

# 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS

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Silhouette of warriors past

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Fairhaven's Favorite Tree

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# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Town Offices of

## FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year 2018

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# 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: 15,750

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 11,536

**Tax Rate Fiscal Year 2019**

Residential – \$11.67

Commercial - \$23.47

**Area**

7,497 Acres

Miles of Shore Property – 29.4

Miles of Streets and Roads – Approximately 100

**Churches – 8**

**Public Schools – 5**

**Private (Parochial) Schools – 1**

**Maritime Education – 4**

**Preschools – 8**

**Banks – 12**

**Nursing Homes – 5**

**Principal Industries**

Ship Building

Fishing Industry

Winches and Fishing Machinery

Marine Repair & Construction

Customer Service

Hospitality

Retail

## IN MEMORIAM

**Frank Cruz**

Firefighter/EMT  
1/6/2018

**Albert Benac**

Town Art Curator  
Board of Appeals  
Town Meeting Member  
Bell Committee  
Oxford –Rogers Study  
Committee  
2/1/2018

**Earle Faunce**

Lieutenant Firefighter  
Retirement Board Chair  
Town Meeting Member  
2/5/2018

**Bobby Bruso**

Cable Access Director  
2/13/2018

**Arthur Moniz**

Manjiro Friendship Society  
Re-designer of the Town Seal  
2/21/2018

**Cynthia McNaughten**

CPC Member  
Historical Commission  
member  
Riverside Cemetery Board  
of Trustees Historian  
3/9/2018

**Joseph Bettencourt**

Call Fire Department  
Captain  
3/31/2018

**Russell Costa**

DPW Sewer Department  
4/23/2018

**William A. Morel**

Shellfish Deputy  
4/26/2018

**Madeleine Tavares**

HMS French teacher  
5/1/2018

**Robert (Red) Newett**

Shellfish Deputy  
8/30/2018

**Joseph F. Rapoza Jr.**

FHS Art Teacher  
9/26/2018

**Steven Epindola**

Housing Authority  
10/24/2018

**Roger Pinard**

BPW truck driver  
11/2/2018

**Lois Duckworth**

Rogers School teacher  
11/15/2018

**Edward G. Morris**

Firefighter  
11/29/2018

**Roland Seguin**

Board of Selectmen  
Board of Appeals  
Town Meeting member  
FHS Teacher/ Coach  
12/14/2018



## **DIRECTORY OF TOWN OFFICIALS – 2018**

(Elective Officials Designated by Capital Letters)

\*(denotes partial year)

### **MODERATOR**

MARK SYLVIA

Term Expires 2021

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

DANIEL FREITAS

Term Expires 2019

CHARLES K. MURPHY, SR.

Term Expires 2020

ROBERT ESPINDOLA

Term Expires 2021

Mark H. Rees

Town Administrator

Vicki L. Paquette

Assistant to the Town Administrator

Loreen Pina

Senior Clerk

Courtney Benoit

Senior Clerk/Marine Resources Department

Ashlee Brienzo\* resigned

Principal Clerk

Frank Fostin\* retired

Town Hall Custodian

Kevin Fournier\*

Town Hall Custodian

### **TOWN CLERK**

EILEEN LOWNEY\* retired

Term Expires 2019

Carolyn Hurley

Acting Town Clerk/ Assistant Town Clerk

Linda Fredette\*

Temporary Office Assistant

### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

PETER DETERRA

Term expires 2019

JEANNINE LOPES

Term expires 2020

MICHAEL SILVIA

Term expires 2021

Mary Freire- Kellogg

Health Agent

Amanda Blais

Administrative Assistant

Dan Shea

Intern/ Recycle Grant

Katherine Leaver

Health Inspector

### **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

MICHAEL RISTUCCIA

Term expires 2019

CAMERON DURANT

Term expires 2020

BRIAN WOTTON

Term expires 2020

KEITH SILVIA	Term expires 2021
ROBERT HOBSON	Term expires 2021
Vincent Furtado, Superintendent	Board of Public Works
John Charbenneau, Superintendent	Highway Division
Jeffrey Furtadao, Superintendent	Water Division
Linda Schick, Superintendent	Sewer Division
Kathy A. Tripp* retired	Administrative Assistant
Rebecca Vento*	Administrative Assistant
Kim Nogueira	Head Clerk
Joyce Wilson	Principal Clerk
Charlene Paulson	Principal Clerk
Christy Lavalette*	Senior Clerk

#### **COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS**

BARBARA ACKSEN	Term expires 2019
JOHN ROGERS	Term expires 2020
COLLEEN SILVIA	Term expires 2021

#### **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

ANNE D SILVEIRA	Term expires 2019
JOHN FARRELL	Term expires 2020
JAY SIMMONS	Term expires 2022
GREGORY TUTCIK	Term expires 2023
Jean Rousseau	State Appointee
Krissanne Sheedy	Executive Director

#### **PLANNING BOARD**

RENE FLEURENT	Term expires 2019
WAYNE HAYWARD	Term expires 2019
JAY MALASPINO	Term expires 2019
ANN RICHARD	Term expires 2020
JEFFREY LUCAS	Term expires 2020
CATHY MELANSON	Term expires 2021
GEOFFREY HAWORTH III	Term expires 2022
JOHN FARRELL Jr.	Term expires 2022

Gloria McPherson*	Town Planner
William Roth* resigned	Town Planner
Patricia Pacella	Recording Secretary
Shallyn Carreiro	Recording Secretary

### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

STASIA POWERS	Term expires 2019
MICHAEL MCNAMARA	Term expires 2019
BRIAN S. MONROE	Term expires 2020
PAMELA KUECHLER	Term expires 2020
COLIN VEITCH	Term expires 2021
DONNA MCKENNA	Term expires 2021
Robert Baldwin Ed. D	Superintendent of Schools
Tara Kohler	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Nicole Potter	Director of Technology and Finance
Diane S. Sullivan	Director of Student Services
Jody Tavares	Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

### **TREE WARDEN**

DR. BRIAN BOWCOCK*	Term expires 2018
GB KNOWLES IV*	Term expires 2021

### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Wayne Fostin*retired	Building Commissioner
Kristian White*	Building Commissioner
Stephen Brodo	Assistant Building Inspector
Patricia Pacella	Administrative Assistant
John Cottrill	Chief Wire Inspector
Leo Charpentier	Associate Wiring Inspector
Roger Poitras Jr.	Associate Wiring Inspector
Erik Sylvia	Associate Wiring Inspector
Henry Daigle	Gas Inspector
William Alphonse, Jr.	Temporary Gas Inspector
Norman Lussier	Plumbing Inspector

### **CABLE ACCESS**

Robert Bruso *	Director
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Derek Frates *	Director
Patricia Pacella	Administrative Assistant
Alyssa Botelho	Videographer
Miranda Branco	Videographer
Todd Migliacci	Videographer
Madison Pires	Videographer
Thomas Podielsky	Videographer
Erik Sa	Videographer

#### **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE/DIVISION OF TREASURY**

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

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Gloria McPherson*	Director
William Roth* resigned	Director
Marie Ripley	Part-Time Administrative Assistant
Amanda Blais	Part-time CDBG Administrative Assistant

#### **DIVISION OF ACCOUNTING**

Anne Carreiro	Town Accountant
Joyce Shepard	Part- Time Accounting Clerk
Helen DaCunha	Part- Time Accounts Payable Clerk

#### **DIVISION OF ASSESSING**

Ronnie Manzone, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2019
Pamela Davis, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2019
Ellis Withington, Board of Assessors	Term Expires 2019
Delfino Garcia	Principal Assessor
Melody Perry	Senior Clerk
Joanne Correia	Senior Clerk

#### **DIVISION OF COLLECTION**

Brian Lacroix	Deputy Collector
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Pamela Bettencourt	Assistant Collector/Treasurer
Kelly Ferranti	Senior Clerk
Mary Lou Baumgartner	Senior Clerk

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Timothy Francis	Fire Chief
Todd Correia	Deputy Fire Chief
Kristine Austin	Executive Assistant
Marc Jodoin, Emergency Management Director	Term expires 2019

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Anne O'Brien	Human Resources Director
Paula Medeiros*	Principal Clerk

### **MARINE RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

Timothy Cox	Harbormaster/ Shellfish Warden
Christopher Siwik	Assistant Harbor Master
Courtney Benoit	Senior Clerk
Steven Botelho	Shellfish Deputy
Todd Cox	Shellfish Deputy
Edward Normand	Shellfish Deputy
Cliff Patnaude	Shellfish Deputy
Steve Riley	Shellfish Deputy
Paul Sylvia	Shellfish Deputy

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Michael Myers	Police Chief
Michael Botelho	Police Captain
Jaunna Adesso	Executive Secretary
Terry Cripps	Animal Control Officer
Alexis Cambra	Assistant Animal Control Officer

### **RECREATION CENTER**

Warren Rensehausen	Director
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Rachel Martin

Program Director

### **SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Theodore Machado

### **SENIOR CENTER**

Anne Silvia

Director

Cynthia Vandenburg

Senior Clerk

Lucille Dauteuil

Outreach Coordinator

Christie Alfonse

Volunteer Coordinator

Susan Roderiques

Social Day Coordinator

Sally Bourke

Social Day Activities Director

Phyllis Pequita

Office Assistant

### **VETERAN'S BENEFITS AND SERVICE BURIAL AGENT**

James Cochran\* retired

Veteran's Agent

Jane Bettencourt

Administrative Assistant

### **AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

Dr. Kaisa G. Holloway - Cripps

Term expires 2021

Peter DeTerra

Term expires 2021

Ann Richard

Term expires 2020

### **ART CURATOR**

Albert Benac\* deceased

Term expires 2018

Mark Badwey, Art Curator

Term expires 2019

Kelly Smith, Associate Art Curator

Term expires 2019

### **BELL COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Lee Baumgartner

Al Benac \*

Doug Brady

Nils Isaksen

Jacqueline Kenworthy

Helena Oliveira

Cody Thibault

### **BIKEWAY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Lois Callahan-Moore

Matthew Coes

Robert Espindola

Geoffrey Sullivan

### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Peter DeTerra	Term expires 2019
Daryl Manchester	Term expires 2020
Joseph Borelli	Term expires 2021
Peg Cook	Term expires 2022
Francis Cox, Jr.	Term expires 2023
Alberto Silva, Associate	Term expires 2019
Jamie DeSousa, Associate	Term expires 2019
Ruy DaSilva, Associate	Term expires 2020
Kenneth Kendall, Associate	Term expires 2021
Tracy White* resigned	Recording Secretary
Shaellyn Carreiro*	Recording Secretary

### **CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ( TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Barbara Acksen	Robert Espindola, Ex Officio
Ronald Medina	John Methia
Michele Merolla	Maria J. Carvalho
Kenneth Souza	
Robert Bruso*	Cable Access Director
Derek Frates*	Cable Access Director
Pattie Pacella	Recording Secretary

### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Andrew Tillet	Term expires 2019
William Roth*	Term expires 2020
Wendy Graves	Term expires 2020
Mark Rees	Term expires 2020
Cathy Melanson	Term expires 2020
Vincent Furtado	Term expires 2021
Robert Baldwin	Term expires 2021

### **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Cynthia McNaughten*	Term expires 2018
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Patricia Pacella	Term expires 2019
Frank Rezendes	Term expires 2019
Jeff Lucas	Term expires 2019
Jay S. Simmons	Term expires 2020
Roger Marcoux	Term expires 2020
Terry Meredith	Term expires 2020
Ann Richard	Term expires 2020
Marcus Ferro	Term expires 2021
Nicholas Sylvia	Term expires 2021

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Geoffrey Howarth	Term expires 2019
Nicholas Sylvia	Term expires 2019
Nicholas Carigg	Term expires 2020
Amy DeSalvatore	Term expires 2020
Jay S. Simmons	Term expires 2021
Daniel Doyle	Term expires 2021
Edward Dorschied	Term expires 2021
Wayne Fostin* retired	Conservation Agent
Gloria McPherson*	Acting Conservation Agent

### **CONSTABLES**

Matthew Botelho	Pamela Bourgault
Richard Ferreira	Robert Jones
Kevin Kobza	Eileen Lowney* Retired Town Business
Lawrence Machado	Scott McGarty
David Miller	Eugene Thomas
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	Milan Whitaker
Carolyn Hurley* Town Business	

### **COMMISSION ON DISABILITY**

Maria Ruedlinger Walker	Term expires 2019
Brian Rego	Term expires 2020
Marcus Ferro	Term expires 2020
Ronald Medina	Term expires 2020
Diane Rocha	Term expires 2020



Anne Silvia	Term expires 2020
Charles K. Murphy, Sr.	Term expires 2021
Joseph Borelli (advisor)	Term expires 2021
Kelly Smith	Term expires 2021
Trina Bingham	Term expires 2021
Donna Lavallee	Term expires 2021

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Jack Oliveira	Term expires 2020
Francis Cox, Sr.	Term expires 2020
Joan Mello	Term expires 2020
Lee Cummings Allaire	Term expires 2021
Robert Ryan, Associate	Term expires 2021
Carol Burt, Associate	Term expires 2021
Erin Murphy, Associate	Term expires 2021
Anne Silvia	Director

### **DOG PARK STUDY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Howe Allen	Vanessa Gralton
Maryanne Krane	Nancy Shanik
Geneva Woodruff	Robert Espindola, Ex Officio

### **FAIR HOUSING COORDINATOR**

Charles K. Murphy, Sr.	Term expires 2019
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### **FAIRHAVEN CULTURAL COUNCIL**

Kristine Daniels	Term expires 2019
Susan Sulvia	Term expires 2019
Michael Luey	Term expires 2019
Abigail Hevey	Term expires 2019
William Lasseur	Term expires 2022
Jacqueline Kenworthy	Term expires 2021
Shawn Badgley	Term expires 2021
Sharon Dorian	Term expires 2023
Margaret McQuilkin	Term expires 2023

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### PRECINCT 1

Padriac Elliot

Term expires 2019

Vacant

### PRECINCT 2

Vacant

Vacant

### PRECINCT 3

Jessica Dwelly

Term expires 2019

Vacant

### PRECINCT 4

Kathleen Carter

Term expires 2020

Robert Furtado

Term expires 2019

### PRECINCT 5

Thomas Alden

Term expires 2020

Lisa Plante

Term expires 2019

### PRECINCT 6

Bernard Roderick

Term expires 2020

Tracey A. Diggins

Term expires 2019

### MEMBER AT LARGE

Vacant

## FIRE APPARATUS STUDY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)

Josh Benoit

Todd Correia

Todd Cox

Donn Fletcher

Timothy Francis

G. Bourne Knowles IV

Robert Lincoln

Brian Messier

Charles K. Murphy, Sr., Ex Officio

John Rogers

## GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Andrew Tillett	Term expires 2019
Randall Durrigan	Term expires 2020

### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Wayne Oliveira	Term expires 2019
Vicki Paquette	Term expires 2019
Gary Lavalette	Term expires 2019
Suzan Galpin	Term expires 2019
Anne O'Brien	Term expires 2020
Gail Isaksen	Term expires 2020
Maria J. Carvalho	Term expires 2021
Marcus Ferro, Associate	Term expires 2019
Daniel Freitas, Ex. Officio	Term expires 2019

### **LAGOA FRIENDSHIP PACT COMMITTEE**

Wayne Oliveira, Historical Commission	Term expires 2019
Charlene Riggan, Fairhaven Business Association	Term expires 2019
Pamela Kuechler, School Committee	Term expires 2020
Edward Cabral, At Large	Term expires 2019
Patricia Pacella, At Large	Term expires 2019
Vicki Paquette, At Large	Term expires 2020
Charles K. Murphy, Sr., Ex. Officio	Term expires 2019

### **MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Frank Coelho	Eric Dawicki
David Hebert	Michael McNamara
Michelle Potter	
Robert Hobson, BPW Representative	Robert Espindola, Selectman Representative

### **MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK**

John Farrell	Term expires 2019
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### **MILLICENT LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Bruce Bendiksen	Chirstopher Bunnell
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Kathleen Clement  
 Dennis Duval  
 Abigail Hevey  
 Maria R. Kilshaw  
 Pamela Kuechler  
 Carolyn Longworth  
 Cheryl Moniz  
 Jane Risch  
 Michael Silvia  
 Michael D. Coe ( Honorary)

Mary Cunha  
 Dan Freitas, Selectmen's Representative  
 Gail Isaksen  
 Robert Kenworthy  
 Kathy Lopes  
 Joanna McQuillan- Weeks  
 Anne O'Brien  
 Carol Roderigues  
 Lisa Wright

### OIL SPILL COORDINATOR

Timothy Francis, Fire Chief                      Term Expires 2019

### PARKING CLERK

Vicki Paquette                                      Term Expires 2019

### PRECINT CHAIRMEN AND CLERKS

#### PRECINT 1

Brian Bowcock	Chairman
Jeffrey Lucas	Clerk

#### PRECINT 2

Ann Richard	Chairman
Matthew Coes	Clerk

#### PRECINT 3

Sean Powers	Chairman
Vacant	Clerk

#### PRECINT 4

Paul M. Foster	Chairman
Carolyn Hurley	Clerk

#### PRECINT 5

Nancy Greene	Chairman
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Kathy Sturtevant

Clerk

**PRECINT 6**

Dan DeNardis

Chairman

Ann Ponichtera DeNardis

Clerk

**REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

Nils Isaksen (R)

Term Expires 2019

Eileen Lowney (D)

Term Expires 2021

Kim Hyland (R)

Term Expires 2021

**ROGERS STUDY COMMITTEE ( TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Barbara Acksen

Albert Benac\*

Doug Brady

Steve Desroches

Nils Isaksen

Gary Lavalette

Sue Loo

Beverly Rasmussen

**RETIREMENT BOARD**

Anne Carreiro

Earl Faunce\*

Joyce Shepard

Mary Sturgeon, Administrator

Alfred Robichaud

Mark Rees

**SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Robert Espindola

SRPEDD, Selectmen's Representative

Rene Fleurent, Jr.

SRPEDD, Planning Board Representative

Gloria McPherson

JTPG Representative

Vincent Furtado

JTPG Representative

**SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)**

Lois Callahan

Vincent Maron

Lisa Elliot

Marianne Murray

Deirdre Healy

Diana Painter

Laura Hellstrom

Ann Richard

Anne O'Brien

Marcus Ferro

Wendy Drumm,

Susan Spooner

## EMPLOYEE WELLNESS COMMITTEE (TERMS EXPIRE 2019)

Patricia Pacella

Tara Kohler

Denise Valois

Paula Medeiros

Linda Schick

Robert Espindola, Ex Officio

Warren Rensehausen

Anne O'Brien

Mary Freire- Kellogg

## 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 ext. 7
Council on Aging	508-979-4029
Cable Access	774-328-8828
Conservation/ Sustainability	508-979-4023 ext. 128
Election and Registration	508-979-4023 ext. 3
Emergency Management Agency	508-979-4090
Fire Department, non-emergency	508-994-1428
Harbormaster/ Marine Resources	508-979-4023 ext. 124
Health, Board of	508-979-4023 ext. 125
Housing Authority	508-993-1144
Human Resources	508-979-4023 ext. 150
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 (connects all departments)
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 (connects all departments)
Sealer of Weights and Measures	508-979-4023 ext. 2
Selectmen, Board of	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

### STATE LEGISLATORS

Congressman William Keating	508-999-6462
Senator Elizabeth Warren	617-565-3170
Senator Ed Markey	508-677-0523 or 617-565-8519
Senator Mark Montigny	508-984-1474 or 617-722-1440
Representative William Straus	508-992-1260 or 617-722-2400

## AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

In 2018, the Agricultural Commission (Ag Com) met and generated goals for the commission. The Ag Com purpose is to serve as a facilitator and advocate for encouraging the pursuit of farming and agriculture in Fairhaven.

The commission is also charged with supporting agricultural-based economic opportunities and providing dispute resolution services to farmers.

Additional duties include working with town officials and boards to promote and protect agricultural interests and enforce the Right to Farm Bylaw.

The Ag Com will meet in 2019 to consider Right To Farm sign installation, consider hosting an Ag Com Boot Camp in collaboration with the Massachusetts Association of Agricultural Commissions for the community, and align the commission's work to support the Master Plan of the Town of Fairhaven.



## BOARD OF APPEALS

In 2018, the Board of Appeals heard 44 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  
Alberto Silva, Associate Member  
Jamie DeSousa, Jr., Associate Member  
Ruy DaSilva, Associate Member  
Shallyn Correia, Recording Secretary

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Fairhaven Board of Assessors currently holds a public meeting once a month. The Assessing Department has completed the building permit inspections and determined new sales, growth and values for FY19. The Town of Fairhaven's total valuation for FY18 was \$2,047,117,206. The Residential tax rate was set at \$11.75 and the Commercial-Industrial-Personal Property tax rate was set at \$23.76. The town's valuation for FY19 is \$2,136,841,096. The FY19 Residential tax rate is \$11.67 and the Commercial-Industrial-Personal Property tax rate is \$23.47, which was certified by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR).

As outlined in our FY17 Annual Report, the Assessors department has experienced staffing changes and a program of cross-training was implemented. Ms. Joanne Correia has joined the Assessors Department one year ago this past December as Senior Clerk and continues to handle the day to day administrative duties along with her colleague, and assisting the Principal Assessor in his day to day administrative duties of scheduling with the public pertaining to field data inspections. Ms. Correia also uploads the field data inspections on a daily basis in our CAMA system among other day to day administrative duties for the Principal Assessor and Board of Assessors. Ms. Melody Perry, Senior Clerk has over 20 years experience and her overall vast administrative knowledge as to the day to day operation continues to be a big asset to the Principal Assessor and Board of Assessors, as well as continues to cross-train. With the emphasis of "Team Work" the Assessors Department continues to set the bar of excellence to serve the public.

Technology will be main emphasis for the upcoming fiscal year and for the future to bring values quicker on-line from the field and preparing our tax rates earlier for the Town of Fairhaven and the DOR. There is a reminder that we have a "Certification" review by the DOR in 2022 as well as to complete our "Cyclical" inspection by 2024 among other directives/goals we need to comply.

The collection and maintenance of current property data is a critical element in the development of uniform and fair market values. Property inspections are initiated for the Principal Assessor to assess values by the issuance of building permits, transfer of title property sales, abatements filed or part of the cyclical and re-inspection program. It is essential the inspections are timely which enables our community to maintain the most current information, ensuring that all taxpayers are assessed fairly and equitably and most important, new growth in value for our Town of Fairhaven. The Assessing Department is continuing the on-going cyclical inspections as required by Department of Revenue.

The Board of Assessors continues to review valuations each year and the Board of Assessors looks forward to meeting the needs and serving the citizens of the Town of Fairhaven.

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Assessors

Ronnie Manzone, Chairman  
Board of Assessor

Pamela K. Davis MAA  
Board of Assessor

Ellis B. Withington  
Board of Assessor

Delfino R. Garcia  
Principal Assessor

## BIKEWAY COMMITTEE

The Fairhaven Bikeway Committee is still working to make walking and biking better in Fairhaven.

This year's biggest accomplishment was the Bike Share pilot program spearheaded by the Southcoast Bikeway Alliance. About 50 bikes were available to rent in Fairhaven and Mattapoisett. The bikes came and went from popular spots all over town, and brought lots of new faces to the Bike Path. Hopefully in the coming seasons, with lessons learned in Fairhaven, the whole South Coast will share one system for short-term bike share.

In addition to the flashy programs like group rides and bike share, the committee does quiet work behind the scenes like our annual bike/ped counts and liaising with State and regional government and advocacy groups to make biking better in Fairhaven.

Thank you for your support, and we'll look for you out on the path!

Respectfully yours,  
Mat Coes, Chairman  
Lois Callahan  
Robert Espindola  
Geoffrey Sullivan

## BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

This year marks the 59th anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and towns of Bristol County. Our mission is to bring mosquito populations to tolerable levels using a variety of scientifically effective methodologies consistent with applicable laws. Surveillance, water management, biological and chemical controls are performed in an environmentally sensitive manner to minimize potential effects on people, wildlife and the environment. Over the years, our project has greatly reduced exposure to both Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile virus (WNV).

The Project continues to make investments in new technologies that increase our efficiency and accuracy when fulfilling our mandate. Upgrades to our pesticide application equipment, service request system and data collection programs have been made. We utilize GPS guidance systems on our spray trucks enabling our technicians to effectively schedule and conduct early morning applications and document pesticide application routes. We remain committed to applying environmentally responsible larvicide and adulticide products. We do this in order to be better stewards of the environment and reduce any unwanted effect on non-target organisms. We continue our practice of arbovirus and population surveillance through trapping and sending mosquito specimens to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for testing.

During the 2018 mosquito season, 26,960 mosquitoes were tested for the mosquito borne viruses EEE and WNV. There were no isolations of EEE and no human cases in the County. Bristol County had sixty-two (62) mosquito pools test positive for WNV with two (2) reported human cases. This has been the County's most active West Nile virus season to date. There were no equine cases for EEE or WNV.

The Project continues its year round efforts to reduce mosquito breeding areas through water management and source reduction. Our goal is to remove debris, silt and vegetation from drainage ditches to improve water flow, thus eliminating standing water conducive to larval development. Work is conducted using mechanized machines and by hand.

During the period of January 1, 2018– December 31, 2018 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 8,644 acres
- Treated 14 acres with B.t.i. in 12 locations for mosquito larvae
- Received 574 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 3,130 feet of brush
- Cleaned 1,670 feet of ditches by machine
- Mowed 1.25 acres of brush by machine
- Treated 1,520 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases and simple ways residents can protect themselves and prevent mosquito breeding on their own property. We have many types of outreach programs available including speaking at public health events, radio/newspaper interviews, visiting local schools, senior centers, and

creating informational handouts for distribution. Be sure to check out our website: [www.mass.gov/eea/bristolcountymosquitocontrol](http://www.mass.gov/eea/bristolcountymosquitocontrol) or follow us on Twitter @BCMCPMOSQ for updates and information.

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,

Priscilla Matton  
Superintendent

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Town of Fairhaven Building Department has experienced a lot of new businesses and developments this past year. Tractor Supply moved into the old Kmart, and Big Lots moved into the plaza as well. McDonald's is in the process of completing a large renovation and Dunkin Donuts is in the planning phase to build a new store in that same plaza.

Across the street, where Ocean State Job Lot has ownership of the property, Regal House Furniture has now occupied one of the units, along with Dorothy Cox Candies moving to their new location. Auto Zone is planning an expansion in their tenant space. Citizens Bank has renovated the old Pizza Hut building. Fairhaven Shipyard is also starting a new building phase.

Total Fees Collected		
Residential Building Permits	721	\$ 142,395.00
Commercial Permits	28	\$ 54,972.00
Solar Permits	36	\$ 15,356.00
Sign Permits	18	\$ 4,223.00
Annual Building Inspections	120	\$ 6,729.00
Electrical Permits	384	\$ 67,702.00
Plumbing Permits	225	\$ 22,289.00
Gas Permits	235	\$ 15,798.00
Occupancy Permits	28	\$ 3,399.00
<b>Total Fees Collected</b>		<b>\$ 336,674.00</b>

The Building Department would like to thank retired Building Commissioner, Wayne Fostin for his 30 Years of dedication to the Town of Fairhaven. We'd also like to thank Jim Marot of Acushnet for stepping into the role as we searched for a new Building Commissioner. Thank you to all our inspectors who helped make this a smooth transition.

Respectively submitted,

Kristian White, Building Commissioner  
Patricia Pacella, Administrative Assistant  
Norman Lussier, Plumbing Inspector  
Henry Daigle, Gas Inspector  
John Cottrill, Electrical Inspector

## CABLE ACCESS CHANNEL 18 & 95

Fairhaven Cable Access Television has gone through a few transitions in 2018. With the unfortunate passing of our past Director, Bobby Bruso we were at a standstill with all the initiatives he had started. Mr. Bruso was responsible for purchasing much of the hi-tech equipment to get the Studio started. We are very grateful for all Mr. Bruso did for the Town of Fairhaven in his short time with us. We have since named the Bobby Bruso Cable Television Studio in remembrance of him and a Scholarship Fund has been started in his name. For more information email [BobbyBrusoScholarship@gmail.com](mailto:BobbyBrusoScholarship@gmail.com).

Moving forward, we were able to hire an equally talented young man, Derek Frates, formerly from Dartmouth Community Television. Mr. Frates started working with us this year in July, and he hit the ground running. Mr. Frates and our crew of talented videographers were out filming many Fairhaven Public Community events during the Summer as well as covering a plethora of government meetings.

Prior to Mr. Frates coming aboard, a new 10-year cable television renewal license was signed between Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC and Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. This contract is available to view on the Town of Fairhaven website on the Cable Advisory Committee page. ([www.fairhaven-ma.gov/cable-advisory-committee](http://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/cable-advisory-committee))

### Government Access – Channel 18:

The following government meetings are filmed regularly, broadcasted live when possible, replayed on channel 18, and are available to view on demand at [www.fairhaventv.com](http://www.fairhaventv.com) and at [www.livestream.com/fairhavenlive](http://www.livestream.com/fairhavenlive): Agricultural Commission, Board of Appeals, Board of Health, Board of Public Works, Board of Selectmen, Cable Advisory Committee, Conservation Commission, Community Preservation Committee, Economic Development Council, Finance Committee, Historical Commission, Marine Resource Committee, Planning Board, School Committee, and Town Meeting.

Public meetings, forums, press conferences and ribbon cuttings are also filmed upon request. In addition, Mr. Frates has been working with other department heads to create public service announcements and informational videos to keep residents informed as to happenings around town. These are posted to [www.facebook.com/fairhaventv](http://www.facebook.com/fairhaventv) as well as replayed on channel 18. Examples include Board of Health recycling guidelines, Board of Public Works water flushing informational video, and a new series – Adopt a Pet with the Fairhaven Animal Shelter and Animal Control Officer.

Other events filmed for government access include the annual 4th of July Independence Day ceremony, U.S. Coast Guard Eagle's arrival in August, Fairhaven Fire Department's annual open house and the Veterans' Day Parade and ceremony.

### Community/Public Access – Channel 95:

A huge accomplishment that occurred this past October was bringing back channel 95 for public access programming. For the first time in nearly a decade community events were



broadcast and are available on demand at [www.fairhaventv.com](http://www.fairhaventv.com) and on the Fairhaven Community Media YouTube page.

A Haunted Open House Halloween Event was held at the Town Hall on October 25th to introduce the public to channel 95. A new logo was unveiled for Fairhaven Community Media. A huge success, it was attended by over by 100+ children and their families. Pictures were taken with different backgrounds available to be used as a souvenir that families were able to take home. Community organization tables were set up with information and trick or treat stations, and there was even a magician for the kids. A very well attended event that may just happen annually.

Other events filmed for Fairhaven Community Media this year included all five Music in the Center concerts on the front lawn of town hall, the U.S. Coast Guard Band special concert, highlights of the Homecoming Fair, Legendary Street Rods Car Show, Fairhaven's National Night Out with the Police Dept., Harvest Fun Day, Old Time Holiday Fair and various other holiday celebrations around town.

Community residents and organizations have shown interest in beginning the process of learning how to direct, produce and/or star in their own Channel 95 TV show. Workshops and trainings will be available to any Fairhaven resident looking to create their own show, please follow us on Facebook and at [www.fairhaventv.com](http://www.fairhaventv.com) and [www.facebook.com/fairhaventv](http://www.facebook.com/fairhaventv) to learn more about YOU becoming a MEDIA SENSATION!

#### Staff:

Derek T. Frates, Director of Cable  
Pattie Pacella, Administrative Assistant  
Alyssa Botelho, Videographer  
Miranda Branco, Videographer  
Todd Migliacci, Videographer  
Madison Pires, Videographer  
Thomas Podielsky, Videographer  
Erick Sa, Videographer

#### Cable Advisory Committee:

Barbara Acksen, Chairperson  
Maria Carvalho  
Robert J. Espindola  
Ronnie Medina  
John Methia  
Mike Merrolla  
Kenneth J. Souza

## 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) coordinates activities of other local groups organized for similar purposes.

The Fairhaven Commission on Disability funded, through their FY19 budget, an American Sign Language Course for the public. The eight week ASL course was instructed by Shannon Alves and provided participants with a basic knowledge of ASL including finger spelling and signs used for basic communication. Since the class was well attended, the Commission hopes to be able to continue to provide the public with ongoing ASL classes in future years.

In an effort to prevent falls during the winter months, the Commission on Disability in collaboration with the Fairhaven COA and the Fairhaven Lions Club continues to support the Sand for Seniors Project. Seniors who request to participate in the program receive a 5 gallon bucket of sand/salt mix to use on icy walkways during the winter months. The Lions Club members donate their time to fill, or top off, buckets and deliver buckets to those requesting one. Approximately 60 seniors participate in this project.

The Town of Fairhaven has two wheelchairs that are adapted to be used on sandy beaches as well as in the water. They are located at Fort Phoenix during the summer months and are available for public use.

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

Respectfully Submitted,  
Charles K. Murphy, Chairperson  
Trina Bigham, Vice Chairperson  
Anne Silvia, Treasurer  
Diane Rocha, Secretary  
Mark Rees, ADA Coordinator  
Joseph Borelli, Member  
Brian Rego, Member  
Ronnie Medina, Member

Maria Walker, Member  
Donna Lavallee, Member  
Marcus Ferro, Member  
Kelly Smith, Member

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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 continued into 2018, its 13th year of operation. As of June 30, 2018, the Town had collected \$340,000 from the local CPA surcharge for FY-2018 and in November 2018, received \$51,000 in State matching funds, which was a 15% match.

At the May 5, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant with Article # 21 the Committee recommended the following spending appropriations: Fairhaven Housing Authority- Green Meadows Windows-\$40,000; Stratford Capital Group- Oxford School-\$150,000; Board of Selectmen- Town Hall Repairs-\$15,000; Library- Exterior Windows-\$86,000; Historical Commission-Fire Museum-\$2,000; Historical Commission- Old Stone Roof Project-\$7,000; Bell Committee- Revere Bell Restoration- \$18,500; Board of Selectmen- Library Sidewalk- \$92,000; Recreation Center/Wellness Committee- Bike Path Fitness-\$7,500.

In October, the Committee published its FY2019 Community Preservation Plan with guidelines and information for applicants seeking Community Preservation funds. In December, the Committee began deliberations on the submissions for funding. The CPC has reviewed all proposals and interviewed the respective proponents. The Committee's FY2020 recommendations will be presented to Town Meeting Members for action at the May 4, 2019, Town Meeting.

The CPC would like to mention the passing in March of long-time committee member Cynthia McNaughton, who was the Historical Commission Representative. We will miss her many corrections to the minutes and her detailed research and input on the many historical projects that have been funded.

The CPC meets monthly between September and February and at other times as needed. Meetings are held at the 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](mailto:cpc@fairhaven-ma.gov) or contact the Planning Department with questions, comments and feedback. For additional information citizens may visit the CPC web page on the Town website at [www.fairhaven-ma.gov](http://www.fairhaven-ma.gov).

### **2018 CPC Members:**

Jeff Lucas, Chairman	Planning Board Representative
Ann Richard, Vice-Chairman	At-large representative
Patricia A. Pacella, Clerk	At-large representative
Roger Marcoux	At-large representative
Marcus Ferro	Historical Commission Representative
Jay Simmons	Housing Authority Representative

Terrence P. Meredith  
Frank J. Rezendes  
Nicholas Sylvia

At-large representative  
Board of Public Works Representative  
Conservation Commission Representative

## 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 paid recording 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.

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission would like to thank Wayne Fostin for his service as Conservation Agent and wished him well in his retirement after serving the Town of Fairhaven for 30 years. Additionally, the FCC would like to thank Gloria McPherson, Director of Planning and Economic Development, for serving as Conservation Agent until the full-time agent was hired. The Commission would like to thank the Town for establishing the Conservation Agent/Sustainability Coordinator position and welcomes Whitney McClees into that newly created position as of the beginning of 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Simmons (2021) – Chairman  
Daniel Doyle (2021)  
Edward Dorschied (2021)  
Geoffrey Haworth (2019) – Co-Chairman  
Amy DeSalvatore (2020)  
Nicholas Sylvia (2020)  
Nicholas Carrigg (2020)  
Wayne Fostin – Conservation Agent (retired)  
Gloria McPherson – Interim Conservation Agent  
Tracy White – Recording Secretary (partial year)  
Shallyn Carreiro – Recording Secretary (partial year)

## CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The following schedule summarizes the operations for:

### INCOME

Balance on hand 01/01/18	63,378,883.15
Town appropriation	3,079,385.00
Housing Authority Appropriation	109,376.00
Contributions from Members	1,158,709.93
Contributions rec'd for military service	~
Transfers from Other Systems	291,974.61
Members Make-up payments	8,788.98
Workers' Compensation Settlements	14,000.00
Recovery of 91A Overearnings	~
Investment Income/Loss	-1,151,405.92
Cola Received	34,491.17
Reimbursement from other systems	96,258.84
Federal Grant Reimbursements	24,352.73
Interest not refunded	908.52

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67,045,723.01

### DISBURSEMENTS

Pensions Paid	3,681,390.95
Annuities Paid	708,499.94
Refund to members	146,544.50
Reimbursement to other systems	346,350.70
Transfers to other systems	143,696.53
Administrative Expense	434,551.15

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61,584,689.24

### BALANCES

Cash	424,221.00
Prit Fund	61,055,808.76
Accounts Rec.	104,659.48

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61,584,689.24

# 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 2018, 60 years and older, is estimated at 5,175 (104 more than 2017). Of those included, 1,887 unduplicated seniors received services assisting in promoting and maintaining a secure, safe and healthy quality of life (1,366 being women and 521 being men). In 2010, the senior population 60 years and older was 4,154. The projected census for 60 years and older in 2020 was 5,082 per calculation from the EOE (Executive Office of Elder Affairs). As of 2018, the Town census of 60 and over has already exceeded this number by 93.

## STAFFING

The Senior Center is staffed with a director (40 hours paid through the COA budget), a senior clerk (35 hours paid through the COA budget), a custodian (35 hours paid through the COA budget), two outreach workers (30 hours and 10 hours both paid through a grant from the ARAW), a volunteer coordinator (19 hours paid through the Formula Grant), a receptionist (19 hours paid through the Formula Grant), and two van drivers (sharing approximately 20-24 hours per week, one paid from the COA budget and one paid through the Formula Grant).

The Supportive Social Day staff includes a program coordinator (35 hours) and an activity director (35 hours) both paid through Supportive Social Day Revenue. There are five paid activity aids. One activity aid (19 hours per week) is paid through the ARAW Grant, three Senior Aids (20 hours per week) are provided and paid by Coastline and one aid (12 hours per week) is paid through the Social Day revenue. The two van driver's share 20 hours per week and are paid through the grant provided by the A.R.A.W.

Approximately 70 dedicated volunteers provided approximately 20,713 hours of unpaid time in 2018 totaling a savings of approximately \$248,556.00 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 Workers are 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 workers. Those in need of legal services are referred to free 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 COA director are mandated reporters assisting those seniors in crisis and reporting to the appropriate agencies any suspected elder abuse, neglect or financial exploitation.

### TAX WORKOFF

Twenty financially qualifying Fairhaven seniors per year have the opportunity to receive a \$500.00 deduction from their real estate taxes after volunteering 64.5 hours in various departments of the town such as the COA and Social Day Program, schools, shellfish dept and town hall offices. If interested, please call the COA and ask for Christine Alfonse to see if you qualify.

