64,000.00 from Surplus Revenue

2. Building Department

- a. Salaries & Wages - \$14,000.00 - ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***

3. Legal Expenses - \$5,000.00 by transferring \$5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue

4. Election & Registration

- a. Salary & Wages - \$7,900.00 – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
- b. Purchase of Services - \$870.00 – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***

5. Fire Department

- a. Salary & Wages - \$6,000.00 by transferring \$6,000.00 from the Ambulance Fund Receipts

6. Police Department

- b. Purchase of Services - \$30,739.00 by transferring \$30,739.00 from the Police Department Technology Account

ARTICLE 2 – FUNDING LABOR CONTRACTS – 2014

Voted unanimously the following sums of money to supplement the appropriations of Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting, May 4, 2013 for the purpose of funding the cost in FY 2014 only, of the Collective Bargaining agreement between the Town and the following labor groups, said agreement signed and dated prior to this Town Meeting:

1. Clerical Union
 - a. Salaries & Wages – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
2. Highway Division & Park Division
 - a. Salaries & Wages Highway Division - \$2,817.00 to be raised on the FY14 Tax Levy
 - a. Salaries & Wages Parks Division - \$309.00 to be raised on the FY14 Tax Levy
3. Sewer Department
 - a. Salaries & Wages - \$2,475.00 by transferring \$2,475 from Sewer Revenue
4. Water Division
 - a. Salaries & Wages - \$1.00 by transferring \$1.00 from Water Revenue
5. Police Department
 - a. Salaries & Wages – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
6. Dispatcher Union
 - a. Salaries & Wages – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
7. Fire Department
 - a. Salaries & Wages – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
8. School Department
 - a. Salaries & Wages – ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***

ARTICLE 3 – FUNDING NON-UNION LABOR ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***

ARTICLE 4 – DOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation:

The following actions were taken:

- A) ***VOTED INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT***
- B) ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***
- C) ***MOVED TO PASS OVER***

A. Establishing the Position of Town Administrator:

The Town Administrator position will replace the position of Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen. The Town Administrator would have broad financial and operational management responsibilities and functions. The duties of the Town Administrator would

include direct management of:

- the budget process;
- financial operations;
- interdepartmental operations;
- policy analysis;
- personal administration, including appointment authority;
- procurement;
- information technology;
- property management and capital improvement;
- appointment of department heads, subject to approval of the Board of Selectmen; and the supervision and evaluation of department heads.

The Town Administrator shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of up to three (3) years, and may be reappointed by the Board of Selectmen for successive terms of up to three (3) years each; and shall otherwise be subject to such contractual terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen upon appointment and reappointment, including the right of the Board of Selectmen to remove the person so appointed with or without cause.

The specific authority and duties of the Town Administrator shall be subject to such provisions of the Town's By-Laws as are not inconsistent with the special legislation.

B. Eliminating of the Board of Public Works:

Chapter 722 of the Acts of 1968, as it has been amended from time to time, shall be repealed, eliminating the Board of Public Works.

The duties and authority of the Board of Public Works will be assumed by the Town Administrator. Notwithstanding its elimination, all actions taken by the Board of Public Works within its authority, including the appointment of a superintendent, assistant superintendent, and employees, and any and all contracts entered into by the Board of Public Works, shall continue in full force and effect, subject to future action by the Town Administrator within his authority.

C. Eliminating of the Personnel Board:

The Town Administrator shall have sole authority over the administration of personnel policies. The Town may enact by-laws establishing the wages, salaries, and other benefits of employees, not inconsistent with the authority of the Town Administrator, as set forth in the special legislation. Notwithstanding its elimination, all actions taken by the Personnel Board within its authority, and the acts of any other Town official or board with respect to personnel, including the appointment of all officers and employees previously made, shall continue in full force and effect, subject to future action by the Town Administrator within his authority.

Acceptance and Effective Date:

The special legislation shall be subject to a vote of acceptance by Town Meeting. The Town will amend its by-laws at the time of acceptance of the special legislation to comply with its provisions.

ARTICLE 5 – COMBINING THE POSITION OF TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Voted unanimously to amend its by-laws by adding to Chapter 37.1 of the Town Code the following:

“D. The Director of Finance shall act as treasurer and collector.”

ARTICLE 6 – FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND APPOINTMENT

To see if the Town will vote to reduce the size of the Finance Committee, and to change the manner of appointment of its members by striking §33-1 of the Town Code, and inserting in its place the following:

“§33-1 Appointment of member; terms:

There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of seven (7) members, one to be appointed from each voting precinct in the manner and at the time hereinafter prescribed, and one member to be appointed at large. The appointing body (the Town Moderator, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Chairman of the Finance Committee) shall within one (1) month after the conclusion of the Annual Town Meeting appoint from the voters of each such precinct one member to represent the precinct on the Finance Committee; and The Chairman of the Finance Committee will be reappointed to serve as the at-large member. The term of each member so appointed shall be one year, provided that any person may be reappointed for successive terms of one year.”

MOVED TO PASS OVER

ARTICLE 7 – E-GOVERNMENT (GEO TMS) ONLINE PERMITTING REVOLVING ACCOUNT

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize an “E-Government Geo TMS Revolving Account” under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ under the following terms:

The revolving account may be expended to pay the three (3) percent fee for the E-Government GeoTMS billing software assessment for all Town Departments who use the the E-Government GeoTMS software programs.

That three (3) percent of all fees charged to users shall be credited to the “E-Government GeoTMS” revolving fund.

The Town Treasurer is authorized to expend from the fund.

The total amount which may be expended from the fund in Fiscal Year 2014 shall not exceed twenty thousand (\$20,000.00) dollars.

ARTICLE 8 – SOLAR BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Voted by 2/3 that the Town enact the following amendments to the Zoning Bylaw Chapter 198 Section 16, Use Regulations Schedule, Chapter 198 Section 33, Definitions and word use, and add a new section Chapter 198 Section 29.6, Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities.

§ 198-16 – Use Regulation Schedule

Activity or Use	Use Regulation Schedule									
	District									
	RR & RA	RB	RC	P	B	I	AG	MU	WRP ¹⁶	
<u>ACCESSORY USES</u>										
On-Site Ground-Mounted SPEF	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
<u>COMMERCIAL USES</u>										
Large Scale Ground-Mounted SPEF	A ²⁰	N	N	N	A	A	A	N	A	

Notes:

²⁰ prohibited in the RA district.

§ 198-29.6 - Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities (SPEF)

- A. Purpose. The purpose of this by-law is to encourage the use of Solar Photovoltaic Energy and provide for the construction and operation of Ground-Mounted SPEF and to provide standards for the placement, design, construction, monitoring, modification and removal of Ground-Mounted SPEF that address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources of the Town and provide adequate financial assurance for decommissioning. The provisions set forth in this section shall take precedence over all other sections when considering applications related to the construction, operation, and/or repair of Ground-Mounted SPEF.
- B. Applicability. This section applies to all ground-mounted solar photovoltaic installations proposed to be constructed after the effective date of this section. This section also pertains to physical modifications that materially alter the type, configuration, or size of these installations or related equipment. Roof mounted SPEF are not governed under this section and are permitted in all districts when connected behind the meter.
- C. Compliance with Laws, Ordinances and Regulations: The construction and operation of all SPEF shall be consistent with all applicable local, state and federal requirements, including but not limited to all applicable safety, construction, electrical, and communications requirements. All buildings and fixtures forming part of a SPEF shall be constructed in accordance with the State Building Code.
- D. Special Permit Granting Authority. The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority (SPGA) for all SPEF as defined in this bylaw.
- E. Validity: The invalidity of any provision of this section shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.
- F. Application for Special Permit Review. Submittal Application for Special Permit Review shall require the filling of one copy of a site plan review application and 10 prints of the site plan drawn to an adequate scale to convey all required information. Such plan(s) shall contain the following for an application to be considered complete.
 - 1. Actual dimensions of the lot.
 - 2. All easements existing or proposed.
 - 3. Location and size of existing and proposed structures including any ex-

isting structures within 100 feet of the site.