### NUTRITION

Coastline, 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 Tuesday 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. A dietician from Community Nurse of Fairhaven is available by appointment once a month for consultation for anyone who is in need of dietary support. Coastline also provides the food for special events such as the Veterans Day Luncheon. In 2017, the Fairhaven COA hosted an Easter dinner on Easter Day and a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day for those seniors who would otherwise be alone on these holidays. In collaboration with generous community groups, churches, businesses and organizations, several food baskets and turkeys were donated to seniors in need and grandparents raising grandchildren. The Fairhaven Council on Aging continues to participate in the Greater Boston Food Banks Commodity Supplemental Food Program providing supplemental food to low income seniors. As part of this program, qualifying seniors, 60 years old and older, receive two bags of non perishable food once a month to be picked up at the Fairhaven Senior Center. Approximately 45 seniors participate in this program. Please call the Fairhaven Senior Center and ask for Anne Silvia to determine if you qualify

### TRANSPORTATION

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

Van #2 2018 Econoline Bus	14 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

2009 Ford Explorer (former police vehicle) used to transport seniors to medical appointments.

In June of 2018, the COA received a 2018 van from a grant of \$52,593.00 through the



DOT. The COA matching cost of \$12,791.00 was taken from the COA Gift Account. In 2018, the COA provided in town transportation (shopping, banking, etc.) to 324 unduplicated seniors and a total of 6,689 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 emergency evacuation of housing, nursing home or assisted living residents. The Fairhaven COA received a medical transportation grant from the A.R.A W. to be used to transport ladies over the age of 70, who reside alone and are within a certain income (specified by grantee). The Ford Explorer is used for this purpose. Several volunteers spend countless hours transporting Fairhaven seniors to local medical appointments in the volunteers own vehicles.

### 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 2018 included 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, walking groups, bicycling/hiking group and Bocce. Informational support on health and wellbeing include the Health awareness Group, Care Givers Support Group, Bereavement Groups, flu clinics provided by Walgreens of Fairhaven and numerous in-services provided by local organizations and agencies regarding scams, fraud and overall safety issues. Grief support groups meet continuously throughout the year. Cops and Donuts takes place quarterly, thanks to Fairhaven Detective Janis Guerrero, who provides the seniors with information to keep them safe while enjoying coffee and donuts. The Fairhaven COA distributes 1,900 newsletters throughout the town, and surrounding area, providing information about all the activities and events happening at the senior center.

### 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-3:00pm. During 2018, the program serviced 66 unduplicated seniors and a total of 4271 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 and Senior Care Option's. This program is a cost effective alternative to nursing home placement and a means of respite and peace of mind for caregivers knowing that their loved one is in a safe and stimulating environment supervised by a loving and dedicated staff.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Fairhaven Council on Aging, 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  
Francis Cox, Chairperson  
Jack Oliveira, Vice Chairperson  
Lee Allaire, Secretary  
Joan Mello, Member  
Robert Ryan, Board Member  
Carol Burt, Board Member  
Erin Murphy, 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 monies are provided by the Massachusetts Cultural Council as well as the Town of Fairhaven.

From January to December 2018, the council funded 18 local cultural council grant projects totaling \$9,102. For the 2018 grant cycle, the council received \$2,500 from the Town of Fairhaven, and the remainder of the funds was 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 which promote tourism. In 2018 those funds were awarded to the John Dalton Jazz Concert, a magic show at the Millicent Library, the North Fairhaven Improvement Association, and the Tri County Symphonic Band for free tickets for local seniors, and the South Coast Children's Chorus. A complete list of projects funded in 2018 can be found online at the council's state sponsored web page: <http://www.mass-culture.org/Fairhaven>.

This council has maintained two online resources since 2011, a blog and a Facebook page, to keep the public informed of its work and local cultural events, and added a Twitter account in 2015. All online resources reflect the Town's social media policy guidelines.

Current members and officers include:

- Shawn Badgley
- Kristine Daniels (Secretary)
- Sharon Dorian
- Abigail Hevey (Chair)
- Jacqueline Kenworthy
- Bill Levasseur
- Michael Luey (Treasurer)
- Margaret McQuilkin
- Susan Sylvia
- Doreen Crawford (appointed in September 2018; resigned in November 2018)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Abigail Hevey, Chair

## DOG PARK STUDY COMMITTEE

The Town of Fairhaven commissioned a committee of 5 members to serve on the Fairhaven Dog Park committee. The committee meet once a month from September to January. The charge for the committee was to assist the town in selecting a site for the dog park and to research funding sources to support the design, construction and maintenance of the dog park. The committee met with the former dog park committee to review what actions and recommendations they had made during their tenure. The first dog park committee members had been using Long Road as an informal dog park and wanted it to become the town's official dog park. To that end, they worked to secure support for the park from the abutters, conservation and wetlands and the board of selectmen. They also held several fundraising and public awareness events. Late in the process the Department of Public Works withdrew their support for the park and the committee disbanded. The present Dog Park committee took a different path in selecting a site for the dog park. They reviewed land owned by the town and selected parcels that were over an acre and flat enough to accommodate a park. Seven sites were chosen as possible sites. Mark Rees asked the committee to evaluate each of the sites using a set of criteria that had been established by an extensive study done by the Ann Arbor Dog Park regarding recommendations for the selection of a Dog park committee. Committee members visited the sites and individually evaluated each of them according to the criteria we were asked to use. The criteria for the site were as follows; the park would be centrally located to Fairhaven residents, (within a two mile radius, have access to water and electricity, wouldn't be in a highly impacted area where dog park parking would take needed parking from residents, would not be located on a highway or busy road, would be located 100 to 200 ft away from nearby homes, would not be close to play areas or playgrounds, and would not abut conservation land. In January the committee will share its evaluation of the sites consideration and recommend the site that best met the criteria for selection.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Geneva Woodruff  
Acting chair

On behalf of  
Active committee members:  
Howe Allen, clerk  
Vanessa Gralton  
Nancy Shanik

## FAIRHAVEN FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

The Fairhaven Fire Department had 3738 emergency responses in 2018. This represents the busiest year for the fire department in our history. The figure also represents a 10.5% increase in call volume over 2017. Our Fire calls have increased 17.3% and our EMS calls have increased 7.7% over the same period last year.

The department continues to struggle this year on what we are describing as our “transitional years”. Our veterans have served their community well for over 30 years and a lot of them are reaching their retirement dates. We are attempting to recruit smart young recruits to fill their vacancies, but we are still competing with other fire departments South and East of Boston with wages and benefits.

In early 2018, we lost two respected veterans of the Fire Department. Firefighter Frank Cruz, an active full time firefighter, served this department for over 30 years passed away on January 6, 2018. Throughout his career, Firefighter Cruz has touched countless lives and he will be missed. He left behind a wife, two sons, a daughter, a step daughter and two step grandchildren.

We also lost Retired Lieutenant Earl Faunce on February 5, 2018. Lt. Faunce was an integral part of our department for 39 years. Even after his retirement he assisted this department in many ways, including grant writing, which facilitated receiving multiple FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grants. Lt. Faunce was loved by many and still is. He left behind a wife, two sons, two daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren.



Frank Cruz  
11/5/1965 – 1/6/2018



Earl M. Faunce  
7/7/1930 – 2/5/2018

With respect to the vacancies, we are proud to announce the hiring of four (4) new firefighter/paramedics to replace the vacancies created 2018. Firefighter/Paramedic Sean Harrington is a resident of New Bedford Massachusetts, and joins us from New Bedford EMS. Mr. Harrington brings with him three years of paramedic experience with the City of New Bedford. Mr. Harrington just completed the Massachusetts Fire Academy in November of 2018 and assigned to Shift 2. Firefighter/Paramedic Troy DeCouto has several years' experience with Brewster Ambulance Service. Along with his Paramedic experience, Mr. DeCouto was a Call-Firefighter for many years with the Town of Dartmouth. He also completed the Massachusetts Fire Academy in November of 2018 and is currently assigned to Shift 4.

Our two newest firefighters are residents of Fairhaven. Firefighter/Paramedic Jesse Lacerda is an 8 year veteran of the United States Army National Guard and is also an experienced Paramedic. Mr. Lacerda is scheduled to attend the Massachusetts Fire Academy in March of 2019. Along with Mr. Lacerda we are pleased to announce the hiring of Firefighter/Paramedic Shain Ramos. Mr. Ramos joins us from our Call Firefighter ranks and has experience as a full time paramedic with City of New Bedford. He is scheduled for the Massachusetts Fire Academy in March of 2019.

This department still relies heavily on the Fairhaven Call Firefighters as a source of supplemental manpower. We have recruited two (2) new call firefighters late this year and currently waiting for the next available opening in the Massachusetts Call Firefighter I/II Training Program.

The current call volume has placed a great deal of strain on our workforce, who attempt to handle the increase in calls in a timely manner. Most days, the departments staffing level drops down to unsafe levels as we handle multiple calls at the same time. Looking into the future, we will be requesting additional firefighters to handle the 5-10% increase in call volume that we experience each year.

#### FIRE DIVISION

The fire department has seen a substantial increase in fires from 2017. The fire department is handling about one fire a week in addition to other fire related calls. Some of these fires are preventable.

The last three structure fires in 2018 were a direct result of improperly discarded cigarettes. We caution all residents to make sure fires are properly extinguished before leaving them unattended.

#### EMS DIVISION

Our EMS Division continues to handle the majority of our calls. This year our team of EMS providers has treated over 2600 patients and transported them to five (5) different hospitals. This volume is a 7.5% increase over last year. Dr. Matthew Bivens continues to be our Medical Director and continues to provide up to date training for our providers.

We have received and placed in service new AirTraQ® devices. These devices are specially designed scopes to assist and record the Paramedics in placing an endotracheal tube into patients. These devices will make this procedure more efficient and decrease exposure to the provider.

#### FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

In addition to fire suppression, this department dedicates a great deal of resources to fire prevention. Each year, members of this department are out in the community performing fire safety inspections. These inspections, required by the fire code, are designed to make sure all buildings are in code compliance. In addition, we ensure that a third party properly inspects all sprinkler systems and commercial fire alarms. We would like to thank all of our commercial and industrial businesses in town for addressing all fire related safety issues in a timely manner.

## EQUIPMENT

Again, we would like to extend our appreciation to the citizens of Fairhaven for their continued efforts to modernize our fleet and equipment. We took receipt of our new Ambulance, "Medic 1" which arrived in January of 2018. Medic 1 is a 2017 FORD F550 Horton Class 1 ambulance with four (4) wheel drive. This ambulance is the workhorse of the fleet and responds to over 1500 calls a year.

Our new Ladder 1 is scheduled to arrive in Fairhaven the first week of January 2019. This ladder truck will consolidate two pieces of apparatus Rescue 1, a technical rescue truck, and our 35 year old Ladder Truck. The new Ladder 1 will have a built-in water way that will capable of flowing 1500 gallons of water per minute, a 15KW generator, and a Cascade System which will allow us to fill air tanks on the fire ground.

Engine 2 is now 35 years old and is on our high priority replacement needs. However, our infrastructure will need to be upgraded in order to able to house this new piece of equipment. Currently Station 2 is not large enough to house this modern piece of equipment and our Fire Headquarters cannot hold another piece of fire apparatus.

We have received eight (8) ballistic protection kits for our staff. As you are all aware, our environment is changing and we needed to provide suitable protection to our staff in the event of an active shooter or a hostile event in our community.

We are also taking delivery of new battery operated hydraulic equipment. This new set will replace our gas-powered unit that is over 20 years old. This hydraulic equipment is used for motor vehicle accidents and other incidents that require us extricate people who may be trapped.

We have also installed a new satellite repeater location at Hoppy's Haven. This new site will enhance our radio communication for the southern portion of Sconticut Neck Road, Wilburs Point, West Island and our Marine Response Division.

## FIRE SAFETY DIVISION

Firefighter Wayne Oliveira continues to handle the fire education division. Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) is a program that allocates state monies through a grant to provide fire educational training to all residents. Each year, Firefighter Oliveira and his team visit classrooms, daycares, community programs, and our annual open house and teach children of our community about fire safety. We can report that nearly 100% of our children receive some type of fire safety training before graduation.

In addition to teaching children, the Fire Safety Division also provides education and support to the elderly. We provide free of charge, fire safety classes and CPR classes to the Senior Center and to residents of the Fairhaven Housing Authority. We also conduct free home inspections to the elderly of our community upon need and request.

The Fire Safety Division and the Fire Prevention Division also work with our commercial and industrial businesses to provide disaster planning and fire drills. These meetings

usually consist of a fire drill followed by some type of education on how fire safety and fire evacuations are conducted more efficiently. We also provide free fire extinguisher training to these businesses for their employees.

The Fire Safety Division all inspects and installs car seats to the general public. By appointment only, car seats are properly installed by a member of the team to ensure the safety of the child.

In 2018, the Fire Safety Division received the following grants from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts: SAFE Grant \$4,308.00, Senior SAFE \$2,615.00

#### FIRE ALARM DIVISION

The Fire Alarm Division experienced a very busy year in 2018 by the way of maintaining the town's radio boxes system. We continue to maintain our inspection program of the newly installed radio boxes system, so that the wireless system stays up to current N.F.P.A. standards.

As the growth of the town continues, we can expect a further expansion of the town's network. 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.

The Fire Alarm Division would like to thank all other departments and agencies that we have cooperated with throughout the year.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY DIVISION (EMA)

As always, the EMA division starts the year off on January 1st at Fort Phoenix for the annual Polar Plunge, providing assistance to other town public safety departments. We supported the annual Father's Day Road Race again this year with help from Acushnet, New Bedford, and Dartmouth EMAs. Our thanks go out to our fellow Emergency Management Agency's for their assistance with this major town event every year. We also want to express our sincere appreciation to the Road Race Committee for their generous donation. We have increased our presence and are providing support for three road races per year.

The EMA division is proud to have assisted multiple civic organizations again this year with numerous events throughout the year, providing our portable public address system and traffic control. We responded to several calls with the fire department, the most significant was the Livesey Club fire that tragically took place May 2018. There we provided lighting and light refreshments for the firefighters.

During 2018, we also assisted the Call Firefighters with their annual Firefighter's Muster, responded to numerous water main breaks and downed trees providing lighting for the safety of other town employees of our water and tree departments. We offered our assistance and worked closely with our Fire and Police Departments and the Natural Resources with our mobile communications truck.



The winter of 2018 saw several winter storms that entailed heavy rain and wind as opposed to snow. The town responded to many calls for downed trees and wires throughout town. Many businesses and residents lost power for days at a time. We did get hit by one significant snow storm in March. As a precaution, the Emergency Operating Center was set up at the Fire Department and a shelter was opened at the middle school. As usual, our volunteers started by checking all of our equipment and moving our radio and phone equipment to the fire station for the EOC. Starting in 2018 and going forward we have and will be upgrading some equipment at the EOC. These upgrades included two wall mounted monitors and the replacement very old phone equipment. Our division is constantly monitoring and collecting data from the National Weather Service even when there are no apparent weather threats. We kept in touch the Board of Selectmen and all the public safety departments, passing on the information we acquire. Thankfully, we were spared any tropical events this past season. Unfortunately, sooner or later we will get a major hurricane.

We received a grant from Massachusetts Emergency Management again in 2018. With these grants we continue to purchase equipment to help us help you. The grants are not much money but every little bit helps.

As stated in the past, our trucks are very old and tired and in need of replacing. We had to take two vehicles out of service early this year. One was deemed unsafe with brake and electrical issues discovered during one of the winter storms, the other was removed from service due to major frame rot. We really need to address replacing our aging fleet as we are constantly repairing these vehicles. Most are from the middle 1990's and one is from 1989.

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 Massachusetts Emergency Management.

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

In 2018 the EMA division responded to 232 incidents, operated 347 details for a total of 1921 hours that our volunteers provided to the citizens of Fairhaven.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

The Emergency Preparedness Plan is still evolving and being developed. This will be an ongoing development each year as we modernize and enhance our plan. One of the items requested is a Mass Notification System, which will be used by all departments in town, to educate and provide critical information during an emergency in town. This program is similar to reverse 911 with the exception that the resident can choose how and what information they would like to receive.

We continue to work alongside the Police Department, the Board of Health, and the School Department to develop and enhance our internal plans to better serve you during an emergency.

### CANCER AND OCCUPATIONAL HAZARDS

The Fire Department continues to review material and attempt to develop internal procedures to find ways to decrease the exposure hazards that face today's firefighters. Fires today burn synthetic materials and plastics, which burn more hazardous, and hotter than the fires of the past. Exposures to these fires increase the chances of firefighters being diagnosed with cancer by 9% and increase the firefighter dying from cancer by 14% compared to the general population. We will continue to work the town on providing funding for decontamination equipment and supplies to help reduce this occupational hazard.

### OPIOID/ADDICTION TASK FORCES

The Fairhaven Fire & EMS Department continues to respond to issues of OPIOID and other addictive substances. We currently work with our local and regional partners, and the Fairhaven Police Department to provide alternatives to treatment and issues that are associated with this crisis. As we have seen a decrease in our responses to these events, we must continue to move forward and being aggressive in dealing with this crisis. We applaud the Fairhaven Police Department in there active role in creating options for individuals who may be found under the influence of an addictive substance.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Our new website is up and is a great resource to anyone needing information regarding the fire department and current activities. We will continue to update the site to better provide information to the public. The new IT Department was instrumental in its development.

In addition to the website, we have established formal Facebook and Twitter pages. The public is urged to follow us to receive daily information on emergency preparedness, current emergencies, and/or daily activities that are being conducted.



FhvnFire



FairhavenFire

I would like to thank the other town departments and boards for working with us this past year and look forward to working alongside them again in 2019. Here is a list of Fairhaven Fire Department Activities in 2018

### Situation Description

#### Totals

Building fire	5
Fires in structures other than in a building	5
Cooking fire, confined to container	14

Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney or flue	2
Mobile Property (vehicle) fire, other	1
Passenger vehicle fire	3
Natural vegetation fire, other	18
Forest, woods or wildland fire	1
Brush, or brush and grass mixture 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
Outside equipment fire	2
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat other	1
Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	2
Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS) call, other	2
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	24
Emergency medical service incident, other	12
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	2623
Vehicle accident with injuries	133
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	8
Lock-in	4
Search for person in water	1
Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	4
Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	3
Water & ice related rescue, other	2
Watercraft rescue	4
Rescue or EMS standby	8
Hazardous condition - other	13
Flammable gas or liquid condition, other	1
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	14
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	25
Oil or other combustible liquid spill	25
Chemical spill or leak	5
Refrigeration leak	1
Carbon monoxide incident	11
Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	3
Heat from short circuit (wiring), defective/worn	2

Overheated motor	3
Light ballast breakdown	1
Power Line Down	29
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	14
Biological Hazardous, confirmed or suspected	1
Accident, potential accident, other	4
Building or structure weakened or collapsed	3
Vehicle accident, general cleanup	19
Service call, other	15
Person in distress, other	1
Lock-out	13
Ring or jewelry removal	1
Water problem, other	23
Water evacuation	42
Water or steam leak	13
Smoke or odor removal	12
Animal problem	1
Animal rescue	1
Public service assistance, other	15
Assist police or other governmental agency	20
Police Matter	1
Public service	9
Assist invalid	5
Unauthorized burning	42
Cover assignment, standby, move up	6
Good intent call, other	42
Dispatched & cancelled en route	43
Authorized controlled burning	3
Vicinity alarm (incident in other location)	1
Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	1
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	11
EMS call, party transported by non-fire agency	1
Hazmat release investigation w/no hazmat	10
Biological hazard investigation, none found	2
False alarm or false call, other	31
Municipal alarm system, malicious false alarm	2

Local alarm system, malicious false alarm	1
Bomb scare – no bomb	1
System malfunction, other	21
Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	6
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	49
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	28
CO detector activation due to malfunction	8
Unintentional transmission of alarm	25
Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	10
Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	71
Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	16
Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional	27
Carbon monoxide detector activation no CO	36
Flood assessment	1
Special type of incident, other	5
Citizen complaint	5
<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>3738</b>

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

Car Seat Installation	18
Complaint Investigation	3
Fire Alarm Acceptance Test	11
Hood Fire Suppression System Acceptance	1
Hurricane dike inspection	1
Juvenile Fire Intervention Program	6
L.P. gas tank inspections	30
Nursing home inspections	16
Oil burner / Tank Removal Inspections	47
Public building inspections	352
Public EMS Education	1
Public Education- SAFE Program	30
Reinspection of Commercial/Industrial	41
Residential Key Box Installation	2
School building inspections	10
School drills	20

Smoke detector inspections	327
Smoke/CO Insp. (Collins Challenge)	2
Sprinkler Acceptance Test	3
Tank Truck Inspection	17
Town AED Maintenance	6
Underground tank removal/installation	0
Total service runs for 2018	927
In-service training	2552 hrs
EMS training	4962 hrs

#### Fire Department Fees / Donations Collected

Type of Fee	Amount Collected
Above Ground Tank Removal	\$300
Ammunition Storage License	\$30.00
Annual Radio Box Fee	\$17,400.00
Bonfire Permits	\$270.00
Copy of Fire Report	\$40.00
Copy of Records – 21E	\$5.00
Copy of PCR Report	\$540.00
Fire Alarm Installation/Upgrade	\$150.00
Fire Alarm Installation/Upgrade – Commercial	\$700.00
Flammable Liquids, Solids & Gases	\$1,350.00
Fuel Dispensing Permit	\$150.00
Hazardous Materials Storage	\$30.00
Initial Radio Box Tie In – Permit previously obtained	\$0
Initial Radio Box Tie In	\$0
Inn/ Hotel Inspections	\$700.00
Install / Alter Oil Burner Equipment	\$810.00
Installation/Removal of Underground Tanks	\$0
LP Gas Storage Permit	\$1,320.00
Smoke Detector Inspections	\$9,450.00
Sprinkler Permit	\$180.00
Subpoena of Records	\$7.00
Tank Truck & Transfer Tank Inspection	\$510.00
Tire Storage Permit	\$60.00

Unvented Fireplace Permit	\$60.00
Waste Oil Permit & Burner	\$570.00
Welding / Cutting Storage Permit	\$600.00
Sub Total	\$34,632.00
Gift Donation	\$484.90
Ambulance Gift Donation	\$2,000.00
Small Claims – Ambulance Bill Collections	\$6,157.82
Ambulance Service Revenue	\$1,114,960.06
Hazardous Materials Response Revenue	\$4,763.56
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,104,117.88</b>

Respectfully Submitted

Timothy P. Francis – Chief of Department

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## FAIRHAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

On December 12, 2018, The Elementary and Secondary Education Commissioner Jeffrey C. Riley visited Fairhaven High School. His trip concluded with a stop in "Room 7" where he took a photo for himself because he was so impressed with the room's architecture. The visit began with a small greeting in Principal Andy Kulak's office where town administrator Mark Rees and the school committee chair and vice chair joined school and district administration. Commissioner Riley was impressed with Fairhaven High School. He concluded his visit by sharing with the superintendent of schools that he judges his visits of school's based upon whether or not he would send his own children to that particular school. He told the superintendent that he would want his own children to attend Fairhaven High School.

The commissioner of education is not alone. Student enrollment figures are declining throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the Southcoast region. This is not the case for the Fairhaven Public School District. A five-year trend shows our district's enrollment growing from 1,980 students in 2013, to 2045 students in 2018. Parents of school aged children and future school aged children have indicated that they have chosen to live in Fairhaven due in large part to the school system. There is factual evidence that home values are on the rise in Fairhaven. Local realtors report that homes in the Town of Fairhaven are selling very quickly after hitting the market. A recent Fairhaven Economic Development Plan Progress Report conducted by FXM Associates proclaimed that a clear strength of the town is its excellent school system. Ninety-six (96) students out of a total of one hundred and forty-four (144) students chose Fairhaven High School from the Elizabeth Hastings Middle School (67%). Fifty-two (52) students out of a total of sixty-eight (68) students chose Fairhaven High School (FHS) from the Ford Middle School in Acushnet (76%). In 2007, the total number of Fairhaven students attending Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School (GNBRVTHS) was two hundred and fifty four (254). In the fall of 2018, the total number of Fairhaven students enrolled at GNBRVTHS is one hundred and sixty-six (166). It is obvious that something special is happening at FHS! Over a decade ago we developed a strategic plan that was driven by the adage, "Become a Part of our Team" and Choose Fairhaven." Our significant increase in student enrollment is clear evidence that this journey has far exceeded our expectations. We are honored that families and students are "choosing Fairhaven."

The commissioner of education's visit began in an area of the school that we affectionately refer to as the "basement." As you enter the first floor of the addition building you will see the following words posted. "Inside these walls and down these halls exist the potential contributors to the greater good in our global society. We will encourage you to imagine without boundaries and create your story on a blank canvas in order to find your purpose and meaning." This team of educators in the Arts, Graphic Design, Coding, Media Production, and Computer Aided Design (CAD) presented at the MASSCue conference at Gillette Stadium. The Media Production program is one of many components that are highlighted on [www.FHSArt.net](http://www.FHSArt.net). The Media Production program recently produced its yet another National High School Emmy Award! In CAD, Fairhaven is an authorized testing site through Certiport. This has allowed 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. Many students have not only been certified because of this course, they have learned that the colleges and schools they



will be attending after high school have already waived certain coursework because of the knowledge and skills attained through the Computer Aided Design competencies learned at Fairhaven High School. Fairhaven High School now has a chapter of the National Art Honor Society. Christine Neville, who was recently chosen recipient of the Secondary Art Educator of the Year Award, leads this talented group of educators. Her passion and dedication to the arts and creative learning make a powerful impact on our community.

The following words describing the 2018 Person of the Year are taken directly from the New Bedford Standard Times article.

“Ask anyone with a connection to Fairhaven to identify the town’s crown jewel and there’s a good chance their choice is Fairhaven High School. The building is a work of architectural excellence, a celebration of what one person’s vision — and in no small part, wealth — can bring to a town. Within its walls, a thriving arts community is ensuring that the school will be known for the work that comes out of the building as much as it is for what went into it. That community has been curated by a group of teachers who have allowed their students to discover their own voice while pushing themselves as educators to help them do it.

Christine Neville, Fairhaven High’s visual art teaching and learning coach, has played an integral role in getting the program to this point. She has offered a guiding hand to fellow administrators and students, and was crucial in adding digital mediums into the curriculum. For her guiding hand and forward thinking, which has pushed the Fairhaven arts program to new heights, Christine Neville has been named The Standard-Times 2018 Fairhaven Woman of the Year. When Neville began her tenure at the school in the 2008-2009 school year, she said the art program was a lot different, but following some turnover with staffing and a chance to expand the department by one teaching position, things began to change. The first change, she said, was when AP art courses began. She credited this for heightening the expectations of what students could produce at a high school level, from administrators and the students themselves.

Media production teacher Drew Furtado said that in addition to thinking about the future of her students, Neville also expects to see them reach their highest point. “She is one of those teachers that I strive to be. She empowers her students to push their creative limitations, she challenges students to produce work that communicates to the human soul, and inspires the future photographers, graphic designers, and digital artists,” said Furtado in an email to The Standard-Times. Though her conceptual thinking about the curriculum and interactions with students is put largely on display as a teacher, her peers and co-workers say she is as much of an inspiration to them as she is to her young students. In the Fairhaven High School arts programs, Neville has certainly left her mark, from rebuilding the photography program to providing students and administrators a mentor to look to. But for her, it’s about staying in the present. “We give attention and foster our students if they’re going to art school or not. It doesn’t matter what they’re doing, we’re trying to build them in the moment.

On October 17, 2018, the Fairhaven Public School District presented at the 12th Annual New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) Showcase of Model School

Programs and Promising Practices. Our presentation was regarding our delivery of student services, entitled, “The Fairhaven Public School District Journey Toward Equity and Excellence for All. The following story was presented to educators throughout New England at the showcase.

In the Spring of 2018 we received the following information regarding students with disabilities. The status of the Students with Disabilities Subgroup at the East Fairhaven Elementary School is Meeting Targets. Their progress toward improving targets is 87%. This groups overall performance relative to the performance of the same subgroup in schools administering similar assessments is 86. The status of the Students with Disabilities Subgroup at the Leroy Wood Elementary School is Meeting Targets. Their progress toward improving targets is 89%. This groups overall performance relative to the performance of the same subgroup in schools administering similar assessments is 85. The status of the High Needs Subgroup at the East Fairhaven Elementary School is Meeting Targets. Their progress toward improving targets is 89%. This groups overall performance relative to the performance of the same subgroup in schools administering similar assessments is 68. The status of the High Needs Subgroup at the Leroy Wood Elementary School is Partially Meeting Targets. Their progress toward improving targets is 59%. This groups overall performance relative to the performance of the same subgroup in schools administering similar assessments is 87. Further, on March 5, 2018, we received our final Coordinated Program Review report of findings from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). In this report a summary of compliance criteria ratings in the areas of special education revealed that the Fairhaven Public School District implemented 59 out of 59 compliance criteria.

Due in part to the examples above, our school district is being inundated with unanticipated student residency issues. Last year alone we dealt with forty-three residency concerns. People are going to extraordinary lengths to the extent of perjuring themselves to gain entry into our district. We are dealing with questionable living arrangements, suspicious affidavits, and declarations of status or the actual rescinding of identified needs to gain entry into our district. These issues are causing a significant strain on our financial, and human resources, including but not limited to, class size, teacher load, textbooks, supplies and materials, etc. Many of these circumstances involve students with very diverse learning needs. The resources to service students with increased needs effects physical space, increases in special education group sizes, increases in case loads, increases in evaluations, increases in testing, increases in transition meetings, and increases in out of district placements. We welcome and educate all families and students in our district, however, we cannot budget and provision for all of these un-anticipated students.

The Fairhaven Public Schools hired Christopher Carrig for the position of Athletic Director in 2018. Mr. Carrig received his Masters of Education from Endicott College in Athletic Administration. He is a double major who received his Bachelor of Science in Biology and his Bachelor of Arts is in Chemistry from Roger Williams University. He served as the Assistant Athletic Director at Bishop Stang High School. He was a teacher/coach at Bishop Stang since 2009. He also served as the Head Coach of the Men's Club Lacrosse team at Roger Williams University since 2014. Mr. Carrig is a Certified Athletic Administrator and has certifications in HeadsUp through USA Football and as a Level 2

coach through USA Lacrosse.

The entire process has shown Mr. Carrig to be an extremely professional candidate with a passion for the overall development of the student-athlete. His former athletic director Ryan Sylvia stated that, "he is a tireless worker with attention to every detail." His current athletic director Dennis Golden stated that, "he understands the student-athlete experience and has an innate ability for this job." A coach/counselor colleague stated that, "he has proven his tremendous value as a teacher and a coach, but has truly found his calling as a leader and athletic director." Finally, his department chair stated that, "he is a professional in every sense, and works hard to maintain excellent rapport with every one of his students." The Fairhaven Public Schools is fortunate to have hired such a talented individual to lead our athletic department.

As we begin a new journey toward district improvement, resting on our laurels and past accomplishments is not an option! We are ready to attack the initiatives that will make our district even better. Three areas for district improvement are early literacy, innovation pathways, and equitable technology integration.

- ✦ Develop and implement a plan to teach all children to learn to read by no later than third grade, so that all may read to learn. This continuum of literacy will enable all students to read actively, critically, and competently for a variety of purposes.
- ✦ Develop and implement an innovation pathway that incorporates science, technology, engineering, the arts, media production, music, and/or the traditional specialists, exploratory teachers, and electives.
- ✦ Develop and implement a plan that ensures equitable technology integration and capacity so that all K – 12 students use technology across all curricular areas to support, enhance, and demonstrate their learning.

It is imperative that we continue to take key actions today in order to ensure that all of our graduates have opportunities to become independent, productive, and successful contributors in a global society. All we need now are the support and resources to make this happen!

## FINE ART

The Year 2018 brought sadness to the community with the loss of the town's first art curator Albert F. Benac.

Al generously gave of his time, knowledge, expertise, as well as art from his own personal collection.

During Al's tenure, many of the town's paintings were cleaned and restored. In addition to preservation, many new works were acquired. These acquisitions were made possible with funding from the town, private associations and generous individuals.

It must be stated that Al left the town's art collection in wonderful condition.

Al Benac will be missed!



Al Benac

05/16/1927 – 02/01/2018

The town has within its collection many of the great Hudson River School Artists which were so very important to the history of Fairhaven and our country. These turn of the century masters William Bradford, Albert Bierstadt, Charles Henry Gifford, Robert Swain Gifford and Lemuel Eldred left their stories on the canvases they painted.

These masters helped make Fairhaven famous throughout the United States and beyond by painting what they had seen – for example, the birth of whaling.

The mission of the Department of Fine Art will be to preserve and protect these masterpieces and, when possible, to acquire additional works for the collection.

Our plans for 2019 include an event to showcase and discuss some of the town's artwork and to sponsor a children's art day.

“IF YOU COULD SAY IT IN WORDS  
THERE WOULD BE NO REASON TO PAINT.”

Edward Hopper - 1882-1967 - American Realist Painter

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Badwey      Art Curator

Kelly Smith      Assistant Art Curator

# GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

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## School Administration

James O'Brien, Superintendent-Director  
Paula Gendreau, Interim School Business Administrator  
Robert Watt, Principal for Career and Technical Education  
Michael Watson, Academic Principal

## Overview of the School

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School (GNB Voc- Tech) 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, 2018, there were 2,140 students enrolled in grades 9-12. Of those, 1,644 lived in New Bedford, 330 lived in Dartmouth, and 166 lived in Fairhaven.

**Career Majors.** GNB Voc-Tech offers more than two dozen career and technical education programs. During the past year, career majors included Architectural Design, Automotive Technology, Business Technology, Carpentry, Collision Repair Technology, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Dental Assisting, Diesel Service Technology, Early Childhood Education, Electrical Technology, Mechanical Design, Engineering & Robotics, Environmental Science and Technology, Fashion Design, HVAC/Appliance Technology, Information Support Services and Networking, Computer Information Technology, Legal and Protective Services, Machine Technology, Media Technology, Medical Assisting, Welding Technology, Nurse Assisting/Health Assisting, Plumbing, Programming and Web Development, Stationary Engineering, and Visual Design.

## College Placements

Students who graduate from GNB Voc-Tech can go on to college, and many do. Students have been accepted at a host of two-year and four-year colleges as well as schools which provide advanced technical training.

## Cooperative Education and Placement

During the 2017-2018 school year we had 156 students on Co-Op at 82 sites. In addition to the invaluable experience that our students are gaining, they earned a total of

\$687,330.84. Many of these students will stay with these companies after graduation in either a full or part time position. We were also very excited about reviving our partnership with SouthCoast Hospital and SouthCoast Physicians Group and Hawthorn Medical Associates. (Steward Health Care).

### **CVTE Dual Enrollment Program**

Eligible high school students may enroll in Bristol Community College, UMASS Dartmouth or Massachusetts Maritime Academy courses to earn college credit while in high school. This statewide program grants college credit for dual enrollment students attending any Massachusetts State school and can save time and money on a college degree.

### **Articulation Agreements**

Under the CVTE program, post-secondary institutions grant credits for certain courses at GNB Voc- Tech which they deem the equivalent of courses offered at the college or technical school. These are called Articulation Agreements. Many colleges and technical schools have Articulation Agreements with GNB Voc-Tech. We also have several Regional Articulation Agreements. Students must maintain an average of a B or better and meet any other program specific criteria, depending on the college or technical school, to be eligible for these credits.

### **Extracurricular Activities**

The school offers a large selection of extra-curricular activities. Students can join the After Prom Committee, American Sign Language Club, Anime Club, Artisan Motorworks Club, Aerospace Club, Bears Building Community, Bowling Club, Business Professionals of America, Chess Club, Creative Services Team, Credit for Life, Cultural Consciousness Club, Engineering and Robotics, Environmental and Sustainability Club, Gay/Straight Alliance, Herbivore Club, Law Society, Mentor Club, Multicultural Club, Music Club, Non-Traditional Careers Group, Origami Club, Outdoors Club, Professional Speaking, Rachel's Challenge Club, Renaissance Program, Ski and Snowboard Club, Skills USA, Spotlight Program, Sportsman Club, Student Council, Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.), Table Top Gaming Club, Voc-Tech Theatre Company, or the Yearbook Club. Top academic achievers may be asked to join the National Honor Society. Sports/Recreation Programs. Students interested in sports have a wide range of choices at GNB Voc-Tech. These offerings include football, soccer, cross country, winter track, spring track, volleyball, golf, ice hockey, lacrosse, basketball, baseball, and softball. Additionally, students participate in weight conditioning, fall and winter cheerleading and intramural sports.

### **Highlights of the Year 2018**

GNB Voc- Tech continues to offer a high quality, rigorous, education to all students. With twentyseven career and technical trade areas for students to choose and an academic curriculum that has GNB Voc-Tech meeting state standards (as measured by the state's accountability system), the school continues to provide regional students with an array of post-secondary opportunities. GNB Voc-Tech is in the 6pt percentile of public high schools as measured by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's accountability system.

GNB Voc- Tech continues to offer students a range of post-secondary opportunities with nearly 75% of graduates choosing post-secondary educational institutions and the remainder entering the workforce or joining the military. Incoming enrollment at GNB Voc- Tech remains as strong as prior years. More than 1,000 regional students applied to join the Class of 2022. While GNB Voc- Tech has consistently seen a large number of applicants each year, this hasn't prevented the district from modernizing its application process in an effort to improve. GNB Voc-Tech is in the third year of its revamped, online application process and has seen an increasing number of applications when compared with the prior school year.

In addition to the high number of students seeking a vocational technical education, students currently enrolled in the school continue to shine. The 2017-2018 student daily attendance rates exceeded 97%, providing credible evidence of the district's focus on school attendance as a top indicator for graduation success.

Visitors from across the state continue to be impressed by the ONB Voc- Tech campus. While safety at the school remains the highest priority for all students, staff, and visitors, district personnel are proud of the commitment to continuously improve the physical structure of the school. The school has improved security features at the school, installed additional security measures, and continues to monitor changing technologies to ensure safety at the school.

### **School Committee Leadership**

In May of 2018, the School Committee held its annual organizational meeting. Michael Shea, of Dartmouth was elected chair and Joaquim Nobrega, of New Bedford was elected vice-chair. Due to the passing of Mr. Nobrega, Rita Ribeiro of New Bedford was elevated to Vice-Chair and Joshua Amaral of New Bedford was appointed to fill the vacant seat.

### **Student Joins School Committee**

Cameron Costa has joined the School Committee as a student representative for the 2018-2019 school year. Cameron is a senior majoring in Culinary Arts. Cameron lives in New Bedford.

The District School Committee sets policy and approves the budget for the school. The eight member Committee include four members from New Bedford and two each from Dartmouth and Fairhaven. A student serves as the ninth, non-voting member of the group.

### **Enrollment Still Remains Strong**

As of October 1, 2018, there were 2,140 students enrolled in grades 9-12. Of those, 1,644 lived in New Bedford, 330 lived in Dartmouth, and 166 lived in Fairhaven.

The numbers break down like this: 554 students in the ninth grade, 542 in the tenth, 551 in the eleventh, and 493 in the twelfth. There were 1,062 females and 1,078 males.

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.



### **Guidance, Health & Pupil Personnel Services**

The objectives of the Office of Guidance, Health & Pupil Personnel Services are multifaceted. The department is composed of an extremely diverse staff who are trained in a variety of specialized areas. During the 2018 year GNB Voc-Tech employed 8 Guidance Counselors, 2 School Adjustment Counselors, 2.5 Nurses, 1 Student Registrar and 3 Secretary/Clerks. Each day staff work to make a difference in the lives of GNB Voc-Tech youth. The services we provide are essential in assisting students successfully meet the challenges they may face. These specially trained and licensed staff are responsible for providing direct intervention and consultation to students and families in regards to academic, college and career readiness, behavioral, emotional, physical, medical and/or social issues.

GNB Voc- Tech school counselors do an outstanding job of working with every student to help them determine the right path for them. In 2018, 100% of our graduates left GNB Voc- Tech with endless opportunities and a solid plan for their future. 73.1% of our graduates planned to enroll in a two year or four year college or other post-secondary institutions, 21.3% of our graduates are qualified to immediately enter in the career of their choice and 5.6% enlist in the military.

It is through our rigorous academics and high quality vocational technical educational opportunities that we prepare our students for real world challenges and expectations. Our students graduate from GNB Voc- Tech with a solid academic background, problem solving abilities, work ethic and employment skills that place our students in a prime position to immediately enter the college or career of their choice.

GNB Voc-Tech accepts 565 incoming 9th grade students as well as a limited number of 10th and 11th grade students from Dartmouth, Fairhaven and New Bedford. Admissions determinations are based on applicants' grades, attendance, behavior/conduct and recommendations from their sending school as outlined in the DESE approved GNB Voc-Tech Admissions Policy.

GNB Voc-Tech has partnered with 002CTE, an online software program used by fourteen other vocational-technical high schools in Massachusetts. The online application process provides GNB Voc- Tech more access to students and families as well as provides three-way communication between GNB Voc-Tech, the student and family, and the sending school district.

As of December 31, 2018 GNB Voc-Tech received over 800 online applications, an increase from 700 in 2017. This online application program has truly put us ahead in regards to applications received, as they were not consistently received until after the holidays in previous years.

### **District Budget and Assessment**

The District's total budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 was \$38,287,307. Of this amount, the City of New Bedford was responsible for 77.24 %, the Town of Fairhaven was responsible for 8.53 %, and the Town of Dartmouth was responsible for 14.23 %. For fiscal year 2018, the District's total assessment to the three member communities was



\$11,681,557. This figure represented 31.0 % of the total District budget.

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

**State and Federal Allocation Grants**

The total allocation from State and Federal grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 that the district received from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education totaled \$1,438,941. The grants and their respective allocations were:

IDEA Special Education	\$456,916
Title I	\$635,266
Title IIA	\$89,584
Carl A. Perkins	\$239,938
Title IVA	\$17,237

**Competitive Grant Awards**

The district received a total of \$445,821 in competitive grants.

Grant awards included the following:

Massachusetts Skills Capital Grant of \$282,813 to purchase equipment for our Nurse Assisting and new Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Program. This is the 3rd consecutive year that the district has received Skills Capital Grant funding. Previous competitive grant awards included \$250,000 for automation and robotics equipment for our Engineering Department and \$495,000 to fund new equipment to support our Machine Technology Program.

Massachusetts Instructional Technology Digital Connections Partnership Grant to provide Wi-Fi and Broadband Services was for \$72,726.

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSEMA) award was for \$6,500. The grant was used to support our Adult Education English as a 2nd Language (ESL) Program. This is the 5th consecutive year that the district received a Polaroid Grant award from the CFSEMA.

Three Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Grants -

1. Resource Reallocation Grant of \$50,000 to provide workshops for academic teachers regarding effective use of data to improve teaching and learning, as well as partial funding for a new Grade 9 and 10 ELA teacher.
2. \$5,500 Planning Grant to establish a process to review, evaluate and select high quality print, digital, and web-based instructional materials.
3. \$5,257 to purchase equipment for our School's Food Services Program.

United Way of Greater New Bedford Community Impact Award to support our Student Mentor Program (\$18,025).

\$5,000 from Project Lead the Way (PLTW) for teacher training for one of our Engineering instructors.

Grant funding continues to provide supplemental staffing, equipment, supplies, training and professional development opportunities for our staff, as well as supplemental academic support services for our students. Our allocation and competitive grants allow us to build on and enhance the educational programs and services that are funded through our regular district budget.

### **Student Attendance Stays Strong**

GNB Voc- Tech has a very rigorous Attendance Policy that is outlined in the student handbook.

The Attendance Department has made great strides since the implementation of a few new policies beginning in the 2016/2017 school year. The policy changes have held students accountable for their behavior by raising the expectations for students to be prepared, present and on time every day. New in 2018/2019 school year, the dismissal policy has been revised to tighten up security within the building resulting in a safer learning and work environment for both students and staff. Our Truancy Prevention Team has been successful in assessing our most at-risk students and reducing chronic absenteeism by providing resources to problem solve. These changes in school policies are reflected positively in our weekly percentage results reported by X2 (our student data base system). The District works hard to make sure students are present at school every day. Currently, our daily attendance rate is 97 % and this is also our target daily attendance rate for each SIMS reporting period. All these changes have contributed in maintaining a positive school culture.

### **Positive MCAS Results for 2018**

Passing the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) exam is a graduation requirement in Massachusetts. Sophomore students are tested in three areas: English Language Arts (ELA), Math, and Biology.

We are pleased with the results of the spring 2018 MCAS administration. In ELA, ONBVT students performed in the 75th percentile statewide while seeing improved growth scores in the 53rd percentile. In Math, ONB Voc-Tech students scored in the 65th percentile and had growth scores that outperformed 78% of public high school students in the Commonwealth. Equally impressive, students in Biology performed at their highest level in the seven year testing window while student attendance, dropout and graduation rates improved.

"The staff and faculty continue to work diligently with all of our students on a regular basis" said Superintendent O'Brien. Adding, "Students have excelled and should be commended for their preparation, passion, and perseverance." The district has reduced the number of students in the warning/failing categories in all tested areas and improved the percentage of students scoring proficient and/or advanced in all assessments.

### **John and Abigail Adams Scholarship**

The John and Abigail Adams Scholarship provides a tuition waiver for up to eight semesters of undergraduate education at a Massachusetts state college or university. The scholarship covers tuition only; fees and room and board are not included.

Students qualify for the merit-based John and Abigail Adams Scholarship based upon their performance in the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) exams. The scholarship is open to all public school students who score in the "Advanced" category in English, Math, or Biology section of the MCAS test and score at least the "Proficient" on the other two sections of the exam. The student's MCAS scores must also rank in the top 25 percent of their school district to qualify. Scholarship eligibility is based on each student's first attempt at taking the spring grade 10 MCAS tests in ELA and Mathematics (and for students in the class of 2016 and beyond, first attempt at taking one of the four STE tests). In order to receive the scholarship, a student must be enrolled in a Massachusetts public high school in his or her senior year. The scholarship award covers only tuition; it does not cover college fees or room and board. The Class of 2018 had 139 students qualify for the John & Abigail Adams Scholarship.

### **Three-Quarters of Graduating Students Plan to Continue Schooling**

In the spring, the school completed its annual survey of students' plans after graduation. This survey is required by our Perkins grant and is needed as part of our end-of-the-year data reporting to the state.

According to the survey, 73.1% of the students in the Class of 2018 planned to pursue a post-secondary education, 21.3% planned to enter the workforce, and 5.6% planned to enter the military.

In recent years, we have seen an increase in the number of graduates who plan to pursue additional education. For example, between 75-80% of the school's graduating classes over the last several years have planned to attend a college, community college, or advanced technical school. In 2004, the number of graduates planning on attending higher education was at 61%.

### **GNB Voc-Tech Summer Literacy Program**

GNB Voc-Tech enters its ninth year of a Summer Literacy Program. The Integrated Summer Reading Program was designed to promote literacy as an essential life skill.

Every student, including incoming ninth-graders, was required to read at least one book during the summer. The reading requirement for the school was:

Grade 9: Chasing Lincoln's Killer by James L. Swanson

Grade 10: Dog on It by Spencer Quinn or Refugee by Alan Gratz

Grade 11: Mary, Bloody Mary by Carolyn Meyer

Grade 12: The Impossible Knife of Memory by Laurie R. King or  
Noggin' by John Corey Whaley

Students were given varying assignments, including journal prompts and vocabulary, in

English and social studies on their reading. Each subject assignment will count for a test grade during the first marking period of the 2018-2019 school year in the correlating content class. In addition to the school-wide reading assignment, Honors students read: *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri (grade 10), *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines (grade 11) and *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens (grade 12). AP English students read *J 984* by George Orwell, *The Soul of an Octopus* by Sy Montgomery and *Into the Wild* by Jon Krakauer (grade 11) and *Arsenic and Old Lace* by Joseph Kesselring, *Crime and Punishment* by Fyodor Dostoevsky, and *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier (grade 12).

Downloadable study guides were available to students through the school's web site.

Students were also required to do a "Math Packet" that was set forth by the Math Department and an observation journal for their science class.

GNB Voc- Tech provides academic instruction as well as career and technical education to students from Dartmouth, Fairhaven, and New Bedford.

### **GNB Voc-Tech Holds Annual Open House**

GNB Voc-Tech held its' Annual Open I-louse Sunday November 19th. The school hosted both current and prospective students and parents.

Opening ceremonies began at 11:00 a.m. in the Z. Walter Janiak Fieldhouse with approximately 1000 prospective students and parents in attendance. Superintendent James O'Brien opened the ceremonies welcoming the crowd and encouraging students and parents to explore the school's campus and to ask many questions about what the school has to offer. O'Brien stated, "This school offers both a rigorous academic education evidenced by our MCAS and accountability scores and a high quality, robust career and technical training that prepares students for success after high school. Our academic program is outstanding and nearly 75% of students go on to great post-secondary educational opportunities when they graduate. We have modern career and technical areas where students can learn a trade and become competitive in the workplace upon graduation."

Director of Guidance and Pupil Personnel Services Dr. I-leather Larkin spoke about the school's academic and 27 career and technical programs available to students and the many opportunities to consider when applying. She highlighted the new online application process and encouraged parents and prospective students to visit the career and technical areas that day to gain greater insight into GNB Voc- Tech offerings. All career and technical programs were open with students demonstrating their acquired technical skills. The hallways were filled to capacity with both students and parents moving throughout the facility with amazement of all that the school has to offer.

GNB Voc-Tech serves the City of New Bedford, the Towns of Dartmouth and Fairhaven, and is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

### **SkillsUSA**

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to

ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel. It provides educational programs, events and competitions that support career and technical education (CTE) in the nation's classrooms. SkillsUSA sponsors the SkillsUSA Championships annually to recognize the achievements of vocational and technical students and to encourage them to strive for excellence and pride in their chosen occupations.

Between January and December 2018, GNB Voc-Tech hosted the District Competition, took part in both the State and National competitions and participated in the Fall Leadership conference, while completing numerous community service activities.

### **February 2018 - SAiL Conference**

This conference focused on our seniors who will graduate with seemingly limitless opportunities for quality employment largely due to the drastic skills gap in today's workforce. SkillsUSA business partners and program graduates shared several timely resources and experiences that support the framework of the SkillsUSA mission, which includes personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics - designed to assist our seniors with successful transition from CTE to college and careers ensuring every SkillsUSA member is job ready on day one.

The training content included:

- Resume Roundtable - Learning how to craft/improve resumes, leveraging electronic options, and developing a personal marketing toolkit.
- College: The Plan B - Learning the strategies of staying in school when reality happens. #reallife
- Career: Options & Opportunities - Learning about the many opportunities for quality careers.
- Productive & Promotable - Learning the skills & strategies of being a quality employee, SkillsUSA style: Personal, Workplace & Technical Skills
- Navigating Networking - Learning the skills of employer networking and relationship building

The one day conference was attended by 8 seniors and 2 advisors. All enjoyed the overall experience and all of the students brought back graduation stoles.

### **March 2018 - District Competition**

GNB Voc- Tech hosted the seven hour event for the District Competition for District I schools (Blue I-Ells Regional Technical High School, Cape Cod Regional Technical High School, Old Colony Regional Technical High School, Plymouth Technical Studies, Silver Lake Regional High School, South Shore Regional Technical High School, Taunton High School, and Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School). The school committee and administration continue to support our organization. Many of the administrators volunteer in the kitchen to serve meals to the students and faculty of our school and the visiting schools.

This year, students from GNB Voc- Tech earned 44 first and second place medals and 19 third place medals, including three medalists with perfect scores during the competition involving students from the 9 schools that make up District I. The 44 medalists then

represented the school at the state competition in April. In addition, Tameron Carter was nominated to become a State Officer Candidate and Dakota Chixarro remained in his position on the State Leadership team.

Approximately 1,000 students took part in the district competition that the school has hosted since 2009. Their success is due to the support of our school's administration, advisors, and the teachers who have trained and prepared the students to meet the newest in national industry standards.

It is at the district level that the students are tested in their written knowledge of their trade/competition areas, along with their knowledge of Skills USA, employability, and professional development.

### **April 2018 - State Competition**

The SkillsUSA State competition takes place in Marlborough, Massachusetts and is a three-day event. More than 3,000 students from 51 schools across Massachusetts compete in the practical, hands-on portion of the competition that range from 3D Visualization to Welding Sculpture, along with the leadership events such as Prepared Speech and Employment Application Process.

The 82 students from GNB Voc-Tech did themselves, their career & technical areas, and their school proud, bringing home numerous medals and honors. The medal count was 5 gold medals, 8 silver medals, 11 bronze medals, one state officer elect, and the school was recognized as a Chapter of Excellence Silver Standard. The gold medalists earned the opportunity to represent their state at the national competition in Louisville, Kentucky in June.

Eighty-two students and twenty advisors/chaperones from GNB Voc-Tech took part in the state competition this year.

### **June 2018 - National Competition**

More than 15,000 people, including students, teachers and business partners, took part in the weeklong event in Louisville, Kentucky. A total of 7 students and 4 advisor/chaperones from GNB Voc-Tech attended the National Leadership & Skills Conference.

To be eligible the students needed to earn a gold medal at the Massachusetts SkillsUSA State Conference in April.

The results of the national SkillsUSA competition this year were:

All of the competing students are:

- Jillian Sears - Medical Assistant - Advisor: Monica Richard
- 10th place - Zachary Ferreira - Architectural Drafting - Advisors/Chaperone: Tracy Teixeira, Advisor: Thomas Richard
- 8th place - Jenna Hebert & Kerstin Trahan - Robotics & Automation Technology - Advisor: Anthony Cabral
- 2nd place - Silver Medalist - Kaylee Pavao - Medical Assisting - Advisor/Chaperone: Pauline O'Brien

Non-competing members of the group included:

- Massachusetts State Officer - Secretary - Madison Bozarth- Chapter Advisor/Chaperone: Lori Russell-Pelsue
- Massachusetts State Officer - Parliamentarian Dakota Chixarro - Chapter Advisor/Chaperone: Lori Russell-Pelsue

Meghan Lacasse accompanied the group as a chaperone. James O'Brien and Robell Watt attended and viewed the competitions and Awards Ceremony.

During the summer, Dakota Chixarro was elected as the State President on the State Executive Council team.

### **November 2018 - Fall Leadership Conference**

The Fall Leadership Conference is an intense leadership and employability skills training for both students and teachers that includes a community service project at the Metro West YMCA. This year a group of 20 sophomore and freshmen students from various career & technical areas attended the three-day event in Marlborough, Massachusetts along with three advisor/chaperones.

They came back extremely tired, but incredibly motivated to continue their work on the GNB Chapter Leadership Team. All of the students received their Leadership Medals and brought home Bronze, Silver and Gold medals.

### **December 2018 - Local Competitions**

#### **Business Professionals of America (BP A)**

##### **State Competition**

Business Professionals of America is a national career and technical student organization composed of state associations and local chapters serving members pursuing careers in business and information technology occupations. BPA provides opportunities to develop leadership skills, grow personally and professionally, and compete utilizing career related competencies. Involvement in Business Professionals of America enhances social awareness, CIVtC responsibility, and business communication skills.

March 2018, 51 students from Computer Information Technology, Information Support Services and Networking, Programming and Web Development, Business Technology, Media Technology, Legal and Protective Services, and Medical Assisting career majors exemplified the meaning of Preparation, Passion, and Perseverance at the Business Professionals of America - State Leadership Conference in Framingham, MA.

- 51 students competed at the conference
- 46 competitive event awards were won by ONBVT students
- 26 students received the Diplomat Level Torch Award
- 3 State Merit Awards
- 32 out of 51 students are eligible to attend the BPA National Leadership Conference (NLC) in Dallas, Texas.

♦ State Officer: Kiaarah Cortijo was appointed the BPA State Vice President position for 2018-2019.

Top five are called up on stage at the State Competition. Rankings of those eligible to compete in Dallas, Texas on May 9th-13th:

First Place:	19
Second Place:	13
Third Place:	5
Fourth Place:	3
Fifth Place:	6

### **National Competition**

Christopher Reeve was best known as the classic Superman who believed, "So many of our dreams at first seem impossible, then they seem improvable, and then, when we summon the will, they soon become inevitable." Students from ONB Voc-Tech summoned their will to showcase their vocational theory and skills in the national spotlight. From May 9-13, 2018, thirty-two GNB Voc-Tech students were among the approximate 7,000 students, chaperones, advisors and guests from across the United States participating in the 52nd Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas.

Adriel Pacheco received the Ambassador Torch Award. The highest level torch is awarded to students who promote professionalism and leadership in both career development and personal growth.

The GNB Voc-Tech BPA was awarded the Social Media Award, BPA Marketing and Public Relations Award, Quality Chapter, and Outstanding Achievement Community Service Award.

Congratulations to the following students for showcasing their skills and making it on stage by placing among the top 10 in the country in their competitive events.

Yannick Almeida - Software Engineering Team 3rd Place  
Ethan Guillotte - Software Engineering Team 4th Place  
Peter Gomes - Software Engineering Team 3rd Place  
Peter Gomes - Web Design 6th Place  
Adriel Pacheco - Human Resource Management 10th Place  
Adriel Pacheco - Integrated Office Application 8th Place  
Rachel Seigny - Network Design Team 2nd Place  
Luisa Arjona Sorto - Network Design Team 2nd Place  
Mackenzie Kennedy - Network Design Team 2nd Place  
Grey Edberg - Network Design Team 2nd Place  
Alexis Dias - Broadcast News Production Team 2nd Place  
Devon Lewis - Broadcast News Production Team 2nd Place  
Abbey Frias - Broadcast News Production Team 2nd Place  
Colby Botelho - Spreadsheet Applications 6th Place



The National Leadership Conference is a culmination of the hard work and effort put in by students and teachers throughout the year. It brings students from across the country together to participate, network and compete. Activities included general sessions with keynote speakers, business meetings, leadership workshops, contests, election of national officers and tours of Dallas sights and attractions! The highlights of the conference included a day-long Service Palooza volunteer event, leadership development workshops and the presentation of the awards to the winners of the national contests.

"The National Leadership Conference offers our students not only an opportunity to enhance their leadership skills and educational development through numerous workshops and certification programs, but it also exposes them to today's business professionals through various networking events throughout the week," said chapter advisor, Maciel Pais, who teaches Information Support Services and Networking. "The dedication and commitment displayed by our students and teachers throughout the school year is commendable and what better way to celebrate their accomplishments than at the National Leadership Conference in Dallas, where their dreams were inevitable."

### **About Business Professionals of America**

Business Professionals of America, Inc. (BPA) is the leading career technical student organization (CTSO) for students pursuing careers in business management, information technology, office administration, marketing and other related career fields. Established in 1966, BPA is an intracurricular national membership organization dedicated to the preparation of a world-class workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic and technological skills.

The organization serves secondary, post-secondary and middle level students and educators by offering programs based on national standards spanning five career pathways: finance, business administration, management information systems, digital communication & design and management, marketing and communication.

### **Additional Activities**

In addition to leadership conferences and competitions, BPA students participated in a variety of community service events: BPA officers collected perishable foods and volunteered for Operation Food Drop, spent the day volunteering at Gifts 2 Give, Bears Care and volunteered as ushers for the school play.

The BPA officer team has been hard at work in promoting the general welfare of their Business Professionals of America chapter. We've had several fundraisers which include: Kidstuff Coupon Books, Tropical Smoothie, Beef Jerky, 3-in-1 chargers and candy sales. Additional fundraisers are planned for the 2018-2019 school year to help fund the State and National Leadership Conferences. The officer team and advisors meets every Thursday from 2:30-4:00. The entire chapter meets once a month. Officer meeting minutes are available upon request.

Chapter Constitution and Bylaws available online.

### **Students Inducted Into National Honor Society - Heather Larkin & Warley Williams**

The National Honor Society is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. The Society serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

GNB Voc- Tech inducted 61 students into the National Honor Society. Students from all three districts of New Bedford, Dartmouth and Fairhaven were well represented. The ceremony was held on October nrd with alum Mr. Justin Gomes, as the keynote speaker. In attendance were Mr. James O'Brien, Superintendent-Director and Mr. Michael Watson, Academic Principal who handed out certificates to inductees. Mr. Robert Watt, CTE Principal, Ms. Susan Sylvia, English Dept. Chair, Mr. Michael Shea, Dartmouth, Mr. Fred Toomey and Ms. Rita Ribeiro, New Bedford and many parents and relatives of the students. Students were selected based upon a weighted GPA of 3.6 or higher.

The following student inductees for the 2018 - 2019 school year are from:

#### **New Bedford**

Lizbeth Alcantara Ruiz, Ashley Almeida, Zyre Andrade, Abby Araujo, Christopher Brunette, Tiana Bulgar, Tameron Carter, Sarah Carvalho, Brenden Catunto, Alessandro Coelho, Kayla dasNeves, Kerina Demers, Corvens Depaliste, Taylor Dobem, Alexys Fonseca, Chloe Frenette, Brittany Gallardo, Sara Gifford, Davi'an Goncalves, Faith Horrocks, Matthew Lorantos, Asher Machado, Magnus Maillet, Miguel Martinez, Adsel Massa, Andrew Medeiros, Isabella Medeiros, Madison Medeiros, Amaia Melo, Jack Ostiguy, Kara Palumbo, Sierra Pereira, Alyssa Pinarreta, Hailey Pittsley, Ethan Rego, Dominique Roderiques, Yarelis Rojas, Janicemar Rullan, Joycemar Rullan, Andrea Silva, Maxwell Silva, Alexander Tavares, Sidney Tavares, Janell Yo.

#### **Dartmouth**

Laura Borden, Jack Gifford, Hannah Pax, Julymar Roderiguez, Sarah Saulnier, Wyatt Torre.

#### **Fairhaven**

Olivia Benoit, Alyssa Couto, Piper Crooks, Samuel Dansereau, Madison Docca, Brody Hunt, Paige Lynch, Samantha Masse, Jake Riggs, Kerstin Trahan, Hien Vong.

### **GNB Voc-Tech Sports Teams Continue to Excel**

During the 2018 calendar year, GNB Voc-Tech enjoyed a historic year in athletics. Athletic Director Ryan Methia reported that the school continues to build upon the previous years' accomplishments and in 2018 was able to maintain the school's status as a state level athletic program.

#### **Winter Sports:**

The girls' basketball team continued to meet high expectations set by teams from the last few years. The Bears finished the season 16-9 overall record, and won another MVADA State Vocational Championship defeating Blackstone Valley Tech in the Finals. The girls' program was moved up a division this season and still qualified for the MIAA tournament, and advanced to the Division 3 South Sectional Semi-Finals losing to

Fontbonne.

Our boys' basketball team had a rebuilding season under second year head coach Jeff Wildrick. The boys' did not qualify for any post season tournaments; however, they gained valuable Varsity experience and will look to get back to the post-season next year.

While the Indoor Track Team did not have the record they were seeking, senior Djuery Amado managed to improve upon his State Championship junior Outdoor Season by having a historic senior Indoor Season. DJ was able to translate his skills in the 100 meters to the 55 meters during his senior indoor season. He ended the regular season as the undefeated conference champion. He ran a school record time of 6.44 seconds to win his second Division 2 state championship. He followed that with a 2nd place finish at the New England Championships and ran all the way to New York City when he was invited to participate in the New Balance High School National Championships. We ended the indoor season ranked 18th in the country in the 60 meters. He was named the first MVP of the SCC and was honored by the S-T as the indoor track athlete of the year.

Finally the hockey team qualified for the MIAA Tournament for the second consecutive season. The team was able to capture the school's first MIAA Tournament victory with a thrilling 3-2 win in a Shootout over Blue Hills.

### **Spring Sports:**

Our boys' and girls' lacrosse teams struggled in the win/loss column; however, both teams gained experience and will look to move into the middle of the SCC next season.

Our Spring Track Program hosted two of the most successful State Track Meets of the spring season. The GNB Voc- Tech Sunset Invitational welcomed almost 1,000 student-athletes from all over the state. Senior DJ Amado won the meet's 400 meter race and the Paul Methia Memorial Trophy. DJ was able to qualify for the Division 2 State and New England Championships after making a switch to the 400 meters. Also, newcomer to the track program Payton Medeiros qualified and finished 6th in the Division 2 State Meet in the Javelin.

The boys' volleyball team went 18-5 and won the programs 7th straight MVADA championship. They were the 4th seed in the South Sectional Tournament and lost to Newton South in the Quarter-Finals.

The baseball team, after their State Championship season in 2017, will look to get back on track next season.

Our softball team was able to play perfect softball at the most important time of the season and rode a wave of momentum to a Division 2 State Championship. Like the Girls' Basketball Program the softball team was moved up a division and responded by proving they can play with any softball team in the state. Their tournament run started by beating Dennis-Yarmouth 4-0. Next, they had to play SCC Champion Fairhaven, who had previously defeated our girls' 3 times throughout the regular season. The girls played like champions and won a thrilling 1-0 game in extra innings. Next up was #1 seeded Norton

High School that had one of the most dominating pitchers in Massachusetts history. Our girls battled for 11 innings and upset Norton 3-0. In the South Final the girls had to defeat Middleboro in another extra inning game 6-4 to win their second South Title in 3 years. An injury to starting pitcher Jenna Sylvia forced Freshmen Madison Camara into the spotlight and on the mound against undefeated North Champion, North Reading. Great defensive and timely hitting led to a 6-4 win and a showdown with Leicester in the Division 2 State Final. On the backs of seniors Averi Soares, Sarah Duarte and Alexus Neno the team played flawlessly behind Madison Camara and captured the school's first official female state championship. Coach Mark Collins was named Boston Globe Division 2 Coach of the Year and Averi Soares was named Boston Globe All-Star for her great senior season.

### **Fall Sports:**

The 2018 Fall Season saw a change in leadership for the GNB Voc- Tech football program. Longtime head coach Charles Allaire's retirement meant that for the first time in over a decade GNB Voc-Tech Football would be led by a different voice. Justin Cruz, a Dartmouth High School & Bridgewater State Alum was named Head Coach. The team responded well to the new coaching staff and was to double last year's win total of 2 wins to 4.

Our Cheerleading Program was able to compete for the first time in over 3 years. The team traveled and did well at Tri-County for competition.

The girls' volleyball team won their second consecutive SCC Blue Division Championship and had a rematch with Bourne in the Conference Championship Game. The team ultimately lost the Conference Championship Game, however, that got the team ready for a deep tournament run. Before the MIAA tournament they were able to win their 9th MVADA State Vocational Championship. The team was able to advance to the programs second Division 2 South Sectional Final, losing to rival Duxbury in a well-played game.

The girls' soccer team had to rebuild after two very successful seasons. The team was composed of a majority of freshmen and sophomores that look to get the team back to the postseason in the next few seasons.

Our Golf team struggled in the win-loss column in Head Coach Rick Silvia's final season. Coach Silvia has been heading our Golf Program for 30 years.

Our Cross Country team was able to double in size and many of these student-athletes will continue to build the program moving forward.

Finally the boys' soccer team was able to make it back to the South Conference Championship Game with a much anticipated rematch vs. SCC Gold Division Champion Seekonk. The boys were able to win 2-1 in sudden death overtime to capture the SCC Championship. The team also won their second straight MVADA State Vocational Championship and was able to advance to the State Quarter-Final. Senior Michael Garcia capped off a brilliant career by being named SCC MVP, Standard Times Player of the Year, Boston Herald All-Star and EMBSCA All-New England.

**Physical Education and Health:**

2018 marks the second year our Physical Education Program will have a graduation requirement and will return to numerical grades. As a result, the physical education staff has worked to develop new freshmen and sophomore physical education curriculum that is focused on skill development and physical fitness. The teachers have been able to meet all requirements and raise the level of physical education our students are receiving. For the first time our physical education students will be required to complete a final.

Our health education staff is also working hard continuing to develop our freshmen health education curriculum.

**GNB Voc-Tech Theatre Company**

The GNB Voc-Tech Theatre Company presented two productions. The musical, Grease, was performed in May of 2018 and the drama, Inherit the Wind, was presented in December of 2018. Engaging the creativity of GNB Voc-Tech students participating as actors or on technical crews along with the VTTC parent support group and the talents of many of our shops, these dramatic and musical productions were very well received by their audiences.

Credit for the theatre company's productions goes to Artistic Director Gerald A. Morrissey, Jr. and Associate Director Marianne Morrissey who work tirelessly throughout the year managing all aspects of these productions in order to promote and to sustain the VTTC as a creative outlet for our students.

**Adult Education Annual Report**

The GNB Voc-Tech Adult Education Program offers training in licensing and non-licensing trades, and various enrichment courses including culinary, yoga, languages, and art. In each of our three semesters, students are able to choose from over 80 courses in a wide range of fields. Our faculty includes many of the skilled, licensed teachers from our day programs as well as some great experts recruited from our community.

Students from all over Massachusetts and Rhode Island travel to GNB Voc-Tech to participate in our many programs. We offer district and non-district pricing, giving discounts to learners from our sending communities of New Bedford, Dartmouth, and Fairhaven. Senior citizen students (60 or over) also receive a \$10 tuition discount.

The Adult Education Staff continues to update the registration process with the new online registration system. The entire system is now computerized so students may register from home, over the phone, or in person. We have received very positive feedback regarding the ease of the new system. Instead of waiting in line one week prior to the semester, students may register up to a month early. Once entered into our database it is easier for students to sign up for future classes and view their course history.

This year the Adult Ed staff led by director Rick Quintin conducted research comparing our price and salary structures to area programs. As a result, the GNB Voc-Tech Adult Ed program submitted a proposal to the School Committee. The proposal included an increase in teacher salaries to match the approved day-school increase and offer our very-

qualified teaching staff a rate more comparable to other regional schools. The proposal also included raising the costs of several classes to cover the new online system, bank fees and payroll increases, while keeping us competitive with regional Adult Education programs. The proposal was adopted by the School Committee on August 15 1, 2018.

Enrichment classes, which start at \$85, give students an opportunity to Improve themselves through hobbies, health, and art. These practical arts classes include painting, cooking, cake decorating, quilting, knitting, upholstery, yoga, and self-defense. Due to the social nature of the program, many of our students take classes over multiple semesters. Language courses, which typically cost \$135 for residents, help students to communicate in personal and business settings. The program offers beginning and advanced instruction in Portuguese, Spanish, and American Sign Language.

The GNB Voc-Tech Adult Education Program takes advantage of the school's state-of-the-art facility by offering courses in our technical areas, such as carpentry, welding, automotive, and machine shop. We also offer computer classes in many different areas including digital photography, Auto CAD, and Microsoft Office. The tuition for these classes typically range from \$135 to \$175, depending on the topic.

The school also offers several courses that are required for licensing in various trades. Our Adult Education Program is an approved site for classes with the MA State Board of Electricians, MA State Board of Plumbers and Gas Fitters, MA Board of Building Regulations and Standards, and MA State Board of Steam Engineers. We also provide certification for National Restaurant Association Serv-Safe, American Society of Phlebotomy Technicians (EKO Technician), and OSHA Construction and Safety. In addition, we offer classes in health fields such as Ophthalmic Assistant and Pharmacy Technician. Tuition generally ranges from \$200 to \$600 per course, depending on the subject.

Recognizing that not everybody can commit to an 8-week program, we offered a series of 1 to 4-week workshops. Two of the programs that did well were a series of courses in Essential Oils and Culinary Skills which introduced our school to many new students. We will continue to increase our Workshop offerings and work on promoting these programs. We are working to improve marketing our Adult Education program through several sources. We have been collaborating with the school's promotion team, getting support to increase our visibility on social media. We have advertised through local venues such as Community Values Magazine, and our long-time Canvas Painting instructor Deborah Macy was recently featured on the cover of SOCO Magazine.

GNB Voc-Tech has teamed up with GNB MASSHIRE to train 12 Adults in Advanced Manufacturing during the day from 8:00 - 2:30 for 90 days. Several students already have secured jobs in the field. A second group of adults will begin in late January. The Machine

Technology! Advanced Manufacturing program provides instruction in: Basic Machining Principles, Advanced Machining Principles, Mastercam CAD/CAM part design, part posting and downloading to CNC equipment, as well as hand sketching and basic blueprints.

In January, The Adult Ed program will be bringing back Marine Trades to GNB Voc-Tech. The School hosted a Marine Trades showcase, showing the school's commitment to the Marine Trades industry, which received very positive feedback. Over 30 representatives from the community and boating Industry gathered to offer support to our school.

In Association with the Mass Marine Trades Association and outreach from the community, we have developed a 45-hour Certificate Program designed to provide an entry-level overview for those thinking of a career in the marine trades. This course will concentrate on entry-level skills necessary for employment in the marine industry. We are also applying through the Department of Education to create a full 900-hour post-secondary Marine Trade program within our Adult Ed Program. By September, 2019, we hope to offer post-secondary Adult Ed classes in Marine Industries as well as an Advanced Manufacturing program supported by Governor Baker. We are also perusing training in Aviation and EMT and are always looking for new opportunities to advance the program.

In 2018, The GNB Voc-Tech Adult Ed Program serviced a total of 1,432 students. We had 433 students taking classes in the Winter with an additional 316 in the Spring, 594 students took classes in the Fall with an additional 56 in the Fall extension and 33 students trying our new Workshops.

James O'Brien, Superintendent-Director  
Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School  
Annual Report for Calendar Year 2018



## BOARD OF HEALTH

The Health Department faced many challenges this year. We conducted routine and complaint based inspections for code compliance, performed for food establishments, housing, lead paint, lodging houses, general nuisances, septic systems, demolition, animal complaints, pools, marinas, wells and rodent, odor, nuisance and noise complaints. During the summer, weekly bathing beach water samples were collected and water quality we were in full compliance. Through the summer and fall season, we had an increase of mosquito and tick borne diseases such as West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and Lyme disease were prevalent in Southeastern Massachusetts. Prevention through education and personal diligence around mosquitos and ticks are fundamental. With the assistance of Cable Access Television, we produced public service announcements to help educate the public on many issues that needed clarification, keeping yourself safe during outdoor activities and what and how to recycle properly. Summer 2018 introduced residents with new Massachusetts guidelines with respect to recycling. The Health Agent was awarded a \$30,000 grant to educate and promote these new guidelines to residents. Part of the grant program was to hire a team of four individuals to check and monitor recycle carts in specific parts of town to ensure residents were educated and following the guidelines properly. We are proud to announce that at the end of the program, it was reported that 82% of top contaminates and unacceptable bins had been reduced. While few residents voiced their concerns about having to change the way they recycle, statistics indicated that the majority of Town diligently did their part to contribute. This community effort will play a big role during our recycle contract negotiations in the upcoming year. Remember, the better your product is, the less fees you pay. The department wishes to thank their recycle team, Daniel C. Shea, Whitney McClees, Nancy Ashley and Julianna Cabral for all of their hard work and dedication; they were troopers in all kinds of adversity. Other grant programs received during the year included a \$12,100 recycle grant to further educate residents and a \$28,000 mattress recycling program to collect and dispose of used mattresses at zero cost to residents. Residents were able to purchase rain barrels and compost bins from the department at discounted rates; the Rotary Club contributed \$240 towards the purchase of compost bins, making the final cost \$10.00 for each resident. The Health Agent implemented a crayon recovery collection program with local schools and food establishments; they are collected where they are sent to a company that melts the crayons into new crayons and they are donated to children's hospitals. Community Nurse conducted weekly blood pressure clinics that were provided at the Town Hall, Council on Aging and Senior Housing Units, as well as educational workshops at Senior Housing. With the help of Walgreens, CVS and Rite Aid Pharmacies, we conducted flu clinics for town employees and their families at Town Hall, Council on Aging, BPW, Police and Fire Departments. The Town recognized a growing national Opioid epidemic which encompassed numerous departments in Fairhaven. We met and formed a town task force whose focus was on opioid addictions and intervention efforts, both regionally and locally. We participated in the Greater New Bedford Regional Task Force, Fresh Start and Community Crisis Intervention Teams. We have partnered with Seven Hills and the Fisherman's partnership to provide Narcan administration training for local businesses and hotel staff. The Health Agent hopes to create a Community Crisis Intervention Team in Fairhaven in order to work with the elderly, hoarding and mental health and crisis population. Hoarding represents approximately 5-8% of the population and is a significant expense and safety concern to municipalities. Textile recovery boxes have been placed in four locations around Town to help remediate and generate revenue for hoarding remediation. This year, we diverted 630 tons of textiles out of landfills and into recycling boxes and gained \$600.00 in revenue. The department



is working with the School Department to create a smoking and vaping cessation program. We partnered with 8 communities and were awarded a \$92,000.00 grant to form a regional Smoking/Vaping task force for regional inspections and compliance. We formed an ad-hoc committee to review the new Recreational Marijuana Law and its impact and implementation locally. We conducted Emergency Preparedness drills and attended regional emergency preparedness meetings and trainings. We are working on a regional Emergency Medication Dispensing program with all of Bristol County. The Board and staff anticipated many changes with newly amended State regulations for the Food Code, Housing, Recreational Camps and Swimming Pools, all of which require new forms and educating the public of new regulation changes. We received a \$10,800.00, \$3,500.00 and \$4,000.00 grants to work on the FDA Retail Foods Standards from NAACHO and the AFDO/ FDA. With Mass DPH and the Town of Fairhaven adopting the 2013 Federal Food Code this year, we have been able to guide food service establishments with a standard operating procedure to ensure a safe sanitary food supply that is provided to the public and reduce cases of Food Borne Illness in our community. We conducted the Household Hazardous Waste event; 7 pallets of latex paint were collected and repurposed for organizations like Habitat for Humanity, 220 Gallons of Oil Paint, 330 gallons of chemicals and solvents were collected and properly disposed of without impact to our environment. Because we partnered with Recolor Paints, the Town is eligible to purchase paint for town projects at a reduced rate of \$40.00/100 gallons. Paper shredding and collection of items for Gifts to Give were also represented and available to town residents at HHW Day. We also removed 2 pallets of mercury bulbs and cleaned out the mercury shed twice this year removing Bulbs, button batteries, thermometers and thermostats that contain mercury. The Health Agent hopes to conduct the event at least once per year. Finally, the Board thanked Lindsay Gordon for her three years of service and welcomed new member Michael Silvia to the Board.

The following permits were issued in the year 2018:

FOOD		SEPTIC	
Food Establishment	102	Percolation Test	7
Temporary Food Establishments	51	Septic Systems Installation	3
Seasonal/Mobile Food	8	Septic System Repairs	7
Bakery	1	Septic Abandonments	11
Catering	3	Septic Installer	8
Frozen Dessert	2	Title V Inspections	11
Farmer's Market	6	Offal Hauler	5
		Demolition/Rodent	11
OTHER			
Animal	54	Closed Establishments	2
Tanning	1	New Establishments	1
Recreation Camp	1	Wel	1
Tobacco Sales	18	Motel/Inn	3
Funeral Director	12	Semi-Public Pool	2
Marina	6	Private Swimming Pool	20
COMPLAINTS			
Food	14		
Housing complaints	25		
Animal	16		

Recycling	44
Misc	77

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter DeTerra, Board Chairman  
Jeannine L. Lopes, Board Vice-Chairman  
Michael Silvia, Board Member  
Mary Freire-Kellogg, Health Agent  
Amanda L. Blais, Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary  
Kathrine A. Leaver, Temporary Health Inspector

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Fairhaven Historical Commission continued to fulfil its duties in the year 2018 by overseeing and maintaining the Town's historical properties.