4. Name, width and condition of all abutting streets.
5. Existing and proposed topography at two-foot minimum contours.
6. Existing and proposed water, sanitary and storm drainage facilities.
7. Landscape plan. Landscaping including sizes, types and numbers of plantings and details. Existing vegetation and other unique land features shall be preserved where feasible.
8. Blueprints or drawings of the SPEF signed by a Professional Engineer licensed to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts showing the proposed layout of the system and any potential shading from nearby structures
9. The stamps and seal of the professional land surveyor responsible for surveying the property.
10. The stamp and signature of the professional engineer responsible for drawing the plan.
11. The location of all wetlands on the site and within 100 feet of the site.
12. The location of the River Protection Act Riverfront Resource Protection Area.
13. Proposed changes to the landscape of the site, grading, vegetation clearing and planting, exterior lighting, screening vegetation or structures;
14. A stormwater management plan (SMP) detailing the existing environmental and hydrological conditions of the site, proposed alterations of the site and all proposed components of the drainage system and any measures for the detention, retention, or infiltration of water, for the protection of water quality and protection from flooding. As described in § 198-31.1 Stormwater Management.
15. A description of the solar photovoltaic facility and the technical, economic and other reasons for the proposed location and design shall be prepared and signed by a registered professional engineer.
16. Confirmation prepared and signed by a registered professional engineer that the SPEF complies with all applicable Federal and State standards.
17. One or three line electrical diagram detailing the solar photovoltaic installation, associated components, and electrical interconnection methods, with all National Electrical Code compliant disconnects and over current devices.
18. Documentation of the major system components to be used, including the PV panels, mounting system, inverters.
19. Documentation of the sound generated by equipment used in the production of electrical energy, including any proprietary documentation. A Sound study will be required by the SPGA to determine the impact of

noise on abutting residences.

20. Documentation of actual or prospective access and control of the project
21. An operation and maintenance plan (see also Section 198.29.6.G.13 below)

G. General Design Review Standards. Unless otherwise expressly provided by this section of the bylaw all requirements of the underlying zoning district shall apply and in addition the following standards shall apply.

22. Large-scale, ground-mounted SPEF shall:

- (a) Be located on a parcel of land that contains a minimum of ten (10) acres when in the RR, B, I AG or WRP districts.
- (b) Be setback 75 feet for the front, 50 for side and rear yards from abutting RA, RB, RC, RR, AG, MU, WRP and P Districts.
- (c) Be setback 50 feet from front yard in the B and I Districts, but 10 feet from side and rear yards when abutting the B and I Districts.

23. On-Site SPEF shall:

- (d) Be sized by electrical load according to the building they serve and must be connected to the customer side, behind the electrical service metering equipment.
- (e) Be setback, at a minimum, to the district setbacks they fall in.
- (f) Not cast glare to abutting uses by providing screening methods.
- (g) Not permit the equipment to create excessive noise to abutters by installing inverters as far from abutting structures as feasible.
- (h) Provide fencing to prevent unauthorized access to arrays.

24. All appurtenant structures, including but not limited to, equipment shelters, storage facilities, transformers, and substations, shall be architecturally compatible with each other and shall be screened from the view of persons not on the parcel, public rights-of-ways and all residential districts.

25. Lighting of SPEF shall be consistent with state and federal law. Lighting of appurtenant structures shall be limited to that required for safety and operational purposes, and shall be reasonably shielded from abutting properties. Where feasible, lighting of the solar photovoltaic installation shall be directed downward and shall incorporate full cut-off fixtures to reduce light pollution.

26. Signs. There shall be no signs, except announcement signs, no trespassing signs or any signs required to warn of danger. A sign is required that identifies the owner and operator with an emergency telephone number

where the owner and operator can be reached on a twenty-four hour basis.

27. All utility connections from the SPEF site shall be underground except to the extent that underground utilities are not feasible in the reasonable determination of the SPGA.
28. Inverters shall be sited so as to minimize sound impact to abutting residences.
29. Clear cutting of trees and natural vegetation, within 5 years, shall be prohibited for the construction, operation and maintenance of the solar photovoltaic facility.
30. There shall be a minimum of one parking space to be used in connection with the maintenance of the SPEF and the site; however, it shall not to be used for the permanent storage of vehicles.
31. Setbacks shall provide for adequate screening of noise and glare from abutting uses and structures. Techniques such as dense natural vegetated plantings, earthen berms or increased setbacks will be required, depending upon site specific conditions. Setbacks shall not be disturbed by access roads, except where allowed by the SPGA for access to the site. Setbacks shall not be used for any purpose other than natural vegetation or other screening required by the SPGA. Setbacks from property lines shall be as provided above for type of SPEF.
32. All ground-mounted SPEF shall be fenced for security. Fencing that is visible from right-of-way or residence shall be vinyl coated or another decorative type of fence acceptable to the SPGA. All fencing shall be designed to blend into the landscape.
33. The project proponent shall submit a plan for the operation and maintenance of the ground-mounted SPEF, which shall include measures for maintaining safe access to the installation, storm water controls, as well as general procedures for operational maintenance of the installation.
34. The SPEF owner or operator shall provide a copy of the project summary, electrical schematic, and site plan to the local fire chief. Upon request the owner or operator shall cooperate with local emergency services in developing an emergency response plan. All means of shutting down the SPEF shall be clearly marked. The owner or operator shall identify a responsible person for public inquiries throughout the life of the installation.
35. No ground-mounted SPEF shall be approved or constructed until evidence has been given to the SPGA that the utility company that operates the electrical grid where the installation is to be located has been informed of the SPEF owner or operator's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator. Off-grid systems shall be exempt from this requirement.
36. No ground-mounted SPEF shall be constructed, installed or modified

as provided in this section without first obtaining a building permit

37. The ground-mounted SPEF owner or operator shall maintain the facility in good condition. Maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, painting, structural repairs, and integrity of security measures. Site access shall be maintained to a level acceptable to the local Fire Chief and Emergency Medical Services. The owner or operator shall be responsible for the cost of maintaining the SPEF and any access road(s), unless accepted as a public way.

H. Abandonment or Decommissioning: The owner, operator, his successors in interest shall remove any ground-mounted SPEF which has reached the end of its useful life or has been abandoned. The owner or operator shall physically remove the installation no more than 150 days after the date of discontinued operations. The owner or operator shall notify the Site Plan Review Authority by certified mail of the proposed date of discontinued operations and plans for removal.

1. Decommissioning shall consist of:
 - a) Physical removal of all ground-mounted SPEF, structures, equipment, security barriers and transmission lines from the site.
 - b) Disposal of all solid and hazardous waste in accordance with local, state, and federal waste disposal regulations.
 - c) Stabilization or re-vegetation of the site as necessary to minimize erosion. The Site Plan Review Authority may allow the owner or operator to leave landscaping or designated below-grade foundations in order to minimize erosion and disruption to vegetation.
2. Abandonment: Absent notice of a proposed date of decommissioning or written notice of extenuating circumstances, the SPEF shall be considered abandoned when it fails to operate for more than one year without the written consent of the Site Plan Review Authority. If the owner or operator of the ground-mounted SPEF fails to remove the installation in accordance with the requirements of this section within 150 days of abandonment or the proposed date of decommissioning, the town may enter the property and physically remove the installation.
3. Financial Surety: Proponents of ground-mounted SPEF shall provide a form of surety, either through escrow account, bond or otherwise, to cover the cost of removal in the event the town must remove the installation and remediate the landscape, in an amount and form determined to be reasonable by the SPGA, but in no event to exceed more than 125 percent of the cost of removal and compliance with the additional requirements set forth herein, as determined by the project proponent. Such surety will not be required for municipally- or state-owned facilities. The project proponent shall submit a fully inclusive estimate of the costs associated with removal, prepared by a qualified engineer. The amount shall include a mechanism for calculating increased removal

costs due to inflation.

I. Criteria for Site Plan review and approval.

1. A Special Permit may be granted under this section if the SPGA finds in writing that each of the design review standards set forth above have been met and that the location of the ground-mounted SPEF is suitable and that the size and design are the minimum necessary for that purpose
2. The SPGA shall also impose, in addition to any applicable conditions specified in this section, such conditions as it finds reasonably appropriate to safeguard the neighborhood, public or otherwise serve the purposes of this section, including, but not limited to: screening, lighting, noise, fences, modification of the exterior appearance of the structures, limitation upon size, method of access or traffic features, parking, removal upon cessation of use or other requirements. Such conditions shall be imposed in writing and the applicant may be required to post bond or other surety for compliance with said conditions in an amount satisfactory to the SPGA.
3. The Special Permit shall lapse if substantial use or construction has not commenced within two years of the date of issuance, except for good cause shown (including but not limited to appeals of the grant of the site plan or litigation enjoining the construction under the permit), and provided further that such construction, once begun, shall be actively and continuously pursued to completion within a reasonable time.
4. The SPGA may require the proponent to provide or pay for professional services to evaluate the proposal.
5. Fairhaven Conservation Commission. The applicant must file a Notice of Intent if within the wetland resource areas or if within 100 feet buffer zone.

§198.33 – Definitions and word use

Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities SPEF: A solar photovoltaic system that is structurally or ballast mounted on the ground and has a minimum nameplate capacity of 250 kW (AC), which is designed to supply all of its electrical output for use off site.

On-Site Solar Photovoltaic Energy Facilities SPEF: A solar photovoltaic system that is structurally or ballast mounted on the ground at a location where other uses of the underlying property occur and the electrical output is primarily for use on site.

Rated Nameplate Capacity: The maximum rated output of electric power production of the Photovoltaic system in Direct Current (AC).