The Fairhaven Academy Building at 141 Main Street, on the West lawn of the High School, also houses the Office of Tourism and a museum operated by the Fairhaven Historical Society. This building is slated for an upgrade to its main entrance as well as adding a new ADA compliant access and a ramp out the rear side of the building. The project is in the bid phase with work anticipated to start in early spring of 2019. This project is being funded under a grant through Community Preservation funds.

The Old Stone School house on North St. had a roof replacement in September. The single room schoolhouse continues to be a popular stop for Japanese Tourist exploring the Manjiro Trail.

The Spring Street Firehouse continued with ongoing renovations projects including interior painting and electrical work as we get it ready to display firefighting artifacts. Both the Spring Street Firehouse and the Washington Street Firehouse house our town's antique fire apparatus. The Washington Street Firehouse near the intersection of Washington & Main Streets also served as the town's first jail.

Fort Phoenix continues to be a work in progress. The parapet restoration & repair project was awarded to G. Bourne Knowles & Co. and work is currently in progress. This project will rehabilitate the parapet which wraps around the 5 Civil War Cannons to their original shape and character. There is also repointing of the granite stone work and grading of the grassy areas to make easy access for those enjoying this scenic property. Work on these areas should be completed in the early spring of 2019. The powder Magazine will need more detailed work and waterproofing to help protect the integrity of the interior as well as the appearance of the exterior. Additional research and planning will need to be done in the future.

The Historical Commission lost a knowledgeable and respected historian and member. Ms. Cynthia McNaughten died on March 9, 2018. "Cynn timer" as she is fondly known was 89 years old and was respected for her love of history and accuracy in historical research. She will be greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne Oliveira – Chairman  
Gary Lavalette – Vice Chairman  
Vicki Paquette - Secretary  
Gail Isaksen  
Cynthia McNaughten  
Dorothy Gammons  
Anne O'Brien  
Maria Carvalho  
Suzan Galpin  
Marcus Ferro  
Daniel Freitas – Selectmen Liaison

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

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

Chairman – Jay S. Simmons, 14 Oxford Street – Term Expires 4/2022

Vice Chairman - Jean Rousseau, 42 Linden Ave. -Term Expires 10/2018

(Governor's/State Appointee)

Treasurer - Anne D. Silveira, 621 Dana Farms – Term Expires 4/2019

Assistant Treasurer – Gregory Tutcik, 180 Adams St. – Term Expires 4/2023

Commissioner – John Farrell – Taber St. Term Expires 4/2020

The Fairhaven Housing Authority holds its regular meeting on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. The Election of Officers is conducted at the Authority's annual meeting in May.

The office staff consists of three full time employees. the Executive Director, Krisanne Sheedy, Administrative Assistant Jo-Ann Turgeon , Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant Kim Marie McArdell, and our part time Resident Services Coordinator Diane Rocha. Our maintenance crew consists of four full time employees: Tom Caron, Jim Leavitt, Scott Leonard and Rebecca Seed.

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/ handicap housing.

The FHA Developments are:

667-1	Green Meadows 1-42 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

During the past year, we had 25 vacancies at our elderly/ handicapped/ disabled housing and none at our family housing.

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 2016 for a one (1) person household is \$33,000 and for a two (2) person household is \$37,700. 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 \$37,700, for three (3) \$42,400, for four (4) \$47,100, for five (5) \$50,900 and six (6) \$54,650. The same asset guideline as stated above applies.

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

The Authority is working towards developing affordable elderly or family housing on the parcel purchased with CPC funds in 2010. The variety of potential funding vehicles that will provide development financing and long term subsidy are complex and the proposed size of the development strongly impacts the viability of funding sources.

We were able to take full advantage of two additional solar opportunities. We have 2 "host" projects in the works that will provide us regular monetary benefits. The Authority was sought after to participate due to the population we serve and because the developer gets additional benefits/credits for working with a Housing Authority. The Board of the Authority is proud to be aggressively pursuing these earnings /savings for the Authority while continuing to contribute to ecological initiatives that are beneficial to the environment in general.

The Authority completed a couple of modernization projects at our housing complexes. The Authority re-vamped and installed a brand new parking lot at Dana Court. This project included re-paved walkways, additional parking spaces , upgraded lighting , removal of excessive vegetation and excess trees for a bigger and brighter parking area. The tenants are pleased with the results. The Authority also replaced and installed new roof fans and fan timer switches in each apartment at Oxford Terrace to correct and improve building ventilation. We installed new hot water boilers at Building #100 McGann Terrace and at Oxford Terrace.

In addition, Dana Court has new hallway carpeting and #100 McGann Terrace has new Community Room flooring and new hallway carpeting. Both Building #100 and the Building #9 at Green Meadows have new Community Room furniture.

We have been lucky to have a great working relationship with the Bristol County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's inmate work crew is often assigned here to work with our maintenance staff on vacancy preparation / painting, hallway carpet installation and landscaping work. The crew has been assigned here repeatedly this year.

The Fairhaven Housing Authority would like to extend our grateful appreciation to the

Fairhaven Police and Fire Departments for everything they do to help our tenants, visitors and the Authority. The calls for assistance are for a variety of reasons but both departments do their utmost to always help and in doing so make our lives much easier. We, fortunately, continue to be awarded funds from the Community Preservation fund and we thank the Committee for understanding our needs and working cooperatively with us. Outgoing Town Planner Bill Roth was often key in aiding our quest for both CDBG and CPC funds, he was a friend of the Authority and will be missed. We will also miss the aid provided by Wayne Fostin, Building Inspector and Veteran's Agent James Cochran and look forward to developing an equally successful rapport with the new Building inspector and Veteran's Agent. Ann Sylvia of the COA and the DPW & the Water Department continue to be our partners in providing services for our tenants and the Authority and we thank them as well. And we look forward to working closely with Mary Kellogg, the new Board of Health Agent, as we share some joint concerns and initiatives. We are very lucky to have a productive and positive relationship / rapport with all of these resourceful Town Departments and Committees. We would also like to acknowledge Mark Rees/Town Administrator as he includes the Authority as one of the Town Departments and that has proven to be very beneficial to the Authority.

None of the aforementioned would be possible without the support and understanding of the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen. Their continued assistance is needed for the Authority to provide affordable public housing for seniors, the handicapped, the disabled and low income families.

The Fairhaven Housing Authority is a proud of the housing we provide and the fact that we have a great working relationship with the Town. We are also proud of our ability to primarily employ and consistently purchase locally.

Respectfully submitted,

Krisanne Sheedy  
Executive Director

## HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resources Department is responsible for personnel administration for the Town's general government, including personnel policies, collective bargaining agreements, health insurance benefits, worker's compensation, unemployment, Employee Assistance Program, training, and police/fire injured on duty. In 2018, the Payroll department physically moved to the Human Resources office, for the convenience of Town employees.

In 2018, the Town Hall saw many personnel changes. Longtime Building Commissioner Wayne Fostin retired after 30 years with the Town. Town Hall Custodian Frank Fostin also retired after 12 years with the Town. Long-time Town Clerk Eileen Lowney also retired from her elected post after 23 years of service. Veterans Agent James Cochran retired 18 years with the Town. We wish these dedicated public servants a long, and healthy retirement.

Other Town Hall staff changes included the hiring of Derek Frates as Director of Community Television; Kevin Fournier as the Town Hall Custodian; Courtney Benoit as Marine Resources Senior Clerk; Paula Medeiros as the Benefits Coordinator; Gloria McPherson as the Director of Planning and Economic Development; Kristian White as Building Commissioner; Shallyn Carreiro as Recording Secretary; Whitney McClees as the first full-time Conservation Agent/Sustainability Coordinator; and Linda Fredette as a temporary, full-time Office Assistant for the Town Clerk, to assist Interim Town Clerk Carolyn Hurley.

We welcomed the following first responders in 2018 as well: Christopher Beauregard (Police), Troy DeCouto, Sean Harrington, Jesse Lacerda, and Shain Ramos (Fire). We wish these individuals long, and safe careers.

In January 2018, the Board of Selectmen appointed a Town Clerk Study Committee (TCSC) to research the Town Clerk position. The TCSC was charged with making a determination if the Town Clerk position should remain elected or become appointed. While it was the determination of the majority of the Town Clerk Study Committee that the position should become an appointed position, Town Meeting voted overwhelmingly to maintain the Town's tradition of electing the Town Clerk.

In 2018, we engaged the services of Human Resources Services (HRS, Inc.), who conducted a comprehensive pay and classification plan for non-union personnel, and updated all non-union job descriptions. This plan was accepted by the Board of Selectmen in October 2018, and funded by Town Meeting for implementation in November 2019. This pay and classification plan addressed market competitiveness with comparable communities and internal equity; it had been fifteen years since the Town of Fairhaven had conducted a similar plan for non-union employees. At the time of writing this report, HRS is also compiling a comprehensive list of personnel policies that will be incorporated into an employee handbook. This personnel policies update is made possible by a Community Compact grant from Governor Baker's office.

In 2018, the Human Resources Department brought a Flexible Spending Account program to Town employees. This helps our employees take advantage of pre-tax spending for medical and dependent care expenses.

In 2019, the Human Resources department will engage a third-party consultant to complete a self-assessment, in compliance with the regulations of the newly updated Massachusetts Equal Pay Act. We also hope to settle all our labor union contracts in time for the 2019 Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne O'Brien  
Human Resources Director

Paula Medeiros  
Benefits Coordinator



## LAGOA FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

In 2017 Fairhaven Selectmen formally established the Fairhaven/Lagoa Friendship Pact Committee opening up a Sister City Partnership with Lagoa, Portugal and the Town Of Fairhaven. Fairhaven has a long tradition of friendship and family ties to the Azorean Island chain.

In March 2018, The Lagoa Friendship Committee welcomed Azorean Mayor Cristina Calisto and her daughter, along with some of her delegation to Fairhaven and they were treated to a tour of Fairhaven with a stop at Dorothy Cox's Candy for treats and then dinner at the Pasta House. On March 19, 2018 the Selectmen and the Mayor exchanged gifts and signed the last pact of the sister city agreement with Lagoa, Azores. The two towns plan to continue to carry on their friendship for many years as we strive to maintain ties between the two governments by fostering dialogue, exchanges, tourism, trade and experiences that mutually enrich the citizens of our localities.

Wayne Oliveira - Chairman  
Vicki Paquette - Secretary  
Charles Murphy  
Charlene Riggins  
Pamela Kuechler  
Patricia Parcella  
Ed Cabral

## MARINE RESOURCE DEPARTMENT HARBORMASTER/SHELLFISH

The Department of Marine Resources had a busy year in 2018 conducting routine patrols, responding to emergencies, investigating the release of oil and other substances in the harbor, and with the propagation of shellfish.

In 2018, the first Public Safety Marina was installed at Union Wharf. This marina was funded by the Massachusetts Seaport Economic Council it allowed the Fire Department, Harbormaster, and Police Departments to dock all of Fairhaven's emergency response vessels in one location. In previous years, the vessels were located at three (3) different marinas and the police boat was actually docked at the Pope's Island Marina in New Bedford. The consolidation of all the boats into one location allows the departments to share resources and equipment throughout the year. The consolidation of the public safety vessels allows our responses to be more efficient by reducing the time it takes to leave the harbor.

This Public Safety Marina project took over four (4) months to complete. A variety of departments and individuals donated time to ensure this project remained on time and under budget. We would formally like to thank the Fire Department, Police Department, Highway Department, Sewer Department, Water Department, Wire Inspector and the students from the electrical department at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School.

Safety continues to be one of the most important tasks that we do each year. We have conducted many hours out on patrol during the year. We enforce the proper operation of recreational and commercial vessels including personal watercraft (Jet Ski). In addition, we conduct routine safety checks to ensure that vessels have the required safety equipment and operators are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. In addition, we provided educational materials at tables during a variety of public and private event.

We would like to remind residents to ensure that all vessels are properly registered with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In addition, we are recommending that kayak owners label their watercraft with the owners name and phone number. This allows us to make the necessary contact information during an emergency.

Each year, the Department of Marine Resources and the Fire Department respond and mitigated oil spills within the harbor and surrounding waterways. Working in conjunction with the United States Coast Guard Pollution Control Division and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, we respond and assess the severity of the spill or leak of oils, hydraulic fluids and bilge waters that are accidentally or intentionally discharged in the harbor. In 2018, 69 spills were recorded in the Fairhaven/New Bedford Harbor with 24 originating from the Town of Fairhaven.

Working with vessel owners and the Department of Environmental Protection, we offer a grant known as the "Clean Bilge Program". This program allows us to contract with a private company to pump out bilges that have over 10 gallons of oil. In 2018, we pumped over 38,575 gallons of contaminated water, 7,815 which was oil from commercial vessels in Fairhaven. This program reduced the chances of this oil entering into the Harbor.

Union Wharf continues to be a large project. We continue each year to apply for grant funding to reconstruct walls of the wharf to ensure that wharf will be sustained well into the future. With the help of Planning Director Gloria McPherson, we have applied for another grant through the Seaport Economic Council for \$1,250,050.00 to continue to reconstruct the walls of Union Wharf.

The Shellfish Department continues to be very busy. In 2018, we propagated 526 bushels of Quahogs which were planted into Round Cove and Senior Cove. We expect that these areas will be opened in late spring of 2019. In addition, we had a very successful year with the Bouchard 120 (B-120) shellfish relay. This device allows us to clean contaminated Quahogs from other parts of the state. Last year, we planted over 800 bushels of Quahogs off the Seaview Ave Boat Ramp from this process.

2018 Permits:

Resident:	329
Senior:	601
Non-Resident	16
Commercial	9
Dredge Boat	0

In closing, I would like to thank my office assistant, Courtney Benoit for her hard work and dedication, and all the town departments for their continued support. In addition I would like to thank our neighboring cities and towns and the general boating community for their efforts in making our waterways safer.

Respectfully,  
Timothy Cox,  
Captain  
Harbormaster / Shellfish Warden

## MATTAPOISETT RIVER VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water District (District) was formed in 2004 to construct 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, began 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.

2018 represented the eleventh year of operation of the MRVWTF. The plant processed 710 million gallons of water during the year. The FY19 operating budget for the plant is \$2,052,132 which represents an increase of approximately 0.6% over FY18. The major expenses include power, labor, and chemicals to maintain and operate the MRVWTF. As of December, the District was finalizing a solar power Net Metering agreement with ECA Solar LLC which is anticipated to save the District \$20,000 to \$30,000 per year when fully operational. The District does not pay any capital or operating costs for the power and the generation facilities are located on commercial buildings located in Walpole, MA.

The MRVWTF operated well throughout the year. Routine annual maintenance and inspection was performed on major components of the MRVWTF. Evaluation of the high lift pumps indicated performance had declined, and two Fairhaven pumps were replaced.

As part of the Capital Improvement Plan, the District replaced components of the KOCH filters, gas meter for the ozone system, and one variable frequency drive. In addition, design continues to progress for replacement of the primary electric supply to the MRVWTF. The purpose of the project is to improve electric service reliability to the MRVWTF.

The District contracted Tata & Howard, Inc. to complete hydraulic modeling analysis of existing and proposed interconnections between the District Towns and surrounding communities, and complete evaluation of the hydraulic adequacy of the interconnections to transfer water between Towns in the event of an emergency. The report will provide recommendations for interconnection upgrades, if necessary.

Addition of new District representatives for the Towns of Fairhaven, Marion, and Rochester was required in 2018, due to the retirement of Alfred Raphael, Robert Zora, and Fred Underhill. The following members were appointed representing their respective Town: The Fairhaven Water Superintendent Jeffrey Furtado, Town of Marion Selectmen Randy Parker, and Rochester Water Commission Member Rick Charon. The District thanks all retirees for their many years of service and contributions.

The District received the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection 2018 Beyond Compliance Public Water System Award. The District was recognized for being

in complete compliance with state and federal drinking water regulations in 2017, and for also not having any violations within the past 5 years.

Respectfully submitted  
Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Commission

Town of Fairhaven  
Mark Rees  
Vincent D. Furtado  
Jeffrey Furtado

Town of Marion  
Paul Dawson  
David Pierce  
Randy Parker

Town of Rochester  
Laurell Farinon  
Jeffrey Eldridge  
Rick Charon

Town of Mattapoissett  
Paul Silva  
William Nicholson  
Henri Renauld

## THE MILLICENT LIBRARY

### OVERVIEW

The Library is still a busy place, both in person and online. Our seven public computers are constantly in use and we also have two mobile hotspots that we lend out. Many people don't have (and some don't want) Internet at home and even if they do, the technology fails and they need printing or access. It's also nice to have a Mac for people to use besides the PCs.

We rolled out some local databases this year...the Fairhaven Star newspaper and the Fairhaven Cemetery sites. Borrowing of digital items via Hoopla and Overdrive increased as expected, but a very nice surprise is that in most categories of print and physical media, the circulation bucked the trend by increasing over last year.

The library's appropriation from the town of Fairhaven increased again, but not enough to let us escape having to apply once again for a waiver of the municipal appropriation requirement from the Board of Library Commissioners. We received the waiver for 2018 and are waiting to hear about our application for 2019. Good news arrived that the Wareham Free Library has regained certification and their residents will once again be able to borrow items from other local libraries. It also means that their collections will again be open to nonresident borrowing.

The library hired a facilitator to help with our Long Range Plan. We collected public input via boxes of surveys at several spots around town, online, and at the library. We had several meetings with local community leaders, staff and trustees. There were no real surprises, but it is good to get a snapshot of where we are and where we want to be going.

We do have some spaces to exhibit paintings or collections by local residents. This year artists Michael Tracey and Fay Bartling, and students at the Middle School displayed some of their paintings. The display case in the Rogers Room hosted some items from the safe and office and an exhibit about Race Amity, among other things. We welcome suggestions on displays as well as materials.

### PEOPLE

Juanita Goulart, the Assistant Director, continued doing the cataloging and technical processing. She also did reference and maintained the CD and nonfiction DVD collections. She was aided by volunteer Seth Walker and his job coach Kassie Rivera who put in about 25 hours a week. Phyllis Faunce helped out as well.

Debbie Charpentier is the Facility Manager, keeping up repairs and getting grants for the building projects and is also the Archivist and local history guru. Her report is below.

Rob Gonsalves does the Interlibrary Loan, chooses DVD feature films and does maintenance on the fiction collection. Juanita and Rob relabeled the collections so they are easier to find and the labels easier to read.

Jane Murphy (see her report below) is the Youth Services Librarian, helping the kids, picking out the materials and doing the programming.

Deborah Chormicle who worked at the desk left us to move out West halfway through the year. Sara Salem became a full timer and does the desk as well as helping out with Interlibrary Loans and answering kids' questions when Jane isn't here. Nichole Mercer, Samantha Correia and Kay Langevin also are familiar faces at the front desk helping patrons. Dan Costa and Joe Rapoza are our custodians. Laurie Powers is our bookkeeper and Nicole Fortier is our page.

The Board of Trustees lost Kaisa Cripps to her school and work schedules. We were happy to welcome Abigail Hevey. Christopher Bunnell remains President, Bruce Bendiksen is Vice-President, Robert Kenworthy is our Treasurer and the Library Director is ex-officio the secretary.

We were very sorry about losing Albert Benac, the Town Curator, whose love for and devotion to the town and its heritage resulted in the restoration and cleaning of several of our art works.

The Friends of the Library, headed by Beth Luey, continue to provide most of our museum passes and help out with various programs. The Friends had their annual birthday celebration for our namesake Millicent Gifford Rogers in January. Their Annual Meeting was in conjunction with a presentation on the First Amendment which was very well-attended. In September the group coordinated a day-long event with staff members talking about what the library offers. The Friends held their third Holiday Book Fair during which local authors displayed their books and did readings. They also bought a new sound system that came in handy during the programs and a new coat rack, besides helping out at various events. The Friends of the Library also funded the summer reading program materials.

The Library partnered with some other organizations on programs, notably "Coyotes in Your Backyard," with the Fairhaven Acushnet Land Preservation Trust.

## BUILDING

The repointing of another section of the exterior funded by Fairhaven's Community Preservation funds finished up.

The new handrails have been fabricated and put into place. The CPC also granted funds for the weathered window exteriors to be repainted and some storms to be replaced.

## ARCHIVES

Dedicated volunteers help Deb Charpentier on her various historical projects. Beth Luey continues to update the Library's Lost Fisherman website. Molly McDonald retired and moved to South Carolina. Longtime volunteer Suzanne Kowal returned from a year's hiatus. She is currently working on scanning burial records. Colin McGreevey and Nichol Mercer input Riverside Cemetery records. Max Isaksen worked with a group of Rogers' descendants to bring their family genealogy up to date.

Acquisitions included the portrait of Mary Pope Barstow, a print of the Flying Cloud and a collection of Albert Benac's papers deposited at the library by his family. Ellis Kendall

donated a sketch of the fishing boat Barbara Gail. Mr. Kendall was one of the survivors of the 1961 sinking of the Barbara Gail. Five of the crew lost their lives.

Requests came in from individuals and organizations all over the world, including local ones like the Whaling Museum, the Hall of Fame Committee and the Fairhaven Historical Society.

A number of local databases are now available on the Internet. The Fairhaven Star was developed and came online in February. The Vital Records 1841-1899 and the Fairhaven Cemetery Records were added to the library website in June.

#### YOUTH SERVICES (JANE MURPHY) 2018

2018 was another great year for the Youth Services Department at the Millicent Library under the direction of Youth Services Librarian Jane Murphy, who will celebrate ten years at the library next September. Storytime programs were well attended, and the baby group has become quite popular. Toddler and preschool groups welcomed new members who take the place of the children who have gone on to school. Some of Ms. Jane's earliest storytime groups have now gone on to college. Our Facebook page, administered by Ms. Jane, has helped spread the word along with local media, schools, and the Fairhaven Mom's Club. Parents and caregivers enjoy the photos of the children and can download them for their own collections.

Our Teen Group grew even more in the summertime, providing social time and snacks for teens entering grade 6 and up on "Teen Tuesday." In return, they prove to be a great group of volunteers who assist with many children's programs throughout the summer. School and day care groups visited the library all year. The Friends of the Library have been very generous as well. We thank them again this year for their continuing help. Student volunteers assist with shelving and program planning during the school year. They need to get their community service hours in, so it is win-win! Many volunteers contribute their time out of the goodness of their hearts as well. The Youth collection continues to grow. Electronic databases and ebooks are still used, and many tutors from the public schools work with their students after school in the library. Communication with the schools and preschools is good, with class visits and guest readings by Ms. Jane both in the library and out at the schools.

During the 2018 Statewide Summer Reading program, "Reading Rocks!" over 400 children and teens once again read over 4000 hours. Summer programmers included Debbie and Tom O'Carroll, whose performance was funded by the Fairhaven Cultural Council. Dr. Toby Dills returned with his ever popular Tie Dye and Bottle Rockets programs, which were once again highlights of the summer. The library welcomed back a wonderful local favorite, Daisy D. Dots, for her class on Clowning. She also painted faces during the 34th annual Teddy Bear parade, which is much loved by the townspeople. Kay Alden led her delightful dance programs throughout the year, including a May Pole dance, Patriotic dance during Fourth of July week, and Backstage at the Nutcracker in December. Diane Edgecomb's storytelling was a delight, as were art programs led by staff member Sara Salem. We appreciate the volunteer efforts of many of our presenters and are ever grateful to the



Fairhaven Fire Department for their annual visit, which teaches youngsters about fire safety followed by the unfurling of the fire hose. The kids always look forward to getting wet on a hot day! The Boston Bruins continue to be huge supporters of the Statewide Summer Reading program.

Next summer, the 2019 Summer Reading Theme, "A Universe of Stories"-- a space theme which coincides with the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon landing-- is guaranteed to attract young children, tweens, and teens alike!

## STATISTICS

As of June 30, 2018, the library owned 59,260 print books, 206 print magazines and newspapers, 11,149 audios (plus 20,244 downloadable), 12,628 videos (plus 9,534 downloadables). Patrons had access to 32,293 ebooks. This doesn't include our subscription to Hoopla whereby you can access many more books, audios and videos on your devices.

We circulated 93,465 items and loaned 38,457 items to other libraries outside our network. Apart from this the usage of our electronic resources numbered almost 10,000. Our media and print collections are very popular and we get many compliments on them from other libraries. We are a member of the SAILS library network, made up of over 70 libraries, including some schools and colleges. We have passes to a dozen museums, parks, etc. that may be checked out. Many groups continued to use our auditorium throughout the year. The Library is open 55 hours per week, which is five more than required for certification. Our guestbook this year saw visitors from 18 states and 8 different countries.

Some of our databases and the delivery of items between libraries are funded jointly by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the Massachusetts Library System, with state funding and federal support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services as administered by the MBLC.

Carolyn Longworth, Library Director

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as of December 31, 2018

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## PLANNING BOARD AND DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Planning Board and the Department of Planning and Economic Development saw a lot of changes in the department throughout the year. During the annual elections in April, John Farrell was re-elected and Geoff Haworth II was elected by write in votes to the Planning Board for four year terms. John (Jay) Malaspino was appointed by the Selectmen/Planning Board to fill the remaining term of Nicholas Carrigg who resigned in May.

Rene J. Fleurent, Jr. was again appointed by the Planning Board to serve as the board's commissioner on Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD). Jeffrey T. Lucas serves as the Planning Board's representative to the Community Preservation Committee. Cathy Melanson was appointed to the Fairhaven Economic Development Committee.

William Roth left the department in February to start a new position as City Planner in Fall River. The board was grateful for his 16.5 years as Planning Director, who worked most recently on our new Master Plan 2040, Open Space Plan, Economic Development Study and Hazard Mitigation Study. Connie Brawders was hired as a temporary Planning Director and stayed with us until the position was filled in May. Gloria McPherson was appointed in May 2018 and started learning the ropes right away and jumped into the recreational marijuana zoning by-laws which were passed at our Special Town Meeting in the Fall. We are grateful for all her hard work on that issue as she navigated the changes from the Cannabis Control Commission and worked with the town attorney.

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 2018 consisted of five (5) Special Permit Applications, three (3) Form "A" Applications, two (2) Preliminary Subdivision Application, four (4) Definitive Subdivision Applications, two (2) Covenants, and two (2) Rezoning Applications.

Since the approval of Master Plan Fairhaven 2040, the Board can and will start the process of implementing the action items of the plan. We anticipate it will take years worth of hard work and Town Meeting's approval of future zoning bylaw amendments to implement Fairhaven 2040.

The Planning Board and the Department of Planning and Economic Development once again would like to thank Town Meeting Members for their continued support of our work, to approve our Master Plan, and Zoning Bylaws and them more responsive to the needs of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,  
John K. Farrell, Jr. Chairman  
Ann Richard, Vice-Chair  
Wayne Hayward, Chairman\* resigned as chair  
Rene J. Fleurent, Jr.,

Geoff Haworth II  
Peter G. Nopper,  
Nicholas Carrigg \* Resigned  
Jeffrey T. Lucas  
Cathy Melanson, Clerk

William D. Roth, Jr., Director of Planning and Economic Development \*  
Gloria McPherson , Director of Planning and Economic Development  
Marie E. Ripley, Administrative Assistant to the Planning Director  
Amanda L. Blais, CDBG Administrative Assistant  
Pattie Pacella, Planning Board Recording Secretary  
Shallyn Carreiro, Planning Board Recording Secretary

## FAIRHAVEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Fairhaven Police Department responded to 17,144 calls for service in 2018.

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

Abandoned Motor Vehicles	12
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Hit & Run	118
Accidents - Motor Vehicle vs. Pedestrian	8
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury	76
Accidents - Motor Vehicle - Property Damage	455
Alarm - Burglar	1049
Alarm - Holdup	26
Ambulance Requests	2638
Animal Bites	12
Animal Complaints	511
Annoying Telephone Calls	15
Arrests (does not include criminal application requests)	194
Assaults	64
Assist Motorist	209
Assist Other Agency	126
Assist Other Police Department	113
Boat in Distress, Water Emergency, Water Hazard	38
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Dwelling	52
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Commercial	29
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Motor Vehicle	98
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Garage	27
Burglary - Breaking & Entering - Vessel	7
Disabled Auto	166
Disturbances/Disorderly Conduct	848
Domestic Violence/Family Offenses	171
Fights	43
Fraud	84
Illegal Dumping	14
Intoxicated Person	54
Larcenies	92
Mental Health Emergencies/Section 12/Section 35	70
Missing Person	25
Motor Vehicle Thefts	14
Motor Vehicle Violations	1251
Motor Vehicle Complaints	325
Officer Wanted	157
Prisoner Transports	195

Protective Custody	33
Recovered Stolen Motor Vehicles	6
Reported Deaths	26
Restraining Order Violations	31
Robberies	3
Safety/Road Hazards	418
Search Warrant Executions	7
Restraining Order Services	123
Harassment Protection Order Services	16
Shoplifting	66
Suicide Attempts	10
Summons Services	36
Suspicious Activity	759
Trespassing	15
Unwanted Person	89
Vandalism	74
Welfare Checks	466

The Fairhaven Police Department experienced several significant changes throughout the 2018 calendar year. Our chain of command was restructured this past March, adding one Captain's position and two Lieutenants' positions. After conducting an assessment center in January, immediately following the holiday season, Sergeant Michael Botelho was promoted to the rank of Captain, and Sergeants David Sobral and Kevin Kobza were each promoted to the rank of Lieutenant.

Captain Botelho joined the Fairhaven Police Department in 1995 after serving as a Corrections Officer with the Massachusetts Department of Corrections. After graduating from the police academy, he served as a uniformed patrol officer before becoming one of the town's first School Resource Officers in 1999. In 2002 he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant where he was the shift commander of the midnight to 8am and the 4pm to 12 am uniform patrol shifts. After serving in the uniform division, he took over leadership of the Detective Division from 2007 to 2013. Captain Botelho was promoted to his current rank on March 10, 2018, and currently serves as the second in command of the police department. Captain Botelho's responsibilities include directly assisting the Police Chief managing the budget, completing the annual budget proposal, hiring new personnel and labor relations. Captain Botelho is also in charge of the department's Marine Unit.

Lieutenant Sobral joined the Fairhaven Police Department in 1983 as a patrol officer. He served as a Traffic Enforcement Officer in the uniform patrol division. He is also responsible for keeping the department's breathalyzer machine operational and current with state certifications. He is a state certified firearms instructor and accident reconstruction specialist.

He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1995 where he was the shift commander for two 4pm to 12am shifts and two overnight shifts. Lieutenant Sobral was promoted to his current

rank on March 10, 2018 is currently in charge of operations and overseas the patrol division, special events operations and permitting, and assists with firearms licensing.

Lieutenant Kobza joined the Fairhaven Police Department in 2001 after working as a Special Agent with the U.S. Customs Service. He served as a patrol officer in the uniform patrol division and as a fulltime community policing officer. He was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 2007, at which time he returned to the uniform patrol division as a shift commander. In 2009, he was reassigned as the Administrative Sergeant working as assistant to the Chief of Police. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant on March 10, 2018 and currently serves as the Administrative Lieutenant. He is responsible for grant management, fleet maintenance, media relations and firearms licensing. He also serves as the accreditation manager and as a firearms instructor.

In addition to the promotions, our department added three new officers to its roster. Officer William Guy Vachon began basic police recruit training at the Randolph Police Academy on January 4, 2018 and graduated on June 6, 2018. Officer Michael Carrette entered the Reading Police Academy on June 4, 2018 and completed his basic police recruit training on November 14, 2018. Both Officers Vachon and Carrette were required to pass an in depth, extensive back ground check, credit history check, a psychological examination and a physical abilities test prior to being sent to the academy. They endured an intensive 21 week training program that was designed to test them mentally and physically, and to prepare them for a career in law enforcement. It consisted of classroom instruction, defensive tactics, firearms and driver training, handcuffing and physical fitness.

Officer Vachon is currently working on his own as a fully trained Officer, serving our community. Officer Carrette is currently completing his field training, working alongside veteran Officers as he learns the proper application of real-world police work. They have the full support of the entire department as they launch what we expect will be long, successful careers in the service of the town. We wish them all the best for a safe and rewarding career.

The third person we hired is Christopher Beauregard, who began his basic police recruit training on September 10, 2018 at the Plymouth Police Academy. At the time of the writing of this report, he had an expected graduation date of February 22, 2018. All reports received from the academy indicate that he is doing very well and is excelling in all areas of recruit training. Upon graduating, Mr. Beauregard will be assigned to a Field Training Officer to complete his training.

All three Officers are bringing exceptional skill sets, which will make them valuable assets to our department. Officer Vachon is a Sergeant currently serving in the Massachusetts Air National Guard, Security Forces. He completed a six month tour of duty in Qatar, where he served as a shift commander processing people and cargo entering the base. Officer Vachon continues his service in the Air National Guard as a Noncommissioned Officer providing base security at Otis Air Force Base.

Officer Carrette served as a Second Class Petty Officer in the U.S. Navy and was deployed to Djibouti, Africa from January 2016 to December 2016. He served as a machine gunner,

providing security support to military vessels in the Gulf of Aden in the Arabian Sea as they entered and departed from port. He also worked as a convoy driver, towing fast boats for mission deployments to various ports throughout the region.

Officer Beauregard recently returned home from a one-year deployment to Camp Humphreys, South Korea. He served as a Military Police Sergeant in the U.S. Army from December 2016 to December 2017 during his deployment. He is a trained investigator with the Army's Criminal Investigation Division, 20th MP Detachment. He is continuing his service to our country in the U.S. Army Reserve.

They have our utmost respect and appreciation for their service to our nation and the sacrifices they made by being separated from their families for extended periods of time to keep our country safe. Their commitment to service was readily apparent during their hiring process, and we are confident they will carry it with them as they serve the Town of Fairhaven.

Officer Jerome Penha joined the regional Search and Rescue Team in March of this year after a significant application and interview process. Sergeant Kevin Swain and Officer Marcy Haaland have been serving within the same unit. In addition to becoming an active member of the Search and Rescue Team, Officer Penha was also appointed as a School Resource Officer to work alongside Officer Scott Joseph. Officer Penha began working fulltime in this capacity at the beginning of this school year. He brought with him a collection of lifetime experiences, personality traits and characteristics that will serve him well in this capacity. Included in this is an impressive background of volunteer work with at-risk youths and a background of organizing sporting leagues in the inner city. We are confident in our selection of Officer Penha to this very important and specialized position, and we wish him well in his new assignment.

Officer Kevin Chasse, working with Fairhaven Fire Deputy Chief Todd Correia, trained the entire department in the administering of Narcan. Narcan is the antidote used to reverse the effects of an opiate based overdose. All of our sworn personnel are now carrying the medication in the regular performance of their duties, and have already administered several doses to overdose victims thus saving their lives.

Another importance of carrying Narcan that should be noted is the benefit to first responders and patients with impaired memory and dementia. There have been countless cases throughout the country of first responders being exposed to substances such as heroin and fentanyl, causing them to go into an overdose episode. It is also common for patients with impaired memory to inadvertently take too much of an opiate-based medication, often times forgetting they already took the prescribed dosage. This also results in the patient falling into an overdose episode. In both cases, Narcan can be administered to the patient/victim as a life saving measure. Therefore, having it readily available and having our personnel not only trained to recognize the signs and symptoms of an overdose, but also trained to administer the medication is a great life-saving safety measure we now have in place.

Due to the severity of the opioid epidemic, Sergeants Michael Bouvier, Daniel Dorgan, Kevin Swain, and Officers Jason Tavares and Marcy Haaland continue to be members of the Greater New Bedford Opioid Outreach Program. Its development has been prioritized this past year.



This team conducts follow-up visits with people who survive drug overdoses, and is comprised of Deb Kelsey, who is a Recovery Coach from the Seven Hills Foundation, Chaplain Langevin, who serves as the Chaplain for both the Police and Fire Departments, and the above mentioned Officers. All team members have received training to provide effective assistance to addicts and their families.

On a monthly basis our team visits with members of our community who have overdosed, are battling substance abuse, are at a risk for suicide, and/or have fallen on difficult and desperate times. The team also assists families impacted by the struggles of addiction. During these visits, we offer help of every possible measure that is at our disposal. Clients are referred to crisis or drug rehabilitation services, they are assisted in obtaining health insurance, and are offered prayer and hope from faith-based members.

Team members accompany family members of addicts to obtain services, initiate court mandated treatment, assist with intervention of a family member, and more. They offer Narcan, and Narcan training to fishing vessels, local hotels, and drinking establishments. They also offer the same service to families who have family members addicted to heroin .

The purpose of these programs is to help us in our efforts to combat the scourge of the opioid epidemic, which continues to plague our society on a national level. Throughout the 2018 calendar year, Fairhaven Police, Fire and EMS responded to 42 drug overdose emergencies.

On the enforcement side of the drug epidemic, our Detective Division continues its efforts eradicating drug dealing organizations by identifying and arresting key people involved in drug dealing operations. On May 7, 2018 Detectives, working with the Bristol County Sheriffs Office executed a search warrant at an apartment building located at 415 Main Street. During the search, investigators seized over 350 grams of cocaine, over 3 grams of heroin, more than 2 pounds of marijuana, 25 dosages of Suboxone, over \$2,500 in cash, and 2 loaded handguns.

Detectives arrested 23 year old Eliseo Ramirez-Rosa Jr. who was out on bail for trafficking over 36 grams of cocaine, possession of Adderall, and possession with intent to distribute heroin. The additional charges filed against him include trafficking over 200 grams of cocaine, possession with intent to distribute a class B substance to wit Suboxone, possession of heroin, possession with intent to distribute marijuana, possession of a firearm with a defaced serial number, unlawful possession of ammunition, 2 counts of improper storage of a firearm and 2 counts of unlawful possession of a loaded firearm.



Guns, drugs and money seized from Ramirez-Rosa

Our Detectives are still part of the task force with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. This past year the task force seized over one million dollars in cash and assets, and confiscated pounds of heroin, cocaine, marijuana and prescription medication. Over the past ten years, the Fairhaven Police Department has conducted over 1,000 drug investigations, which have led to numerous arrests, search warrant executions and drug seizures.

2018 was a very productive year for the Animal Control Division. We had two animal abuse/neglect cases brought before the judicial system that are still awaiting decisions. The animal shelter was very busy also. With a volunteer staff of over thirty people they have logged over 3200 volunteer hours. If the town had to pay for their services it would have cost over \$36,000. As a direct result of their services we were able to find forever homes for 141 animals. Our volunteers are the backbone of the shelter. The animal control officers could not do their jobs without them. The community has also been a huge support system for the shelter. They have graciously donated literally thousands of dollars to our gift fund. This fund was used to make many repairs and upgrades to the shelter to help provide a safe and warm environment for all of our furry residents .

The Fairhaven Police Department utilizes its website, [fairhavenpolice.org](http://fairhavenpolice.org) and its Facebook site to exchange information with the community. Both sites are updated as often as possible with recent arrests, mug shots and recent activity in Fairhaven. The website has several tabs where anyone can report a tip and remain completely anonymous, request speed enforcement, register your security cameras, commend an officer or file a complaint. Information from these sites has led to many arrest and drug seizures.

The philosophy embraced by the Fairhaven Police Department is that of service, fairness, pride and dedication. The members of the Fairhaven Police Department are committed to not only performing in accordance with this philosophy, but also to meeting and exceeding the public's expectations of having a highly functional and capable police department. We are mission driven and committed to keeping the Town of Fairhaven a safe and wonderful place to visit and live.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Myers  
Chief of Police

And

Kevin W. Kobza  
Administrative Lieutenant

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Board of 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 Board of Public Works in the Town of Fairhaven. This also includes management and maintenance of the Town roadways, parks, 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 Board of Public Works is to provide community services that exceed the public's expectations. This is 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

The Board of 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 basin maintenance and cleaning, 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 7000+ 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 17 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 ratepayers.

Some of the Board of Public Works projects that either were completed in 2018 or are still being worked on:

Community Involvement – During 2018, the Board of Public Works continued to participate in various community events both inside and outside of its' purview. Of note, we worked with the Town's BMX Bike Committee to help with the creation of a beautiful BMX Bike path at Macomber Park.

Engineering Projects – Projects that were either engineered or requested to be engineered include sewer installation at Sunset Beach, sewer repair/installation at the Fire Station, drainage remedy on Middle St, drainage remedy on Stetson Ave, Green St Phase 2 reconstruction and Hedge St reconstruction.

Green Street Reconstruction - The Board of Public Works reconstructed Green Street from South Street to Cedar St. to include drainage improvements, sidewalk construction, granite curb, pavement reclamation, grading and paving of the existing street. The cost of this project, not including engineering, was \$947,000, which was expended from the Town's Chapter 90 (State aid to Highways) allotment.

As per established protocol, the Board of Public Works held neighborhood meetings to not only inform residents of the proposed project but also to receive feedback. Just as in the prior phase, the project was a total success.

Land Purchases – In 2018, the Board of Public Works, in conjunction with the Towns of Marion and Mattapoisett and the Buzzards Bay Coalition, continued its collective effort in acquiring property to protect drinking water aquifer land.

As in the past, the Board of Public Works, via grants and community preservation funds, purchased lands which are located near the drinking water supply wells of Fairhaven, Marion and Mattapoisett. Not only will this land be protected from future impacts from other uses of the property but this also allows habitat protection benefits. Public access will be allowed thereby giving the public additional opportunities for passive recreational activities.

This year we jointly purchased a property owned by Roy Hawkes in Rochester. This property is located near Fairhaven supply wells along the Mattapoisett River.

Leaf Pick-up – In 2018, the Board of Public Works, once again, contracted for 4 weeks of residential leaf pick up. Due to the initial costs of beginning the cart program, the Board of Public Works discontinued leaf pickup to stabilize general fund costs. Though recycling numbers are not where we want them to be, because the Town's recycling has improved, the Board of Public Works was able to add on this often-requested service.

Marsh Island – In 2018, work continued on Marsh Island to remediate and restore shoreline areas as part of 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.

Public Works Administrative Assistant - In July 2018, Kathy Tripp, the Town's long serving BPW Administrative Assistant, retired. Kathy was an extremely dedicated employee who possessed a wealth of Town knowledge. The Board of Public Works wishes her health and happiness in her retirement years and she will be very missed.

Sewer Plant Upgrade - In 1972, the Clean Water Act (CWA) established the basic struc-

ture for regulating pollutant discharges into the waters of the United States by allowing the US EPA to regulate wastewater discharges in order to restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the nation's waters.

Under the CWA, Fairhaven's wastewater treatment facility has a permit where we must treat the water to an acceptable level before it can be discharged into the New Bedford inner harbor. Through hard work and dedication, Fairhaven's treatment facility has a long history of consistent compliance with these discharge standards receiving numerous environmental awards, the most recent one presented in January 2015.

When the CWA came into existence, nitrogen was not a parameter of concern as scientists were unaware of the deleterious effects of this pollutant. As a result, the design of most wastewater plants (including Fairhaven's) did not contain nitrogen removal capabilities as this was not a concern that Congress had targeted when these facilities were being built. Fast forward 40 plus years and science has revealed that excessive nitrogen discharges can deplete oxygen levels and encourage algae growth in marine waters which are both ecologically harmful.

Nitrogen at the wastewater plant comes from various sources but the main culprits are urea (urine), processed foods and cleaning chemicals.

On September 27, 2017, the EPA issued the Town its' new sewer discharge permit which contains a "not to exceed" nitrogen limit. To comply with this newly imposed limit, the Town will have to significantly upgrade its' treatment facility and borrow money (raise rates) in order to do so.

The BPW contracted with both a legal and environmental engineering group and negotiated a permit with the goal of achieving compliance while obtaining the most affordable upgrade.

In 2018, after a lengthy negotiation process, the Town of Fairhaven entered into agreement with the United States EPA to comply with this referenced new discharge permit.

Currently, we are upgrading some of the infrastructure at the treatment plant so the plant will be ready for the addition of a nitrogen removal process.

As part of the nitrogen removal upgrade, the Board of Public Works also conducted an affordability analysis to ascertain various possibilities available to comply with our new discharge permit including, but not limited to, which type of treatment would work and be the most affordable for our residents.

Shortly thereafter, following review of what the results yielded reveal, design of the selected option will begin.

Our agreement with the EPA should see construction completed by 2025/2026.

Sewer Pump Station Upgrades - During calendar year 2018, the Board of Public Works continued to upgrade sewer pump stations, based on a prioritized schedule for rehabilitation.

Due to the age of these stations, parts are increasingly difficult to obtain. In consideration of the critical function of this infrastructure, it is imperative to maintain these pump stations to ensure uninterrupted service in our collection system.

During this year, improvements were made to the Railroad and Pilgrim Ave pump stations.

Snow Removal - The Board of Public Works would like to thank those who assisted us during last year's snow events.

As always, Public Works is committed to adhering to a carefully laid out system for clearing the streets. If we allowed our plows to be diverted, our system would be destroyed and it would take far longer to get all the streets in the Town cleared, which is counterproductive to the task.

Street Construction – During 2018, Town Meeting approved the following roads for reconstruction: Hope Ave, Bluepoint Road and Ebony Street, while Brown Street, Diamond Street, Hopkins Street and Rockland Street were reconstructed.

The work occurring on each street typically includes road surfacing, sidewalk repair, drainage improvements and curbing.

Street Light Maintenance – In 2018, the Board of Public Works continued with the responsibility of maintaining the streetlights in Town. Working closely with the Police Department, the Board of Public Works, via an outside contractor, responds to those lights that malfunction. To date, this has worked out very well for the Town.

Stormwater Permit – In any Municipality, sewage and drainage are either contained (conveyed) in the same pipe or in two separate pipes. In those municipalities where sewage is carried in a separate system than drainage (rain water), the EPA requires this community to have a permit granting stipulated permission for the drainage discharge.

The Board of Public Works applied for such a permit back in 2003. Since then, we have been following the required protocol of the permit, such as, but not limited to, stormwater education, sweeping streets, cleaning catch basins and compiling and submitting an annual report.

Now that 15 years have passed, the EPA is requiring these same communities to apply for another permit with the intent of requiring some additional tasks. The permit application for this new permit, which is called an NOI, was signed in October 2018.

Once the application (NOI) was processed, the Town received a new permit which contained additional requirements other than those mentioned above. Some of these,

which we have already completed due to the efficiency of the Highway Staff, are to collect samples at all of our outfalls, identify (map) all of our discharges, and place the entire drainage system on a digital map. Further, once the samples that are collected are analyzed for various bacteria, depending on what the results yielded reveal, we will be required to remedy storm water pipes, with high bacteria counts.

Water system flushing – The Board of Public Works would like to thank all those who assisted us with our Water Flushing Program in 2018.

This process of periodically "flushing" water lines with fire hydrants, which we did during "overnights", to minimize residential/commercial impact, is an important preventive maintenance activity.

This effort is part of a routine maintenance program necessary to maintain the integrity of the water system and allow us to continue to deliver the highest quality water possible to our customers. The flushing route is carefully planned, and valves are opened and closed to control the direction of the water flow. Flushing the water system on a routine basis removes sediment from lines and keeps the entire distribution system "refreshed".

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,

Brian Wotton, Chairman  
Cameron Durant, Vice Chairman  
Robert Hobson, Clerk  
Keith Sylvia, Commissioner  
Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner  
Vincent D. Furtado, Board of Public Works Superintendent  
Kathy A. Tripp, Administrative Assistant  
Rebecca Vento, Administrative Assistant



## PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAY DIVISION

During the year 2018, 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:

Harding Road – Main Street to Alden Road  
Capeview Street – from existing pavement to Sunrise Court  
Welcome Street – from Route 6 south to the end  
Union Street – from Green Street to Walnut Street

Binder Course Only:

Rockland Street – from Point Street to Sconticut Neck Road  
Diamond Street, Club Street, and Henry Street  
Hopkins Street – from Howland Road to Brown Street  
Brown Street – from Hopkins Street west 190'

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 7 catch basins were rebuilt throughout the town. Crack sealing was performed on various streets throughout the Town. Street sign vandalism continues with over 133 signs being replaced or repaired. During our snow removal and sanding operations we used 670 tons of sand and 338 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

## PUBLIC WORKS, PARK DEPARTMENT

The Park Department has been very busy in 2018 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 the ball fields were weeded and graded to playable conditions.

The toilet trailer for West Island Town Beach is operating during the summer months.

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

## PUBLIC WORKS, WATER DEPARTMENT

In the year 2018, there was a changing of the guard in the Water Department, there is a new superintendent, Mr. Jeffrey Furtado.

We would like to thank Mr. Edward Fortin and Mr. Stanley Gadowski who both retired in the fall of 2017 for their many years of service to the Water Department.

Besides having two long time personnel leave us, we have two new employees starting their new ventures in the water field, Mr. Daryl Snell and Mr. Seth Alexion.

The Department had two of the three Wolf Island wells rehabbed and is in the process of installing a new well at Tinkham In.

We also have started a valve exercising program as well as a unidirectional flushing program that took place in the late fall, two out of eleven zones have been completed and we will be starting the remaining zones in the upcoming spring.

In 2018, there were 412,148,000 gallons of finish water were pumped. The most gallons of finished water pumped in a week was 10,380,000 gallons.

The Department had 32 house service leaks, and 6 main leaks, there were 9 lead services replaced and 2 new services added. We also replaced 4 fire hydrants and added no new fire hydrants. We replaced one main line gate.

In the upcoming years we will be continuing our efforts in bringing the department up to date with the most modern equipment and technologies.

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

Jeffrey Furtado  
Water Superintendent

## PUBLIC WORKS, SEWER DEPARTMENT

2018 was again a busy year for the Sewer Department. We have completed the final phase of the 24" interceptor rehabilitation project, and are in the final months of renovation of the Pilgrim and Railroad pump stations, as well as the preliminary treatment building and clarifiers at the main plant on Arsene Street. We negotiated a new NPDES permit with the EPA and DEP which gives us a timeline to comply with a 125 pound per day nitrogen limit. This permit will take us into 2029 with a fully functioning and compliant tertiary treatment plant by the end of 2026. Expect to be hearing a lot more about this project as we progress with the preliminary planning. We submitted the first deliverable of the permit, which was an affordability study completed in conjunction with Tighe and Bond. This was a collaborative effort between the water and sewer departments, Tighe and Bond, and the finance team for the Town. We are also in the planning stages of adding two new wells to the West Island facility, as well as upgrading the instrumentation, filters, and various pieces of process equipment in compliance with our newly issued ground water permit. The plant was featured by the Buzzards Bay Coalition in an article about success stories of neighborhood scale wastewater treatment plants.

Our 5 million gallon per day facility on Arsene Street once again performed well within its permit limits despite its age and challenges with BOD5 and TSS levels of 18 mg/l and 17 mg/l respectively (state and federal permit levels are 30 mg/l). As we remind our customers each year, the "normal" life span of a treatment facility such as ours is 20 years, while our plant has just completed its 31st year of operation. Replacement parts and maintenance issues continue to escalate in scarcity and cost each year. The treatment process at our Arsene Street plant yielded over 300 dry tons of biosolids, which were hauled offsite in liquid form by Synagro Northeast. There was a total of 231,000 gallons of septic waste from the towns of Fairhaven and Mattapoisett accepted in 2018. The Town of Mattapoisett contributed 138,279,355 gallons of the total 1,025,200,000 gallons received at the plant. The West Island treatment facility treated 5,637,555 gallons of wastewater. Our permit levels at this facility for BOD5 (30 mg/l), TSS (30 mg/l) and Total Nitrogen (10 mg/l) were met with the annual averages being BOD5 (5.8 mg/l), TSS (5.9 mg/l) and Total Nitrogen (8.9 mg/l).

The department was fortunate to receive two grants this year. The first was a \$150,000 CEC grant which will allow us to pilot a new nitrogen removal technology that would also be energy efficient. We will begin work on the pilot in March 2019 and it will run thru October so that we can get a full removal years' worth of data. The second grant was for more energy efficiency work at the main treatment plant. We were also able to combine a state grant and Eversource incentives to install a new block heater to our main generator, and a VFD to one of our blowers. These improvements will improve our energy efficiency for the treatment plant.

Each year brings us new challenges and 2019 will be no different with a great number of concurrent projects already happening or in the design and pre-design phase. As always, it is the goal of the Town to be a guardian of its receiving waters, and we continue to work with all officials to produce the best possible quality effluent.

I would like to thank my entire staff for doing a great job. The job that these men do is not

an easy one, and each one of them helps your sewers flow freely every day, 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week. Thanks to Rene Robillard, Ray Paczosa, Dana Hathaway, Bob Gomes, Vic Oliveira, Lee Barlow, Matt Manzone, Joe Frates, Nick Parker, Ryan Robillard, Chris Holland, Charlene Paulson, Manny Luiz, Rosemary Costa and Joe Machado for each doing their part to assure that all of our customers receive seamless service. Sadly, our custodian, Russell Costa, passed away this year and we give our heartfelt condolences to his family as he was a treasured employee and individual.

We look forward to new challenges and learning opportunities in 2019. Focus will be on finishing the rehab work being done at the main plant, Pilgrim and Railroad Avenue stations, the pilot study, and sampling in advance of starting the planning stages of the “big” upgrade. It has been long anticipated, and we are happy to finally be moving towards completion of this very important project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda L Schick  
Sewer Superintendent

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Fairhaven Recreation Department ended 2018 by acknowledging our 17th anniversary of the Recreation Center.

Our Kool Kids summer program once again did very well this past summer. Overall we averaged 59 Children per week. We were at full capacity for all of our weeks and decided to open more spots so overall we were over 100 %. The children enjoyed their time off from school by participating in our program and attending field trips, special events & having Friday pizza lunches and Water Fun day.

2018 also saw us increase our afterschool program at the Wood and the East schools. We averaged 90 Children per week last school year and so far are averaging 93 children per week this school year.

In 2018 the Recreation Center also partnered with the COA and Wellness Committee to install a multi – unit outdoor fitness station behind our facility on Huttleston Avenue as well as 2 single unit stations off of Adams street and Gellette Road.

In 2018 the Recreation Center saw 913 members. We look forward to 2019 as we enter our 18th year.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Warren Rensehausen, APRP  
Recreation Director

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN / TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

2018 was the second year that the Board of Selectmen, with the assistance of the Town Administrator and Town Department Directors, fulfilled its role as the “chief goal setting and policy making agency of the town of Fairhaven” as required by the town code. This effort commenced with a goal setting workshop that was held in October of 2017 where policy goals and specific objectives that work in furtherance of those goals were approved by the Board of Selectmen. What follows is a report on progress that was made in achieving those Policy Goals:

### **Goal 1: Human Resources Improvements**

- The establishment of the Human Resources Department was completed in 2018 resulting in improved administration of sound personnel practices in a uniform manner consistent with Federal and State law.
- The completion and implementation of a pay and classification plan for non-union employees that insures internal equity and competitiveness in the market place. The former provides for equal pay for equal job responsibilities while the latter allows us to recruit and retain the best qualified people to provide municipal services to Fairhaven residents.

### **Goal 2: Town Committees Collaboration**

- A handbook for volunteers who serve on town boards that provides for a code of conduct, responsibilities, and information on federal, state and locals that impact their office was written and distributed.
- The successful development and approval of the Town’s comprehensive recreational marijuana regulations was a collaboration between the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and Board of Health assisted by the Police Department and Town Counsel.

### **Goal 3: Inter and Intra Governmental Cooperation**

- The Police Department, Fire Department, Board of Health and Fairhaven Public Schools in conjunction with the non-profit organization Seven Hills Foundation, have organized the Fairhaven Opioid Task Force to provide for a comprehensive, pro-active approach to addressing the problem of opioid addiction. Recognizing that this is not a Fairhaven only issue, the town is also a participant in the regional Greater New Bedford Opioid Task Force.
- The Towns of Fairhaven, Acushnet and Mattapoisett recently completed a request for proposal process for selecting a qualified vendor to upgrade the radio system jointly used by the three towns.
- The first full year of the integrated Fairhaven Information Technology Department that serves both municipal and school operations resulted in improved IT Support, enhanced security and needed upgrades to both software and hardware.
- The Town continues to be an active participant in numerous regional organizations including) Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEED) , Bristol County Advisory Board, Southeaster Law Enforcement Council (SEMLEC), Buzzards Bay Marine Task Force, Greater Fall River/New Bedford EMS Committee, Bristol County Emergency Preparedness Committee, to name just a few.
- Placing the Animal Control Department within the Police Department and the Emergency Management Agency within the Fire Department has resulted in better coordinated and improved services and enhanced accountability.

#### **Goal 4: Financial Sustainability**

- S&P Global Ratings gave the town a bond rating increase to AA+, one step below AAA, citing “strong management, with ‘good’ financial policies and practices”, “strong budgetary performance, with operating surpluses”, “very strong budget flexibility”, “very strong liquidity” and a “strong debt and contingent liability position”.
- The FY18-19 Budget was structurally balanced and met or exceeded all recommended benchmarks for reserve levels.
- The FY19-23 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan was completed and projects proposed for FY19 were proposed and approved at the May 2018 annual town meeting including funding a fiber optic system to connect town and school buildings, hydraulic rescue equipment for the Fire Department and replacement of rolling stock to provide reliable equipment especially in emergency situations.
- The residential tax rate declined by 2.4% from \$12.04 per \$1000 in 2017 value to \$11.75 per \$1,000 value in 2018 while the average single family home value increased by 3.3% from \$264,074 in 2017 to \$272,739 in 2018. The average single family tax bill increased by \$26 or 8/10 of a percent from \$3,179 to \$3,205.
- In FY2018 the town was awarded 26 grants totaling more than \$1.7 million.

<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>Grant Name</u></b>	<b><u>Grant Revenue</u></b>
Planning & Ec. Dev.	CDBG-Hedge St	629,104.04
Planning & Ec. Dev.	Hazard Mitigation	48,730.00
Planning & Ec. Dev.	East Fairhaven Farms Conservation Grant	35,000.00
Marine	Union Wharf West Wall-Phase 2	678,103.28
Marine	Union Wharf Public Safety Marina	10,010.40
Marine	Boat Pump out Grant	9,012.11
Council on Aging	Formula Grant	40,459.00
Council on Aging	Social Grant	18,000.00
Council on Aging	ARAW Director Grant	3,000.00
Council on Aging	Outreach #1	32,000.00
Council on Aging	Outreach #2	10,000.00
Council on Aging	ARAW Medical Appointment Transport	4,000.00
Police	911 Grant	42,038.88
Police	DEA Grant	22,410.12
Police	911 EMD Training	9,847.49
Police	Traffic Safety	2,887.11
Selectmen	Economic Development Plan	20,000.00
Selectmen	IT Consolidation	15,000.00
Selectmen	Employee Policies	25,000.00
BPW	Sconticut Neck Stormwater-CZM #05	32,970.00
Arts Lottery	Cultural Council	6,100.00
Fire	Senior & Safe Grant	2,615.00
Fire	Safe Grant	4,308.00
Fire	Hazmat Grant	7,841.03
Fire	Civil Defense	14,777.12
Board of Health	Technology Grant	1,485.24
		<b>1,724,698.82</b>



- The Board of Selectmen signed a ten year franchise renewal agreement with Comcast that will provide additional funding for community cable television operations and capital funding including money in support of the town's fiber optic communications system which will replace the outmoded and unreliable I-Net.

#### Goal 5: Economic Development

- The Economic Development Plan was presented to the Board of Selectmen by the Economic Development Committee and was approved. Objective #1 of the Plan is "preserve the commercial viability of the working water front and seek balance with neighborhood land uses. "To that end, using state grant funding, work continued on stabilizing and improving Union Wharf which is the Town's major water front asset.
- Recognizing that Tourism is an important factor in Fairhaven's economy, considerable work was done in promoting Fairhaven in local and regional media outlets, we continued to strengthen ties with our two sister cities (name them), a new "Huttleston Marketplace" started to supplement other town festivals and fairs, and the town entered into an agreement with a company to implement a bike sharing program.

#### **Goal 6: Health and Welfare of Town Residents**

- As mentioned under Goal 3, the Town is actively engaged with the Greater New Bedford Opioid Task Force and in 2018 under the leadership of the Police Chief has established a local Opioid Task Force consisting of representatives from the Board of Health, Fire Department, School Department and non-profit providers. An outreach program that conducts in-home visits with substance abusers and their families has been implemented to provide them with assistance and resources in fighting addiction. In the Police Department, officers have certified in the administration of naloxone (narcane) and the Fire Department has begun a program to provide secure locations for home drug storage and disposal of unused drugs.
- The Fire Department continues to work with other departments to improve and update the Town's Emergency Management Plan. In addition, the Emergency Operations Command Center located at the Fire Station Headquarters has been upgraded with improved telecommunications and video capabilities. The Fire Department also acquired a surplus truck from the Federal government that is capable of evacuating residents in the in the most difficult of environments.
- The Police Department added a second school resource officer to the department. The two school resources officers work daily with the Fairhaven Public Schools in the areas of security, crises intervention and emergency preparedness.
- With state grant funding, a Public Safety Marina was constructed on Union Wharf allowing for the Harbor Master, Fire and Police Boats all to be berthed at one location greatly enhancing the ability of these first responders to quickly and effectively respond in a coordinated fashion to emergencies on the water.
- The Fire Department took possession of a new ladder truck replacing a piece of apparatus of over 35 years old. This new truck significantly reduces the time necessary to safely put water on a fire thus enhancing the department's ability to save lives and property.
- Emergency radio communications was established between the Town Beach on West Island and the Emergency Dispatch Center allowing life guards to immediately and reliably call for assistance.

### **Goal 7: Civic Engagement**

- Channel 95, the Community/Public Access Channel, has been activated for the first time in many years and local producers have already begun developing video content to air on the channel. Numerous public service announcements (PSAs) covering a variety of municipal matters were also produced and aired.
- The Town has installed a new website that provides for easier access to town-related information such as up-to-date news, notices, meeting calendars, department activities and documents.
- The Board of Health, funded through a state grant, engaged in a public outreach program to educate residents on the correct way to recycle materials. This was especially relevant in 2018 due to concerns in the recycling market regarding contaminated recyclables costing more to process.
- The School Department and Municipal Departments have partnered to hire a Media Communications Specialist to ensure a unified presence in social media in support of the Town's vision and mission.

### **Goal 8: Long Term Planning**

- During 2018 the Planning Board adopted "Fairhaven 2040", an updated Town Master Plan, which provides guidance for the future development of Fairhaven through 2040. Supporting the master plan were the adoption, also in 2018, of the Hazard Mitigation Plan, Open Space and Recreation Plan and the Economic Development Plan.
- The Public Facilities Improvement Plan moved forward with review of the existing conditions of town and school buildings, development of estimates to address concerns identified in that process and prioritization by Capital Planning Committee of the order the improvements should proceed over the next 10 to 15 years.
- The Board of Public Works and Board of Selectmen jointly entered into a consent agreement with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of Environmental Protection that sets out a time line with benchmarks to bring the town's sanitary sewer discharge in to compliance with regulations that limit the amount of nitrogen that goes into the New Bedford/Fairhaven Harbor by 2026.

### **GOAL 9: Improve Municipal Services:**

- The Town became a state-certified "Green Community" in 2018 after acceptance of the 'stretch' building code by Town Meeting and adoption of vehicle fuel efficiency and energy reduction plans by the Board of Selectmen and School Superintendent. Acceptance into this program will provide Fairhaven with substantial state grants to implement our goal to reduce town energy needs by 20%.
- The FY18-19 budget included funding for a full-time Conservation Agent/Sustainability Officer. This position will provide for more timely and effective implementation of the town's wetland protection by-law and assistance with meeting the goals of the Green Community Program.
- The Police Department purchased, using grant funds, two new mobile radar signs that can be deployed throughout the town to assist in traffic monitoring and enforcement. Related to traffic control was the adoption of a 25 mph hour town-wide speed limit unless otherwise posted.
- The Dog Park Study Committee was reconstituted to advise the Board of Selectmen on

the viability of constructing and maintaining a dog park in Fairhaven.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the town employees and volunteers who serve on our boards, commissions and committees and for this we are sincerely thankful. We look forward to another year of serving you, our constituents. Thank you for your confidence in us to serve as your Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator.

Respectfully,  
Daniel Freitas, Chair  
Charles K. Murphy, Clerk  
Robert Espindola, Member  
Mark Rees, Town Administrator

## **SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)**

The Town of Fairhaven is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. Originally founded in 1956, SRPEDD (pronounced “sir-ped”), is one of 13 regional planning agencies (RPAs) across the state and one of approximately 550 across the country.

SRPEDD serves 4 cities and 23 towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Through our work, we address common issues facing the region, including economic development, growth and land use, safe and efficient transportation, environmental stewardship, municipal partnerships, and general planning. A Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members, and at-large members govern SRPEDD. Federal and state grants, local assessments, and local contracts fund our activities. In 2018, the Town of Fairhaven paid \$2,830.00 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 17.829 cents per capita, among the lowest rates in the state.

SRPEDD also functions as the region’s staff for the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) and the regional Economic Development District (EDD) with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Please visit the SRPEDD’s website at [www.srpedd.org](http://www.srpedd.org) to review Highlighted Projects ([www.srpedd.org/highlights](http://www.srpedd.org/highlights)), including our Regional Data Center, Drone Program, and various municipal projects. Our website also includes departmental web pages, a calendar of events, and recent news.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, or project ideas.

Local citizens representing Fairhaven in SRPEDD activities:

Robert Espindola and Rene Fleurent, Jr. on the SPREDD Commission.

Gloria McPherson and Vincent Furtado on the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG).

In 2018, SRPEDD provided technical assistance to Fairhaven in the following areas; please note that funding sources are indicated in parentheses:

- Through a Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) META grant, SRPEDD assisted with Fairhaven’s Green Community designation and \$174,535 grant award for energy efficiency projects identified under the town’s Energy Reduction Plan (DOER).
- Staff provided assistance to the Economic Development Committee with a vacant property survey and database, including mapping found at <https://srpedd.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=83e2dac419964afa9f06fab28a825715> (Municipal Assistance and Local Contract).
- SRPEDD continued to assist the South Coast Bikeway Alliance (Fairhaven represented) with mapping, funding guidance, route planning, and sign design (MassDOT).

- Staff advanced the Route 6 Corridor Study including Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, and Wareham (MassDOT). For more information, please see <http://www.srpedd.org/Route-6-Corridor-Study>.
- Conducted traffic counts on Green Street, south of Washington Street; Howland Road, east of Adams Street; New Boston Road, north of Route 6 and south of Bridge Street; Route 6 (EB and WB), at Mattapoisett town line, east and west of New Boston Road, and east of Route 240; Sconticut Neck Road, north of Jerusalem Road and south of Goulart Memorial Drive and Washington Street, west of Temple Place (MassDOT).
- Conducted turning movement counts at Alden Road and Bridge Street and at Huttleston Avenue (Route 6) at Adams, Holcomb, Main, and Middle Streets (MassDOT).

Highlights from SRPEDD's general 2018 Work Program include the following:

- SRPEDD updated the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Southeastern Massachusetts, a regional document maintained by SRPEDD and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). The CEDS maintains eligibility for the region's cities and towns to receive EDA funding.
- SRPEDD completed the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds. The Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) endorsed the FY 2019-2023 TIP.
- SRPEDD completed numerous local technical assistance projects through direct local contract, our Municipal Assistance (MA) program, and the District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) program. Projects include, but are not limited to, Master Plans, Economic Development Plans and Guides, Housing Production Plans, Complete Streets and Green Communities Program Participation, interactive mapping, and assisting with Community Compact Cabinet (CCC) Best Practices.
- SRPEDD initiated a Drone Program.
- SRPEDD continues as the lead agency for the Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN). The RTWN is a collaborative of local, non-profit, regional, and state and federal government representatives interested in the future health and resilience of the Taunton River Watershed. The RTWN provides information, conducts outreach and educational efforts, resources and tools to protect existing natural resources, reduce flooding, promote restoration, and develop sustainability (EPA).
- SRPEDD provides fiduciary support services to the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Council (SRAC), comprised of 96 municipalities and the Wampanoag Nation.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic-counting program and maintains a computer file of available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 152 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continued to provide administrative and technical support to the Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC) through a Cooperative Agreement with the National Parks Service. The Council is a multi-community, multi-agency collaborative established through the designation of the Taunton River as a Federal Partnership Wild & Scenic River in 2009.
- In partnership with the TRSC, SRPEDD provides public education and stewardship

opportunities to Taunton River Watershed communities, as well as access to local project funds through its Mini Grants Program.

- SRPEDD is a member of two National Estuary Programs (NEP) including the Narragansett Bay Management Committee and Buzzards Bay Steering Committee, created to protect the resources and promote the stewardship of their respective watersheds. The Buzzards Bay and Narragansett Bay Watersheds together encompass the entirety of the SRPEDD area. As a member of these oversight committees, SRPEDD participates in the development of their respective Management Plans for both programs.
- SRPEDD continues to operate the Pavement Management Program, evaluating pavement conditions on federal-aid eligible roadways in the region's cities and towns.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 380 signalized intersections in the region. SRPEDD conducted 90 turning movement counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continue to assist communities under the Regional Bicycle Plan addressing infrastructure needs and recommendations on how to improve connectivity throughout the region.
- SRPEDD initiated the Regional Pedestrian Plan to examine existing conditions in the region's cities and towns and provide recommendations to improve pedestrian connectivity.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting. SRPEDD completed a Regional Transit Plan for GATRA that will guide transit improvements in the near future.
- SRPEDD has initiated the Regional Bus Stop Capital Investment Plan following the completion of the Regional Bus Stop Inventory in 2016. The inventory of data collected for GATRA and SRTA bus stops is available to assist on proposed capital improvements.
- SRPEDD has been providing technical assistance to the South Coast Climate Change Coalition whose mission is to increase public awareness of the probable consequences of climate change, help communities incorporate resiliency planning, and take actions that help communities adapt to and minimize the consequences of climate change.
- SRPEDD is a member of the Board of Directors of Southeast Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL). SEEAL is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help provide quality environmental education and stewardship opportunities to communities in southeastern Massachusetts. SEEAL runs a Mini-Grants Program to support local projects that address climate change, alternative energy, urban agriculture, and youth conservation education.
- SRPEDD maintains an extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program. The mapping program contains a number of data layers including, land-use, zoning, water resources, soils, habitats, transportation network, economic development, priority protection and priority development areas, and other data and information.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.

## SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

This has been a great year for sustainable efforts in Fairhaven. When we started this committee over ten years ago it felt like we were ahead of the game in Fairhaven but alone as a committee. We were busy promoting sustainability in different aspects of the town and surrounding community. Now we see our vision in many different areas of the town. Throughout the town there have been so many different sustainable initiatives started.

We are so pleased that Fairhaven has been designated a Green Community by the State of Massachusetts. This has been an ongoing effort for many years by the committee and many other stakeholders in town. We are so glad that this has finally been approved. The new Sustainability Coordinator Whitney McClees will be a wonderful addition to the community and will help to coordinate grant funds from the state from this new designation.

Our Chair, Deirdre Healy attended a conference early in the year sponsored by the Mass Green Network. She came away with many different ideas for projects that we may want to continue in town. The committee worked on some of these sustainable ideas through the Eco- Challenge in which many members of the community utilized an online site to pledge their commitment to various environmentally friendly actions.

Our three Community Gardens are still very active at Wood School, East Fairhaven and Elizabeth Hastings Middle School. We have a very dedicated sub-committee that works tirelessly on providing spaces for gardeners to grow their favorite produce. We also still run the Seed Library out of the Millicent Library each Spring and is very active with donations and very popular with community members who want to share their seeds.

This was the first year that the committee did not run a Farmers Market at Fairhaven High School. This market was very successful for ten years and helped to provide our community and the south coast area with local produce. Many of the farmers from this market continued to sell their produce at the new Huttleston Marketplace and also at the new market on Alden Road.

There are many places that local produce and products can be purchased and we encourage supporting these local farmers and continuing to find out where your food is grown.

The committee was also very excited that our Board of Health agent and team was very active this summer in promoting recycling efforts throughout the town. Through various grants recycling efforts were explained and town residents were educated on the correct materials to be recycled on the curbside.

Our committee will continue to promote sustainable practices into the new year and is always willing to work on new projects that enhance the town. We are looking for fresh ideas and would love to work with local groups and individuals.

Deirdre Healy	Chair
Lois Callahan	
Marcus Ferro	
Laurie Hellstrom	
Vincent Marron	
Anne O'Brien	
Diana Painter	
Ann Richard	
Susan Spooner	
Wendy Drumm	Alternate
Lisa Elliot	Alternate
Marianne Murray	Alternate



## OFFICE OF TOURISM

The calendar year 2018 was comprised of the last two quarters of FY18 and the first two quarters of FY19. It was the twenty-third year of the Office of Tourism's operation.

### VISITORS CENTER

The center was open year round on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Whenever the Office of Tourism was open, visitors could also see the Historical Society's museum on the second floor. The Center was open the evening of August 7 for the second National Night Out.

Joanne Zych volunteered to staff the Visitors Center on Friday mornings during June, July, August, and September when Mr. Richard was out guiding tours. Jordan Richard provided assistance from 8:00 a.m. to noon during the Monday Morning Fun programs in July and August.

Intern Kennedy Ryan was hired for the summer to work one morning a week staffing the Visitors Center and doing marketing duties including social media work, photography, and writing press releases.

Besides the regular Visitors Center operation, other programs sponsored by the Office of Tourism were held at the Academy Building. Details on the Monday Morning Fun programs, Harvest Fun Day and new Huttleston Marketplace are given in the Events section below.

### TOURS

In 2018, the regularly scheduled Henry H. Rogers Walking Tours in June through the fall were guided by Robert Foster (Tuesday mornings) and Christopher Richard (Thursday mornings).

At Fort Phoenix the "Pirates and Privateers Presentation" continued for the third season on Friday mornings, June through September. Christopher Richard and volunteer Erin Hedges once again portraying the privateers Greybeard & Abby while Andrew Morin joined the "crew" as Andrew the Powder Monkey. A new member was added to the "crew" when Lee Bonia volunteered to play the part of Mr. Church the ship's cook. It is hoped that this popular program can be expanded further with additional volunteers.

Between May and October, six regularly scheduled public tours were given in Riverside Cemetery. Five of the six tours were guided by Joanne Zych and one was guided by Christopher Richard

A Poverty Point Walking Tour was scheduled in September.

In addition to the above mentioned, regularly scheduled public tours, a number of custom tours and school field trips were presented for groups, including Nazarene Christian Academy, Old Hammondtown School, Little People's College, the Marine Corps League, the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, the Rec Center Kool Kids, a group of Japanese teachers and students, and others.

## **HUTTLESTON MARKETPLACE**

A new endeavor for the Office of Tourism in 2018 was the creation and operation of the Huttleston Marketplace on Saturdays on the lawn of the Visitors Center and Fairhaven High from June to September.

There were three ideas behind the creation of the marketplace. One was to add an attraction to draw people to Fairhaven and to the Visitors Center. The second was economic development by providing a regular, affordable venue for artists, crafters, and other small vendors, to sell their products without the expense and burden of a leased commercial storefront or gallery space. The third was to replace the farmers market that had operated at the Academy Building property for ten years until the fall of 2017.

The marketplace accepted vendors selling handmade arts and crafts, farm produce, books by local authors, antiques and collectibles, and locally produced foods. A total of 65 different vendors participated over the course of the summer with about 30 to 35 booths set up on most weeks.

A number of the Huttleston Marketplace vendors had never participated in Fairhaven events before. A few of the local vendors were setting up at a craft fair for the first time and were encouraged by their success to take part in other events. Some were invited to place their wares in local shops. Nearly all of the vendors had a positive experience and have expressed strong interest in participating again in 2019.

Donations made by the vendors to the Tourism Gift Account were used to offset the expenses, which included signs, porta-john rental, advertising, and performances by local musicians. The Huttleston Marketplace ran from 10:00 to 4:00, from June 16 to September 1. It was a very successful first year drawing many positive comments from public.

As soon as the season ended, plans were begun for a second, longer season in 2019.

## **OTHER EVENTS**

In 2018, the Office of Tourism and the Fairhaven Village Militia co-sponsored spring and fall historical encampments at Fort Phoenix on Memorial Day weekend. During the encampments members of the Wareham Militia & Minuteman Co. participated as well.

The 22nd annual Fourth of July Ceremony at Fort Phoenix was sponsored by the Office of Tourism, with participation by the Board of Selectmen and the Fairhaven Village Militia. Julie Dextraze, a recent graduate of Fairhaven High School, performed the National Anthem and Jordan Richard, also a recent graduate, read the Emma Lazarus poem "The New Colossus."

During its fourth year, there were seven weeks of Monday Morning Fun programs at the Visitors Center in July and August. There was an eighth week scheduled which was rained out. Programs were presented by local groups including the Lloyd Center for the Environment, the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, Farm Visits of Assonet,

cartoonist Zack Giallongo and others. Ann Richard volunteered to supervise one week during the Tourism Director's vacation and present a program. Dorothy Cox's was on hand each week selling ice cream and bottled water.

On October 13, the sixth annual Harvest Fun Day was held on a wet day (for the second year in a row). Although it was cool and showery families came out to enjoy food, crafts, children's activities. More than 70 booths were expected, but the rain kept away some of them. A farm tractor, and an antique Ford Model T depot hack were on hand, as were some walk-around characters.

The Office of Tourism hosted its 21st annual Town Hall Shops as part of the Old-Time Holiday in December. Twenty-six groups took part in the Town Hall. Music was provided by Fairhaven music students. Food was served by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association and by Troop 52. The Fairhaven Village Militia served popcorn. The Office of Tourism provided publicity and paid advertising for all of the Old-Time Holiday events.

In addition to the events sponsored or co-sponsored by the Office of Tourism, the office provides free marketing/advertising services for many special events such as the Father's Day and West Island road races, the Homecoming Day Fair, the Summer Concert Series, Outdoor Family Movie Night, the Feast of Our Lady of Angels, and others, that are sponsored by independent non-profit groups. Website listings, paid advertising and press releases are produced to promote many public activities held in town throughout the year.

### **ADVERTISING and PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Regular promotion of Fairhaven attractions and special events continued with paid print advertising placed in the Southcoast Almanac, South Coast INSIDER, Along Rte. 28, Cape Cod and Islands Pride Pages, O Jornal, Fairhaven Neighborhood News, The Traveler, Cape Cod Best Read Guide, and Community Values. Additionally, ads were placed in regional hotel in-room guest directories. The Monday Morning Fun Programs and Harvest Fun Day were promoted with full-page ads in the Neighborhood News. The Old-Time Holiday in December was promoted with full-page color ads in the Fairhaven Neighborhood News and the South Coast INSIDER.

The dates and information about the Huttleston Marketplace were listed with FestivalNet.com, a nationwide service promoting fairs, festivals, marketplaces, etc.

Five thousand copies of the, updated 28-page Fairhaven Visitors Guide were published in late April. A .pdf file of the guidebook is posted on Town of Fairhaven and the Office of Tourism websites.

In addition to paid advertising, press releases and photos about Fairhaven and special events were distributed to the press. Some of Fairhaven's larger special events were posted on the Massachusetts, Bristol County and City of New Bedford tourism websites.

### **LECTURES AND CONSULTING**

Mr. Richard consulted with two production companies looking for film/video locations

for their projects. Icon Films from the UK sought permission to shoot video of an episode about the Lizzie Borden murders for the new TV series Legend Hunter that appears on the Travel Channel. Mr. Richard also toured around Fairhaven with the location scout for the Max Winkler film Jungleland, which was filming in our area beginning in August 2018.