ARTICLE 9 – COMMUNITY PRESERVATION APPROPRIATION

Move that the town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund available funds the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee's community preservation projects with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

A. Voted unanimously to appropriate \$44,000.00 from the Undesignated Fund Balance for the Fairhaven Town Hall Exterior Restoration Project Phase V – Main Door and Exterior Lighting Project.

B. *MOVED TO PASS OVER*

C. Voted unanimously to appropriate \$3,000.00 from the Historic Preservation Existing Fund Balance for the Fairhaven Historical Commission – Fire Protection Building Restoration Project.

D. Voted unanimously to appropriate \$60,000.00 from the Community Housing Existing Fund Balance for the Planning and Economic Development Department – North Fairhaven CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

ARTICLE 10 – COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM – HIGH SCHOOL FIRE ESCAPES

Voted unanimously that the Town transfer \$105,000.00 from the ATM May 5, 2012 – Article #42E – FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL – EXTERIOR RESTORATION PROJECT PHASE II towards the repair and/or replacement of the Fire Escapes on the west and east sides of the High School. However, that no CPC funds may be spent until the School Committee obtains the necessary additional funds to complete the project.

ARTICLE 11 – TOWN GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE

Voted unanimously the sum of \$5,000.00 by transferring \$5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue and direct the Moderator to appoint a committee of seven citizens of the Town, knowledgeable in Town affairs, to be known as the Town Government Study Committee, which Committee shall review all aspects of local government organization and structure, including, without limitation, regional relationships and the operation of all Town departments, boards, committees and commissions, elected and appointed, and recommend changes in such organization and structure, consonant with the traditional values of the Town, and designed to achieve greater efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of government services; which recommendations shall be made in form suitable for consideration at the next Annual Town Meeting or subsequent Town Meeting.,

ARTICLE 12 – RESTAURANT/BEER AND WINE LICENSE

Voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for the passage of legislation authorizing the issuance of a Restaurant/Beer and Wine license to Jevon Enterprises, D/B/A Mac's Soda Bar, 116 Sconticut Neck Road, in the Town of Fairhaven, notwithstanding any limitations on the number of licenses issued under the provisions of Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended. This license is non-transferable to another location, but the licensing authority may grant the license to a new applicant at the same location.

ARTICLE 13 – OTHER BUSINESS

None

Motion to adjourn sine die at 10:35 AM on Saturday, May 4, 2013. Seconded

Eileen M. Lowney
Town Clerk

BOARD OF HEALTH REDO TOWN ELECTION SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

Board of Health Vote for One	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOTAL	FINAL TOTAL
Peter DeTerra	352	326	278	343	447	358	2104	2104
Hand-Counts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
John Wethington	199	198	113	207	278	260	1255	1255
Hand-Counts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Write-Ins	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	554	524	391	550	726	618	3363	3363

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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY – PUBLIC SAFETY

Ambulance – 911

Fire 508-994-1428

Police 508-997-7421

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

Accountant	508-979-4023 ext. 120
Animal Control	508-979-4028
Assessors	508-979-4023 ext. 5
Building Department	508-979-4023
Council on Aging	508-979-4029
Election and Registration	508-979-4023 ext. 3
Emergency Management Agency	508-979-4090
Fire Department, non-emergency	508-994-1428
Harbormaster	508-979-4023 ext. 124
Health, Board of	508-979-4023 ext. 125
Housing Authority	508-993-1144
Millicent Library	508-992-5342
Planning and Economic Development	508-979-4023 ext. 9
Police Department	508-997-7421
Public Works Department	508-979-4030
Highway Department	508-979-4031
Sewer Department	508-979-4030
Water Department	508-979-4032
Recreation Department	508-993-9269
Retirement Board	508-979-4023 ext. 121
School Department	508-979-4000 (<i>connects all departments</i>)
Sealer of Weights and Measures	508-979-4023 ext. 2
Shellfish Warden	508-979-4023 ext. 124
Board of Selectmen	508-979-4023 ext. 2
Tax Collector	508-979-4023 ext. 4
Tourism Office	508-979-4085
Town Clerk	508-979-4023 ext. 3
Treasurer/Director of Finance	508-979-4023 ext. 8
Tree Warden	508-979-4023 ext. 2
Veterans Agent	508-979-4023 ext. 6

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Senator Elizabeth Warren	617-565-3170
Senator Ed Markey	617-565-8519
Senator Mark Montigny	508-984-1474 or 617-722-1440
Representative William Straus	508-992-1260 or 617-722-2210



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