The release of author Brian Murphy's historical non-fiction book "Adrift," about a Fairhaven man's survival of a shipwreck in the 1850s brought attention to town. Mr. Richard has provided historical research and took the author to a variety of sites in town that were connected with the story.

Mr. Richard gave a lecture on John Cooke for the Fairhaven Historical Society at the Town Hall in March. He repeated that lecture in October for students from The Second Half.

Some work was begun to help the East Fairhaven School third grade teaching team develop a Fairhaven History curriculum for its classes.

### **INTERNET**

Information about Fairhaven events is posted daily on social media sites Facebook (<http://facebook.com/FairhavenTours>) and Twitter (<http://twitter.com/FairhavenTours>). Items posted by Fairhaven businesses and non-profit groups on social media are shared and retweeted by the Office of Tourism. A Twitter account and Facebook page were also created for the Huttleston Marketplace.

The Office of Tourism website, <http://FairhavenTours.com>, was further expanded and updated.

During the summer, intern Kennedy Ryan assisted with Social Media.

### **OLD STONE SCHOOLHOUSE**

Starting in 2018, the Old Stone Schoolhouse was only opened by appointment.

Respectfully,  
Christopher J. Richard  
Director of Tourism

## TOWN CLERK

As of January 1, 2019 total residents in Fairhaven are 15,750 and the total registered voters are 11,536. Births, marriages and deaths in the year 2018 were:

- Births: 84
- Marriages: 86
- Deaths: 252

Elections and Town Meetings in 2018 were as follows:

Town Election—April 2, 2018  
Annual Town Meeting—May 5, 2018  
State Primary Election—September 4, 2018  
State Election—November 6, 2018  
Special Town Meeting—November 13, 2018

Total cash turned over to the Treasurer was \$60,037.85. The Town Clerk's Office collected the following violations:

- Parking violations - \$9,708.00
- By-Law violations - \$3,350.00
- Dog violations - \$25.00
- Boat Ramp violations - \$235.00
- Penalties/Late fees - \$1,545.00

Dog licenses – 2,036 for a total of \$15,584.00

Business Certificates – 104 for a total of \$3200.00

The managing and administration of elections is one of the most important functions 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.

I would like to thank my assistant, Linda Fredette, and former Town Clerk, Eileen M. Lowney, fellow workers, registrars, poll workers, police department and school custodians for their cooperation and support during the past year.

Respectfully,  
Carolyn Hurley  
Acting Town Clerk

Registrar  
Constable

## TOWN COLLECTOR

REAL ESTATE TAX	26,315,292
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX	1,037,420
CPA TAX	441,459
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2,080,013
WATERWAY USER FEES	72,139
BOAT EXCISE	21,396
TAX LIENS	412,502
INTEREST AND FEES	444,645
WATER USAGE	2,631,760
WATER BETTERMENTS	-
WATER BETTERMENT INTEREST	-
WATER LIENS	213,582
WATER & SEWER LIEN INTEREST & FEES	83,268
DRAINLAYERS APPLICATION FEE	52,135
SEWER LIENS	259,977
SEWER USAGE	2,544,434
SEWER CAPITAL FEE	305,491
SEWER USAGE FEE	24,557
SEWER BETTERMENTS	251,978
SEWER BETTERMENT INTEREST	80,481
MATTAPOISETT SEWER CHARGES	316,811
BETTERMENT RELEASE CERTIFICATES	132
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERTIFICATES	29,100
SCHOOL TUITION	2,790,659
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	175,191
IE LIENS	32,125
 TOTAL COLLECTIONS IN FY 2018	 40,616,547

Thank you to my office staff: Assistant Collector Pamela Bettencourt, and Senior Clerks Kelly Ferranti, and MaryLou Baumgartner. Your dedication and teamwork assisting our taxpayers is greatly appreciated.

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Respectfully submitted,

Wendy L. Graves  
Town Collector

## TREE DEPARTMENT

The storms of March 2018 wreaked havoc on the town's trees. Many trees were damaged and needed removal and most all of the damage has been taken care of.

Work will continue over the next few years to replant and repair the damage done by storms. We hope to be replanting a wide variety of trees to give the town a different look. Our tree trimming program is in full force but there is still a lot of work to be done on improving the trees along our streets.

Replacement of our 2001 Arial lift truck is needed due to numerous mechanical issues and reliability. We are hoping to get the funds in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

G.B. Knowles IV  
Tree Warden

## VETERANS SERVICES

The Office of Veterans' Services granted financial aid and medical assistance through M.G.L. Chapter 115 to 68 veterans, their families, spouses or widows during 2018. This caseload consists of 42 veterans, 11 spouses, 2 children and 32 widows totaling 88 qualified individuals.

On February 14, 2018, after 17 years of serving Veterans and the Town of Fairhaven as Veterans Agent, James Cochran retired. He is sorely missed by many but none more than Jane, his Administrative Assistant. The town is currently seeking a qualified candidate to fill the Veterans Agent position. Mr. Cochran's shoes have proved a daunting task to fill!

Unemployed veterans are 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 VA aid through their hospital and clinics. A representative from the VA is present at the clinic every second Tuesday morning of each month. A number of resident 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 from the VA 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.

Mr. Cochran completed 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 database will be a great asset in granting the appropriate honors to our veterans and will be continuously updated.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Bettencourt  
Administrative Assistant



## DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

The annual salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures is \$7,000.

The Town of Fairhaven has a Consumer/Merchant Fund and the account balance is \$3,823.15

Calendar year of 2018 – Fees Charged

Sealing fees collected: \$4,796

Charges collected for adjusting: \$17.49

Total Amount collected for Civil Penalties: \$1

### DEVICES TESTED DURING THIS PERIOD

SCALES	Sealed	Not- Sealed
100-5,000lbs.	5	
Under 100lbs .	42	
Balances	4	
WEIGHTS		
Avoirdupois	6	
Metric	28	
Aoothecarv	19	
AUTOMATIC LIQUID MEASURING DEVICES		
Gasoline	85	8
OTHER AUTO MEASURING DEVICES		
Wire-Cirdage Measurring Drvices	1	
Reversing Vending Machines	5	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>8</b>

Submitted by:

Theodore Machado

Sealer of Weights and Measures

# RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH AS OF JUNE 30, 2018

Cash & Checks in office

\$25.00

Bank of America	1,508,052.43
Century Bank	1,798,452.28
Unibank	5,302,287.09
Citizens Bank	471,730.00
Blue Hills Bank	708,457.80
Mansfield Bank	804,481.32
HarborOne Bank	4,080,895.61
Rockland Trust	2,354,727.36
Bristol County Savings Bank	8,247,289.38
TOTAL LIQUID INVESTMENTS	

25,276,373.27

## TRUST FUNDS

Bristol County Savings Bank	538,699.12
Citibank - not in custody of Treasurer	2,181,085.84
Bank of America - (Stocks-Market Value)	680,901.26
Rockland Trust Company	993,521.19
Bartholomew & Company	6,611,002.12
MMDT	3,017,082.76

## TOTAL TRUST FUNDS

TOTAL ALL CASH & INVESTMENTS    \$14,022,292.29

\$39,298,690.56

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/Collector

**REVENUE RECEIVED**  
**JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018**

**TAX COLLECTIONS (NET)**

REAL ESTATE/ROLLBACK	26,315,292
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE/8 OF 58 ABATE	2,080,013
PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,037,420
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES REDEEMED	412,502
MUNICIPAL LIENS / IE LIENS	61,225
BOAT EXCISE/OTHER EXCISE	34,630
IN LIEU OF TAXES/PROFORMA TAX	175,191

**INTEREST/PENALTIES**

PROPERTY TAX/WARRANT FEE	126,205
EXCISE TAX/RMV MARKING FEES	203,876
TAX LIENS	114,564

<b>TOTAL TAXES/INTEREST</b>	<b>30,560,916</b>
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**CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

SEMASS ADMINISTRATION/RECYCLING	98,544
WHARFAGE	51,446
FEES	411,434
RENTALS/LEASE	57,274
WIND TURBINE ENERGY	992,518

<b>TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	<b>1,611,216</b>
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**LICENSES AND PERMITS**

ALCOHOLIC BEV. LICENSES	36,893
OTHER LIC & PERMITS	480,324

<b>TOTAL LICENSES &amp; PERMITS</b>	<b>517,217</b>
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<b>FINES &amp; FORFEITS</b>	<b>7,471</b>
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INVESTMENT INCOME	98,782
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MISCELLANEOUS

RECURRING	18,991
NONRECURRING/SALE OF TAX POSSESSION	167,513
PRIOR YEAR	8,942

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	195,447
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REVENUE FROM FEDERAL/STATE

UNRESTRICTED GEN'L GOV AID	2,252,710
STATE OWNED LAND	154,041
CHAPTER 90	301,678
ROOM TAX	252,048
MEAL TAX	337,244
VETERAN BENEFITS	537,416
ABATE VETS & BLIND/SURVIVING SPOUSE	99,639
GENERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS	1,724,787
SRF-TRANSPORTATION NETWORK	524

TOTAL STATE REVENUE/FEDERAL	5,660,088
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OTHER REVENUE

WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT	72,139
AMBULANCE FUND	1,108,517
STORMWATER MAINT FEE	-
SOCIAL DAY RECEIPTS-COA	175,613
WETLAND PROTECTION	4,440
INSURANCE RECOVERY	130,016
GIFTS/RESTITUTION	47,613
HOPPY'S LANDING	8,520
GOV ACCESS-GENERAL	176,917
PARK UTILITIES	200
TITLE 5	6,870
HAZMAT	1,907
SUSTAINABILITY COMM	542

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM	433
WELLNESS	183
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	1,733,909
TOTAL NON-SCHOOL REVENUE	40,385,045

#### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

TUITION	2,790,659
EDUCATION CABLE	135,194
SALE OF SCHOOL LUNCHES/INV EARN	409,420
ATHLETIC REVOLVER	21,750
MUSIC REVOLVER	890
GIFTS/RESTITUTION	59,793
LEASE-TRIPP SCH	36,480
RENTAL SCHOOL PROPERTY	16,863
PRESCHOOL TUITION	33,175
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM/REC CTR	103,852
INSURANCE RECOVERY	2,827
MISC	-
TOTAL	3,610,904

#### SCHOOL REVENUE FROM FEDERAL/STATE

CIRCUIT BREAKER	294,465
SCHOOL AID - CHAPTER 70	7,580,960
MSBA-HMS ROOF	341,410
ADDITIONAL SCHOOL AID	-
CHARTER TUITION/TRANSPORT HOMELESS	737
SCHOOL LUNCH	435,627
MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	87,562
TOTAL	8,740,761

#### SCHOOL GRANTS FEDERAL/STATE

TITLE I/SCHOOL SUPPORT	278,670
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SPN IDEA/TITLE IV	510,910
TITLE IIA/EDUCATORS QUALITY	59,097
RETELL	-
EARLY CHILDHOOD	24,763
SPN PROF IMPROVEMENT	390
ENHANCED SCHOOL HEALTH	3,000
TOTAL	876,830
TOTAL SCHOOL REVENUE	13,228,494

#### WATER DIVISION

WATER RATES/WATER SERVICES	2,631,760
WATER LIENS/COMM INT	180,399
WATER DEMANDS	42,746
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES	33,183
WATER BETTERMENT ADDED TO TAXES	-
COMM. INTEREST PD IN ADVANCE	-
MISC	3,288
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	746
WATER BETTERMENT PD IN ADVANCE	-
INSURANCE RECOVERY	6,157
TOTAL WATER REVENUE	2,898,279

#### SEWER DIVISION

SEWER USER CHARGE	2,544,434
SEWER CAPITAL FEE	305,491
SEWER BETTERMENT ADDED TO TAXES	187,291
MATT. USER CHARGE	316,811
SEWER LIENS/COMM INT	184,717
COMMITTED INTEREST	80,481
SEWER BETTERMENT PD IN ADVANCE	64,687
TAX LIENS/FORECLOSURES	75,260
SEWER APPLICATION FEE	33,875
USAGE W/O WATER	24,299
DEMANDS AND FEES	40,522

SEPTIC WASTE	7,806
MISC	4,416
DRAIN LAYER	2,750
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	1,238
USER CHARGE-OT	258
INSURANCE RECOVERY	-
TOTAL SEWER REVENUE	3,874,335
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT	
SURCHARGES/TAX LIENS	377,865
STATE MATCH REVENUE	63,594
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	7,854
INTEREST AND FEES	2,424
TOTAL COMMUNITY PRESERVATION REVENUE	451,737
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUE	60,837,891

# SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AS OF JUNE 30, 2018

		BUDGET	TRANSFERS	FINAL BUDGET	EXPENDITURE	ENCUMBRANCE	BALANCE
113 -TOWN MEETING							
	SALARY	1,121.00	0.00	1,121.00	(480.05)	0.00	640.95
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	(966.01)	0.00	2,033.99
	SUPPLIES	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	(1,400.00)	0.00	0.00
114 -MODERATOR							
	SALARY	800.00	0.00	800.00	(800.00)	0.00	0.00
122 -SELECTMEN							
	SALARY	368,460.00	0.00	368,460.00	(334,813.72)	0.00	33,646.28
	SALARY	16,389.00	0.00	16,389.00	(16,389.00)	0.00	0.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	11,717.00	0.00	11,717.00	(10,683.73)	(76.40)	956.87
	SUPPLIES	4,763.00	0.00	4,763.00	(4,652.97)	(83.05)	26.98
	OTHER CHARGES	19,160.00	(500.00)	18,660.00	(16,532.83)	0.00	2,127.17
	MINOR EQUIPMENT	7,229.00	(229.24)	6,999.76	(6,943.21)	0.00	56.55
	FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN	144,789.30	0.00	144,789.30	(112,760.90)	0.00	32,028.40
	CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND	1,800,000.00	0.00	1,800,000.00	(1,800,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	WIND TURBINE ELECTRIC	750,000.00	0.00	750,000.00	(733,154.06)	0.00	16,845.94
	WAGE & SALARY RESERVE	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	150,000.00
	OPEB	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00	(150,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	ROGERS & OXFORD MAINTENANCE	8,000.00	5,382.00	13,382.00	(12,702.69)	(190.00)	489.31
	SISTER CITY SUPPORT	2,500.24	0.00	2,500.24	(2,000.00)	0.00	500.24
	WELLNESS	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	(5,141.35)	(2,347.41)	11.24
	ROGERS SCHOOL REPURPOSE	10,575.00	0.00	10,575.00	(8,500.00)	0.00	2,075.00
	RAPE CRISIS	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	BUZZARDS BAY COMMISSION	1,140.00	0.00	1,140.00	(1,140.00)	0.00	0.00
	TOWN PROPERTY	1,105.44	0.00	1,105.44	(1,105.44)	0.00	0.00
	MAINTENANCE	6,500.00	0.00	6,500.00	0.00	0.00	6,500.00
131 -FINANCE							
COMMITTEE							
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	170.00	0.00	170.00	0.00	0.00	170.00



135 -TOWN ACCOUNTANT	SUPPLIES	2,670.00	0.00	2,670.00	(2,466.56)	0.00	203.44
	RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS	100,000.00	16,785.32	83,214.68	0.00	0.00	83,214.68
	OTHER CHARGES	475.00	0.00	475.00	(245.00)	0.00	230.00
141 -ASSESSORS	SALARY	122,470.00	0.00	122,470.00	(118,742.50)	0.00	3,727.50
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	90.00	0.00	90.00	(77.43)	0.00	12.57
	TOWN AUDIT	42,000.00	0.00	42,000.00	(40,500.00)	0.00	1,500.00
144 -ASSESSORS	SUPPLIES	200.00	0.00	200.00	(156.49)	0.00	43.51
	OTHER CHARGES	1,185.00	0.00	1,185.00	(1,185.00)	0.00	0.00
	SALARY	153,756.00	0.00	153,756.00	(141,867.85)	0.00	11,888.15
145 -TREASURER/ COLLECTOR	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	25,063.00	0.00	25,063.00	(24,478.12)	0.00	584.88
	SUPPLIES	3,175.00	0.00	3,175.00	(2,764.32)	(363.91)	46.77
	OTHER CHARGES	4,616.00	0.00	4,616.00	(2,882.63)	0.00	1,733.37
151 -LEGAL SERVICES	SALARY	335,847.00	0.00	335,847.00	(329,952.93)	0.00	5,894.07
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	30,480.00	0.00	30,480.00	(25,237.89)	0.00	5,242.11
	TAX TITLE	51,000.00	0.00	51,000.00	(50,984.54)	0.00	15.46
155 -INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	SUPPLIES	6,300.00	0.00	6,300.00	(3,853.74)	(134.99)	2,311.27
	OTHER CHARGES	5,772.00	0.00	5,772.00	(3,807.83)	0.00	1,964.17
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	170,000.00	0.00	170,000.00	(161,316.66)	(7,996.35)	686.99
161 -TOWN CLERK	SALARY	320,674.00	0.00	320,674.00	(315,840.00)	0.00	4,834.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	153,905.00	(20,000.00)	133,905.00	(101,188.17)	(5,613.08)	27,103.75
	SUPPLIES	6,000.00	1,000.00	7,000.00	(6,313.69)	0.00	686.31
161 -TOWN CLERK	MINOR EQUIPMENT	22,300.00	19,000.00	41,300.00	(39,782.22)	(743.17)	774.61
	SALARY	96,546.00	0.00	96,546.00	(96,190.99)	(213.36)	141.65
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	8,472.00	0.00	8,472.00	(6,811.54)	(1,375.00)	285.46

163 -ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	SUPPLIES	3,704.00	1,789.61	5,493.61	(5,245.10)	0.00	248.51
	OTHER CHARGES	1,049.00	(604.00)	445.00	(376.49)	0.00	68.51
	SALARY	13,362.00	0.00	13,362.00	(11,428.88)	0.00	1,933.12
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	15,722.00	(1,185.61)	14,536.39	(10,836.72)	0.00	3,699.67
171 -CONSERVATION COMM	SUPPLIES	2,168.00	0.00	2,168.00	(1,955.94)	0.00	212.06
	OTHER CHARGES	26.00	0.00	26.00	(8.72)	0.00	17.28
	SALARY	12,636.00	0.00	12,636.00	(11,771.64)	0.00	864.36
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	4,050.00	0.00	4,050.00	(734.71)	0.00	3,315.29
175 -PLANNING BOARD	SUPPLIES	1,020.00	0.00	1,020.00	(743.55)	0.00	276.45
	OTHER CHARGES	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00	(275.00)	0.00	775.00
	SALARY	2,540.00	0.00	2,540.00	(1,897.69)	0.00	642.31
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	(1,246.74)	(180.00)	73.26
175-01 PLANNING & ECONIMICS	SUPPLIES	1,450.00	0.00	1,450.00	(811.96)	(520.13)	117.91
	OTHER CHARGES	955.00	0.00	955.00	(427.60)	0.00	527.40
	SALARY	114,431.00	0.00	114,431.00	(107,869.16)	0.00	6,561.84
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	9,400.00	0.00	9,400.00	(7,735.08)	(50.00)	1,614.92
ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT COMM HARBOR MASTER PLAN-PLAN&ECON	SUPPLIES	1,025.00	190.00	1,215.00	(1,127.86)	(8.58)	78.56
	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	2,830.00	0.00	2,830.00	(2,830.00)	0.00	0.00
	OTHER CHARGES	2,400.00	(190.00)	2,210.00	(1,297.59)	(175.11)	737.30
	ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT COMM	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	(926.53)	(718.12)	3,355.35
	HARBOR MASTER PLAN-PLAN&ECON	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00

176 -BOARD OF APPEALS	TOWN MASTER PLAN	49,806.14	0.00	49,806.14	(49,062.76)	0.00	743.38
	UNION WHARF BULKHEAD MACLEANS BUILDING DEMOLITION	36,482.09	0.00	36,482.09	(2,500.00)	0.00	33,982.09
		23,384.91	0.00	23,384.91	(3,302.44)	0.00	20,082.47
189 -TOURISM	SALARY	1,639.00	0.00	1,639.00	(1,498.31)	0.00	140.69
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,400.00	0.00	3,400.00	(2,317.85)	0.00	1,082.15
	SUPPLIES	200.00	0.00	200.00	(173.93)	0.00	26.07
190 -COMMISSION ON DISABILITY	SALARY	56,176.00	0.00	56,176.00	(54,198.40)	(1,249.54)	728.06
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	22,500.00	0.00	22,500.00	(22,205.64)	(23.61)	270.75
	SUPPLIES	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	(837.29)	(146.14)	16.57
192 -TOWN HALL	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	700.00	0.00	700.00	(400.00)	0.00	300.00
	SUPPLIES	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
	OTHER CHARGES	400.00	0.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
	SALARY	54,134.00	0.00	54,134.00	(49,989.45)	(1,112.36)	3,032.19
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES / ENCUMB	88,932.00	0.00	88,932.00	(46,339.48)	(41,123.03)	1,469.49
	UTILITIES	32,950.00	0.00	32,950.00	(22,368.80)	(8,026.28)	2,554.92
	SUPPLIES	3,265.00	0.00	3,265.00	(3,192.39)	(72.61)	0.00
	OTHER CHARGES	102.00	0.00	102.00	0.00	(86.32)	15.68
	MINOR EQUIPMENT	15,076.00	0.00	15,076.00	(15,076.00)	0.00	0.00
	SNOW GUARDS	60,000.00	0.00	60,000.00	0.00	0.00	60,000.00
195 -TOWN REPORT	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00	(2,925.00)	0.00	275.00
210 -POLICE							

SALARY	3,291,546.00	3,000.00	3,294,546.00	(3,287,426.09)	0.00	7,119.91
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	125,163.00	2,737.83	127,900.83	(126,568.85)	(1,331.98)	0.00
UTILITIES	38,000.00	362.19	38,362.19	(29,062.19)	(9,300.00)	0.00
SUPPLIES	70,850.00	(3,121.36)	67,728.64	(67,567.18)	(19.47)	141.99
GASOLINE	43,500.00	383.53	43,883.53	(43,883.53)	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES	6,181.00	(362.19)	5,818.81	(5,659.16)	0.00	159.65
RADIO SYSTEM	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	(2,830.00)	0.00	247,170.00
2 CRUISERS FY18	80,000.00	0.00	80,000.00	(80,000.00)	0.00	0.00
2 CRUISERS FY 17	3,347.50	0.00	3,347.50	0.00	0.00	3,347.50

#### 220 -FIRE

SALARY	2,185,102.00	0.00	2,185,102.00	(2,182,686.85)	(493.29)	1,915.86
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	120,960.00	0.00	120,960.00	(118,616.32)	(2,073.70)	269.98
UTILITIES	5,200.00	0.00	5,200.00	(5,079.84)	(85.00)	35.16
SUPPLIES	70,930.00	5,500.00	76,430.00	(73,706.68)	(1,913.39)	809.93
GASOLINE	20,300.00	4,300.00	24,600.00	(21,453.31)	0.00	3,146.69
OTHER CHARGES	4,684.00	(680.00)	4,004.00	(4,002.00)	0.00	2.00
MINOR EQUIPMENT	14,010.00	0.00	14,010.00	(14,010.00)	0.00	0.00
IV PUMPS	21,000.00	0.00	21,000.00	0.00	0.00	21,000.00
AMBULANCE	260,000.00	0.00	260,000.00	(259,997.00)	0.00	3.00
AMBULANCE STABILIZATION	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	(50,000.00)	0.00	0.00
FUND						
SALARY	11,952.00	0.00	11,952.00	(10,798.84)	0.00	1,153.16
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	8,058.00	(1,000.00)	7,058.00	(6,481.97)	(466.50)	109.53
SUPPLIES	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	(788.08)	(170.00)	41.92
GASOLINE	458.00	(220.00)	238.00	(229.11)	0.00	8.89
OTHER CHARGES	100.00	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	0.00	0.00
MINOR EQUIPMENT	2,192.00	0.00	2,192.00	(2,192.00)	0.00	0.00

#### 225 -FIRE ALARM

SALARY	147,114.00	0.00	147,114.00	(135,486.50)	0.00	11,627.50
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	(589.76)	0.00	910.24
SUPPLIES	2,388.00	0.00	2,388.00	(1,857.49)	0.00	530.51
GASOLINE	1,150.00	0.00	1,150.00	(812.45)	0.00	337.55

#### 241 -BUILDING

244 -WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	OTHER CHARGES	1,770.00	0.00	1,770.00	(590.00)	0.00	1,180.00
	SALARY	6,863.00	0.00	6,863.00	(6,863.00)	0.00	0.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	127.00	0.00	127.00	0.00	0.00	127.00
	SUPPLIES	675.00	0.00	675.00	0.00	0.00	675.00
	OTHER CHARGES	796.00	0.00	796.00	(780.00)	0.00	16.00
291 -EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	SALARY	1,768.00	0.00	1,768.00	(1,760.08)	0.00	7.92
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	6,980.00	0.00	6,980.00	(5,673.97)	(316.12)	989.91
	UTILITIES	3,030.00	500.00	3,530.00	(3,280.68)	(224.00)	25.32
	SUPPLIES	725.00	0.00	725.00	(405.90)	(108.96)	210.14
	GASOLINE	745.00	0.00	745.00	(351.57)	0.00	393.43
292 -ANIMAL CONTROL	SALARY	56,424.00	(3,000.00)	53,424.00	(46,657.54)	0.00	6,766.46
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	30,600.00	(1,000.00)	29,600.00	(23,236.79)	(52.50)	6,310.71
	UTILITIES	4,850.00	1,000.00	5,850.00	(5,222.70)	(400.00)	227.30
	SUPPLIES	2,250.00	0.00	2,250.00	(1,626.56)	(246.02)	377.42
	GASOLINE	1,180.00	0.00	1,180.00	(458.29)	0.00	721.71
	OTHER CHARGES	600.00	0.00	600.00	(125.00)	0.00	475.00
294 -TREE WARDEN	SALARY	7,036.00	0.00	7,036.00	(7,035.96)	0.00	0.04
295 -TREE DEPT	SALARY	29,078.00	0.00	29,078.00	(16,317.04)	0.00	12,760.96
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	15,100.00	0.00	15,100.00	(12,211.16)	0.00	2,888.84
	SUPPLIES	255.00	0.00	255.00	0.00	0.00	255.00
	GASOLINE	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	(2,020.51)	0.00	479.49
	OTHER CHARGES	850.00	0.00	850.00	(306.96)	0.00	543.04
298 -MARINE RESOURCES	SALARY	97,261.00	0.00	97,261.00	(84,039.91)	(790.85)	12,430.24
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	19,470.00	0.00	19,470.00	(10,604.00)	(5,855.17)	3,010.83

300 -SCHOOL	UTILITIES	240.00	(100.00)	140.00	(83.00)	(20.00)	37.00
	SUPPLIES	7,335.00	100.00	7,435.00	(6,818.49)	(598.31)	18.20
	GASOLINE	5,100.00	0.00	5,100.00	(4,825.47)	0.00	274.53
	OTHER CHARGES	350.00	0.00	350.00	(65.00)	0.00	285.00
	MINOR EQUIPMENT	9,500.00	0.00	9,500.00	0.00	0.00	9,500.00
	UNION WHARF LIGHTS	7,995.00	0.00	7,995.00	0.00	0.00	7,995.00
	PROPAGATION OF SHELLFISH	17,796.99	0.00	17,796.99	(12,549.77)	0.00	5,247.22
	HARBOR MASTER TRUCK	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
	UNION WHARF MARINE RESOURCE	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00
	EXPENDITURES	19,783,472.00	0.00	19,783,472.00	(19,708,276.08)	(74,098.49)	1,097.43
301 -G.N.B.V.H.S	RESERVE FOR SPED STABILIZATION FD	386,453.00	0.00	386,453.00	(386,453.00)	0.00	0.00
	HMS FLOOR	13,766.19	0.00	13,766.19	0.00	0.00	13,766.19
	HMS ROOF	286,489.95	0.00	286,489.95	0.00	0.00	286,489.95
	FHS WINDOW RESTORATION	230,000.00	0.00	230,000.00	(110,400.00)	0.00	119,600.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,955,224.00	0.00	1,955,224.00	(1,955,224.00)	0.00	0.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	38,106.00	0.00	38,106.00	(38,106.00)	0.00	0.00
	STREET RESURFACING	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00	(119,690.94)	0.00	30,309.06
	SUB DIVISION MGT FEES	9,847.00	0.00	9,847.00	(9,847.00)	0.00	0.00
	DRAINAGE	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	(11,296.95)	(465.95)	237.12
	HARDSURFACING	162,000.00	0.00	162,000.00	(162,000.00)	(27,666.60)	(27,666.60)
400 -HIGHWAY	SIDEWALK	43,000.00	0.00	43,000.00	(43,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
405 -ENGINEERING	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
420 -HIGHWAY	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
420 -HIGHWAY	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,765.00)	0.00	235.00
	SALARY	980,282.00	0.00	980,282.00	(869,716.90)	0.00	110,565.10

421 -BPW ADMIN	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	124,330.00	0.00	124,330.00	(114,456.28)	(9,669.00)	204.72
	UTILITIES	24,000.00	(10,000.00)	14,000.00	(13,185.25)	(22.42)	792.33
	SUPPLIES	55,425.00	0.00	55,425.00	(55,317.90)	0.00	107.10
	GASOLINE	35,000.00	10,000.00	45,000.00	(43,949.48)	0.00	1,050.52
	OTHER CHARGES	1,130.00	0.00	1,130.00	(1,130.00)	0.00	0.00
	SNOW/ICE REMOVAL	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	(50,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	ROADWORK	614,218.88	0.00	614,218.88	(126,312.78)	0.00	487,906.10
	RUBBISH	542,070.00	0.00	542,070.00	(497,814.68)	(43,755.88)	499.44
	CATCH BASIN	165,000.00	0.00	165,000.00	0.00	0.00	165,000.00
	LANDFILL/TRANSFER STATION	33,140.00	0.00	33,140.00	(26,529.84)	(818.66)	5,791.50
424 -STREET LIGHTS	ROADWORK-WELCOME ST	27,160.00	0.00	27,160.00	(14,473.90)	0.00	12,686.10
	SALARY	178,515.00	0.00	178,515.00	(177,297.49)	0.00	1,217.51
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,026.00	0.00	1,026.00	(637.06)	0.00	388.94
	SUPPLIES	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	(1,488.38)	0.00	11.62
510 -HEALTH	OTHER CHARGES	290.00	0.00	290.00	(51.10)	0.00	238.90
	UTILITIES	51,000.00	0.00	51,000.00	(37,854.22)	(13,000.00)	145.78
	STREET LIGHT-POINT ST	800.00	0.00	800.00	(567.95)	0.00	232.05
	SALARY	148,054.00	0.00	148,054.00	(132,790.05)	(203.13)	15,060.82
421 -BPW ADMIN	SALARY	4,244.00	0.00	4,244.00	(4,244.00)	0.00	0.00
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,950.00	(374.00)	3,576.00	(3,155.40)	(160.00)	260.60
	SUPPLIES	3,500.00	(2,546.34)	953.66	(833.66)	(120.00)	0.00
	GASOLINE	365.00	0.00	365.00	(335.66)	0.00	29.34
	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	17,000.00	0.00	17,000.00	(17,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	OTHER CHARGES	1,900.00	3,211.90	5,111.90	(4,961.90)	0.00	150.00
	SEMASS	330,000.00	0.00	330,000.00	(328,607.42)	0.00	1,392.58
	RECYCLING	195,100.00	(190.00)	194,910.00	(178,700.30)	(15,896.13)	313.57
	HAZARDOUS WASTE	12,100.00	0.00	12,100.00	(1,905.38)	(140.00)	10,054.62

541 -COUNCIL ON AGING	LANDFILL	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	(20,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	SALARY	146,490.00	0.00	146,490.00	(138,852.69)	(2,962.39)	4,674.92
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	9,771.00	2,355.04	12,126.04	(11,397.41)	(405.64)	322.99
	UTILITIES	16,422.00	(2,355.04)	14,066.96	(11,985.05)	0.00	2,081.91
	SUPPLIES	2,859.00	0.00	2,859.00	(2,610.44)	0.00	248.56
	GASOLINE	5,564.00	0.00	5,564.00	(4,375.86)	0.00	1,188.14
	OTHER CHARGES	306.00	0.00	306.00	0.00	0.00	306.00
543 -VETERANS	SALARY	46,444.00	1,155.00	47,599.00	(47,504.71)	0.00	94.29
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	397,400.00	0.00	397,400.00	(295,989.57)	(18,590.20)	82,820.23
	SUPPLIES	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	(985.04)	0.00	814.96
	OTHER CHARGES	492,900.00	0.00	492,900.00	(334,745.38)	0.00	158,154.62
611 -LIBRARY	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	665,102.00	0.00	665,102.00	(665,102.00)	0.00	0.00
640 -RECREATION CENTER	SALARY	161,257.00	0.00	161,257.00	(157,993.68)	0.00	3,263.32
	PROGRAM ACCOUNT	125,000.00	0.00	125,000.00	(87,969.11)	(1,559.98)	35,470.91
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	17,323.32	0.00	17,323.32	(16,986.39)	(45.00)	291.93
	UTILITIES	21,000.00	0.00	21,000.00	(20,191.82)	(250.00)	558.18
	SUPPLIES	3,250.00	0.00	3,250.00	(2,554.58)	0.00	695.42
	OTHER CHARGES	600.00	0.00	600.00	(595.00)	0.00	5.00
650 -PARK	SALARY	102,431.00	0.00	102,431.00	(96,064.35)	0.00	6,366.65
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	23,253.00	800.00	24,053.00	(21,673.68)	(1,967.80)	411.52
	UTILITIES	2,300.00	(300.00)	2,000.00	(1,184.07)	(73.12)	742.81
	SUPPLIES	3,500.00	(800.00)	2,700.00	(2,666.11)	0.00	33.89
	GASOLINE	4,229.00	300.00	4,529.00	(4,370.82)	0.00	158.18
	MINOR EQUIPMENT	1,100.00	0.00	1,100.00	(1,023.92)	0.00	76.08
	MOWER LAWER	65,000.00	0.00	65,000.00	(63,040.09)	0.00	1,959.91
670 -HISTORICAL COMM							



671 -ACADEMY BUILDING	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
672 -FIRE MUSEUM	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	6,500.00	0.00	6,500.00	(2,857.78)	3,642.22
673 -FORT PHOENIX	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,250.00	0.00	1,250.00	(957.73)	292.27
674 -OLD STONE SCHOOLHOUSE	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,750.00	0.00	2,750.00	(2,750.00)	0.00
675 -SISTER CITY	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	750.00	0.00	750.00	(656.78)	93.22
690 -CULTURAL COUNCIL	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
691 -FINE ARTS	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	4,400.00	0.00	4,400.00	(3,550.00)	850.00
692 -MEMORIAL DAY	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	(1,200.00)	0.00
710 -DEBT SERVICE	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	(2,413.00)	87.00
820 -INTERGOV//STATE	DEBT	1,247,337.00	(3,555.00)	1,243,782.00	(1,189,254.88)	54,527.12
830 -INTERGOV/ COUNTY	INTERGOVERNMENTAL/STATE INTERGOVERNMENTAL/ CHARTER SCH	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	(201,974.00) (11,845.00)	(201,974.00) (11,845.00)
911 -FAIRHAVEN RETIREMENT	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	(221,053.29)	(221,053.29)
		2,946,801.00	0.00	2,946,801.00	(2,946,801.00)	0.00

913 -UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	120,000.00	0.00	120,000.00	(88,523.92)	(10,000.00)	21,476.08
918 -MEDICARE	385,000.00	0.00	385,000.00	(353,660.18)	0.00	31,339.82
924 -GROUP INSURANCE	3,881,204.00	0.00	3,881,204.00	(3,583,993.03)	0.00	297,210.97
925 -TOWN INSURANCE	861,010.00	0.00	861,010.00	(816,493.05)	(1,869.00)	42,647.95
950 -TOWN MEETING ARTICLES						
	UNPAID BILLS OF PRIOR YEAR	9,382.52	0.00	9,382.52	(6,586.32)	2,796.20
	ROGERS-OXFORD MAINT	1,491.27	0.00	1,491.27	(1,491.27)	0.00
		51,472,955.74	27,539.64	51,466,924.74	(320,839.20)	2,520,245.30
TOTAL GENERAL GOV- ERNMENT						
179 -CPA						
	SALARY	6,700.00	0.00	6,700.00	(5,365.25)	1,334.75
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,400.00	0.00	3,400.00	(130.76)	3,269.24
	SUPPLIES	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
	OTHER CHARGES	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	(1,750.00)	250.00
	MASTER PLAN-HOUSING	16,201.52	0.00	16,201.52	(16,201.52)	0.00
	TOWN HALL RESTORATION STUDY	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	(8,300.00)	3,700.00
	STRATFORD OXFORD SCHOOL	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
	FITNESS STATION	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
	CUSHMAN PARK TENNIS	17,500.00	0.00	17,500.00	(17,500.00)	0.00
	LIBRARY EXTERIOR PHASE 3	67,391.20	0.00	67,391.20	(29,191.00)	38,200.20
	MATTATOISETT RIVER VALLEY LAND	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	(11,743.82)	3,256.18
	INDIAN ROCK FARM LAND	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00	(150,000.00)	0.00
	FAIRHAVEN HOUSING OXFORD DOOR	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00

LIBRARY EXTERIOR PHASE 4	160,000.00	0.00	160,000.00	(127,581.56)	0.00	32,418.44
ACADEMY BUILDING	119,000.00	0.00	119,000.00	0.00	0.00	119,000.00
DOOR-HANDICAP	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
DANA COURT BOILER	6,155.88	0.00	6,155.88	(3,852.09)	0.00	2,303.79
OPEN SPACE & RECREATION UPDATE	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	(20,000.00)	0.00	0.00
CARRIAGE HOUSE	104,154.96	0.00	104,154.96	0.00	0.00	104,154.96
FORT PHOENIX WALL	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
BIKE PATH SIGNAGE	23,823.20	0.00	23,823.20	(22,631.45)	0.00	1,191.75
FAIRHAVEN STAR DIGITIZING	881,826.76	0.00	881,826.76	(414,247.45)	0.00	467,579.31
TOTAL COMMUNITY PRESERVATION						
440 -SEWER						
SALARY	968,663.00	0.00	968,663.00	(931,625.40)	0.00	37,037.60
SLUDGE DISPOSAL	300,000.00	0.00	300,000.00	(245,029.58)	(54,970.42)	0.00
NPDES PERMIT	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	(50,000.00)	0.00	0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	275,050.00	50,000.00	325,050.00	(305,264.32)	(18,700.00)	1,085.68
UTILITIES	366,000.00	0.00	366,000.00	(323,843.31)	(42,156.69)	0.00
SUPPLIES	149,600.00	0.00	149,600.00	(121,990.26)	(17,378.76)	10,230.98
GASOLINE	13,500.00	0.00	13,500.00	(11,200.45)	0.00	2,299.55
MINOR EQUIPMENT	35,534.00	0.00	35,534.00	(33,323.75)	0.00	2,210.25
DEBT	504,037.00	0.00	504,037.00	(344,899.57)	0.00	159,137.43
INFLOW INFILTRATION	189,777.08	0.00	189,777.08	(135,808.46)	0.00	53,968.62
TRUCK	73,000.00	0.00	73,000.00	(72,381.40)	0.00	618.60
SEWER PUMP STATION	18,375.20	0.00	18,375.20	0.00	0.00	18,375.20
WASTERWATER MGT PLAN	5,223.82	0.00	5,223.82	(5,223.82)	0.00	0.00
SEWER SYSTEM PUMP STATION	2,704.74	0.00	2,704.74	0.00	0.00	2,704.74
PUMP STATION - TABER ST	3,732.96	0.00	3,732.96	(3,732.96)	0.00	0.00

TOTAL SEWER	RESERVE FUNDTRANSFER-SEWER	50,000.00	(50,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		3,005,197.80	0.00	3,005,197.80	(2,584,323.28)	(133,205.87)	287,668.65
450 -WATER							
	SALARY	574,978.00	0.00	574,978.00	(537,556.35)	0.00	37,421.65
	PURCHASE OF SERVICES	281,501.00	0.00	281,501.00	(275,220.21)	(21.25)	6,259.54
	UTILITIES	49,700.00	(420.00)	49,280.00	(38,794.49)	0.00	10,485.51
	SUPPLIES	37,100.00	0.00	37,100.00	(36,278.64)	(23.64)	797.72
	GASOLINE	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00	(11,457.21)	0.00	1,042.79
	OTHER CHARGES	1,600.00	420.00	2,020.00	(2,019.49)	0.00	0.51
	WATER DISTRICT	1,128,556.00	0.00	1,128,556.00	(1,128,556.00)	0.00	0.00
	DEBT	66,272.00	0.00	66,272.00	(61,603.37)	0.00	4,668.63
	TINKHAM LANE WELL	550,000.00	0.00	550,000.00	(30,592.88)	0.00	519,407.12
	PUMP STATION ROOF	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00	(19,730.43)	0.00	130,269.57
	CONSTRUCTION WI CAUSEWAY	33,097.15	0.00	33,097.15	(2,629.00)	0.00	30,468.15
	MAIN						
	TINKHAM LANE WELL - ATM16	14,898.00	0.00	14,898.00	0.00	0.00	14,898.00
	WATER MGT ACT	8,572.87	0.00	8,572.87	0.00	0.00	5,572.87
	CROSS CONNECTION SURVEY	1,942.38	0.00	1,942.38	(520.00)	0.00	1,422.38
	RESERVE FUND	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
	TRANSFER-WATER						
TOTAL WATER		2,960,717.40	0.00	2,960,717.40	(2,144,958.07)	(44.89)	812,714.44

**TRANSFERS FROM THE RESERVE FUND FY18  
AUTHORIZED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

SEWER	50,000.00
FIRE	6,000.00
RECREATION CENTER	5,403.32
SELECTMAN-ROGERS/ OXFORD SCHOOL MAINTENANCE	5,382.00
TOTAL	66,785.32

**TRUST FUNDS - JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018**

	EXPENDABLE TRUST					FUND 81	FUND 82&84
	NON-EXPD 7/1/17	EXPEND 7/1/17	NON-EXPD REV TRANS	INTEREST/ REV TRANS	WITHDRAW	NON-EXPD 6/30/18	EXPEND 6/30/18
FUND 81 & 82:							
HH ROGER ELEM	396,583.57	4,082.18	51,105.72	3,422.24	-	447,689.29	7,504.42
E ANTHONY JR	10,000.00	1,751.59		194.55	500.00	10,000.00	1,446.14
ABNER PEASE	5,000.00	2,194.05		92.26		5,000.00	2,286.31
HH ROGERS HS	2,097,077.98	387,689.53	84,007.86	88,431.14	92,475.08	2,181,085.84	383,645.59
J RICKETT	1,430.66	2,878.91		48.19		1,430.66	2,927.10
J STODDARD	326,375.13	8,219.20	43,819.50	6,463.54	3,600.00	370,194.63	11,082.74
ANDRUS SPRUIT	41,372.52	770.23		250.69		41,372.52	1,020.92
A TROWBRIDGE	6,000.00	472.33		94.31	-	6,000.00	566.64
S CLARK-ROGER	500.00	49.79		2.55		500.00	52.34
S. CLARK H.S.	500.00	5,291.24		26.84		500.00	5,318.08
LADY FAIRHAVEN	600.00	107.87		3.28		600.00	111.15
AMANDA SEARS	700.00	78.23		3.60		700.00	81.83

JULIA SEARS	1,000.00	29.41	4.77	1,000.00	34.18
FRANCES HOXIE	2,000.00	313.88	10.73	2,000.00	324.61
J KEEN	3,000.00	107.65	14.41	3,000.00	122.06
SWIFT SCHOLAR	50,000.00	3,641.36	783.91	50,000.00	3,425.27
M MILLER	15,552.04	2,253.43	269.38	15,552.04	1,522.81
P HILLER	6,075.00	466.72	86.94	6,075.00	553.66
A PILLSBURY	6,500.00	79.63	35.13	6,500.00	114.76
M DELANO	25,000.00	271.46	131.88	25,000.00	403.34
TRIPP	2,000.00	64.34	10.27	2,000.00	74.61
M KNIPE	6,000.00	1,766.47	36.00	6,000.00	1,802.47
MEMOR TROPHY	726.66	244.33	1.07	726.66	245.40
FHS DARLING LIB	1,096.89	413.11	6.92	1,096.89	420.03
HS SPEC AID	1,449.24	505.50	9.04	1,449.24	514.54
J COYNE	4,500.00	51.21	21.09	4,500.00	72.30
RADCLIFFE	8,000.00	223.23	40.89	8,000.00	264.12

ENTWISTLE	8,000.00	157.84	37.80	8,000.00	195.64
ANTHONY SCH	1,638.10	789.08	10.84	1,638.10	799.92
HUTTLESTONIAN	12,000.00	42.66	56.50	12,000.00	99.16
SILVEIRA	-	20.98	18.17	-	39.15
MACCORD	2,362.97	177.24	13.40	2,362.97	190.64
MEEKIN	-	2.57	0.77	-	3.34
S. GRABIEC	2,100.00	530.44	12.19	2,100.00	542.63
BANGS	2,300.00	141.89	11.32	2,300.00	153.21
KATHY ROCHA	10,620.00	121.43	53.49	10,620.00	174.92
F CAMPBELL	-	2,000.00	10,000.00	-	2,000.00
ACUSH FOUNDA	-	293.94	1.36	-	295.30
M CABRAL	900.00	207.77	5.13	900.00	212.90
A MARTIN	415.31	137.84	0.64	415.31	138.48
HELEN PORTER	4,140.00	145.36	22.18	4,140.00	167.54
RICH GAUTREAU	9,200.00	151.95	43.34	9,200.00	195.29



SUPT SCHOLARSHIP	0.66						0.66
RICH MACCORD ART	100.00	532.98	50.00	-	150.00		534.52
MATTY OLIVIERA		41.49		1.54			(2,280.51)
BRUNETTE		1,260.75		5.84	2,322.00		1,266.59
CLASS OF '43		61.30		0.28			61.58
CAROL KANER		43.92		0.21			44.13
JAY KRUGER	14,350.00	5,150.77		95.01	500.00	14,350.00	4,745.78
RODRIGUES	8,800.00	1,982.36	300.00	722.99		9,100.00	2,705.35
FHVN HIGH SCHOLAR		4,670.00		4,000.00	1,000.00		7,670.00
BOBBY BRUSO		-		1,553.16			1,553.16
DOUG STEVENS	3,095,966.07	101.64		0.24			101.88
		442,783.74	179,283.08	117,162.02	112,397.08	3,275,249.15	447,548.68
FUND 84:							
CLAIMS TRUST/DENTAL		1,896,357.66		7,041,103.67	7,512,124.56		1,425,336.77
BCBS increase dep		-			34,800.00		(34,800.00)
		1,896,357.66		7,041,103.67	7,546,924.56		1,390,536.77
JE adj incr to BCBS deposit		1,896,357.66		7,041,103.67			-
Adj Claim Trust/Dental					7,546,924.56		1,390,536.77
CLAIMS TR-BCBS DEPOSIT		904,600.00					904,600.00
JE adj incr to BCBS deposit		904,600.00		34,800.00	34,800.00		-
				34,800.00			904,600.00
OPEB TRUST		332,240.87		165,347.45			497,588.32
STAB-CAPITAL PLAN		510,501.04		1,830,673.75			2,341,174.79

STAB-GENERAL	2,944,181.52	43,892.26		98,817.00	2,988,073.78
STAB-AMBULANCE	100,045.05	51,834.67			53,062.72
STAB-SPED RESERVE	-	391,404.56			391,404.56
STAB-SWR BOULDER PK BTR	6,517.57	42.16		3,179.00	3,380.73
STAB-SWR SCONT NK BTR	82,426.28	1,011.62		12,553.00	70,884.90
STAB-SWR NANCY ST BTR	6,582.41	53.04		2,605.00	4,030.45
STAB-SWR WI BTR	173,633.40	2,348.14		13,895.00	162,086.54
STAB-SEWER CAPITAL IMPR	129,883.13	287,746.84			417,629.97
POST WAR PLAN	7,788.11	5.88			7,793.99
LAW ENFORCE-STATE	17,242.95	3,049.98		1,000.00	19,292.93
LAW ENFORCE-FED	22,581.61	12,801.34	-	1,636.65	33,746.30
SUBTOTAL	7,134,581.60	9,866,115.36	-	7,715,410.21	9,285,286.75
TOTAL FD 81/82/84	3,095,966.07	179,283.08	9,983,277.38	7,827,807.29	9,732,835.43

# TOWN ELECTION

## APRIL 2, 2018

PRECINCT 1 (24 for 3 yrs)(3 for 2 yrs) (2 for 1 yr)	VOTE	PRECINCT 2 (24 for 3 yrs)(10 for 2 yrs)(5 for 1 yr)	VOTE	PRECINCT 3 (23 for 3 yrs)(14 for 2 yrs) (2 for 1 yr)	VOTE
Brian K. Bowcock	67	Dana B. Almeida	59	Peter Arsenault	39
Jennifer M. Collyer	56	Debra H. Almeida	57	Karen Dorgan	40
Randall C. Durrigan	62	Robert N. Baldwin	50	Paul B. Kitchen	40
Padraic W. Elliott	55	Carolyn Bouley	56	Antone Medeiros, Jr.	46
Gail Isaksen	70	Christopher Bunnell	52	Janice C. Medeiros	42
Max T. Isaksen	61	Lois M. Callahan	50	Pauline Parker	41
Claudia Jacobsen	52	Joan M. Collins	57	Sean M. Powers	41
William Kennefick	53	Edward Dorschied	49	Christopher J. Richard	44
Ann Lacasse-Elliott	58	David Fortin	58	Albert Roderiques	41
Sara Lamarre	54	Dolores M. Hanson	50	Ann-Marie Roderiques	41
Daryl G. Manchester	52	Michael J. Hevey	56	Susan E. Roderiques	39
Patricia A. Manchester	57	Cathy Melanson	50	Mark D. Sylvia	43
Charles G. Mitchell	57	Ann Richard	58	Veronique Sylvia	39
Beverly Rasmussen	61	John Rogers, Jr.	67	MaryBeth Vargas	41
William D. Roth, Jr.	56	Margaret Rogers	61	Jeffrey A. Woton	40
Erik J. Andersen	52	Jay S. Simmons	56	Write-ins	
Eleanor C. Crowell	59	Nathan J. Tynan	48	Colleen T. Cook	1
Write-ins		Christine J. Gelinas	52	Scott M. Cook	1
Kelly Smith	3	Write-ins		Ari Jason Kaplan	1
Tyler Correia	2	Carolyn Roberts	8	Tanya E. Kaplan	1
Vicki Paquette	2	Nicholas R. Sylvia	3	Melody A. Perry	1
Barbara Bishop	1	Randell E. Borges	1		
Susan M. McCann	1	Brenda Farrell	1	Need 3 for 3 yrs	
Nancy A. Perry	1	Curtis Gelinas	1	Need 14 for 2yrs	
Chauncy Burr	1	Thomas E. Linzee, Jr.	1	Need 2 for 1 yr	
Nathan D. Rebello	1	Christopher W. Days	1		
Shaun S. Ferreira	1	Rich Taber	1		
Howard F. Allen	1	Robert A. Kenworthy	1		
		Jacqueline Kenworthy	1		
Need 4 for 3 yrs		Lisa Wethington	1		
Need 3 for 2 yrs		Kim-Marie Horsfall	1		
Need 2 for 1 yr		Craig Horsfall	1		
		Need 4 for 3 yrs			
		Need 10 for 2 yrs			
		Need 5 for 1 yr			

PRECINCT 4	VOTE	PRECINCT 5	VOTE	PRECINCT 6	VOTE
(25 for 3 yrs) (8 for 1 yr)		(23 for 3 yrs) (1 for 1 yr)		(24 for 3 yrs) (10 for 1 yr)	
Edgar Alves	40	Mark Badwey	100	Michael Botelho	56
Doug Brady	43	Denise Barr	66	Donna M. Charpentier	57
David M. Correia	47	Domenic Corey	74	Ann Ponichtera Denardis	41
Jacqueline Duckworth	38	Ann E. Espindola	88	Antonio Daniel Denardis	42
Paul M. Foster	52	Robert J. Espindola	87	Peter Deterra	64
Robert A. Furtado	48	Nancy Greene	86	Bert D. Diggins	42
Geoffrey Haworth II	42	Siobhan Henebury	81	Henry Ferreira	45
Benjamin Hevey	42	Robert D. Hobson	100	Linda Ferreira	42
Nils Isaksen	56	David Markey	71	Timothy Francis	58
Kevin W. Kobza	52	Donna LS McKenna	77	Mark S. Gundersen	43
Michael Lemaire	38	Linda Meredith	92	John T. Haaland	54
Kathy L. Lopes	47	Terrence P. Meredith	91	Wayne Hayward	52
Marie Murphy	40	Jeffrey W. Osuch	86	Malcolm Matheson	43
Wayne V. Oliveira	60	Joyce L. Pottel	68	Michael J. Myers	55
Donna Pacheco	38	Kenneth W. Pottel	69	Bernard F. Roderick	52
Henry Pietrzykowski	36	Elaine L. Rocha	97	Rebecca J. Surprenant	42
Manuel Rapoza III	34	Philip Washko	75	Write-ins	
Linda L. Rogers	45	Bruce Haslehurst	67	Patricia A. Pacella	5
Lawrence A. Soares	40	Scott Pomfret	95	Gary Pacella	2
Susan Soares	45	Write-ins		Maggie R. DeBrosse	2
Write-ins		Ellen M. Ouellette	4	Ryan A. DeBrosse	2
Robert L. Costa	1	Edward G. Ouellette	3	Gary F. Souza	1
Claudette Costa	1	Kathleen Cabral	2	Jonathan R. Costa	1
		Joan S. Joseph	2	Alberto B. Silva	1
Need 3 for 3 yrs		Charles McKim Miitchell	1		
Need 1 for 2 yrs		William J. Dooley	1	Need 1 for 3 yrs	
Need 9 for 1 yr		Rebecca A. Weber	1	Need 10 for 1 yr	
		Paul Simmons	1		
		Nathaniel A. Greene	1		
		Linda L. Haslehurst	1		
		Need 1 for 1 yr			

# TOWN ELECTION

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Selectman - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for One								
Robert Espindola	86	83	51	76	152	72	520	526
Hand Counts	3	1	0	0	0	2	6	
Write-Ins	1	0	1	1	3	1	7	7
Blanks	28	21	20	21	50	40	180	180
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713
School Committee - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for Two								
Donna LS McKenna	74	76	53	68	136	68	475	481
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Colin W. Veitch	70	70	50	61	123	68	442	447
Hand Counts	3	1	0	0	0	1	5	
Write-In	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2
Blanks	85	62	41	65	151	92	496	496
TOTAL	236	210	144	196	410	230	1426	1426
Board of Health - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for One								
Barbara A. Acksen	58	26	15	34	76	34	243	247
Hand Counts	2	1	0	0	0	1	4	
Michael Silvia	52	73	56	62	123	76	442	444
Hand Counts	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	5	5	1	2	6	3	22	22
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713
Board of Public Works - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for Two								
Robert D. Hobson	49	43	29	45	123	45	334	338
Hand Counts	2	1	0	0	0	1	4	
Keith Silvia	70	70	47	63	151	74	475	480
Hand Counts	2	1	0	0	0	2	5	
Albert N. Martin, Jr.	63	55	48	48	64	59	337	338
Hand Counts	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
Blanks	50	40	20	39	72	48	269	269
TOTAL	236	210	144	196	410	230	1426	1426
Commissioner of Trust Funds - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for One								
Coleen L. Silvia	79	76	59	62	129	66	471	477
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	35	28	13	36	76	48	236	236
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713

Planning Board - 4 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for Two								
John K. Farrell, Jr.	72	74	53	62	134	65	460	466
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Geoffrey A. Haworth II	2	3	0	1	2	2	10	10
Hand Counts							0	
Write-Ins	4	8	0	2	3	5	22	22
Blanks	154	124	91	131	271	157	928	928
TOTAL	236	210	144	196	410	230	1426	1426
Housing Authority - 5 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for One								
Gregory L. Tutcik	67	72	52	60	119	63	433	439
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Write-Ins	2	0	0	0	2	0	4	4
Blanks	45	32	20	38	84	51	270	270
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713
Housing Auth - 3 yrs unexpired term	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Voted for One								
John K. Farrell, Jr.	69	72	52	61	130	63	447	453
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Blanks	45	32	20	37	74	51	259	259
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713
Moderator- 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for one								
Mark D. Sylvia	85	89	63	77	150	70	534	540
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	2
Blanks	29	15	9	20	54	44	171	171
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713
Tree Wearden - 3 years	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	PREC 4	PREC 5	PREC 6	SUB TOT	TOTAL
Vote for one								
G. Bourne Knowles IV	83	83	61	75	158	82	542	548
Hand Counts	4	1	0	0	0	1	6	
Write-Ins	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	5
Blanks	31	21	11	23	44	30	160	160
TOTAL	118	105	72	98	205	115	713	713

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING – SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018**  
**WALTER SILVEIRA AUDITORIUM – ELIZABETH HASTINGS**  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**TOWN MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT 200 – QUORUM**  
**REQUIRED 100**

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

The National Anthem was played

Invocation by Rev Paul 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, 2018 through June 30, 2019 unless otherwise specified.

Seconded.

Town Meeting Members Present:      Precinct 1 – 44

Precinct 2 – 29

Precinct 3 – 14

Precinct 4 – 34

Precinct 5 – 45

Precinct 6 – 34

**TOTAL 200**

**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 – REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

*Moved to Pass Over*

**ARTICLE 4 – SEWER CAPITAL FEE – FY18**

Voted to transfer the sum of \$286,082.64 from the Sewer Retained Earnings, of June 30, 2017 Sewer Capital Fee, to the Sewer Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund.

**ARTICLE 5: AMENDED FY18 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET**

By majority vote, it was voted to amend Article 19 of the May 6, 2017 Annual Town Meeting “General Fund Operating Budget- FY18” or take any other action relative thereto.

1. \$7,600 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to Planning and

Economic Development- Salaries and Wages.

2. \$30,000 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to Police Department-Salaries and Wages
3. \$20,000 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to Fire Department-Salaries and Wages
- 4) \$15,000 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to Fire Department-Operating Expenses.
- 5) \$1,106 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to Bristol County Aggie H.S.
- 6) \$8,063 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to BPW Park Division-Operating Expenses.

**ARTICLE 6: AMENDED FY18 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET**

*Moved to Pass Over*

**ARTICLE 7: AMENDED FY18 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET**

*Moved to Pass Over*

**ARTICLE 8: BILLS OF PRIOR YEAR – Paid from FY18 funds**

By 4/5<sup>th</sup> vote, the town voted to adopt the following:

- A. Southcoast Physicians Group, Move adoption and the sum of \$5,795.88 be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)
- B. Dr. Brian Bowcock, Move the adoption and the sum of \$125.20 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)
- C. University Pathologists, Move the adoption and the sum of \$43.26 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)
- D. Associate Physicians at HMFP, Move the adoption and the sum of \$113.24 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)
- E. Associate Physicians at BIDMC, Move the adoption and the sum of \$96.25 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)
- F. Wiegandt and Associates, Move the adoption and the sum of \$175.00 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)



G. New England Animal Hospital, Inc., Move the adoption and the sum of \$3,033.69 to be transferred from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)

**ARTICLE 9: SETTING SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS-FY19**

By majority vote, it was voted to adopt the following:

- A. Board of Selectmen: Move adoption and fix the compensation at \$16,717.00
- B. Town Clerk: Move adoption and fix the compensation at \$56,775.00
- C. Moderator: Move adoption and fix the compensation at \$800.00
- D. Tree Warden: Move adoption and fix the compensation at \$7,177.00
- E. Board of Health: Move adoption and fix the compensation at \$4,308.00

**ARTICLE 10: GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET – FY19**

By majority vote, the following sums of money was voted to fund the FY19 General Fund Operating Budget:

Moderator – Salaries & Wages	\$800.00
Selectmen/Town Administrator	
Salaries & Wages	\$275,698.00
Operating Expenses	\$44,013.00
Human Resources	
Salaries & Wages	\$111,566.00
Operating Expenses	\$23,750.00
Town Accountant	
Salaries & Wages	\$124,370.00
Operating Expenses	\$45,830.0
Finance Director (Treasurer/Collector)	
Salaries & Wages	\$344,494.00
Operating Expenses	\$139,270.00
Town Clerk/Elections	
Salaries & Wages	\$135,508.00
Operating Expenses	\$33,206.00
Assessors	
Salaries & Wages	\$155,502.00
Operating Expenses	
Town Hall	
Salaries & Wages	\$58,107.00
Operating Expenses	\$66,792.00

Town Meeting/Finance Committee		
Salaries & Wages	\$1,088.00	
Operating Expenses	\$7,715.00	
Planning Board		
Salaries & Wages	\$3,264.00	
Operating Expenses	\$3,905.00	
Planning & Economic Development		
Salaries & Wages	\$109,385.00	
Operating Expenses	\$15,726.00	
Economic Development Committee	\$8,000.00	
Board of Appeals		
Salaries & Wages	\$2,623.00	
Operating Expenses	\$3,800.00	
Legal Expenses	\$170,000.00	
Conservation Comm/Sustainability		
Salaries & Expenses	\$56,375.00	
Operating Expenses	\$6,120.00	
Buzzards Bay Action Committee	\$1,520.00	
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		
Police Department/Animal Control		
Salaries & Wages	\$3,491,654.00	
Operating Expenses	\$347,451.00	Transfer \$6,000 from the Animal Account and \$341,451 on the Tax Levy
Fire Department		
Salaries & Wages	\$2,277,233.00	Transfer \$1,050,000 from Ambulance RRA and \$1,227,233 on the Tax Levy
Operating Expenses	\$249,406.00	
Building Department		
Salaries & Wages	\$164,788.00	
Operating Expenses	\$6,458	

Marine Resources		
Salaries & Wages	\$127,259.00	Transfer \$79,500 from Waterways Fund RRA and \$47,759 on the Tax Levy
Operating Expenses	\$43,505.00	
Emergency Management Agency		
Salaries & Wages	\$1,803.00	
Operating Expenses	\$24,204.00	
Sealers of Weights & Measures		
Salaries & Wages	\$7,000.00	
Operating Expenses	\$998.00	
Street Lighting	\$51,000.00	

## EDUCATION

Fairhaven Public Schools	\$20,383,354.00
GNBRVT High School	\$1,956,485.00
Bristol County Aggie HS	\$40,000.00

## PUBLIC WORKS

Administration		
Salaries & Wages	\$185,797.00	
Operating Expenses	\$2,816.00	
Highway Division		
Salaries & Wages	\$1,006,557.00	
Operating Expenses	\$1,205,799.00	Transfer \$10,000 from Sub-Division Mgt Fees RRA and \$1,195,799 on the Tax Levy
Snow & Ice Removal	\$60,000.00	
Tree Warden Department		
Salaries & Wages	\$38,664.00	
Operating Expenses	\$26,205.00	

## HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Board of Health	
Salaries & Wages	\$136,509.00
Operating Expenses	\$652,560.00

Council on Aging		
Salaries & Wages	\$149,581.00	Transfer \$36,000 from Social Day Care Center RRA and \$113,581 on the Tax Levy
Operating Expenses	\$35,151.00	
Veterans Services		
Salaries & Wages	\$73,023.00	
Operating Expenses	\$792,100.00	
Commission on Disability	\$1,300.00	
Rape Crisis Project	\$2,000.00	
<b>CULTURAL &amp; RECREATION</b>		
Millicent Library	\$669,283.00	
Recreation		
Salaries & Wages	\$164,992.00	
Operation Expenses	\$164,700.00	
Park Division		
Salaries & Wages	\$103,079.00	
Operating Expenses	\$26,319.00	
Office of Tourism		
Salaries & Wages	\$58,953.00	
Operating Expenses	\$24,155.00	
Fine Arts	\$1,200.00	
Historical Commission	\$14,750.00	
Memorial Day	\$2,500.00	
Consolidated Information Technology	\$426,397.00	
<b>NON-DEPARTMENTAL</b>		
Contributory Retirement	\$3,079,385.00	
Group Insurance	\$3,956,977.00	
MA Employment	\$115,000.00	
Town Insurance	\$880,000.00	
Medicare Assessment (Employer Share)	\$398,000.00	

## DEBT SERVICES

Principal	\$873,294.00	Transfer \$84,000 from Overlay Surplus, transfer \$20,000 from Title 5 RRA and \$769,294 on the Tax Levy
Interest	\$284,074.00	
Principal Authorized but not issued	\$100,000.00	
Interest Authorized but not issued	\$32,375.00	
Interest on Tem Loans	\$60,000.00	

## APPROPRIATIONS TO RESERVE

Reserve Fund	\$100,000.00
O(ther) P(ost) E(mployment) B(enefits)	\$200,000.00
Wage & Salary Reserve	\$150,000.00
Cola for non-union employees	\$5,634.00

That \$442,211 of the Water Enterprise costs appropriated in the General Fund for health insurance, pensions, employee benefits and shared employees will be funded and transferred from Water Revenue.

That \$580,590 of the Sewer Enterprise costs appropriated in the General Fund for health insurance. Pensions, employee benefits and shared employees will be funded and transferred from Sewer Revenue

### **ARTICLE 11: WATER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET – FY19**

By majority vote, it was voted to move the sum of \$556,200 for Water Salaries and Wages; \$409,401 for Water Expenses; \$1,209,797 for Water District; \$442,211 for Water Indirect Costs (to cover the costs in the General Fund); \$50,000 for Water Reserve Fund; \$46,888 for Water Debt; and \$13,921 for Water Interest on Debt for a total of \$2,278,418 to be appropriated from the Water Enterprise.

### **ARTICLE 12: SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET – FY19**

By majority voted, it was voted **to move** the sum of \$993,698 for Sewer Salaries and Wages; \$1,197,525 for Sewer Expenses; \$580,590 for Sewer Indirect Costs (to cover the costs in the General Fund), \$50,000 for Sewer Reserve Fund, \$270,671 for Sewer Debt (principal), \$62,892 for Sewer Interest on Debt; and \$676,500 for Authorized but unissued debt for a total of \$3,831,876 of which , \$3,185,185 be appropriated from the Sewer Enterprise, \$614,459 be transferred from Sewer Retained Earnings, and \$32,232 be transferred from Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund as follows: \$13,895 from Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund – West Island; \$3,179 from Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund – Boulder Park; \$2,605 from Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund – Nancy Street; and \$12,553 from Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund – Sconticut Neck

Road.

**ARTICLE 13: FEMA GRANT FOR MOBILE RADIOS – 5% MATCH – FY19**

***Moved to Pass Over***

**ARTICLE 14: GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PLAN (FY19)**

By 2/3rds vote, it was voted that the Town appropriate \$1,565,190.62 to pay the costs of the following Capital Equipment/Projects in the General Fund including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto:

A. BPW- Loader 963 (final payment of Lease/Purchase):	
\$143,190.62	
B. Fire- Hydraulic Rescue Equipment:	
\$32,000.00	
C. Information Tech.- Fiber Optic Connectivity Project	\$155,000.00
(Combined with \$275,000 from PEG Cable Access T.V.-	
not subject to appropriation)	
D. Information Tech- Hardware Equipment Replacement	\$30,000.00
E. Police- Two Patrol Vehicles	\$90,000.00
F. BPW-Vehicle	\$30,000.00
G. Selectmen/Town Adm.-Preserve & Restore Rogers School	\$252,000.00
H. Fire-Radio Communication Repeater	\$64,000.00
I. School-High School Gym Dehumidification Project	\$283,000.00
J. BPW-Security Camera System	\$20,000.00
K. COA/Recreation-Replace HVAC system at Senior/Rec. Center	\$200,000.00
L. Police-Live Scan Finger Print Machine	\$25,000.00
M. BPW- Replace 2000 Ford Van-Unit #13 w/ Pick Up Truck	\$55,000.00
N. BPW-Replace 1986 Bobcat-Unit #23 w/Same	\$72,000.00
O. BPW-Replace Ford Tractor-Unit #1920 w/Same	\$44,000.00
P. BPW-Parking at Livesey Park	\$70,000.00

And that to meet this appropriation \$711,190 shall be transferred from Surplus Revenue/ Free Cash, \$216,000 be transferred from Overlay Reserve, and to pay costs of the Fiber Connectivity for all Town Departments Project, Fairhaven High School Gymnasium Dehumidification Project and the COA/Recreation-Replace HVAC system at Senior/ Rec Center, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$638,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of therefor and any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

#### **ARTICLE 15: ROADWORK – FY19**

By majority vote, the sum of \$350,000 to be appropriated from surplus revenue (Free Cash) and that the Board of Public Works is authorized to expend these funds in aggregate without regards to individual line items so long as the expenditures do not exceed the amount so appropriated.

A) Hope Avenue

C) Bluepoint Road

D) Ebony Street

A. **Hope Avenue – Reconstruct, hard-surface and install drainage on Hope Avenue from Adams Street to Francis Street.**

B. Billy's Way – Reconstruct and hard-surface Billy's Way from Sconticut Neck Road westerly approximately 600 feet.

C. **Bluepoint Road – Reconstruct, hard-surface and install drainage on Bluepoint Road from Almond Street to Fir Street.**

D. **Ebony Street – Reconstruct, hard-surface and install drainage on Ebony Street from Causeway Road southerly approximately 350 feet.- with the removal of the 300 foot limitation**

E. Ebony Street – Reconstruct, hard-surface and install drainage on Ebony Street from Causeway Road to Gull Island Road approximately 2000 feet.

F. Fir Street – Reconstruct, hard-surface and install drainage on Fir Street from Causeway Road to Blue Point Road a distance of approximately 1000 feet, more or less

G. Gifford Street– Reconstruct and hard-surface Gifford Street from Farmfield Street to Gifford Street.

#### **ARTICLE 16 – STATE AID TO HIGHWAYS – FY19**

A. By majority vote, it was voted 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, or take any other action relative thereto.

B. Also voted to appropriate and transfer from available funds a sum of money estimated to be \$519,997 for capital improvements on local roads, subject to the conditions detailed by the Massachusetts Highway Department pursuant to the MGLS and Transportation Department's Chapter 90 Guidelines, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 17: FUNDING CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND – FY19**

By majority vote, it was voted the sum of \$841,217 in Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) and the sum of \$341,410 from reimbursement from the state for school capital projects, be deposited in the Capital Stabilization Fund as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws

**ARTICLE 18: AMBULANCE STABILIZATION – FY19**

By majority vote, the sum of \$50,000 be appropriated from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation to the Ambulance Stabilization Fund.

**ARTICLE 19: WATER ENTERPRISE CAPITAL PLAN – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted to appropriate the sum of \$285,000 from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to pay the costs of the following Capital Equipment/Projects, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto:

A. Fiber Optic Connectivity Project (Water Ent. portion):	\$40,000
B. New Dump Truck	\$75,000
C. Water Rate Software	\$20,000
D. Meter Evaluation	\$150,000

and moved additionally that the Board of Public Works is authorized to expend these funds in aggregate without regards to individual line items so long as the expenditures do not exceed \$285,000 in Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings.

**ARTICLE 20: SEWER ENTERPRISE CAPITAL PLAN – FY19**

By 2/3rds vote, the town voted to appropriate \$981,000 in the Sewer Enterprise Fund to pay the costs of the following Capital Equipment/Projects including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto:

A. Fiber Optic Connectivity Project (Sewer Ent. Portion):	
\$35,000	
B. Treatment Plant Nitrogen Removal Upgrade Planning Studies	\$180,000
C. West Island Treatment Plant Improvements	\$700,000
D. Pump Replacement at Abby Pump Station	\$30,000
E. Replacement of Portable Pump Station	\$36,000

And that to meet this appropriation \$281,000 shall be transferred from Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings, and to pay costs of the West Island Treatment Plant Improvements, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$700,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of therefor and any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount and moved additionally that the Board of Public Works is authorized



to expend these funds in aggregate without regards to individual line items so long as the expenditures do not exceed \$281,000 in Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and \$700,000 in borrowing.

## **ARTICLE 21: COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

### **APPROPRIATIONS -FY19**

By 2/3rds vote, the Town voted to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund annual revenues or available funds the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for community preservation projects, committee's administrative expenses, and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2019, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.

- A. Move Adoption and to Reserve for future appropriations \$45,000 from estimated FY19 receipts for acquisition, creation, and preservation of Open Space, and its rehabilitation and restoration.
  - B. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$40,000 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Fairhaven Housing Authority – Green Meadows Window Replacement Project.
  - C. Move adoption and to appropriate \$150,000 from FY19 estimated Receipts for the Stratford Capital Group – Oxford School Residences provided that all other funding necessary to close on the project has been obtained and is in place.
  - D. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$15,000 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Board of Selectmen – Town Hall Handicap Door Openers.
  - E. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$86,000 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Library – Exterior Window Restoration Project.
  - F. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$2,000 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Historical Commission – Fire Museum – Gutter Project.
  - G. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$7,000 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Historical Commission – Old Stone School – Roof Project.
  - H. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$18,500 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Bell Committee – Revere Bell Restoration & Permanent Display Project
- NOTE: By show of hands, Section H was defeated– 89 against and 88 for ,***
- I. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$92,000 with \$6,500 from FY19 Estimated Receipts and \$85,500 from Existing Fund Balance for the Board of Selectmen – Library Sidewalk –Walnut Street Project.
  - J. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$7,500 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for the Recreation Center/Wellness Committee – Bike Path Fitness Stations
  - K. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$13,500 from FY19 Estimated Receipts for administrative services and operating expenses provided in support of the

Community Preservation Committee.

**ARTICLE 22: REVOLVING FUNDS – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted to authorize and/or re-authorize the following Revolving Accounts under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 E1/2 under the following terms:

<b>Revolving Fund</b>	<b>Authorized to Spend</b>	<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>FY18 Limit</b>
Hazardous Materials	Fire Chief	Disposal fees/charges	\$100,000
Sustainability	Sustainability/ Green Committee	Fees/charges	\$10,000
Hoppy's Landing	Board of Selectmen or Town Administrator	Fees/charges from users of Hoppy's Landing	\$25,000
Town Hall Auditorium	Town Administrator	Town Hall auditorium rental fees	\$2,000
Park Utilities	Board of Public Works	User fees	\$2,000
Wellness	Wellness Committee	Fees, BCBS reimbursements, vendors	\$2,500

**ARTICLE 23: SOCIAL DAY CARE CENTER – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted to authorize the Fairhaven Council on Aging to expend in the Fiscal Year 2019 a sum of money not to cumulatively exceed \$160,000.00 from the Fairhaven Supportive Social Day Program Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a Social Day Program for Senior Citizens or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 24: PROPAGATION OF SHELLFISH-FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 from available funds for the propagation of shellfish, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 25: MAINT TO ROGERS AND OXFORD SCHOOL BUILDINGS – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted the sum of \$8,000 be raised on the Tax Levy to maintain the vacant Rogers and Oxford Schools, including repairs, electricity, telephone, security, alarms, and any other associated costs or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 26: CULTURAL COUNCIL FUNDING – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted the sum of \$2,500 be raised on the Tax Levy.

**ARTICLE 27: WATERWAYS RULES AND REGULATIONS FUNDING – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted the sum of \$10,000 be transferred from the Waterway's Fund to cover the cost of hiring a consultant to review the town's existing by-laws and regulations governing moorings, docking, landings, revenue sources, aquaculture, policing, environmental protection and other governing documents and to recommend changes and improvements that would provide for a coordinated, consistent and comprehensive regulatory approach to the Town's waterways management, or take any other action relative thereto,

**ARTICLE 28: WIND TURBINE ELECTRICITY PURCHASE – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted the sum of \$700,000 be raised on the Tax Levy to purchase electricity generated by Fairhaven Wind. Revenue generated from Eversource for the wind turbines power purchase will be deposited into the Town Treasury and will offset expenditures made under this appropriation, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 29: SENIOR TAX WORK-OFF PROGRAM – FY19**

By majority vote, the town voted to continue the provisions of MGL, Chapter 59, Section 5C-Senior Work for a total authorization of \$10,000 or take any other relative thereto

**ARTICLE 30: TRANSFER FROM SURPLUS REVENUE-FY19**

*Moved to Pass Over*

**ARTICLE 31: AMEND TOWN BY-LAW CHAPTER 141. LICENCES AND PERMITS**

By majority vote, the town voted to amend Chapter 141-1, Denial or revocation of license for failure to pay taxes, Section A, by adding and striking as follows:

A- The Tax Collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges (hereinafter referred to as the "Tax Collector") shall annually, **and may periodically**, furnish to each department, board, commission or division (hereinafter referred to as the "licensing authority") that issues licenses or permits, including renewals and transfers, a list of the persons, corporations or business enterprises (hereinafter referred to as the "party") that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges **for not less than a twelve-month period**, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the Appellate Tax Board.

## **ARTICLE 32: ADOPT TOWN BY-LAW: STRETCH ENERGY CODE**

By majority vote, the town voted to adopt the Town of Fairhaven General By-laws, entitled "Stretch Energy Code" for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, with an effective date of July 1, 2018 as follows:

### **1. Definitions**

International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) - The International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) is a building energy code created by the International Code Council. It is a model code adopted by many state and municipal governments in the United States for the establishment of minimum design and construction requirements for energy efficiency, and is updated on a three-year cycle. The baseline energy conservation requirements of the MA State Building Code are the IECC with Massachusetts amendments, as approved by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards.

Stretch Energy Code - Codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts building code, the Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts building code, based on further amendments to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to improve the energy efficiency of buildings built to this code.

### **2. Purpose**

The purpose of 780 CMR 115.AA is to provide a more energy efficient alternative to the Base Energy Code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for new buildings.

### **3. Applicability**

This code applies to residential and commercial buildings. Buildings not included in this scope shall comply with 780 CMR 115.AA, as indicated.

### **4. Stretch Code**

The Stretch Code, as codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA, including any future editions, amendments or modifications, is herein incorporated by reference into the Town of Fairhaven General Bylaws.

The Stretch Code is enforceable by the inspector of buildings or building commissioner and effective as of July 1, 2018

## **ARTICLE 33: Authorization To Petition The Legislature To Amend The Town Administrator Act To Provide That The Town Clerk Shall Be Appointed By The Town Administrator**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the board of selectmen to petition the general court for special legislation in the form set forth below, placing the office of the town clerk within the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen, providing for the appointment of the town clerk by the town administrator, and further clarifying the authority of the town administrator with regard to vacancies in town offices, and the appointment of assistant town officers; and provided further that the general court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, and may make such substantive changes to the bill as have been approved by the board of selectmen, the board of selectmen being authorized by this vote of the Town to approve changes to the bill which are within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition; or take any other action relative thereto.

### **An Act Authorizing the Town Administrator of the Town of Fairhaven to Appoint the Town Clerk for the Town of Fairhaven**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1, 1B, 13, 14, and 19 of chapter 41 of the general laws, or of any other general or special law to the contrary, there shall be an appointed town clerk in the town of Fairhaven who shall be under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen for the town of Fairhaven, and shall otherwise have all the powers and duties vested by law in said office. The town clerk shall be appointed and may be removed, and any vacancy in such office shall be filled in like manner, by the Fairhaven town administrator pursuant to this act and to chapter 381 of the acts of 2014, as amended by section \_\_\_ of chapter \_\_\_ of the acts of 2018.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, if an officer under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen of the town of Fairhaven fails to give a bond required by law, the town administrator may declare the office vacant and fill the vacancy by a temporary or permanent appointment pursuant to this act and to chapter 381 of the acts of 2014, as amended by section \_\_\_ of chapter \_\_\_ of the acts of 2018.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the head of each department under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen of the town of Fairhaven, with the approval of the town administrator, shall appoint and remove such assistants as are provided for by law, as well as department staff within their respective departments, pursuant to this act and to chapter 381 of the acts of 2014, as amended by section \_\_\_ of chapter \_\_\_ of the acts of 2018

SECTION 4. Section 2 of chapter 381 of the acts of 2014, as amended by section \_\_\_ of chapter \_\_\_ of the acts of 2018, is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (e) thereof and inserting in its place the following subsection:-

(e) Manage and direct the daily reporting and supervision of all town departments under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen, including: *the town clerk*, assessors, building commission, council on aging, police, civil defense, animal control officer, gas inspector, plumbing inspector, wiring inspector and weights and measures inspector, recreation, tree, planning, finance, finance director, collector, treasurer, accounting, veterans, town counsel, other committees appointed by and under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen and

the fire department, subject to section 42 of chapter 48 of the General Laws, but not including the school department or the public works department.

SECTION 5. Said section 2 of chapter 381 of the acts of 2014, as amended by section \_\_\_\_ of chapter \_\_\_\_ of the acts of 2018 is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (i) thereof and inserting in its place the following subsection:-

(i) With the approval of the board of selectmen, appoint and remove all department heads under the direct control of the town administrator. *If an officer so appointed fails to give a bond required by law, the town administrator may declare the office vacant and fill the vacancy by a temporary or permanent appointment.* Each department head, with the approval of the town administrator, shall appoint and remove *such assistants as are provided for by law*, as well as department staff within their respective departments. All appointments shall be based entirely on merit and fitness. All appointments and terminations shall be conducted in accordance with the General Laws, personnel policies, by-laws of the town of Fairhaven and any applicable employment contracts; provided, that fire department appointments shall also be subject to section 42 of chapter 48 of the General Laws.

SECTION 6. Any incumbent elected to the office of town clerk for the town of Fairhaven and serving at the time of the passage of this act shall continue to hold said office and to perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the term for which said individual was elected or until said individual otherwise vacates such office.

SECTION 7. Except as set forth in Section 6 hereof, this act shall take effect upon its passage.

**BY SHOW OF HANDS, THIS ARTICLE WAS POSTPONED.**

**ARTICLE 34: ACCEPT M.G.L., CHAPTER 90, SECTION 17C AND SECTION 18B**

To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Chapter 90, Section 17C that provides for the Board of Selectmen in the interests of public safety to establish a speed limit of 25 miles per hour on any roadway inside a thickly settled or business district and Section 18B that provides for the Board of Selectmen in the interests of public safety establish designated safety zones on, at or near any way in Fairhaven which is not a state highway and with the approval of the Department of Transportation if the same is a state highway and, furthermore, such safety zones shall be posted as having a speed limit of 20 miles per hour, or take any other action relative thereto

**ARTICLE 35: CITIZEN PETITION-STREET ACCEPTANCE-DOANE COURT**

*Moved to Pass Over*

**ARTICLE 36: CITIZEN PETITION-AMENDMENT TO ZONING MAP-HUTTLESTON AVENUE, ASSESSOR'S MAP 31-LOTS 115A AND LOTS 117C.**

By 2/3rds vote, the town voted to amend the Zoning Map as follows: Rezone the following described lots from Single Residence Districts (RA) to Apartment/Multifamily Districts (RC); Assessor's Map 31, Lot 115A, and from Business Districts (B) to

Apartment/Multifamily Districts (RC): Assessor’s Map 31, Lot 117C, as described in the Bristol County Register of Deeds Book 4359, Page 233, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 37: CITIZEN PETITION-AMENDMENT TO ZONING MAP-273  
ALDEN ROAD, ASSESSOR’S MAP 37A, LOT 538**

By 2/3rds vote, the town voted to amend the Zoning Map as follows: Rezone the following described lot from Business (B) to Single Residence District (RA): Assessor’s Map 37A, Lot 538 and as described in the Bristol County Registry of Deeds Book 4050, Page 149, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 38: AMEND TOWN BY-LAW, CHAPTER 206, PART 1: ANIMAL  
CONTROL FEES**

By majority vote, the town voted vote to amend Chapter 206, Part 1, of the Town Bylaws, Animal Control Fees by adding and striking as follows:

**Fee structure.**

The animal control fee structure is as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Boarding fee	\$25 per day
<b><u>Adoption fees</u></b>	
Adult cat	\$150-200
Kitten	\$180
Dog	\$250-300

**ARTICLE 39: ACCEPT M.G.L. CHAPTER 64N, SECTION 3: LOCAL SALES  
TAX ON RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA.**

By majority vote, the town voted to accept section 3 of Chapter 64N of the General Laws, and to establish the rate for the local sales tax upon sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer, in the amount of three (3) percent.

**ARTICLE 40: OTHER BUSINESS**

None

Motion to adjourn sine die at 12:39 on Saturday, May 5, 2018. Seconded.

Eileen M. Lowney  
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018**  
**WALTER SILVEIRA AUDITORIUM – ELIZ. HASTINGS**  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**TOWN MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT 166 – QUORUM**  
**REQUIRED 100**

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7:00 PM.

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

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.

Voted that all appropriations voted at this town meeting be transferred from Surplus Revenue unless otherwise specified. Seconded.

Town meeting members present:	Precinct 1 – 38
	Precinct 2 – 28
	Precinct 3 – 14
	Precinct 4 – 28
	Precinct 5 – 32
	<u>Precinct 6 – 26</u>
	TOTAL 166

**ARTICLE 1 – FUNDING FOR REPAIR OF CEILING ASSESSORS OFFICE**

By majority vote, the town voted to transfer \$50,000 from General Fund Surplus Revenue to repair the ceiling in the Assessors' Office at Town Hall, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 2. FUNDING FOR REPAIR OF SEWER PIPE AT FIRE/POLICE STATION**

By majority vote, the town voted to transfer \$147,000 from General Fund Surplus Revenue to repair/replace a sewer pipe at the Fire/Police Station, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 3. FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT OF HANDHELD METER READERS**

By majority vote, the town voted to transfer \$75,000 from Water Retained Earning to replace hand held meter readers, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 4. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR DOORWAY RESTORATION & HANDICAP ACCESS PROJECT AT THE ACADEMY BUILDING**

By majority vote, the town voted to amend Article 31, "Community Preservation Program Appropriation –FY18", Section F, "Historical Commission-Academy Building-Doorway Restoration &Handicap Access Project" of the May 6, 2017 Annual Town Meeting by adding an additional \$45,000 to the existing appropriation of \$119,000 to be paid from General Fund Surplus Revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.



**ARTICLE 5. AMENDED FY 19 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET**

By majority vote, the town voted to adopt the following amendments to Article 10 of the May 5, 2018 Annual Town Meeting “General Fund Operating Budget-FY19”

Line Items	FY19 Budget	Amendment	Revised FY19 Budget
Selectmen/Town Adm: Salaries/Wages	\$275,698	\$3,449	\$279,147
Human Resources: Salary/Wages	\$111,566	\$7,518	\$119,084
Town Accountant: Salary/Wages	\$124,370	\$9,315	\$133,685
Finance Dir (Treas/Coll): Salaries/Wages	\$344,494	\$2,986	\$347,480
Assessors: Salaries/Wages	\$155,502	\$11,860	\$167,362
Town Hall: Salaries/Wages	\$58,107	\$884	\$58,991
Planning and Eco Dev: Salaries & Wages	\$109,385	\$1,274	\$110,659
Board of Appeals: Salaries & Wages	\$2,623	\$49	\$2,672
Cons Comm/Sustain: Salaries/Wages	\$56,375	\$3,011	\$59,386
Police Dept.: Salaries & Wages	\$3,491,654	\$13,360	\$3,505,014
Fire Dept: Salaries & Wages	\$2,277,233	\$17,397	\$2,294,630
Building Dept.: Salaries & Wages	\$164,788	\$2,717	\$167,505
Marine Resources: Salaries & Wages	\$127,259	\$5,579	\$132,838
Public Works Adm: Salaries/Wages	\$185,797	\$3,654	\$189,451
Tree Warden Dept.: Salaries & Wages	\$38,664	\$1,235	\$39,899
Board of Health: Salaries & Wages	\$136,509	\$5,166	\$141,675
Council on Aging: Salaries & Wages	\$149,581	\$9,795	\$159,376
Recreation: Salaries & Wages	\$164,992	\$14,444	\$179,436
Office of Tourism: Salaries & Wages	<u>\$58,953</u>	<u>\$8,623</u>	<u>\$67,576</u>
<b>WAGE AND SALARY RESERVE</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$122,315</b>	<b>\$27,685</b>

**ARTICLE 6. AMENDED FY 19 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET**

By majority vote, the town voted to amend Article 12 of the May 5, 2018 Annual Town Meeting “Sewer Enterprise Fund Operating Budget-FY19, by transferring \$6,847 from Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Sewer Salaries and Wages for a revised budget of \$1,000,545.

**ARTICLE 7. BILLS OF PRIOR YEARS**

By 9/10ths vote, the town voted to authorize the payment of the following bills of the Prior Years from General Fund Surplus Revenue:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Petitioner</u>
Assoc. Phys. Of HMFP@BIDMC	\$61.34	Fire Chief
Dr. Brian Bowcock D.C.	\$665.19	Fire Chief
Southcoast Physicians Group	\$282.04	Fire Chief
Cape Medical Supply, Inc.	\$82.99	Fire Chief
Stewart Medical Group-St. Anne's Hosp.	\$2,322.90	Police Chief
Staples	\$54.68	Health Agent

(Motion was made to move Article 9 from its original position and to insert it after Article 7 – Seconded)

#### ARTICLE 9. ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT: CONSOLIDATED MARIJUANA ZONING.

By 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote, the Town of Fairhaven voted to amend the Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw as follows: (Deletions shown in strike-through and new text shown as underlined.)

1. By deleting §198-29.7, Medical Marijuana Facilities, in its entirety, and replacing it with a new §198-29.7, Marijuana Establishments, as follows: 198-29.7 - MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

##### A. Purpose

The purpose of this section of the Zoning Bylaw is to permit Marijuana Establishments to operate and be located in such a way as to protect the health and safety of Fairhaven residents, as well as patients seeking treatment and customers seeking to purchase marijuana for recreational use, while minimizing adverse impacts on adjacent properties, residential neighborhoods, schools, and other sensitive locations, by regulating the siting, design, placement, security, modification and removal of such uses.

##### B. Applicability

- 1) Definitions. See Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G, Section 1, Chapter 94I, Section 1, and the 18 regulations promulgated thereunder, as they may be amended, as well as Section 198-33, Definitions and Word Use, of the Fairhaven Zoning Bylaws for further definitions of applicable terms.
- 2) Severability. If any provision of this Chapter or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid, the remainder of this Chapter, to the extent it can be given effect, or the application of those provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this Chapter are severable.
- 3) Special Permit. All Marijuana Establishments shall be permitted by Special Permit pursuant to this section and Site Plan Review pursuant to §198-29. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall be the Planning Board.

A Special Permit granted under this section of the Zoning Bylaws shall have a term

limited to the duration of the applicant's continued use of the premises for a Marijuana Establishment licensed by the state. Any new or additional license, or a transfer of an existing license to a new owner, shall require a new Special Permit pursuant to the Fairhaven Zoning Bylaws.

- 4) A special permit issued prior to November 13, 2018, allowing the use of premises for a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center shall remain in effect subject to its own terms and conditions; provided that any subsequent change in use, including the use of the premises for an additional or different form of Marijuana Establishment, or for the expansion or alteration of the existing Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, or a change in ownership of the licensed establishment, shall be subject to the terms of this section.

C. Eligible Locations for Marijuana Establishments

- (1) Marijuana Establishments may be allowed by Special Permit from the Planning Board only in the Medical Marijuana Overlay District provided the facility meets the requirements of this Chapter.
- (2) Medical Marijuana Overlay District shall be comprised of the following Map and Lot numbers: Map 24: Lots 16, 16A, 18; Map 26: Lots 62, 62A, 63, 71, 71A, 72; Map 30A: Lots 86A, 86C, 86D, 86H; Map 36: Lots 13, 14, 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F, 14K, 14N, 15, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 15E, 15G, 15J. A map of the over lay district is also on file at the Town Clerk's Office and the Planning Board's Office.

D. Limit on the Number of Special Permits for Marijuana Retailers

- 1) No new Special Permit shall be issued if the resulting number of Special Permits for Marijuana Retailers within the Town exceeds the smallest whole number which is not less than twenty per cent (20%) of the number of liquor licenses for off premises alcohol consumption issued within the Town pursuant to Chapter 138, § 15 of the General Laws. Special Permits previously granted for Marijuana Retailer shall not be affected by a change in the number of liquor licenses for off premises alcohol consumption.
- 2) All Marijuana Establishments are prohibited from offering marijuana or marijuana products for consumption on the premises of a Marijuana Establishment.

E. Limit on the Number of Special Permits for Adult Use Marijuana Establishment Licenses other than Marijuana Retailers

No new Special Permits shall be issued if the resulting number of Special Permits for each particular type of adult use Marijuana Establishment, except Marijuana Retailers, exceeds the number of licensed Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers permitted in the Town. Special Permits previously granted each particular type of adult use Marijuana Establishment, except Marijuana Retailers, shall not be affected by a change in the number of licensed Medical

Marijuana Treatment Centers permitted in the Town.

F. Application Requirements. Above and beyond the standard application requirements for Special Permits and Site Plan Review approval, an application for a use under this section shall include the following:

- 1) The name and address of each owner of the facility/operation;
- 2) Copies of all documentation demonstrating appropriate application status under state law, or registration or license, issued to the applicant by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and any of its agencies for the facility;
- 3) Evidence that the Applicant has site control and the right to use the site for a facility in the form of a deed or valid purchase and sale agreement, or, in the case of a lease, a notarized statement from the property owner and a copy of the lease agreement;
- 4) A notarized statement signed by the organization's Chief Executive Officer and corporate attorney, if any, disclosing all of its designated representatives, including officers and directors, shareholders, partners, members, managers, directors, officers, or other similarly-situated individuals and entities and their addresses. If any of the above are entities rather than persons, the Applicant must disclose the identity of all such responsible individual persons;
- 5) A Security Plan, approved by the Cannabis Control Commission as part of the issuance of a Provisional License, to be approved by the Police and Fire Departments prior to the issuance of a Special Permit, with details showing all exterior proposed security measures for the premises, including lighting, fencing, gates and alarms, etc. ensuring the safety of employees and patrons and protecting the premises from theft or other criminal activity;
- 6) A Management Plan, including a description of all activities to occur on site, including all provisions for the delivery of marijuana and related products to Marijuana Establishments or off-site direct delivery consistent with state law and regulations;
- 7) A Resource Plan, for all marijuana cultivators, shall be submitted to the Planning Board and the Board of Health to demonstrate best practices for waste disposal, use of energy, water, and other common resources, and to ensure that there will be no undue damage to the natural environment. The Resources Plan shall include an electrical system overview, proposed energy demand and proposed electrical demand off-sets, ventilation system and air quality, proposed water system and utility demand;
- 8) A Traffic Impact Report shall be required for all Marijuana Establishments. The Planning Board may require a traffic study if in their determination one is

warranted because of public safety concerns.

#### G. Special Permit Requirements for Marijuana Establishments

##### 1) General Requirements

- a) Marijuana Establishments shall comply with applicable State and local laws, regulations, bylaws, codes, conditions and agreements with the Town.
  - b) An approved Host Community Agreement shall be required prior to the granting of a Special Permit for a Marijuana Establishment.
  - c) Marijuana Establishments shall maintain all permits and licenses required by State and local laws. Any voiding, revocation or suspension of the Marijuana Establishment's Cannabis Control Commission license shall result in an automatic suspension of the Special Permit, pending hearing or the opportunity therefore afforded to the Marijuana Establishment by the CCC, and pending determination by the Planning Board during a regularly scheduled public meeting that the Marijuana Establishment has cured any violation with State laws and is duly licensed by and in good standing with the CCC.
  - d) A violation of the Host Community Agreement shall result in automatic suspension of the Special Permit and may result in the revocation of the Special Permit.
  - e) A Special Permit may also be revoked under the following circumstances:
    - i. Upon determination by the Building Commissioner that the permit holder is no longer operating under the Special Permit and its conditions or under the requirements of this bylaw, or that the use has been abandoned;
    - ii. The applicant has failed to report annually as required under this bylaw, or on the schedule approved as part of a Special Permit;
    - iii. Upon request by the permit holder of a desire to cease operations.
  - f) The process for revoking a Special Permit shall be as follows:
    - i. Determination of violation, abandonment, or other cause for revocation by the Building Commissioner;
    - ii. Notice sent by the Building Commissioner to the permit holder and the Planning Board;
    - iii. Vote of the Planning Board to either continue or revoke/terminate the Special Permit;
  - iv. Record notice of revocation/termination in the Registry of Deeds.
- 2) Use Regulations.
    - a) No smoking, burning, consumption or use of Marijuana or Marijuana Products shall be permitted on the premises of a Marijuana Establishment.
    - b) Marijuana manufacturing or extraction shall not be done in any building

containing residential units including transient housing such as motels and dormitories, assembly, educational, health care, ambulatory health care, residential board and care, motels, or detention and correctional facilities, or inside a movable or mobile structure such as a van or truck.

- c) The hours of operation shall be set by the Planning Board as a condition of the Special Permit.
  - d) Marijuana Establishment operations shall not create nuisance conditions in parking areas, sidewalks, streets and areas surrounding its premises and adjacent properties. "Nuisance" includes, but is not limited to, disturbances of the peace, open public consumption of Marijuana, excessive pedestrian or vehicular traffic, odors emanating from the Marijuana Establishment's premises, lighting trespass on adjacent properties, illegal drug activity under State or local law, harassment of passersby, excessive littering, excessive loitering, illegal parking, excessive loud noises, excessive citation for violations of State traffic laws and regulations and/or Transportation Division Rules and Regulations, queuing of patrons (vehicular or pedestrian) in or other obstructions of the public way (sidewalks and streets), collisions between vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians, lewd conduct or police detentions and arrests.
  - e) Marijuana Establishments are prohibited from use of on-site self-service displays. Self-service displays are defined to mean displays from which customers may select Marijuana or Marijuana Products without assistance from an employee or store personnel, and include vending machines.
  - f) The proposed use shall not display on-premises signage or other marketing on the exterior of the building or in any manner visible from the public way, which may promote or encourage the use of marijuana or other drugs by minors.
- 3) Locational and Physical Requirements
- a) All Marijuana Establishments' licensed operations must take place within a building at a fixed location and shall not be visible from the exterior of the business.
  - b) Marijuana Establishments may cultivate, process, test, store and manufacture Marijuana or Marijuana Products only within an area that is enclosed and secured in a manner that prevents access by persons not permitted by the Marijuana Establishment to access the area.
  - c) No outside storage of marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials is permitted.
  - d) All business signage, marketing, advertising, and branding shall be subject to the requirements promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission and the requirements of the Fairhaven Zoning Bylaws and Sign Code. In the case of a conflict, the stricter requirement shall apply.

- e) The gross floor area of Marijuana Establishments accessible to patients or customers, and not including space dedicated to administration or operations and accessible only to employees of the facility, shall be no greater than the following:
  - i. Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers: 4,500 square feet
  - ii. Marijuana Retailers: 2,500 square feet
- f) Ventilation. All facilities shall be ventilated in such a manner that:
  - i. No pesticides, insecticides or other chemicals or products used in the cultivation or processing are dispersed into the outside atmosphere; and
  - ii. No odor from marijuana or its processing can be detected by a person with an unimpaired and otherwise normal sense of smell at the exterior of the Marijuana Establishment or at any adjoining use or property.

#### 4) Reporting Requirements.

- a) All Special Permit holders for uses under this section shall provide the Police Department, Fire Department, Building Commissioner, Board of Health, and Special Permit Granting Authority with the names, phone numbers, mailing and email addresses of all management staff and key-holders, including a minimum of two (2) operators or managers of the facilities identified as designated contact persons to whom notice should be made if there are operating problems associated with any use under this section. All such contact information shall be updated as needed to keep it current and accurate
- b) One of the two designated contact persons shall notify the Police Department, Fire Department, Building Commissioner, Board of Health and Special Permit Granting Authority in writing a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to any change in ownership or management of a facility regulated under this section.
- c) The designated representatives of permitted facilities shall file an annual report with the Special Permit Granting Authority and shall appear before said Authority to present the report no later than 30 days following renewal of a state license or registration, providing a copy of all current applicable state licenses for the owners and facilities, to demonstrate continued compliance with the conditions of the Special Permit. If there is a notice of deficiencies or violations said notice shall be included with the Annual Report.
- d) The designated contact persons shall be required to respond by phone or email within twenty-four (24) hours of the time of contact and inquiry regarding operation of the facility by a town official to the telephone number or email address provided as the contact for the business.
- 5) Discontinuance of Use. Any Marijuana Establishment permitted under this section shall be required to remove all marijuana and marijuana products, equipment and other paraphernalia by the earlier of:

- a) immediately following the expiration, revocation or voiding of its state issued license or permit or
- b) within 120 days of ceasing operations.

H. Findings. In addition to the findings required under Section 198-29 of the Zoning Bylaw and meeting the provisions of all other applicable sections of this Bylaw, the Planning Board shall not issue a Special Permit for a Marijuana Establishment unless it finds that the use as proposed:

- 1) Does not contravene the limit on the number of Special Permits that may be granted.
- 2) Meets all of the permitting requirements of all applicable agencies within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and will as proposed be in compliance with all applicable state laws and regulations.
- 3) Meets all the applicable conditions and requirements as set forth in this Chapter.
- 4) Will provide copies of registrations and licenses and a copy of a signed Host Community Agreement with the Town of Fairhaven, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 94G and subsequent regulations, including 935 CMR 500, to the Building Commissioner prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
- 5) Is designed to minimize adverse visual impacts on abutters and other parties in interest.
- 6) Provides a secure waiting area, as required by state law or regulations.
- 7) Provides adequate security measures to ensure that no individual or group participant will pose a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals, and that the storage and/or location of cultivation of marijuana is adequately secured in enclosed, locked facilities.
- 8) Adequately addresses issues of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, circulation, parking and queuing, especially during peak periods at the facility, and adequately mitigates the impacts of vehicular and pedestrian traffic on neighboring uses.
- 9) Adequately demonstrates best practices with regard to the use of energy, water, waste disposal and other common resources, with no undue damage to the natural environment.

2. And by amending §198-33, Definitions and Word Use, by deleting the definitions of "Marijuana" and "Marijuana for Medical Use," and inserting new definitions as follows:

MARIJUANA – The same substance defined as “marihuana” under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 94C, as amended from time to time. [Added 2-12-2014 STM by Art. 8]

MARIJUANA FOR MEDICAL USE – Marijuana that is designated and restricted for use by, and for the benefit of, Qualifying Patients in the treatment of Debilitating Medical Conditions as set forth in the provisions of M.G.L. c. 94C, as amended from time to time. [Added 2-12-2014 STM by Art. 8]



MARIJUANA — All parts of any plant of the genus *Cannabis*, not excepted below and whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; and resin extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin including tetrahydrocannabinol as defined in section 1 of chapter 94C; provided, however, that “Marijuana” shall not include (1) the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil, or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt derivative, mixture or preparation of the mature stalks, fiber, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant or the sterilized seed of the plant that is incapable of germination; (2) hemp; or (3) the weight of any other ingredient combined with Marijuana to prepare topical or oral administrations, food, drink or other products. Marijuana also includes Marijuana Products except where the context clearly indicates otherwise.

a. Hemp — The plant of the genus *Cannabis* or any part of the plant, whether growing or not, with a delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that does not exceed 0.3 per cent on a dry weight basis of any part of the plant of the genus *Cannabis*, or per volume or weight of Marijuana product, or the combined per cent of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid in any part of the plant of the genus *Cannabis* regardless of moisture content.

MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT — A Marijuana Retailer, Marijuana Product Manufacturer, Marijuana Cultivator, Craft Marijuana Cultivator Cooperative, Independent Testing Laboratory, Standards Laboratory, Research Facility, Marijuana Micro-business, Marijuana Transporter, or any other type of Marijuana-related business, including a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, that has been duly licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission or relevant State agency.

a. Marijuana Retailer — An entity licensed to purchase and transport cannabis or marijuana product from Marijuana Establishments; and to sell or otherwise transfer this product to Marijuana Establishments; and to sell this product to consumers. Retailers are prohibited from delivering cannabis or marijuana products to consumers; and from offering cannabis or marijuana products for the purposes of on-site social consumption on the premises of a Marijuana Establishment. A Marijuana Retailer is an entity authorized to purchase and deliver marijuana and marijuana products from Marijuana Establishments and to sell or otherwise transfer marijuana and marijuana products to Marijuana Establishments and to consumers.

b. Medical Marijuana Treatment Center — An entity registered by the State under 105 CMR 725.100 that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as edible Marijuana products, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers Marijuana, products containing Marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to registered qualifying patients or their

personal caregivers for medical use. Unless otherwise specified, RMD refers to the site(s) of dispensing, cultivation, and preparation of cannabis or marijuana for medical use.

**MARIJUANA PRODUCTS** —Products that have been manufactured and contain Marijuana or an extract from Marijuana, including concentrated forms of Marijuana and products composed of Marijuana and other ingredients that are intended for use or consumption, including edible products, beverages, topical products, ointments, oils and tinctures.

3. And by amending §198-16, Use Regulation Schedule, COMMERCIAL USES, of the Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw by deleting the "Medical Marijuana Facilities" use and inserting the following new uses, and by amending footnote 21 as follows:

						District		
Activity or Use	RR/RA	RB	RC	P	B	I	AG	MU <sup>14</sup> WRP <sup>16</sup>
Medical Marijuana Facilities								
Marijuana Establishment (except Social Consumption)								
	N	N	N	N	N	A <sup>21</sup>	N	N N
Marijuana Retailer Social Consumption								
	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N N

Footnote 21: May only be allowed by Special Permit from the Planning Board only in the Medical Marijuana Overlay District. Any alterations, additions and/ or changes of an approved Medical Marijuana Facilities Establishment Special Permit shall require a new Special Permit.

4. And by deleting §198-32.3, Temporary Moratoria, Temporary Moratorium on the Sale and Distribution of Recreational Marijuana, in its entirety.

**ARTICLE 8. TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaws by adding the following new section:

"TEMPORARY MORATORIA" and the ensuing parts as proposed herein.

A Temporary Moratorium on the Sale and Distribution of Adult Use Marijuana

(1) Purpose: By vote at the State election on November 8, 2016, the voters of the Commonwealth approved a law regulating the cultivation, distribution, possession and use of marijuana for recreational purposes.

Currently under the Zoning Bylaw, Adult Use Marijuana Establishments are not permitted uses in the Town. Regulations promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission have provided guidance to the Town in regulating Adult Use Marijuana Establishments; however, guidance for On-Site Social Consumption and Delivery Only (to consumers) Retailers, are not expected until February 2019. Further, the ballot measure establishes two important provisions that require action by the Town prior to the adoption of zoning. First, the Town must determine whether, and to what extent, it will exercise local control over Adult Use Marijuana Establishments and second, by ballot that cannot occur prior to November 6, 2018, the next biennial state election, on whether to allow on-site consumption of marijuana products should the Town decide to allow licenses for such facilities.

The regulation of Adult Use Marijuana Establishments raise novel and complex legal, planning, and public safety issues and the Town needs additional time to study and consider the regulation of Adult Use Marijuana Establishments and address such novel and complex issues, as well as to address the potential impact of the State regulations on local zoning and to undertake a planning process to consider amending the Zoning Bylaw regarding the regulation of Adult Use Marijuana Establishments and other uses related to the regulation of recreational marijuana. The Town intends to adopt a temporary moratorium on the use of land and structures in the Town for Adult Use Marijuana Establishments so as to allow the Town sufficient time to engage in a planning process to address the effects of such structures and uses in the Town and to adopt provisions of the Zoning Bylaw in a manner consistent with sound land use planning goals and objectives.

## (2) Definitions

- a) MARIJUANA — As defined or amended by State regulations, all parts of any plant of the genus *Cannabis*, not excepted below and whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; and resin extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin including tetrahydrocannabinol as defined in section 1 of chapter 94C; provided, however, that “Marijuana” shall not include (1) the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil, or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt derivative, mixture or preparation of the mature stalks, fiber, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant or the sterilized seed of the plant that is incapable of germination; (2) hemp; or (3) the weight of any other ingredient combined with Marijuana to prepare topical or oral administrations, food, drink or other products. Marijuana also includes Marijuana Products except where the context clearly indicates otherwise.

1. Marijuana, Hemp — As defined or amended by State regulations, the plant of the genus Cannabis or any part of the plant, whether growing or not, with a delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that does not exceed 0.3 per cent on a dry weight basis of any part of the plant of the genus Cannabis, or per volume or weight of Marijuana product, or the combined per cent of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid in any part of the plant of the genus Cannabis regardless of moisture content.

b) ADULT USE MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT – As defined or amended by State regulations, a Marijuana Retailer, Marijuana Product Manufacturer, Marijuana Cultivator, Independent Testing Laboratory, or any other type of Marijuana-related business that has been duly licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission or relevant State agency.

1. Craft Marijuana Cultivator Cooperative — As defined or amended by State regulations, a Marijuana Cultivator comprised of residents of Massachusetts organized as a limited liability company or limited liability partnership under Massachusetts law, or an appropriate business structure as determined by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, and that is licensed by the Cannabis Control Commission to cultivate, obtain, manufacture, process, package, and brand Marijuana and Marijuana Products to deliver Marijuana to Marijuana Establishments but not to consumers.

2. Marijuana Cultivator – As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to cultivate, process, and package Marijuana, to deliver Marijuana to Marijuana Establishments and to transport Marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers.

3. Delivery-Only Marijuana Retailer — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission that does not provide a retail location accessible to the public, but is authorized to deliver directly from a Marijuana Cultivator facility, Craft Marijuana Cultivator Cooperative facility, Marijuana Product Manufacturer facility, or Micro-Business to consumers.

4. Independent Marijuana Testing Laboratory — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission that is (i) accredited to the most current International Organization for Standardization 17025 by a third-party accrediting body that is a signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Accrediting Cooperation Mutual Recognition Arrangement or that is otherwise approved by the Cannabis Control Commission; (ii) independent financially from any Medical Marijuana Treatment Center or any Cannabis Control Commission licensee or Marijuana Establishment of which it conducts a test; and (iii) qualified to test Marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 500.160 and M.G.L. c. 94C, § 34.

5. Marijuana Micro-Business — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to act as a co-located licensed Tier 1 Marijuana Cultivator of up to 5,000 square feet in accordance with 935 CMR 500.005, Cannabis Control Commission Regulations, and/or a licensed Marijuana Product Manufacturer, in compliance

with operating procedures for each such license and siting requirements for each type of licensee. A Micro-business that is a Marijuana Product Manufacturer may purchase no more than 2,000 pounds of marijuana per year from other Marijuana Establishments.

6. Marijuana Product Manufacturer — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to obtain, manufacture, process and package Marijuana and Marijuana Products, to deliver Marijuana and Marijuana Products to Marijuana Establishments and to transfer Marijuana and Marijuana Products to other Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers.

7. Marijuana Research Facility — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to engage in research projects, including cultivation, purchase or acquisition otherwise of Marijuana for the purpose of conducting research regarding Marijuana and Marijuana Products or any analogous uses. A Marijuana Research Facility may not sell marijuana it has cultivated.

8. Marijuana Retailer — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to purchase and deliver Marijuana and Marijuana Products from Marijuana Establishments and to deliver, sell or otherwise transfer Marijuana and Marijuana Products to Marijuana Establishments and to consumers, providing a retail location accessible to consumers 21 years of age or older or in possession of a registration card demonstrating that the individual is a registered qualifying patient with the Medical Use of Marijuana Program.

9. Social Consumption Marijuana Retailer — As defined or amended by State regulations, a Marijuana Retailer licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission to purchase Marijuana and Marijuana Products from Marijuana Establishments and to sell Marijuana and Marijuana Products on its premises only to consumers or allow consumers to consume Marijuana and Marijuana Products on its premises only.

10. Marijuana Transporter — As defined or amended by State regulations, an entity, not otherwise licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, that is licensed by the Cannabis Control Commission to purchase, obtain and possess Marijuana and Marijuana Products solely for the purpose of transporting, temporary storage, sale and distribution to Marijuana Establishments, not for sale to consumers.

12. Marijuana Standards Laboratory — As defined or amended by State regulations, a laboratory meeting the requirements of the Independent Testing laboratory that is licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission as a Standards Laboratory to ensure consistent and compliant testing by the Independent Testing Laboratories.

### (3) Temporary Moratorium

For the reasons set forth above and notwithstanding any other provision of the Zoning Bylaw to the contrary, the Town hereby adopts

a temporary moratorium on the use of land or structures for Adult Use Marijuana Establishments. The moratorium shall be in effect through June 30, 2019. During the moratorium period, the Town shall undertake a planning process to address the potential impacts of recreation marijuana in the Town, consider the Cannabis Advisory Board regulations regarding Recreational Marijuana Establishments and related uses, determine whether, and to what extent, the Town shall exercise local control over Recreational Marijuana Establishments and shall consider adopting new provisions of the Zoning Bylaw to address the impact and operation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and related uses.

(4) Severability. The provisions of this bylaw are severable. If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this bylaw or the application thereof to any person, establishment, or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this bylaw.

And by amending Section 198-16 of the Town's Zoning By-Law by adding the following entry under the heading COMMERCIAL USES

Adult Use Marijuana\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_N\_\_\_  
Establishments (22)

(22) Subject to moratorium. See Section 198-32.3  
Or take any other action relative thereto  
MOTION FAILED

#### ARTICLE 10. SALE OF ROGERS SCHOOL

By majority vote, the town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the Rogers School Property including three parcels: (1) the school building parcel, (2) former Union Street discontinued between Chestnut Street and Pleasant Street, (3) and a strip of the school yard property abutting the south line of former Union Street and measuring up to 60 feet from north to south along the lines of Chestnut and Pleasant Streets to New England Preservation and Development, LLC 27 Cherry Street, Medford MA or its assignee under the terms and conditions they deem to be in the best interest of the Town

#### ARTICLE 11. REZONING OF ROGERS SCHOOL PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map as follows:  
Rezone the following described property from Single Residence (RA) to Apartment/Multifamily (RC):

That portion of Assessors Map 8, Lot 9, as described in a deed recorded at the Bristol County (S.D.) Registry of Deeds at Book 113, Pages 331 – 333;

Commencing at the northeast corner of the lot, then

Southerly 225.02 feet by the westerly line of Pleasant Street, then

Westerly 250.00 feet in a line running S 82°02'52"W, to the easterly line of Chestnut Street, then  
Northerly 224.64 feet along the easterly line of Chestnut Street, then  
Easterly 250.00 feet along the southerly line of Center Street, to the point of origin,  
Being 56,207 square feet in area;  
or to take any other action relative thereto.  
MOVED TO PASS OVER

**ARTICLE 12. AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE CLAIM AGAINST THE TOWN- ROBERT D. HOBSON.**

By majority vote, the town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to settle a claim of Robert D. Hobson against the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to be paid from General Fund Surplus Revenue or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 13. PETITION THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO CHANGE THE PACKAGE STORE/ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE ISSUED TO TOTAL CONFECTIONS, LLC, 115 HUTTLESTON AVENUE.**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature to amend the Chapter 328 of the Acts of 2012: AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN ISSUING A PACKAGE STORE/ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE TO TOTAL CONFECTIONS, LLC, 115 HUTTLESTON AVENUE IN THE TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN by deleting the following sentence: "This license is non-transferable to a different location, but may grant the license to a new applicant at the same location", or take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION FAILED

**ARTICLE 14. STREET ACCEPTANCE: DOANE COURT**

By majority vote, the town voted to accept the layout of a parcel of land known as Doane Court as a public way as described as follows:

BEING a 0.29- acre tract of land situated in the Town of Fairhaven, County of Bristol, Massachusetts. Being shown as Doane Court on plan titled "Plan of Land, James Street & Harbor View Ave. in Fairhaven, Ma., Scale: 1"=40", Date 06/07/07," Prepared by Michael J. Koska & Associates, Inc. and recorded at the Bristol County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 161, Page 97.

BEGINNING at a concrete bound with a drill hole set at the point of intersection of the easterly right-of-way line of Doane Street with the westerly right-of-way line of Doane Court, said point being SOUTH 89°21'50"EAST a distance of 49.45 feet from a concrete bound with drill hole set found in the easterly right -of-way line of James Street, a 40 foot wide public way.

THENCE SOUTH 03°37'50" EAST a distance of 2.50 feet to a concrete bound with drill hole set;

THENCE NORTH 84°51'39" EAST a distance of 18.19 feet to a point;



THENCE SOUTH 84°21'50" EAST a distance of 15.04 feet to a concrete bound with drill hole set for the point of curvature to the left having a radius of 60.00 feet; THENCE northeasterly along said curve to the left, through a central angle of 320°37'25", an arc distance of 335.76 feet to a concrete bound with drill hole set for the point of intersection; THENCE NORTH 89°21'50" WEST a distance of 43.01 feet to a concrete bound with drill hole set; THENCE SOUTH 04°54'14" EAST a distance of 39.48 feet along the Easterly right of way line of Doane Street to the point of beginning. As shown on plan entitled "Roadway Description Plan, Doane Court, Fairhaven, MASS, dated November 29, 2017, Scale 1"=40' by Michael J. Koska & Associates, Inc., or take any other action relative there to.

#### ARTICLE 15. STREET ACCEPTANCE: REYNOLDS DRIVE

By 2/3rds vote, as amended, the town voted to take by eminent domain or accept as a public way, the layout of that parcel of land known as Reynolds Drive as more fully described by its metes and bounds in Article 15 of the warrant:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERLY SIDELINE OF FARMFIELD STREET AND THE WESTERLY SIDELINE OF GREEN STREET; THENCE

A BEARING OF S 00° 01' 05" E, ALONG THE WESTERLY SIDELINE OF GREEN STREET, DISTANCE OF 328.27' TO A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE

A BEARING OF S 00° 01' 05" E, ALONG THE WESTERLY SIDELINE OF GREEN STREET, 30.00' TO A POINT; THENCE

A BEARING OF S 89° 59' 22" W, ALONG THE SOUTHERN SIDELINE OF REYNOLDS DRIVE, DISTANCE OF 295.81' TO A POINT; THENCE

A BEARING OF N 05° 02' 05" W, ALONG THE EASTERLY SIDELINE OF FORT STREET, DISTANCE OF 30.12' TO A POINT;

A BEARING OF N 89° 52' 22" E, ALONG THE NORTHERLY SIDELINE OF REYNOLDS DRIVE, A DISTANCE OF 298.44' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

As shown on a plan entitled "Street Layout and Acceptance Plan for Reynolds Drive", scale: 1" = 30', dated April 19, 2018 and prepared by GCG Associates, Inc., Wilmington, MA., said Reynolds Drive is 30.00 feet in width and contains 8914 square feet +/-, or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion to adjourn sine die on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 9:22 PM. Seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Hurley  
Acting Town Clerk



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